CSE-505: Programming Languages

Lecture 27 — Higher-Order Polymorphism

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Looking back, looking forward

Have defined System F.

- Metatheory (what properties does it have)
- What (else) is it good for
- How/why ML is more restrictive and implicit
- Recursive types (also use type variables, but differently)
- Existential types (dual to universal types)

Next:

- Type operators and type-level "computations"

System F with Recursive and Existential Types

$$\begin{array}{rcl} e & ::= & c \mid x \mid \lambda x{:}\tau.\ e \mid e\ e \mid \\ & & \Lambda\alpha.\ e \mid e\ [\tau] \mid \\ & & \texttt{pack}_{\exists\alpha.\ \tau}(\tau, e) \mid \texttt{unpack}\ e\ \texttt{as}\ (\alpha, x)\ \texttt{in}\ e \mid \\ & & \texttt{roll}_{\mu\alpha.\ \tau}(e) \mid \texttt{unroll}(e) \\ v & ::= & c \mid \lambda x{:}\tau.\ e \mid \Lambda\alpha.\ e \mid \texttt{pack}_{\exists\alpha.\ \tau}(\tau, v) \mid \texttt{roll}_{\mu\alpha.\ \tau}(v) \end{array}$$

$\boxed{e \to_{\mathsf{cbv}} e'}$

$$\frac{}{(\lambda x{:}\ \tau.\ e_b)\ v_a \to_{\mathsf{cbv}} e_b[v_a/x]} \qquad \frac{e_f \to_{\mathsf{cbv}} e_f'}{e_f\ e_a \to_{\mathsf{cbv}} e_f'\ e_a} \qquad \frac{e_a \to_{\mathsf{cbv}} e_a'}{v_f\ e_a \to_{\mathsf{cbv}} v_f\ e_a'}$$

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Goal

Understand what this interface means and why it matters:

```
type 'a list
val empty   : 'a list
val cons    : 'a -> 'a list -> 'a list
val unlist  : 'a list -> ('a * 'a list) option
val size    : 'a list -> int
val map     : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a list -> 'b list
```

Story so far:

- Recursive types to define list data structure
- Universal types to keep element type abstract in library
- Existential types to keep list type abstract in client

But, "cheated" when abstracting the list type in client: considered just `intlist`.

(Integer) List Library with ∃

List library is an existential package:

$$\begin{array}{l} \texttt{pack}(\mu\xi.\ \textbf{unit} + (\textbf{int} * \xi), \mathit{list\_library}) \\ \texttt{as}\ \exists L.\ \{\textbf{empty} : L; \\ \qquad \textbf{cons} : \textbf{int} \to L \to L; \\ \qquad \textbf{unlist} : L \to \textbf{unit} + (\textbf{int} * L); \\ \qquad \textbf{map} : (\textbf{int} \to \textbf{int}) \to L \to L; \\ \qquad \ldots\} \end{array}$$

The witness type is integer lists: $\mu\xi.\ \textbf{unit} + (\textbf{int} * \xi)$.

The existential type variable L represents integer lists.

List operations are monomorphic in element type (**int**).

The **map** function only allows mapping integer lists to integer lists.

(Polymorphic?) List Library with ∀/∃

List library is a type abstraction that yields an existential package:

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The witness type is α lists: $\mu\xi.\ \textbf{unit} + (\alpha * \xi)$.

The existential type variable L represents α lists.

List operations are monomorphic in element type (α).

The **map** function only allows mapping α lists to α lists.

Type Abbreviations and Type Operators

Reasonable enough to provide list type as a *(parametric) type abbreviation*:

$$\textbf{L}\ \alpha\ =\ \mu\xi.\ \textbf{unit} + (\alpha * \xi)$$

- replace occurrences of $\textbf{L}\ \tau$ in programs with $(\mu\xi.\ \textbf{unit} + (\alpha * \xi))[\tau/\alpha]$

Gives an *informal* notion of functions at the type-level.

But, doesn't help with with list library,
because this exposes the definition of list type.

- How "modular" and "safe" are libraries built from cpp macros?

Type Abbreviations and Type Operators

Instead, provide list type as a *type operator*:

- a function from types to types

$$\mathbf{L} \;=\; \lambda\alpha.\ \mu\xi.\ \mathbf{unit} + (\alpha * \xi)$$

Gives a *formal* notion of functions at the type-level.

- abstraction and application at the type-level
- equivalence of type-level expressions
- well-formedness of type-level expressions

List library will be an existential package that hides a *type operator*, (rather than a *type*).

Type-level Expressions

Abstraction and application at the type level
makes it possible to write the *same* type with *different* syntax.

$$\mathbf{Id} \;=\; \lambda\alpha.\ \alpha$$

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Require a precise definition of when two types are the same:

$\boxed{\tau \equiv \tau'}$

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Require a typing rule to exploit types that are the same:

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Admits "wrong/bad/meaningless" types:

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Require a "type system" for types:

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Kinds $\kappa ::= \star \mid \kappa \Rightarrow \kappa$

- kind of proper types $\star$ classify the types (that are the same as the types) that classify terms
- arrow kinds $\kappa \Rightarrow \kappa$ classify the types (that are the same as the types) that are type abstractions

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New things:

- Types: type abstraction and type application
- Kinds: the "types" of types
  - $\star$: kind of proper types
  - $\kappa_a \Rightarrow \kappa_r$: kind of type operators

System F_ω: Operational Semantics

Small-step, *call-by-value (CBV)*, left-to-right operational semantics:

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- *Unchanged!* All of the new action is at the type-level.

System F_ω: Type System, part 1

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Should look familiar:
the typing rules of the Simply-Typed Lambda Calculus "one level up"

System F_ω: Type System, part 2

Definitional Equivalence of τ and τ':

$\boxed{\tau \equiv \tau'}$

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System F_ω: Type System, part 3

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Syntax and type system easily extended with recursive and existential types.

Polymorphic List Library with higher-order ∃

List library is an existential package:

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The witness *type operator* is poly.lists: $\lambda\alpha{::}\star.\ \mu\xi{::}\star.\ \textbf{unit} + (\alpha * \xi)$.

The existential *type operator* variable L represents poly. lists.

List operations are polymorphic in element type.

The **map** function only allows mapping α lists to β lists.

Other Kinds of Kinds

Kinding systems for checking and tracking properties of type expressions:

- Record kinds
  - records at the type-level; define systems of mutually recursive types
- Polymorphic kinds
  - kind abstraction and application in types; System F "one level up"
- Dependent kinds
  - dependent types "one level up"
- Row kinds
  - describe "pieces" of record types for record polymorphism
- Power kinds
  - alternative presentation of subtyping
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  - All straightforward inductions, using various weakening and exchange lemmas.

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  - If $\cdot;\cdot \vdash v : \forall\alpha{::}\kappa_a.\ \tau_r$, then $v = \Lambda\alpha{::}\kappa_a.\ e_b$.
  - Complicated by typing derivations that end with:

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  (just like with subtyping and subsumption).

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After weeks of thinking about type systems, kinding seems natural;
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System F_ω without Kinds / System F with Type-Level Abstraction and Application

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Going Further

This is just the tip of an iceberg.

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  - Why stop at four levels of expressions?
  - ...
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