

Type inference for let-free MiniML

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theory W0
imports Main
begin
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1 Universal error monad

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datatype 'a maybe = Ok 'a | Fail
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constdefs
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bind :: 'a maybe  $\Rightarrow$  ('a  $\Rightarrow$  'b maybe)  $\Rightarrow$  'b maybe    (infixl bind 60)
m bind f  $\equiv$  case m of Ok r  $\Rightarrow$  f r | Fail  $\Rightarrow$  Fail
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syntax
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-bind :: patterns  $\Rightarrow$  'a maybe  $\Rightarrow$  'b  $\Rightarrow$  'c    ((- := -;/-) 0)
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translations
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P := E; F == E bind ( $\lambda P.$  F)
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lemma bind-Ok [simp]: (Ok s) bind f = (f s)
<proof>
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lemma *bind-Fail* [*simp*]: $\text{Fail bind } f = \text{Fail}$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *split-bind*:

$P (\text{res bind } f) = ((\text{res} = \text{Fail} \longrightarrow P \text{ Fail}) \wedge (\forall s. \text{res} = \text{Ok } s \longrightarrow P (f s)))$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *split-bind-asm*:

$P (\text{res bind } f) = (\neg (\text{res} = \text{Fail} \wedge \neg P \text{ Fail} \vee (\exists s. \text{res} = \text{Ok } s \wedge \neg P (f s))))$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemmas *bind-splits* = *split-bind split-bind-asm*

lemma *bind-eq-Fail* [*simp*]:

$((m \text{ bind } f) = \text{Fail}) = ((m = \text{Fail}) \vee (\exists p. m = \text{Ok } p \wedge f p = \text{Fail}))$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *rotate-Ok*: $(y = \text{Ok } x) = (\text{Ok } x = y)$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

2 MiniML-types and type substitutions

axclass *type-struct* \subseteq *type*

— new class for structures containing type variables

datatype *typ* = *TVar nat* | *TFun typ typ* (**infixr** \rightarrow 70)

— type expressions

types *subst* = *nat => typ*

— type variable substitution

instance *typ* :: *type-struct* $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

instance *list* :: (*type-struct*) *type-struct* $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

instance *fun* :: (*type*, *type-struct*) *type-struct* $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

2.1 Substitutions

consts

app-subst :: *subst* \Rightarrow '*a::type-struct* \Rightarrow '*a::type-struct* (\$)

— extension of substitution to type structures

primrec (*app-subst-typ*)

app-subst-TVar: $\$s (TVar n) = s n$

app-subst-Fun: $\$s (t1 \rightarrow t2) = \$s t1 \rightarrow \$s t2$

defs (**overloaded**)

app-subst-list: $\$s \equiv \text{map } (\$s)$

consts

$free-tv :: 'a::type-struct \Rightarrow nat\ set$
 — $free-tv\ s$: the type variables occuring freely in the type structure s

primrec ($free-tv-ty$)
 $free-tv\ (TVar\ m) = \{m\}$
 $free-tv\ (t1 \rightarrow t2) = free-tv\ t1 \cup free-tv\ t2$

primrec ($free-tv-list$)
 $free-tv\ [] = \{\}$
 $free-tv\ (x \# xs) = free-tv\ x \cup free-tv\ xs$

constdefs
 $dom :: subst \Rightarrow nat\ set$
 $dom\ s \equiv \{n. s\ n \neq TVar\ n\}$
 — domain of a substitution

 $cod :: subst \Rightarrow nat\ set$
 $cod\ s \equiv \bigcup m \in dom\ s. free-tv\ (s\ m)$
 — codomain of a substitutions: the introduced variables

defs
 $free-tv-subst: free-tv\ s \equiv dom\ s \cup cod\ s$

$new-tv\ s\ n$ checks whether n is a new type variable wrt. a type structure s , i.e. whether n is greater than any type variable occuring in the type structure.

constdefs
 $new-tv :: nat \Rightarrow 'a::type-struct \Rightarrow bool$
 $new-tv\ n\ ts \equiv \forall m. m \in free-tv\ ts \longrightarrow m < n$

2.1.1 Identity substitution

constdefs
 $id-subst :: subst$
 $id-subst \equiv \lambda n. TVar\ n$

lemma $app-subst-id-te$ [simp]:
 $\$id-subst = (\lambda t::typ. t)$
 — application of $id-subst$ does not change type expression
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma $app-subst-id-tel$ [simp]: $\$id-subst = (\lambda ts::typ\ list. ts)$
 — application of $id-subst$ does not change list of type expressions
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma $o-id-subst$ [simp]: $\$s\ o\ id-subst = s$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma $dom-id-subst$ [simp]: $dom\ id-subst = \{\}$

$\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *cod-id-subst* [simp]: *cod id-subst* = {}
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-id-subst* [simp]: *free-tv id-subst* = {}
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *cod-app-subst* [simp]:
 assumes *free*: $v \in \text{free-tv } (s \ n)$
 and *neq*: $v \neq n$
 shows $v \in \text{cod } s$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *subst-comp-te*: $\$g (\$f \ t :: \text{typ}) = \$(\lambda x. \$g \ (f \ x)) \ t$
— composition of substitutions
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *subst-comp-tel*: $\$g (\$f \ ts :: \text{typ list}) = \$(\lambda x. \$g \ (f \ x)) \ ts$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *app-subst-Nil* [simp]: $\$s \ [] = []$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *app-subst-Cons* [simp]: $\$s \ (t \ \# \ ts) = (\$s \ t) \ \# \ (\$s \ ts)$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-TVar* [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ (TVar \ m) = (m < n)$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-Fun* [simp]:
 $\text{new-tv } n \ (t1 \ \rightarrow \ t2) = (\text{new-tv } n \ t1 \ \wedge \ \text{new-tv } n \ t2)$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-Nil* [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ []$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-Cons* [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ (t \ \# \ ts) = (\text{new-tv } n \ t \ \wedge \ \text{new-tv } n \ ts)$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-id-subst* [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ \text{id-subst}$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst*:
 $\text{new-tv } n \ s =$
 $((\forall m. n \leq m \longrightarrow s \ m = TVar \ m) \ \wedge$
 $(\forall l. l < n \longrightarrow \text{new-tv } n \ (s \ l)))$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-list*: $\text{new-tv } n \ x = (\forall y \in \text{set } x. \text{new-tv } n \ y)$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *subst-te-new-tv* [simp]:
 $\text{new-tv } n \ (t::\text{typ}) \longrightarrow \$(\lambda x. \text{if } x = n \text{ then } t' \text{ else } s \ x) \ t = \$s \ t$
— substitution affects only variables occurring freely
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *subst-tel-new-tv* [simp]:
 $\text{new-tv } n \ (ts::\text{typ list}) \longrightarrow \$(\lambda x. \text{if } x = n \text{ then } t \text{ else } s \ x) \ ts = \$s \ ts$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-le*: $n \leq m \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (t::\text{typ}) \implies \text{new-tv } m \ t$
— all greater variables are also new
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ t \implies \text{new-tv } (\text{Suc } n) \ (t::\text{typ})$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-list-le*:
 $n \leq m \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (ts::\text{typ list}) \implies \text{new-tv } m \ ts$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ ts \implies \text{new-tv } (\text{Suc } n) \ (ts::\text{typ list})$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst-le*: $n \leq m \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (s::\text{subst}) \implies \text{new-tv } m \ s$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ s \implies \text{new-tv } (\text{Suc } n) \ (s::\text{subst})$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst-var*:
 $n < m \implies \text{new-tv } m \ (s::\text{subst}) \implies \text{new-tv } m \ (s \ n)$
— *new-tv* property remains if a substitution is applied
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst-te* [simp]:
 $\text{new-tv } n \ s \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (t::\text{typ}) \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (\$s \ t)$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst-tel* [simp]:
 $\text{new-tv } n \ s \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (ts::\text{typ list}) \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (\$s \ ts)$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-Suc-list*: $\text{new-tv } n \ ts \longrightarrow \text{new-tv } (\text{Suc } n) \ (TVar \ n \ \# \ ts)$
— auxilliary lemma

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst-comp-1* [simp]:

$\text{new-tv } n \ (s::\text{subst}) \implies \text{new-tv } n \ r \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (\$r \ o \ s)$

— composition of substitutions preserves *new-tv* proposition

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-subst-comp-2* [simp]:

$\text{new-tv } n \ (s::\text{subst}) \implies \text{new-tv } n \ r \implies \text{new-tv } n \ (\lambda v. \$r \ (s \ v))$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-not-free-tv* [simp]: $\text{new-tv } n \ ts \implies n \notin \text{free-tv } ts$

— new type variables do not occur freely in a type structure

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *ftv-mem-sub-ftv-list* [simp]:

$(t::\text{typ}) \in \text{set } ts \implies \text{free-tv } t \subseteq \text{free-tv } ts$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

If two substitutions yield the same result if applied to a type structure the substitutions coincide on the free type variables occurring in the type structure.

lemma *eq-subst-te-eq-free*:

$\$s1 \ (t::\text{typ}) = \$s2 \ t \implies n \in \text{free-tv } t \implies s1 \ n = s2 \ n$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *eq-free-eq-subst-te*:

$(\forall n. n \in \text{free-tv } t \implies s1 \ n = s2 \ n) \implies \$s1 \ (t::\text{typ}) = \$s2 \ t$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *eq-subst-tel-eq-free*:

$\$s1 \ (ts::\text{typ list}) = \$s2 \ ts \implies n \in \text{free-tv } ts \implies s1 \ n = s2 \ n$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *eq-free-eq-subst-tel*:

$(\forall n. n \in \text{free-tv } ts \implies s1 \ n = s2 \ n) \implies \$s1 \ (ts::\text{typ list}) = \$s2 \ ts$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

Some useful lemmas.

lemma *codD*: $v \in \text{cod } s \implies v \in \text{free-tv } s$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *not-free-impl-id*: $x \notin \text{free-tv } s \implies s \ x = \text{TVar } x$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-le-new-tv*: $\text{new-tv } n \ t \implies m \in \text{free-tv } t \implies m < n$

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-subst-var*: $\text{free-tv } (s \ (v::\text{nat})) \leq \text{insert } v \ (\text{cod } s)$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-app-subst-te*: $\text{free-tv } (\$s \ (t::\text{typ})) \subseteq \text{cod } s \cup \text{free-tv } t$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-app-subst-tel*: $\text{free-tv } (\$s \ (ts::\text{typ list})) \subseteq \text{cod } s \cup \text{free-tv } ts$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-comp-subst*:
 $\text{free-tv } (\lambda u::\text{nat}. \$s1 \ (s2 \ u) :: \text{typ}) \subseteq \text{free-tv } s1 \cup \text{free-tv } s2$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

2.2 Most general unifiers

consts

$\text{mgu} :: \text{typ} \Rightarrow \text{typ} \Rightarrow \text{subst maybe}$

axioms

$\text{mgu-eq} \ [simp]: \text{mgu } t1 \ t2 = \text{Ok } u \Longrightarrow \$u \ t1 = \$u \ t2$

$\text{mgu-mg} \ [simp]: \text{mgu } t1 \ t2 = \text{Ok } u \Longrightarrow \$s \ t1 = \$s \ t2 \Longrightarrow \exists r. s = \$r \ o \ u$

$\text{mgu-Ok}: \$s \ t1 = \$s \ t2 \Longrightarrow \exists u. \text{mgu } t1 \ t2 = \text{Ok } u$

$\text{mgu-free} \ [simp]: \text{mgu } t1 \ t2 = \text{Ok } u \Longrightarrow \text{free-tv } u \subseteq \text{free-tv } t1 \cup \text{free-tv } t2$

lemma *mgu-new*: $\text{mgu } t1 \ t2 = \text{Ok } u \Longrightarrow \text{new-tv } n \ t1 \Longrightarrow \text{new-tv } n \ t2 \Longrightarrow \text{new-tv } n \ u$

— *mgu* does not introduce new type variables

$\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

3 Mini-ML with type inference rules

datatype

$\text{expr} = \text{Var } \text{nat} \mid \text{Abs } \text{expr} \mid \text{App } \text{expr } \text{expr}$

Type inference rules.

consts

$\text{has-type} :: (\text{typ list} \times \text{expr} \times \text{typ}) \text{ set}$

syntax

$\text{-has-type} :: \text{typ list} \Rightarrow \text{expr} \Rightarrow \text{typ} \Rightarrow \text{bool}$

$(((-) \mid - / (-) :: (-)) \ [60, 0, 60] \ 60)$

translations

$a \mid - \ e :: t == (a, e, t) \in \text{has-type}$

inductive *has-type*

intros

$\text{Var}: n < \text{length } a \Longrightarrow a \mid - \ \text{Var } n :: a \ ! \ n$

$\text{Abs}: t1 \# a \mid - \ e :: t2 \Longrightarrow a \mid - \ \text{Abs } e :: t1 \ -> \ t2$

$\text{App}: a \mid - \ e1 :: t2 \ -> \ t1 \Longrightarrow a \mid - \ e2 :: t2$

$\Longrightarrow a \mid - \ \text{App } e1 \ e2 :: t1$

Type assignment is closed wrt. substitution.

lemma *has-type-subst-closed*: $a \mid - e :: t \implies \$s a \mid - e :: \$s t$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

4 Correctness and completeness of the type inference algorithm W

consts

$W :: expr \Rightarrow typ \ list \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow (subst \times typ \times nat) \ maybe \ (W)$

primrec

$W \ (Var \ i) \ a \ n =$
 $\quad (if \ i < length \ a \ then \ Ok \ (id-subst, \ a \ ! \ i, \ n) \ else \ Fail)$
 $W \ (Abs \ e) \ a \ n =$
 $\quad ((s, t, m) := W \ e \ (TVar \ n \ \# \ a) \ (Suc \ n);$
 $\quad \quad Ok \ (s, (s \ n) \ -> \ t, m))$
 $W \ (App \ e1 \ e2) \ a \ n =$
 $\quad ((s1, t1, m1) := W \ e1 \ a \ n;$
 $\quad \quad (s2, t2, m2) := W \ e2 \ (\$s1 \ a) \ m1;$
 $\quad \quad u := mgu \ (\$ \ s2 \ t1) \ (t2 \ -> \ TVar \ m2);$
 $\quad \quad Ok \ (\$u \ o \ \$s2 \ o \ s1, \$u \ (TVar \ m2), Suc \ m2))$

theorem *W-correct*: $!!a \ s \ t \ m \ n. \ Ok \ (s, t, m) = W \ e \ a \ n \implies \$s a \mid - e :: t$
 $(is \ PROP \ ?P \ e)$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

inductive-cases *has-type-casesE*:

$s \mid - Var \ n :: t$
 $s \mid - Abs \ e :: t$
 $s \mid - App \ e1 \ e2 :: t$

lemmas $[simp] = Suc-le-lessD$
and $[simp \ del] = less-imp-le \ ex-simps \ all-simps$

lemma *W-var-ge* $[simp]$: $!!a \ n \ s \ t \ m. \ W \ e \ a \ n = Ok \ (s, t, m) \implies n \leq m$
— the resulting type variable is always greater or equal than the given one
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *W-var-geD*: $Ok \ (s, t, m) = W \ e \ a \ n \implies n \leq m$
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *new-tv-W*: $!!n \ a \ s \ t \ m.$
 $new-tv \ n \ a \implies W \ e \ a \ n = Ok \ (s, t, m) \implies new-tv \ m \ s \ \& \ new-tv \ m \ t$
— resulting type variable is new
 $\langle proof \rangle$

lemma *free-tv-W*: $!!n\ a\ s\ t\ m\ v.\ \mathcal{W}\ e\ a\ n = Ok\ (s,\ t,\ m) \implies$
 $(v \in \text{free-tv}\ s \vee v \in \text{free-tv}\ t) \implies v < n \implies v \in \text{free-tv}\ a$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

Completeness of \mathcal{W} wrt. *has-type*.

lemma *W-complete-aux*: $!!s'\ a\ t'\ n.\ \$s'\ a \mid -\ e :: t' \implies \text{new-tv}\ n\ a \implies$
 $(\exists s\ t.\ (\exists m.\ \mathcal{W}\ e\ a\ n = Ok\ (s,\ t,\ m)) \wedge (\exists r.\ \$s'\ a = \$r\ (\$s\ a) \wedge t' = \$r\ t))$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *W-complete*: $\Box \mid -\ e :: t' ==>$
 $\exists s\ t.\ (\exists m.\ \mathcal{W}\ e\ \Box\ n = Ok\ (s,\ t,\ m)) \wedge (\exists r.\ t' = \$r\ t)$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

5 Equivalence of W and I

Recursive definition of type inference algorithm \mathcal{I} for Mini-ML.

consts

$I :: \text{expr} \Rightarrow \text{typ list} \Rightarrow \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{subst} \Rightarrow (\text{subst} \times \text{typ} \times \text{nat})\ \text{maybe}\ (\mathcal{I})$

primrec

$\mathcal{I}\ (\text{Var}\ i)\ a\ n\ s = (\text{if } i < \text{length}\ a \text{ then } Ok\ (s,\ a\ !\ i,\ n) \text{ else } Fail)$

$\mathcal{I}\ (\text{Abs}\ e)\ a\ n\ s = ((s,\ t,\ m) := \mathcal{I}\ e\ (TVar\ n\ \# a)\ (\text{Suc}\ n)\ s;$

$Ok\ (s,\ TVar\ n\ ->\ t,\ m))$

$\mathcal{I}\ (\text{App}\ e1\ e2)\ a\ n\ s =$

$((s1,\ t1,\ m1) := \mathcal{I}\ e1\ a\ n\ s;$

$(s2,\ t2,\ m2) := \mathcal{I}\ e2\ a\ m1\ s1;$

$u := \text{mgu}\ (\$s2\ t1)\ (\$s2\ t2\ ->\ TVar\ m2);$

$Ok(\$u\ o\ s2,\ TVar\ m2,\ \text{Suc}\ m2))$

Correctness.

lemma *I-correct-wrt-W*: $!!a\ m\ s\ s'\ t\ n.$
 $\text{new-tv}\ m\ a \wedge \text{new-tv}\ m\ s \implies \mathcal{I}\ e\ a\ m\ s = Ok\ (s',\ t,\ n) \implies$
 $\exists r.\ \mathcal{W}\ e\ (\$s\ a)\ m = Ok\ (r,\ \$s'\ t,\ n) \wedge s' = (\$r\ o\ s)$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

lemma *I-complete-wrt-W*: $!!a\ m\ s.$
 $\text{new-tv}\ m\ a \wedge \text{new-tv}\ m\ s \implies \mathcal{I}\ e\ a\ m\ s = Fail \implies \mathcal{W}\ e\ (\$s\ a)\ m = Fail$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

end