

COMP 321: Principles of Programming Languages, Fall 2021

Homework 3: Gödel's T

To hand in, please upload

```
hw03/check.sml
hw03/step.sml
hw03/arith.t
hw03/hw03-written.pdf
```

to your Google Drive handin folder (note the sub-folder this week).

1 Implementing T

In Chapter 9 of PFPL, you can find the typing and operational semantics for the language with function and natural number types, which is called Gödel's T. In this task, you will implement a type-checker and evaluator for this language—the same task as from HW2, but for a richer language.

For this week, you are given an implementation of expressions in `syntax.sml`. This implementation includes `subst` for substitution, which should be analogous to your solution from last week's homework.

Task 1 (20%). Program a typechecker for Gödel's T. We have provided a stub for you in `check.sml`.

Task 2 (25%). Implement the operational semantics for T. Once again, we have provided stubs for you in `step.sml`.

In the support code, we have supplied a parser for a concrete syntax as well as several functions to help you test your code (see the `Top` module, and note that a couple of these have changed from last week):

```
signature TOP =
sig

  (* interactive loop *)

  (* just print the same expression back *)
  val loop_print : unit -> unit

  (* just type check *)
  val loop_type  : unit -> unit
```

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(* type check the input program, then,
   if it was well-typed,
   try to evaluate the program to a value, and then
   show the final value and its type (which is
   determined by re-typechecking the value).
   *)
val loop_eval  : unit -> unit

(* Starting with the initial program,
   show each step of evaluation with its type
   (which is determined by re-typechecking after each step).
   Stops when the result of a step is ill-typed.

   By preservation, these types *should* all be the same,
   but if they're not, it can be helpful for finding bugs.
   *)
val loop_step  : unit -> unit

(* *Ignoring the type checker*,
   try to evaluate the program to a value,
   and then show the final value.

   You can use this to test your operational semantics
   if you want to work on that first or
   if your type checker isn't working.
   *)
val loop_eval_no_typechcker : unit -> unit

(* *Ignoring the type checker*, show each step of evaluation.

   You can use this to test your operational semantics
   if you want to work on that first or
   if your type checker isn't working.
   *)
val loop_step_no_typechecker : unit -> unit

(* same as above but read an EXP source file *)
val file_print  : string -> unit
val file_type   : string -> unit
val file_eval   : string -> unit
val file_step   : string -> unit
val file_eval_no_typechecker : string -> unit
val file_step_no_typechecker : string -> unit

end; (* signature TOP *)

```

Some examples are in the file `arith.t`. For example:

```
let double be lam x:nat.
    rec x { z => z
          | s _ with r => s s r }
in
    double @ 5
end;
```

In the concrete syntax, functions are written `lam x:t.e`. Application is written with an infix `@` sign; application is left-associative, so `f @ x @ y` means `(f @ x) @ y`. Recursion is written `rec e { z => e0 | s x with y => e1}`. `let` is the same as last week.

2 Definability

Next, you will write a few programs using your implementation. In the file `arith.t`:

Task 1 (5%). Define a function `add : (nat -> (nat -> nat))` such that `add @ x @ y` computes the sum of `x` and `y`. Your solution should be of the form

```
let
    add be ...
in
    ...
end
```

and you can test the function by writing a test case in the body of the `let`.

Task 2 (5%). Define a function `mult : (nat -> (nat -> nat))` such that `mult @ x @ y` computes the product of `x` and `y`. Your solution should be of the form

```
let
    add be ...
in

    let
        mult be ...
    in
        ...
    end

end
```

because you will need to use your solution from the previous task.

Task 2 (5%). Define a function `sub : (nat -> (nat -> nat))` such that `sub @ x @ y` is equal to `x - y` assuming that `x` is $\geq y$ (otherwise, the behavior is unspecified).

3 Progress and Preservation for Lists

Suppose we extend Gödel's T with a type of lists of natural numbers:

New expressions:

nil
 $\text{cons}(e_1, e_2)$
 $\text{listrec}(e_0, x.xs.r.e_1, e)$

With the following operational semantics:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{\text{nil done}} \quad \frac{e_1 \text{ done} \quad e_2 \text{ done}}{\text{cons}(e_1, e_2) \text{ done}} \\
 \\
 \frac{e_1 \mapsto e'_1}{\text{cons}(e_1, e_2) \mapsto \text{cons}(e'_1, e_2)} \quad \frac{e_1 \text{ done} \quad e_2 \mapsto e'_2}{\text{cons}(e_1, e_2) \mapsto \text{cons}(e_1, e'_2)} \\
 \\
 \frac{e \mapsto e'}{\text{listrec}(e_0, x.xs.r.e_1, e) \mapsto \text{listrec}(e_0, x.xs.r.e_1, e')} \quad \frac{}{\text{listrec}(e_0, x.xs.r.e_1, \text{nil}) \mapsto e_0} \\
 \\
 \frac{\text{cons}(e_h, e_t) \text{ done}}{\text{listrec}(e_0, x.xs.r.e_1, \text{cons}(e_h, e_t)) \mapsto e_1[e_h/x][e_t/xs][\text{listrec}(e_0, x.xs.r.e_1, e_t)/r]}
 \end{array}$$

Task 1 (10%). Give typing rules for nil and cons and listrec.

Task 2 (15%). Recall the progress theorem:

For all e, τ , if $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$ then either e done or there exists an e' such that $e \mapsto e'$.

Progress is proved by rule induction on the derivation of $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$. Prove the case of progress for your typing rule for listrec (you don't need to do the cases for nil and cons).

Task 3 (15%). Recall the preservation theorem:

For all e, e', τ , if $e \mapsto e'$ and $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$ then $\cdot \vdash e' : \tau$.

Preservation is proved by rule induction on $e \mapsto e'$. Prove the cases of preservation for listrec (you don't need to do the cases for nil and cons).

You may use the following lemmas:

- Inversion of typing: Note where you are using inversion.
- Weakening: For all $\Gamma, \Gamma', e, \tau, \tau_1, x$, if $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ and $x \notin \Gamma, \Gamma'$ then $\Gamma, x : \tau_1, \Gamma' \vdash e : \tau$.
- Substitution: For all $\Gamma, \Gamma', e, \tau, \tau'$, if $\Gamma, x : \tau, \Gamma' \vdash e' : \tau'$ and $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ then $\Gamma, \Gamma' \vdash e'[e/x] : \tau'$