



Intersection, Union, Dependent Types and SubType Systems

Why after more than 40 yy the topic is still alive ...

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Intersection Types for pure λ -calculus $[\sigma \cap \tau]$

- *Ad hoc* polymorphism for the pure λ -calculus
- 40 years history: characterization of strongly normalizing λ -terms, λ -models, object-oriented programming, automatic type inference, type inhabitation, type unification, software product lines, etc
- Type inference is undecidable, subtyping is decidable

$$\frac{B \vdash M : \sigma \quad B \vdash M : \tau}{B \vdash M : \sigma \cap \tau} (\cap I) \quad \frac{B \vdash M : \sigma \cap \tau}{B \vdash M : \sigma \text{ (resp. } \tau \text{)}} (\cap E_{l/r})$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M : \sigma \quad \sigma \leq \tau}{B \vdash M : \tau} (\leq) \quad \frac{x : \sigma \in B}{B \vdash x : \sigma} (Var)$$

$$\frac{B, x : \sigma \vdash M : \tau}{B \vdash \lambda x. M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau} (\rightarrow I) \quad \frac{B \vdash M : \sigma \rightarrow \tau \quad B \vdash N : \sigma}{B \vdash M N : \tau} (\rightarrow E)$$

Intersection Types as a Theoretical Swiss Knife



Examples

- Polymorphic identity

$$\frac{\frac{X:\sigma \vdash X:\sigma}{\vdash \lambda X.X:\sigma \rightarrow \sigma} \quad \frac{X:\tau \vdash X:\tau}{\vdash \lambda X.X:\tau \rightarrow \tau}}{\vdash \lambda X.X:(\sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \tau)}$$

- Self-application $\lambda x.x x$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{}{X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma}}{X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash X:\sigma \rightarrow \tau} \quad \frac{\frac{}{X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma}}{X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash X:\sigma}}{X:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash X X:\tau}$$
$$\vdash \lambda x.x x : ((\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma) \rightarrow \tau$$

Examples (continued)

6 \cap AS A CONNECTIVE

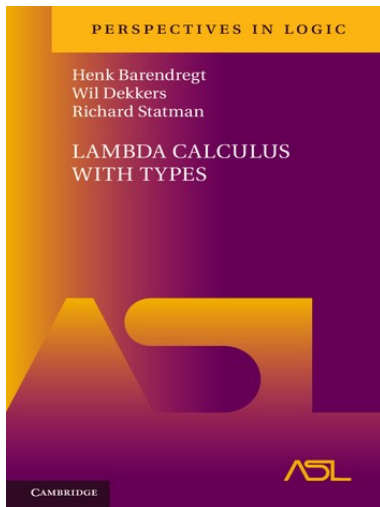
It was remarked in section 1 that \cap behaves quite differently from $\&$. This will now be made apparent.

A is a theorem iff, for some t , $\vdash t : A$ is derivable. This amounts to saying that A is a theorem iff A is realized by a closed member of **TERM**.

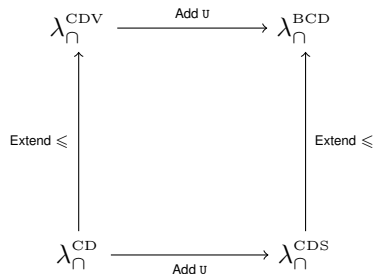
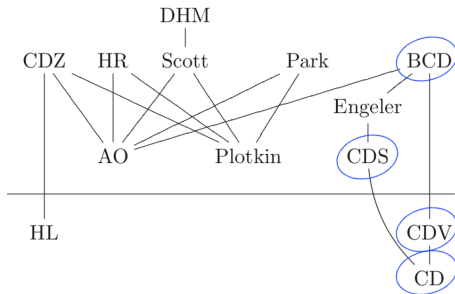
Given theorem 4.12 and 5.5, it is easy to show that the following formulas are not theorems: $p \rightarrow . q \rightarrow p \cap q$, $p \rightarrow q \rightarrow . p \rightarrow r \rightarrow . p \rightarrow q \cap r$, $p \cap q \rightarrow r \rightarrow . p \rightarrow . q \rightarrow r$. On the other hand, the following sequents are derivable.

- $\vdash \lambda x.xx : A \cap (A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow B$
- $\vdash \lambda x.\lambda y.xy : (A \rightarrow B) \cap (A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow . A \rightarrow B \cap C$
- $\vdash \lambda x.\lambda y.xy : A \rightarrow B \cap C \rightarrow . (A \rightarrow B) \cap (A \rightarrow C)$
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- $\vdash \lambda x.\lambda y.x : A \cap B \rightarrow . A \rightarrow B$
- $\vdash \lambda x.\lambda y.xyy : A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow C) \rightarrow . A \cap B \rightarrow C$
- $\vdash \lambda x.x : A \cap B \rightarrow A$
- $\vdash \lambda x.x : A \rightarrow A \cap A$
- $\vdash \lambda x.x : A \cap B \rightarrow B \cap A$
- $\vdash \lambda x.x : A \cap (B \cap C) \rightarrow (A \cap B) \cap C$

The Reference Book: part 3 is dedicated to Intersection Types



Taxonomy of 13 \cap -systems, pp. 601 [BDS13]



| 4 historical systems | $\lambda_{\cap}^{\mathcal{T}}$ | \mathcal{T} |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Coppo-Dezani '78 | $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CD}}$ | CD |
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| Barendregt-Coppo-Dezani '83 | $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{BCD}}$ | BCD |

Intersection Type Theories \mathcal{T}

Minimal type theory \leq_{\min}

$$(\text{refl}) \quad \sigma \leq \sigma$$

$$(\text{incl}) \quad \sigma \cap \tau \leq \sigma \quad \sigma \cap \tau \leq \tau$$

$$(\text{glb}) \quad \rho \leq \sigma \ \& \ \rho \leq \tau \Rightarrow \rho \leq \sigma \cap \tau$$

$$(\text{trans}) \quad \sigma \leq \tau \ \& \ \tau \leq \rho \Rightarrow \sigma \leq \rho$$

Axiom schemes

$$(\mathbf{U}_{\text{top}}) \quad \sigma \leq \mathbf{U} \quad [\text{Universal type}]$$

$$(\mathbf{U}_{\rightarrow}) \quad \mathbf{U} \leq \sigma \rightarrow \mathbf{U}$$

$$(\rightarrow \cap) \quad (\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap (\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \leq \sigma \rightarrow (\tau \cap \rho)$$

Rule scheme

$$(\rightarrow) \quad \sigma_2 \leq \sigma_1 \ \& \ \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 \rightarrow \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \rightarrow \tau_2$$

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| Coppo-Dezani-Venneri '81 | $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CDV}}$ | CDV | $(\rightarrow), (\rightarrow \cap)$ | No |
| Barendregt-Coppo-Dezani '83 | $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{BCD}}$ | BCD | $(\rightarrow), (\rightarrow \cap), (\mathbf{U}_{\text{top}}), (\mathbf{U}_{\rightarrow})$ | Yes |

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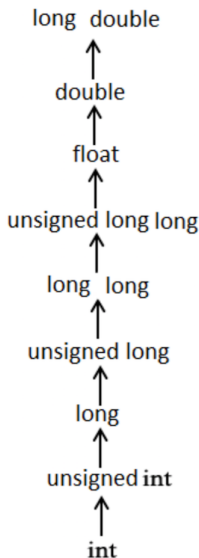
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- Subtyping is not an **explicit type conversion** (aka **type casting**)
- ```
float x = 3.0; x is an integer
float y = 4.0; y is a double
int z = (int)x + (int)y; x and y are casted into integers
 // the result is 7
```

# Subtyping in programming languages 2/3

Subtyping hierarchy in C



# Subtyping in OO programming languages 3/3

- Subtyping lurks also in object-oriented programming

*“An object of class  $T$  may be substituted with any object of a subclass  $S$ ”*  
(© Barbara Liskov)

- Inheritance as subtyping
- Subtyping hierarchy in Java

```
Class Point {int x = 0; int y = 0}
Class ColPoint extends Point with {string col = red}
```

```
Point p = new Point();
ColPoint q = new ColPoint()
```

`p = q` accept

~~`q = p`~~ reject

`q = (ColPoint) p` accept (explicit cast)

# Parametric vs. *ad hoc* polymorphism (1/2)

- Parametric (ML)

```
> fun x -> x : 'a -> 'a
```

'a is a type variable

- Ad hoc (C)

```
int a, b;
float x, y;
printf(“%d %f”, a+b, x+y);
```

- The type of the operator + is

$$+ : (\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}) \cap (\text{float} \rightarrow \text{float})$$

- Girard's **parametric** polymorphism (System F) is "equivalent" to *ad hoc* polymorphism

$$\forall \alpha. \sigma \stackrel{\text{conj}}{=} \bigcap_{i=1 \dots \infty} \sigma_i$$

$$\forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \sim (\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}) \cap (\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}) \cap (\text{real} \rightarrow \text{real}) \cap \dots$$

## Parametric vs. *ad hoc* (2/2)

Intersection types can type **every strongly normalizing term** of the  $\lambda$ -calculus... which is not the case in System F (or  $F_{\text{Omega}}$ ) ... this "monster"  $\lambda$ -term is strongly normalizing

$$\lambda x. z \left( x \left( \lambda f. \lambda u. f \ u \right) \right) \left( x \left( \lambda v. \lambda g. g \ v \right) \right) \left( \lambda y. y \ y \ y \right)$$

is not typable in Girard's  $F_{\text{Omega}}$  but it is in Coppo-Dezani  $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CD}}$  (rank 3)

Urzyczyn. MSCS'97

### 3 Strongly normalizable but untypable

The aim of this section is to show our first main result: the type inference rules of  $\mathbf{F}_{\omega}$  do not suffice to type all strongly normalizable terms. Our counter-example is the following term:

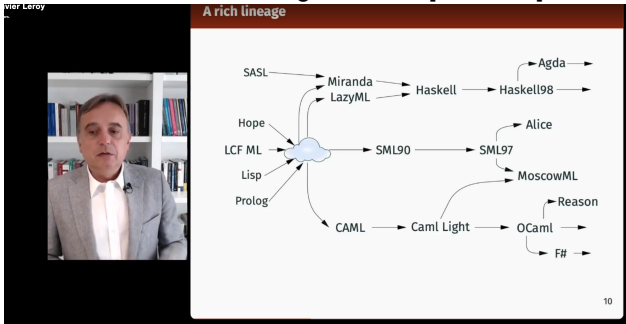
$$(*) \quad M \equiv (\lambda x. z(x1)(x1'))(\lambda y. yyy)$$

where  $1 \equiv \lambda f u. f u$  and  $1' \equiv \lambda v g. g v$ . Clearly,  $M$  is strongly normalizable, and it is an easy exercise to see that it becomes typable in  $\mathbf{F}_{\omega}$  after just one reduction step.

**Theorem 3.1** *The above term  $M$  cannot be typed in  $\mathbf{F}_{\omega}$ , and thus the class of typable terms is a proper subclass of the class of all strongly normalizable terms.*

# Many attempts to adopt Intersection Types, Programming and Proof Languages

- Languages *à la* ML (Type Inference): Failure because of the **HUGE** literature on the difficulty to find a *Principal Type System*, see Damas-Milner seminal algorithm  $\mathcal{W}$  [POPL82]



- Languages *à la* Algol, C, Java (Type Checking): Failure because of the **HUGE** literature to find expressive Fully Typed presentation with Decidable Type Checking. A small "galleria" follows...



# Why a typed calculus with $\cap$ is so complicated?

- Intersection (and union types) were defined as type assignment systems (for pure  $\lambda$ -terms)
- Very elegant presentation but undecidability of type inference
- Many attempts of finding decidable and typed  $\lambda$ -calculi with intersection (and union types) preserving all the good properties of type assignment
- The usual approach (adding types to binders) is problematic

# GOAL: find a suitable Intersection type systems *à la* Church

- with DECIDABILITY of Type Checking while preserving expressivity of the Type Assignment characterising ALL STRONGLY NORMALISING TERMS

$$\frac{\frac{\overline{X:\sigma \vdash_{\cap} X : \sigma}}{\vdash_{\cap} \lambda X.X : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma} \quad \frac{\overline{X:\tau \vdash_{\cap} X : \tau}}{\vdash_{\cap} \lambda X.X : \tau \rightarrow \tau}}{\vdash_{\cap} \lambda X.X : (\sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \tau)} (\cap I)$$

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# Reynolds' FORSYTHE '88

Reynolds annotates a  $\lambda$ -abstraction with types as in

$$\frac{B, x:\sigma_i \vdash M : \tau \quad i \in 1 \dots n}{B \vdash \lambda x:\sigma_1 | \dots | \sigma_n. M : \sigma_i \rightarrow \tau}$$

However, we cannot type a typed term, whose type erasure is the combinator

$$K \equiv \lambda x. \lambda y. x$$

with the intersection type

$$(\sigma \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \tau)$$

## Pierce's PhD '91

Pierce improves Forsythe by using a `for` construct to build *ad hoc* polymorphic typing, as in

$$\frac{B \vdash M[\sigma_i/\alpha] : \tau_i \quad i \in 1 \dots n}{B \vdash \text{for } \alpha \in \{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n\}.M : \tau_i}$$

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$$\lambda x. \lambda y. \lambda z. (x \ y, x \ z)$$

with the intersection type

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \rho') \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \tau \rightarrow \rho \times \rho') \\ & \quad \cap \\ & ((\sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \cap (\sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma \times \sigma) \end{aligned}$$

# Pfenning&Friedman: Refinement Types '91

Refinement types are subtypes of standard types

We can only intersect types which are refinements of the same ML type

Subtype *ground* refine the ML type *boolexp*: variables cannot be of type *ground*

*ground*  $\sqsubseteq$  *boolexp*

*Var* : *boolexp*

*True, False* : *ground*  $\cap$  *boolexp*

*Not* : *ground*  $\cap$  *boolexp*  $\rightarrow$  *ground*  $\cap$  *boolexp*

*And* : (*boolexp* \* *boolexp*  $\rightarrow$  *boolexp*)

$\cap$   
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# Miquel's Implicit Constructions PhD '01

Extends Coquand-Huet's CC with the ternary operator

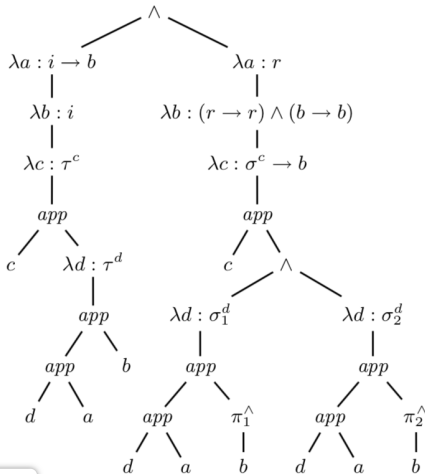
$b?M; N$  of type  $\prod b:bool.\sigma; \tau$

$true?M; N \longrightarrow_{IC} M \quad false?M; N \longrightarrow_{IC} N$

Unfortunately, not all terms typed by intersection types have an equivalent in ICC, for instance  $\lambda x.x : ((\sigma \cap \tau) \rightarrow \sigma) \cap (\rho \rightarrow \rho)$  appears to be problematic

Wells *et al.*  $\vdash_{\cap}^{\mathcal{T}_{\text{CD}}} \lambda a. \lambda b. \lambda c. c (\lambda d. d a b) : \tau \cap \sigma$

JFP '02. Explicitly Typed Intermediate Languages (TILs) facilitate the safe and efficient compilation of programming languages



$$\tau = (i \rightarrow b) \rightarrow i \rightarrow \tau^c \rightarrow b$$

$$\tau^c = (\tau^d \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b$$

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$$\sigma = r \rightarrow ((r \rightarrow r) \wedge (b \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow (\sigma^c \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b$$

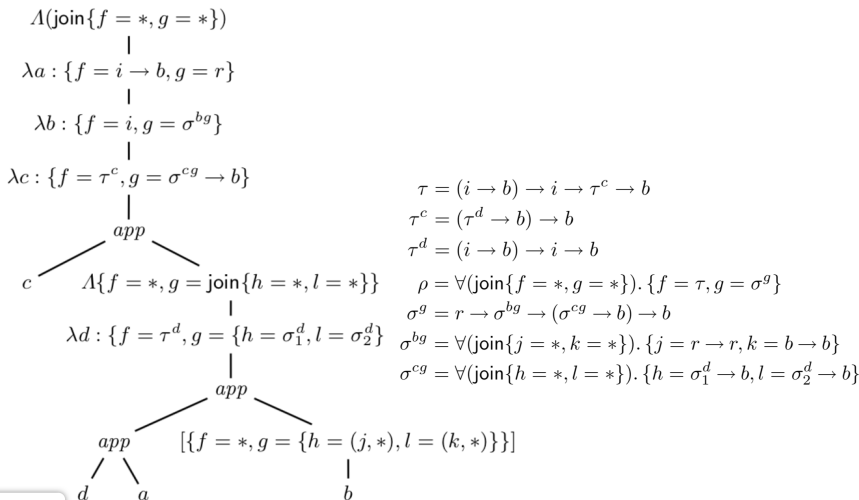
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# Wells & Haak $\vdash_{\cap}^{\tau_{\text{CD}}} \lambda a. \lambda b. \lambda c. c (\lambda d. d a b) : \tau \cap \sigma$

ESOP '02. The first system with the power of  $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CD}}$





# Frisch, Castagna, Benzaken, JSL '08

- Types as sets and subtyping as subsets
- $\sigma \cap \tau \leq \sigma$  is interpreted as  $\llbracket \sigma \rrbracket \cap \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \subseteq \llbracket \sigma \rrbracket$
- $(\llbracket \sigma \rrbracket \cap \llbracket \tau \rrbracket) \cap \overline{\llbracket \sigma \rrbracket} = \emptyset$

$$t = \bigwedge_{i=1..n} (t_i \rightarrow s_i) \wedge \bigwedge_{j=1..m} \neg(t'_j \rightarrow s'_j) \quad t \neq \mathbb{0}$$
$$\frac{\forall i = 1..n. \Gamma, (f : t), (x : t_i) \vdash e : s_i}{\Gamma \vdash \mu f(t_1 \rightarrow s_1; \dots; t_n \rightarrow s_n). \lambda x. e : t} \quad (abstr)$$

# Many attempts to find an INTUITIONISTIC LOGIC corresponding to Intersection

A “scientific consensus” on the existence of a  
*Curry-Howard Isomorphism* for  $\cap$   
is still an OPEN PROBLEM

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# A proposal of a Church-style calculus with Intersection Types

## The $\Delta$ -calculus: Syntax and Types

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# Syntax of the Generic $\Delta$ -calculus

$\sigma ::= \phi \mid \sigma \rightarrow \sigma \mid \sigma \cap \sigma \mid \mathbb{U}$  types

$\Delta ::= x \mid \lambda x:\sigma.\Delta \mid \Delta \Delta \mid$  typed  $\lambda$ -calculus

$\langle \Delta, \Delta \rangle \mid$  strong pairs

$pr_1 \Delta \mid pr_2 \Delta \mid$  projections

$\Delta^\sigma \mid$  explicit coercions

$u_\Delta$  indexed constants

A strong pair  $\langle \Delta, \Delta \rangle$  is *a kind of* cartesian pair

An explicit coercion is  $\Delta^\sigma$  is a  $\Delta$ -term annotated with a type

$u_\Delta$  is an infinite set of constants indexed by  $\Delta$ -terms

# Typed $\Delta$ vs. Untyped $\lambda$ : the essence function

- Essence is an *erasing function* transforming a typed  $\Delta$ -term into an untyped  $\lambda$ -term.

$$\{x\} \stackrel{def}{=} x$$

$$\{\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta\} \stackrel{def}{=} \lambda x.\{\Delta\}$$

$$\{\Delta_1 \Delta_2\} \stackrel{def}{=} \{\Delta_1\} \{\Delta_2\}$$

$$\{\Delta^\sigma\} \stackrel{def}{=} \{\Delta\}$$

$$\{u_\Delta\} \stackrel{def}{=} \{\Delta\}$$

$$\{pr_i \Delta\} \stackrel{def}{=} \{\Delta\}$$

$$\{\langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle\} \stackrel{def}{=} \{\Delta_1\}$$

# Reduction semantics

- **(Substitution)** Substitution on  $\Delta$ -terms is defined as usual, with the additional rules:

$$u_{\Delta_1}[\Delta_2/x] \stackrel{def}{=} u_{(\Delta_1[\Delta_2/x])}$$

$$\Delta_1^\sigma[\Delta_2/x] \stackrel{def}{=} (\Delta_1[\Delta_2/x])^\sigma$$

- **(One-step reduction)** Reduction rules:

$$(\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta_1) \Delta_2 \longrightarrow_\beta \Delta_1[\Delta_2/x]$$

$$pr_i \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle \longrightarrow_{pr_i} \Delta_i \quad \text{for } i \in \{1, 2\}$$

$$\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta x \longrightarrow_\eta \Delta \quad \text{if } x \notin FV(\Delta)$$

## 2 NB and 1 EX

- NB.1:  $(\lambda X:\sigma.\Delta_1)^{\tau} \Delta_2$  is not a redex
- NB.2:  $U_{(\lambda X:\sigma.\Delta_1)} \Delta_2$  is not a redex
- EX:  $(\lambda \textcolor{red}{X}:\sigma \rightarrow \sigma. U_{(\textcolor{red}{x} \textcolor{red}{x})}) (\lambda X:\sigma.X) \longrightarrow_{\beta} U_{((\lambda X:\sigma.X) (\lambda X:\sigma.X))}$

# Synchronization in reductions

Desynchronization inside a strong pair can produce “exotic”  $\Delta$ -terms

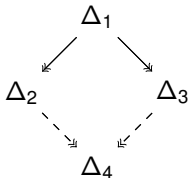
$$\langle (\lambda x:\sigma.x) pr_1 y, (\lambda x:\tau.x) pr_2 y \rangle \begin{array}{c} \nearrow^\beta \langle (\lambda x:\sigma.x) pr_1 y, pr_2 y \rangle \\ \searrow^\beta \langle pr_1 y, (\lambda x:\sigma.x) pr_2 y \rangle \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \searrow^\beta \\ \nearrow^\beta \end{array} \langle pr_1 y, pr_2 y \rangle$$

Synchronicity in operational semantics

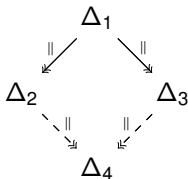
$$\frac{\Delta_1 \longrightarrow^\parallel \Delta'_1 \quad \Delta_2 \longrightarrow^\parallel \Delta'_2 \quad \wr \Delta'_1 \wr \equiv \wr \Delta'_2 \wr}{\langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle \longrightarrow^\parallel \langle \Delta'_1, \Delta'_2 \rangle} \text{ (Sync)}$$

# Church-Rosser property

- Reduction is confluent



- Synchronous reduction is also confluent





# The Generic $\Delta$ -calculus type system $\vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}}$

The Type Checker depends on 2 parameters:

1. The subtyping relation  $\leq_{\mathcal{T}}$  in  $\mathcal{T} \in \{\text{CD}, \text{CDV}, \text{CDS}, \text{BCD}\}$
2. The synchronicity relation  $\mathcal{R}$  on pure  $\lambda$ -terms,  $\mathcal{R} \in \{\equiv, =_{\beta}, =_{\beta\eta}\}$

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$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta : \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} u_{\Delta} : \mathbb{U}} \text{ (U)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta : \sigma \quad \sigma \leq_{\mathcal{T}} \tau}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta^{\tau} : \tau} (\leq)$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta_1 : \sigma \\ \Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta_2 : \tau \end{array} \quad \{\Delta_1\} \mathcal{R} \{\Delta_2\}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle : \sigma \sqcap \tau} (\cap I)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta : \sigma_1 \sqcap \sigma_2 \quad i \in \{1, 2\}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \text{pr}_i \Delta : \sigma_i} (\cap E_i)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta_1 : \sigma \rightarrow \tau \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta_2 : \sigma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta_1 \Delta_2 : \tau} (\rightarrow E)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x:\sigma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \Delta : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{T}} \lambda x:\sigma. \Delta : \sigma \rightarrow \tau} (\rightarrow I)$$

# Examples

Auto-application ( $\lambda x.x x$ ) à la Curry can be typed à la Church as follows:

$$\frac{\frac{x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma}{x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash pr_1 x : \sigma \rightarrow \tau} \quad \frac{x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma}{x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash pr_2 x : \sigma}}{x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma \vdash (pr_1 x) (pr_2 x) : \tau}$$
$$\frac{}{\vdash \lambda x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma. (pr_1 x) (pr_2 x) : ((\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \sigma) \rightarrow \tau}$$

# Examples

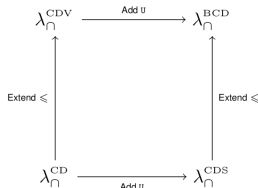
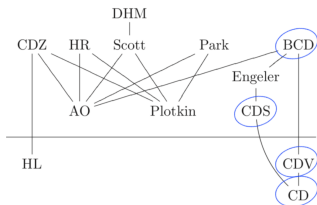
For  $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\text{CDS}}$  and  $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\text{BCD}}$ :

Fixpoint combinator  $Y \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f. (\lambda x. f (x x)) (\lambda x. f (x x))$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 f:U \rightarrow \sigma, x:U \vdash f : U \rightarrow \sigma \quad f:U \rightarrow \sigma, x:U \vdash u_{(x x)} : U \\
 \hline
 f:U \rightarrow \sigma, x:U \vdash f u_{(x x)} : \sigma \\
 \hline
 f:U \rightarrow \sigma \vdash \lambda x:U. f u_{(x x)} : U \rightarrow \sigma \quad f:U \rightarrow \sigma \vdash u_{(\lambda x:U. f u_{(x x)})} : U \\
 \hline
 f:U \rightarrow \sigma \vdash (\lambda x:U. f u_{(x x)}) u_{(\lambda x:U. f u_{(x x)})} : \sigma \\
 \hline
 \vdash \lambda f:U \rightarrow \sigma. (\lambda x:U. f u_{(x x)}) u_{(\lambda x:U. f u_{(x x)})} : (U \rightarrow \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma
 \end{array}$$

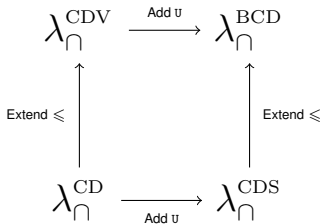
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## Taxonomy of 13 $\cap$ -systems, pp. 601 [BDS13]

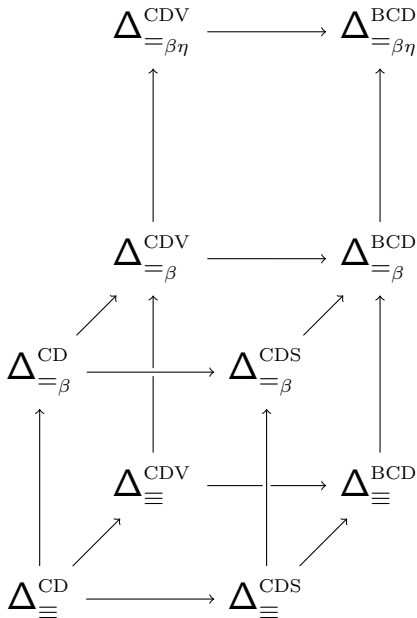


| 4 historical systems        | $\lambda_n^T$     | $T$ | $\leq_{\min}$ plus                                              | $U?$ |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Coppo-Dezani '78            | $\lambda_n^{CD}$  | CD  | —                                                               | No   |
| Coppo-Dezani-Sallé '79      | $\lambda_n^{CDS}$ | CDS | $(U_{top})$                                                     | Yes  |
| Coppo-Dezani-Venneri '81    | $\lambda_n^{CDV}$ | CDV | $(\rightarrow), (\rightarrow \cap)$                             | No   |
| Barendregt-Coppo-Dezani '83 | $\lambda_n^{BCD}$ | BCD | $(\rightarrow), (\rightarrow \cap), (U_{top}), (U \rightarrow)$ | Yes  |

# The $\Delta$ -chair



$$\mathcal{R} \in \{\equiv, =_{\beta}, =_{\beta\eta}\}$$



# Isomorphism property of $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau}$

(Soundness)  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleright \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}) \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \Delta : \sigma \implies \Gamma \vdash_{\cap}^{\tau} \{\Delta\} : \sigma$

(Completeness)  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleleft \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}) \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\cap}^{\tau} M : \sigma \implies \exists \Delta. \{\Delta\} \equiv M \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \Delta : \sigma$

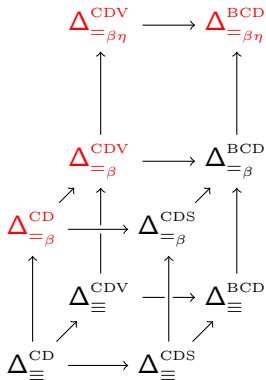
(Isomorphism)  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \sim \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}) \quad \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleright \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleleft \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}$

# Isomorphism property of $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau}$

(Soundness)  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleright \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}) \quad \Gamma \vdash^{\tau}_{\mathcal{R}} \Delta : \sigma \implies \Gamma \vdash^{\tau}_{\cap} \lambda \Delta : \sigma$

(Completeness)  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleleft \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}) \quad \Gamma \vdash^{\tau}_{\cap} M : \sigma \implies \exists \Delta. \lambda \Delta \equiv M \text{ and } \Gamma \vdash^{\tau}_{\mathcal{R}} \Delta : \sigma$

(Isomorphism)  $(\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \sim \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}) \quad \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleright \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleleft \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}$



| $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau}$        | $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleright \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}$ | $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau} \triangleleft \lambda_{\cap}^{\tau}$ |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{\text{CD}}$        | ✓                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{\text{CDV}}$       | ✓                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{\text{CDS}}$       | ✓                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{\text{BCD}}$       | ✓                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{= \beta}^{\text{CD}}$       | ✗                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{= \beta}^{\text{CDV}}$      | ✗                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{= \beta}^{\text{CDS}}$      | ✓                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{= \beta}^{\text{BCD}}$      | ✓                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{= \beta \eta}^{\text{CDV}}$ | ✗                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |
| $\Delta_{= \beta \eta}^{\text{BCD}}$ | ✗                                                                  | ✓                                                                 |

# Counter-example for $\Delta_{=\beta\eta}^{\text{CDV}}$ and $\Delta_{=\beta\eta}^{\text{BCD}}$

- Let in  $\Delta_{=\beta\eta}^{\text{CDV/BCD}}$

$$pr_2 \langle \lambda y:\sigma. (pr_1 x) y, pr_2 x \rangle$$

- We have that

$$x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \rho \vdash_{=\beta\eta}^{\text{CDV/BCD}} pr_2 \langle \lambda y:\sigma. (pr_1 x) y, pr_2 x \rangle : \rho$$

- The essence is

$$\lambda y. x y$$

- ...but in  $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CDV}}, \lambda_{\cap}^{\text{BCD}}$

$$x:(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap \rho \not\vdash_{\cap}^{\text{CDV/BCD}} \lambda y. x y : \rho$$



# Counter-example for $\Delta_{=\beta}^{\text{CD}}$ and $\Delta_{=\beta}^{\text{CDV}}$

- $S \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda x. \lambda y. \lambda z. x \ z \ (y \ z)$
- $K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda x. \lambda y. x$
- $SKS =_{\beta} \lambda x. x$
- In  $\Delta_{=\beta}^{\text{CD/CDV}}$ , you can construct a term  $\Delta$  such that

$$\lambda \Delta \equiv SKS$$

- We have that

$$\vdash_{=\beta}^{\text{CD/CDV}} pr_2 \langle \Delta, \lambda x: \sigma. x \rangle : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$$

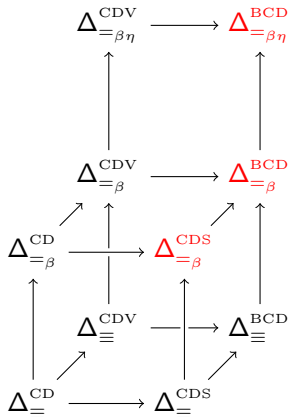
- the essence is

$$SKS$$

- ... but in  $\lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CD}}, \lambda_{\cap}^{\text{CDV}}$

$$\not\vdash_{\cap}^{\text{CD/CDV}} SKS : \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$$

# Decidability of type checking/reconstruction



| $\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^{\tau}$ | TC/TR |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{CD}$        | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{CDV}$       | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{CDS}$       | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{\equiv}^{BCD}$       | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{=β}^{CD}$            | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{=β}^{CDV}$           | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{=β}^{CDS}$           | ✗     |
| $\Delta_{=β}^{BCD}$           | ✗     |
| $\Delta_{=β\eta}^{CDV}$       | ✓     |
| $\Delta_{=β\eta}^{BCD}$       | ✗     |

Why?  $\langle u_{\Delta_1}, u_{\Delta_2} \rangle$  is typable if and only if  $\Delta_1 \downarrow_{=β,β\eta} \Delta_2$

# UNION TYPES

- Invented by Mc Queen, Plotkin and Sethi *et al.* in '86
- Dual to Intersection Types
- Same features and drawbacks of Intersection Types
- Conjectures with its relation with Intuitionistic Logic
- Not clear Curry-Howard isomorphism
- Relation with Pottinger's *Proof Functional Logic*

# Type Assignment Rules for Union and Intersection all together

$$\frac{x:\sigma \in B}{B \vdash x:\sigma} \text{ (Var)} \quad \frac{B, x:\sigma \vdash M:\tau}{B \vdash \lambda x.M:\sigma \rightarrow \tau} (\rightarrow I) \quad \frac{B \vdash M:\sigma \rightarrow \tau \quad B \vdash N:\sigma}{B \vdash MN:\tau} (\rightarrow E)$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M:\sigma \quad \sigma \leq \tau}{B \vdash M:\tau} (\leq)$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M:\sigma \quad B \vdash M:\tau}{B \vdash M:\sigma \cap \tau} (\cap I)$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M:\sigma \cap \tau}{B \vdash M:\sigma} (\cap E_l)$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M:\sigma \cap \tau}{B \vdash M:\tau} (\cap E_r)$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M:\sigma}{B \vdash M:\sigma \cup \tau} (\cup I_l)$$

$$\frac{B \vdash M:\tau}{B \vdash M:\sigma \cup \tau} (\cup I_r)$$

$$\frac{B, x:\sigma \vdash M:\rho \quad B, x:\tau \vdash M:\rho \quad B \vdash N:\sigma \cup \tau}{B \vdash M[N/x]:\rho} (\cup E)$$

# Subtyping rules ( $\Xi$ subtype theory in [BDdL])

$$(1) \sigma \leq \sigma \cap \sigma$$

$$(2) \sigma \cup \sigma \leq \sigma$$

$$(3) \sigma \cap \tau \leq \sigma, \sigma \cap \tau \leq \tau$$

$$(4) \sigma \leq \sigma \cup \tau, \tau \leq \sigma \cup \tau$$

$$(5) \sigma \leq \mathbb{U}$$

$$(6) \sigma \leq \sigma$$

$$(7) \sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2, \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \\ \sigma_1 \cap \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \cap \tau_2$$

$$(8) \sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2, \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 \cup \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \cup \tau_2$$

$$(9) \sigma \leq \tau, \tau \leq \rho \Rightarrow \sigma \leq \rho$$

$$(10) \sigma \cap (\tau \cup \rho) \leq (\sigma \cap \tau) \cup (\sigma \cap \rho)$$

$$(11) (\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap (\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \leq \sigma \rightarrow (\tau \cap \rho)$$

$$(12) (\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \rho) \leq (\sigma \cup \tau) \rightarrow \rho$$

$$(13) \mathbb{U} \leq \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}$$

$$(14) \sigma_2 \leq \sigma_1, \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \\ \sigma_1 \rightarrow \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \rightarrow \tau_2$$

# Subtyping rules

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A subtyping relation is a preorder, ie. a reflexive and transitive order with  $\top$  is a universal type, corresponding to the  $\top$  constant in the lattice of types (with  $\cup$  as  $\sqcup$  and  $\cap$  as  $\sqcap$ )

$$\sigma \leq \sigma$$

Reflexivity

$$\sigma \leq \tau, \tau \leq \rho \Rightarrow \sigma \leq \rho$$

Transitivity

$$\sigma \leq \top$$

Universal type

$$\top \leq \top \rightarrow \top$$

Universal type is also a function

# Subtyping rules

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Main rules for intersection:

$$\sigma \leq \sigma \cap \sigma$$

$$\sigma \cap \tau \leq \sigma$$

$$\sigma \cap \tau \leq \tau$$

$$\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2, \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 \cap \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \cap \tau_2 \quad \text{Inter. compositionality}$$

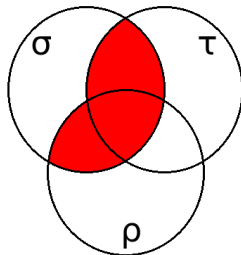
Main rules for union:

$$\sigma \cup \sigma \leq \sigma$$

$$\sigma \leq \sigma \cup \tau$$

$$\tau \leq \sigma \cup \tau$$

$$\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2, \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 \cup \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \cup \tau_2 \quad \text{Union compositionality}$$



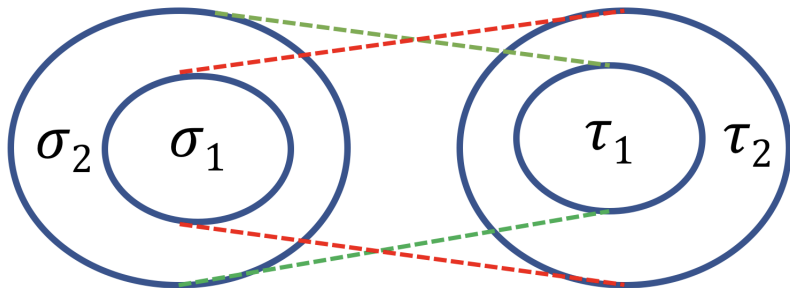
$$\sigma \cap (\tau \cup \rho) \leq (\sigma \cap \tau) \cup (\sigma \cap \rho) \quad \text{Distr. of inter over union}$$

$$(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap (\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \leq \sigma \rightarrow (\tau \cap \rho) \quad \text{Codomain factorization}$$

$$(\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \rho) \leq (\sigma \cup \tau) \rightarrow \rho \quad \text{Domain factorization}$$

Distributivity of union over intersection can be inferred, so there is no need for another distributivity axiom





Domain contravariance and codomain variance

$$\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2, \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_2 \rightarrow \tau_1 \leq \sigma_1 \rightarrow \tau_2$$

# Union types as a dual of intersection types

- Union types  $\cup$  [MacQueen-Plotkin-Sethi '85] are considered as a dual of intersection types

$$\frac{\Gamma, x:\sigma \vdash M : \rho \quad \Gamma, x:\tau \vdash M : \rho \quad \Gamma \vdash N : \sigma \cup \tau}{\Gamma \vdash M[N/x] : \rho} (\cup E)$$

- Union corresponds “roughly” to OCaml Sum types (via `match`)  
type 'a or = In1 of 'a | In2 of 'a ;;      'a is a type variable  
let f x = match x with                      case analysis on the shape of x  
| In1 y -> "case 1"                              first case  
| In2 y -> "case 2"                              second case  
;;
- The big difference between Sum and Union types is that, for Union types, all cases should have the same structure and “set” disjoint

# Intersection and union are super expressive

The Forsythe code [by Pierce 91]

$$\text{Is\_0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda n. \text{if } n=0 \text{ then } \text{true} \text{ else } \text{false} : \sigma$$
$$\sigma \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\text{Zero} \rightarrow \text{True}) \cap (\text{Neg} \rightarrow \text{False}) \cap (\text{Pos} \rightarrow \text{False})$$
$$\text{Not\_0} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda n. \text{if } n \neq 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } -1 : \text{Num} \rightarrow (\text{Pos} \cup \text{Neg})$$
$$\text{Is\_0} (\text{Not\_0 } n) : \text{False}$$

Without union types the best information we can get for  $\text{Is\_0} (\text{Not\_0 } n)$  is a Bool type

So intersection and union types allow a restricted form of ABSTRACT INTERPRETATION

# REPETITA JUVANT: Propositional Logic vs Intersection (and Union) Types

$\cap$  is not  $\wedge$

The dual type of intersection is Union:

$\cup$  is not  $\vee$

Since the meaning of  $\cap$  is reasonably clear (to claim that  $A \cap B$  is to claim that one has a reason for asserting  $A$  which is also a reason for asserting  $B$ ), it would obviously be of interest to figure out how to add  $\cap$  to intuitionist logic and then consider the analysis of intuitionist mathematical reasoning in the light of the resulting system.

NB: Usual *intuitionistic logics* do not apply for intersection and union

# Proof-functional logics for UNION

We can extend the Pottinger '80 "logical" interpretation of union as an *intuitionistic connective*, by stating that:

DISJUNCTION: "If one has a reason for asserting  $A \rightarrow C$  and another reason for asserting  $B \rightarrow C$  and another reason to assert  $A \vee B$  then one can assert  $C$ "

... (while) ...

UNION: "If one has a reason for asserting both  $A \rightarrow C$  and  $B \rightarrow C$  and another reason to assert  $A \cup B$  then one can assert  $C$ "

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_1 \\ \Downarrow \\ A \rightarrow C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_2 \\ \Downarrow \\ B \rightarrow C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_3 \\ \Downarrow \\ A \vee B \end{array}}{C}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_1 \\ \Downarrow \\ A \rightarrow C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_1 \\ \Downarrow \\ B \rightarrow C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_2 \\ \Downarrow \\ A \cup B \end{array}}{C}$$

# Extending the $\Delta$ -calculus with UNION

$\sigma ::= \phi \mid \sigma \rightarrow \sigma \mid \sigma \cap \sigma \mid \sigma \cup \sigma \mid \top$  types

$\Delta ::= x \mid \lambda x:\sigma.\Delta \mid \Delta \Delta \mid$  typed  $\lambda$ -calculus

$\langle \Delta, \Delta \rangle \mid pr_1 \Delta \mid pr_2 \Delta \mid$  strong pairs and projections

$[\Delta, \Delta] \mid$  strong sums

$in_1^\sigma \Delta \mid in_2^\sigma \Delta \mid$  injections for strong sum

$\Delta^\sigma \mid$  explicit coercions

$u_\Delta$  indexed constants

# Reconstructing the essence $M$ from a $\Delta$ -term

- Fix the relation between pure  $\lambda$ -terms and typed  $\Delta$ -terms
- Consider the following “erasing” partial function  $\wr - \wr$

$$\wr pr_i \Delta \wr \stackrel{def}{=} \wr \Delta \wr$$

$$\wr \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle \wr \stackrel{def}{=} \wr \Delta_1 \wr$$

$$\wr in_i^\sigma \Delta \wr \stackrel{def}{=} \wr \Delta \wr$$

$$\wr [\lambda x:\sigma. \Delta_1, \lambda x:\tau. \Delta_2] \Delta_3 \wr \stackrel{def}{=} \wr \Delta_1 \wr [\wr \Delta_3 \wr / x]$$

- Example:

$$\wr [\lambda x:\sigma. in_2^\tau x, \lambda x:\tau. in_1^\sigma x] y \wr = y$$

# Semantics and properties of the $\Delta$ -calculus

Standard  $\beta$ -reduction

$$(\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta_1) \Delta_2 \longrightarrow_{\beta} \Delta_1[\Delta_2/x]$$

Projection rules

$$pr_1 \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle \longrightarrow_{pr_1} \Delta_1$$

$$pr_2 \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle \longrightarrow_{pr_2} \Delta_2$$

Injection rules

$$[\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta_1, \lambda x:\tau.\Delta_2] in_1^{\sigma} \Delta_3 \longrightarrow_{in_1} \Delta_1[\Delta_3/x]$$

$$[\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta_1, \lambda x:\tau.\Delta_2] in_2^{\tau} \Delta_3 \longrightarrow_{in_2} \Delta_2[\Delta_3/x]$$

The usual properties hold: isomorphism wrt the Curry-style system, Church-Rosser, subject reduction for parallel reduction, unicity of typing, decidability of type checking, and type reconstruction



# Extending the typing rules of $\Delta$ -calculus with Union

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma \vdash \Delta_1 : \sigma \\
 \Gamma \vdash \Delta_2 : \tau \quad \{\Delta_1\} \equiv \{\Delta_2\} \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle : \sigma \cap \tau \quad (\cap I)
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma \vdash \Delta : \sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2 \quad i \in \{1, 2\} \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash pr_i \Delta : \sigma_i \quad (\cap E_i)
 \end{array}$$
  

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma \vdash \Delta : \sigma_i \quad i \in \{1, 2\} \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash in_i^{\sigma_j} \Delta : \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2 \quad (\cup I_i)
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Gamma, x:\sigma \vdash \Delta_1 : \rho \quad \{\Delta_1\} \equiv \{\Delta_2\} \\
 \Gamma, x:\tau \vdash \Delta_2 : \rho \quad \Gamma \vdash \Delta_3 : \sigma \cup \tau \\
 \hline
 \Gamma \vdash [\lambda x:\sigma. \Delta_1, \lambda x:\tau. \Delta_2] \Delta_3 : \rho \quad (\cup E)
 \end{array}$$

# Subtyping rules of theory $\Xi$ from [BDdL]

The subtyping relation from [BDdL] defines a lattice with  $\top$  as the top,  $\cup$  as the join operator and  $\cap$  as the meet operator

$$\sigma \leq \sigma \cap \sigma$$

$$\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2 \text{ and } \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 \cup \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \cup \tau_2$$

$$\sigma \cup \sigma \leq \sigma$$

$$\sigma \leq \tau \text{ and } \tau \leq \rho \Rightarrow \sigma \leq \rho$$

$$\sigma \cap \tau \leq \sigma \text{ and } \sigma \cap \tau \leq \tau$$

$$\sigma \cap (\tau \cup \rho) \leq (\sigma \cap \tau) \cup (\sigma \cap \rho)$$

$$\sigma \leq \sigma \cup \tau \text{ and } \tau \leq \sigma \cup \tau$$

$$(\sigma \rightarrow \tau) \cap (\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \leq \sigma \rightarrow (\tau \cap \rho)$$

$$\sigma \leq \top$$

$$(\sigma \rightarrow \rho) \cap (\tau \rightarrow \rho) \leq (\sigma \cup \tau) \rightarrow \rho$$

$$\sigma \leq \sigma$$

$$\top \leq \top \rightarrow \top$$

$$\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2 \text{ and } \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\sigma_2 \leq \sigma_1 \text{ and } \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\sigma_1 \cap \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \cap \tau_2$$

$$\sigma_1 \rightarrow \tau_1 \leq \sigma_2 \rightarrow \tau_2$$

# Raising the $\Delta$ -calculus to a $\Delta$ -framework

- Adding union types as dual types to intersection types
- Adding dependent types *à la* LF and found a Curry-Howard Isomorphism
- States a Curry-Howard isomorphism for Union and Intersection
- *Proof as  $\Delta$ -terms and Intersection/Union types as Logical Formulae*
- NB: usual Intuitionistic Logics do not apply to Union and Intersection

# The $\Delta$ -framework (*à la* Edinburgh LF)

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                          |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Kinds    | $K ::= \text{Type} \mid \Pi x:\sigma.K$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | as in LF                                                                                                 |
| Families | $\sigma, \tau ::= a \mid \Pi x:\sigma.\tau \mid \sigma \Delta \mid$<br>$\sigma \rightarrow^r \tau \mid$<br>$\sigma \cap \tau \mid$<br>$\sigma \cup \tau$                                                                                                                                       | as in LF<br>relevant arrow<br>intersection<br>union                                                      |
| Objects  | $\Delta ::= c \mid x \mid \lambda x:\sigma.\Delta \mid \Delta \Delta \mid$<br>$\lambda^r x:\sigma.\Delta \mid \Delta^r \Delta \mid$<br>$\langle \Delta, \Delta \rangle \mid$<br>$[\Delta, \Delta] \mid$<br>$pr_1 \Delta \mid pr_2 \Delta \mid$<br>$in_1^\sigma \Delta \mid in_2^\sigma \Delta$ | as in LF<br>relevant $\lambda$<br>pairs for intersection<br>pairs for union<br>projections<br>injections |

# The Bull software

- Bull is an interactive software which implements the  $\Delta$ -framework
- Developed from scratch in OCaml
- It contains
  - a Read-Eval-Print Loop
  - a typechecker with refinement types
  - an evaluator
  - a decidable and Coq proved and code extracted algorithm for subtyping
  - a higher-order unifier

# The language of Bull

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta, \sigma \quad ::= \quad & s \mid c \mid x \mid - \mid ?x[\Delta; \dots; \Delta] \mid \text{let } x:\sigma := \Delta \text{ in } \Delta \mid \Pi x:\sigma. \Delta \mid \\ & \lambda x:\sigma. \Delta \mid \Delta S \mid \sigma \cap \sigma \mid \sigma \cup \sigma \mid \langle \Delta, \Delta \rangle \mid pr_1 \Delta \mid pr_2 \Delta \mid \\ & \text{smatch } \Delta \text{ return } \sigma \text{ with } [x:\sigma \Rightarrow \Delta \mid x:\sigma \Rightarrow \Delta] \mid \\ & in_1 \sigma \Delta \mid in_2 \sigma \Delta \mid \text{coe } \sigma \Delta \end{aligned}$$

- Applications use spines, as in [Cervesato-Pfenning], *i.e.* lists of arguments

$$S ::= () \mid (S; \Delta)$$

- Meta-variables  $?x[\Delta; \dots; \Delta]$  use suspended substitutions: if we know that

$$z:\sigma \vdash ?y : \tau$$

- We have

$$(\lambda x:\sigma. ?y[z := x]) \Delta \quad \longrightarrow_{\beta} \quad ?y[z := \Delta] : \tau[z := \Delta]$$

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> Definition auto_app (f : (s → s) & ((s → s) → s → s)) := proj_r f proj_l f.
auto_app is defined.
```

```
> Compute (auto_app id).
fun x : s ⇒ x : s → s
 essence = fun x ⇒ x : s → s
```

# Reduction rules of Bull

- $\beta$ -reduction:  $(\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta_1) \Delta_2 \longrightarrow_{\beta} \Delta_1[\Delta_2/x]$
- $\eta$ -reduction:  $\lambda x:\sigma.\Delta x \longrightarrow_{\eta} \Delta$  if  $x \notin FV(\Delta)$
- smatch-reduction:  
**smatch**  $\text{in}_i \Delta_3$  **return**  $\sigma$  **with**  $[x:\tau \Rightarrow \Delta_1 \mid x:\rho \Rightarrow \Delta_2] \longrightarrow_{\text{in}_i} \Delta_i[\Delta_3/x]$
- $pr_i$ -reduction:  $pr_i \langle \Delta_1, \Delta_2 \rangle \longrightarrow_{pr_i} \Delta_i$
- $\delta$ -reduction: if  $c$  is defined as  $\Delta$ , then  $c \longrightarrow_{\delta} \Delta$
- $\zeta$ -reduction: **let**  $x:\sigma := \Delta_1$  **in**  $\Delta_2 \longrightarrow_{\zeta} \Delta_2[\Delta_1/x]$

# Easing the work of the programmer

- In this example, the types of `id1` and `id2` are inferred:

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- Also, error reports focus precisely on the culprit:

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- The algorithms we use in order to achieve this are a unifier and a refiner

# Unification and refinement

- There is a meta-environment for meta-variables and their instantiation

$$\Phi ::= \cdot \mid \Phi, \mathbf{sort}(?x) \mid \Phi, ?x := s \mid \Phi, (\Gamma \vdash ?x : \sigma) \mid$$

$$\Phi, (\Gamma \vdash ?x := \Delta : \sigma) \mid \Phi, \Psi \vdash ?x \mid \Phi, \Psi \vdash ?x := M$$

- We use Higher-Order Pattern Unification. Judgments are

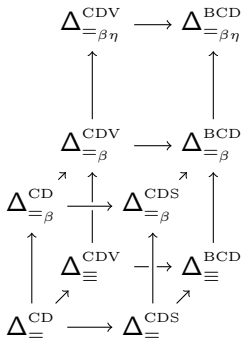
$$\Phi_1; \Sigma; \Gamma \vdash \Delta_1 \stackrel{?}{=} \Delta_2 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{U}} \Phi_2$$

- Refinement is done the same way as in Matita. Judgments are

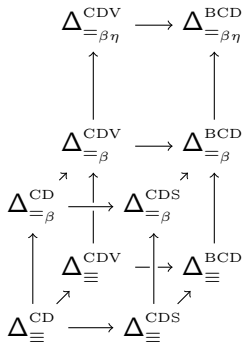
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# Conclusion and future work

- We have presented different Church-style  $\lambda$ -calculi with intersection, union, relevant arrow, and dependent types
- We have studied their meta-properties
- We have developed Bull, a proof-of-concept logical framework
- **Future:** logical interpretation of intersection and union
- **Future:** enhance the  $\Delta$ -framework with inductive types



# Thank you for listening



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