

# Using the Hereditary Substitution Function in Normalization Proofs

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# Introduction

- What is a functional programming language?
- The  $\lambda$ -calculus.
  - The language, operational semantics, and examples.
  - Paradoxes and the need for something better.
- The Simply Typed  $\lambda$ -calculus.
  - Language, types, and examples.
- A bit about logic.
  - Intuitionistic logic and how type theories can be considered intuitionistic logics.
  - The normalization property.
- The hereditary substitution function.
  - The definition and properties of the function.
- Normalization by hereditary substitution.
  - Semantics, a main substitution lemma, and type soundness.
- Normalization of STLC, SSF, and  $SSF^\omega$ .
  - Define each language and apply normalization by hereditary substitution.

# What is a functional programming language?

- A functional programming language is a programming language that is based on a mathematical foundation.
- This foundation is the  $\lambda$ -calculus.
- A few of the most popular functional programming languages are ML, Haskell, and (pure) Scheme.

# The $\lambda$ -Calculus

## Definition (The Syntax)

The language of the  $\lambda$ -calculus consists of only variables, functions, and applications. The grammar is as follows:

$$t ::= x \mid \lambda x.t \mid t t$$

## Definition (The Operational Semantics)

The operational semantics for the  $\lambda$ -calculus is the following:

$$(\lambda x.t) t' \rightsquigarrow [t'/x]t$$

# The $\lambda$ -Calculus

## Definition

The capture avoiding substitution function is defined by induction on the form of  $t'$ , the term we are substituting into.

$$[t/x]x = t$$

$$[t/x]y = y$$

$$[t/x](\lambda x.t') = \lambda x.t'$$

$$[t/x](\lambda y.t') = \lambda y.[t/x]t'$$

Where  $y \notin FV(t)$ .

$$[t/x](\lambda y.t') = \lambda y.[([z/y]t)/x]t'$$

Where  $y \in FV(t)$  and  $z$  is a variable distinct from all variables (free or bound) in  $t$ .

$$[t/x](t_1 t_2) = ([t/x]t_1) ([t/x]t_2)$$

# The $\lambda$ -Calculus

- Example terms:

Identity Function:  $\lambda x.x$

Squaring Function:  $\lambda x.x x$

True:  $\lambda x.\lambda y.x$

False:  $\lambda x.\lambda y.y$

Conjunction:  $\lambda x.\lambda y.x y x$

Disjunction:  $\lambda x.\lambda y.x x y$

Zero:  $\lambda s.\lambda z.z$

One:  $\lambda s.\lambda z.s z$

Plus:  $\lambda n_1.\lambda n_2.\lambda s.\lambda z.n_1 s (n_2 s z)$

Multiplication:  $\lambda n_1.\lambda n_2.\lambda s.\lambda z.n_2 (plus\ n_1)\ z$

# The $\lambda$ -Calculus

- Example computation ( $3 + 2$ ):

Let  $3 = \lambda s.\lambda z.s (s (s z))$ ,  $2 = \lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z)$ , and  $plus = \lambda n_1.\lambda n_2.\lambda s.\lambda z.n_1 s (n_2 s z)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(plus\ 3)\ 2 &\equiv ((\lambda n_1.\lambda n_2.\lambda s.\lambda z.n_1 s (n_2 s z))\ 3)\ 2 \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\beta} (\lambda n_2.\lambda s.\lambda z.3 s (n_2 s z))\ 2 \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\beta} \lambda s.\lambda z.3 s (2 s z) \\ &\equiv \lambda s.\lambda z.(\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s (s z)))\ s (2 s z) \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\beta} \lambda s.\lambda z.(\lambda z.s (s (s z)))\ (2 s z) \\ &\equiv \lambda s.\lambda z.(\lambda z.s (s (s z)))\ ((\lambda s.\lambda z.s (s z))\ s z) \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\beta} \lambda s.\lambda z.(\lambda z.s (s (s z)))\ ((\lambda z.s (s z))\ z) \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\beta} \lambda s.\lambda z.(\lambda z.s (s (s z)))\ (s (s z)) \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\beta} \lambda s.\lambda z.s (s (s (s (s z)))) \\ &\equiv 5.\end{aligned}$$

# Paradoxes of the $\lambda$ -Calculus

- Infinite loop:

$$(\lambda x. x x) (\lambda x. x x) \rightsquigarrow_{\beta} (\lambda x. x x) (\lambda x. x x) \rightsquigarrow_{\beta} \dots$$

- Loops are good for general purpose programming, but not for logic.
  - Terms like the one above allows the formulation of paradoxes in the  $\lambda$ -calculus.
  - Thus, the  $\lambda$ -calculus is inconsistent as a logic.
  - Church fixed this by adding types.



# The Simply Typed $\lambda$ -calculus

## Definition (The Syntax)

The grammar is as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} t & ::= & x \quad | \quad \lambda x : \phi. t \quad | \quad t t \\ \phi & ::= & X \quad | \quad \phi \rightarrow \phi \\ \Gamma & ::= & \cdot \quad | \quad \Gamma, x : \phi \end{array}$$

## Definition (Type Checking Rules)

$$\frac{\Gamma(x) = \phi}{\Gamma \vdash x : \phi} \text{VAR} \quad \frac{\Gamma, x : \phi_1 \vdash t : \phi_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \phi_1. t : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2} \text{LAM} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \phi_1}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 t_2 : \phi_2} \text{APP}$$

# Example Typing Derivations

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{}{s : X \rightarrow X, z : X \vdash s : X \rightarrow X} \text{VAR} \quad \frac{}{s : X \rightarrow X, z : X \vdash z : X} \text{VAR}}{s : X \rightarrow X, z : X \vdash s z : X} \text{APP}}{s : X \rightarrow X \vdash \lambda z : X. s z : X \rightarrow X} \text{LAM}}{\cdot \vdash \lambda s : X \rightarrow X. \lambda z : X. s z : (X \rightarrow X) \rightarrow X \rightarrow X} \text{LAM}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{}{x : X \rightarrow X \vdash x : X \rightarrow X} \text{VAR} \quad \frac{}{x : X \rightarrow X \vdash x : X} \text{???}}{x : X \rightarrow X \vdash x x : X \rightarrow X} \text{APP}}{\cdot \vdash \lambda x : X \rightarrow X. x x : X \rightarrow X} \text{LAM}$$

# A Bit about Logic

- Type theories like STLC can be considered as intuitionistic logics.
- In fact there is a one-to-one correspondence between STLC and minimal intuitionistic propositional logic.
- This correspondence is called the Curry-Howard correspondence or proofs-as-programs and propositions-as-types correspondence.
- We reveal this correspondence by showing how STLC and minimal intuitionistic propositional logic correspond using an interpretation called the BHK-interpretation.

# Minimal Intuitionistic Propositional Logic

## Definition (Gentzen's Natural Deduction)

We denote propositional variables by  $x, x_i, y$ , and so on. We assume an infinite number of them. All formulas will be denoted by  $\phi_i$ . We denote sets of assumptions by  $\Gamma_i$ .

$$\phi ::= x \mid \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2$$

$$\frac{}{\phi \vdash \phi} \mid \frac{\Gamma, \phi_1 \vdash \phi_2}{\Gamma \vdash \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2} \rightarrow_i \quad \frac{\Gamma_1 \vdash \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 \quad \Gamma_2 \vdash \phi_1}{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \phi_2} \rightarrow_e$$

# The BHK-Interpretation

- In intuitionistic logic or constructive logic proofs of propositions must be constructed.
- The Brouwer, Heyting, and Kolmogorov interpretation (BHK-interpretation) tells us exactly how to construct the proof of a proposition in minimal intuitionistic logic.

## Definition

The BHK-interpretation:

$cr(\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)$  iff  $c$  is a function,  $\lambda x.t$ , such that for any  $dr\phi_1$   
 $(\lambda x.t) dr\phi_2$ .

We say a construction  $c$  realizes  $\phi$  iff  $cr\phi$ .

# Curry-Howard Correspondence

- Through the work of Curry, Howard, Tait, Laüchli, De Bruijn, and Prawitz there exists an important correspondence between type theory and intuitionistic logic stated as follows:

Propositions = Types and Proofs = Programs.

- Consider the type-checking rules for STLC:

$$\frac{\Gamma(x) = \phi}{\Gamma \vdash x : \phi} \text{VAR} \quad \frac{\Gamma, x : \phi_1 \vdash t : \phi_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \phi_1. t : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2} \text{LAM} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \phi_1}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 t_2 : \phi_2} \text{APP}$$

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# Proofs as Programs

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{(p \rightarrow q), (q \rightarrow u), p \models p}{(p \rightarrow q), (q \rightarrow u), p \models p \rightarrow q} \rightarrow_e \\
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 \frac{(p \rightarrow q), (q \rightarrow u) \models p \rightarrow u}{(p \rightarrow q) \models (q \rightarrow u) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow u)} \rightarrow_j \\
 \frac{(p \rightarrow q) \models (q \rightarrow u) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow u)}{\cdot \models (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow u) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow u)} \rightarrow_j
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 p : (P \rightarrow Q), q : (Q \rightarrow U), z : P \vdash z : P \\
 p : (P \rightarrow Q), q : (Q \rightarrow U), z : P \vdash p : (P \rightarrow Q) \\
 \frac{p : (P \rightarrow Q), q : (Q \rightarrow U), z : P \vdash pz : Q \quad p : (P \rightarrow Q), q : (Q \rightarrow U), z : P \vdash q : Q \rightarrow U}{p : (P \rightarrow Q), q : (Q \rightarrow U), z : P \vdash q(pz) : U} \\
 \frac{p : (P \rightarrow Q), q : (Q \rightarrow U) \vdash \lambda z : P. q(pz) : (P \rightarrow U)}{p : (P \rightarrow Q) \vdash \lambda q : (Q \rightarrow U). \lambda z : P. q(pz) : (Q \rightarrow U) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow U)} \\
 \cdot \vdash \lambda p : (P \rightarrow Q). \lambda q : (Q \rightarrow U). \lambda z : P. q(pz) : (P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow U) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow U)
 \end{array}$$



# The Normalization Property

- The property where there exists a computation path (w.r.t the operational semantics) where all programs definable in a typed  $\lambda$ -calculus terminate. More precisely,  $\forall t. \exists t'. t \rightsquigarrow^* t' \not\rightarrow$ . We call  $t'$  a normal form.
- The normalization property is important, because proofs of logical formulas must be finite and total.
- Diverging proofs do not establish any kind of truth.
- Normalization is not a trivial property and is often very difficult to prove.
  - The property is a meta-level property which requires a strong meta-theory.
  - The complexity of normalization proofs is the driving force behind this research.
    - Existing proof methods are hard to use, even for weak theories.

# Hereditary substitution function [Watkins et al., 2004]

- Watkins et al. defined a dependently typed programming language called Canonical LF (CLF).
  - The language only consisted of normal forms.
  - This prevented capture avoiding substitution from being used by the operational semantics.
    - Example:  $(\lambda x : X \rightarrow X.x y)(\lambda x : X.x) \rightsquigarrow [(\lambda x : X.x)/x](x y)$ .
- Syntax:  $[t/x]^\phi t' = t''$ .
- Like ordinary capture avoiding substitution.
- Except, if the substitution introduces a redex, then that redex is recursively reduced.
  - Example:  $[(\lambda z : X.z)/x]^{X \rightarrow X}(x y) (\rightsquigarrow (\lambda z : X.z)y \rightsquigarrow [y/z]^X z) = y$ .

# Normalization by hereditary substitution

- Proving normalization of some type theory using hereditary substitution involves six main steps:
  - i. define a well-founded ordering on types,
  - ii. define the hereditary substitution function,
  - iii. prove the properties of the hereditary substitution function,
  - iv. define a semantics for types called the interpretation of types,
  - v. prove the semantics is closed under hereditary substitutions (this implies that the semantics is closed under capture avoiding substitutions), and
  - vi. prove all typeable terms are members of the interpretation of their type. This is known as type soundness.

# Normalization of STLC

- The ordering on types is just the strict subexpression ordering.
  - I.e.  $\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 >_{\Gamma} \phi_i$  where  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .

## Definition (The Construct Type Function)

$$\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, x) = \phi$$

$$\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t_1 t_2) = \phi''$$

Where  $\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t_1) = \phi' \rightarrow \phi''$ .

## Lemma (Properties of $\text{ctype}_{\phi}$ )

- If  $\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t) = \phi'$  then  $\text{head}(t) = x$  and  $\phi'$  is a subexpression of  $\phi$ .
- If  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t : \phi'$  and  $\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t) = \phi''$  then  $\phi' \equiv \phi''$ .

# Normalization of STLC

## Definition (The Hereditary Substitution Function for STLC)

$$[t/x]^\phi x = t$$

$$[t/x]^\phi y = y$$

Where  $y$  is a variable distinct from  $x$ .

$$[t/x]^\phi (\lambda y : \phi'. t') = \lambda y : \phi'. ([t/x]^\phi t')$$

$$[t/x]^\phi (t_1 t_2) = ([t/x]^\phi t_1) ([t/x]^\phi t_2)$$

Where  $([t/x]^\phi t_1)$  is not a  $\lambda$ -abstraction, or both  $([t/x]^\phi t_1)$  and  $t_1$  are  $\lambda$ -abstractions, or  $\text{ctype}_\phi(x, t_1)$  is undefined.

$$[t/x]^\phi (t_1 t_2) = [[t/x]^\phi t_2 / y]^\phi s'_1$$

Where  $([t/x]^\phi t_1) \equiv \lambda y : \phi''. s'_1$  for some  $y, s'_1$ , and  $\phi''$  and  $\text{ctype}_\phi(x, t_1) = \phi'' \rightarrow \phi'$ .

## Lemma (Properties of $\text{ctype}_\phi$ )

- iii. If  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t_1 t_2 : \phi', \Gamma \vdash t : \phi, [t/x]^\phi t_1 = \lambda y : \phi_1. q$ , and  $t_1$  is not then there exists a type  $\psi$  such that  $\text{ctype}_\phi(x, t_1) = \psi$ .

# Normalization of STLC

## Lemma (Total and Type Preserving)

*Suppose  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  and  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t' : \phi'$ . Then there exists a term  $t''$  such that  $[t/x]^\phi t' = t''$  and  $\Gamma, \Gamma' \vdash t'' : \phi'$ .*

## Lemma (Normality Preserving)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash n : \phi$  and  $\Gamma, x : \phi \vdash n' : \phi'$  then there exists a normal term  $n''$  such that  $[n/x]^\phi n' = n''$ .*

## Lemma (Soundness with Respect to Reduction)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  and  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t' : \phi'$  then  $[t/x]t' \rightsquigarrow^* [t/x]^\phi t'$ .*

# Normalization of STLC

## Lemma (Redex Preserving)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$ ,  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t' : \phi'$  then  $|rset(t', t)| \geq |rset([t/x]^\phi t')|$ .*

- We call this property redex preservation, because eventually we would like to characterize which redexes are actually destroyed and which remain. In particular the latter.

# Normalization of STLC

## Definition

First we define when a normal form is a member of the interpretation of type  $\phi$  in context  $\Gamma$

$$n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma} \iff \Gamma \vdash n : \phi,$$

and this definition is extended to non-normal forms in the following way

$$t \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma} \iff t \rightsquigarrow^! n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma},$$

where  $t \rightsquigarrow^! t'$  is syntactic sugar for  $t \rightsquigarrow^* t' \not\rightsquigarrow$ .

## Lemma (Substitution for the Interpretation of Types)

*If  $n' \in \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket_{\Gamma, x:\phi, \Gamma'}$ ,  $n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma}$ , then  $[n/x]^{\phi} n' \in \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket_{\Gamma, \Gamma'}$ .*



# Normalization of STLC

## Theorem (Type Soundness)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  then  $t \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma}$ .*

## Corollary (Normalization)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  then  $t \rightsquigarrow^! n$ .*

# Stratified System F

- Example:  $\lambda X : *_1. \lambda x : X. x$ .
- Example:  $\forall X. \phi$ .

## Definition (Syntax for SSF)

$$\begin{aligned} K & ::= *_0 \mid *_1 \mid \dots \\ \phi & ::= X \mid \phi \rightarrow \phi \mid \forall X : K. \phi \\ t & ::= x \mid \lambda x : \phi. t \mid t t \mid \Lambda X : K. t \mid t[\phi] \end{aligned}$$

## Definition (The Operational Semantics for SSF)

$$\begin{aligned} (\Lambda X : *_p. t)[\phi] & \rightsquigarrow [\phi/X]t \\ (\lambda x : \phi. t)t' & \rightsquigarrow [t'/x]t \end{aligned}$$

# Stratified System F

## Definition (Kinding Rules)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi_1 : *_{p} \quad \Gamma \vdash \phi_2 : *_{q}}{\Gamma \vdash \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 : *_{\max(p,q)}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, X : *_{q} \vdash \phi : *_{p}}{\Gamma \vdash \forall X : *_{q}. \phi : *_{\max(p,q)+1}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(X) = *_{p} \quad p \leq q \quad \Gamma \text{ Ok}}{\Gamma \vdash X : *_{q}}$$

## Definition (Type-checking Rules for SSF)

$$\frac{\Gamma(x) = \phi \quad \Gamma \text{ Ok}}{\Gamma \vdash x : \phi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \phi_1 \vdash t : \phi_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \phi_1. t : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \phi_1}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 t_2 : \phi_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, X : *_{p} \vdash t : \phi}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda X : *_{p}. t : \forall X : *_{p}. \phi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : \forall X : *_{1}. \phi_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash \phi_2 : *_{1}}{\Gamma \vdash t[\phi_2] : [\phi_2/X]\phi_1}$$

# Normalization of SSF

## Definition (Ordering on Types)

The ordering  $>_{\Gamma}$  is defined as the least relation satisfying the universal closures of the following formulas:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 & >_{\Gamma} & \phi_1 \\ \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 & >_{\Gamma} & \phi_2 \\ \forall X : *_{I}. \phi & >_{\Gamma} & [\phi' / X]\phi \text{ where } \Gamma \vdash \phi' : *_{I}. \end{array}$$

## Lemma (Transitivity of $>_{\Gamma}$ )

*Let  $\phi$ ,  $\phi'$ , and  $\phi''$  be kindable types. If  $\phi >_{\Gamma} \phi'$  and  $\phi' >_{\Gamma} \phi''$  then  $\phi >_{\Gamma} \phi''$ .*

## Theorem (Well-founded ordering)

*The ordering  $>_{\Gamma}$  is well-founded on types  $\phi$  such that  $\Gamma \vdash \phi : *_{I}$  for some  $I$ .*

# Normalization of SSF

## Definition

The construct type function for SSF is defined as follows:

$$\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, x) = \phi$$

$$\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t_1 t_2) = \phi''$$

$$\text{Where } \text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t_1) = \phi' \rightarrow \phi''.$$

$$\text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t[\phi']) = [\phi'/X]\phi''$$

$$\text{Where } \text{ctype}_{\phi}(x, t) = \forall X : *_1.\phi''.$$

# Normalization of SSF

## Definition (The Hereditary Substitution Function for SSF)

$$[t/x]^\phi x = t$$

$$[t/x]^\phi y = y$$

Where  $y$  is a variable distinct from  $x$ .

$$[t/x]^\phi (\lambda y : \phi'. t') = \lambda y : \phi'. ([t/x]^\phi t')$$

$$[t/x]^\phi (\Lambda X : *_l. t') = \Lambda X : *_l. ([t/x]^\phi t')$$

$$[t/x]^\phi (t_1 t_2) = ([t/x]^\phi t_1) ([t/x]^\phi t_2)$$

Where  $([t/x]^\phi t_1)$  is not a  $\lambda$ -abstraction, or both  $([t/x]^\phi t_1)$  and  $t_1$  are  $\lambda$ -abstractions, or  $\text{ctype}_\phi(x, t_1)$  is undefined.

$$[t/x]^\phi (t_1 t_2) = [([t/x]^\phi t_2)/y]^\phi s'_1$$

Where  $([t/x]^\phi t_1) \equiv \lambda y : \phi''. s'_1$  for some  $y, s'_1$ , and  $\phi''$  and  $\text{ctype}_\phi(x, t_1) = \phi'' \rightarrow \phi'$ .

$$[t/x]^\phi (t'[\phi']) = ([t/x]^\phi t')[\phi']$$

Where  $[t/x]^\phi t'$  is not a type abstraction or  $t'$  and  $[t/x]^\phi t'$  are type abstractions.

$$[t/x]^\phi (t'[\phi']) = [\phi'/X]s'_1$$

Where  $[t/x]^\phi t' \equiv \Lambda X : *_l. s'_1$ , for some  $X, s'_1$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \phi' : *_{q_1}$ , such that,  $q \leq l$  and  $\text{ctype}_\phi(x, t') = \forall X : *_l. \phi''$ .

# Normalization of SSF

## Lemma (Properties of $ctype_\phi$ )

- i. If  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t : \phi'$  and  $ctype_\phi(x, t) = \phi''$  then  $head(t) = x$ ,  $\phi' \equiv \phi''$ , and  $\phi' \leq_{\Gamma, \Gamma'} \phi$ .
- ii. If  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t_1 t_2 : \phi'$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$ ,  $[t/x]^\phi t_1 = \lambda y : \phi_1. q$ , and  $t_1$  is not then there exists a type  $\psi$  such that  $ctype_\phi(x, t_1) = \psi$ .
- iii. If  $\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma' \vdash t'[\phi''] : \phi'$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$ ,  $[t/x]^\phi t' = \Lambda X : *_1. t''$ , and  $t'$  is not then there exists a type  $\psi$  such that  $ctype_\phi(x, t') = \psi$ .

# Normalization of SSF

- All the properties of the hereditary substitution function are exactly the same as for STLC. Their proofs only differ.
- The interpretation of types is exactly as for STLC.

## Lemma (Substitution for the Interpretation of Types)

*If  $n' \in \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket_{\Gamma, x:\phi, \Gamma'}$ ,  $n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma}$ , then  $[n/x]^\phi n' \in \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket_{\Gamma, \Gamma'}$ .*

## Theorem (Type Soundness)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  then  $t \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma}$ .*

## Corollary (Normalization)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  then  $t \rightsquigarrow^! n$ .*



# Stratified System $F^\omega$

## Definition (Syntax for $SSF^\omega$ )

$$\begin{aligned} K &:= K \rightarrow K \mid *_0 \mid *_1 \mid \dots \\ \phi &:= X \mid \phi \rightarrow \phi \mid \forall X : K. \phi \mid \lambda X : *_l. \phi \mid \phi \phi \\ t &:= x \mid \lambda x : \phi. t \mid t t \mid \Lambda X : K. t \mid t[\phi] \end{aligned}$$

## Definition (Operational Semantics for $SSF^\omega$ )

$$\begin{aligned} (\Lambda X : K. t)[\phi] &\rightsquigarrow [\phi/X]t \\ (\lambda x : \phi. t) t' &\rightsquigarrow [t'/x]t \\ (\lambda X : *_l. \phi) \phi' &\rightsquigarrow [\phi'/x]\phi \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{\Gamma, X : K_1 \vdash \phi : K_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda X : K_1. \phi : K_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, X : *q \vdash \phi : *p}{\Gamma \vdash \forall X : *q. \phi : *_{\max(p,q)+1}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi_1 : K_1 \rightarrow K_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash \phi_2 : K_1}{\Gamma \vdash \phi_1 \phi_2 : K_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma Ok \quad p \leq q \quad \Gamma(X) = *p}{\Gamma \vdash X : *q}$$

## Definition (Type-Checking Rules)

$$\frac{\Gamma(x) = \phi \quad \Gamma Ok}{\Gamma \vdash x : \phi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \phi_1 \vdash t : \phi_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \phi_1. t : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \phi_1}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 t_2 : \phi_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, X : *p \vdash t : \phi}{\Gamma \vdash \Lambda X : *p. t : \forall X : *p. \phi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : \forall X : *1. \phi_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash \phi_2 : *1}{\Gamma \vdash t[\phi_2] : [\phi_2/X]\phi_1}$$

# Normalization of $SSF^\omega$

- To prove normalization of  $SSF^\omega$  we must first prove normalization of the type level and then use this knowledge to prove normalization of the term (program) level.
- Normalization of the type level amounts to simply proving normalization of STLC.
- Normalization of the term level is essentially just normalization of  $SSF$  with a new type soundness result.

# Normalization of $SSF^\omega$

## Definition (The Construct Kind Function)

$$ckind_K(X, X) = K$$

$$ckind_K(X, \phi_1 \phi_2) = K'$$

$$\text{Where } ckind_K(X, \phi_1) = K'' \rightarrow K'.$$

- The construct kind function has all the exact same properties as the construct type function for STLC.

# Normalization of $\text{SSF}^\omega$

## Definition (Type-Level Hereditary Substitution Function)

$$\{\phi/X\}^K X = \phi$$

$$\{\phi/X\}^K Y = Y$$

Where  $Y$  is a variable distinct from  $X$ .

$$\{\phi/X\}^K (\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2) = (\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_1) \rightarrow (\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_2)$$

$$\{\phi/X\}^K (\forall Y : *_1. \phi') = \forall Y : *_1. \{\phi/X\}^K \phi'$$

$$\{\phi/X\}^K (\lambda Y : K_1. \phi') = \lambda Y : K_1. (\{\phi/X\}^K \phi')$$

$$\{\phi/X\}^K (\phi_1 \phi_2) = (\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_1) (\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_2)$$

Where  $(\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_1)$  is not a  $\lambda$ -abstraction, or both  $(\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_1)$  and  $\phi_2$  are  $\lambda$ -abstractions, or  $\text{ckind}_K(X, \phi_1)$  is undefined.

$$\{\phi/X\}^K (\phi_1 \phi_2) = \{(\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_2)/Y\}^{K''} \phi'_1$$

Where  $(\{\phi/X\}^K \phi_1) \equiv \lambda Y : K'' . \phi'_1$  for some  $Y$ ,  $\phi'_1$ , and  $K''$  and  $\text{ckind}_K(X, \phi_1) = K'' \rightarrow K'$ .

# Normalization of $SSF^\omega$

- The type-level hereditary substitution function has all the exact same properties as the hereditary substitution function for STLC.
- Concluding normalization for the type-level is again identical to STLC.
- All that is left is concluding normalization of the term level.

## Definition

First we define when a normal form is a member of the interpretation of normal type  $\phi$  in context  $\Gamma$

$$n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_\Gamma \iff \Gamma \vdash n : \phi,$$

and this definition is extended to non-normal forms in the following way

$$t \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_\Gamma \iff t \rightsquigarrow^! n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_\Gamma.$$

# Normalization of $\text{SSF}^\omega$

## Lemma (Substitution for the Interpretation of Types)

*If  $n' \in \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket_{\Gamma, x:\phi, \Gamma'}$ ,  $n \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma}$ , then  $[n/x]^\phi n' \in \llbracket \phi' \rrbracket_{\Gamma, \Gamma'}$ .*

## Theorem (Type Soundness Normal Types)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  and  $\phi$  is normal then  $t \in \llbracket \phi \rrbracket_{\Gamma}$ .*

## Lemma (Preservation of Types for Kinding)

- i. *If  $(\Gamma, x : \phi, \Gamma')$  Ok and  $\phi \rightsquigarrow \phi'$  then  $(\Gamma, x : \phi', \Gamma')$  Ok.*
- ii. *If  $\Gamma \vdash \phi : K$  and  $\phi \rightsquigarrow \phi'$  then there exists a  $\Gamma'$  such that  $\Gamma' \vdash \phi' : K$ .*

## Lemma (Preservation of Types for Typing)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  and  $\phi \rightsquigarrow \phi'$  then there exists a  $\Gamma'$  such that  $\Gamma' \vdash t : \phi'$ .*

# Normalization of $\text{SSF}^\omega$

## Theorem (Type Soundness)

*If  $\Gamma \vdash t : \phi$  then  $\phi \rightsquigarrow^! \psi$ , and there exists a  $\Gamma'$  such that  $t \in \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{\Gamma'}$ .*

## Proof.

By regularity we know  $\Gamma \vdash \phi : K$  for some kind  $K$  and by normalization of the type level there exists a normal type  $\psi$  such that  $\phi \rightsquigarrow^! \psi$ . Finally, by preservation of types for typing there exists a  $\Gamma'$  such that  $\Gamma' \vdash t : \psi$ . Thus, by type soundness of normal types  $t \in \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_{\Gamma'}$ .  $\square$



# Concluding remarks

- We have analyzed several systems.
  - Simply Typed  $\lambda$ -Calculus (STLC)
  - Simply Typed  $\lambda$ -Calculus<sup>=</sup>
    - An extension of STLC with a primitive notion of equality between types.
  - Stratified System F (SSF)
  - Stratified System F<sup>+</sup>
    - An extension of SSF with sum types and commuting conversions.
  - Dependent Stratified System F
    - An extension of SSF with dependent function types and a primitive notion of equality between terms.
  - Stratified System F <sup>$\omega$</sup> 
    - An extension of SSF with type-level computation.
- Future work.
  - Extend to higher ordinals. Goal: System T.
  - Look into full System F and type theories with control.
- Thank you all of you for listening.