

# Type and Scope Preserving Semantics

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# Motivations

- ▶ Formally studying PLs
  - ▶ Representation of Terms / Typing derivations
  - ▶ With good properties: closed under renaming and substitution, normalising
  - ▶ Themselves with good properties
- ▶ Writing DSLs
  - ▶ Strong guarantees (type, scope safety)
  - ▶ With ASTs we can inspect (optimise, compile)

# Simple Types

Minimal system: A record type, a sum type and function spaces.

```
data ty : Set where
```

```
  \Unit  : ty
```

```
  \Bool  : ty
```

```
  _ \→ _ : (σ τ : ty) → ty
```

```
data Con : Set where
```

```
  ε      : Con
```

```
  _ • _  : Con → ty → Con
```

# Deep Embedding - Variables

Typed de Bruijn indices

**data**  $\_ \in \_$  ( $\sigma : \text{ty}$ ) : **Con**  $\rightarrow$  **Set** **where**

**zero** :  $\sigma \in (\Gamma \bullet \sigma)$

**1+<sub>-</sub>** :  $\sigma \in \Gamma \rightarrow \sigma \in (\Gamma \bullet \tau)$

# Deep Embedding - Terms

ASTs type and scope correct by construction

```
data _⊢_ (Γ : Con) : (σ : ty) → Set where
  `var    : (v : σ ∈ Γ) → Γ ⊢ σ
  _`$_    : (t : Γ ⊢ (σ `→ τ)) (u : Γ ⊢ σ) → Γ ⊢ τ
  `λ      : (t : Γ • σ ⊢ τ) → Γ ⊢ (σ `→ τ)
  `⟨      : Γ ⊢ `Unit
  `tt `ff : Γ ⊢ `Bool
  `ifte   : (b : Γ ⊢ `Bool) (l r : Γ ⊢ σ) → Γ ⊢ σ
```

# Goguen & McKinna: Conspicuously similar functions

$\text{ren} : (t : \Gamma \vdash \sigma) (\rho : \Delta [\text{ren}\mathcal{E}] \Gamma) \rightarrow \Delta \vdash \sigma$

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# Factoring Out the Common Parts

```
record Syntactic ( $\mathcal{E} : (\Gamma : \text{Con}) (\sigma : \text{ty}) \rightarrow \text{Set}$ ) : Set where
  field embed :  $(\sigma : \text{ty}) \rightarrow \sigma \in \Gamma \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \Gamma \sigma$ 
      wk      :  $\Gamma \subseteq \Delta \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \Gamma \sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \Delta \sigma$ 
      [[var]] :  $\mathcal{E} \Gamma \sigma \rightarrow \Gamma \vdash \sigma$ 
```



# Implementing the traversal Once and For All

$\text{syn} : (\mathcal{S} : \text{Syntactic } \mathcal{E}) (t : \Gamma \vdash \sigma) (\rho : \Delta [ \mathcal{E} ] \Gamma) \rightarrow \Delta \vdash \sigma$

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$\text{synextend } \mathcal{S} \rho = [ \mathcal{E} ] \rho' \text{'}\bullet \text{var}$

where  $\text{var} = \text{Syntactic.embed } \mathcal{S} \_ \text{zero}$

$\rho' = \lambda \sigma \rightarrow \text{Syntactic.wk } \mathcal{S} (\text{step refl}) \circ \rho \sigma$

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$\text{sem} : (t : \Gamma \vdash \sigma) (\rho : \Delta [ \_ \vDash^{\beta_i \xi \eta} \_ ] \Gamma) \rightarrow \Delta \vDash^{\beta_i \xi \eta} \sigma$

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**[[ifte]]** :  $(b : \mathcal{M} \ \Gamma \ \text{Bool}) (l \ r : \mathcal{M} \ \Gamma \ \sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \ \Gamma \ \sigma$

# And a Fundamental Lemma

**lemma** :  $(t : \Gamma \vdash \sigma) (\rho : \Delta [ \mathcal{E} ] \Gamma) \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \Delta \sigma$

**lemma** `var  $v$        $\rho = \llbracket \text{var} \rrbracket \$ \rho \_ v$

**lemma**  $(t \ \$ u)$        $\rho = \text{lemma } t \ \rho \llbracket \$ \rrbracket \text{ lemma } u \ \rho$

**lemma** `λ  $t$        $\rho = \llbracket \lambda \rrbracket \lambda \text{ inc } u \rightarrow \text{lemma } t \ \$ [ \mathcal{E} ] \text{ wk} [ \text{wk} ] \text{ inc } \rho \bullet u$

**lemma** `⟨       $\rho = \llbracket \langle \rangle \rrbracket$

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# Various Instances

Renaming : Semantics (flip  $\_ \in \_$ )  $\_ \vdash \_$   
Substitution : Semantics  $\_ \vdash \_ \vdash \_$   
Printing : Semantics Name Printer  
Normalise <sup>$\beta\iota\xi\eta$</sup>  : Semantics  $\_ \vDash^{\beta\iota\xi\eta} \_ \vDash^{\beta\iota\xi\eta} \_$

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lemma  $(f \$ t)$   $\rho^R = R [ \$ ] (\text{lemma } f \rho^R) (\text{lemma } t \rho^R)$

lemma  $(\lambda t)$   $\rho^R = R [ \lambda ] \lambda \text{inc } u^R \rightarrow \text{lemma } t ([ \mathcal{E}^A, \mathcal{E}^B, \mathcal{E}^R ] \mathcal{E}_{\text{wk}}^R \text{inc } \rho^B)$

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lemma  $\text{ff}$   $\rho^R = R [ \text{ff} ]$

lemma  $(\text{ifte } b l r)$   $\rho^R = R [ \text{ifte} ] (\text{lemma } b \rho^R) (\text{lemma } l \rho^R) (\text{lemma } r \rho^R)$

# An interesting corollary

SynchronisableNormalise : Synchronisable Normalise <sup>$\beta_i \xi \eta$</sup>  Normalise <sup>$\beta_i \xi \eta$</sup>   
(EQREL \_ \_) (EQREL \_ \_)

refl <sup>$\beta_i \xi \eta$</sup>  :  $(t : \Gamma \vdash \sigma) (\rho^R : \forall [_ \_ \_ ] (EQREL \_ \_) \rho^A \rho^B) \rightarrow$   
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# Using this somewhere else

The programming part of this talk can be implemented in Haskell:

<https://github.com/gallais/type-scope-semantic/>

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