

Lecture 26 Review

PLAN

- OCaml syntax
symbols, expressions, terms, types, values
- OCaml computation rules
 $t \rightarrow t'$, rules for reduction, substitution model
can we have $\text{eval } t \text{ } n$?
eager and lazy evaluation
- state and mutable variables
while box do body done
state as a record
tail recursion
- OCaml typing rules
type checking is decidable
- OCaml SL types
type checking is undecidable
- Research question example
which recursive types make sense
for OCaml SL?
- Recursion and Induction
- Real numbers and Modules
- If time, another Research Question.

OCaml Syntax

symbols $\Sigma = \{ a, b, c, \dots, 0, 1, 2, \dots, i, \rightarrow, \dots \}$

expressions - recognized by the parser

terms - expressions that have types
true, 1+1, 2*3, 2.*3.
Is type a value?

types - expressions recognized by types,
also defined type atype = ...

- polymorphic type expressions

$\alpha * \beta, \alpha \rightarrow \beta, \text{Id}_1 \text{ of } \alpha \mid \text{Id}_2 \text{ of } \beta$

- in OCaml SL these polymorphic
expressions give rise to polymorphic logic

$\alpha * \beta \rightarrow \alpha \quad \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \mid \beta$

$\lambda x: \alpha \rightarrow \beta(x)$

OCaml Computation Rules

$t \downarrow t'$ is our notation for evaluation (reduction rules)

e.g. $bexp_1 \downarrow true \vdash bexp_1 \parallel bexp_2 \downarrow true$

Note how if $bexp$ then exp_1 else exp_2 evaluates,
it is lazy! What does this mean?

Function evaluation $f a$

What is the standard order?

What is lazy evaluation?

fix vs $efix$

$fix\ f \downarrow f(fix\ f)$

$efix\ f\ x \downarrow f(efix\ f)\ x$

It would be nice to have

$eval\ t\ n$ that evaluates t for n steps

Can this be easier in t ?

Recursive functions can be defined by
 fix and $efix$.

What is tail recursion?

Consider the while $bexp$ do exp od
(in OCaml while $bexp$ do exp done)

OCaml Computation Rules continued

while boxp do exp done is used

for mutable variables, but we can also think of state as a record

$$\{x_1:t_1; x_2:t_2; \dots; x_n:t_n\}$$

We can "simulate" mutable variables by operations on state that are functional.

This leads to state monads that we did not cover. It's how Haskell deals with state.

Exercise: write the square root example from Lecture 19 using the while loop as a recursive function on a functional record.

Specify the square root problem with a dependent type.

OCaml Typing Rules

We provided some explicit typing rules
in Lecture 2

$$\text{exp}_1 : \text{int}, \text{exp}_2 : \text{int} \vdash \text{exp}_1 + \text{exp}_2 \in \text{int}$$

$$f : \alpha \rightarrow \beta, a : \alpha \vdash f a \in \beta$$

Exercise Give typing rules for fix and efix.

Note that recursive types are limited

$$\text{type } \alpha = \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \quad \text{cyclic!}$$

$$\text{type } \alpha = \alpha * \text{int} \quad \text{cyclic}$$

But OCaml allows

$$\text{type } \alpha = \text{Left of int} \mid \text{Right of } \alpha \rightarrow \text{int}$$

This type "does not make sense" mathematically.

Research Question What OCaml SL recursive types
make sense?

We investigate this using the subtype relation,

$$\alpha \sqsubseteq \beta$$

that needs to be defined for a full OCaml SL.

Recursion and Induction

We have studied in detail the idea that recursion and induction are closely related.

Recursion is terminating induction.

If we use dependent types we can say that induction is specified by a dependent type inhabited (realized) by a recursive function — see Lecture 18, page 6

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let rec list_ind (l:  $\alpha$  list) (base:  $P []$ )  
(step:  $u: \alpha \rightarrow v: \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow w: P v \rightarrow P u :: v$ )  
:  $P l =$   
match l with []  $\rightarrow$  base  
| h :: t  $\rightarrow$  step h t list_ind t base step
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We noted that this is fold-right.

Note, we can type P as $\alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{type}$.

Real Numbers

If we define $e = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 1/i!$, this provides

a simple basis for writing e as a real

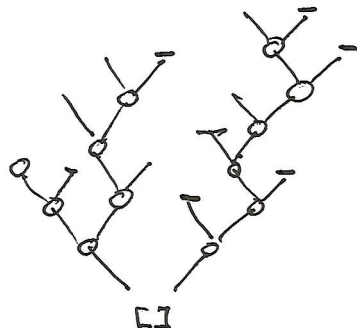
number. You should be able to define $e+e$

and $e * e$.

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Research Question Is the Fan Theorem valid in OCaml SL

Fan specification



$$\bar{\alpha}(n) = [\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_n]$$

$$\alpha: (\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{bool}) \rightarrow (n: \text{nat} \text{ where } R \bar{\alpha} n) \rightarrow$$

$$\exists: (\text{nat} * \alpha: (\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{bool})) \rightarrow (x: \text{nat} \text{ where } x \leq \exists.1 \wedge R \bar{\alpha} x)$$

$$\underline{x: \text{nat} \text{ where } x \leq \exists.1 \wedge R \bar{\alpha} x}$$

The \exists is a uniform bound on the height of the tree.