

CubeX with Declaration-site Variance

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Adding declaration-site variance to Cubex requires 3 changes:

1. Allowing the “out” annotation on class/interface type parameters
2. Checking that covariant type parameters are only used at covariant locations in class/interface signatures
3. Updating type-checking algorithms, namely subtyping, joining, and type inference

1 Lexing and Parsing

1.1 Core and Full Language Extensions

variance	v	$::=$	$+ \mid \pm$
variance declaration	Θ_{\pm}	$::=$	$v\nu_p, \dots, v\nu_p$
interface	i	$::=$	interface $\nu_c\langle\Theta_{\pm}\rangle$ extends τ { fun $\nu_v\sigma$; ... fun $\nu_v\sigma$; fun $\nu_v\sigma$ s ... fun $\nu_v\sigma$ s }
class	c	$::=$	class $\nu_c\langle\Theta_{\pm}\rangle(\Gamma)$ extends τ { s ... s super (e, \dots, e); fun $\nu_v\sigma$ s ... fun $\nu_v\sigma$ s }
class context	Ψ	$::=$	$\emptyset \mid \Psi, \mathbf{interface} \nu_c\langle\Theta_{\pm}\rangle \mathbf{extends} \tau \{ \Delta; \nu_v, \dots, \nu_v \} \mid \Psi, \mathbf{class} \nu_c\langle\Theta_{\pm}\rangle \mathbf{extends} \tau \{ \Delta \}$

Figure 1: Changes to the Cubex Core Language Grammar

The extension to the full language differs from the core language in a few ways:

- The new keyword `out` is used to represent $+$.
- The absence of `out` represents \pm .
- $+$ and \pm are not used in the full language.

2 Validating

The following are the changed typing judgements and rules. Whenever a kind context Θ or ν, \dots, ν is used where a variance declaration Θ_{\pm} or $v\nu, \dots, v\nu$ is available, then one should use the kind context that results from removing the variance annotations. In the other direction, given a kind context Θ , we use $\pm\Theta$ to denote the variance annotation resulting from giving all type variables in Θ the \pm variance.

Judgement	Meaning	Figure
$\Psi \mid \Theta \quad \vdash \quad \tau <: \tau'$	τ is a subtype of τ'	2
$\Psi \mid \Theta \quad \vdash_v \quad \tau <: \tau'$	τ is more precise than τ' at variance v	2
$\Psi \quad \vdash \quad \nu\langle\Theta_{\pm}\rangle$	class/interface ν has variance declaration Θ_{\pm}	2
$\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \quad \vdash_v \quad \tau$	τ has variance v with respect to variance declaration Θ_{\pm}	3
$\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \quad \vdash_{\pm} \quad \Gamma$	Γ only uses invariant type variables in \vdash_{\pm}	3
$\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \quad \vdash_+ \quad \sigma$	σ is covariant with respect to Θ_{\pm}	3
$\Psi \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \quad \vdash \quad i : \Psi'$	i is a valid interface with signature Ψ'	4
$\Psi \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \quad \vdash \quad c : \Psi' \mid \Delta'$	c is a valid class with signature Ψ' and constructor Δ'	4
$\vdash \quad p$	p is a valid program in the initial environment	5

3 Evaluation

Same as for PA3 except no tests will be on just stages 1 through 4. Instead, 90% of tests will be on stages 5 through 8, and 10% will be on stage 9.

$$\boxed{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau <: \tau \quad \Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_v \tau <: \tau \quad \Psi \vdash \nu(\Theta_{\pm})}$$

$$\frac{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau_i <: \tau'_i \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau'_i <: \tau_i}{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \nu\langle \tau_1, \dots, \tau_n \rangle <: \nu\langle \tau'_1, \dots, \tau'_n \rangle} \text{ becomes } \frac{\Psi \vdash \nu\langle v_1 \nu_1, \dots, v_n \nu_n \rangle}{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_{v_i} \tau_i <: \tau'_i} \Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \nu\langle \tau_1, \dots, \tau_n \rangle <: \nu\langle \tau'_1, \dots, \tau'_n \rangle$$

$$\frac{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau <: \tau'}{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \text{Iterable}\langle \tau \rangle <: \text{Iterable}\langle \tau' \rangle} \text{ is removed since it now arises as a special case}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau <: \tau'}{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_+ \tau <: \tau'} \quad \frac{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau <: \tau' \quad \Psi \mid \Theta \vdash \tau' <: \tau}{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_{\pm} \tau <: \tau'}}{\text{interface } \nu(\Theta_{\pm}) \text{ extends } \tau \{ \dots \} \text{ in } \Psi \quad \text{class } \nu(\Theta_{\pm}) \text{ extends } \tau \{ \dots \} \text{ in } \Psi} \Psi \vdash \nu(\Theta_{\pm})$$

Figure 2: Subtyping

$$\boxed{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_v \tau \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{\pm} \Gamma \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \sigma}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{\pm} \tau}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \tau} \quad \frac{}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_v \top} \quad \frac{}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_v \perp} \quad \frac{v\nu \text{ in } \Theta_{\pm}}{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_v \nu}}{\frac{\Psi \vdash \nu\langle v_1 \nu_1, \dots, v_n \nu_n \rangle}{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{v_i} \tau_i} \quad \frac{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{\pm} \tau_i}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{\pm} \nu\langle \tau_1, \dots, \tau_n \rangle} \quad \frac{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_v \tau \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_v \tau'}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_v \tau \cap \tau'}}{\frac{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{\pm} \tau_i}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_{\pm} \nu_1 : \tau_1, \dots, \nu_n : \tau_n} \quad \frac{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm}, \pm \hat{\Theta} \vdash_{\pm} \Gamma \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm}, \pm \hat{\Theta} \vdash_+ \tau}{\Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \langle \hat{\Theta} \rangle(\Gamma) : \tau}}$$

Figure 3: Variance Checking

$$\boxed{\Psi \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \vdash i : \Psi \quad \Psi \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \vdash c : \Psi \mid \Delta}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_{\top} \tau \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \tau}{\Psi' = \text{interface } \nu(\Theta_{\pm}) \text{ extends } \tau \{ \nu_1 \sigma_1, \dots, \nu_n \sigma_n, \hat{\nu}_1 \hat{\sigma}_1, \dots, \hat{\nu}_{\hat{n}} \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{n}}, \hat{\nu}_1, \dots, \hat{\nu}_{\hat{n}} \}}{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \sigma_i \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \sigma_i \quad \text{for all } i, \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \hat{\sigma}_i \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \hat{\sigma}_i} \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \nu(\Theta) : \Delta'}{\frac{\text{for all } \bar{\nu}(\bar{\Theta})(\bar{\Gamma}) : \bar{\tau} \text{ in } \Delta', \quad \text{for all } \bar{\nu}' \text{ in } \bar{\Theta}, \quad \bar{\nu}' \text{ not in } \Theta}{\text{for all } i, \quad \hat{\sigma}_i = \langle \Theta_i \rangle(\Gamma_i) : \tau_i \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta, \Theta_i \mid \Delta, \Delta' \mid \Gamma \mid \Gamma_i \vdash_{\tau_i}^{\text{true}} \hat{s}_i : \Gamma'_i}}{\Psi \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \vdash \text{interface } \nu(\Theta_{\pm}) \text{ extends } \tau \{ \text{fun } \nu_1 \sigma_1; \dots; \text{fun } \nu_n \sigma_n; \text{fun } \hat{\nu}_1 \hat{\sigma}_1 = \hat{s}_1 \dots \text{fun } \hat{\nu}_{\hat{n}} \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{n}} = \hat{s}_{\hat{n}} \} : \Psi'}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\Psi \mid \Theta \vdash_{\hat{\tau}} \tau \quad \Psi \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \tau}{\Psi' = \text{class } \nu(\Theta_{\pm}) \text{ extends } \tau \{ \nu_1 \sigma_1; \dots; \nu_n \sigma_n; \}}{\text{for all } i, \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \sigma_i \quad \Delta' = \nu(\Theta)(\hat{\Gamma}) : \nu(\Theta)} \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta_{\pm} \vdash_+ \sigma_i}{\frac{\Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \hat{\Gamma} \quad \hat{\Gamma}_0 = \hat{\Gamma} \quad \text{for all } i, \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \mid \Delta, \Delta' \mid \Gamma \mid \hat{\Gamma}_{i-1} \vdash s_i : \hat{\Gamma}_i}{\hat{\tau}(e_1, \dots, e_k) = \top() \quad \text{or} \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \mid \Delta, \Delta' \mid \Gamma, \hat{\Gamma}_m \vdash \hat{\tau}(e_1, \dots, e_k) : \hat{\tau}} \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \nu(\Theta) : \Delta''}{\frac{\text{for all } \bar{\nu}(\bar{\Theta})(\bar{\Gamma}) : \bar{\tau} \text{ in } \Delta'', \quad \text{for all } \bar{\nu}' \text{ in } \bar{\Theta}, \quad \bar{\nu}' \text{ not in } \Theta}{\text{for all } i, \quad \sigma_i = \langle \Theta_i \rangle(\Gamma_i) : \tau_i \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta, \Theta_i \mid \Delta, \Delta', \Delta'' \mid \Gamma, \hat{\Gamma}_m \mid \Gamma_i \vdash_{\tau_i}^{\text{true}} \hat{s}_i : \Gamma'_i} \quad \text{for all } \hat{\nu} \sigma \text{ in } \Delta'', \quad \Psi, \Psi' \mid \Theta \vdash \nu(\Theta) : \hat{\nu}}{\Psi \mid \Delta \mid \Gamma \vdash \text{class } \nu(\Theta_{\pm})(\hat{\Gamma}) \text{ extends } \tau \{ s_1 \dots s_m \text{ super}(e_1, \dots, e_k); \text{fun } \nu_1 \sigma_1 \hat{s}_1 \dots \text{fun } \nu_n \sigma_n \hat{s}_n \} : \Psi' \mid \Delta'}$$

Figure 4: Class and Interface Checking

$\boxed{\vdash p}$

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 $\Psi_0 =$  class Iterable⟨+E⟩ extends  $\top$  { },  
class Boolean⟨⟩ extends  $\top$  {  
  negate⟨⟩() : Boolean⟨⟩;  
  and⟨⟩(that : Boolean⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
  or⟨⟩(that : Boolean⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
  through⟨⟩(upper : Boolean⟨⟩, includeLower : Boolean⟨⟩, includeUpper : Boolean⟨⟩) : Iterable⟨Boolean⟨⟩⟩;  
  onwards⟨⟩(inclusive : Boolean⟨⟩) : Iterable⟨Boolean⟨⟩⟩;  
  lessThan⟨⟩(that : Boolean⟨⟩, strict : Boolean⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
  equals⟨⟩(that : Boolean⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
},  
class Integer⟨⟩ extends  $\top$  {  
  negative⟨⟩() : Integer⟨⟩;  
  times⟨⟩(factor : Integer⟨⟩) : Integer⟨⟩;  
  divide⟨⟩(divisor : Integer⟨⟩) : Iterable⟨Integer⟨⟩⟩;  
  modulo⟨⟩(modulus : Integer⟨⟩) : Iterable⟨Integer⟨⟩⟩;  
  plus⟨⟩(summand : Integer⟨⟩) : Integer⟨⟩;  
  minus⟨⟩(subtrahend : Integer⟨⟩) : Integer⟨⟩;  
  through⟨⟩(upper : Integer⟨⟩, includeLower : Boolean⟨⟩, includeUpper : Boolean⟨⟩) : Iterable⟨Integer⟨⟩⟩;  
  onwards⟨⟩(inclusive : Boolean⟨⟩) : Iterable⟨Integer⟨⟩⟩;  
  lessThan⟨⟩(that : Integer⟨⟩, strict : Boolean⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
  equals⟨⟩(that : Integer⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
},  
class Character⟨⟩ extends  $\top$  {  
  unicode⟨⟩() : Integer⟨⟩;  
  equals⟨⟩(that : Character⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩;  
},  
class String⟨⟩ extends Iterable⟨Character⟨⟩⟩ { equals⟨⟩(that : String⟨⟩) : Boolean⟨⟩; }  
 $\Delta_0 =$  character⟨⟩(unicode : Integer⟨⟩) : Character⟨⟩, string⟨⟩(characters : Iterable⟨Character⟨⟩⟩) : String⟨⟩  
 $\Gamma_0 =$  input : Iterable⟨String⟨⟩⟩
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 $\Psi_0 \mid \Delta_0 \mid \Gamma_0 \vdash p$

 $\vdash p$

Figure 5: Program Checking