

# A First-Order Logic with First-Class Types

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{last} &: \text{Array}\langle ? \rangle \rightarrow T \\ T &: \text{Array}\langle ? \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{T} \end{aligned}$$

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- need to assert that the return value has proper type

$$\forall a : \text{Array}\langle ? \rangle . \text{last}(a) \in T(a)$$

with binary predicate  $\in$

( $\rightsquigarrow$  universal types)

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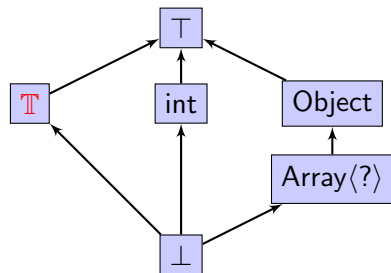
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# Type Hierarchy

## Definition (Type hierarchy)

- set of types  $\mathcal{T}$
- subtype relation  $\sqsubseteq$
- universal type  $\top$  and empty type  $\perp$
- greatest lower bounds ( $\sqcap$ )
- type of all types  $\top$



# Signature

## Definition (Signature)

- predicate, function and variable symbols with types
- predefined symbols:

- equality  $\doteq : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T}$

- type predicate  $\varepsilon : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T}$

- subtype predicate  $\sqsubseteq : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T}$

- type intersection  $\sqcap : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$

- type constants  $\mathcal{T} : \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$  (for each type  $T \in \mathcal{T}$ )

- casts



# Terms and Formulae

## Definition (Term of type $T$ )

- $v$  if  $v : T$  variable symbol
- $f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  if  $f : T_1 \times \dots \times T_n \rightarrow T$  function symbol,  
 $t_i$  term of type  $T'_i \sqsubseteq T_i$

## Definition (Formula)

- $p(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  if ...
- $\neg\varphi, \varphi \vee \psi, \varphi \wedge \psi, \varphi \rightarrow \psi$
- $\forall v.\varphi, \exists v.\varphi$

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# Interpretation

- $\mathcal{D}_T = T$
- predefined symbols shall agree with their type hierarchy counterpart:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}(\exists)(x, T) &\Leftrightarrow x \in \mathcal{D}_T \Leftrightarrow \delta(x) \sqsubseteq T \\ \mathcal{I}(\sqsubseteq) &= \sqsubseteq, \mathcal{I}(T) = T, \dots \end{aligned}$$

## Observation

*If the type hierarchy is infinite then the logic has no sound and **complete** calculus. ↯*

# Completeness and Compactness

Definition ((Strong) completeness)

$$\mathcal{A} \models \varphi \Rightarrow \mathcal{A} \vdash \varphi$$

Compactness Theorem

*Every logic which has a sound and complete calculus is compact:  
If some set of formulae is not satisfiable then there exists a finite subset which is already not satisfiable.*

# Reasons for Noncompactness

two obstructions to compactness

- 1 constant symbols generate domain of  $\mathbb{T}$

$$\{\neg(c \doteq T) : T \in \mathcal{T}\} \not\downarrow$$

(for infinite  $\mathcal{T}$ ; compare  $\mathbb{N}$ )

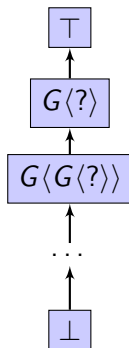


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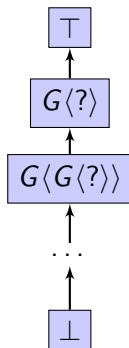
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# Interpretation – Modified

- require  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{T}}$  to be a type hierarchy that **contains**  $(\mathcal{T}, \sqsubseteq)$
- predefined symbols shall **extend** their type hierarchy counterparts
- sanity conditions

## Theorem

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# Conclusion

- characterized completeness of the logic of [Gie05]
- characterized completeness of first-class types
- first-class types are not useful on their own ⚡  
     $\rightsquigarrow$  universal types, dependent types





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