

Analyse et Conception Formelles

Lesson 2

Types, terms and functions



Outline

- 1 Terms
 - Types
 - Typed terms
 - λ -terms
 - Constructor terms
- 2 Functions defined using equations
 - Logic everywhere!
 - Function evaluation using term rewriting
 - Partial functions

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Types: syntax

$\tau ::=$	(τ)	
	$bool \mid nat \mid char \mid \dots$	base types
	$'a \mid 'b \mid \dots$	type variables
	$\tau \Rightarrow \tau$	functions
	$\tau \times \dots \times \tau$	tuples (ascii for \times : *)
	τ list	lists
	\dots	user-defined types

The operator \Rightarrow is right-associative, for instance:

$nat \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow bool$ is equivalent to $nat \Rightarrow (nat \Rightarrow bool)$

Typed terms: syntax

$term ::=$	$(term)$	
	a	$a \in \mathcal{F}$ or $a \in \mathcal{X}$
	$term \ term$	function application
	$\lambda y. \ term$	function definition with $y \in \mathcal{X}$
	$(term, \dots, term)$	tuples
	$[term, \dots, term]$	lists
	$(term :: \tau)$	type annotation
	\dots	a lot of syntactic sugar

Function application is left-associative, for instance:

$f \ a \ b \ c$ is equivalent to $((f \ a) \ b) \ c$

Example 1 (Types of terms)

Term	Type	Term	Type
y	$'a$	$t1$	$'a$
$(t1, t2, t3)$	$('a \times 'b \times 'c)$	$[t1, t2, t3]$	$'a$ list
$\lambda y. \ y$	$'a \Rightarrow 'a$	$\lambda y \ z. \ z$	$'a \Rightarrow 'b \Rightarrow 'b$

Types and terms: evaluation in Isabelle/HOL

To evaluate a term t in Isabelle value " t "

Example 2

Term	Isabelle's answer
value "True"	True::bool
value "2"	Error (cannot infer result type)
value "(2::nat)"	2::nat
value "[True,False]"	[True,False]::bool list
value "(True,True,False)"	(True,True,False)::bool * bool * bool
value "[2,6,10]"	Error (cannot infer result type)
value "[(2::nat),6,10]"	[2,6,10]::nat list

Terms and functions: semantics is the λ -calculus

Semantics of functional programming languages consists of **one** rule:

$$(\lambda x. t) a \rightarrow_{\beta} t\{x \mapsto a\} \quad (\beta\text{-reduction})$$

where $t\{x \mapsto a\}$ is the term t where all occurrences of x are replaced by a

Example 3

- $(\lambda x. x + 1) 10 \rightarrow_{\beta} 10 + 1$
- $(\lambda x. \lambda y. x + y) 1 2 \rightarrow_{\beta} (\lambda y. 1 + y) 2 \rightarrow_{\beta} 1 + 2$
- $(\lambda (x, y). y) (1, 2) \rightarrow_{\beta} 2$

In Isabelle/HOL, to be β -reduced, terms have to be well-typed

Example 4

Previous examples **can** be reduced because:

- $(\lambda x. x + 1) :: \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$ and $10 :: \text{nat}$
- $(\lambda x. \lambda y. x + y) :: \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$ and $1 :: \text{nat}$ and $2 :: \text{nat}$
- $(\lambda (x, y). y) :: ('a \times 'b) \Rightarrow 'b$ and $(1, 2) :: \text{nat} \times \text{nat}$

Lambda-calculus – the quiz

Quiz 1

- Function $\lambda(x, y). x$ is a function with two parameters

True || False

- Type of function $\lambda(x, y). x$ is

'a \times 'b \Rightarrow 'a
 'a \Rightarrow 'b \Rightarrow 'a

- If $f :: \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$ how to call f on 1 and 2?

f(1,2) || (f 1 2)

- If $f :: \text{nat} \times \text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$ how to call f on 1 and 2?

f(1,2) || (f 1 2)

Exercises on function definition and function call

Exercise 1 (In Isabelle/HOL)

Use `append :: 'a list \Rightarrow 'a list \Rightarrow 'a list` to concatenate 2 lists of `nat`, and 3 lists of `nat`.

- To associate the value of a term t to a name n definition " $n=t$ "

Exercise 2 (In Isabelle/HOL)

- 1 Define the function `addNc :: nat \times nat \Rightarrow nat` adding two naturals
- 2 Use `addNc` to add 5 to 6
- 3 Define the function `add :: nat \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow nat` adding two naturals
- 4 Use `add` to add 5 to 6

Interlude: a word about semantics and verification

- To verify programs, formal reasoning on their semantics is crucial!
- To prove a property ϕ on a program P we need to **precisely and exactly** understand P 's behavior

For many languages the semantics is given by **the compiler (version)**!

- C, Flash/ActionScript, JavaScript, Python, Ruby, ...

Some languages have a (written) **formal semantics**:

- Java ^a, subsets of C (hundreds of pages)
- Proofs are hard because of semantics complexity (e.g. KeY for Java)

^a<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/specs/jls/se7/html/index.html>

Some have a **small formal semantics**:

- Functional languages: Haskell, subsets of (OCaml, F# and Scala)
- Proofs are easier since semantics essentially consists of a **single rule**

Constructor terms

Isabelle distinguishes between **constructor** and **function** symbols

- A **function** symbol is associated to a (computable) function:
 - all predefined function, e.g., **append**
 - all user defined functions, e.g., **addNc** and **add** (see Exercise 2)
- A **constructor** symbol is **not** associated to a function

Definition 5 (Constructor term)

A **term** containing only **constructor** symbols is a **constructor term**.

A **constructor term** does not contain **function** symbols

Example 6

- Term $[0, 1, 2]$ is a constructor term;
- Term $(\text{append } [0,1,2] [4,5])$ is **not** a constructor term (because of **append**);
- Term 18 is a constructor term;
- Term $(\text{add } 18 \ 19)$ is **not** a constructor term (because of **add**).

Constructor terms (II)

All **data** are built using **constructor terms without** variables
...even if the representation is generally hidden by Isabelle/HOL

Example 7

- Natural numbers of type `nat` are terms: $0, (\text{Suc } 0), (\text{Suc } (\text{Suc } 0)), \dots$
- Integer numbers of type `int` are couples of natural numbers:
 $\dots (0, 2), (0, 1), (0, 0), (1, 0), \dots$ represent $\dots -2, -1, 0, 1 \dots$
- Lists are built using the operators
 - *Nil*: the empty list
 - *Cons*: the operator adding an element to the (head) of the list

The term $\text{Cons } 0 (\text{Cons } (\text{Suc } 0) \text{ Nil})$ represents the list $[0, 1]$

⚠ Constructor symbols have types even if they do **not** “compute”

Example 8 (The type of constructor *Cons*)

$\text{Cons} :: 'a \Rightarrow 'a \text{ list} \Rightarrow 'a \text{ list}$

Constructor terms – the quiz

Quiz 2

- *Nil* is a term? True || False
- *Nil* is a constructor term? True || False
- $(\text{Cons } (\text{Suc } 0) \text{ Nil})$ is a constructor term? True || False
- $((\text{Suc } 0), \text{Nil})$ is a constructor term? True || False
- $(\text{add } 0 (\text{Suc } 0))$ is a constructor term? True || False
- $(\text{Cons } x \ \text{Nil})$ is a constructor term? True || False
- $(\text{add } x \ y)$ is a constructor term? True || False
- $(\text{Suc } 0)$ is a constructor subterm of $(\text{add } 0 (\text{Suc } 0))$? True || False

Constructor terms: Isabelle/HOL

For most of constructor terms there exists shortcuts:

- Usual decimal representation for naturals, integers and rationals
1, 2, -3, -45.67676, ...
- `[]` and `#` for lists
e.g. `Cons 0 (Cons (Suc 0) Nil)` = `0#(1#[])` = `[0, 1]`
- Strings using 2 quotes e.g. `''toto''` (instead of `"toto"`)

Exercise 3

- 1 Prove that 3 is equivalent to its constructor representation
- 2 Prove that `[1, 1, 1]` is equivalent to its constructor representation
- 3 Prove that the first element of list `[1, 2]` is 1
- 4 Infer the constructor representation of rational numbers of type `rat`
- 5 Infer the constructor representation of strings

Isabelle Theory Library

Isabelle comes with a huge library of useful theories

- Numbers: Naturals, Integers, Rationals, Floats, Reals, Complex ...
- Data structures: Lists, Sets, Tuples, Records, Maps ...
- Mathematical tools: Probabilities, Lattices, Random numbers, ...

All those theories include types, functions and lemmas/theorems

Example 9

Let's have a look to a simple one `Lists.thy`:

- Definition of the datatype (with shortcuts)
- Definitions of functions (e.g. `append`)
- Definitions and proofs of lemmas (e.g. `length_append`)
lemma `"length (xs @ ys) = length xs + length ys"`
- Exportation rules for SML, Haskell, Ocaml, Scala (`code_printing`)

Isabelle Theory Library: using functions on lists

Some functions of `Lists.thy`

- `append:: 'a list ⇒ 'a list ⇒ 'a list`
- `rev:: 'a list ⇒ 'a list`
- `length:: 'a list ⇒ nat`
- `List.member:: 'a list ⇒ 'a ⇒ bool`
- `map:: ('a ⇒ 'b) ⇒ 'a list ⇒ 'b list`

Exercise 4

- 1 Apply the `rev` function to list `[1, 2, 3]`
- 2 Prove that for all value `x`, reverse of the list `[x]` is equal to `[x]`
- 3 Prove that `append` is associative
- 4 Prove that `append` is not commutative
- 5 Prove that an element is in a reversed list if it is in the original one
- 6 Using `map`, from the list `[(1, 2), (3, 3), (4, 6)]` build the list `[3, 6, 10]`
- 7 Using `map`, from the list `[1, 2, 3]` build the list `[2, 4, 6]`
- 8 Prove that `map` does not change the size of a list

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Defining functions using equations

- Defining functions using λ -terms is hardly usable for programming
- Isabelle/HOL has a "fun" operator as other functional languages

Definition 10 (fun operator for defining (recursive) functions)

```
fun f :: " $\tau_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \tau_n \Rightarrow \tau$ "  
where  
  "f t11 ... tn1 = r1" | for all  $i = 1 \dots n$  and  $k = 1 \dots m$   
  ... | ( $t_i^k :: \tau_i$ ) are constructor terms possibly  
  "f t1m ... tnm = rm" | with variables, and ( $r^k :: \tau$ ) are terms
```

Example 11 (The contains function on lists (2 versions in cm2.thy))

```
fun contains :: "'a => 'a list => bool"  
where  
  "contains e [] = False" |  
  "contains e (x#xs) = (if e=x then True else (contains e xs))"
```

Function definition – the quiz

Quiz 3 (Is this function definition correct? Yes No)

```
fun f :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  nat  $\Rightarrow$  bool"  
where  
  "f x y = (x + y)"
```

Quiz 4 (Is this function definition correct? Yes No)

```
fun g :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  nat  $\Rightarrow$  bool"  
where  
  "g 0 y = False"
```

Quiz 5 (Is this function definition correct? Yes No)

```
fun pos :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  bool"  
where  
  "pos 0 = False" |  
  "pos (Suc x) = True"
```

Function definition – the quiz (II)

Quiz 6 (Is this function definition correct? Yes No)

```
fun pos2 :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  bool"  
where  
  "pos2 0 = False" |  
  "pos2 (x + 1) = True"
```

Quiz 7 (Is this function definition correct? Yes No)

```
fun isDivisor :: "nat  $\Rightarrow$  nat  $\Rightarrow$  bool"  
where  
  "isDivisor x y = ( $\exists z. x * z = y$ )"
```

Total and partial Isabelle/HOL functions

Definition 12 (Total and partial functions)

A function is *total* if it has a value (a result) for all elements of its domain.
A function is *partial* if it is not total.

Definition 13 (Complete Isabelle/HOL function definition)

```
fun f :: " $\tau_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \tau_n \Rightarrow \tau$ "  
where  
  "f t11 ... tn1 = r1" | f is complete if any call f t1 ... tn with  
  ... | ( $t_i :: \tau_i$ ),  $i = 1 \dots n$  is covered by one  
  "f t1m ... tnm = rm" | case of the definition.
```

Example 14 (Isabelle/HOL "Missing patterns" warning)

When the definition of f is not complete, an uncovered call of f is shown.

Total and partial Isabelle/HOL functions (II)

Theorem 15

Complete and *terminating* Isabelle/HOL functions are total, otherwise they are partial.

Question 1

Why termination of f is necessary for f to be total?

Remark 1

All functions in Isabelle/HOL needs to be terminating!

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Logic everywhere!

In the end, everything is defined using logic:

- **data, data structures**: constructor terms
- **properties**: lemmas (logical formulas)
- **programs**: functions (also logical formulas!)

Definition 16 (Equations (or simplification rules) defining a function)

A function f consists of a set $f.simps$ of equations on terms.

To visualize a lemma/theorem/simplification rule `thm`

For instance: `thm "length_append", thm "append.simps"`

To find the name of a lemma, etc. `find_theorems`

For instance: `find_theorems "append" "_ + _"`

Exercise 5

Use Isabelle/HOL to find the following formulas:

- definition of `contains` (we just defined) and of `nth` (part of `List.thy`)
- find the lemma relating `rev` (part of `List.thy`) and `length`

Evaluating functions by rewriting terms using equations

The `append` function (aliased to `@`) is defined by the 2 equations:

- (1) `append Nil x = x` (* recall that `Nil=[]` *)
- (2) `append (x#xs) y = (x#(append xs y))`

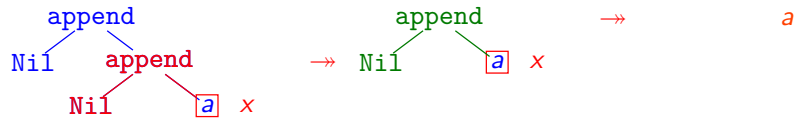
Replacement of equals by equals = Term rewriting

The first equation (`append Nil x`) = `x` means that

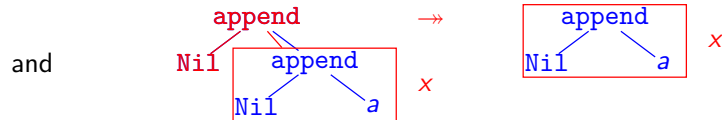
- (concatenating the empty list with any list x) is **equal** to x
- we can thus replace
 - any term of the form (`append Nil t`) by `t` (for any value t)
 - wherever and whenever we encounter such a term `append Nil t`

Term Rewriting in three slides

- Rewriting term $(\text{append Nil } (\text{append Nil } a))$ using
 - $\text{append Nil } x = x$
 - $\text{append } (x\#xs) y = (x\#(\text{append } xs y))$



- We note $(\text{append Nil } (\text{append Nil } a)) \rightarrow (\text{append Nil } a)$ if
 - there exists a **position** in the term where the rule matches
 - there exists a **substitution** $\sigma : \mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F})$ for the rule to match. On the example $\sigma = \{x \mapsto a\}$
- We also have $(\text{append Nil } a) \rightarrow a$



Term Rewriting in three slides – Formal definitions

Definition 17 (Substitution)

A substitution σ is a function replacing variables of \mathcal{X} by terms of $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{X})$ in a term of $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{X})$.

Example 18

Let $\mathcal{F} = \{f : 3, h : 1, g : 1, a : 0\}$ and $\mathcal{X} = \{x, y, z\}$.

Let σ be the substitution $\sigma = \{x \mapsto g(a), y \mapsto h(z)\}$.

Let $t = f(h(x), x, g(y))$.

We have $\sigma(t) = f(h(g(a)), g(a), g(h(z)))$.

Term Rewriting in three slides – Formal definitions (II)

Definition 19 (Rewriting using an equation)

A term s can be *rewritten* into the term t (denoted by $s \rightarrow t$) using an Isabelle/HOL equation $\mathbf{l=r}$ if there exists a subterm u of s and a substitution σ such that $u = \sigma(\mathbf{l})$. Then, t is the term s where subterm u has been replaced by $\sigma(\mathbf{r})$.

Example 20

Let $s = f(g(a), c)$ and $g(x) = h(g(x), b)$ the Isabelle/HOL equation.

we have $f(g(a), c) \rightarrow f(h(g(a), b), c)$
 because $g(x) = h(g(x), b)$ and $\sigma = \{x \mapsto a\}$

On the opposite $t = f(a, c)$ cannot be rewritten by $g(x) = h(g(x), b)$.

Remark 2

Isabelle/HOL rewrites terms using equations *in the order of the function definition and only from left to right*.

Term rewriting – the quiz

Quiz 8

Let $\mathcal{F} = \{f : 1, g : 1, a : 0\}$ and $\mathcal{X} = \{x, y\}$.

- Rewriting the term $f(g(g(a)))$ with equation $g(x) = x$ is Possible || Impossible
- To rewrite the term $f(g(g(a)))$ with $g(x) = x$ the substitution σ is $\{x \mapsto a\}$ || $\{x \mapsto g(a)\}$
- Rewriting the term $f(g(g(y)))$ with equation $g(x) = x$ is Possible || Impossible
- Rewriting the term $f(g(g(y)))$ with equation $g(f(x)) = x$ is Possible || Impossible

Isabelle evaluation = rewriting terms using equations

- (1) `append Nil x = x`
 (2) `append (x#xs) y = (x#(append xs y))`

Rewriting the term: `append [1,2] [3,4]` with (1) then (2) (Rmk 2)

First, recall that `[1,2] = (1#(2#Nil))` and `[3,4] = (3#(4#Nil))`!

<code>append (1#(2#Nil)) (3#(4#Nil))</code>	$\xrightarrow{(1)} \rightarrow(2)$
<code>(1# (append (2#Nil) (3#(4#Nil))))</code>	
with $\sigma = \{x \mapsto 1, xs \mapsto (2\#Nil), y \mapsto (3\#(4\#Nil))\}$	
<code>(1# (append (2#Nil) (3#(4#Nil))))</code>	$\rightarrow(2)$
<code>(1# (2#(append Nil (3#(4#Nil))))</code>	
with $\sigma = \{x \mapsto 2, xs \mapsto Nil, y \mapsto (3\#(4\#Nil))\}$	
<code>(1#(2# (append Nil (3#(4#Nil))))</code>	$\rightarrow(1)$
<code>(1#(2# (3#(4#Nil)))) = [1,2,3,4] !</code>	
with $\sigma = \{x \mapsto (3\#(4\#Nil))\}$	

Example 21

See demo of step by step rewriting in Isabelle/HOL!

Isabelle evaluation = rewriting terms using equations (II)

- (1) `contains e [] = False`
 (2) `contains e (x # xs) = (if e=x then True else (contains e xs))`

Evaluation of test: `contains 2 [1,2,3]`

- \rightarrow `if 2=1 then True else (contains 2 [2,3])`
 by equation (2), because `[1,2,3] = 1#[2,3]`
 \rightarrow `if False then True else (contains 2 [2,3])`
 by Isabelle equations defining equality on naturals
 \rightarrow `contains 2 [2,3]`
 by Isabelle equation (if False then x else y = y)
 \rightarrow `if 2=2 then True else (contains 2 [3])`
 by equation (2), because `[2,3] = 2#[3]`
 \rightarrow `if True then True else (contains 2 [3])`
 by Isabelle equations defining equality on naturals
 \rightarrow `True`
 by Isabelle equation (if True then x else y = x)

Lemma simplification= Rewriting + Logical deduction

- (1) `contains e [] = False`
 (2) `contains e (x # xs) = (if e=x then True else (contains e xs))`

Proving the lemma: `contains y [z,y,v]`

- \rightarrow `if y=z then True else (contains y [y,v])`
 by equation (2), because `[z,y,v] = z#[y,v]`
 \rightarrow `if y=z then True else (if y=y then True else (contains y [v]))`
 by equation (2), because `[y,v] = y#[v]`
 \rightarrow `if y=z then True else (if True then True else (contains y [v]))`
 because `y=y` is trivially True
 \rightarrow `if y=z then True else True`
 by Isabelle equation (if True then x else y = x)
 \rightarrow `True`
 by logical deduction (if b then True else True) \leftrightarrow True

Lemma simplification= Rewriting + Logical deduction (II)

- (1) `contains e [] = False`
 (2) `contains e (x # xs) = (if e=x then True else (contains e xs))`
 (3) `append [] x = x`
 (4) `append (x # xs) y = x # (append xs y)`

Exercise 6

Is it possible to prove the lemma `contains u (append [u] v)` by simplification/rewriting?

Exercise 7

Is it possible to prove the lemma `contains v (append u [v])` by simplification/rewriting?

Demo of rewriting in Isabelle/HOL!

Evaluation of partial functions

Evaluation of partial functions using rewriting by equational definitions may not result in a constructor term

Exercise 8

Let `index` be the function defined by:

```
fun index: "'a => 'a list => nat"
where
"index y (x#xs) = (if x=y then 0 else 1+(index y xs))"
```

- Define the function in Isabelle/HOL
- What does it compute?
- Why is `index` a partial function? (What does Isabelle/HOL say?)
- For `index`, give an example of a call whose result is:
 - a constructor term
 - a match failure
- Define the property relating functions `index` and `List.nth`

Scala export + Demo

To export functions to Haskell, SML, Ocaml, Scala [export_code](#)

For instance, to export the `contains` and `index` functions to Scala:

`export_code` contains `index` in Scala

```
_____test.scala_____

object cm2 {
  def contains[A : HOL.equal](e: A, x1: List[A]): Boolean =
    (e, x1) match {
      case (e, Nil) => false
      case (e, x :: xs) => (if (HOL.eq[A](e, x)) true
                           else contains[A](e, xs))
    }
  def index[A : HOL.equal](y: A, x1: List[A]): Nat =
    (y, x1) match {
      case (y, x :: xs) =>
        (if (HOL.eq[A](x, y)) Nat(0)
         else Nat(1) + index[A](y, xs))
    }
}
```