

Lecture 2

Product types

- add could take a single argument of the product type `int * int`

```
fun add(x,y):int = x+y;
> val add = fn : int * int -> int

add(3,4);
> val it = 7 : int

let val z = (3,4) in add z end;
> val it = 7 : int

add 3;
> Error: operator and operand don't agree
>   operator domain: int * int
>   operand:         int
```

- Error message based on SML/NJ
- N.B. the type of the *result* specified
 - sufficient to explicitly type any subexpression
 - must disambiguates all overloaded operators

Type abbreviations

- Types can be given names:

```
type intpair = int * int;
> type intpair defined

fun addpair ((x,y):intpair) = x+y;
> val addpair = fn : intpair -> int

(3,5);
> val it = (3,5) : int * int

(3,5):intpair;
> val it = (3,5) : intpair

addpair(3,5);
> val it = 8 : int
```

- The new name is simply an abbreviation
 - `intpair` and `int*int` are completely equivalent

Multiple results

- Functions may also return structured results

```
fun sumdiff(x:int,y:int) = (x+y,x-y);  
> val sumdiff = fn : int * int -> int * int  
  
sumdiff(3,4);  
> val it = (7,~1) : int * int
```

- In ML all functions technically have one argument and one result
 - but arguments and results can be structures

Operators

- `+` (addition) and `*` are built-in infix operators
- Users can define their own infixes
 - using `infix` for left associative operators
 - and `infixr` for right associative ones

```
infix op1;  
infixr op2;
```

- This tells the parser to parse $e_1 \text{ op1 } e_2$ as $\text{op1}(e_1, e_2)$ and $e_1 \text{ op2 } e_2$ as $\text{op2}(e_1, e_2)$

```
fun (x:int) op1 (y:int) = x + y;  
> val op1 = fn : int * int -> int  
  
1 op1 2;  
> val it = 3 : int  
  
fun (x:int) op2 (y:int) = x * y;  
> val op2 = fn : int * int -> int  
  
2 op2 3;  
> val it = 6 : int
```

Precedence

- `infix n` creates:
 - a left-associative infix
 - of precedence n
- `infixr n` creates:
 - a right-associative infix
 - of precedence n
- If the n is omitted a default precedence is 0

Suppressing infix status

- The ML parser can be told to ignore the infix status of an occurrence of an identifier by preceding the occurrence with `op`

```
op1;  
> Error: nonfix identifier required  
  
op op1;  
> val it = fn : int * int -> int
```

- Infix status of an operator can be permanently removed using `nonfix`

```
1 + 2;  
> val it = 3 : int  
  
nonfix +;  
> nonfix +  
  
1 + 2;  
> Error: operator is not a function  
>   operator: int  
>   in expression:  
>     1 + : overloaded
```

Restoring infix status of +

- Removing the infix status of built-in operators is not recommended
- Let's restore it
 - + is left-associative with precedence 6

```
infix 6 +;  
> infix 6 +
```


Function composition

- A useful built-in operator is function composition `o`

```
op o;  
> val it = fn : ('a -> 'b) * ('c -> 'a) -> 'c -> 'b  
  
fun add1 n = n+1  
and add2 n = n+2;  
> val add1 = fn : int -> int  
> val add2 = fn : int -> int  
  
(add1 o add2) 5;  
> val it = 8 : int
```

Lists

- If e_1, \dots, e_n all have type ty
- then $[e_1, \dots, e_n]$ has type $(ty \text{ list})$
- Standard functions on lists are:
 - `hd` (head)
 - `tl` (tail)
 - `null` (tests for empty list—i.e. equal to `[]`)
 - `::` (infix ‘cons’)
 - `@` (infix ‘append’, i.e. concatenation)

Examples of list-processing operators

```
val m = [1,2,(2+1),4];
> val m = [1,2,3,4] : int list

(hd m , tl m);
> val it = (1,[2,3,4]) : int * int list

(null m , null []);
> val it = (false,true) : bool * bool

0::m;
> val it = [0,1,2,3,4] : int list

[1, 2] @ [3, 4, 5, 6];
> val it = [1,2,3,4,5,6] : int list

[1,true,2];
> Error: operator and operand don't agree
>   operator domain: bool * bool list
>   operand:         bool * int list
```

- Members of a list must have the same type

Strings

- Sequence of characters enclosed between quotes (") is a string

```
"this is a string";  
> val it = "this is a string" : string
```

- The empty string is ""
- explode converts a string to a list of single-character strings
- implode is the inverse of explode

```
explode;  
> val it = fn : string -> string list  
  
explode "this is a string";  
> val it =  
> ["t","h","i","s"," ","i","s"," ","a"," ","s","t",  
> "r","i","n","g"]  
> : string list  
  
implode it;  
> val it = "this is a string" : string
```

Records

- Records are data-structures with named components
- Contrasted with tuples whose components are determined by position
- $\{x_1=v_1, \dots, x_n=v_n\}$ creates a record with:
 - fields named x_1, \dots, x_n
 - corresponding values v_1, \dots, v_n

```
val MikeData = {userid = "mjcg", sex = "male",
                married = true, children = 2};
> val MikeData =
> {children=2,married=true,sex="male",userid="mjcg"}
> : {children:int, married:bool,
>   sex:string, userid:string}
```

- $\{x_1:\sigma_1, \dots, x_n:\sigma_n\}$ is type of $\{x_1=v_1, \dots, x_n=v_n\}$
 - where σ_i is the type of v_i

Order of fields not significant

- Order of record components does not matter

```
val MikeData' =
  {sex = "male", userid = "mjcg",
   children = 2, married = true};
> val MikeData' =
> {children=2,married=true,sex="male",userid="mjcg"}
>   : {children:int, married:bool,
>     sex:string, userid:string}

MikeData = MikeData';
> val it = true : bool
```

- Component named x extracted using $\#x$

```
#children MikeData;
> val it = 2 : int
```

Record arguments need explicit types

- Record types need explicit disambiguation
 - different records can share field names

```
fun Sex p = #sex p;  
> Error: unresolved flex record in let pattern  
  
type persondata = {userid:string, children:int,  
                  married:bool, sex:string};  
> type persondata =  
> {children:int, married:bool,  
>   sex:string, userid:string}  
  
fun Sex(p:persondata) = #sex p;  
> val Sex = fn : persondata -> string  
  
type animal = {kind:string, sex:string};  
> type animal = {kind:string, sex:string}  
  
fun IsStallion a =  
  #kind a = "horse" andalso #sex a = "male";  
> Error: unresolved flex record in let pattern  
  
fun IsStallion(a:animal) =  
  #kind a = "horse" andalso #sex a = "male";  
> val IsStallion = fn : animal -> bool
```

Tuples are records

- tuples in ML are a special case of records
- (v_1, \dots, v_n) is equivalent to $\{1=v_1, \dots, n=v_n\}$

```
{1 = "Hello", 2 = true, 3 = 0};  
> val it = ("Hello",true,0) : string * bool * int  
  
#2 it;  
> val it = true : bool
```

- $(\sigma_1 * \sigma_2 * \dots * \sigma_n) = \{1:\sigma_1, 2:\sigma_2 \dots, n:\sigma_n\}$

Polymorphism

- `hd`, `tl` etc. can be used on all types of lists

```
hd [1,2,3];  
> val it = 1 : int  
  
hd [true,false,true];  
> val it = true : bool  
  
hd [(1,2),(3,4)];  
> val it = (1,2) : int * int
```

- `hd` is used above with types
 - `(int list) -> int`
 - `(bool list) -> bool`
 - `(int * int) list -> (int * int)`
- `hd` has the type `(ty list) -> ty`
 - where `ty` is any type

Type variables

- Functions, like `hd`, with many types are called *polymorphic*
- ML uses type variables `'a`, `'b`, `'c` etc. to represent their types

```
hd;  
> val it = fn : 'a list -> 'a
```

map

- The ML function map takes
 - a function with argument type 'a and result type 'b
 - a list of elements of type 'a
- map returns the list obtained by applying the function to each element of the list
 - the result has type 'b list

```
map;  
> val map = fn : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a list -> 'b list  
  
fun add1 (x:int) = x+1;  
> val add1 = fn : int -> int  
  
map add1 [1,2,3,4,5];  
> val it = [2,3,4,5,6] : int list
```

- map can be used at any instance of its type

```
map null [[1,2], [], [3], []];  
> val it = [false,true,false,true] : bool list
```

fn-expressions

- `fn x => e` evaluates to a function
 - with formal parameter x
 - and with body e
- `fun f x = e` is equivalent to `val f = fn x => e`
- Similarly
 - `fun f(x,y)z = e`
 - is equivalent to
 - `val f = fn (x,y) => fn z => e`
- In the λ -calculus λ is used instead of `fn`
 - `fn x => e` in ML is $\lambda x.e$ in the λ -calculus

```
fn x => x+1;  
> val it = fn : int -> int  
  
it 3;  
> val it = 4 : int
```

Some examples using map

```
map (fn x => x*x) [1,2,3,4];
> val it = [1,4,9,16] : int list

val doubleup = map (fn x => x@x);
> val doubleup = fn : 'a list list -> 'a list list

doubleup [ [1,2], [3,4,5] ];
> val it = [[1,2,1,2],[3,4,5,3,4,5]] : int list list

doubleup [];
> val it = [] : 'a list list
```

Conditionals

- **Syntax** `if e then e1 else e2`
 - expected meaning
 - truthvalues are true and false
 - both of type bool

```
if true then 1 else 2;  
> val it = 1 : int  
  
if 2<1 then 1 else 2;  
> val it = 2 : int
```

- `e1 orelse e2`
abbreviates
`if e1 then true else e2`
- `e1 andalso e2`
abbreviates
`if e1 then e2 else false`