

Last time

$\Gamma \vdash M : ?$

This time

$\Gamma \vdash A$

A suggestive notation

$A \rightarrow B$

$\forall \alpha. A$

$\exists \alpha. A$

A suggestive notation

$$A \rightarrow B$$

$$\forall \alpha. A$$

$$\exists \alpha. A$$

$$A \times B$$

$$A + B$$

A suggestive notation

$$A \rightarrow B$$

$$\forall \alpha. A$$

$$\exists \alpha. A$$

$$A \wedge B$$

$$A \vee B$$

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Types *correspond* to **propositions**

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Types *correspond* to **propositions**

(Part 1 of the **Curry-Howard** correspondence)

What logic?

$\lambda \rightarrow$

\mathcal{B} $A \rightarrow B$ $A \wedge B$ $A \vee B$

What logic?

λ^{\rightarrow} corresponds to **propositional logic**

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System F

$\forall \alpha. A$ $\exists \alpha. A$

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$$B \quad A \rightarrow B \quad A \wedge B \quad A \vee B$$

System F corresponds to **second-order propositional logic**

$$\forall \alpha. A \quad \exists \alpha. A$$

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$$\lambda \alpha. A \quad A B$$

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What about **first-order logic**?

Propositional vs predicate

Propositional logic

$$P \rightarrow Q$$

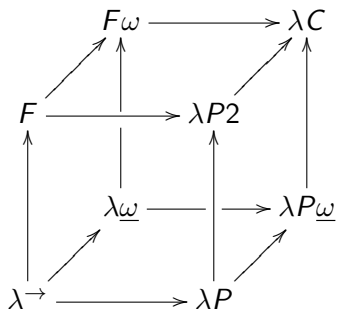
$$(\forall P. P \rightarrow P) \rightarrow (\exists Q. Q \rightarrow Q)$$

Predicate logic (FOPL)

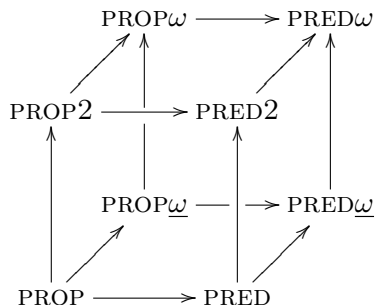
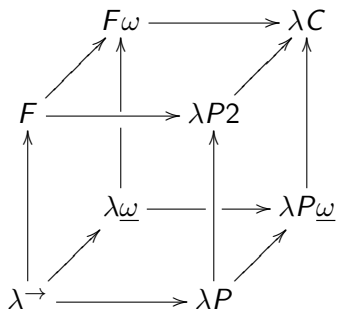
$$P(x)$$

$$\forall x \in A. P(x)$$

Lambda and logic cubes



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More suggestive notation

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(Part 2 of the **Curry-Howard** correspondence)

Inference rules for \rightarrow

$$\frac{x:A \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x:A} \text{ tvar}$$

$$\frac{A \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x:A \vdash M:B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x:A. M : A \rightarrow B} \rightarrow\text{-intro}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, A \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash N : A}{\Gamma \vdash M N : B} \rightarrow\text{-elim}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash B}$$

Inference rules for \times

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A \quad \Gamma \vdash N : B}{\Gamma \vdash \langle M, N \rangle : A \times B} \times\text{-intro}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A \times B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fst } M : A} \times\text{-elim-1}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A \times B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{snd } M : B} \times\text{-elim-2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B} \wedge\text{-intro}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B}{\Gamma \vdash A} \wedge\text{-elim-1}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \wedge B}{\Gamma \vdash B} \wedge\text{-elim-2}$$

Classical vs intuitionistic logic

Classical logic

Emphasis on **truth**

Truth values: \top , \perp

$A \vee \neg A$ always holds

Intuitionistic logic

Emphasis on **proof**

Proofs inhabit propositions

$A \vee \neg A$ doesn't hold in general

Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov (BHK) interpretation

A proof of $A \rightarrow B$:

a function that builds a proof of B from a proof of A .

A proof of $A \wedge B$:

a pair of a proof of A and a proof of B .

$\neg A$

means $A \rightarrow \perp$

\perp

has no proof

Continuing the correspondence

Types *correspond to* **propositions**

Programs *correspond to* **proofs**

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Evaluation *corresponds* to **proof simplification**

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(The three-part **Curry-Howard** correspondence)

Who should care?

Language designers

e.g. *linear logic*: restrictions on structural rules
corresponds to a language with resource management guarantees

Logicians

since results about programming languages transfer “for free”
e.g. strong normalization implies consistency

Authors (and users) of proof assistants

e.g. Coq and other tools based on type theory

Programmers?

Logical equivalences

$$\forall\beta.(\forall\alpha.(P\alpha \rightarrow \beta)) \rightarrow \beta \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \exists\alpha.P\alpha$$

$$\forall\beta.(P \rightarrow \beta) \wedge (Q \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow \beta \quad \leftrightarrow \quad P \vee Q$$

Proof: we must show

$$\forall\beta.(\forall\alpha.(P\alpha \rightarrow \beta)) \rightarrow \beta \vdash \exists\alpha.P\alpha$$

$$\exists\alpha.P\alpha \vdash \forall\beta.(\forall\alpha.(P\alpha \rightarrow \beta)) \rightarrow \beta$$

etc.

A proof

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Is it useful?

$$\forall \beta. (P \rightarrow \beta) \wedge (Q \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow \beta \quad \leftrightarrow \quad P \vee Q$$

These type equivalences can be useful in constructing programs.

The data type encodings we saw last week can be derived this way.

Closing thoughts

The correspondence suggests a way of thinking about programming
— and a way of systematically constructing (some) programs

However, propositional logic is quite weak
(and our types are often uninformative)

We'll have richer types available later (GADTs, monads),
at which point we'll revisit the question of usefulness

Next time

Abstraction