

Type theory in type theory
using
quotient inductive types

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Goal

- To represent the syntax of type theory inside type theory
- Why?
 - ▶ Study the metatheory in a nice language
 - ▶ Template type theory

Structure

- 1 Simple type theory
- 2 Dependent type theory
- 3 Standard model
- 4 Logical predicate interpretation
- 5 Presheaf models, normalisation by evaluation
- 6 The future

Expressing the judgements of type theory

$$\Gamma \vdash t : A$$

will be formalised as

$$t : \text{Tm } \Gamma \ A$$

(We have a **typed** presentation, no preterms)

Simple type theory with preterms

$x ::= \text{zero} \mid \text{suc } x$
 $t ::= x \mid \text{lam } t \mid \text{app } t \ t$
 $A ::= \iota \mid A \Rightarrow A$
 $\Gamma ::= \bullet \mid \Gamma, A$

We define the relations \vdash_v and \vdash .

$$\frac{}{\Gamma, A \vdash_v \text{zero} : A} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash_v x : A}{\Gamma, B \vdash_v \text{suc } x : A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_v x : A}{\Gamma \vdash x : A} \qquad \frac{\Gamma, A \vdash t : B}{\Gamma \vdash \text{lam } t : A \rightarrow B} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma \vdash u : A}{\Gamma \vdash \text{app } t \ u : B}$$

Simple type theory in idealised Agda (i)

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data Ty      : Set where  
  ι          : Ty  
  _⇒_       : Ty → Ty → Ty  
data Con    : Set where  
  •         : Con  
  _',_     : Con → Ty → Con  
data Var    : Con → Ty → Set where  
  zero     : Var (Γ , A) A  
  suc      : Var Γ A → Var (Γ , B) A  
data Tm     : Con → Ty → Set where  
  var      : Var Γ A → Tm Γ A  
  lam     : Tm (Γ , A) B → Tm Γ (A ⇒ B)  
  app     : Tm Γ (A ⇒ B) → Tm Γ A → Tm Γ B
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Simple type theory in Agda (ii)

- In addition, we need substitutions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tms} &: \text{Con} \rightarrow \text{Con} \rightarrow \text{Set} \\ _[_] &: \text{Tm } \Gamma \text{ A} \rightarrow \text{Tms } \Delta \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Delta \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

- Now we can define a conversion relation:

$$_ \sim _ : \text{Tm } \Gamma \text{ A} \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Gamma \text{ A} \rightarrow \text{Set}$$

eg. $\text{app } (\text{lam } t) \text{ u} \sim t [\text{id}, \text{u}]$

- The intended syntax is a quotient:

$$\text{Tm } \Gamma \text{ A} / \sim$$

The syntax of dependent type theory (i)

- Types depend on contexts
- Substitutions are mentioned in the application rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{app} : \quad & \text{Tm } \Gamma (\Pi A B) \rightarrow (a : \text{Tm } \Gamma A) \\ & \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Gamma (B [a]) \end{aligned}$$

- We need an inductive-inductive definition:

data Con : Set

data Ty : Con \rightarrow Set

data Tms : Con \rightarrow Con \rightarrow Set

data Tm : (Γ : Con) \rightarrow Ty Γ \rightarrow Set

The syntax of dependent type theory (ii)

- In addition, there is a coercion rule for terms:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \sim B \quad \Gamma \vdash t : A}{\Gamma \vdash t : B}$$

- This forces us to define conversion relations mutually:

```
data Con      : Set
data Ty      : Con → Set
data Tms     : Con → Con → Set
data Tm      : (Γ : Con) → Ty Γ → Set
data _~Con_  : Con → Con → Set
data _~Ty_   : Ty Γ → Ty Γ → Set
data _~Tms_  : Tms Δ Γ → Tms Δ Γ → Set
data _~Tm_   : Tm Γ A → Tm Γ A → Set
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(1) Contexts:

$$\frac{}{\cdot \vdash} \text{C-empty} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \quad \Gamma \vdash A : U}{\Gamma.x : A \vdash} \text{C-ext}$$

(2) Terms:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : U}{\Gamma.x : A \vdash x : A} \text{var} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \quad \Gamma \vdash B : U}{\Gamma.x : B \vdash t : A} \text{wk} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash}{\Gamma \vdash U : U} \text{U-I}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : U \quad \Gamma.x : A \vdash B : U}{\Gamma \vdash \Pi(x : A).B : U} \text{\Pi-F} \quad \frac{\Gamma.x : A \vdash t : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x.t : \Pi(x : A).B} \text{\Pi-I} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash f : \Pi(x : A).B \quad \Gamma \vdash a : A}{\Gamma \vdash f a : B[x \mapsto a]} \text{\Pi-E}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \sim \Delta \vdash \quad \Gamma \vdash A \sim B : U \quad \Gamma \vdash t : A}{\Delta \vdash t : B} \text{t-coe}$$

(3) Conversion for contexts:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash}{\Gamma \sim \Gamma \vdash} \text{C-eq-refl} \quad \frac{\Gamma \sim \Delta \vdash}{\Delta \sim \Gamma \vdash} \text{C-eq-sym} \quad \frac{\Gamma \sim \Delta \vdash \quad \Delta \sim \Theta \vdash}{\Gamma \sim \Theta \vdash} \text{C-eq-trans}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \sim \Delta \vdash \quad \Gamma \vdash A \sim B : U}{\Gamma.x : A \sim \Delta.x : B \vdash} \text{C-ext-cong}$$

(4) Conversion for terms:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A}{\Gamma \vdash t \sim t : A} \text{t-eq-refl} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash u \sim v : A}{\Gamma \vdash v \sim u : A} \text{t-eq-sym} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash u \sim v : A \quad \Gamma \vdash v \sim w : A}{\Gamma \vdash u \sim w : A} \text{t-eq-trans}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \sim \Delta \vdash \quad \Gamma \vdash A \sim B : U \quad \Gamma \vdash u \sim v : A}{\Delta \vdash u \sim v : B} \text{t-eq-coe} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \sim A' : U \quad \Gamma.x : A \vdash B \sim B' : U}{\Gamma \vdash \Pi(x : A).B \sim \Pi(x : A').B' : U} \text{\Pi-F-cong}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma.x : A \vdash t \sim t' : B}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x.t \sim \lambda x.t' : \Pi(x : A).B} \text{\Pi-I-cong} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash f \sim f' : \Pi(x : A).B \quad \Gamma \vdash a \sim a' : A}{\Gamma \vdash f a \sim f' a' : B[x \mapsto a]} \text{\Pi-E-cong}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma.x : A \vdash t : B}{\Gamma \vdash (\lambda x.t) a \sim t[x \mapsto a] : B[x \mapsto a]} \text{\Pi-\beta} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash f : \Pi(x : A).B}{\Gamma \vdash f \sim (\lambda x.f x) : \Pi(x : A).B} \text{\Pi-\eta}$$

Lots of boilerplate

- The \sim_X relations are equivalence relations
- Coercion rules
- Congruence rules
- We need to work with setoids

The identity type $_ \equiv _$

- Equality (the identity type) is an equivalence relation
- We can coerce between equal types
- Equality is a congruence
- What about the extra equalities (eg. β, η for Π)?

Higher inductive types

- An idea from homotopy type theory: constructors for equalities.
- Example:

```
data I      : Set where  
  zero     : I  
  one      : I  
  segment  : zero  $\equiv$  one
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Higher inductive types

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- Example:

data I : Set **where**

zero : I

one : I

segment : zero \equiv one

Recl : (I^M : Set)

(zero^M : I^M)

(one^M : I^M)

(segment^M : zero^M \equiv one^M)

$\rightarrow I \rightarrow I^M$

Quotient inductive types (QITs)

- A higher inductive type which is truncated to an h-set.
- They are *not* the same as quotient types: equality constructors are defined at the same time
- QITs can be simulated in Agda

The syntax of dependent type theory (iii)

- We defined the syntax of a basic type theory as a quotient inductive inductive type (with Π and an uninterpreted family of types $U, E1$)
- We don't need to state the equivalence relation, coercion, congruence laws anymore
- We collect the arguments of the recursor into a record:

record Model : Set **where**

field Con^M : Set

Ty^M : Con^M → Set ...

- which is the type of algebras for the QIT
= the type of models of type theory, close to CwF.
Initiality is given by the recursor

\cdot	: Con	[id]	: $A[\text{id}] \equiv A$
$-, -$: $(\Gamma : \text{Con}) \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Con}$	$[\]$: $A[\sigma][\nu] \equiv A[\sigma \circ \nu]$
$-[-]$: $\text{Ty } \Delta \rightarrow \text{Tms } \Gamma \Delta \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma$	$\text{U}[\]$: $\text{U}[\sigma] \equiv \text{U}$
U	: $\text{Ty } \Gamma$	$\text{El}[\]$: $(\text{El } \hat{A})[\sigma] \equiv \text{El } (\text{U}[\]_* \hat{A}[\sigma])$
El	: $\text{Tm } \Gamma \text{U} \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma$	$\Pi[\]$: $(\Pi A B)[\sigma] \equiv \Pi (A[\sigma]) (B[\sigma^A])$
Π	: $(A : \text{Ty } \Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Ty } (\Gamma, A) \rightarrow \text{Ty } \Gamma$	$\text{id} \circ$: $\text{id} \circ \sigma \equiv \sigma$
id	: $\text{Tms } \Gamma \Gamma$	$\circ \text{id}$: $\sigma \circ \text{id} \equiv \sigma$
$- \circ -$: $\text{Tms } \Theta \Delta \rightarrow \text{Tms } \Gamma \Theta \rightarrow \text{Tms } \Gamma \Delta$	$\circ \circ$: $(\sigma \circ \nu) \circ \delta \equiv \sigma \circ (\nu \circ \delta)$
ϵ	: $\text{Tms } \Gamma \cdot$	$\epsilon \eta$: $\{\sigma : \text{Tms } \Gamma \cdot\} \rightarrow \sigma \equiv \epsilon$
$-, -$: $(\sigma : \text{Tms } \Gamma \Delta) \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Gamma A[\sigma] \rightarrow \text{Tms } \Gamma (\Delta, A)$	$\pi_1 \beta$: $\pi_1 (\sigma, t) \equiv \sigma$
π_1	: $\text{Tms } \Gamma (\Delta, A) \rightarrow \text{Tms } \Gamma \Delta$	$\pi \eta$: $(\pi_1 \sigma, \pi_2 \sigma) \equiv \sigma$
$-[-]$: $\text{Tm } \Delta A \rightarrow (\sigma : \text{Tms } \Gamma \Delta) \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Gamma A[\sigma]$	$, \circ$: $(\sigma, t) \circ \nu \equiv (\sigma \circ \nu), (\text{U}[\]_* t[\nu])$
π_2	: $(\sigma : \text{Tms } \Gamma (\Delta, A)) \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Gamma A[\pi_1 \sigma]$	$\pi_2 \beta$: $\pi_2 (\sigma, t) \equiv \pi_1^\beta t$
lam	: $\text{Tm } (\Gamma, A) B \rightarrow \text{Tm } \Gamma (\Pi A B)$	$\Pi \beta$: $\text{app } (\text{lam } t) \equiv t$
app	: $\text{Tm } \Gamma (\Pi A B) \rightarrow \text{Tm } (\Gamma, A) B$	$\Pi \eta$: $\text{lam } (\text{app } t) \equiv t$
		$\text{lam}[\]$: $(\text{lam } t)[\sigma] \equiv \Pi[\] \text{lam } (t[\sigma^A])$

Standard model

- A sanity check
- Every syntactic construct is interpreted as the corresponding metatheoretic construction.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Con}^M &= \text{Set} \\ \top y^M \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket &= \llbracket \Gamma \rrbracket \rightarrow \text{Set} \\ \Pi^M \llbracket A \rrbracket \llbracket B \rrbracket \gamma &= (x : \llbracket A \rrbracket \gamma) \rightarrow \llbracket B \rrbracket (\gamma, x) \\ \text{lam}^M \llbracket t \rrbracket \gamma &= \lambda x \rightarrow \llbracket t \rrbracket (\gamma, x) \\ \dots & \end{aligned}$$

Logical predicate interpretation (i)

- Unary parametricity says that terms respect logical predicates. Example:

$$A : U, x : A \vdash t : A$$

- For any predicate on A , if x respects it, so will t .
- Given a type B and $u : B$, we define $B^M x := (x \equiv u)$.
- $A := B, A^M := B^M, x := u, x^M := \text{refl}$
- Now we get $A^M t = B^M t = (t \equiv u)$.

Logical predicate interpretation (ii)

- Bernardy-Jansson-Paterson: Parametricity and Dependent Types, 2012
- A type is interpreted as a logical predicate over that type

$$\frac{\Gamma \text{ valid}}{\Gamma^P \text{ valid}} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \text{Set}}{\Gamma^P \vdash A^P : A \rightarrow \text{Set}}$$

- A term is interpreted as a proof that it satisfies the predicate

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A}{\Gamma^P \vdash t^P : (A^P) t}$$

Logical predicate interpretation (iii)

An interpretation from the syntax into the syntax:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet^P &= \bullet \\ (\Gamma, x : A)^P &= \Gamma^P, x : A, x^M : A^P x \\ U^P &= \lambda A \rightarrow (A \rightarrow U) \\ ((x : A) \rightarrow B)^P &= \lambda f \rightarrow ((x : A) (x^M : A^P x) \\ &\quad \rightarrow B^P (f x)) \\ (\lambda x \rightarrow t)^P &= \lambda x x^M \rightarrow t^P \\ (t u)^P &= t^P u (u^P) \\ x^P &= x^M \end{aligned}$$

These equations are all typed. Template type theory:
automated derivation of free theorems

Normalisation

completeness \curvearrowright norm \downarrow $\frac{\text{Tm } \Gamma A}{\text{Nf } \Gamma A}$ $\uparrow \ulcorner \neg \urcorner$ \curvearrowright stability

data Ne : (Γ : Con) \rightarrow Ty Γ \rightarrow Set

var : Var Γ A \rightarrow Ne Γ A

app : Ne Γ (Π A B) \rightarrow (v : Nf Γ A) \rightarrow Ne Γ ($B[\ulcorner v \urcorner]$)

data Nf : (Γ : Con) \rightarrow Ty Γ \rightarrow Set

neuU : Ne Γ U \rightarrow Nf Γ U

neuEl : Ne Γ (El \hat{A}) \rightarrow Nf Γ (El \hat{A})

lam : Nf (Γ , A) B \rightarrow Nf Γ (Π A B)

Presheaf model

- Proof relevant version of Kripke model: category instead of poset
- Given a category \mathcal{C}
- Contexts are presheaves over \mathcal{C} : for every object of \mathcal{C} we have a set and for morphisms we get maps between the sets
- Types are families of presheaves, terms are sections
- We need to give interpretations to the base type

NBE for simple type theory (i)

- Presheaf model over the category of renamings REN^{op}
 - ▶ Objects are contexts
 - ▶ Morphisms are renamings (lists of variables)
- The base type \bullet at Γ is interpreted as $\text{Ne } \Gamma$ •
- We denote the interpretation $\llbracket - \rrbracket$
- We define quote and unquote mutually:

$$u_A : \text{NE}_A \rightarrow \llbracket A \rrbracket \quad q_A : \llbracket A \rrbracket \rightarrow \text{NF}_A$$

$$\text{norm}_A (t : \text{Tm } \Gamma A) := q_A (\llbracket t \rrbracket \text{id}_\Gamma)$$

NBE for simple type theory (ii)

- Presheaf model over REN^{op} , base type • is NE •
- For completeness, we need a logical relation
 - ▶ metatheoretic
 - ▶ Kripke (base category REN^{op})
 - ▶ binary
 - ▶ proof-irrelevant
 - ▶ relation at • is equality

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{NE}_A & \xrightarrow{u_A} & \Sigma (\text{TM}_A \times \llbracket A \rrbracket) R_A & \xrightarrow{q_A} & \text{NF}_A \\ & \searrow \ulcorner _ \urcorner & \downarrow \text{proj} & \swarrow \ulcorner _ \urcorner & \\ & & \text{TM}_A & & \end{array}$$

NBE for type theory

- No need for presheaf model
- Instead we have a logical predicate
 - ▶ metatheoretic
 - ▶ Kripke (base category REN^{op})
 - ▶ unary
 - ▶ proof-relevant
 - ▶ predicate at \bullet : $\lambda t . \Sigma (n : \text{Ne } \Gamma \bullet) . n \equiv t$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{NE}_\Delta & \xrightarrow{u_\Delta} & \Sigma \text{TM}_\Delta \Delta^{\text{P}} & \xrightarrow{q_\Delta} & \text{NF}_\Delta \\ & \searrow \Gamma_{-\neg} & \downarrow \text{proj} & \swarrow \Gamma_{-\neg} & \\ & & \text{TM}_\Delta & & \end{array}$$

Further work

- We internalized a very basic type theory, this can be extended easily with universes and inductive types. How to do it a nice categorical way?
- We used axioms (quotient inductive types, functional extensionality) in our metatheory. This can be solved by cubical type theory.
- Still lots of boilerplate equality reasoning. Solution: informally extensional type theory, formally cubical type theory?
- If we work within HoTT, we can only eliminate into h-sets. Hence, the standard model doesn't work as described.

Template type theory

- Given a model of type theory, together with new constants in that model
- We can interpret code that uses the new constants inside the model
- The code can use all the conveniences such as implicit arguments, pattern matching etc.
- This way we can justify extensions of type theory:
 - ▶ guarded type theory
 - ▶ local state monad
 - ▶ parametricity
 - ▶ homotopy type theory