

*Jinja*

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**The formal semantics  
of a Java-like Programming Language**

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# *What is Jinja?*

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*Jinja is not Java!*

Core calculus  $\subset$  Jinja  $\subset$  Java

# Overview source language

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- Syntax
- Big step semantics
- Small step semantics
- Equivalence
- Type system
- Type safety: *Well-typed programs do not get stuck*

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## ***Prelude: Formalities***

# *Government health warning*

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This is formal.

This is very formal.

**This is machine checked!**  
(In the theorem prover Isabelle/HOL)

# Basic types

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- Truth values: *bool* (*True*, *False*,  $\wedge$ , ...)
- Natural numbers: *nat*
- Integers: *int*
- Total functions:  $\Rightarrow$
- Sets over type  $\tau$ :  $\tau$  *set*
- Type variables: *'a*, *'b*, ...

# Notation

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$t::\tau$

“term  $t$  has type  $\tau$ ”

# Pairs

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- First component:  $\text{fst } (x, y) = x$
- Second component:  $\text{snd } (x, y) = y$
- Tuples are pairs nested to the right:
  - $(a, b, c)$  means  $(a, (b, c))$
  - $\tau_1 \times \tau_2 \times \tau_3$  means  $\tau_1 \times (\tau_2 \times \tau_3)$



# Lists

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- Type:  $\tau$  *list*
- Empty list: `[]`
- Cons: `x·xs`
- Append: `xs @ ys`
- Length: `|xs|`
- Nth element: `xs[n]`
- `map :: ('a ⇒ 'b) ⇒ 'a list ⇒ 'b list`
- `set :: 'a list ⇒ 'a set`
- `distinct :: 'a list ⇒ bool`

# *Datatype option*

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**datatype** *'a option* = *None* | *Some 'a*

**An abbreviation:**  $[a]$   $\equiv$  *Some a*

# Partial functions or maps

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$$'a \rightarrow 'b \equiv 'a \Rightarrow 'b \text{ option}$$

Intuitively: if  $f :: \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2$  and  $a :: \tau_1$  then

- $f a = \text{None}$  means undefined
- $f a = [b]$  means result is  $b$

$$\text{dom } m \equiv \{a \mid m a \neq \text{None}\}$$

# Map notation

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- Empty map:  $empty \equiv \lambda x. None$
- Update:  $m(a \mapsto b) \equiv \lambda x. \text{if } x=a \text{ then } [b] \text{ else } m\ x$
- Updates:  $m(a_1 \mapsto b_1, a_2 \mapsto b_2) \equiv m(a_1 \mapsto b_1)(a_2 \mapsto b_2)$
- Finite maps:  $[a_1 \mapsto b_1, \dots] \equiv empty(a_1 \mapsto b_1, \dots)$
- List update:  $m([a_1, \dots, a_i] \mapsto [b_1, \dots, b_j]) \equiv m(a_1 \mapsto b_1, \dots, a_{\min i j} \mapsto b_{\min i j})$
- $map\text{-of} :: ('a \times 'b)list \Rightarrow 'a \rightarrow 'b$   
 $map\text{-of} [(a_1, b_1), \dots, (a_n, b_n)] = [a_n \mapsto b_n, \dots, a_1 \mapsto b_1]$
- Overwrite:  
 $m_1 ++ m_2 \equiv \lambda x. \text{if } x \in dom\ m_2 \text{ then } m_2\ x \text{ else } m_1\ x$

# *Inference rule notations*

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$$[ A_1; \dots; A_n ] \implies A$$

$$A_1 \implies \dots A_n \implies A$$

$$\frac{A_1 \quad \dots \quad A_n}{A}$$

Different syntax, same meaning

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# ***Abstract Syntax***

# *Names*

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Three types of names:

- Class names: *cname*
- Variable and field names: *vname*
- Method names: *mname*



## *Variable conventions*

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- *C*, *D*: class name
- *e*: expressions
- *F*: field name
- *M*: method name
- *P*: program
- *T*: type
- *v*: value
- *V*: variable name

# Values

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A value (type *val*) is one of the following:

- a boolean *Bool b*, where  $b :: bool$
- an integer *Intg i*, where  $i :: int$
- a reference *Addr a*, where  $a :: addr$   
(*addr*: some arbitrary type of addresses)
- the null reference *Null*
- the dummy value *Unit*

Jinja is a hybrid object oriented language:  
it has primitive values and classes

# *The formal model*

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**datatype** *val* = *Unit*  
          | *Null*  
          | *Bool bool*  
          | *Intg int*  
          | *Addr addr*

# *Jinja Types*

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A Jinja type (type *ty*) is one of the following:

- *Boolean*
- *Integer*
- *Class C*
- ...

More later.

# *Expressions and statements*

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In Jinja, everything is an *expression*.

*Statements* are expressions evaluating to *Unit*.

# Expressions (1)

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Type: *expr*

- $\text{new } C$
- $\text{Cast } C \ e$
- $\text{Val } v$
- $e_1 \ll bop \gg e_2$
- $\text{Var } V$
- $V := e$
- $e.F\{D\}$
- $e.F\{D\} := e'$
- $e.M(es)$

## *Interlude: annotation {D}*

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$e.F\{D}$  and  $e.F\{D} := e'$ :

- $D$  is class where  $F$  is declared
- $D$  is needed during runtime:  
field access is static, not dynamic!
- $D$  is added by the type checker (see later)

## *Expressions (2)*

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- $\{V:T; e\}$
- $e_1 ; e_2$
- $\text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2$
- $\text{while } (e) e'$
- Exceptions: later

Exercise: which Java expressions/statements are missing?



# *Abstract and concrete syntax*

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Formal definition:

**datatype** *expr* = *new cname* | *Cast cname expr* | ...

This is *abstract* syntax.

For readability: additional *concrete* syntax, e.g.

$V := e$  is just syntactic sugar for *LAss*  $V e$

Jinja is a mix of concrete and abstract syntax

## *Example*

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Translate `i = i + 1` into Jinja syntax.

# Abbreviations

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*true*      ≡ Val(*Bool True*)      *false*      ≡ Val(*Bool False*)  
*addr a*    ≡ Val(*Addr a*)            *null*      ≡ Val *Null*  
*unit*      ≡ Val *Unit*

# Why no return statement?

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Because everything has a value.

How to eliminate `return`:

- `return e`  $\rightsquigarrow$  ?
- `while (a) {if (b) return c else s};`  
`return d`  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  ?

## *Eliminating return in general*

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- Introduce new variables `res(ult)` and `cont(inue)`.
- Eliminate `return`:  
`return e`  $\rightsquigarrow$  `res := e; cont := false`
- Restructure control flow:  
`e1; e2`  $\rightsquigarrow$  `e1; if (cont) e2`  
`while (b) e`  $\rightsquigarrow$  `while (b & cont) e`
- Transform procedure body:  
`e`  $\rightsquigarrow$  `cont := true; e; res`

## *The need for Var*

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Without `Var`, `V := e` is ambiguous: is `e`

- a **program variable** or
- a **meta-language variable** ranging over expressions?

# Binary operators

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For simplicity: only = and +

Semantics:  $binop :: bop \times val \times val \Rightarrow val\ option$

$$binop (=, v_1, v_2) = \lfloor Bool (v_1 = v_2) \rfloor$$
$$binop (+, Intg\ i_1, Intg\ i_2) = \lfloor Intg (i_1 + i_2) \rfloor$$
$$binop (bop, v_1, v_2) = None$$

Can only add integers!

Design principle:

In ill-typed situations, semantics does nothing

*Defensive semantics*

# *Jinja types*

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- They exist
- *ty* is the type of all Jinja types
- Semantics does not need them
- See later



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# ***Abstract Syntax: Programs***

# Concrete syntax

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Many possibilities:

- Subset of Java
- Imaginary syntax, e.g.

```
class B extends A
{field F : TF; field G : TG;
  method M1 : (p1:T1, ..., pn:Tn) -> T = {...}
  ...
}
```

```
class C extends B {...}
```

- ...

We don't care!

# Abstract syntax

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- A program is a list of class declarations:  
 $J\text{-prog} = J\text{-cdecl list}$
- A class declaration consists of the name and the class:  
 $J\text{-cdecl} = \text{cname} \times J\text{-class}$
- A class consists of a superclass name, a list of field declarations and a list of method declarations:  
 $J\text{-class} = \text{cname} \times \text{fdecl list} \times J\text{-mdecl list}$
- A field declaration is a field name and a type:  
 $\text{fdecl} = \text{vname} \times \text{ty}$
- A method declaration is a method name, the argument types, the result type, and the method body:  
 $J\text{-mdecl} = \text{mname} \times \text{ty list} \times \text{ty} \times J\text{-mb}$
- A method body is a parameter list and an expression:  
 $J\text{-mb} = \text{vname list} \times \text{expr}$

## Example

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```
class B extends A
{field F : TF; field G : TG;
  method M1 : (p1:T1,p2:T2) -> T =
    {i:Ti; i := i}
}
```

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## Note

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Parameter names and types have been separated.

- Advantage: can re-use same declaration structure for machine programs (where method parameters do not have names) by redefining *J-mb*
- Disadvantage: need to make sure that there the same number of parameter names as types.

## *Exercise*

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Which Java features are missing?

## Accessing declaration information

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- *class*  $P$   $C$  is the class associated with  $C$  in  $P$ .
- *is-class*  $P$   $C$  means class  $C$  is defined in  $P$ .
- $P \vdash C \preceq^* D$  means  $C$  is a **subclass** of  $D$ . The relation is transitive and reflexive.
- $P \vdash C$  **sees**  $M: Ts \rightarrow T = mb$  in  $D$  means that in  $P$  from class  $C$  a method  $M$  with argument types  $Ts$  (a type list), result type  $T$ , and body  $mb$  is visible in class  $D$  (taking overriding into account).
- $P \vdash C$  **sees**  $F:T$  in  $D$  means that in  $P$  from class  $C$  a field  $F$  of type  $T$  is visible in class  $D$ .

## *Example*

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```
class B extends A {field F:TB  
                    method M:TBs->T1 = mB}  
class C extends B {field F:TC  
                    method M:TCs->T2 = mC}
```



## Example

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$P \vdash C$ sees $F:TC$ in $C$	YES
$P \vdash C$ sees $F:TB$ in $B$	NO
$P \vdash C$ sees $M: TCs \rightarrow T2 = mC$ in $C$	YES
$P \vdash C$ sees $M: TBs \rightarrow T1 = mB$ in $B$	NO

No overloading of method names as in Java!

## Formal definitions

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- $\text{class } P \ C \equiv \text{map-of } P \ C$
- $\text{is-class } P \ C \equiv \text{class } P \ C \neq \text{None}$
- $P \vdash C \preceq^* D$  is the reflexive transitive closure of the direct subclass relation  $P \vdash C \prec^1 D$  defined by

$$\frac{\text{class } P \ C = \lfloor (D, \_, \_) \rfloor \quad C \neq \text{Object}}{P \vdash C \prec^1 D}$$

## Collecting fields

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Auxiliary relation  $P \vdash C$  has-fields  $FDTs$

with  $FDTs :: ((vname \times cname) \times ty)$  list:

- $((F, D), T)$  in  $FDTs$  represents a field declaration  $F:T$  in a superclass  $D$  of  $C$
- $FDTs$  starts with  $C$  and climbs up the class hierarchy

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \text{class } P \ C = [(D, fs, ms)] \\ C \neq \text{Object} \quad P \vdash D \text{ has-fields } FDTs \end{array}}{P \vdash C \text{ has-fields } \text{map } (\lambda(F, T). ((F, C), T)) \ fs \ @ \ FDTs}$$

$$P \vdash \text{Object} \text{ has-fields } []$$

Example (with  $A = \text{Object}$ ):

$$P \vdash C \text{ has-fields } [((F, C), TC), ((F, B), TB)]$$

## *sees fields*

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$P \vdash C \text{ sees } F:T \text{ in } D \equiv$

$\exists FDTs.$

$P \vdash C \text{ has-fields } FDTs \wedge$

$map\text{-of } (map (\lambda((F, D), T). (F, D, T)) FDTs) F = [(D, T)]$

## *Exercise*

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Define **sees** for methods.

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# ***Big Step Semantics***

# State

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*state* = *heap* × *locals*

*locals* = *vname* → *val*

*heap* = *addr* → *obj*

*obj* = *cname* × *fields*

*fields* = *vname* × *cname* → *val*

Example state:

$([7 \mapsto (B, [(F, B) \mapsto Addr\ 1]),$   
 $5 \mapsto (C, [(F, C) \mapsto Bool\ True, (F, B) \mapsto Intg\ 5])],$   
 $[V \mapsto Null])$

Is this state “welformed”?

## *Question*

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What is the key difference between our abstract state and some concrete representation in memory?



# *Variable names*

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*s* :: *state*

*l* :: *locals*

*h* :: *heap*

# *Expression evaluation*

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Transition format:

$$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$$

where  $e'$  is fully evaluated: a value (or an exception)

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# ***Evaluation rules***

## *Val and Var*

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$$P \vdash \langle \text{val } v, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s \rangle$$

$$I V = [v]$$

$$\frac{}{P \vdash \langle \text{var } V, (h, l) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle}$$

## Note

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### Semantics is defensive

Example:  $\langle \text{Var } V, (h, l) \rangle$  can only evaluate if  $V \in \text{dom } l$

## Field access

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, (h, l) \rangle \\ \quad h \ a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \\ \quad fs \ (F, D) = \lfloor v \rfloor \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle e.F\{D\}, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{val} \ v, (h, l) \rangle}$$

## *Binary operations*

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$$P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v_1, s_1 \rangle$$

$$P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v_2, s_2 \rangle$$

$$\text{binop}(bop, v_1, v_2) = [v]$$

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$$P \vdash \langle e_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v, s_2 \rangle$$

## *new*

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*new-Addr h*  $\equiv$

if  $\exists a. h a = \text{None}$  then  $\lfloor \text{SOME } a. h a = \text{None} \rfloor$  else *None*

*init-fields*  $:: ((vname \times cname) \times ty) \text{ list} \Rightarrow \text{fields}$

*init-fields*  $\equiv \text{map-of} \circ \text{map} (\lambda(FC, T). (FC, \text{default-val } T))$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \text{new-Addr } h = \lfloor a \rfloor \\ P \vdash C \text{ has-fields } FDTs \\ h' = h(a \mapsto (C, \text{init-fields } FDTs)) \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \text{new } C, (h, I) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{addr } a, (h', I) \rangle}$$



# Cast

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, (h, l) \rangle \\ h \ a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \\ P \vdash D \preceq^* C \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{Cast} \ C \ e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, (h, l) \rangle}$$
$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{null}, s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{Cast} \ C \ e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{null}, s_1 \rangle}$$

# Variable assignment

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle}{P \vdash \langle V := e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l(V \mapsto v)) \rangle}$$

## Field assignment

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$$\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, s_1 \rangle \\ P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{val} \ v, (h_2, l_2) \rangle \\ \quad h_2 \ a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \\ \quad fs' = fs((F, D) \mapsto v) \\ \quad h_2' = h_2(a \mapsto (C, fs')) \\ \hline P \vdash \langle e_1.F\{D\} := e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{val} \ v, (h_2', l_2) \rangle \end{array}$$

## Method call

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$$\begin{array}{c} P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, s_1 \rangle \\ P \vdash \langle ps, s_1 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \mathit{map} \ \mathit{val} \ vs, (h_2, l_2) \rangle \\ \quad h_2 \ a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \\ P \vdash C \ \mathit{sees} \ M: T_S \rightarrow T = (pns, \mathit{body}) \ \mathit{in} \ D \\ \quad |vs| = |pns| \\ l_2' = \mathit{empty}(\mathit{this} \mapsto \mathit{Addr} \ a, pns \ [\mapsto] \ vs) \\ P \vdash \langle \mathit{body}, (h_2, l_2') \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', (h_3, l_3) \rangle \\ \hline P \vdash \langle e.M(ps), s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', (h_3, l_2) \rangle \end{array}$$

$$P \vdash \langle \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s} \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{es}', \mathbf{s}' \rangle$$

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Evaluate  $es$  from left to right:

$$P \vdash \langle [], \mathbf{s} \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle [], \mathbf{s} \rangle$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{val } v, \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{es}', \mathbf{s}_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{val } v \cdot \mathbf{es}', \mathbf{s}_2 \rangle}$$

Why  $\mathbf{val } v$  and not just  $e'$ ?

Because of exceptions (later).

## Example

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```
class C extends Object
{ field F:Integer
  method m(i:Integer):Integer =
    this.F{C} + Var i
}
```

State:

$h = \text{empty}(a \mapsto (C, fs))$

$fs = \text{empty}((F, C) \mapsto \text{Intg } 2)$

$l = \text{empty}(V \mapsto \text{Addr } a)$

Evaluation:

$P \vdash \langle \text{Var } V.m([\text{Val } (\text{Intg } 1)]), (h, l) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } (\text{Intg } 3), (h, l) \rangle$

## *Fields versus methods*

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- Field lookup  $e.F\{D\}$  is *static*:  
annotation  $D$  is based on the static type of  $e$ .
- Method lookup  $e.M(es)$  is *dynamic*:  
it is based on the dynamic type of the object  $e$ .

## *Local variable*

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e}_0, (h_0, l_0(V := \mathbf{None})) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{e}_1, (h_1, l_1) \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \{V:T; \mathbf{e}_0\}, (h_0, l_0) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{e}_1, (h_1, l_1(V := l_0 V)) \rangle}$$



# Sequential composition

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_0, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_1, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_2, s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_0 ; e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_2, s_2 \rangle}$$

## Conditional

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{true}, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_1, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{if} (e) e_1 \mathit{else} e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s_2 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{false}, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{if} (e) e_1 \mathit{else} e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s_2 \rangle}$$

# While loop

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{false}, s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{while} (e) c, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{unit}, s_1 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{true}, s_1 \rangle \\ P \vdash \langle c, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{val } v_1, s_2 \rangle \\ P \vdash \langle \mathit{while} (e) c, s_2 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_3, s_3 \rangle \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{while} (e) c, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_3, s_3 \rangle}$$

## *Digression: simultaneous inductive definitions*

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$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  and  $P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle$  are defined simultaneously:

$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  uses  $P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle$  and  
 $P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle$  uses  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$ .

Consequence: *simultaneous rule induction*:

$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle \Longrightarrow R_1 P e s e' s'$   
 $P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle \Longrightarrow R_2 P es s es' s'$

must be proved simultaneously.

Slight complication: property  $R_2$  is auxiliary and needs to be determined. Usually  $R_2$  is  $R_1$  lifted to lists.

## Example: Final expressions

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$final\ e \equiv \exists v. e = Val\ v$

$finals\ es \equiv \exists vs. es = map\ Val\ vs$

**Lemma** If  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  then  $final\ e'$ .

If  $P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle$  then  $finals\ es'$ .

**Proof** by simultaneous rule induction.

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# ***Small Step Semantics***

## *Transition format*

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$$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$$

$$P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle$$

Reduction strategy:

Reduce subexpressions as long as necessary,  
then reduce whole expression.

## Two kinds of rules

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- Subexpression reduction (for construct  $c$ ):

$$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle \implies$$

$$P \vdash \langle c \dots e \dots, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle c \dots e' \dots, s \rangle$$

Example:

$$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle \implies$$

$$P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Cast } C e', s' \rangle$$

- Expression reduction

Example:  $P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C \text{ null}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{null}, s \rangle$



## *Notation: state components*

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*hp*  $\equiv$  *fst*

*lcl*  $\equiv$  *snd*

## *Val and Var*

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$$\frac{lc\ s\ V = [v]}{P \vdash \langle \text{var } V, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s \rangle}$$

## Field access

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.F\{D\}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'.F\{D\}, s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{hp\ s\ a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \quad fs\ (F, D) = \lfloor v \rfloor}{P \vdash \langle addr\ a.F\{D\}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle val\ v, s \rangle}$$

## Binary operations

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e \text{ «} bop \text{» } e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e' \text{ «} bop \text{» } e_2, s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{val } v_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } e', s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\text{binop } (bop, v_1, v_2) = [v]}{P \vdash \langle \text{val } v_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } \text{val } v_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s \rangle}$$

## *new*

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \textit{new-Addr } h = \lfloor a \rfloor \\ P \vdash C \textit{ has-fields FDTs} \\ h' = h(a \mapsto (C, \textit{init-fields FDTs})) \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \textit{new } C, (h, I) \rangle \rightarrow \langle \textit{addr } a, (h', I) \rangle}$$

# Cast

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C \ e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Cast } C \ e', s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{hp \ s \ a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \quad P \vdash D \preceq^* C}{P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C \ (\text{addr } a), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{addr } a, s \rangle}$$

$$P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C \ \text{null}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{null}, s \rangle$$

# Variable assignment

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle V := e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle V := e', s' \rangle}$$

$$P \vdash \langle V := \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l(V \mapsto v)) \rangle$$

## Field assignment

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.F\{D\} := e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'.F\{D\} := e_2, s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{val } v.F\{D\} := e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v.F\{D\} := e', s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} h a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \\ fs' = fs((F, D) \mapsto v) \quad h' = h(a \mapsto (C, fs')) \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \text{addr } a.F\{D\} := \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h', l) \rangle}$$



## Method call

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.M(es), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'.M(es), s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{Val } v.M(es), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v.M(es'), s' \rangle}$$

$\llbracket hp \ s \ a = \llbracket (C, fs) \rrbracket; P \vdash C \text{ sees } M: Ts \rightarrow T = (pns, body) \text{ in } D;$

$|vs| = |pns|; |Ts| = |pns|$

$\implies P \vdash \langle addr \ a.M(map \ \text{Val } \ vs), s \rangle \rightarrow$

$\langle blocks \ (this \cdot pns, \ \text{Class } D \cdot Ts, \ \text{Addr } a \cdot vs, \ body), s \rangle$

$blocks([V, \dots], [T, \dots], [v, \dots], e) = \{V:T; V := Val \ v; \dots \ e\}$

$$P \vdash \langle \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s} \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{es}', \mathbf{s}' \rangle$$

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Evaluate  $es$  from left to right:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbf{e}', \mathbf{s}' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s} \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{e}' \cdot \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s}' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s} \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{es}', \mathbf{s}' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{val } v \cdot \mathbf{es}, \mathbf{s} \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle \mathbf{val } v \cdot \mathbf{es}', \mathbf{s}' \rangle}$$

## Local variable

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Trick: store value of local variable as  $\{V:T; V := \text{val } v; e'\}$

*assigned*  $V e \equiv \exists v e'. e = V := \text{val } v; e'$

$\llbracket P \vdash \langle e, (h, I(V := \text{None})) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', I') \rangle; I' V = \text{None};$

$\neg \text{assigned } V e \rrbracket$

$\implies P \vdash \langle \{V:T; e\}, (h, I) \rangle \rightarrow \langle \{V:T; e'\}, (h', I'(V := I V)) \rangle$

$\llbracket P \vdash \langle e, (h, I(V := \text{None})) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', I') \rangle; I' V = [v];$

$\neg \text{assigned } V e \rrbracket$

$\implies P \vdash \langle \{V:T; e\}, (h, I) \rangle \rightarrow$

$\langle \{V:T; V := \text{val } v; e'\}, (h', I'(V := I V)) \rangle$

## Local variable (2)

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$$\begin{aligned} & \llbracket P \vdash \langle e, (h, l(V \mapsto v)) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle; l' V = [v'] \rrbracket \\ & \implies P \vdash \langle \{V:T; V := \text{Val } v; e\}, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \\ & \quad \langle \{V:T; V := \text{Val } v'; e'\}, (h', l'(V := l V)) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$P \vdash \langle \{V:T; V := \text{Val } v; \text{Val } u\}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Val } u, s \rangle$$

$$P \vdash \langle \{V:T; \text{Val } u\}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Val } u, s \rangle$$

# Sequential composition

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e; e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'; e_2, s' \rangle}$$

$$P \vdash \langle \text{val } v; e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e_2, s \rangle$$

## Conditional

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{if } (e) \ e_1 \ \text{else } e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{if } (e') \ e_1 \ \text{else } e_2, s' \rangle}$$

$$P \vdash \langle \text{if } (\text{true}) \ e_1 \ \text{else } e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e_1, s \rangle$$

$$P \vdash \langle \text{if } (\text{false}) \ e_1 \ \text{else } e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e_2, s \rangle$$

## *While loop*

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$P \vdash \langle \text{while } (b) \ c, s \rangle \rightarrow$   
 $\langle \text{if } (b) \ (c; \text{while } (b) \ c) \ \text{else } \text{unit}, s \rangle$

## Example

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$$P \vdash \langle \{ V: \text{Boolean}; U := \text{true}; V := \text{Var } U; \text{Var } V \}, \\ (h, \text{empty}) \rangle \rightarrow^* \\ \langle \text{true}, (h, \text{empty}(U \mapsto \text{Bool True})) \rangle$$



## Example

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```
class C extends Object
{ field F:Integer
  method m(i:Integer):Integer =
    this.F{C} + Var i
}
```

State:

$h = \text{empty}(a \mapsto (C, fs))$

$fs = \text{empty}((F, C) \mapsto \text{Intg } 2)$

$l = \text{empty}(V \mapsto \text{Addr } a)$

Reduction:

$P \vdash \langle \text{Var } V.m([\text{Val } (\text{Intg } 1)]), (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow^* \langle \text{Val } (\text{Intg } 3), (h, l) \rangle$

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# ***Exceptions***

# Syntax

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- `throw e`

Jinja: `e` can be of any class

Java: `e` must be of a subclass of `Throwable`

- `try e1 catch (C V) e2`

Example:

```
try throw (new C) catch (C V) var V
behaves like new C
```

# System exceptions

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System exception classes:

*NullPointerException, ClassCast, OutOfMemory* :: *cname*

Simplification: System exceptions are allocated *statically*  
not created *dynamically*:

*addr-of-sys-xcpt* :: *cname*  $\Rightarrow$  *addr*

Abbreviations:

Throw *a*  $\equiv$  throw(*addr a*)

THROW *C*  $\equiv$  Throw(*addr-of-sys-xcpt C*)

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## ***Extension of big step semantics***

## Variable access

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$$\frac{I \ V = [v]}{P \vdash \langle \text{var } V, (h, l) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle}$$

Uninitialized variables cannot be evaluated

## Field access

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{addr } a, (h, l) \rangle \quad h a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \quad fs (F, D) = \lfloor v \rfloor}{P \vdash \langle e.F\{D\}, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle}$$

Exception creation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{null}, s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.F\{D\}, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \text{NullPointerException}, s_1 \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.F\{D\}, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}$$

## Binary operations

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v_1, s_1 \rangle \\ P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v_2, s_2 \rangle \\ \text{binop } (bop, v_1, v_2) = [v] \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle e_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v, s_2 \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s_1 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v_1, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_1 \text{ «} bop \text{» } e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s_2 \rangle}$$



new

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \textit{new-Addr } h = [a] \\ P \vdash C \textit{ has-fields } FDTs \\ h' = h(a \mapsto (C, \textit{init-fields } FDTs)) \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \textit{new } C, (h, l) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \textit{addr } a, (h', l) \rangle}$$

Exception creation:

$$\frac{\textit{new-Addr } h = \textit{None}}{P \vdash \langle \textit{new } C, (h, l) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \textit{THROW } \textit{OutOfMemory}, (h, l) \rangle}$$

## Cast

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, (h, l) \rangle \\ h \ a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \quad P \vdash D \preceq^* C \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{Cast} \ C \ e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, (h, l) \rangle}$$

Exception creation:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ a, (h, l) \rangle \\ h \ a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \quad \neg P \vdash D \preceq^* C \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{Cast} \ C \ e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{THROW} \ \mathit{ClassCast}, (h, l) \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{throw} \ e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{Cast} \ C \ e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{throw} \ e', s_1 \rangle}$$

## Variable assignment

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l) \rangle \quad l' = l(V \mapsto v)}{P \vdash \langle V := e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h, l') \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle V := e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}$$

## Field assignment (1)

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{addr } a, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h_2, l_2) \rangle \quad h_2 \ a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor \quad fs' = fs((F, D) \mapsto v) \quad h_2' = h_2(a \mapsto (C, fs'))}{P \vdash \langle e_1.F\{D\} := e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, (h_2', l_2) \rangle}$$

Exception creation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{null}, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_1.F\{D\} := e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \text{NullPointerException}, s_2 \rangle}$$

Principles:

Evaluate all arguments before throwing an exception.

Propagate exceptions immediately.

## Field assignment (2)

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Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_1.F\{D\} := e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_2, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_1.F\{D\} := e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_2 \rangle}$$

## Method call

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Exception creation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{null}, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle ps, s_1 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \text{map val } vs, s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.M(ps), s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \text{NullPointerException}, s_2 \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.M(ps), s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}$$
$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle es, s_1 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \text{map val } vs @ \text{throw } ex.es', s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.M(es), s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } ex, s_2 \rangle}$$

## Expression list

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle es, s_1 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e \cdot es, s_0 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \text{val } v \cdot es', s_2 \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e \cdot es, s_0 \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle \text{throw } e' \cdot es, s_1 \rangle}$$

## Sequential composition

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_0, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle e_1, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_2, s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_0 ; e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_2, s_2 \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_0, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e_0 ; e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s_1 \rangle}$$



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Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}$$

# while

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Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{while } (e) \ c, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_1 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{true}, s_1 \rangle \quad P \vdash \langle c, s_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_2 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{while } (e) \ c, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s_2 \rangle}$$

## throw

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{addr} \ \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{throw} \ \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{Throw} \ \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle}$$

Exception creation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{null}, \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{throw} \ \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{THROW} \ \mathit{NullPointerException}, \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{throw} \ \mathbf{e}', \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \mathit{throw} \ \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s}_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathit{throw} \ \mathbf{e}', \mathbf{s}_1 \rangle}$$

# try catch (1)

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Normal evaluation:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v_1, s_1 \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{val } v_1, s_1 \rangle}$$

## try catch (2)

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Exception handling:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Throw } a, (h_1, l_1) \rangle \\ h_1 a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \quad P \vdash D \preceq^* C \\ P \vdash \langle e_2, (h_1, l_1(V \mapsto \text{Addr } a)) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_2', (h_2, l_2) \rangle \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e_2', (h_2, l_2(V := l_1 V)) \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P \vdash \langle e_1, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Throw } a, (h_1, l_1) \rangle \\ h_1 a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \quad \neg P \vdash D \preceq^* C \end{array}}{P \vdash \langle \text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2, s_0 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{Throw } a, (h_1, l_1) \rangle}$$

## *Final expressions redefined (exercise)*

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*final*  $e \equiv (\exists v. e = \text{Val } v) \vee (\exists a. e = \text{Throw } a)$

*finals*  $es \equiv ?$

**Lemma** If  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  then *final*  $e'$ .

If  $P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\Rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle$  then *finals*  $es'$ .

**Proof** by simultaneous rule induction.

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## ***Extension of small step semantics***

## Variable access

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$$\frac{lcl\ s\ V = [v]}{P \vdash \langle \text{var } V, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{val } v, s \rangle}$$

$$lcl\ s\ V = \text{None} \implies P \vdash \langle \text{Var } V, s \rangle \rightarrow ?$$

Uninitialized variables cannot be reduced

Ill-formed configuration — small step semantics is *stuck*



## *Field access*

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Exception creation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{null}.F\{D\}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \text{NullPointerException}, s \rangle$$

Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{throw } e.F\{D\}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

new

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Exception creation:

$$\frac{\textit{new-Addr } h = \textit{None}}{P \vdash \langle \textit{new } C, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle \textit{THROW } \textit{OutOfMemory}, (h, l) \rangle}$$

## Cast

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Exception creation:

$$\frac{hp\ s\ a = \lfloor (D, fs) \rfloor \quad \neg P \vdash D \preceq^* C}{P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C\ (addr\ a), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \mathit{ClassCast}, s \rangle}$$

Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C\ (\text{throw } e), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

# *Variable assignment*

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Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle V := \text{throw } e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

## *Field assignment*

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Exception creation:

$$P \vdash \langle \mathit{null}.F\{D\} := \mathit{val } v, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \mathit{NullPointerException}, s \rangle$$

Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{throw } e.F\{D\} := e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

$$P \vdash \langle \mathit{val } v.F\{D\} := \text{throw } e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

## *Method call*

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Exception creation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{null}.M(\text{map Val } vs), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \text{NullPointerException}, s \rangle$$

Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{throw } e.M(es), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$
$$P \vdash \langle \text{Val } v.M(\text{map Val } vs @ \text{throw } e \cdot es'), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

# Expression list

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e.es, s \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle e'.es, s' \rangle}$$

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle es, s \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle es', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{val } v.es, s \rangle [\rightarrow] \langle \text{val } v.es', s' \rangle}$$

# Sequential composition

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e; e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'; e_2, s' \rangle}$$

$$P \vdash \langle \text{val } v; e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e_2, s \rangle$$

Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{throw } e; e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$



if

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Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{if } (\text{throw } \mathbf{e}) \mathbf{e}_1 \text{ else } \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{s} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{s} \rangle$$

# while

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$$P \vdash \langle \text{while } (b) \ c, s \rangle \rightarrow$$
$$\langle \text{if } (b) \ (c; \text{while } (b) \ c) \ \text{else } \text{unit}, s \rangle$$

# throw

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e', s' \rangle}$$

Exception creation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{throw } \mathit{null}, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{THROW } \mathit{NullPointerException}, s \rangle$$

Exception propagation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{throw } (\text{throw } e), s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{throw } e, s \rangle$$

## try catch (1)

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$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle}{P \vdash \langle \text{try } e \text{ catch } (C V) e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{try } e' \text{ catch } (C V) e_2, s' \rangle}$$

Normal evaluation:

$$P \vdash \langle \text{try Val } v \text{ catch } (C V) e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Val } v, s \rangle$$

## try catch (2)

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Exception handling:

$$\llbracket hp \ s \ a = \llbracket (D, fs) \rrbracket; P \vdash D \preceq^* C \rrbracket$$
$$\implies P \vdash \langle \text{try Throw } a \text{ catch } (C \ V) \ e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \{ V:Class \ C; V := \text{addr } a; e_2 \}, s \rangle$$
$$\llbracket hp \ s \ a = \llbracket (D, fs) \rrbracket; \neg P \vdash D \preceq^* C \rrbracket$$
$$\implies P \vdash \langle \text{try Throw } a \text{ catch } (C \ V) \ e_2, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Throw } a, s \rangle$$

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## ***Equivalence of big and small steps***

## Method bodies and local variables

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Local variables for execution of method body in method call:

- Big step semantics:  
only *this* and the parameters
- Small step semantics:  
also access to all enclosing local variables

$$\{V:T; \text{addr } a.M([Val\ v])\} \rightarrow \{V:T; \{P:T'; P := Val\ v; e\}\}$$

if  $M$  has method body  $([P], e)$

$\implies$  **dynamic binding** — more bug than feature

Method bodies should only access *this* and the parameters

## Free variables (= global variables)

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$fv :: \text{expr} \Rightarrow \text{vname set}$

$$fv (\text{Cast } C e) = fv e$$

$$fv (\text{Val } v) = \emptyset$$

$$fv (e_1 \ll bop \gg e_2) = fv e_1 \cup fv e_2$$

$$fv (\text{Var } V) = \{V\}$$

$$fv (V := e) = \{V\} \cup fv e$$

$$fv (e.F\{D\}) = fv e$$

$$fv \{V:T; e\} = fv e - \{V\}$$

$$fv (\text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2) = fv e_1 \cup (fv e_2 - \{V\})$$

⋮



## Weak well-formedness

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**Definition** A program is *weakly well-formed* (*wwf-J-prog P*) iff every method body  $(Vs, e)$  uses only its own local variables, *this* and the parameters  $Vs$ :

$$fv\ e \subseteq \{this\} \cup set\ Vs$$

# Equivalence

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**Theorem** If *wwf-J-prog*  $P$  then

$P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  iff  $(P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow^* \langle e', s' \rangle \wedge \text{final } e')$

Proof of  $\Rightarrow$  and  $\Leftarrow$  separately.

# *Big* $\implies$ *small*

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**Theorem** If *wwf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  then  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow^* \langle e', s' \rangle$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\Rightarrow$ . Only blocks, try-catch and (especially!) method call are non-trivial.

## *small* $\implies$ *Big*

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**Theorem** If *wwf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow^* \langle e', s' \rangle$  and *final*  $e'$  then  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$ .

**Proof** by induction on  $\rightarrow^*$ .

- Basis: final expressions evaluate to themselves
- Step: by Lemma

**Lemma** If *wwf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'', s'' \rangle$  and  $P \vdash \langle e'', s'' \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  then  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\rightarrow$ .

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# *Type system*

# Overview

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- Jinja types
- Auxiliary notions
- The typing rules: what is the type of an expression?

# *Jinja Types*

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A Jinja type (type *ty*) is one of the following:

- *Boolean*
- *Integer*
- *Class C*
- *NT* (“Null Type”)
- *Void*

## *The formal model*

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**datatype** *ty* = *Boolean*  
                  | *Integer*  
                  | *Class cname*  
                  | *NT*  
                  | *Void*



## *Reference types*

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A reference type is either *NT* or *Class C*:

$$\text{is-ref } T \equiv T = \text{NT} \vee (\exists C. T = \text{Class } C)$$

## *Valid types*

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Types should only refer to existing classes:

*is-type P (Class C) = is-class P C*

*is-type P T = True*

## The type of a value

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*typeof* :: *heap*  $\Rightarrow$  *val*  $\Rightarrow$  *ty option*

*typeof*<sub>*h*</sub> *Unit* = [ *Void* ]

*typeof*<sub>*h*</sub> *Null* = [ *NT* ]

*typeof*<sub>*h*</sub> (*Bool b*) = [ *Boolean* ]

*typeof*<sub>*h*</sub> (*Intg i*) = [ *Integer* ]

*typeof*<sub>*h*</sub> (*Addr a*) =

( *case h a of None*  $\Rightarrow$  *None* | [ (*C, fs*) ]  $\Rightarrow$  [ *Class C* ] )

*typeof*<sub>*empty*</sub> *v*  $\equiv$  *typeof*<sub>*empty*</sub> *v*

## *From subclass to subtype*

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The subclass relation  $P \vdash C \preceq^* C'$  induces a  
subtype relation  $P \vdash T \leq T'$

(Java: “ $T$  widens to  $T'$ ”)

$$\frac{P \vdash C \preceq^* D}{P \vdash \text{Class } C \leq \text{Class } D}$$
$$P \vdash NT \leq \text{Class } C$$
$$P \vdash T \leq T$$

The pointwise extension of  $\leq$  to lists of types:  $[\leq]$

# *Environments*

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An *environment* is a map from variable names to types:

$$E :: \textit{vname} \rightarrow \textit{ty}$$

Environments record the type of each local variable

# *Expression has type*

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$$P, E \vdash e :: T$$

Expression  $e$  has type  $T$   
(in the context of program  $P$  and environment  $E$ )

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# ***Typing rules***

# *Val*

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$$\frac{\text{typeof}_{\text{empty}} v = [T]}{P, E \vdash \text{val } v :: T}$$

No *Addresses!*



# *Var*

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$$\frac{E V = [T]}{P, E \vdash \text{var } V :: T}$$

## *Field access*

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$$\frac{P, E \vdash e :: \text{Class } C \quad P \vdash C \text{ sees } F:T \text{ in } D}{P, E \vdash e.F\{D\} :: T}$$

$D$  must be the class declaring  $F$

Can be viewed as test or computation of  $D$

## *Binary operations*

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P, E \vdash e_1 :: T_1 \\ P, E \vdash e_2 :: T_2 \\ P \vdash T_1 \leq T_2 \vee P \vdash T_2 \leq T_1 \end{array}}{P, E \vdash e_1 \ll = \gg e_2 :: \textit{Boolean}}$$

$$\frac{P, E \vdash e_1 :: \textit{Integer} \quad P, E \vdash e_2 :: \textit{Integer}}{P, E \vdash e_1 \ll + \gg e_2 :: \textit{Integer}}$$

*new*

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$$\frac{\textit{is-class } P \ C}{P, E \vdash \textit{new } C :: \textit{Class } C}$$

# Cast

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P, E \vdash e :: \text{Class } D \\ \text{is-class } P \ C \\ P \vdash C \preceq^* D \vee P \vdash D \preceq^* C \end{array}}{P, E \vdash \text{Cast } C \ e :: \text{Class } C}$$

## Variable assignment

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$$\frac{E \ V = [T] \quad P, E \vdash e :: T' \quad P \vdash T' \leq T \quad V \neq \text{this}}{P, E \vdash V := e :: T'}$$

In Java:  $P, E \vdash V := e :: ?$

## *Field assignment*

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P, E \vdash e_1 :: \text{Class } C \\ P \vdash C \text{ sees } F:T \text{ in } D \\ P, E \vdash e_2 :: T' \\ P \vdash T' \leq T \end{array}}{P, E \vdash e_1.F\{D\} := e_2 :: T'}$$

## *Method call*

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P, E \vdash e :: \text{Class } C \\ P \vdash C \text{ sees } M: Ts \rightarrow T = (pns, \text{body}) \text{ in } D \\ P, E \vdash es [::] Ts' \\ P \vdash Ts' [\leq] Ts \end{array}}{P, E \vdash e.M(es) :: T}$$



# Expression lists

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$P, E \vdash es [::] Ts$

$P, E \vdash [] [::] []$

$$\frac{P, E \vdash e :: T \quad P, E \vdash es [::] Ts}{P, E \vdash e.es [::] T.Ts}$$

## *Local variable*

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$$\frac{\textit{is-type } P \ T \quad P, E(V \mapsto T) \vdash e :: T'}{P, E \vdash \{V:T; e\} :: T'}$$

## *Sequential composition*

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$$\frac{P, E \vdash e_1 :: T_1 \quad P, E \vdash e_2 :: T_2}{P, E \vdash e_1 ; e_2 :: T_2}$$

## Conditional

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$$\begin{array}{c} P, E \vdash e :: \text{Boolean} \\ P, E \vdash e_1 :: T_1 \quad P, E \vdash e_2 :: T_2 \\ P \vdash T_1 \leq T_2 \vee P \vdash T_2 \leq T_1 \\ P \vdash T_1 \leq T_2 \longrightarrow T = T_2 \\ P \vdash T_2 \leq T_1 \longrightarrow T = T_1 \\ \hline P, E \vdash \text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2 :: T \end{array}$$

## *While loop*

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$$\frac{P, E \vdash e :: \textit{Boolean} \quad P, E \vdash c :: T}{P, E \vdash \textit{while} (e) c :: \textit{Void}}$$

# *throw*

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$$\frac{P, E \vdash e :: \textit{Class } C}{P, E \vdash \textit{throw } e :: \textit{Void}}$$

Alternative (e.g. in ML):

$$\frac{P, E \vdash e :: \textit{Class } C}{P, E \vdash \textit{throw } e :: T}$$

Advantage:

Exceptions may be used *anywhere*

Complication:

Expressions may have multiple (unrelated) types

## *try-catch*

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P, E \vdash e_1 :: T \\ P, E (V \mapsto \text{Class } C) \vdash e_2 :: T \\ \text{is-class } P C \end{array}}{P, E \vdash \text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2 :: T}$$

Generalize?

## *Remarks (1)*

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The type of an expression depends only on the type of its subexpressions.

⇒ The rules form a terminating (Prolog) program for computing the type of an expression.



## Remarks (2)

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The rules are *syntax directed*:  
exactly one rule per construct

⇒ Each rule can be turned into an equivalence:

$$(P, E \vdash \text{val } v :: T) = (\text{typeof}_{\text{empty}} v = \lfloor T \rfloor)$$

$$(P, E \vdash V := e :: T) =$$

$$(V \neq \text{this} \wedge (\exists T'. E V = \lfloor T' \rfloor \wedge P, E \vdash e :: T \wedge P \vdash T \leq T'))$$

⋮

# Terminology

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We say  $e$  is *well-typed* or *type correct* (in the context of  $P$  and  $E$ ) iff there is a  $T$  such that  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  follows from the typing rules.

# *Uniqueness*

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**Thm** Every well-typed expression has a unique type:

If  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  and  $P, E \vdash e :: T'$  then  $T = T'$ .

Equivalent: Every expression has at most one type.

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## ***Annotating expressions with {D}***

## *Adding* $\{D\}$

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$$P, E \vdash e \rightsquigarrow e'$$

where

- $e$  is an expression *without*  $\{D\}$  annotations, the input
- $e'$  is an expression *with*  $\{D\}$  annotations, the output

## *Some typical rules for $P, E \vdash e \rightsquigarrow e'$*

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$$P, E \vdash \text{val } v \rightsquigarrow \text{val } v$$

$$\frac{P, E(V \mapsto T) \vdash e \rightsquigarrow e'}{P, E \vdash \{V:T; e\} \rightsquigarrow \{V:T; e'\}}$$

$$\frac{P, E \vdash e1 \rightsquigarrow e1' \quad P, E \vdash e2 \rightsquigarrow e2'}{P, E \vdash e1; e2 \rightsquigarrow e1'; e2'}$$

## Adding the annotation

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$$\frac{P, E \vdash e \rightsquigarrow e' \quad P, E \vdash e' :: \text{Class } C \quad P \vdash C \text{ sees } F:T \text{ in } D}{P, E \vdash e.F \rightsquigarrow e'.F\{D\}}$$

$$\frac{P, E \vdash e_1 \rightsquigarrow e_1' \quad P, E \vdash e_2 \rightsquigarrow e_2' \quad P, E \vdash e_1' :: \text{Class } C \quad P \vdash C \text{ sees } F:T \text{ in } D}{P, E \vdash e_1.F := e_2 \rightsquigarrow e_1'.F\{D\} := e_2'}$$

## *Is it a local variable or a field?*

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$$\frac{E V = \text{None} \quad E \text{ this} = [\text{Class } C] \quad P \vdash C \text{ sees } V:T \text{ in } D}{P, E \vdash \text{var } V \rightsquigarrow \text{var } \text{this}.V\{D\}}$$

$$\frac{E V = [T]}{P, E \vdash \text{var } V \rightsquigarrow \text{var } V}$$



# Summary

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$$P, E \vdash e \rightsquigarrow e'$$

- Adds annotations to field access and update
- Turns variables into fields if necessary
- Can be viewed as a preprocessor
- Is normally part of the type checker in a compiler

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# ***Well-formedness***

# *Aim*

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Formalization of all context conditions (*static semantics*)  
“Types and more”

When do we have enough?

If nothing bad can happen during the execution of  
well-formed programs

How is “nothing bad can happen” formalized?

Execution does not get stuck (*type safety*, later)

# Overview

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- Definite assignment
- Method overriding
- Well-formedness

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# ***Definite assignment***

## *Definite assignment*

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**Variables must be assigned to before use**

Fields are automatically initialized with their default value  
upon object creation

## *In theory*

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**Thm** It is in general undecidable if a variable/field has been initialized before use.

**Proof**  $e; \{V:T; \text{var } V\}$

1.  $V$  is not initialized before use iff  $e$  terminates (normally).
2. Therefore a program analyzer would need to decide whether  $e$  terminates.
3. But it is in general undecidable if a given Turing machine/program/expression  $e$  terminates.

## *In practice: variables*

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**Fact** It is easy to check if a variable has been initialized before use: if in doubt, be conservative.

Examples:

- `if (b) V := Val v else Val v; Var V`  
is rejected because *b* could be false.  
What if *b* is never false? Then `if` is pointless!
- `throw e; {V:T; Var V}`  
is rejected.

Rejection is not a problem:

Insert dummy initialization `V := Val v`  
right after declaration of *V*.



## *In practice: fields*

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**Fact** It is hard to check if a field of an object has been initialized before use.

Example: Let  $p$  be a formal parameter of class type.  
Inside the method body

- variable  $p$  is initialized,
- but is field  $F$  of  $p$  initialized??

Java and Jinja initialize all fields of an object  
with their default value.

# A

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$\mathcal{A} :: \text{expr} \Rightarrow \text{vname set}$

$\mathcal{A} e =$  the set of all (global) variables  
that are definitely assigned to  
if  $e$  terminates normally

$$\mathcal{A} (\text{new } C) = \emptyset$$

$$\mathcal{A} (\text{Cast } C e) = \mathcal{A} e$$

$$\mathcal{A} (\text{Val } v) = \emptyset$$

$$\mathcal{A} (e_1 \ll bop \gg e_2) = \mathcal{A} e_1 \cup \mathcal{A} e_2$$

$$\mathcal{A} (\text{Var } V) = \emptyset$$

$$\mathcal{A} (V := e) = \{V\} \cup \mathcal{A} e$$

$$\mathcal{A} (e.F\{D\}) = \mathcal{A} e$$

$$\mathcal{A} (e_1.F\{D\} := e_2) = \mathcal{A} e_1 \cup \mathcal{A} e_2$$

$$\mathcal{A} (e.M(es)) = \mathcal{A} e \cup \left( \bigcup_{e \in \text{set } es} \mathcal{A} e \right)$$

# A

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A} \{V:T; e\} &= \mathcal{A} e - \{V\} \\ \mathcal{A} (e_1 ; e_2) &= \mathcal{A} e_1 \cup \mathcal{A} e_2 \\ \mathcal{A} (\text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2) &= \mathcal{A} e \cup (\mathcal{A} e_1 \cap \mathcal{A} e_2) \\ \mathcal{A} (\text{while } (b) e) &= \mathcal{A} b \\ \mathcal{A} (\text{throw } e) &= \{V \mid \text{True}\} \\ \mathcal{A} (\text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2) &= \mathcal{A} e_1 \cap (\mathcal{A} e_2 - \{V\})\end{aligned}$$

Motivation for *throw*:

$$\mathcal{A} (\text{if } (e) V := \text{val } v \text{ else throw } e_2) = \mathcal{A} e \cup \{V\}$$

# $\mathcal{D}$

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$\mathcal{D} :: \text{expr} \Rightarrow \text{vname set} \Rightarrow \text{bool}$

$\mathcal{D} e A =$

if initially all variables in  $A$  are initialized

then execution of  $e$  does not access an uninitialized variable

$$\mathcal{D} (\text{new } C) A = \text{True}$$

$$\mathcal{D} (\text{Cast } C e) A = \mathcal{D} e A$$

$$\mathcal{D} (\text{Val } v) A = \text{True}$$

$$\mathcal{D} (e_1 \ll bop \gg e_2) A = (\mathcal{D} e_1 A \wedge \mathcal{D} e_2 (A \cup \mathcal{A} e_1))$$

$$\mathcal{D} (\text{Var } V) A = (V \in A)$$

$$\mathcal{D} (V := e) A = \mathcal{D} e A$$

$$\mathcal{D} (e.F\{D\}) A = \mathcal{D} e A$$

$$\mathcal{D} (e_1.F\{D\} := e_2) A = (\mathcal{D} e_1 A \wedge \mathcal{D} e_2 (A \cup \mathcal{A} e_1))$$

# $\mathcal{D}$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D} \{V:T; e\} A &= \mathcal{D} e (A - \{V\}) \\ \mathcal{D} (e_1; e_2) A &= (\mathcal{D} e_1 A \wedge \mathcal{D} e_2 (A \cup \mathcal{A} e_1)) \\ \mathcal{D} (\text{if } (e) e_1 \text{ else } e_2) A &= \\ &(\mathcal{D} e A \wedge \mathcal{D} e_1 (A \cup \mathcal{A} e) \wedge \mathcal{D} e_2 (A \cup \mathcal{A} e)) \\ \mathcal{D} (\text{while } (b) e) A &= (\mathcal{D} b A \wedge \mathcal{D} e (A \cup \mathcal{A} b)) \\ \mathcal{D} (\text{throw } e) A &= \mathcal{D} e A \\ \mathcal{D} (\text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2) A &= (\mathcal{D} e_1 A \wedge \mathcal{D} e_2 (A \cup \{V\}))\end{aligned}$$

## *Well-formedness (sneak preview)*

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Each method body  $(Vs, e)$  must fulfill the condition

$$\mathcal{D} e (\{this\} \cup set Vs)$$

# Correctness

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**Thm** If  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  then  $\mathcal{A} e \subseteq \text{dom } l'$

**Proof** by rule induction over  $\Rightarrow$

Correctness of  $\mathcal{D}$ : part of type safety proof (later)

## A small imprecision

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Let  $e = \text{if } (\text{Var } B) \{V:T; \text{throw } \_ \} \text{ else } V := \text{true}$

$\mathcal{A} \{V:T; \text{throw } \_ \} = \mathcal{A} (\text{throw } \_) - \{V\}$

$\mathcal{A} e = \mathcal{A}(\text{Var } B) \cup (\mathcal{A} \{V:T; \text{throw } \_ \} \cap \mathcal{A}(V := \text{true}))$   
 $= \{\}$

$\mathcal{D} (e; \text{Var } V) \{B\} =$   
 $(\mathcal{D} e \{B\} \wedge \mathcal{D}(\text{Var } V) (\{B\} \cup \{\})) =$   
 $(\mathcal{D} e \{B\} \wedge V \in \{B\}) = \text{False}$

$\mathcal{A} e = \{\}$  is too pessimistic but not incorrect



## The problem

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$\mathcal{A} \{V:T; \text{throw } \_ \}$   
should be  $\{V \mid \text{True}\}$  and not  $\{V \mid \text{True}\} - \{V\}$ .

Possible solutions:

- Redefine  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$ .
- Do not allow nested declaration of the same  $V$ . Java!  
Then it does not matter if  $V \in \mathcal{A} \{V:T; \_ \}$  or not.

We leave things as they are and put up with the small imprecision.

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# ***Method overriding***

## The situation

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```
class C extends B
{...
  method M(p:T):R = ...
  ...
}
```

```
class D extends C
{...
  method M(p:T'):R' = ...
  ...
}
```

M in D *overrides* (overwrites, redefines) M in C

## *The question*

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How should  $T$  and  $T'$  be related?  
How should  $R$  and  $R'$  be related?

Guiding principle: Type Safety

If  $e$  is statically (at compile time) of class  $C$   
then the evaluation of  $e$  should yield a subclass of  $C$

Then  $e.M(\dots)$  can never fail at runtime as in SmallTalk:

Method not understood

## Covariance in the result type

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$$R' \leq R$$

New result type must be *subtype* of old result type

Otherwise:

```
class R' { }  
class R extends R' { method M2() = ... }  
  
{V:C; V := new D; V.M(...).M2() }
```

is type correct **but semantics gets stuck.**

## Contravariance in the argument type

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$$T \leq T'$$

New argument type must be *supertype* of old argument type

Why?

1. Assume  $e.M(e')$  is statically well-typed.
2. Assume  $e$  has static type  $C$ .
3. Then the static type of  $e'$  is  $\leq T$ .
4. Now assume the dynamic type of  $e$  is  $D$ .
5. Thus the dynamic type of  $e'$  must be  $\leq T'$ .
6. But we can only guarantee  $e'$  has type  $T$ .
7.  $\implies T \leq T'$

## Example

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```
class C extends B  
{ method M(p:T):R = ... }
```

```
class D extends C  
{ method M(p:T'):R = p.M2() }
```

```
class T { }
```

```
class T' extends T { method M2():R = ... }
```

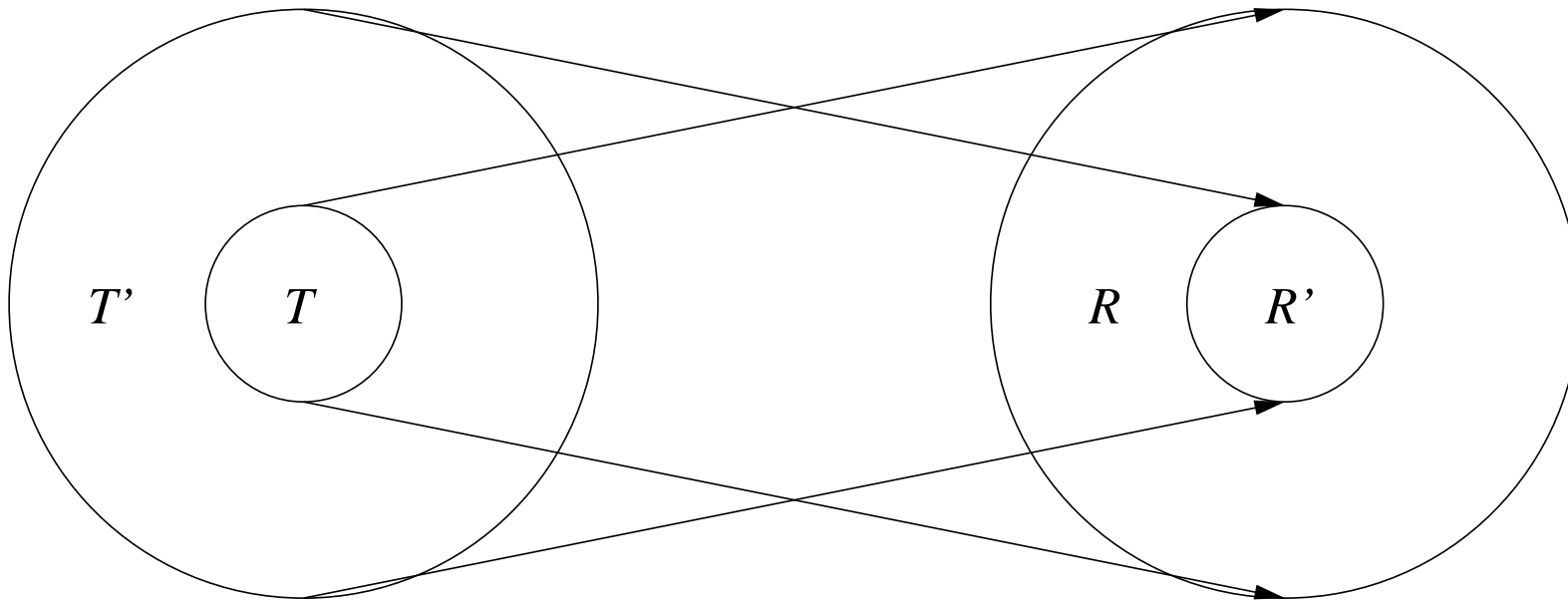
Problem?

```
{V:C; V := new D; V.M(new T)}
```

is type correct **but semantics gets stuck.**

# *The set theoretic perspective*

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For total functions:

$$\frac{T \subseteq T' \quad R' \subseteq R}{T' \rightarrow R' \subseteq T \rightarrow R}$$



# Terminology

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$\_ \rightarrow \_$  is *contravariant* in the first argument

$\_ \rightarrow \_$  is *covariant* in the second argument

Alternatively: *antimonotone*, *monotone*

# *Method overriding in Jinja, Java and Eiffel*

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**Jinja** Contravariant in parameters, covariant in result

**Classic Java** Invariant:

If  $T=T'$  then  $R=R'$   
else overloading, not overriding.

Overloading: multiple methods with the same name but different parameter types are visible at the same time.

Use static type of actual parameters in method selection (tricky).

**Java 1.5** Invariant in parameters, covariant in result

**Eiffel** Covariant in parameters and result (not type safe)

## *An example*

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```
class Point
{field x: Integer
  method eq(p:Point):Boolean = (this.x = p.x)
}
```

```
class ColPoint extends Point
{field col: Integer
  method eq(cp:ColPoint):Boolean =
    (if (this.x = cp.x) (this.col = cp.col)
     else false)
}
```

## Java versus Eiffel

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```
{p1:ColPoint; p1 := new ColPoint;  
  p1.x := 5; p1.col := 0;  
  {p2:Point; p2 := new ColPoint;  
    p2.x := 5; p2.col := 1;  
    p1.eq(p2)}}}
```

evaluates to

- in Java: true
- in Eiffel: false
- in Jinja: **eq in ColPoint not wellformed!**

How can we program ColPoint in Jinja?

## ColPoint *in Jinja*

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```
class ColPoint extends Point
{field col: Integer
  method eqCP(cp:ColPoint):Boolean =
    (if (this.x = cp.x) (this.col = cp.col)
     else false)
}
```

Similar to Java: make argument type part of method name.  
In Java this happens implicitly via overloading.

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# ***Well-formedness***

# Well-formed program $P$

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*wf-J-prog P*

- The system classes are declared:  
 $\{Object, NullPointerException, ClassCast, OutOfMemory\}$   
 $\subseteq set(map\ fst\ P)$
- No class is declared twice:  
*distinct (map fst P)*
- Every class declaration  $(C, D, fs, ms) \in set\ P$  is well-formed.

## *Well-formed class declaration* $(C, D, fs, ms)$

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- All field declarations in  $fs$  are well-formed
- No field in  $fs$  is declared twice
- All method declarations in  $ms$  are well-formed
- No method in  $ms$  is declared twice
- If  $C \neq Object$  then
  - $D$  is a class in  $P$
  - $D$  is not a subclass of  $C$ :  $\neg P \vdash D \preceq^* C$
  - *Overriding*: if  $(M, Ts, T, mb) \in set\ ms$  and  $P \vdash D$  sees  $M: Ts' \rightarrow T' = mb'$  in  $D'$  then  $P \vdash T \leq T'$  and  $P \vdash Ts' [\leq] Ts$   
Method overriding is *covariant* in the result type and *contravariant* in the argument types



## *Well-formed method declaration* ( $M, Ts, T, Vs, e$ )

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- All parameter types are valid:  $\forall T \in \text{set } Ts. \text{is-type } P T$
- The result type is valid:  $\text{is-type } P T$
- There are as many parameter types as names:  
 $|Ts| = |Vs|$
- All parameter names are distinct:  $\text{distinct } Vs$
- *this* is not a parameter name:  $\text{this} \notin \text{set } Vs$
- The method body is well-typed:  
 $\exists T'. P, \text{empty}(\text{this} \mapsto \text{Class } C, Vs \mapsto Ts) \vdash e :: T' \wedge P \vdash T' \leq T$
- All local variables are assigned to before use:  
 $\mathcal{D} e (\{\text{this}\} \cup \text{set } Vs)$

## *Well-formed field declaration (F, T)*

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The type is valid: *is-type P T*

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# ***Type Safety***

## *What is type safety?*

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The type system guarantees safety of the execution.

means

Execution of well-typed terms does not get stuck.

means

If  $e$  is well-typed and not final then  $e$  can be reduced.

**Well-typed expressions do not go wrong.**

(Robin Milner, *A Theory of Type Polymorphism in Programming*, 1978)

# Big step versus small step semantics

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When is  $\langle e, s \rangle$  stuck?

- Small step semantics:  $\nexists e' s'. P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$
- Big step semantics:  $\nexists e' s'. P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \Rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$  **No!**

**Big step semantics cannot distinguish  
between being stuck and nontermination!**

Example:

- $\langle \textit{while} (\textit{true}) \textit{unit}, s \rangle$  does not terminate
- $\langle V := \textit{Var } V, (h, \textit{empty}) \rangle$  is stuck

## *The advantages of type safety*

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- For the programmer:  
    No uncontrollable runtime errors as in C.
- For the language implementor:  
    Many explicit runtime checks unnecessary.

Example: Well-typedness of  $\langle \text{addr } a.F\{D\}, (h, l) \rangle$  will guarantee  $a \in \text{dom } h$ .

# Decomposing type safety

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Wanted:

If  $e$  is well-typed, its reduction can *never* get stuck.

Sufficient?

If  $e$  is well-typed and not final then  $e$  can be reduced (via  $\rightarrow$ ) to some  $e'$ :

No! What if  $e'$  is not well-typed any more?

**Type safety = Progress  $\wedge$  Preservation**

**Progress:** Well-typed non-final expressions can be reduced.

**Preservation:** Reduction preserves well-typedness.

If  $e$  has type  $T$  and reduces to  $e'$  then  $e'$  has type  $T'$  where  $T' \leq T$ .

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# ***Progress***



# Formalization of progress (1)

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First attempt:

If  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  and  $\neg \text{final } e$  then  $\exists e' s'. P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$

Not true for arbitrary  $s$ :

- Reduction of  $\langle \text{Var } V, (h, l) \rangle$  needs  $V \in \text{dom } l$   
In general:  $\mathcal{D} e (\text{dom } l)$
- Reduction of  $\langle \text{addr } a.F\{D\}, (h, l) \rangle$  needs  
if  $h a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor$  then  $(F, D) \in \text{dom } fs$   
In general: each object on the heap must have all the fields required by its class.

## *Heap conformance*

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**Def Heap**  $h$  conforms to program  $P$  iff each object in  $h$  conforms to  $P$  and all system exceptions are preallocated.

**Def Object**  $(C, fs)$  conforms to program  $P$  iff for every field  $F:T$  declared in  $D$  that  $C$  has, there is a value  $v$  such that  $fs(F, D) = \lfloor v \rfloor$  and the type of  $v$  is a subtype of  $T$ .

## Heap conformance (formally)

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$$P \vdash h \checkmark \equiv$$

$$(\forall a \text{ obj}. h a = \lfloor \text{obj} \rfloor \longrightarrow P, h \vdash \text{obj} \checkmark) \wedge \text{preallocated } h$$

$$\text{preallocated } h \equiv$$

$$\forall C \in \text{sys-xcpts}. \exists fs. h (\text{addr-of-sys-xcpt } C) = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor$$

## Object conformance (formally)

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$$P, h \vdash (C, fs) \checkmark \equiv$$

$$\forall F D T.$$

$$P \vdash C \text{ has } F:T \text{ in } D \longrightarrow$$

$$(\exists v. fs(F, D) = [v] \wedge P, h \vdash v : \leq T)$$

$$P, h \vdash v : \leq T \equiv \exists T'. \text{typeof}_h v = [T'] \wedge P \vdash T' \leq T$$

## Formalization of progress (2)

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If  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  and  $P \vdash h \checkmark$  and  $\mathcal{D} e$  ( $\text{dom } l$ ) and  $\neg \text{final } e$   
then  $\exists e' s'. P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$ .

Problem:  $e'$  need not be well-typed anymore.

Why?

- $e'$  may contain *Addresses*.
- The type of a subexpression of  $e'$  may have decreased.

Example:  $P \vdash \langle \text{Cast } C e, s \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Cast } C e', s' \rangle$

- $P, E \vdash e :: \text{Class } D, \quad P \vdash C \preceq^* D$  (down cast)
- $P, E \vdash e' :: \text{Class } D', \quad C$  and  $D'$  are *incomparable*.

Solution: modified (more liberal) type system  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$

# *Two kinds of expressions*

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**Input expressions:**

- do not contain addresses
- must satisfy various pragmatic type conditions (eg only up or down casts)
- are checked statically by  $P, E \vdash e :: T$

**Runtime expressions:** any expression reached via reduction ( $\rightarrow^*$ ) from an input expression

**Aim:** show that runtime expressions satisfy an *invariant* expressed as a weaker type system  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$

*There is no runtime type checking in Jinja!*  
Just a technical device for the proof of type safety.

## *Requirements for $P, E, h \vdash e : T$*

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- Weaker than input type system:  
 $P, E \vdash e :: T \implies P, E, h \vdash e : T$
- Must ensure progress
- Must ensure (type) preservation

## The rules for $P, E, h \vdash e : T$

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Many rules are similar to their  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  counterpart, but with  $h$  added.

Examples

$$\frac{\text{typeof}_h v = [T]}{P, E, h \vdash \text{val } v : T}$$

$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e_1 : T_1 \quad P, E, h \vdash e_2 : T_2}{P, E, h \vdash e_1 ; e_2 : T_2}$$

We concentrate on the rules that have really changed.



## *Reasons for change*

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Reduction of subterm reduces its type.

Extreme case: subterm becomes *null*.

## *Binary operations*

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$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e_1 : T_1 \quad P, E, h \vdash e_2 : T_2}{P, E, h \vdash e_1 \llbracket = \rrbracket e_2 : \text{Boolean}}$$

$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e_1 : \text{Integer} \quad P, E, h \vdash e_2 : \text{Integer}}{P, E, h \vdash e_1 \llbracket + \rrbracket e_2 : \text{Integer}}$$

# Cast

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$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e : T \quad \text{is-ref } T \quad \text{is-class } P \ C}{P, E, h \vdash \text{Cast } C \ e : \text{Class } C}$$

## Variable assignment

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$$\frac{E \ V = [T] \quad P, E, h \vdash e : T' \quad P \vdash T' \leq T}{P, E, h \vdash V := e : T'}$$

Just to show that  $V \neq \text{this}$  is not necessary for type safety.

## Field access

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$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e : \text{Class } C \quad P \vdash C \text{ has } F:T \text{ in } D}{P, E, h \vdash e.F\{D\} : T}$$

- Statically: *sees*
- Dynamically: *has*

Is that all?

$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e : NT}{P, E, h \vdash e.F\{D\} : T}$$

## Field assignment

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} P, E, h \vdash e_1 : \text{Class } C \\ P \vdash C \text{ has } F:T \text{ in } D \end{array} \quad P, E, h \vdash e_2 : T_2 \quad P \vdash T_2 \leq T}{P, E, h \vdash e_1.F\{D\} := e_2 : T_2}$$

$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e_1 : NT \quad P, E, h \vdash e_2 : T_2}{P, E, h \vdash e_1.F\{D\} := e_2 : T_2}$$

## *has field*

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$P \vdash C \text{ has } F:T \text{ in } D$  means that in  $P$  a (not necessarily proper) superclass  $D$  of  $C$  has a field  $F$  of type  $T$ .

Formal definition:

$P \vdash C \text{ has } F:T \text{ in } D \equiv$

$\exists \text{ FDTs. } P \vdash C \text{ has-fields FDTs} \wedge \text{map-of FDTs } (F, D) = [T]$

## *Example*

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class B extends A {field F:TB}  
class C extends B {field F:TC}
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$P \vdash C$  sees  $F:TC$  in  $C$       YES

$P \vdash C$  sees  $F:TB$  in  $B$       NO

$P \vdash C$  has  $F:TC$  in  $C$       YES

$P \vdash C$  has  $F:TB$  in  $B$       YES



## Method call

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As before:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} P, E, h \vdash e : \text{Class } C \\ P \vdash C \text{ sees } M: Ts \rightarrow T = (pns, \text{body}) \text{ in } D \\ P, E, h \vdash es [:] Ts' \\ P \vdash Ts' [\leq] Ts \end{array}}{P, E, h \vdash e.M(es) : T}$$

In addition:

$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e : NT \quad P, E, h \vdash es [:] Ts}{P, E, h \vdash e.M(es) : T}$$

## *Local variable*

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$$\frac{P, E(V \mapsto T), h \vdash e : T'}{P, E, h \vdash \{V:T; e\} : T'}$$

*is-type*  $P T$  is not necessary for type safety.

## *throw*

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$$\frac{P, E, h \vdash e : T_r \quad \text{is-ref } T_r}{P, E, h \vdash \text{throw } e : T}$$

## *try-catch*

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} P, E, h \vdash e_1 : T_1 \\ P, E(V \mapsto \text{Class } C), h \vdash e_2 : T_2 \\ P \vdash T_1 \leq T_2 \end{array}}{P, E, h \vdash \text{try } e_1 \text{ catch } (C V) e_2 : T_2}$$

## *Uniqueness of types*

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Expressions do not have unique types w.r.t.  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$

So what?

$P, E, h \vdash e : T$  is not used to compute  $T$   
but to show that  $e$  has a type.

## *Easy lemma*

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**Lemma** If  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  then  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$ .

**Proof** Easy rule induction.

# Progress

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If everything is ok and  $e$  is not final then  $e$  reduces:

**Thm (Progress)** If  $wf\text{-}J\text{-}prog\ P$  and  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  and  $P \vdash h \checkmark$  and  $\mathcal{D}\ e\ (dom\ l)$  and  $\neg\ final\ e$  then  $\exists\ e'\ s'.\ P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', s' \rangle$ .

Why

$wf\text{-}J\text{-}prog\ P$ : method call

$P \vdash h \checkmark$ : field access

$\mathcal{D}\ e\ (dom\ l)$ : variable access

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# ***Preservation***



# Formalization of preservation

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First attempt:

If  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  then  
 $\exists T'. P, E, h' \vdash e' : T' \wedge P \vdash T' \leq T$

No true for arbitrary  $(h, l)$ :

- Reduction of field access needs:  
field must have value of the right type,  
i.e.  $P \vdash h \checkmark$
- Reduction of variable access needs:  
variable must have value of the right type,  
i.e.  $l$  (values) must conform to  $E$  (types).

## Local variable and state conformance

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**Def** Local variables  $I$  conform to environment  $E$  iff each variable  $V \in \text{dom } I$  has a value conforming to type  $E V$ .

$$P, h \vdash I (:\leq) E \equiv$$

$$\forall V v. I V = [v] \longrightarrow (\exists T. E V = [T] \wedge P, h \vdash v : \leq T)$$

**State conformance:**

$$P, E \vdash (h, I) \checkmark \equiv P \vdash h \checkmark \wedge P, h \vdash I (:\leq) E$$

## Single step type preservation

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If everything is ok, reduction preserves well-typedness and may reduce type:

**Thm** If *wf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  and  $P, E \vdash (h, l) \checkmark$  and  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  then  $\exists T'. P, E, h' \vdash e' : T' \wedge P \vdash T' \leq T$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\rightarrow$ .

## A complication

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Example case:

$$\frac{P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle}{P \vdash \langle e; e_2, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'; e_2, (h', l') \rangle}$$

Complication:

does  $P, E, h \vdash e_2 : T_2$  imply  $P, E, h' \vdash e_2 : T_2$ ?

Yes, because  $h$  changes only in a safe fashion:

if  $h a = \lfloor (C, fs) \rfloor$  then  $h' a = \lfloor (C, fs') \rfloor$

The class of an object on the heap stays fixed

## The heap extension relation $\trianglelefteq$

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### Definition

$$h \trianglelefteq h' \equiv \forall a C fs. h a = \llbracket (C, fs) \rrbracket \longrightarrow (\exists fs'. h' a = \llbracket (C, fs') \rrbracket)$$

**Lemma** If  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  then  $h \trianglelefteq h'$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\rightarrow$ .

**Lemma** If  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  and  $h \trianglelefteq h'$  then  $P, E, h' \vdash e : T$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$ .

## *Back to type preservation*

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Now single step type preservation can be proved:

**Thm** If *wf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  and  $P, E \vdash (h, l) \checkmark$  and  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  then  $\exists T'. P, E, h' \vdash e' : T' \wedge P \vdash T' \leq T$ .

Extension to  $\rightarrow^*$  needs preservation of conformance.

## Preservation of state conformance

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**Lemma** If  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  and  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  and  $P \vdash h \checkmark$  then  $P \vdash h' \checkmark$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\rightarrow$ .

**Lemma** If  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  and  $P, E, h \vdash e : T$  and  $P, h \vdash l (: \leq) E$  then  $P, h' \vdash l' (: \leq) E$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\rightarrow$ .

## Many step type preservation

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**Thm** If *wf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow^* \langle e', s' \rangle$  and  $P, E \vdash s \checkmark$  and  $P, E, hp \ s \vdash e : T$  then  $\exists T'. P, E, hp \ s' \vdash e' : T' \wedge P \vdash T' \leq T$ .

**Proof** by induction on the length of the reduction sequence, i.e. by rule induction on  $\rightarrow^*$ .



## Preservation of $\mathcal{D}$

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**Lemma** If *wf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P \vdash \langle e, (h, l) \rangle \rightarrow \langle e', (h', l') \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{D} e (\text{dom } l)$  then  $\mathcal{D} e' (\text{dom } l')$ .

**Proof** by rule induction on  $\rightarrow$ .

## Finally: type safety

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Irreducible expressions are values or exceptions:

**Corollary** If *wf-J-prog*  $P$  and  $P, E \vdash s \checkmark$  and  $P, E \vdash e :: T$  and  $\mathcal{D} e$  ( $\text{dom}(\text{lcl } s)$ ) and  $P \vdash \langle e, s \rangle \rightarrow^* \langle e', s' \rangle$  and  $\nexists e'' s''. P \vdash \langle e', s' \rangle \rightarrow \langle e'', s'' \rangle$  then either  
 $\exists v. e' = \text{Val } v \wedge P, \text{hp } s' \vdash v : \leq T$  or  
 $\exists a. e' = \text{Throw } a \wedge a \in \text{dom}(\text{hp } s')$ .

**Proof** by many step subject reduction, preservation of  $\mathcal{D}$ , and progress.

## *What does type safety really tell us?*

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- If you trust the semantics:  
the type system is correct w.r.t. the semantics
- If you trust the type system:  
the semantics is complete w.r.t. the type system, no  
reduction rules are missing.
- If you don't trust either:  
at least type system and semantics fit together

# Completeness of the type system

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Is the type system complete?

Is  $e$  well-typed if reduction of  $e$  does not get stuck?

No!

It is undecidable if reduction gets stuck.

Same argument as for undecidability of definite assignment.

Example: `if (true) true else Val (Intg 42)`

Decidable type systems  
for interesting (= undecidable) properties  
are necessarily incomplete.