

# Typechecking in the $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo: Theory and Practice

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## Formal Proving

Computers can help mathematicians and engineers prove **theorems**.

- Theorem provers.
- Proof checkers.

**Examples:**



The Kepler Conjecture



Operating System of Driverless Subway  
(Paris, Line 14)

# Logical Frameworks

There exist many tools for proving/checking

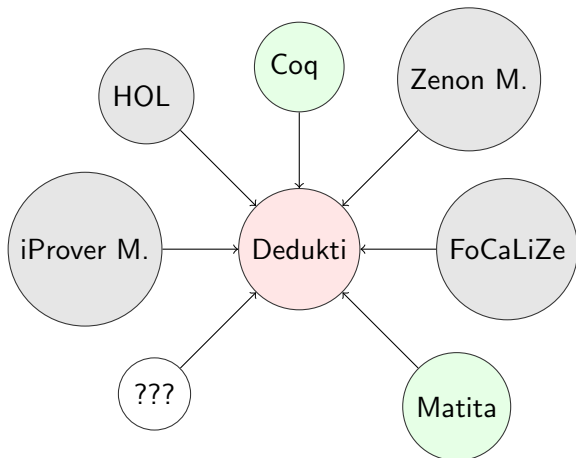
Agda, Beluga, Coq, ... and **DEDUKTI**.

## DEDUKTI: a Logical Framework

A tool to implement logical systems.

- Prototyping of proof systems.
- Independent proof checking.

## A Universal Proof Checker



**Long-Term Goal:** allowing these programs to cooperate thanks to a unique proof format.

# The Curry-Howard Correspondence

## [Curry 1958 and Howard 1969]

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# The $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo [Cousineau and Dowek, 2007]

The  $\lambda\Pi$ -**Calculus Modulo** is a typed calculus based on two features:

- Dependent Types.
- Rewrite Rules.

## Dependent Types

The  $\lambda$ -Calculus with Dependent Types is called  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus or LF.

### Idea

Types can be parameterized by terms.

Functions can return values whose types depend on their input.

### Lists Parameterized by their Size

`nil` : Vector 0

`cons` :  $\Pi n : \text{Nat.Elt} \rightarrow \text{Vector } n \rightarrow \text{Vector } (\text{S } n)$

### Typing Rules

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : \Pi x : A. B \quad \Gamma \vdash u : A}{\Gamma \vdash t u : B[x \leftarrow u]} \text{ (Application)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \quad \Gamma \vdash B : \mathbf{Type} \quad A \equiv_{\beta} B}{\Gamma \vdash t : B} \text{ (Conversion)}$$



## Rewrite Rules

### $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo

- $\beta$ -reduction,
- A set  $\mathcal{R}$  of rewrite rules ( $f\vec{l} \hookrightarrow r$ ).

### Example

plus  $n\ 0 \hookrightarrow n$

plus  $n\ (S\ m) \hookrightarrow S\ (\text{plus } n\ m)$

### Extended Conversion Rule

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t : A \quad \Gamma \vdash B : \mathbf{Type} \quad A \equiv_{\beta\mathcal{R}} B}{\Gamma \vdash t : B}$$

### Benefits

- Allows the design of small encodings of proof systems.
- Allows encoding more systems.

## Encoding Propositional Logic

In the  $\lambda\Pi$ -**Calculus**:

$\text{prop} : \mathbf{Type}$ .

$\text{prf} : \text{prop} \rightarrow \mathbf{Type}$ .

$\overset{\cdot}{\Rightarrow} : \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$ .

$\text{elim} : \Pi A : \text{prop} . \Pi B : \text{prop} . \text{prf} (A \overset{\cdot}{\Rightarrow} B) \rightarrow \text{prf} A \rightarrow \text{prf} B$ .

$\text{intro} : \Pi A : \text{prop} . \Pi B : \text{prop} . (\text{prf} A \rightarrow \text{prf} B) \rightarrow \text{prf} (A \overset{\cdot}{\Rightarrow} B)$ .

In the  $\lambda\Pi$ -**Calculus Modulo**:

$\text{prf} (A \overset{\cdot}{\Rightarrow} B) \leftrightarrow (\text{prf} A \rightarrow \text{prf} B)$ .

Meta-Theorem (in both cases)

$\Sigma \vdash P$  iff  $\exists t (\Gamma; \dot{\Sigma} \vdash t : \text{prf } \dot{P})$ .

In the  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo, proof terms are usually smaller and can be checked faster.

## General Contribution: More Safety

Previous versions of DEDUKTI could give incorrect results if the input problem did not verify the **subject reduction** property (preservation of types by reduction). And DEDUKTI did not check subject reduction **compromising its soundness**.

### More Safety

- I studied the subject reduction property and showed how it can be checked.
- I implemented the verification in DEDUKTI.

## General Contribution: More Expressiveness

### From Algebraic Rewrite Rules

- Left-hand sides are **algebraic terms** (built from constant applications and variables only).
- **Example:**  
 $\text{plus } n \ 0 \hookrightarrow n$   
 $\text{plus } n \ (\text{S } m) \hookrightarrow \text{S } (\text{plus } n \ m)$

### To Higher-Order Rewrite Rules

- Left-hand sides may **contain abstractions**.
- **Example:**
  - $D (\lambda x : R. \text{Exp } (f \ x)) \hookrightarrow (D (\lambda x : R. f \ x)) \times (\lambda x : R. \text{Exp } (f \ x)).$
  - Encoding of Coq's universes [Assaf, 2014].

# 1 A $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo with Global Contexts

## 2 Product Compatibility and Higher-Order Rewrite Rules

## 3 Typing Rewrite Rules

## 4 Conclusion

# $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo vs DEDUKTI

## $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo

- The set of rewrite rules  $\mathcal{R}$  is fixed.
- Rewrite rules are typed outside the system.

## DEDUKTI

- Rewrite rules can be added at any time.
- Rewrite rules are typed iteratively.
- More rules can be checked.

# $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo with Global Contexts

## Global Contexts and Local Contexts

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &::= () \mid \Gamma(c : A) \mid \Gamma(f\vec{l} \hookrightarrow r) \\ \Delta &::= () \mid \Delta(x : A) \end{aligned}$$

## Conversion Rule

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash t : A \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash B : s \quad A \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} B}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash t : B}$$

## Improvements

- Allows typing more rewrite rules.
- Eases the reasoning about DEDUKTI (soundness/completeness proofs).

**Publication:** Towards Explicit Rewrite Rules in the  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo, R. Saillard in IWIL, 2013.

## A Fundamental Property

### Subject Reduction

$$\Gamma; \Delta \vdash t_1 : T \wedge t_1 \rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma} t_2 \implies \Gamma; \Delta \vdash t_2 : T$$

### Subject Reduction is necessary

for proving any non-trivial property about the type system and in particular

- the soundness/completeness of proof embeddings.
- the soundness/completeness of typechecking algorithms.
- termination.

Subject reduction may not hold!



## Product Compatibility and Well-Typedness of Rewrite Rules

The proof of subject reduction can be reduced to the proof of two simpler properties.

### Product Compatibility [Geuvers, 1992]

If  $\Pi x : A_1.B_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} \Pi x : A_2.B_2$ , then  $A_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} A_2$  and  $B_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} B_2$ .

### Well-Typed Rewrite Rules [Blanqui, 2005]

For all  $(l \leftrightarrow r) \in \Gamma$  and substitution  $\sigma$ , if  $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash \sigma(l) : T$ , then  $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash \sigma(r) : T$ .

### Remark

These properties are undecidable. To check them in DEDUKTI, we need to find decidable criteria.

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## Product Compatibility

### Product Compatibility (PC)

If  $\Pi x : A_1.B_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} \Pi x : A_2.B_2$ , then  $A_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} A_2$  and  $B_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} B_2$ .

**Theorem: PC for Object-Level Systems [Barbanera et al,1994]**

Product Compatibility holds when there are no type-level rewrite rules.

**Theorem: PC by Confluence**

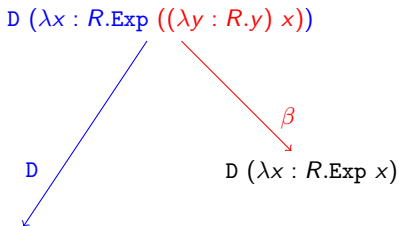
Product Compatibility follows from the confluence of  $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma}$ .

## Higher-Order Rewrite Rules

Derivation Operation  $(e^f)' = f' \times e^f$

$D (\lambda x : R.\text{Exp } (f x)) \hookrightarrow (D (\lambda x : R.f x)) \times (\lambda x : R.\text{Exp } (f x)).$

Critical Pair



$(D (\lambda x : R.(\lambda y : R.y) x)) \times (\lambda x : R.(\text{Exp } ((\lambda y : R.y) x)))$

The critical peak cannot be joined; **confluence is lost**.

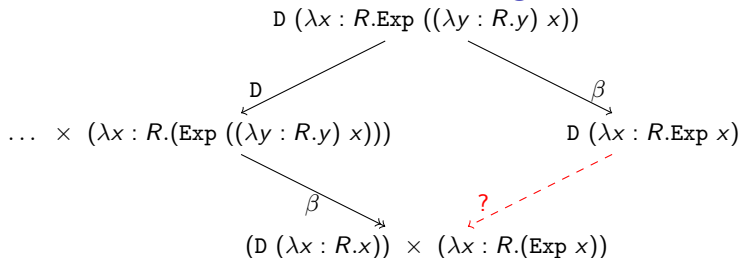
**Remark**

In the  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo, matching is syntactic.

## Two Problems

- How to prove product compatibility?
- How to decide the congruence  $\equiv_{\beta\Gamma}$ ?

## Rewriting Modulo beta



### Technical Choice

Use Higher-Order Rewrite Systems [Nipkow, 1991] to define rewriting modulo beta in the  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo.

### Advantages

- Confluence results of HRSs [van Oostrom, 1995].
- Automatic confluence checkers (CSI<sup>ho</sup> [Nagele, 2015], ACPH [Onowawa et al, 2015])

# Higher-Order Rewrite Systems

## [Nipkow, 1991]

### Terms

Simply typed  $\lambda$ -terms in  $\beta\eta$ -normal form over some signature.

### Higher-Order Patterns and Rewrite Rules

- A **rewrite rule** is a pair of terms ( $l \hookrightarrow r$ ) where  $l$  is a **higher-order pattern** [Miller, 1991].
- A term is a **higher-order pattern** if the arguments of its free variables are lists of terms  $\eta$ -equivalent to distinct bound variables.
- Rewriting is performed modulo  $\beta\eta$ .

**Example:**  $\lambda$ -calculus

$\Sigma = \{ \text{Lam}, \text{App} \}$      $(\beta)$      $\text{App}(\text{Lam}(\underline{\lambda}x.F(x)), A) \hookrightarrow F(A)$

## Defining Rewriting Modulo beta

### Encoding Terms

- We encode **untyped**  $\lambda\Pi$ -terms as **typed HRS-terms**.

- Example:**

$$\|D (\lambda x : \text{Nat}. f \ x)\| = \text{App}(D, \text{Lam}(\text{Nat}, \underline{\lambda}x. \text{App}(f, x)))$$

### Encoding Rewrite Rules

- $(l \hookrightarrow r) \mapsto \|(l \hookrightarrow r)\| \neq (\|l\| \hookrightarrow \|r\|)$ .

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### Rewriting Modulo beta

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## Confluence Modulo beta

### Theorem

Product Compatibility follows from the confluence of  $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma^{beta}}$ .

### Theorem

If  $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma^{beta}}$  terminates, then  $\equiv_{\beta\Gamma}$  is decidable.

### Key Lemma

The congruences  $\equiv_{\beta\Gamma}$  and  $\equiv_{\beta\Gamma^{beta}}$  are equal.

#### Proof:

- $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma} \subset \rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma^{beta}}$ .
- $\rightarrow_{\Gamma^{beta}} \subset \leftarrow_{\beta}^* \cdot \rightarrow_{\Gamma}$ .

### Remark

Adding rewriting modulo beta to the  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo does not modify the type system.

## Summary

### Product Compatibility

A **new criterion** for proving product compatibility that

- is strictly more general than the previous one based on (usual) confluence.
- can be used in presence of higher-order rewrite rules.

### Implementation

- DEDUKTI now implements higher-order rewrite rules.  
It has been used to encode Coq's Universes [Assaf, 2014].
- DEDUKTI now checks confluence (modulo beta) using an external checker.  
This allowed us to find bugs in existing DEDUKTI developments.

**Publication:** Rewriting Modulo  $\beta$  in the  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo, R. Saillard in LFMTP, 2015.

## Colored $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo

### Problem

- Proving product compatibility in presence of type-level rules and a non-confluent rewrite system (for instance due to non-left-linear rules).
- **Difficulty:** conversions may contain ill-typed terms; we cannot assume subject reduction.

### Colored $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo

- Approximate typing by a weak notion of typing for which subject reduction is easy to prove.
- Constrain the conversion to be weakly well-typed.
- Use weak typing to show that more rewrite systems verify product compatibility.

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## Typing Rewrite Rules

### Well-Typed Rewrite Rules

A rule  $(l \leftrightarrow r)$  is **well-typed** for  $\Gamma$  if,  $\forall \sigma \forall \Delta \forall T$   
 $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash \sigma(l) : T \implies \Gamma; \Delta \vdash \sigma(r) : T$ .

### Criterion used by Dedukti < 2.3

- $l$  is algebraic
- $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash l : T$
- $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash r : T$
- $\Gamma \vdash^{ctx} \Delta$  and  $dom(\Delta) = FV(l)$ .

### Theorem

Let  $\Gamma$  be a global context such that  $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma}$  is confluent. If the hypotheses above are verified, then the rewrite rule is well-typed.

## What about Higher-order Rewrite Rules?

### First Limitation

Cannot type higher-order rewrite rules.

### Analysis

The hypothesis that  $l$  is algebraic is used to show that, if  $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash l : T$  and  $\Gamma; \Delta_2 \vdash \sigma(l) : T_2$ , then  $\sigma$  is well-typed, that is

$$\forall x. \Gamma; \Delta_2 \vdash \sigma(x) : \sigma(\Delta(x)).$$

### What is really needed

- the types of the variables should be uniquely determined by the shape of  $l$ .
- the types of the variables should be inferable.

## Typing Left-Hand Sides

### Bidirectional Typing [Pierce, 1997] of Patterns

- (Synthesis)  $\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s t \Rightarrow A, \Delta_2$
- (Checking)  $\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_c t \Leftarrow A \mid \Delta_2$

### Rules

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow T, \Delta_2 \quad \Gamma; \Delta_2; \Sigma \Vdash_c v \Leftarrow A \mid \Delta_3}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s uv \Rightarrow B[x/u], \Delta_3} \text{ (Application)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow A_2, \Delta_2 \quad A_1 \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} A_2}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow A_1 \mid \Delta_2} \text{ (Inversion)}$$

$$\frac{x \notin \text{dom}(\Sigma \cup \Delta_1)}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_c x \Leftarrow B \mid \Delta_1(x : B)} \text{ (Free Variable)}$$



## A First Generalization

### Theorem

If

- $\Gamma; \emptyset; \emptyset \Vdash_s l \Rightarrow T, \Delta$
- and  $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash r : T$ ,

then  $(l \hookrightarrow r)$  is well-typed in  $\Gamma$ .

### Remark

If  $t$  is a well-typed higher-order pattern, then  $\Gamma; \emptyset, \emptyset \Vdash_s t \Rightarrow T, \Delta$  for some  $T$  and  $\Delta$ .

## Rewrite Rules and Dependent Typing

### Example

$\text{head} : \prod n : \text{Nat}. \text{Vector } (\mathbb{S } n) \longrightarrow \text{Elt}.$

$\text{head } n (\text{cons } n e v) \hookrightarrow e.$

$\text{tail} : \prod n : \text{Nat}. \text{Vector } (\mathbb{S } n) \longrightarrow \text{Vector } n.$

$\text{tail } n (\text{cons } n e v) \hookrightarrow v.$

### Problem

These rewrite rules are not left-linear.

Implementing `head` and `tail` differently:

$\text{head } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \hookrightarrow e.$

$\text{tail } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \hookrightarrow v.$

These rewrite rules are well-typed [Blanqui, 2005].

We know that, if the redex  $\sigma(\text{head } \dots)$  is well-typed, then

$\sigma(n_1) \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} \sigma(n_2)$

# Weakening Bidirectional Checking (1)

## Inversion

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow A_2, \Delta_2 \quad A_1 \equiv_{\beta\gamma} A_2}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow A_1 \mid \Delta_2} \longrightarrow \frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow A_2, \Delta_2}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow A_1 \mid \Delta_2}$$

## Head

- $\Gamma; \emptyset; \emptyset \Vdash_s \text{head } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \Rightarrow \text{Elt}, \Delta$   
for  $\Delta = (n_1 : \text{Nat})(n_2 : \text{Nat})(e : \text{Elt})(v : \text{Vector } n_2)$
- $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash e : \text{Elt}$

Thus,  $(\text{head } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \Leftarrow e)$  is well-typed.

## Weakening Bidirectional Checking (2)

### Tail

- $\Gamma; \emptyset; \emptyset \Vdash_s \text{tail } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \Rightarrow \mathbf{Vector } n_1, \Delta$   
for  $\Delta = (n_1 : \text{Nat})(n_2 : \text{Nat})(e : \text{Elt})(v : \mathbf{Vector } n_2)$
- $\Gamma; \Delta \vdash v : \mathbf{Vector } n_2$

The criterion still does not apply.

### However

We know, by typing, that if  $\sigma(\text{tail } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v))$  is well-typed, then  $\sigma(n_1) \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} \sigma(n_2)$ .

## Recording Conversion Tests

### Solution

- Record conversion tests.

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow A_2, \Delta_2, \mathcal{C}}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow A_1 \mid \Delta_2, \mathcal{C} \cup \{(A_1, A_2)\}}$$

- Use this information when typing the right-hand side of the rule.

### Example

- $\Gamma; \emptyset; \emptyset \Vdash_s \text{tail } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \Rightarrow \text{Vector } n_1, \Delta, \mathcal{C}$   
and  $(\text{Vector } (S n_1), \text{Vector } (S n_2)) \in \mathcal{C}$
- Any solution  $\sigma$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  verifies  $\sigma(n_1) \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} \sigma(n_2)$
- $\Gamma; \Delta[n_2 \leftarrow n_1] \vdash v : \text{Vector } n_1$

Thus,  $(\text{tail } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e v) \hookrightarrow v)$  is well-typed.

## Summary

### A general criterion for typing rewrite rules

- Compatible with higher-order rewrite rules.
- Allows typing linearized versions of rewrite rules when non-left linearity is due to typing constraints.

### Implementation in DEDUKTI

- It replaces the unsafe way of linearizing rewrite rules implemented in the previous versions of DEDUKTI.
- Users do not need to give the typing context  $\Delta$  anymore.

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## Perspectives

### Termination:

Termination is necessary for deciding typing.

- Design termination criteria for  $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma}$  and  $\rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma^{beta}}$
- Implement them in DEDUKTI.

### DEDUKTI as a Proof Assistant

- Refiner (Already done by G. Gilbert).
- Tactics.
- Standard Library.
- Theorem Prover.



## Contributions

### Making DEDUKTI Safer

DEDUKTI now checks the **subject reduction property**.

- **Product compatibility** is ensured by confluence of **rewriting modulo beta**.
- **Well-typedness of rewrite rules**.

### Making DEDUKTI More Expressive

Adding **higher-order rewrite rules** to DEDUKTI.

Used to import proofs from Coq and Matita.

### New Concepts

- The  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo with **Global Contexts**.
- A notion of **rewriting modulo beta**.
- The **Colored  $\lambda\Pi$ -Calculus Modulo**.

And a **new implementation** of DEDUKTI in OCaml.

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## Permanently Well-Typed Rewrite Rules

### Example (continued)

$\text{Vector } (\text{S } n) \hookrightarrow \text{NonEmptyVector}$ .

For  $\Delta = (n_1 : \text{Nat})(n_2 : \text{Nat})(e : \text{Elt})(l : \text{Vector } n_2)$ , we have  $\Gamma'; \Delta \vdash \text{tail } n_1 (\text{cons } n_2 e l) : \text{Vector } n_1$ .

(because

$\text{Vector } (\text{S } n_1) \equiv_{\beta\Gamma'} \text{NonEmptyVector} \equiv_{\beta\Gamma'} \text{Vector } (\text{S } n_2)$ )

But we have

$\text{tail } k_1 (\text{cons } k_2 e l) \rightarrow_{\Gamma'} l$ .

$\Gamma_2; \Delta \vdash l : \text{Vector } n_2$  and  $\Gamma_2; \Delta \not\vdash l : \text{Vector } n_1$ .

The rewrite rule is no more well-typed.

### Explanation

$\tau = \{n_2 \mapsto n_1\}$  is a prefix for  $\mathcal{C}$  in  $\Gamma$  but not in  $\Gamma_2$ .

### Morality

Rewrite Rules may become ill-typed a posteriori.

## Permanently Well-Typed Rewrite Rules

### Definition

A rewrite rule is permanently well-typed in  $\Gamma$  if it is well-typed in any (well-formed) extension of  $\Gamma$ .

Except for the last one, all the previous criteria provide permanent well-typedness.

### Static Symbols

Static symbols are constants for which we (implicitly) assume that they will never be associated to rewrite rules.

### Tail

If `Vector` and `S` are declared as static symbols, then  $\tau = \{n_2 \mapsto n_1\}$  will remain a prefix in any extension of the context. In this case, the rule on `tail` is permanently well-typed.

## Typing Rules for Global Contexts

$$\text{(Empty)} \frac{}{\emptyset \mathbf{wf}}$$

$$\text{(Declaration)} \frac{\Gamma \mathbf{wf} \quad \Gamma; \emptyset \vdash T : \mathbf{Type} \quad c \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma(c : T) \mathbf{wf}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \mathbf{wf} \quad \rightarrow_{\beta(\Gamma \Xi)^{\text{beta}}} \text{ is confluent} \quad (\forall i) \Gamma \vdash u_i \hookrightarrow v_i \quad \Xi = (u_1 \hookrightarrow v_1) \dots (u_n \hookrightarrow v_n)}{\Gamma \Xi \mathbf{wf}}$$

### Theorem

If  $\Gamma \mathbf{wf}$ , then  $\Gamma$  verifies subject reduction.

**(Sort)**

$$\overline{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash \mathbf{Type} : \mathbf{Kind}}$$

**(Variable)**

$$\frac{(x : A) \in \Delta}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash x : A}$$

**(Constant)**

$$\frac{(c : A) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash c : A}$$

**(Application)**

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash t : \Pi x : A. B \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash u : A}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash tu : B[x/u]}$$

**(Abstraction)**

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta(x : A) \vdash t : B \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash \Pi x : A. B : s}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash \lambda x : A. t : \Pi x : A. B}$$

**(Product)**

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash A : \mathbf{Type} \quad \Gamma; \Delta(x : A) \vdash B : s}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash \Pi x : A. B : s}$$

**(Conversion)**

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash t : A \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash B : s \quad A \equiv_{\beta\Gamma} B}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash t : B}$$

## Typing Rules for Local Contexts

**(Empty)**

$$\overline{\Gamma \vdash^{ctx} \emptyset}$$

**(Var)**

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash^{ctx} \Delta \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash \underline{U} : \mathbf{Type} \quad x \notin dom(\Delta)}{\Gamma \vdash^{ctx} \Delta(x : \underline{U})}$$

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$$\text{(Empty)} \frac{}{\emptyset \mathbf{wf}}$$

$$\text{(Declaration)} \frac{\Gamma \mathbf{wf} \quad \Gamma; \emptyset \vdash T : \mathbf{Type} \quad c \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma)}{\Gamma(c : T) \mathbf{wf}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \mathbf{wf} \quad \rightarrow_{\beta(\Gamma \Xi)^{\text{beta}}} \text{ is confluent} \quad (\forall i) \Gamma \vdash u_i \hookrightarrow v_i \quad \Xi = (u_1 \hookrightarrow v_1) \dots (u_n \hookrightarrow v_n)}{\Gamma \Xi \mathbf{wf}}$$

### Theorem

If  $\Gamma \mathbf{wf}$ , then  $\Gamma$  verifies subject reduction.



# Nipkow's Higher-Order Rewrite Systems

## Terms of HRS

Simply typed  $\lambda$ -terms in  $\beta\bar{\eta}$ -normal form over some signature  $\Sigma$ .

(  $u, v ::= c \in \Sigma \mid x \mid \underline{\lambda}x.t \mid u(v)$ , variables have a type )

## Patterns and Rewrite Rules

- A **rewrite rule** is a pair of terms  $(l \hookrightarrow r)$  where  $l$  is a **pattern**.
- A term is a (Miller) **pattern** if the arguments of its free variables are lists of terms  $\eta$ -equivalent to distinct bound variables.
- Higher-order unification (and matching) of patterns is decidable and most general substitutions exist.

## Higher-Order Rewriting

Let  $R$  be a set of rewrite rules.

- if  $(l \hookrightarrow r) \in R$ , then  $\Downarrow_{\beta}^{\eta}(\theta(l)) \rightarrow_R \Downarrow_{\beta}^{\eta}(\theta(r))$ .
- if  $\vec{t}_1 \rightarrow_R \vec{t}_2$ , then  $t_0(t_1) \rightarrow_R t_0(t_2)$ ,  $t_1(t_0) \rightarrow_R t_2(t_0)$  and  $\underline{\lambda}x.t_1 \rightarrow_R \underline{\lambda}x.t_2$ ;

## Example of HRS: the $\lambda$ -calculus

### Signature

$$\Sigma = \{ \text{Lam} : (\text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term}) \longrightarrow \text{Term}, \\ \text{App} : \text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term} \}$$

### Rewrite Rule

$$(\beta) \quad \text{App}(\text{Lam}(\underline{\lambda}x.F(x)), A) \hookrightarrow F(A)$$

### Example

$$\begin{aligned} \text{App}(\text{Lam}(\underline{\lambda}x.x), c) &= \downarrow_{\beta}^{\eta} (\text{App}(\text{Lam}(\underline{\lambda}x.(\underline{\lambda}y.y)(x)), c)) \\ &\hookrightarrow \downarrow_{\beta}^{\eta} ((\underline{\lambda}y.y)(c)) \\ &= c \end{aligned}$$

## Encoding $\lambda\Pi$ -Terms

$$\Sigma = \{ c : \text{Term} \mid c \in \mathcal{C} \} \cup \{ \text{Type} : \text{Term}, \text{Kind} : \text{Term}, \\ \text{Lam} : \text{Term} \longrightarrow (\text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term}) \longrightarrow \text{Term}, \\ \text{App} : \text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term}, \\ \text{Pi} : \text{Term} \longrightarrow (\text{Term} \longrightarrow \text{Term}) \longrightarrow \text{Term} \}$$

### The Encoding

$$\begin{array}{llll} \|\mathbf{Kind}\| & := & \text{Kind} & \|\mathbf{Type}\| & := & \text{Type} \\ \|x\| & := & x \text{ (of type Term)} & \|c\| & := & c \\ \|\lambda x : A.t\| & := & \text{Lam}(\|A\|, \underline{\lambda}x.\|t\|) & \|uv\| & := & \text{App}(\|u\|, \|v\|) \\ \|\Pi x : A.B\| & := & \text{Pi}(\|A\|, \underline{\lambda}x.\|B\|) & & & \end{array}$$

### Isomorphism

This encoding is an **isomorphism** between (untyped)  $\lambda\Pi$ -terms and **HRS-terms** (which are  $\beta\bar{\eta}$ -normal) of type Term.

$$t_1 \rightarrow_{\beta} t_2 \iff \|t_1\| \rightarrow_{\beta} \|t_2\|.$$

If we take  $\|(l \hookrightarrow r)\| = \|l\| \hookrightarrow \|r\|$ , then

$$t_1 \rightarrow_{\Gamma} t_2 \iff \|t_1\| \rightarrow_{\|\Gamma\|} \|t_2\|.$$

## Encoding Rewrite Rules

### Second Encoding of Terms

$\|\mathbf{Kind}\|^2 := \text{Kind}$

$\dots := \dots$

$\|uv\|^2 := \text{App}(\|u\|^2, \|v\|^2)$  if  $uv \neq x \vec{w}$  for  $x$  free

$\|x\vec{v}\|^2 := x(\|\vec{v}\|^2)$  if  $x$  free ( $x$  of type  $\text{Term} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \text{Term}$ ).

### Second Encoding of Rewrite Rules

$$\|(l \hookrightarrow r)\|^2 = \|l\|^2 \hookrightarrow \|r\|^2$$

### Conditions

- $\|l\|^2$  must be a pattern;
- all occurrences of a free variable in  $l$  and  $r$  must be applied to the same number of arguments.

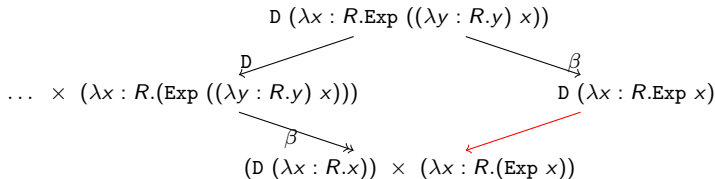
## Example

### Rewrite Rule

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D (\lambda x : R.\text{Exp } (f x)) \leftrightarrow (D (\lambda x : R.f x)) \times (\lambda x : R.\text{Exp } (f x))\|^2 \\ & = \text{App}(D, \text{Lam}(R, \underline{\lambda}x.\text{App}(\text{Exp}, f(x)))) \leftrightarrow \text{App}(\text{App}(\times, \dots f(x) \dots f(x))) \end{aligned}$$

### Reduction

$$\begin{aligned} \|D (\lambda x : R.\text{Exp } x)\| &= \text{App}(D, \text{Lam}(R, \underline{\lambda}x.\text{App}(\text{Exp}, x))) \\ &= \downarrow_{\beta}^{\eta} \text{App}(D, \text{Lam}(R, \underline{\lambda}x.\text{App}(\text{Exp}, (\underline{\lambda}y.y)(x)))) \\ &\rightarrow \downarrow_{\beta}^{\eta} \text{App}(\text{App}(\times, \dots (\underline{\lambda}y.y)(x) \dots (\underline{\lambda}y.y)(x))) \\ &= \text{App}(\text{App}(\times, \dots x \dots x)) \\ &= \|(D (\lambda x : R.x)) \times (\lambda x : R.\text{Exp } x)\| \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{(Sort)} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma; \Delta; \Sigma; \mathcal{C} \Vdash_s \mathbf{Type} \Rightarrow (\Delta, \mathbf{Kind}, \mathcal{C})}$$

$$\text{(Constant)} \quad \frac{(f : A) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma; \Delta; \Sigma; \mathcal{C} \Vdash_s f \Rightarrow (\Delta, A, \mathcal{C})}$$

$$\text{(\Sigma\Delta-Variable)} \quad \frac{(x : A) \in \Sigma \cup \Delta}{\Gamma; \Delta; \Sigma; \mathcal{C} \Vdash_s x \Rightarrow (\Delta, A, \mathcal{C})}$$

**(S-Application)**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow (\Delta_2, T_2, \mathcal{C}_2) \\ \Gamma; \Delta_2; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_2 \Vdash_c v \Leftarrow A \mid (\Delta_3, \mathcal{C}_3) \quad T_2 \rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma}^* \Pi x : A. B \end{array}}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_s u v \Rightarrow (\Delta_3, B[x/v], \mathcal{C}_3)}$$

**(S-Abstraction)**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c A \Leftarrow \mathbf{Type} \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2) \\ \Gamma; \Delta_2; \Sigma(x : A); \mathcal{C}_2 \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow (\Delta_3, B, \mathcal{C}_3) \end{array}}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_s \lambda x : A. u \Rightarrow (\Delta_3, \Pi x : A. B, \mathcal{C}_3)}$$

**(Product)**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c A \Leftarrow \mathbf{Type} \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2) \\ \Gamma; \Delta_2; \Sigma(x : A); \mathcal{C}_2 \Vdash_c B \Leftarrow s \mid (\Delta_3, \mathcal{C}_3) \end{array}}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_s \Pi x : A. B \Rightarrow (\Delta_3, s, \mathcal{C}_3)}$$

$$\text{(Free Variable)} \quad \frac{FV(A) \cap \text{dom}(\Sigma) = \emptyset \quad x \notin \text{dom}(\Delta_1) \cup \text{dom}(\Sigma)}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c x \Leftarrow A \mid (\Delta_1(x : A), \mathcal{C}_1)}$$

**(C-Abstraction)**

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} T \rightarrow_{\beta\Gamma}^* \Pi x : A_2. B \\ \Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c A_1 \Leftarrow \mathbf{Type} \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2) \\ \Gamma; \Delta_2; \Sigma(x : A_1); \mathcal{C}_2 \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow B \mid (\Delta_3, \mathcal{C}_3) \end{array}}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c \lambda x : A_1. u \Leftarrow T \mid (\Delta_3, \mathcal{C}_3 \cup \{(A_1, A_2)\})}$$

**(C-Application)**

$$\frac{(x : A) \in \Sigma \quad \Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow \Pi x : A. B \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2)}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c u x \Leftarrow B \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2)}$$

**(Inversion)**

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_s u \Rightarrow (\Delta_2, A_2, \mathcal{C}_2)}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow A_1 \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2 \cup \{(A_1, A_2)\})}$$

**(App-No-Check)**

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_s v \Rightarrow (\Delta_2, A, \mathcal{C}_2)}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c u v \Leftarrow B \mid (\Delta_2, \mathcal{C}_2)}$$

**(No-Check)**

$$\frac{}{\Gamma; \Delta_1; \Sigma; \mathcal{C}_1 \Vdash_c u \Leftarrow T \mid (\Delta_1, \mathcal{C}_1)}$$

## Colors

The stripping function  $\|\cdot\|$ , from types and kinds to weak types, is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\mathbf{Kind}\| &= \mathbf{Kind} \\
 \|\mathbf{Type}\| &= \mathbf{Type} \\
 \|C\| &= \mathbf{Color}(C) \\
 \|At\| &= \|A\| \\
 \|\lambda x : A.B\| &= \|B\| \\
 \|\Pi x : A.B\| &= \|A\| \rightarrow \|B\|
 \end{aligned}$$



(Sort) 
$$\frac{}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w \mathbf{Type} : \mathbf{Kind}}$$

(Variable) 
$$\frac{(x : A) \in \Delta}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w x : \|A\|}$$

(Constant) 
$$\frac{(c : A) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w c : \|A\|}$$

(Application)

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w t : A \rightarrow B \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w u : A}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w tu : B}$$

(Abstraction)

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w A : \mathbf{Type} \quad \Gamma; \Delta(x : A) \vdash_w t : B \quad B \neq \mathbf{Kind}}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w \lambda x : A. t : \|A\| \rightarrow B}$$

(Product)

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w A : \mathbf{Type} \quad \Gamma; \Delta(x : A) \vdash_w B : s}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w \Pi x : A. B : s}$$

(Conversion)

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w t : A \quad \Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w B : s \quad A \equiv_{\Gamma}^w \|B\|}{\Gamma; \Delta \vdash_w t : \|B\|}$$

## Non-left-linear Rewrite Rules

`minus n n  $\hookrightarrow$  0.`

`minus (S n) n  $\hookrightarrow$  S 0.`

Let  $Y$  be Turing's fixpoint combinator.

`minus (YS) (YS)  $\rightarrow_{\Gamma}$  0.`

`minus (YS) (YS)  $\rightarrow_{\beta}^*$  minus (S (YS)) (YS)  $\rightarrow_{\Gamma}$  S 0.`