HW7 – Type Inference

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1 Instructions

Begin by downloading the file hw7-base.ml from the course website and renaming it to hw7.ml. This file contains the functions that you will use and modify in the homework. Submit your completed hw7.ml via Gradescope. As always, please don't hesitate to ask for help on Piazza (https://piazza.com/class/lkwp62qwo734i9).

2 Type Inference

In this assignment, you will extend the get_constraints function to perform type inference for more features of our functional programming language. Recall that get_constraints gamma e returns a pair of a type t and constraint set s, following rules of the form gamma $\vdash e:t \mid s$.

1. (5 points) The type inference rule for tuples is:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \mid S_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_2 \mid S_2}{\Gamma \vdash (e_1, e_2) : \tau_1 * \tau_2 \mid S_1 \cup S_2}$$

Add a case for Tuple expressions according to this rule. The type $\tau_1 * \tau_2$ is represented in code by TupleTy (τ_1, τ_2) . Constraint sets S are represented by lists of pairs of types, and can be manipulated with the usual OCaml list operations :: and Q.

2. (6 points) The type inference rules for fst and snd are:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \Gamma \vdash e : \tau \mid S & \tau_1, \tau_2 \text{ fresh} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \texttt{fst} \; e : \tau_1 \mid \{\tau = \tau_1 * \tau_2\} \cup S \end{array} \end{array} \begin{array}{c|c} \Gamma \vdash e : \tau \mid S & \tau_1, \tau_2 \text{ fresh} \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \texttt{snd} \; e : \tau_2 \mid \{\tau = \tau_1 * \tau_2\} \cup S \end{array}$$

Add cases for Fst and Snd expressions according to these rules. A constraint a = b is represented in OCaml code by the pair (a, b) in a constraint list. You can use the **fresh_tyvar** function to generate fresh type variables.

3. (for graduate students) The type inference rules for sum types and match statements are:

$\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_1 \mid S \tau_2 \text{ fresh}$	$\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_2 \mid S \qquad \tau_1 \text{ fresh}$
$\hline \Gamma \vdash \texttt{inl} \ e : \tau_1 + \tau_2 \mid S$	$\Gamma \vdash \texttt{inr} \ e : \tau_1 + \tau_2 \mid S$
$\Gamma \vdash e : \tau \mid S \tau_a, \tau_b \text{ fresh } \Gamma[x_1 \vdash $	$(\tau_a] \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \mid S_1 \qquad \Gamma[x_2 \mapsto \tau_b] \vdash e_2 : \tau_2 \mid S_2$
$\Gamma \vdash (\texttt{match } e \texttt{ with inl } x_1 \twoheadrightarrow e_1 \mid \texttt{inr } x$	$e_2 \rightarrow e_2): \tau_1 \mid \{\tau = \tau_a + \tau_b, \tau_1 = \tau_2\} \cup S \cup S_1 \cup S_2$

Add cases for Inl, Inr, and Match according to these rules.