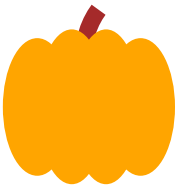



$\{\} \vdash$   : pumpkin       $\{\} \vdash$   : face

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$\{\} \vdash$   : jack-o-lantern

## Typing Example: Number

$\{\} \vdash 5 : \text{int}$

Each

$E \vdash e : T$

is a call to **type-of-expression** with arguments  $e$  and  $E$  where the result is  $T$

## Typing Example: Sum

$$\frac{\{\} \vdash 1 : \text{int} \quad \{\} \vdash 2 : \text{int}}{\{\} \vdash +(1,2) : \text{int}}$$

- Actually, the type checker treats primitives like functions, but it could be checked directly as above
- Since the toy language has only single-argument functions, but it has two binary primitives, the above strategy is a good one for HW8

## Typing Example: Function

$$\frac{\frac{\{\mathbf{x} : \text{int}\} \vdash \mathbf{x} : \text{int} \quad \{\mathbf{x} : \text{int}\} \vdash 2 : \text{int}}{\{\mathbf{x} : \text{int}\} \vdash +(\mathbf{x},2) : \text{int}}}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(\text{int } \mathbf{x}) +(\mathbf{x},2) : (\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int})}$$

## Typing Example: Function Call

$$\frac{\frac{\{x : \text{int}\} \vdash x : \text{int}}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(\text{int } x)x : (\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int})} \quad \{\} \vdash 12 : \text{int}}{\{\} \vdash (\text{proc}(\text{int } x)x \ 12) : T_2}$$
$$(\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}) = (\text{int} \rightarrow T_2)$$

simplified:  $\text{int}$

- Create a new type variable for each application
- We'll see why this is convenient soon...

## Typing Example: ? Argument

$$\frac{\frac{\{x : T_1\} \vdash x : T_1 \quad \{x : T_1\} \vdash 2 : \text{int}}{\{x : T_1\} \vdash +(x,2) : \text{int}}}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(? x) +(x,2) : (T_1 \rightarrow \text{int})}$$
$$T_1 = \text{int}$$

simplified:  $(\text{int} \rightarrow \text{int})$

- Create a new type variable for each ?

## Typing Example: ? Argument

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\{x : T_1\} \vdash x : T_1 \quad \{x : T_1\} \vdash 2 : \text{int}}{\{x : T_1\} \vdash \text{if } x \text{ then } 2 \text{ else } 3 : \text{int}} \quad \{x : T_1\} \vdash 3 : \text{int}}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(? x) \text{ if } x \text{ then } 2 \text{ else } 3 : (T_1 \rightarrow \text{int})}}$$
$$T_1 = \text{bool}$$

simplified:  $(\text{bool} \rightarrow \text{int})$

## Typing Example: Function-Calling Function

$$\frac{\frac{\{f : T_1\} \vdash f : T_1 \quad \{f : T_1\} \vdash 12 : \text{int}}{\{f : T_1\} \vdash (f \ 12) : T_2}}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(? f)(f \ 12) : (T_1 \rightarrow T_2)}$$
$$T_1 = (\text{int} \rightarrow T_2)$$

simplified:  $((\text{int} \rightarrow T_2) \rightarrow T_2)$

## Typing Example: Identity

$$\frac{\{x : T_1\} \vdash x : T_1}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(? x) x : (T_1 \rightarrow T_1)}$$

*no simplification possible*

## Typing Example: Identity Applied

$$\frac{\{x : T_1\} \vdash x : T_1 \quad \{\} \vdash \text{false} : \text{bool}}{\{\} \vdash (\text{proc}(? x)x \text{ false}) : T_2}$$

$$(T_1 \rightarrow T_1) = (\text{bool} \rightarrow T_2)$$

simplified: **bool**

## Typing Example: Function-Making Function

$$\frac{\{x : T_1, y : T_2\} \vdash x : T_1}{\{x : T_1\} \vdash \text{proc}(? y) x : (T_2 \rightarrow T_1)} \\ \frac{}{\{\} \vdash \text{proc}(? x) \text{proc}(? y) x : (T_1 \rightarrow (T_2 \rightarrow T_1))}$$

*no simplification possible*

## Infinite Loops

What if we extend the language with a special  $\Omega$  expression that loops forever?

- if true then 1 else  $\Omega \rightarrow \rightarrow 1$
- if false then 1 else  $\Omega \rightarrow \rightarrow \text{loops forever}$
- if true then  $\text{proc}(? x)x$  else  $\Omega \rightarrow \rightarrow \text{proc}(? x)x$

What is the type of  $\Omega$  ?

## Typing Example: Infinite Loop

$$\frac{\{\} \vdash \text{true} : \text{bool} \quad \{\} \vdash 1 : \text{int} \quad \{\} \vdash \Omega : T_1}{\{\} \vdash \text{if true then } 1 \text{ else } \Omega : \text{int}}$$

$$T_1 = \text{int}$$

- Create a new type variable for each  $\Omega$

## Type Inference Summary

- New type variable for each ?
- New type variable for each application
- New type variable for each  $\Omega$
- Checking a type equation can force a type variable to match a certain type

## The Universe of Programs

- The goal of type-checking is to rule out bad programs

$+(1, \text{true})$

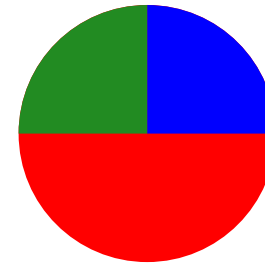
- Unfortunately, some good programs will be ruled out, too

$+(1, \text{if true then } 1 \text{ else false})$

## The Universe of Programs

programs that run forever

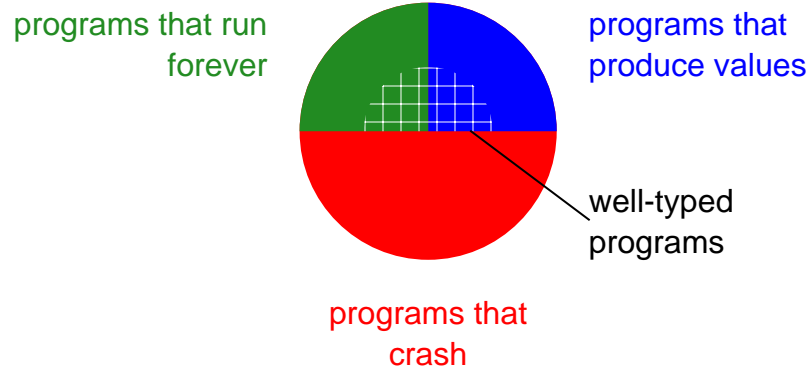
programs that produce values



programs that crash

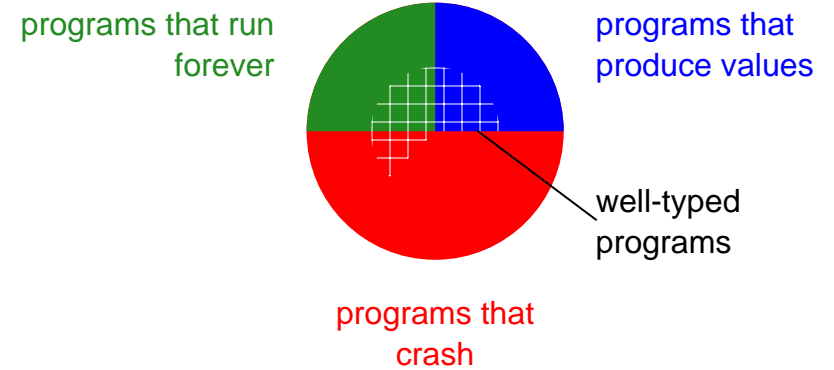
- Every program falls into one of three categories

## The Universe of Programs



- The idea is that a type checker rules out the error category

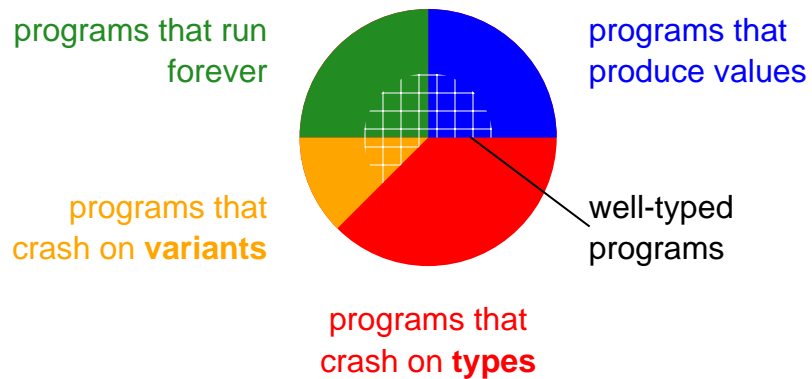
## The Universe of Programs



- But a type checker for most languages will allow some errors!

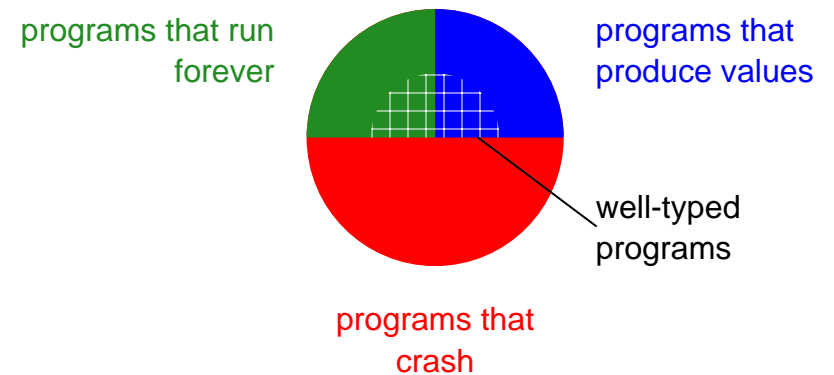
$1 / 0 \rightarrow \rightarrow$  **divide by zero**

## The Universe of Programs



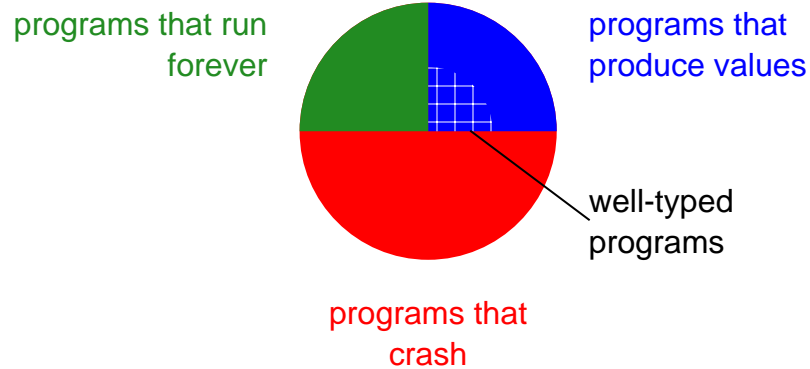
- Still, a type checker *always* rules out a certain class of errors
  - Division by 0 is a **variant error**

## The Universe of Programs



- Our language happens to have no variant errors, so the type checker rules out all errors

## The Universe of Programs



- In fact, if we get rid of **letrec**, then every well-typed program terminates with a value!

## Intution for Termination

Recall that to get rid of **letrec**

```
letrec int sum = proc(int x)
  if zero?(x)
  then 0
  else +(x,(sum -(x, 1)))
in (sum 10)
```

we can use self-application:

```
let sum = proc(int x, ? sum)
  if zero?(x)
  then 0
  else +(x,((sum sum) -(x, 1)))
in ((sum sum) 10)
```

## Intution for Termination

But we've already seen that we can't type self-application:

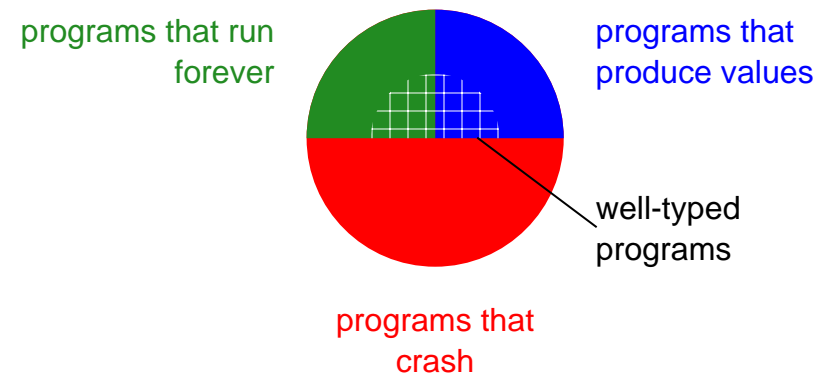
$\text{proc}({}_1 x)(x x)$   
 $T_1 \quad T_1$   
*no type:*  $T_1$  can't be  $(T_1 \rightarrow T_2)$

The only way around this restriction is to restore **letrec** or extend the type language.

(Extending the type language in this direction is beyond the scope of the course.)

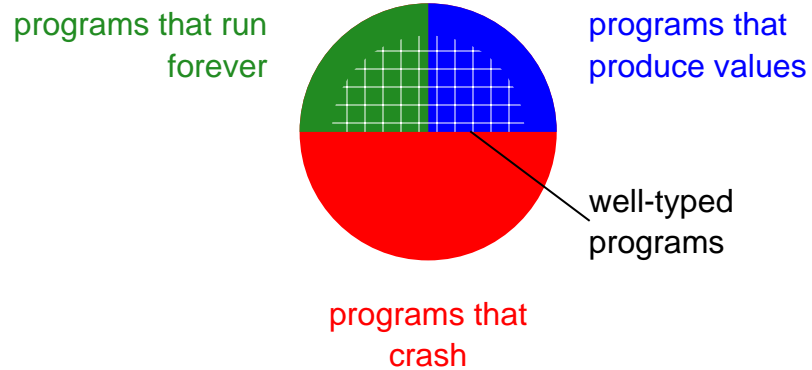
## The Universe of Programs

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- There are other ways that we'd like to expand the set of well-formed programs



- Adjusting the type rules can allow more programs

## Polymorphism

$$\frac{\text{proc}(?_1 y)y}{\text{T}_1} \quad \text{T}_1$$

$(\text{T}_1 \rightarrow \text{T}_1)$

let f = proc(?<sub>1</sub> y)y : (T<sub>1</sub> → T<sub>1</sub>)  
in if (f true) then (f 1) else (f 0)

$(\text{T}_1 \rightarrow \text{T}_1)$        $(\text{T}_1 \rightarrow \text{T}_1)$        $(\text{T}_1 \rightarrow \text{T}_1)$

**no type:** T<sub>1</sub> can't be both **bool** and **int**

## Polymorphism

- New rule: when type-checking the use of a let-bound variable, create fresh versions of unconstrained type variables

let f = proc(?<sub>1</sub> y)y : (T<sub>1</sub> → T<sub>1</sub>)  
in if (f true) then (f 1) else (f 0)

$(\text{T}_2 \rightarrow \text{T}_2)$        $(\text{T}_3 \rightarrow \text{T}_3)$        $(\text{T}_4 \rightarrow \text{T}_4)$

int

T<sub>2</sub> = bool   T<sub>3</sub> = int   T<sub>4</sub> = int

- This rule is called **let-based polymorphism**