

# dependent types

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logical verification

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where are we?

## Curry-Howard-de Bruijn continued

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propositional logic  $\leftrightarrow$  **simple** type theory

$\lambda \rightarrow$

predicate logic  $\leftrightarrow$  type theory with **dependent types**

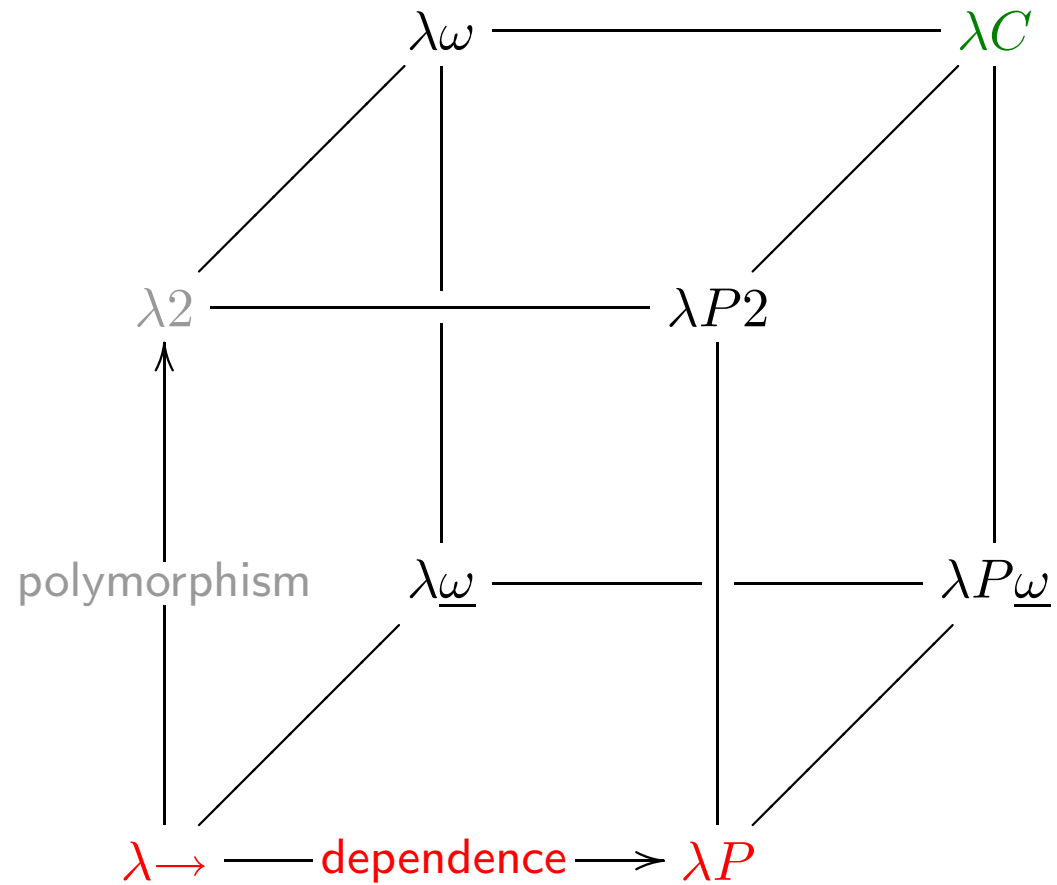
$\lambda P$

2nd order propositional logic  $\leftrightarrow$  **polymorphic** type theory

$\lambda 2$

# Barendregt's lambda cube

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## recap predicate logic

### syntax

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#### terms

- $f(M_1, \dots, M_n)$
- $x$

#### formulas

- $P(M_1, \dots, M_n)$
- $\top$
- $\perp$
- $\neg A$
- $A \rightarrow B$
- $A \wedge B$
- $A \vee B$
- $\forall x. A$
- $\exists x. A$

# rules

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## introduction rules

$I\top$

$I[x]\neg$

$I[x]\rightarrow$

$I\wedge$

$I\vee_l \quad I\vee_r$

$I\forall$

$I\exists$

## elimination rules

$E\perp$

$E\neg$

$E\rightarrow$

$E\wedge_l \quad E\wedge_r$

$E\vee$

$E\forall$

$E\exists$

example

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$$(\forall x. P(x)) \rightarrow \neg \exists y. \neg P(y)$$

## dependent types

natlist

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```
Inductive natlist : Set :=  
  nil : natlist  
| cons : nat -> natlist -> natlist.
```

## append & reverse

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```
Fixpoint append (k l : natlist) {struct k} : natlist :=
  match k with
  | nil => l
  | cons h t => cons h (append t l)
  end.
```

```
Fixpoint reverse (k : natlist) : natlist :=
  match k with
  | nil => nil
  | cons h t => append (reverse t) (cons h nil)
  end.
```



## lists of a given length

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```
Fixpoint zeroes (n : nat) : natlist :=  
  match n with  
    0 => nil  
  | S n' => cons 0 (zeroes n')  
end.
```

```
0  ↦  
1  ↦ 0  
2  ↦ 0,0  
3  ↦ 0,0,0  
4  ↦ 0,0,0,0
```

## dependent lists

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we will define a type for **lists of a given length**

```
a : (natlist_dep 6)
```

this corresponds in normal programming languages to something like

```
int a[6]
```

the type of `a` is called a **dependent** type

it **depends** on the natural number 6

```
natlist_dep : nat -> Set
natlist_dep 6 : Set
```

## natlist\_dep

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```
Inductive natlist_dep : nat -> Set :=
  nil : natlist_dep 0
| cons : forall n : nat,
  nat -> natlist_dep n -> natlist_dep (S n).
```

3, 1, 4, 1, 5, 9

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```
cons 5 3 (cons 4 1 (cons 3 4 (cons 2 1 (cons 1 5 (cons 0 9 nil))))
                                             : (natlist_dep 6)
```

## zeroes for dependent lists

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```
Fixpoint zeroes (n : nat) : natlist_dep n :=
  match n return natlist_dep n with
  | 0 => nil
  | S n' => cons n' 0 (zeroes n')
end.
```

## the type of dependent zeroes

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~~zeroes : nat -> natlist\_dep ?~~

zeroes : forall n : nat, natlist\_dep n

## dependent product

**generalizes** the notion of function type

## function types and dependent products

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$$A \rightarrow B$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$\prod x : A. B$$
$$A \rightarrow B$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$\text{forall } x : A, B$$

## append for dependent lists

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```
Fixpoint append (n m : nat)
  (k : natlist_dep n) (l : natlist_dep m) {struct k} :
  natlist_dep (plus n m) :=
  match k
  in natlist_dep n return natlist_dep (plus n m)
  with
  nil => l
  | cons n' h t => cons (plus n' m) h (append n' m t l)
  end.
```

## reverse for dependent lists

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Fixpoint reverse

```
(n : nat) (k : natlist_dep n) {struct k} :
  natlist_dep n :=
  match k in natlist_dep n return natlist_dep n with
  nil => nil
| cons n' h t =>
    eq_rec (plus n' 1) (fun n => natlist_dep n)
      (append n' 1 (reverse n' t) (cons 0 h nil))
      (S n') (plus_one n')
  end.
```

has type `natlist_dep (plus n' 1)`

but should have type `natlist_dep (S n')`



## reduction of dependent types

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`append nil l : natlist_dep (plus 0 m)`

$\downarrow_{\beta\delta\iota}$

`l : natlist_dep m`

## equality and dependent types

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`reverse (cons n' h t) : natlist_dep (S n')`

is not interchangeable with

`append (reverse n' t) : natlist_dep (plus n' 1)`  
`(cons 0 h nil)`

## Curry-Howard-de Bruijn for predicate logic

### Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov for implication

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proof of  $A \rightarrow B$

is defined to be

**function** that maps proofs of  $A$  to proofs of  $B$

## Brouwer-Heyting-Kolmogorov for universal quantification

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proof of  $\forall x. P(x)$

is defined to be

**function** that maps objects  $x$  to proofs of  $P(x)$

## the proper type system $\lambda P$

### unification of terms and types

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$\lambda \rightarrow$  terms and types are separate worlds

$$\lambda x. x$$
$$A \rightarrow B$$

$\lambda P$  terms and types are the same kind of expression

$$\lambda x. A \rightarrow B$$

## syntax

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- **variables**

$x, y, z, \dots$

- **lambda abstraction**

$\lambda x : M. N$

- **function application**

$MN$

- **dependent product**

$\Pi x : M. N$

- **two ‘sorts’**

\* and  $\square$

rules

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**next week**

## different notations for dependent products

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syntactic alternatives

$$\prod x : M. N$$
$$\forall x : M. N$$

just different ways of writing exactly the same term

coq syntax

$$\text{forall } x : M, N$$



## Prop, Set and Type in $\lambda P$

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Prop  $\rightarrow$  \*

Set  $\rightarrow$  \*

Type  $\rightarrow$   $\square$

Prop : Type  $\rightarrow$  \* :  $\square$

Set : Type  $\rightarrow$  \* :  $\square$

## terms and formulas of minimal predicate logic in $\lambda P$

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$$\begin{aligned} f(M_1, \dots, M_n) &\rightarrow f M_1 \dots M_n \\ x &\rightarrow x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(M_1, \dots, M_n) &\rightarrow P M_1 \dots M_n \\ A \rightarrow B &\rightarrow \Pi u : A. B \\ \forall x. A &\rightarrow \Pi x : \mathbf{Terms}. A \end{aligned}$$

where

$\mathbf{Terms} : *$

$f : \Pi x_1 : \mathbf{Terms}. \dots \Pi x_n : \mathbf{Terms}. \mathbf{Terms}$

$P : \Pi x_1 : \mathbf{Terms}. \dots \Pi x_n : \mathbf{Terms}. *$

## proofs in $\lambda P$ : implication

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$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A^u] \\ \vdots \\ B \end{array}}{A \rightarrow B} I[u] \rightarrow$$

$$\lambda u : A. M : \Pi u : A. B$$

$$\text{with } M : B$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A \rightarrow B \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A \end{array}}{B} E \rightarrow$$

$$MN : B$$

$$\text{with } M : \Pi u : A. B$$

$$N : A$$

## proofs in $\lambda P$ : universal quantification

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$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \frac{A}{\forall x. A} \quad I\forall \end{array}$$

$\lambda x : \text{Terms}. M : \Pi x : \text{Terms}. A$   
with  $M : A$

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \frac{\forall x. A}{A[x := N]} \quad E\forall \end{array}$$

$MN : A[x := N]$   
with  $M : \Pi x : \text{Terms}. A$   
 $N : \text{Terms}$

## examples

### example 1

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$$\forall x. (P(x) \rightarrow (\forall y. P(y) \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A)$$

## example 2

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$$(\forall x. P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \rightarrow (\forall x. P(x)) \rightarrow \forall y. Q(y)$$

## dependent types in programming

### printf

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what is the type of `printf`?

```
printf("hello\n")
printf("%d\n", 3)
printf(s, ...)
```

```
printf : string → unit
```

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printf : string → int → unit
```

```
printf :  $\prod s : \text{string} . \text{printftype } s$ 
```

```
printftype : string → Set
```

## printftype

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```
Fixpoint printftype (s : string) : Set :=
  match s with
  | nil => unit
  | cons '%' (cons 'd' t) => int -> printftype t
  | cons '%' (cons 'c' t) => char -> printftype t
  | cons '%' (cons 'f' t) => float -> printftype t
  | cons '%' (cons 's' t) => string -> printftype t
  | ...
  | cons _ t => printftype t
  end.
```



## dependently typed functional programming languages

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- **cayenne**  
‘dependent haskell’  
Lennart Augustsson
- **dependent ML**  
Hongwei Xi
- **epigram**  
Conor McBride

## the religion of dependent types

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Why do dependent types matter? Types matter. That's what they're for – to classify data with respect to criteria which matter: how they should be stored in memory, whether they can be safely passed as inputs to a given operation, even who is allowed to see them. Dependent types are types expressed in terms of data, explicitly relating their inhabitants to that data. As such, **they enable you to express more of what matters about data**. Dependent types are better at mattering on your behalf, and that is why I hope they might matter to you.

– Conor McBride

## summary

the three main things we have seen today

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- dependent types in programming
- generalizing function types to dependent products

$$A \rightarrow B$$

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$$\prod x : A. B$$

- Curry-Howard-de Bruijn for predicate logic