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## Zusammenfassung

Arrayprogrammiersprachen wie APL oder MATLAB verwenden multidimensionale Arrays als grundlegende Datenstrukturen. Rank-generische Operationen sind gleichermaßen auf Vektoren, Matrizen, und höherdimensionale Arrays anwendbar. Bei vielen Operationen unterliegen die Operanden jedoch spezifischen Einschränkungen bezüglich der Typen ihrer Elemente und ihrer Form. Beispielsweise überprüft die MATLAB-Operation A + B zur Laufzeit, ob beide Operanden die gleiche Form haben und ob die Addition der Elemente definiert ist. Im Falle einer Anwendung auf inkompatible Operanden wird die Ausführung des gesamten Programms abgebrochen.

In dieser Arbeit stelle ich die Programmiersprache QUBE vor, welche die statische Verifikation von Arrayprogrammen unterstützt, so dass Fehler schon während der Übersetzung entdeckt werden. Dazu verwendet QUBE abhängige Typen, die sowohl den Elementtyp als auch die Form eines Arrays beschreiben. Weil Arrays unterschiedlicher Form verschiedene Typen haben, können die erlaubten Argumente einer Funktion genau angegeben werden. Das Typsystem kann Elementtypfehler, Formfehler und Indexfehler ausschließen.

Als formales Modell von QUBE definiere ich die Kernsprache  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . Eine operationelle Semantik definiert die korrekte Auswertung von  $QUBE_{CORE}$  und die möglichen Laufzeitfehler. Das Typsystem von  $QUBE_{CORE}$  wird durch eine Menge von Ableitungsregeln für wohlgeformte Typen, die Subtyprelation und die Typüberprüfung von Ausdrücken beschrieben. Ich beweise, dass bei der Auswertung von wohlgetypten Ausdrücken keine Laufzeitfehlern auftreten können.

Um zu untersuchen, wie abhängige Typen genutzt werden können, um aus rankgenerischen Spezifikationen effiziente Programme zu erzeugen, habe ich zusammen mit meinen Studenten einen Übersetzer für QUBE konstruiert. Der Übersetzer verwendet für die Typüberprüfung einen Theorembeweiser für das SMT Problem. Da QUBE-Programme statisch verifiziert werden, brauchen sie keine dynamischen Tests wie etwa Bereichstests durchzuführen. Multidimensionale Arrays werden als reine Sequenzen von Daten ohne Typannotationen oder Formdeskriptoren repräsentiert. Erste Experimente zeigen, dass für einige interessante Benchmarks QUBE-Programme ähnlich schnell wie C-Programme sind.

## Abstract

Array programming languages such as APL or MATLAB use multidimensional arrays as the primary data structures. Rank-generic operations apply transparently to vectors, matrices, and arrays with an even higher rank. Often, these operations require that the ranks, shapes, and the elements of their arguments satisfy certain constraints. For example, in MATLAB, the element-wise addition A + B dynamically checks that both arrays have the same shape. In case of an improper application, the entire program aborts with an error message.

In this thesis, I present QUBE, a new programming language that checks array programs at compile time, such that errors are detected before a program is run. For this purpose, QUBE employs an advanced type system based on dependent types, i. e., types that depend on values. Since dependent types distinguish between arrays of different shapes, the allowed arguments of a function can be precisely characterised. The type system is sufficiently expressive to statically rule out base type errors, shape errors, and even array boundary violations.

As a formal model of QUBE, I define the core language  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . An operational semantics defines both the proper evaluation of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  as well as the potential run-time errors. The type system of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is described by a set of inference rules that formally specify well-formed types, the subtype relation, and type checking of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions. I provide a proof that  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is type-safe, i. e., evaluating a well-typed expression will not cause a run-time error.

To explore how the power of dependent types can be harnessed to generate efficient code from rank-generic programs, I, with help from my students, have constructed a compiler for QUBE. The compiler performs type checking in collaboration with an SMT solver. Due to static verification, programs do not need to perform any dynamic checks such as array bounds checks. Moreover, multidimensional arrays are represented as mere sequences of data without additional type tags or shape descriptors. Early experiments show that for some interesting benchmarks, the run-time performance of QUBE programs is comparable with handwritten C code.

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# Introduction

Some "very high-level languages", like APL, are normally interpreted because there are many things about the data, such as size and shape of arrays, that cannot be deduced at compile time.

Aho, Sethi, Ullman: Compilers: Principles, Techniques, and Tools [1]

This thesis presents QUBE, a new programming language that combines the expressiveness of array programming with the power of dependent types. I claim that this combination makes particular sense for three reasons: First, dependent array types can distinguish between arrays of different shapes, allowing array operations to be assigned accurate types that precisely specify the allowed arguments and how the type of the result depends on them. Second, dependent types provide static safety guarantees for array programs. QUBE uses a combination of type checking and automatic theorem proving to statically rule out large classes of program errors, in particular array boundary violations. Third, the information provided by dependent types is sufficient to compile array programs into efficient target programs, even if the shapes of the arrays involved cannot be determined at compile time. By virtue of static verification, QUBE programs do not need to check whether an operation has been applied to appropriate arguments or whether an array is accessed outside its boundaries. Furthermore, multidimensional arrays can be represented as mere sequences of elements without additional type or shape tags.

Array	Rank	Shape vector
1	0	[]
$\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}1 & 2 & 3\end{array}\right]$	1	[3]
$\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}1&2&3\\4&5&6\end{array}\right)$	2	[2 3]
$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3	[2 2 3]

Figure 1.1: Ranks and shape vectors

Array programming languages like APL [55, 35], J [57], MATLAB [76], ZPL [25], and SAC [89], use multidimensional arrays as the primary data structures. Such arrays may be vectors, matrices, or tensors with an even higher number of axes; degenerate arrays without any axes are isomorphic to scalar values. Formally, an *r*-dimensional array organises a collection of homogeneous elements along *r* orthogonal axes. Each element is identified by a vector of *r* natural numbers called the element's *index vector*.

Multidimensional arrays are characterised by two essential properties, namely their rank and their shape vector. The rank of a multidimensional array is a natural number that denotes its number of axes, i. e., the common length of the elements' index vectors. The shape vector is a vector of natural numbers that describe the extent of each axis. It is thus an element-wise upper bound for all index vectors into the array; the product of the shape components equals the number of array elements. Figure 1.1 shows the basic properties of some example arrays. Rank zero arrays such as 1 do not have any axes and hence their shape vector is empty. Note that shape and index vectors are themselves arrays of rank one.

Array programming is renowned for its conciseness. Programs are composed from general-purpose array operations that apply to entire arrays rather than individual elements. In particular, many array operations are rank-generic, i. e., they are applicable to arrays with an arbitrary number of axes, each of which may have arbitrary length. For example, the expression A + B computes the element-wise sum of the arrays A and B without explicit loops over the elements. Similarly, the APL inner product A + .\* B generalises matrix multiplication to arrays of arbitrary (positive) rank. The high abstraction level of the individual operations allows the programmer to solve problems in large conceptual steps with very few lines of code. Often, programs that would require several pages of code in conventional programming languages can be expressed in a one-line array program. Moreover, many array operations are inherently data parallel as they homogeneously apply to a large number of elements. This makes array programs well-suited for implicit parallelisation [39]. The recent advent of multi-core processors [93] has created new interest in the paradigm [24, 23, 38].

Despite its power and expressiveness, rank-generic programming also introduces a host of subtle programming pitfalls. Typically, array operations can only be evaluated if the arguments satisfy specific constraints between ranks, shapes, and even element values. For example, element-wise arithmetic can only be performed on arrays that have the same number of axes, the same shape, and elements that are compatible with the operation at hand. Similarly, the inner product requires that the last axis of the first array is as long as the first axis of the second array. Even array indexing is more intricate in a rank-generic setting. Array elements are indexed by means of an integer vector whose length must match the number of array axes. Furthermore, each index must range between zero and the corresponding element of the array shape.

Interpreted array languages like APL, J, and MATLAB are dynamically typed. When the interpreter encounters an array operation, it checks whether the operation has been applied to appropriate arguments and, if so, performs the computation, typically by invoking a (well-optimised) native implementation of the operation. In case of an improper application, the program aborts with an error message. The combination of interpretation and dynamic typing allows for rapid program development. The programmer can interact with the programming system, new code can be loaded at run-time, and even an eval function, that allows arbitrary data to be executed as code, is a common feature of interpreted array languages. However, the absence of static types makes bugs hard to find because errors are typically reported at a location different from where the programming mistake was made. Thus, long-running or safety-critical applications must be carefully coded and thoroughly tested in order to find bugs and avoid that the program terminates abruptly, potentially after it has been deployed.

Beyond safety considerations, dynamic checks also carry a performance penalty. The run-time system must tag arrays with type and shape information so that these properties can be dynamically inspected. Checking and tagging both add a constant overhead to array operations that can even outweigh the actual computation when small arrays are processed. This is particularly unfavourable for algorithms that loop over individual array elements instead of applying operations to entire arrays.

To counter these issues, compiled array languages such as FORTRAN-90, HPF, FISH, ZPL, and SAC have been developed. Naturally, compilation rules out interactive program development and an eval function. But unlike interpreters, compilers can employ a broad range of optimisations to improve program efficiency. In particular, scalars can often be identified statically so that they can be stored in processor registers rather than on the heap and applications of complex array operations can be replaced with simple processor instructions. By means of type checking, compilers can perform some of the required consistency checks at compile time, which eliminates the need to check for these properties dynamically. The amount of bugs that can be statically found and thus the amount of dynamic checks that can be avoided depends on the strength of the type system.

FISH [59, 58] is a compiled array programming language with an impure callby-value semantics and support for polymorphic higher-order functions. Multidimensional arrays are supported as homogenous nestings of vectors. By means of *shape analysis*, the FISH compiler determines the shapes of all intermediate array expressions such that appropriate amounts of memory can be allocated statically. To describe array shapes, FISH uses expressions of a special kind *size*, which are evaluated by the compiler. Each function f is accompanied by a shape function #f that maps the size of the arguments to the size of the result. Shape analysis proceeds by first inlining all functions and then evaluating all shape functions. FISH rejects all programs that contain non-constant array shapes. Since arrays are indexed by run-time integers whereas array sizes are determined at compile time, shape-analysis is insufficient to statically capture array boundary violations. Still, applications of functions to arguments of incompatible shape will be reported as shape errors, so that combinations of functions that are free of array bounds errors will produce programs without bounds errors.

SAC [42, 89, 94] is a compiled array programming language with a pure callby-value semantics. The design of SAC aims at high run-time performance and automatic parallelisation [39]. In SAC, multidimensional arrays are the only available data structures, even scalar values are considered arrays [90]. The language provides just a few array operations as built-in functions. Rank-generic array operations are specified by means of a powerful array comprehension called WITH-loop. An extensive standard library provides numerous high-level, generalpurpose array operations whose implementations are based on WITH-loops. SAC programs are typically assembled from these building blocks. This style of programming leads to lean and concise specifications, but also introduces many intermediate arrays. To achieve competitive run-times, the SAC compiler employs a host of powerful program optimisations that chiefly aim at avoiding the creation of temporary arrays whenever possible [44, 88, 40].

More liberal than FISH, the type system of SAC classifies arrays with a hierar-

chy of types [89]. While the type of array elements is always monomorphic, arrays are described at four different levels of accuracy: there are types for arrays of statically known value (AKV, for example int[2,2]{1,2,3,4}), types for arrays of known shape (AKS, for example int[2,2]), types for arrays of known dimensionality (AKD, for example int[.,.]), and types for arrays of unknown dimensionality (AUD, for example int[\*]). Via subtyping, an expression of some specific type can be safely used in a position where a less specific type is required. In contrast, when an expression of some unspecific type is used in a position where a more specific type is expected, the compiler inserts a run-time shape check that potentially aborts the program with an error message.

The amount of program errors that can be statically detected by the SAC type system corresponds to the available type information. Array boundary violations will only be captured at compile time when the array has at most an AKS type and when the index vector has an AKV type. Shape errors will only be found when both the actual type and the expected type are at most AKS types. Similarly, rank errors will only be reported by the compiler if both types are at most AKD types. When an expression has an AUD type, or when an AUD type is expected at some position, only base type errors can be detected statically.

Run-time checks that stay prevalent in compiled code cause overhead both directly through their mere execution and indirectly by hampering program optimisation. To improve the available type information and reduce run-time checks, the SAC compiler uses code specialisation [43] and partial evaluation techniques [51]. *Symbolic array attributes* serve as a uniform scheme to infer and represent structural information in shape-generic array programs such that it may be used by optimisations [98]. Recently, the SAC compiler has been extended with a framework for dynamic recompilation at run-time when all structural properties of arrays are known [46].

This thesis contributes QUBE, a new array programming language that verifies rank-generic array programs entirely statically such that no dynamic checks are necessary. For this purpose, QUBE features an advanced type system based on dependent types, i. e., types that are parameterised by values [72, 7, 36, 86]. Like SAC, QUBE is a compiled language with a pure call-by-value semantics that only provides the most essential array operations as language primitives. However, QUBE does not follow the *everything is an array* paradigm. The type system distinguishes between multidimensional arrays and other data structures, namely unboxed scalars, tuples, and first-class functions.

The type system of QUBE classifies arrays using types of the form [T | e] where the type *T* describes the array elements and the expression *e* is an integer vector that represents the array shape. For example, a 2 × 3 integer matrix has type [int][2,3], but also type [int][1+1,1+2], because [1+1,1+2] evaluates to [2,3]. Types of the form intvec *e* describe integer vectors of length *e* that are used as shape vectors and index vectors.

The potential run-time values of an expression can be restricted with refinement types [36, 86]. A type of the form  $\{x : T \mid e\}$  describes the set of all values x of type T for which the expression e evaluates to true. For example, nat is the type of natural numbers and index n is the type of all integers that are valid indices into a vector of length n.

```
type nat = { x:int | 0 <= x }
type index n:nat = { x:int | 0 <= x & x < n }</pre>
```

Vector types can be refined, too. In such refinements, the vector predicate vfa  $v_1, ..., v_m p$  (vector for all) expresses that a property p holds for all corresponding elements of some vectors  $v_1, ..., v_m$ . The property p has the form  $(x_1, ..., x_m \rightarrow e)$  where the variable  $x_i$  represents an element from the vector  $v_i$  in the boolean expression e. For example, the type natvec n, which describes vectors of natural numbers of length n, is defined in terms of vfa. Similarly, indexvec r s describes valid index vectors into an array of rank r and shape s. type natvec n:nat = { x:intvec n | vfa x (xi  $\rightarrow 0 \le xi$ ) }

```
type indexvec r:nat s:(natvec r) = \{ x:intvec r \mid vfa x, s (xi, si \rightarrow 0 \le xi \& xi \le si) \}
```

The type system is sufficient to statically rule out array boundary violations. For all accesses a. [x] into an array a of rank r and shape s, the type checker verifies that the index x has type indexvec r s. For example, the type system rejects the following definition of foo because the array access will fail for m < 2 or n < 3.

let foo m:nat n:nat a:[int|[m,n]] = a.[ [1,2] ]

Type error in file test/abc.q, line 1, column 36: Index may violate the array boundaries.

Dependent function types of the form  $x: T \to T_x$  allow the result type  $T_x$  of a function to depend on the argument value x. Together with refinement types and array types, dependent function types can be used to precisely specify the constraints a function imposes on the ranks, shapes, and values of its arguments and the result. Based on this information, the type checker can statically detect base type errors, rank errors, shape errors, and illegal argument values, even in a rank-generic setting. For example, the type of the rank-generic array addition add makes clear that the function takes two integer arrays of some arbitrary but equal shape s and yields a result of the same shape.

```
val add : r:nat. s:(natvec r). [int|s]. [int|s] \rightarrow [int|s]
```

The type of the inner product ip, which generalises matrix multiplication to arrays of arbitrary rank, makes the constraints on the arguments explicit: the last axis of the first array must be as long as the first axis of the second array.

val ip : m:nat. n:nat. r:(natvec m). s:nat. t:(natvec n). [int|r,[s]]. [int|[s],t]  $\rightarrow$  [int|r,t]

Dual to dependent function types, QUBE supports dependent tuple types of the form  $(x:T, T_x)$ , i. e., tuples where the type of the second component depends on the value of the first. Dependent tuples are useful to form packages of arrays and their shape properties, so that arrays of different shape can be stored in a common data structure. QUBE uses dependent tuples to represent strings as pairs of an integer that describes the string length and a vector of characters. The command-line arguments passed to a program are represented as a dependent tuple that combines the number of arguments with an array of strings.

```
type string = ( len:nat, [char|[len]])
val commandline_args : ( argc: nat, [string|[argc]])
```

As pointed out above, the dependent type of an expression is not unique. The type of an array may be [int|[2,3]], or [int|[1+1,1+2]], or even [int|f x] if the expression f x happens to evaluate to [2,3]. In order to decide whether the array types  $[T|e_1]$  and  $[T|e_2]$  are equal, the type checker must decide whether the expressions  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  denote the same value. Furthermore, to check whether a refinement type  $\{x:T | e_1\}$  is a subtype of some other refinement type  $\{x:T | e_2\}$ , the type checker must prove that all values x that satisfy  $e_1$  also satisfy  $e_2$ . Since arbitrary expression are allowed to appear in types, both problems are undecidable.

To sidestep this problem, the QUBE type checker encodes the constraints to be checked as first-order formulas in the decidable fragment of uninterpreted functions and linear arithmetic. The resulting formulas are then verified in collaboration with the YICES theorem prover [33]. The encoding is sound but, naturally, incomplete: if an encoded formula is valid, the original constraint is valid, too. However, not all valid constraints are encoded as valid formulas. In effect, type checking behaves conservatively. It rules out all programs with type errors, but it also rejects some programs that would actually behave well at run-time.

The type system of QUBE provides static guarantees that well-typed array programs do not cause run-time errors. Beyond rendering dynamic checks obsolete, the type system also allows for a particularly efficient run-time representation of multidimensional arrays. To make ranks and shape vectors dynamically accessible, for example to compute memory locations of array elements, language implementations typically associate each array with a shape descriptor. The implementation of QUBE dispenses with shape descriptors and represents arrays as mere sequences of elements [97]. The compiler uses information from the array types to statically annotate programs with expressions that evaluate to ranks and shape vectors wherever these values will be required at run-time. **Other Related Work** The contribution of QUBE is positioned at the intersection of array programming, functional programming, and dependently typed programming. The following paragraphs briefly outline work from the different areas of research related to this thesis.

Attempts have been made to compile the classical array languages like APL and MATLAB in order to improve program efficiency, although the flexibility of these languages renders compilation difficult. The APEX compiler [11] translates an extended subset of ISO APL into SISAL, a functional vector language. Recently, APEX has been modified to target SAC, instead. A compiler for MATLAB is commercially available from MathWorks. However, instead of improving efficiency, the goals of the MATLAB compiler are chiefly to create standalone executables or libraries from MATLAB programs, and code obfuscation. Rediscovering array properties for better compilation of untyped array languages such as MATLAB is an area of ongoing research, see for example [31, 74, 61]. In QUBE, the array types contain everything the programmer knows about the structural properties of the program, eliminating the need for such work.

The field of functional array programming was pioneered by SISAL [21] and NESL [14], although neither language supports rank-generic programming. SISAL demonstrated that functional array programming and implicit parallelisation can achieve competitive run-time performance, despite the aggregate update problem [53]. While SISAL restricts itself to (one-dimensional) vectors of homogeneously nested vectors, NESL also supports irregularly nested vectors. Inspired by NESL, work has been going on to integrate nested data-parallelism into HASKELL [24, 23]. Recently, support for rank-generic programming has been added to DATA PARALLEL HASKELL as a library [63]. Although the HASKELL type system cannot detect array boundary violations, many rank and shape errors can be detected statically.

Another field of related work is the research area of dependently typed programming [92]. Dependent types naturally lend themselves for describing arrays as they allow the use of (dynamic) terms to index within families of types. Indeed, the classical example for dependently typed programming is the index family of vectors from which an element with a particular length is selected [83]. The expressive power of dependent types renders deciding type equality generally undecidable as it boils down to deciding whether any two expressions denote the same value. For example, CAYENNE [4] is a fully dependently typed language. Its type system is undecidable and it lacks phase distinction. Both problems can be overcome by restricting the type language as done in EPIGRAM [73, 2], which rules out general recursion in type-forming expressions to retain decidability.

Languages with light-weight forms of dependent types such as DML [102], *applied type system* [100], and *indexed types* [103] have been developed. These

languages allow indexing into type families only with compile-time expressions of certain linear *index sorts*. The problem of deciding whether two types are equal or in a subtype relation is reduced to constraint solving on these sorts, which is decidable. Light-weight dependent types are sufficient to rule out array boundary violations for arrays of fixed rank [101]. An early version of QUBE extended indexed types for rank-generic programming [96]. To automatically infer dependent types for programs, *logically qualified data types*, or LIQUID TYPES, that combine Hindley-Milner type inference with predicate abstraction have been proposed [86].

#### **Outline** The remainder of this thesis is organised in three parts.

The first part covers the theoretical foundations on which this work relies. Chapter 2 briefly recapitulates essential concepts of programming languages and type systems. The chapter presents formalisms based on the  $\lambda$ -calculus that allow us to reason about syntax, semantics, and the type system of a language with mathematical rigour. Chapter 3 gives a brief introduction to propositional logic, first-order logic, and the relevant fragments of first-order theories that will be relevant in the remainder of the thesis.

The second parts formally discusses the syntax, semantics, and the type system of QUBE. To achieve a rigourous presentation, the discussion focusses on  $QUBE_{CORE}$ , a simplified language that captures the essential concepts of QUBE without syntactic sugar or convenience features. Chapter 4 presents the syntax and operational semantics of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  and shows that evaluation of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions is deterministic. Chapter 5 explains the type system of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  and provides a formal proof of type safety. The main results are a progress and a preservation theorem for  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . These state that a well-typed expression is either a value or can be further evaluated, and that the type of an expression is preserved under evaluation. Furthermore, the chapter describes how type constraints are encoded as logical formulas.

The third part presents the implementation of QUBE. Chapter 6 describes the syntax of the actual QUBE programming language. Chapter 7 explains the compilation process that translates QUBE programs via a series of intermediate representations into code for the Low-Level Virtual Machine (LLVM), which in turn emits native code. Chapter 8 illustrates the expressiveness of QUBE. A host of rank-generic array operations, that are typically provided as built-ins primitives by interpreted array languages, are defined as type-safe QUBE functions. Chapter 9 evaluates the QUBE language and its implementation by means of more complex example programs. Finally, Chapter 10 concludes the thesis and outlines some directions for future work.

# Part I Foundations

# 2

# The $\lambda$ -Calculus and Type Systems

This chapter gives an introduction to the formal treatment of programming languages and type systems. The presented formalisms allow us to specify and reason about syntax, semantics, and typing rules of a language with mathematical rigour. The presentation recapitulates concepts from textbooks on programming language theory, mainly from [82] but also from [83, 64].

The  $\lambda$ -calculus [26, 5, 8, 52, 64] is a formal system which was introduced by Church and Kleene in the 1930s to investigate function definition, function application, and recursion. In the 1960s, Landin recognised [67] that the  $\lambda$ -calculus captures the essence of many programming languages and that their more elaborate features may be understood by explaining them in terms of the calculus.

 $\lambda$ -calculi exist in untyped and typed flavours. The untyped  $\lambda$ -calculus was influential in the development of early functional programming languages such as LISP. Typed  $\lambda$ -calculi form the foundation of modern type systems used in both typed programming languages and mechanical proof assistants. By classifying expressions according to the kinds of values they compute, type systems help to identify program errors early in the development cycle [82].

The remainder of this chapter is structured as follows: Section 2.1 introduces the most essential definitions and properties of the untyped  $\lambda$ -calculus. Section 2.2 presents an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with a call-by-value semantics that resembles a simple programming language and examines its basic properties. Section 2.3 extends the applied calculus with simple types that warrant orderly evaluation of expressions.

#### **2.1** The $\lambda$ -Calculus

This section formally introduces essentials of the  $\lambda$ -calculus by explaining its grammar, notational conventions, capture-avoiding substitution,  $\beta$ -reduction, normal forms, and fundamental evaluation strategies.

In the following, the metavariables x, y range over variables, and the metavariables  $e, e', e_i$  represent  $\lambda$ -expressions.

#### Definition 2.1 ( $\lambda$ -calculus)

For a countably infinite set of variables *V*, the set of expressions in the  $\lambda$ -calculus is defined by the following grammar.

$e ::= x \\ \lambda x.e \\ e e$	(Variable) (Abstraction) (Application)
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In the  $\lambda$ -calculus, all variables *x* are themselves expressions. The *abstraction*  $\lambda x.e$  abstracts a variable *x* from the *body e*, essentially creating a function that depends on *x*. The *application*  $e_1 e_2$  applies the *operator*  $e_1$  to the *operand*  $e_2$ .

The above syntax of the  $\lambda$ -calculus is given as an abstract syntax and thus is inherently ambiguous. We use parentheses to disambiguate the structure of expressions, subject to the following conventions: applications associate to the left, whereas abstraction bodies extend to the utmost right, for example *a b c* stands for the same expression as  $((a \ b) \ c)$  and  $\lambda f \cdot \lambda x \cdot f \ x$  abbreviates  $(\lambda f \cdot (\lambda x \cdot (f \ x)))$ .

An abstraction  $\lambda x.e$  binds the variable x in the body e. The latter is also referred to as the *scope* of the *binder*  $\lambda x$ . An occurrence of a variable x is said to be *bound* if it appears inside the scope of a binder  $\lambda x$  otherwise the occurrence is *free*.

#### Definition 2.2 (Free variables)

The set  $\mathcal{FV}(e)$  of free variables of an expression *e* is defined inductively:

A  $\lambda$ -expression *e* is *closed* iff  $\mathcal{FV}(e) = \emptyset$ . Other expressions are called *open*. Closed expressions are also known as *combinators*. A prominent combinator is the *identity function*  $\lambda x. x$  which merely yields its argument *x*.

Expressions that differ only in the names of bound variables are said to be *syntac*tically equivalent or  $\alpha$ -equivalent, written  $e_1 \equiv e_2$ . For example,  $\lambda x. x \equiv \lambda y. y$ . We may freely convert between  $\alpha$ -equivalent expressions by consistent renaming of bound variables. Without loss of generality, we adopt the following convention (also known as the *Barendregt convention* [5]):

#### Convention 2.3 (Variable convention)

If  $e_1, ..., e_n$  appear in a certain mathematical context (definition, proof), then in these expressions all bound variables are chosen to be different from the free variables.

The variable convention allows us to provide a straightforward definition of *capture-avoiding substitution*. The function  $e[x \mapsto e']$  replaces all free occurrences of a variable x in an expression e by an expression e'. For example,  $(\lambda x. y)[y \mapsto z] = \lambda x. z$ ,  $(\lambda x. x)[y \mapsto z] = \lambda x. x$ , and  $(f \ y)[f \mapsto \lambda x. x] = (\lambda x. x) y$ .

#### Definition 2.4 (Substitution)

The *substitution function*  $e[x \mapsto e']$  is defined recursively:

$$\begin{array}{lll} x[x \mapsto e'] &=& e' \\ y[x \mapsto e'] &=& y & \text{if } y \neq x \\ (\lambda y. e)[x \mapsto e'] &=& \lambda y.(e[x \mapsto e']) & \text{if } y \neq x, y \notin \mathcal{FV}(e') \\ (e_1 e_2)[x \mapsto e'] &=& (e_1[x \mapsto e'])(e_2[x \mapsto e']) \end{array}$$

The variable convention ensures that the condition in the third clause always holds so that no further clauses are required.

Evaluation of  $\lambda$ -expressions is performed via  $\beta$ -reduction which captures the idea of function application. The application of abstractions to operands is explained in terms of substitution.

#### Definition 2.5 (*Redex*, $\beta$ -reduction)

An application of the form  $(\lambda x. e_1) e_2$  is called a *reducible expression*,  $\beta$ -*redex*, or simply *redex*. The  $\beta$ -*reduction rule* replaces a redex  $(\lambda x. e_1) e_2$  by the abstraction body  $e_1$  in which all free occurrences of x are substituted with the operand  $e_2$ .

$$(\lambda x. e_1) e_2 \rightarrow_\beta e_1[x \mapsto e_2]$$

Given two  $\lambda$ -expressions *e* and *e'*, we say that *e* is  $\beta$ -reducible to *e'*, written  $e \rightarrow_{\beta}^{*} e'$ , iff there exists a finite, potentially empty sequence of  $\beta$ -reductions

 $e \rightarrow_{\beta} \dots \rightarrow_{\beta} e'$  that transforms *e* into *e'*. The evaluation of a  $\lambda$ -expression stops once no further redices remain in an expression. From an operational point of view, such a *normal form* may be regarded as a computational result.

#### Definition 2.6 (Normal form)

A  $\lambda$ -expression is said to be in *normal form* if it cannot be reduced any further. A  $\lambda$ -expression *e* is said to *have a normal form* if  $e \rightarrow_{\beta}^{*} e'$  holds for some  $\lambda$ -expression e' in normal form.

Not every  $\lambda$ -expression has a normal form. A simple counterexample of this is the *divergent combinator*  $\omega$  whose evaluation incessantly yields itself.

$$\omega \equiv (\lambda x. x x) (\lambda x. x x) \rightarrow_{\beta} (\lambda x. x x) (\lambda x. x x) \equiv \omega.$$

Typically, an expression under evaluation contains more then one redex to choose from for the next evaluation step. This gives rise to *evaluation strategies* that reduce the individual redices of a  $\lambda$ -expression in a deterministic order. A choice for a particular strategy has significant impact on both the semantics and the implementation of a programming language.

- Under *normal order reduction (leftmost-outermost)*, the leftmost redex of an expression that is not contained in any other redex is reduced first. This means that operations are applied to unevaluated operands thereby deferring the operands' evaluation.
- Under *applicative order reduction (leftmost-innermost)*, the leftmost redex of an expression that does not contain any further redices is reduced first. Therefore, both the operator and the operand of an application are reduced before the application itself.

Normal order evaluation has the advantage that it will reach the normal form of an expression if one exists. As a downside, normal-order evaluation can entail significant overhead as redices in the unevaluated operand may be copied, thereby duplicating computations.

Applicative order will not normalise an expression if the evaluation of the operand does not terminate (for example  $(\lambda x. e) \omega$ ). However, if the evaluation of the operand terminates, the result will only be computed once and can potentially be used many times in the body of the abstraction.

Functional programming languages such as SML [75, 70, 49], OCAML [69, 22], HASKELL [81, 13, 54], and CLEAN [84] employ strategies that, unlike the strategies presented so far, do not evaluate expressions inside of abstractions. Instead of transforming expressions into full normal forms, these strategies merely compute *weak normal forms* [91, 80].

#### Definition 2.7 (Weak normal form)

A  $\lambda$ -expression is said to be in *weak normal form* iff it is an abstraction that may contain redices in its body.

Restricting the above evaluation strategies to weak normal forms gives rise to the two predominant evaluation strategies used by language implementations.

- The *call-by-name* strategy restricts normal order reduction. The operator is reduced to weak normal form and then applied to the unevaluated operand. To avoid multiple evaluation of the operand, concrete implementations such as HASKELL and CLEAN refine this strategy even further to a variant called *call-by-need* or *lazy evaluation*. Instead of copying the unevaluated argument to all variable locations in the syntax tree, only a pointer to a common *thunk* containing the argument is propagated. Upon first evaluation of the argument, the thunk is updated to hold the appropriate value for future access.
- Similarly, the *call-by-value* regime restricts applicative order reduction such that both the operator and the operand are merely reduced to weak normal forms before β-reduction is performed. Call-by-value is fairly easy to implement in an efficient way and therefore is the most widely used evaluation strategy. For example, SML and OCAML implement call-by-value evaluation.

#### **2.2** An Applied $\lambda$ -Calculus

This section presents an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus that extends the bare  $\lambda$ -calculus with the usual representations of truth values and integers along with primitive operators. We define  $\delta$ -reduction, values, the evaluation relation, and formally discuss essential properties of the latter.

#### Definition 2.8 ( $\delta$ -redex, $\delta$ -reduction)

An application of a primitive operator to legitimate arguments is called a  $\delta$ -redex.  $\delta$ -reduction, written  $e \Rightarrow_{\delta} e$ , replaces the redex by the result.

Legitimate arguments are those, on which the operator is defined. For example,  $* 6 7 \Rightarrow_{\delta} 42$ . For the sake of readability, applications of binary operations may also be written in infix notation with the usual precedence rules.

Figure 2.1 defines the syntax and the operational semantics of an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with a call-by-value semantics that may be regarded as a simple programming language. The top half defines a set of expressions, a set of constant

Syntax

Evaluation

 $e \Rightarrow e$ 

 $\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1}{e_1 e_2 \Rightarrow e'_1 e_2} (E-APP1) \qquad \qquad \frac{e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2}{v_1 e_2 \Rightarrow v_1 e'_2} (E-APP2)$   $(\lambda x. e_1) v_2 \Rightarrow e_1[x \mapsto v_2] (E-ABSAPP)$   $\frac{f^1(v) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v'}{f^1 v \Rightarrow v'} (E-PRFAPP1) \qquad \qquad \frac{f^2(v_1, v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_3}{(f^2 v_1) v_2 \Rightarrow v_3} (E-PRFAPP2)$   $\frac{e_p \Rightarrow e'_p}{if e_p \text{ then } e_t \text{ else } e_e \Rightarrow if e'_p \text{ then } e_t \text{ else } e_e} (E-COND)$   $if \text{ true then } e_t \text{ else } e_e \Rightarrow e_t (E-THEN)$   $if \text{ false then } e_t \text{ else } e_e \Rightarrow e_e (E-ELSE)$ 

Figure 2.1: An applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with call-by-value evaluation

symbols and a set of values. In the remainder, the metavariables  $v, v', v_i$  range over values, the metavariable *c* represents constant symbols, and a metavariable  $f^n$  represents function symbols of arity *n*.

The set of expressions consists of the expressions of the  $\lambda$ -calculus, constant symbols c and the conditional expression if  $e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ , with the *predicate*  $e_p$  and the two branch expressions  $e_t, e_e$ . The set of constant symbols comprises the truth values  $\mathbb{B} = \{\texttt{true}, \texttt{false}\}$ , the integers  $\mathbb{Z} = \{.., -1, 0, 1, ..\}$ , and some of the usual logical, relational, and arithmetic operators. A value is either a  $\lambda$ -abstraction, a constant symbol c, or an application  $f^2 v$  of a binary operator to a single argument.

#### Definition 2.9 (Value)

A value v is an expression that is considered a valid evaluation result.

The bottom half of Figure 2.1 defines the operational semantics of the language by means of inference rules.

#### Definition 2.10 (One-step evaluation relation, multi-step evaluation relation)

The one-step evaluation relation  $e \Rightarrow e$  is the smallest relation that satisfies the inference rules. The multi-step evaluation relation  $e \Rightarrow^* e$  is the reflexive, transitive closure of  $e \Rightarrow e$ .

The evaluation relation captures the call-by-value strategy: the rules E-APP1 and E-APP2 process applications from left to right and bottom-up; when the operator is an abstraction and the operand is a value, E-ABSAPP performs a  $\beta$ -reduction step. The definition of the capture-avoiding substitution carries over from Section 2.1, mutatis mutandis. The rules E-APPPRF1 and E-APPPRF2 evaluate applications of primitive functions to legitimate arguments by means of  $\delta$ -reduction. Evaluation of the conditional is defined by the final three rules. E-COND evaluates the predicate. When it evaluates to either true or false, the entire conditional is evaluated to  $e_t$  (E-THEN) or  $e_e$  (E-ELSE), respectively. No evaluation takes place inside of abstractions.

Every expression in normal form that is not a value is said to be a *stuck expression* [82]. For example, not 42,  $(\lambda x. x) + 0$ , if 42 then true else false. The intuition behind stuck expressions is that due to a run-time error, the machine has entered a meaningless state in which no further evaluation is possible.

We can now formally discuss essential properties of the evaluation relation. First, we check that every value is in normal form, a crucial property of every language definition.

#### Theorem 2.11

Every value v is in normal form.

**Proof**: Immediate. There are no rules that evaluate abstractions  $\lambda x. e$ , constant symbols c, or partially applied binary operators  $f^2 v$ .

The next theorem states that one-step evaluation is deterministic, i. e., the result of an expression that makes an evaluation step will always be the same.

#### Theorem 2.12 (Determinacy of one-step evaluation)

If  $e \Rightarrow e'$  and  $e \Rightarrow e''$ , then e = e''.

**Proof:** By induction on a derivation of  $e \Rightarrow e'$ . For every rule E, we assume that *e* evaluates to *e'*. We show that no other rule that matches *e* than E is applicable. In consequence, e'' can only be derived from *e* by rule E. By the induction hypothesis, evaluation of the subexpressions is deterministic and hence e' = e''.

- 1. Case E-APP1:  $e = e_1 e_2$  with  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1$ . Since  $e_1$  is not a value, no other rule matches e. By the hypothesis  $e'_1 = e''_1$  and hence e' = e''.
- 2. Case E-APP2:  $e = v_1 e_2$  with  $e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2$ . Similar.
- 3. Case E-ABSAPP:  $e = (\lambda x. e_1) v_2$ . Both the operator and the operand are values, so no other rule matches *e*. Substitution is deterministic, so that e' = e''.
- 4. Case E-PRFAPP1:  $e = f^1 v$  with  $f^1(v) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v'$ . No other rule matches and  $\delta$ -reduction is deterministic, so that e' = e''
- 5. Case E-PRFAPP2:  $e = (f^2 v_1) v_2$  with  $f^2(v_1, v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_3$ . Similar.
- 6. Case E-COND:  $e = if e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$  with  $e_p \Rightarrow e'_p$ . Since  $e_p$  is not a value, no other rule matches e. By the hypothesis,  $e'_p = e''_p$  and thus e' = e''.
- 7. Case E-THEN:  $e = \text{if true then } e_t \text{ else } e_e$ . No other rule matches e and therefore e' = e''.
- 8. Case E-FALSE: e = if false then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ . Similar.

An immediate corollary of the determinacy of one-step evaluation is that multistep evaluation is also deterministic.

#### Corollary 2.13 (Uniqueness of normal forms)

If  $e \Rightarrow^* e'$  and  $e \Rightarrow^* e''$  where e' and e'' are normal forms, then e' = e''.

In addition to the facilities for function definition and application, an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus features built-in constant symbols and operators whose operational semantics is defined in terms of  $\delta$ -reduction. This section introduced an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with a call-by-value evaluation regime that serves as a language nucleus in the remainder of the thesis. We showed that evaluation is deterministic and that every value is in normal form. All language extensions must retain these essential properties.

#### 2.3 Simple Types

Every terminating evaluation sequence either yields a value or ends at a stuck expression, i. e., an expression for which no evaluation rule applies although it is not considered a valid result. A type system identifies such errors by classifying expressions according to the values they evaluate to. This section augments the applied  $\lambda$ -calculus from the previous section with simple types. We define the typing relation and discuss essential properties of the typed calculus, such as type safety.

Figure 2.2 shows a typed version of the applied  $\lambda$ -calculus from Section 2.2 by providing a syntax, an evaluation relation, and a typing relation.

Syntax

Evaluation

$$\begin{array}{l} \hline e_{1} \Rightarrow e_{1}' \\ \hline e_{1} \Rightarrow e_{2}' \\ \hline e_{1} e_{2} \Rightarrow e_{1}' e_{2} \end{array} (E-APP1) \\ \hline e_{2} \Rightarrow e_{2}' \\ \hline v_{1} e_{2} \Rightarrow v_{1} e_{2}' \end{aligned} (E-APP2) \\ \hline (\lambda x : T. e_{1}) v_{2} \Rightarrow e_{1}[x \mapsto v_{2}] (E-ABSAPP) \\ \hline (\lambda x : T. e_{1}) v_{2} \Rightarrow e_{1}[x \mapsto v_{2}] (E-ABSAPP) \\ \hline \frac{f^{1}(v) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v'}{f^{1}v \Rightarrow v'} (E-PRFAPP1) \\ \hline \frac{f^{2}(v_{1}, v_{2}) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_{3}}{(f^{2}v_{1}) v_{2} \Rightarrow v_{3}} (E-PRFAPP2) \\ \hline \frac{e_{p} \Rightarrow e_{p}'}{if e_{p} then e_{t} else e_{e}} \Rightarrow if e_{p}' then e_{t} else e_{e}} (E-COND) \\ if true then e_{t} else e_{e} \Rightarrow e_{t} (E-THEN) \\ if false then e_{t} else e_{e} \Rightarrow e_{e} (E-ELSE) \end{array}$$

 $\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_p: \texttt{bool} \qquad \Gamma \vdash e_t: T \qquad \Gamma \vdash e_e: T}{\Gamma \vdash \texttt{if } e_p \texttt{ then } e_t \texttt{ else } e_e: T} (\texttt{T-COND})$ 

Figure 2.2: The applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with simple types

In addition to expressions, constants, and values, the syntax defines a set of types and a set of typing contexts. In the following, the metavariables  $T, T', T_i$  range over types and the metavariables  $\Gamma, \Gamma', \Gamma_i$  range over contexts.

The set of *types* consists of the base types bool and int, that describe boolean and integer expressions, and function types  $T_1 \rightarrow T_2$  that describe functions with the *domain*  $T_1$  and *codomain*  $T_2$ . The function type associates to the right, so that  $T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \rightarrow T_3$  stands for  $T_1 \rightarrow (T_2 \rightarrow T_3)$ . The expressions and values resemble those from Section 2.2, except that abstractions  $\lambda x : T \cdot e$  are annotated with the type of the bound variable.

A type context or environment is a sequence  $\cdot, x_1 : T_1, ..., x_n : T_n$  that, starting with the empty context  $\cdot$ , associates variables with types. Convention 2.3 extends to the variables bound in a context, so that a variable can appear in a context  $\Gamma$ at most once. The function  $dom(\Gamma)$  yields the set of variables bound in  $\Gamma$ . The notation  $x : T \in \Gamma$  means that in  $\Gamma$ , the variable x is associated with type T.

The evaluation relation  $e \Rightarrow e$  is, apart from the rule E-ABSAPP the same as in Section 2.2. The bottom of the figure defines the ternary typing relation  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$  by a set of inference rules.

#### Definition 2.14 (Typing relation, well-typed expression)

The *typing relation*  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$  is the smallest ternary relation between typing contexts, expressions, and types that satisfies the inference rules. An expression *e* is said to be *well-typed* under a context  $\Gamma$  iff there is some *T* such that  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ .

The typing rule T-VAR assigns a variable x the type T if x : T appears in the context  $\Gamma$ . The rule T-CONST gives types to constants c according to the table shown in Figure 2.3. The typing rule T-ABS for abstractions assign the abstraction  $\lambda x : T.e$  the type  $T \to T'$  when e has type T' under the extended context  $\Gamma, x : T$ . Applications  $e_1 e_2$  are checked by the rule T-APP. When the operator  $e_1$  is a function of type  $T \to T'$  and when the operand  $e_2$  is an argument of type T, then the application result has type T'. Finally, the typing rule T-COND for conditionals if  $e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$  ensures that the predicate  $e_p$  is a boolean expression and that the branch expressions  $e_t, e_e$  have the same type T.

The goal of type checking is to rule out programs whose evaluation might get stuck at some point. This property is called *safety* or *soundness*. To formally prove that simple types indeed provide type-safety, two theorems are required. The *progress* theorem states that every (closed) well-typed expression is either a value or able to make an evaluation step. The *preservation* theorem (or subject reduction) states that evaluation preserves the type of an expression such that the progress theorem applies again.

A basic assumption about the constant and function symbols in the calculus is

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true,false : bool

not : bool \rightarrow bool

\leftrightarrow, \&, | : bool \rightarrow bool \rightarrow bool

...,-1,0,1,.. : int

=,< : int \rightarrow int \rightarrow bool

+,-,* : int \rightarrow int \rightarrow int
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Figure 2.3: Types of the constant symbols

that every symbol has a type and that  $\delta$ -reduction of a function symbol behaves as declared by its type.

#### Axiom 2.15 (Constant symbols are well-behaved)

Each constant symbol *c* has a type type(c) such that: if  $type(f^1) = T_1 \rightarrow T_2$ , then  $\delta$ -reduction  $f^1(v_1) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_2$  is defined for all values  $v_1$  with  $\cdot \vdash v_1 : T_1$  so that  $\cdot \vdash v_2 : T_2$ . The axiom also applies to binary functions  $f^2$ , mutatis mutandis.

The canonical forms lemma recapitulates the possible forms the values of a given type may have. The proof is omitted as it is straightforward from the syntax of values, the types of constants, and the typing rules.

#### Lemma 2.16 (Canonical forms)

- 1. If *v* is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v$  : bool then  $v \in \mathbb{B}$ .
- 2. If *v* is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v$  : int then  $v \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- 3. If v is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v : T_1 \rightarrow T_2$  then  $v = f^1$ ,  $v = f^2$ ,  $v = f^2 v_1$ , or  $v = \lambda x : T.e$ .

With the canonical forms lemma, the progress theorem can be formalised and proved.

#### Theorem 2.17 (Progress)

If  $\cdot \vdash e : T$  then *e* is a value or there is some *e'* with  $e \Rightarrow e'$ .

**Proof:** By induction on type derivations  $\cdot \vdash e : T$ .

- 1. Case T-VAR: e = x*e* is not closed.
- 2. Case T-CONST: e = c*e* is a value.

- 3. Case T-ABS:  $e = \lambda x : T \cdot e$ *e* is a value.
- 4. Case T-APP:  $e = e_1 e_2$  with  $\cdot \vdash e_1 : T' \rightarrow T$  and  $\cdot \vdash e_2 : T'$ By the hypothesis, the subexpressions  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are either values or can make an evaluation step. If  $e_1$  can make a step, E-APP1 applies. If  $e_1$  is a value and  $e_2$  can make a step then E-APP2 applies. If both expressions are values, the application can have four different forms according to the canonical forms lemma:
  - (a) Case  $e_1 = f^1$ : E-PRFAPP1 applies because of axiom 2.15.
  - (b) Case  $e_1 = f^2$ :  $e = f^2 e_2$  is a value.
  - (c) Case  $e_1 = f^2 v_1$ : E-PRFAPP2 applies because of axiom 2.15.
  - (d) Case  $e_1 = \lambda x : T' \cdot e'$ : E-ABSAPP applies.
- 5. Case T-COND:  $e = if e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$  with  $\cdot \vdash e_p$ : bool By the hypothesis,  $e_p$  is a value or it can make an evaluation step. If  $e_1$  can make a step, then E-COND applies. If  $e_1$  is a value, then by the canonical forms lemma, it is either true or false and therefore either E-THEN or E-ELSE applies.

In order to prove preservation, some basic lemmas are required. The weakening lemma states that extending a context with a fresh variable *x* does not change the type of a well-typed expression. The proof is a straightforward induction on typing derivations  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ .

#### Lemma 2.18 (Weakening)

If  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$  then  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ .

The substitution lemma states that substituting an identifier x of type  $T_x$  with an expression  $e_x$  of the same type  $T_x$  in an expression e preserves the type of e.

#### Lemma 2.19 (Substitution lemma)

If  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$  and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash e_x : T_x$  then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e[x \mapsto e_x] : T$ .

**Proof**: By induction on the derivation of  $\Gamma_1$ ,  $x : T_x$ ,  $\Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ .

- 1. Case T-CONST:  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash c : type(c), c[x \mapsto e_x] = c$ By T-CONST,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash c : type(c)$ .
- 2. Case T-VAR:  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash x' : T, x' : T \in (\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2).$ 
  - (a) Case x' = x:  $x'[x \mapsto e_x] = e_x$ Since  $T_x = T$ ,  $\Gamma_1 \vdash e_x : T$ . By weakening,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_x : T$ .
  - (b) Case  $x \neq x'$ :  $x'[x \mapsto e_x] = x'$ Since  $x \neq x', x': T \in (\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$ . By T-VAR,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash x': T$ .
- 3. Case T-ABS:  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \lambda x' : T_1.e : T_1 \to T_2, \Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2, x' : T_1 \vdash e : T_2.$ By the variable convention 2.3,  $x \neq x'$  and  $x' \notin \mathcal{FV}(e_x)$ . By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, x' : T_1 \vdash e[x \mapsto e_x] : T_2$ . By T-ABS,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \lambda x' : T_1.e[x \mapsto e_x] : T_1 \to T_2$ .
- 4. Case T-APP:  $e = e_1 e_2$ : By the induction hypothesis and T-APP.
- 5. Case T-COND:  $e = if e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ : By the induction hypothesis and T-COND.

The evaluation of  $\beta$ -redices involves substituting identifiers with expressions. The proof of the preservation theorem thus relies on the substitution lemma.

Theorem 2.20 (Preservation)

If  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$  and  $e \Rightarrow e'$  then  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .

**Proof**: By induction on type derivations  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ .

- 1. Case T-VAR: e = xThere is no e' with  $x \Rightarrow e'$ .
- 2. Case T-CONST: e = c*e* is a value.
- 3. Case T-ABS:  $e = \lambda x : T'.e$ *e* is a value.
- 4. Case T-APP:  $e = e_1 e_2$  with  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 : T' \rightarrow T$  and  $\Gamma \vdash e_2 : T'$ The application can make an evaluation step in five possible ways:
  - (a) Case E-APP1:  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1$  then  $e' = e'_1 e_2$ The result follows from the induction hypothesis and T-APP.
  - (b) Case E-APP2:  $e_1 = v_1$  and  $e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2$  then  $e' = v_1 e'_2$ Similar.
  - (c) Case E-APPAPS:  $e_1 = \lambda x : T' \cdot e_b$  and  $e_2 = v_2$  then  $e' = e_b[x \mapsto v_2]$ By the substitution lemma,  $\Gamma \vdash e_b[x \mapsto v_2] : T$ .
  - (d) Case E-PRFAPP1:  $e_1 = f^1$  and  $e_2 = v_2$  with  $f^1(v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v$  then e' = vBy axiom 2.15,  $\delta$ -reduction is type-preserving.
  - (e) Case E-PRFAPP2:  $e_1 = f^2 v_1$  and  $e_2 = v_2$  with  $f^2(v_1, v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v$  then e' = v Similar.
- 5. Case T-COND:  $e = if e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$  with  $\Gamma \vdash e_p$ : bool,  $\Gamma \vdash e_t : T$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_e : T$ The conditional can make an evaluation step in three possible ways:
  - Case E-COND:  $e_p \Rightarrow e'_p$  then  $e' = if e'_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ By the hypothesis and T-COND.
  - Case E-THEN:  $e_p = \text{true then } e' = e_t$ Immediate, since  $\Gamma \vdash e_t : T$ .
  - Case E-ELSE:  $e_p = \texttt{false}$  then  $e' = e_e$ Similar.

Unlike the untyped  $\lambda$ -calculus, the simply-typed  $\lambda$ -calculus is strongly normalising, i.e., the evaluation of every well-typed expression eventually terminates yielding a value. For example, there is no typed form of the divergent combinator  $\omega = (\lambda x. x x) (\lambda x. x x)$  as the inherent self-application x x cannot be typed. **Lemma 2.21 (Self-application is ill-typed)** 

There is no context  $\Gamma$  and no type *T* so that  $\Gamma \vdash x x : T$ .

**Proof:** By reductio ad absurdum. Suppose that under some context  $\Gamma$ , there is some type *T* so that  $\Gamma \vdash x \ x : T$ . By inversion of the typing rule T-APP, there must be some *T'* with  $\Gamma \vdash x : T' \rightarrow T$  and simultaneously  $\Gamma \vdash x : T'$ . Therefore the proposition is wrong.

To nonetheless enable the specification of recursive programs, typed  $\lambda$ -calculi are commonly extended with some kind of fixed-point expression that reproduces itself upon evaluation.

## Summary

This chapter presented essential concepts of the  $\lambda$ -calculus, operational semantics, and type systems. By restricting the set of allowed expressions, types enable a compiler to statically rule out erroneous programs. Type checking is inherently conservative: only programs for which the absence of certain behaviours can be proved are accepted. As a downside, a type system may also reject well-behaved programs as ill-typed. To increase the number of typeable programs, more advanced typing schemes have been studied.

In the simply-typed  $\lambda$ -calculus, an abstraction  $\lambda x : T.e$  may be regarded as an expression that is parameterised by another expression of type *T*. Figure 2.4 shows Barendregt's  $\lambda$ -cube [6, 82] that nicely visualises three orthogonal extensions of this basic system. The cube places the simply typed  $\lambda$ -calculus in the lower left front corner as  $\lambda \rightarrow$ . Each of its three axes represents a new form of abstraction.

- 1. The vertical axis introduces type abstractions that map types to expressions and thereby give rise to polymorphism. The resulting calculus is known as System *F* or the second-order  $\lambda$ -calculus.
- 2. The perpendicular axis introduces type operators, i. e., types that depend on types. The system  $\lambda \omega$  is thus called the simply-typed  $\lambda$ -calculus with type operators. The combination with System *F* is known as System  $F\omega$ .
- 3. The horizontal axis introduces dependent types, i.e., types that depend on expressions. The  $\lambda$ -calculus with dependent types has become widely known as the logical framework *LF*. The calculus of constructions (*CC*) combines all three forms of abstraction.

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Figure 2.4: Barendregt's  $\lambda$ -cube [6, 82]

# 3

## Decidable First-Order Theories

The type system of QUBE uses dependent types to accurately model array shapes and to restrict the potential run-time values of expressions. Type checking proceeds in collaboration with an automatic theorem prover for the Satisfiability Modulo Theories problem. This chapter gives a brief introduction to propositional logic, first-order logic, and the relevant fragments of first-order theories that will be used in later chapters. More detailed presentations of these topics can be found in textbooks on logic and computer aided verification, such as [66, 17, 50].

The remainder of this chapter is structured as follows: First, Section 3.1 introduces propositional logic and basic terminology. Section 3.2 then gives a brief account of first-order logic, which extends propositional logic with non-logical function symbols, predicate symbols and quantifiers. Next, Section 3.3 presents some decidable quantifier-free fragments of first-order theories that the QUBE compiler uses to reason about programs, namely the theory of uninterpreted functions and equality as well as linear integer arithmetic. Section 3.4 presents array properties, a decidable fragment of quantified first-order logic that is used by the QUBE compiler to model integer vectors.

## 3.1 **Propositional Logic**

This section gives a brief introduction to propositional logic (PL) and explains basic terminology such as validity, satisfiability, essential normal forms, soundness and completeness.

Given an enumerable set *V* of *propositional variables*, an *atomic formula* is a propositional variable  $x \in V$ . A *propositional logic formula* is generated from atomic formulae using the logical connectives  $\neg$  (negation),  $\land$  (conjunction),  $\lor$  (disjunction),  $\rightarrow$  (implication), and  $\leftrightarrow$  (equivalence).

## Definition 3.1 (Syntax of propositional logic formulas)

The set  $\mathcal{P}$  of *propositional logic formulas*  $\varphi$  is defined by the grammar:

arphi	::=	а	$\neg \varphi$	$\varphi \wedge \varphi$	$\varphi \vee \varphi$	$\varphi \to \varphi$	$\varphi \longleftrightarrow \varphi$	Formulas
а	::=	x						Atoms

The above syntax of PL formulas is ambiguous. We use parentheses to disambiguate the structure of formulas. To avoid excessive bracketing, the following conventions about the priorities of the logical connectives apply:  $\neg$  has the highest priority,  $\land$  and  $\lor$  are next,  $\rightarrow$  and  $\leftrightarrow$  have the lowest priorities.

The meaning of a propositional logic formula is a truth value, i.e., an element from the set  $\mathbb{B} = \{\top, \bot\}$  with  $\top \neq \bot$ . In general, the truth value of a formula depends on the valuation of its propositional variables.

## Definition 3.2 (Assignment)

An *assignment*  $\alpha : V \to \mathbb{B}$  is a function that maps propositional variables to truth values.

Given a formula and an assignment, the truth value of a formula may be evaluated. The evaluation function  $[\![.]\!](.) : \mathcal{P} \to (V \to \mathbb{B}) \to \mathbb{B}$  is defined inductively. In the definition, the truth functions  $not : \mathbb{B} \to \mathbb{B}$ ,  $and : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \to \mathbb{B}$ , and  $or : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \to \mathbb{B}$  have the usual meanings.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \end{bmatrix} (\alpha) = \alpha(x)$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} \neg \varphi \end{bmatrix} (\alpha) = not(\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket (\alpha))$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \land \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha) = and(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket (\alpha), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha))$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha) = or(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket (\alpha), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha))$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha) = or(not(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket (\alpha)), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha))$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha) = or(and(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket (\alpha), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha)), and(not(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket (\alpha)), not(\llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket (\alpha))))$$

Given an assignment  $\alpha$ , a formula  $\varphi$  is said to hold under  $\alpha$ , written  $\alpha \models \varphi$ , iff  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket (\alpha) = \top$ .

## Definition 3.3 (Validity, satisfiability)

A formula  $\varphi$  is called *valid*, written  $\models \varphi$ , iff  $\varphi$  holds under all assignments, otherwise  $\varphi$  is called *invalid*. A formula  $\varphi$  is called *satisfiable* iff  $\varphi$  holds under some assignment  $\alpha$ , otherwise  $\varphi$  is called *unsatisfiable*.

Satisfiability and validity are dual concepts. A formula is valid iff its negation is unsatisfiable. Vice versa, a formula is invalid iff its negation is satisfiable. A satisfying assignment of a formula  $\varphi$  is also called a *model* of  $\varphi$ . An assignment that satisfies  $\neg \varphi$  is said to be a *counterexample* of  $\varphi$ . Valid formulas are also called *tautologies*.

## Definition 3.4 (Equivalence, implication)

Two formulas  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are said to be *equivalent*, written  $\varphi_1 \Leftrightarrow \varphi_2$ , if they evaluate to the same truth values under all assignments. I. e., for all assignments  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \models \varphi_1$  iff  $\alpha \models \varphi_2$ , i. e.,  $\models \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2$ .

The formula  $\varphi_1$  is said to *imply* the formula  $\varphi_2$ , written  $\varphi_1 \Rightarrow \varphi_2$ , if every assignment  $\alpha$  satisfying  $\varphi_1$  also satisfies  $\varphi_2$ . I.e., for all assignments  $\alpha$ , if  $\alpha \models \varphi_1$ , then  $\alpha \models \varphi_2$ , i.e.,  $\models \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2$ .

A *normal form* imposes syntactic restrictions on formulas. The process of deciding whether a formula is satisfiable usually starts with transforming the formula to some normal form that is appropriate for the decision procedure at hand.

## Definition 3.5 (Negation normal form (NNF))

A formula is in *negation normal form (NNF)* if it is generated from literals using the logical connectives  $\land$  and  $\lor$ . A *literal* is an atom or its negation.

$arphi_{\mathit{nnf}}$	::=	1	$\varphi_{nnf} \wedge \varphi_{nnf}$	$\varphi_{nnf} \lor \varphi_{nnf}$	NNF formulas
1	::=	а	$\neg a$		Literals

Every PL formula can be transformed into an equivalent formula in NNF by exhaustively replacing the left hand sides of the following equivalences with the respective right hand sides.

$$\neg \neg \varphi \iff \varphi$$
$$\neg(\varphi_1 \land \varphi_2) \iff \neg \varphi_1 \lor \neg \varphi_2$$
$$\neg(\varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2) \iff \neg \varphi_1 \land \neg \varphi_2$$
$$\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \iff \neg \varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2$$
$$\varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2 \iff (\varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2) \land (\varphi_2 \rightarrow \varphi_1)$$

## Definition 3.6 (Conjunctive normal form (CNF))

A formula is in *conjunctive normal form* if it is a conjunction of clauses. A *clause* is a disjunction of literals.

 $\varphi_{cnf} ::= \bigwedge_i \bigvee_j l_{i,j}$  CNF formulas

A formula can be transformed into an equivalent formula in CNF by first transforming the formula into NNF and then distributing the conjunction symbols by exhaustively applying the following equivalences from left to right.

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi_1 \land \varphi_2) \lor \varphi_3 &\iff (\varphi_1 \lor \varphi_3) \land (\varphi_2 \lor \varphi_3) \\ \varphi_1 \lor (\varphi_2 \land \varphi_3) &\iff (\varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2) \land (\varphi_1 \lor \varphi_3) \end{aligned}$$

The *decision problem* is to determine whether a formula is valid. Because of the duality of validity and satisfiability, determining the satisfiability of the negated formula is an equivalent problem. We are interested in automatic procedures to determine the validity (or the unsatisfiability) of a given formula.

## Definition 3.7 (Decision procedure)

A procedure for the decision problem is *sound* if when it returns **valid (unsatisfiable)**, the formula is indeed valid (unsatisfiable). A procedure for the decision problem is *complete* if it terminates on every input, and when the formula is valid (unsatisfiable), it returns **valid (unsatisfiable)**. A procedure is called a *decision procedure* if it is sound and complete.

The satisfiability problem of boolean formulas (SAT) is naïvely decidable because the number of potential assignments is finite. Given a formula with n propositional variables, a decision procedure may simply enumerate all  $2^n$  assignments and report whether any of these satisfies the formula.

SAT was the first known  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete problem [27]. It is thus unknown whether there is an algorithm that finds a satisfying assignment for all satisfiable formulas in polynomial time. Nonetheless, the theoretical and practical significance of the problem has motivated the development of extremely powerful SAT solvers. Based on the *Davis-Putnam-Loveland-Logemann (DPLL)* algorithm [29, 28], solvers like CHAFF [77] and MINISAT [34] are used in the industrial practice to solve CNF formulas with hundreds of thousands or even millions of boolean variables in reasonable amounts of time.

## 3.2 First-Order Logic

First-order logic (FOL), also called predicate logic, extends propositional logic with non-logical function and predicate symbols and quantification. Terms evaluate to objects, predicates take objects to truth values. Quantifiers express properties of entire sets of objects.

A signature fixes the set of non-logical symbols that may appear in a first-order formula.

## Definition 3.8 (Signature)

A signature  $\Sigma = (\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  consists of a family  $\mathbb{F} = (\mathbb{F}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of function symbols, and a family  $\mathbb{P} = (\mathbb{P}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of predicate symbols. *n* is called the *arity* of a symbol. We assume all sets to be mutually disjoint.

Nullary function symbols may be regarded as constant symbols. Given a signature  $\Sigma = (\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  and an enumerable set *V* of variables, a *term* is either a variable  $x \in V$ , or an application of a function symbol  $f_n \in \mathbb{F}_n$  to *n* terms. An *atomic formula* is an application of a predicate symbol  $p_n \in \mathbb{P}_n$  to *n* terms. A *first*order formula consists of *atomic formulas*,combined with the logical connectives  $\neg$  (negation),  $\land$  (conjunction),  $\lor$  (disjunction),  $\rightarrow$  (implication), and  $\leftrightarrow$  (equivalence), and the quantifiers  $\forall x$  (for all *x*) and  $\exists x$  (for some *x*).

## Definition 3.9 (Syntax of terms and first-order formulas)

The set  $\mathcal{T}$  of *terms* t and the set  $\mathcal{F}$  of *first-order formulas*  $\varphi$  over  $\Sigma$  and V are defined by the following grammar:

arphi ::	$= a   \neg \varphi$	$\varphi \land \varphi  \varphi \lor \varphi$	$\varphi \to \varphi$	$\varphi \longleftrightarrow \varphi$	Formulas
a :: t ::	$ \begin{array}{c c} \forall x. \varphi \\ = & p_n(t_1, \\ = & x & f_n(t_1) \end{array} $	$\exists x. \varphi$ ,, t <sub>n</sub> ) 1,, t <sub>n</sub> )			Atoms Terms

As before, we use parentheses to disambiguate the structure of first-order formulas. The following conventions about the order of operations apply:  $\neg$  is evaluated first,  $\land$  and  $\lor$  are evaluated next, then quantifiers are evaluated, before finally  $\rightarrow$  and  $\leftrightarrow$  are evaluated.

In analogy with the  $\lambda$ -calculus, a variable is called *free* in a formula  $\varphi$ , iff at least one occurrence is not bound by a quantifier. The set  $\mathcal{FV}(\varphi)$  contains all free variables of  $\varphi$ . A formula that contains no free variable is called a *closed formula* or a *sentence*.

An interpretation gives meaning to a signature. It provides a domain for interpreting variables and terms, for example, the integers or real numbers, and explains function symbols as actual functions, and predicate symbols as actual predicates.

Definition 3.10 (Interpretation, assignment)

An *interpretation*  $I = (D, \mathbb{F}^{I}, \mathbb{P}^{I})$  of a signature  $\Sigma = (\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  provides

- a non-empty set of objects *D* as the domain of interpretation,
- for every function symbol  $f \in \mathbb{F}_n$  a function  $f^I : D^n \to D$ , and
- for every predicate symbol  $p \in \mathbb{P}_n$  a predicate  $p^I : D^n \to \mathbb{B}$ .

An *assignment*  $\alpha : V \to D$  maps variables to objects from the domain *D*. The altered assignment  $\alpha[x \mapsto d]$  is defined as

$$\alpha[x \mapsto d](y) = \begin{cases} d & \text{if } x = y \\ \alpha(y) & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

With an interpretation  $I = (D, \mathbb{F}^I, \mathbb{P}^I)$  and an assignment  $\alpha$ , we may evaluate formulas by evaluating terms to objects and formulas to truth values. The evaluation function  $[\![.]\!]_I(.): \mathcal{T} \to (V \to D) \to D$  which determines the value of terms is defined inductively.

$$\llbracket x \rrbracket_{I}(\alpha) = \alpha(x)$$
$$\llbracket f(t_{1},...,t_{n}) \rrbracket_{I}(\alpha) = f^{I}(\llbracket t_{1} \rrbracket_{I}(\alpha),...,\llbracket t_{n} \rrbracket_{I}(\alpha))$$

Similarly, the evaluation function  $[\![.]\!]_I(.) : \mathcal{F} \to (V \to D) \to \mathbb{B}$  that determines the truth value of a formula in an interpretation *I* is also defined inductively.

$$\begin{bmatrix} p(t_1, ..., t_n) \end{bmatrix}_I (\alpha) = p^I (\llbracket t_1 \rrbracket_I (\alpha), ..., \llbracket t_n \rrbracket_I (\alpha)) \\ \llbracket \neg \varphi \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = not (\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_I (\alpha)) \\ \llbracket \varphi_1 \land \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = and (\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket_I (\alpha), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)) \\ \llbracket \varphi_1 \lor \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = or(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket_I (\alpha), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)) \\ \llbracket \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = or(not(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)) \\ \llbracket \varphi_1 \leftrightarrow \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = or(and(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket_I (\alpha), \llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)), \\ and(not(\llbracket \varphi_1 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)), not(\llbracket \varphi_2 \rrbracket_I (\alpha)))) \\ \llbracket \forall x. \varphi \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = \begin{cases} \top \text{ if for all } d \in D : \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_I (\alpha[x \mapsto d]) \\ \bot \text{ else} \\ \llbracket \exists x. \varphi \rrbracket_I (\alpha) = \begin{cases} \top \text{ if for some } d \in D : \llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_I (\alpha[x \mapsto d]) \\ \bot \text{ else} \end{cases}$$

Given an interpretation I and an assignment  $\alpha$ , a first-order formula  $\varphi$  is said to

*hold in I under*  $\alpha$ , written  $\alpha \models_I \varphi$ , iff  $\llbracket \varphi \rrbracket_I(\alpha) = \top$ . A formula  $\varphi$  is said to *hold in I*, written  $\models_I \varphi$ , iff  $\varphi$  holds in *I* under any assignment.

## Definition 3.11 (Validity, satisfiability)

A first-order sentence  $\varphi$  is *valid*, written  $\models \varphi$ , iff  $\varphi$  holds in all interpretations, otherwise  $\varphi$  is *invalid*. The sentence  $\varphi$  is *satisfiable*, iff  $\varphi$  holds in some interpretation, otherwise  $\varphi$  is *unsatisfiable*.

Validity and satisfiability are only defined for closed formulas. By convention, we say that a (non-closed) formula  $\varphi$  is valid, iff its *universal closure*  $\forall *.\varphi$  is valid. Dually, we call  $\varphi$  satisfiable, iff its *existential closure*  $\exists *.\varphi$  is satisfiable.

The normal forms of propositional logic have counterparts in first-order logic. We restrict the presentation to the first-order extension of negation normal form as we will use it later in Section 3.4.

## Definition 3.12 (Negation normal form (NNF))

A first order formula is in *negation normal form (NNF)* if it contains only  $\neg$ ,  $\land$ , and  $\lor$  as logical connectives and negation appears only in literals. A *literal* is an atom or its negation.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \varphi_{nnf} & ::= & l & \varphi_{nnf} \land \varphi_{nnf} & \varphi_{nnf} \lor \varphi_{nnf} & & \text{NNF formulas} \\ & & \forall x. \varphi_{nnf} & \exists x. \varphi_{nnf} \\ l & ::= & a & \neg a & & \text{Literals} \end{array}$ 

In order to transform a first-order formula to an equivalent formula in negation normal form, the equivalences for normalising propositional logic formulas from Section 3.1 may be applied from left to right. Additionally, the following two equivalences push down negation symbols into quantified formulas.

$$\neg \forall x. \varphi \iff \exists x. \neg \varphi$$
$$\neg \exists x. \varphi \iff \forall x. \neg \varphi$$

The function and predicate symbols of a signature are purely syntactic. Their meanings are subject to interpretation. Coincidentally, we may decide to interpret the function symbol  $+ \in \mathbb{F}_2$  as integer addition, but entirely different interpretations are possible, too. A first-order *theory* restricts the interpretation of non-logical symbols by specifying additional axioms.

## Definition 3.13 (First-order theory)

A theory  $T = (\Sigma, A)$  is defined by a signature  $\Sigma$  and a set A of *axioms* that provide meaning to the non-logical symbols of  $\Sigma$ . Each axiom is a  $\Sigma$ -sentence.

The concepts of validity and satisfiability can be refined to take theory-specific axioms into account.

## Definition 3.14 (T-validity, T-satisfiability)

For a given theory  $T = (\Sigma, A)$ , a  $\Sigma$ -sentence  $\varphi$  is said to be *T*-valid iff all interpretations that satisfy the axioms in A also satisfy  $\varphi$ . The sentence  $\varphi$  is called *T*-satisfiable, iff there is an interpretation that satisfies both the axioms of *T* and  $\varphi$ .

A theory restricts the interpretation of the non-logical symbols in formulas. In contrast, restricting the syntax of a logic language yields a *fragment* of that logic. For example, the *quantifier-free fragment* of a theory T is the set of all T-valid formulas without quantifiers.

## 3.3 Quantifier-Free Fragments of First-Order Theories

This section briefly describes the quantifier-free fragments of first-order theories that the QUBE compiler uses to reason about expressions. Specifically, these are the theory of equality and uninterpreted functions, and linear integer arithmetic. A simple but useful first-order theory is the theory of equality in conjunction with uninterpreted functions (and predicates).

## Definition 3.15 (Equality with uninterpreted functions)

The theory of equality with uninterpreted functions  $T_{EUF}$  extends an arbitrary signature  $\Sigma = (\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  with a single interpreted equality predicate  $= \in \mathbb{P}_2$ .

The axioms of equality logic ensure that = denotes an equivalence relation by prescribing that = should be reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

1. $\forall x. x = x$	(Reflexivity)
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- 2.  $\forall x, y. x = y \leftrightarrow y = x$  (Symmetry)
- 3.  $\forall x, y, z. x = y \land y = z \rightarrow x = z$  (Transitivity)

Furthermore, all interpretations of function and predicate symbols should behave consistent: functions and predicates must always evaluate to equal values when given equal arguments. Apart from functional consistency, symbols are uninterpreted.

The following axioms ensure that term and predicate construction is compatible with equality, such that it becomes a congruence relation.

4. for all function symbols 
$$f \in \mathbb{F}_n$$
  
 $\forall x^n, y^n. (\bigwedge_i x_i = y_i) \rightarrow (f(x^n) = f(y^n))$ 

(Function congruence)

5. for all predicate symbols  $p \in \mathbb{P}_n$  $\forall x^n, y^n. (\bigwedge_i x_i = y_i) \to (p(x^n) \leftrightarrow p(y^n))$  (Predicate congruence)

Satisfiability checking in the quantifier-free fragment of  $T_{EUF}$  is decidable. In computer aided verification, uninterpreted functions are widely used as substitutes for functions whose exact semantics is either too complex for mechanical proof or even entirely irrelevant for proving the formula at hand.

## Example 3.16 (Equality checking with uninterpreted functions)

Functional consistency is sufficient to prove the equality of the expressions

1. let 
$$x = a * b$$
 in let  $y = x * c$  in  $y$ , and

2. (a \* b) \* c.

Rewrite in  $T_{EUF}$ , and prove the validity of

$$x = f_{mul}(a, b) \land y = f_{mul}(x, c) \rightarrow y = f_{mul}(f_{mul}(a, b), c),$$

or equivalently, prove the unsatisfiability of

$$x = f_{mul}(a, b) \land y = f_{mul}(x, c) \land y \neq f_{mul}(f_{mul}(a, b), c)$$

Merely relying on functional consistency is insufficient to prove all correct statements. Thus, validity checking of an arbitrary formula by approximating it in  $T_{EUF}$  is sound but not complete. For example, equalities arising from the commutativity of addition such as a + b = b + a cannot be proved in  $T_{EUF}$ . However, in the context of array programming, where ranks, shapes, and array indices are all (vectors of) integers, it is particularly important to accurately reason about (in-)equalities of integers. The theory of linear integer arithmetic allows us to express and reason about such constraints.

## Definition 3.17 (Linear integer arithmetic)

The signature of the theory of linear integer arithmetic provides an infinite set  $\mathbb{F}_0 = \mathbb{Z}$  of constant symbols, an infinite set of unary function symbols  $\mathbb{F}_1 = \{c \cdot | c \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , two binary function symbols  $\mathbb{F}_2 = \{+, -\}$  and two binary predicate symbols  $\mathbb{P}_2 = \{=, <\}$ .

Intuitively rather than axiomatically, the theory is interpreted in the domain of integers where the constant symbols have interpretations as integer values. Similarly, the function and predicate symbols are interpreted as the corresponding functions and relations over the integers.

Linear integer arithmetic is an extension of *Presburger arithmetic* [85]. Additional functions and predicates can be expressed in terms of the existing, for example,  $a \le b \leftrightarrow a = b \lor a < b$ . However, the theory cannot be extended to capture true multiplication as this would yield *Peano arithmetic* which, according to Gödel's first incompleteness theorem [48], is undecidable.

## 3.4 Array Properties

The theories presented in the previous sections allow us to express linear constraints between integer variables. In the context of rank-generic array programming, we also need to express constraints between entire vectors of integers although their lengths may not be statically known. For example, when an array of rank r and shape vector s is passed to a function that expects an array of shape r' and shape vector s', the compiler must verify that r = r' and  $\forall i. 0 \le i < r \rightarrow s[i] = s'[i]$ . Such vector constraints can be expressed in the array property fragment [18] which is a decidable fragment of quantified array logic.

In array logic, there are two basic array operations: reading and writing. The term a[i] reads the element at position *i* from *a*. The term  $a[i \leftarrow e]$  denotes the array *a* where the element at position *i* has been replaced by *e*. The theories used to reason about the indices and the elements are called the index theory and the element theory, respectively.

## Definition 3.18 (Array property)

A formula is called an array property if and only if it has the form

 $\forall x_i. \varphi_I \to \varphi_V,$ 

where the variable  $x_i$  belongs to a designated set of index identifiers. The formula must satisfy the following syntactic conditions:

1. The *index guard*  $\varphi_I$  must obey the grammar

$arphi_I$	::=	$\varphi_{I}\wedge\varphi_{I}$	$\varphi_I \vee \varphi_I$	$t_i \leq t_i$	$t_i = t_i$	Index guards
ti	::=	$x_i t$				Index terms
t	::=	$\mathbb{Z} \mid \mathbb{Z} \cdot x$	t+t			Terms

The identifier x used in a term must not be an index identifier.

2. In the *value constraint*  $\varphi_V$ , the index identifier  $x_i$  may only be used in array read functions of the form  $a[x_i]$ . The read cannot be nested, for example,  $a[b[x_i]]$  is not allowed.

The satisfiability problem for a formula in the array property fragment is decided

by reduction to an equisatisfiable quantifier-free formula that uses the index and element theories. Given a formula  $\varphi$ , the reduction proceeds in the following steps:

- 1. Convert  $\varphi$  to NNF.
- 2. Remove writes from  $\varphi$  by applying the write rule exhaustively:

$$\frac{\varphi(a[i \leftarrow v])}{\varphi(a') \land a'[i] = v \land (\forall j. j \neq i \rightarrow a[j] = a'[j])}$$
(WRITE)

where a' is a fresh variable. Rephrase  $j \neq i$  to meet the syntax of array properties.

- 3. Replace all existential quantifications  $\exists i. \varphi_E(i)$  in  $\varphi$  by  $\varphi_E(j)$ , where *j* is a fresh variable.
- 4. Instantiate the universal quantifiers. Replace quantifications of the form  $\forall i. \varphi_A(i)$  by  $\bigwedge_{i \in \mathcal{I}(\varphi)} \varphi_A(i)$ , where the *index set*  $\mathcal{I}(\varphi)$  contains all relevant symbolic indices that occur in the entire formula  $\varphi$  after step 3:

 $\mathcal{I}(\varphi) = \bigcup_{\substack{t \mid t \in \varphi \text{ such that } t \text{ is not a universally quantified variable}}_{\substack{t \mid t \text{ occurs as a term in an index guard}}$ 

The resulting formula can then be decided with the corresponding decision procedures.

The syntax of the array property fragment demands that universally quantified variables  $x_i$  may only be used in the value constraint in array selections of the form  $a[x_i]$ . Neither nested reads of the form  $b[a[x_i]]$  nor any kind of arithmetic expressions involving universally quantified variables such as  $x_i + 1$  are allowed. It was shown in [18] that permitting either of the above expressions yields a fragment for which the satisfiability problem is undecidable.

As a consequence, array properties can only be used to compare vector elements at corresponding index positions. The fragment suffices to express that all elements of some vectors v and w of length n are equal. For the sake of brevity, we write  $0 \le i < n$  instead of  $0 \le i \land i \le n + 1$ .

Example 3.19 (Vector equality)

 $\forall i. 0 \le i < n \rightarrow v[i] = w[i]$ 

For an access into a multidimensional array a of rank r and shape vector s with an index vector v, all elements of v must range between 0 and the corresponding elements of s. There is an array property for that, too.

## Example 3.20 (Bounded vector)

$$\forall i. 0 \le i < n \rightarrow 0 \le v[i] \land v[i] < s[i]$$

As a negative example, the concatenation of vectors v and v' with respective lengths n and n' cannot be interpreted in the array property fragment as this requires index shifting.

$$\forall i. (0 \le i < n \rightarrow w[i] = v[i]) \land (n \le i < n + n' \rightarrow w[i] = \underline{v'[i - n]})$$

Similarly, dropping *m* elements from the beginning of a vector v of length *n* is also not expressible as an array property.

Example 3.22 (Drop is not expressible with array properties)

 $\forall i.0 \le i < n-m \rightarrow w[i] = \underline{v[i+m]}$ 

## Summary

First-order logic is a framework that provides a generic syntax for defining custom theories that restrict the non-logical function and predicate symbols. The QUBE compiler uses the quantifier-free fragments of the theory of equality and uninterpreted functions as well as linear integer arithmetic to statically reason about programs. Using the Nelson-Oppen procedure [78, 79, 66], the decision procedures for both theories can be combined so that a decision procedure for the combined theory is obtained. Hence, many modern SMT (Satisfiability Modulo Theories) solvers such as YICES [33], Z3 [30] provide support for these theories.

In order to reason about integer vectors, which represent array shapes and index vectors, the QUBE compiler uses the array property fragment which reduces to the aforementioned theories.

## Part II A Formal Treatment of QUBE

## A Core Language for Array Programming

This chapter formally discusses the syntax and the operational semantics of the QUBE programming language. To achieve a rigourous presentation, we specify a core language  $QUBE_{CORE}$  that captures the essential concepts of QUBE without syntactic sugar or convenience features.  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is a typed language that uses type annotations to guide the type system. The syntax of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is designed to superficially resemble the syntax of OCAML so that readers familiar with OCAML should recognise many of the language elements.

The language comprises three conceptual layers. Its foundation  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  (QUBE fun) is an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with dependent types that provides essential programming features like abstractions, applications, tuples and let-bindings. The next layer QUBE\_, (QUBE vector) adds support for specifying and manipulating integer vectors that serve as shape and index vectors. The topmost layer QUBE<sub>[]</sub> (QUBE array) provides means for defining, accessing and manipulating multidimensional arrays.

Figure 4.1 shows the abstract syntax of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  in extended Backus-Naur form. For every layer, the language defines types *T*, expressions *e*, and values *v*. Values form a designated subset of expressions which are accepted as legal results of evaluation when no further step is possible. Types classify expressions according to the values they compute.

The notational conventions and the variable convention carry over from Chap-

Syntax

Т	$::= T_{\lambda}$	$T_{\rightarrow}$	T	Types
е	$::= e_{\lambda}$	$e_{\rightarrow}$	e <sub>[]</sub>	Expressions
v	$::= v_{\lambda}$	$v_{\rightarrow}$	ν <sub>[]</sub>	Values

$T_{\lambda}$ B	::= ::=	$\begin{array}{c c}B & \{x:T \mid e\} & x:T \to T & (x:T,T)\\ \text{bool} & \text{int} \end{array}$	Types Base types
$e_{\lambda}$	::=	$c   x   fun x: T \rightarrow e   e e$ let $x = e$ in $e   if : T e$ then $e$ else $e   (e:T)$ (e, e: (x:T, T))   let (x, x) = e in $e$	Expressions
С	::=	$\mathbb{B} \mid \mathbb{Z} \mid f^1 \mid f^2$	Constants
$f^1$	::=	not	Unops
$f^2$	::=	$\longleftrightarrow  \&     =  ! =  <  < =  > =  >  +  -  *  /  \%$	Binops
$v_{\lambda}$	::=	$c \mid f^2 v \mid \text{fun } x: T \to e \mid (v, v: (x:T, T))$	Values

Figure 4.1: Abstract syntax of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ 

ter 2. As before,  $e[x \mapsto e']$  denotes capture-avoiding substitution of all free occurrences of the variable x in the expression e with e'. Similarly, the notation  $T[x \mapsto e]$  denotes capture-avoiding substitution of all free occurrences of the variable x in the type T with e. The following table gives an overview of the metavariables that we use in the remainder of the part.

Metavariable	Represented set
е	expressions
Т	types
ν	values
x	variables
$c, f^1, f^2$	constant and function symbols
n,i	integer constants

We use overlined metavariables such as  $\overline{a}$  to represent finite sequences of commaseparated metavariables  $a_0, ..., a_{|\overline{a}|-1}$  where  $|\overline{a}|$  denotes the length of the sequence. The remainder of this chapter is organised as follows: Section 4.1 describes the functional language  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  that forms the foundation of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . Section 4.2 presents the language layer  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  that provides syntax for handling integer vectors. Support for multidimensional arrays in  $QUBE_{[]}$  is described in Section 4.3. After  $QUBE_{CORE}$  has been presented entirely, Section 4.4 presents essential properties of the evaluation relation.

## **4.1 QUBE** $_{\lambda}$ : a Functional Foundation

The language fragment  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  (QUBE fun) forms the basis of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . It augments an applied  $\lambda$ -calculus with constant symbols, let-bindings, conditional expressions, and tuples. As its most significant features,  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  provides dependent types and refinement types.

Fig 4.2 shows the abstract syntax of  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  in isolation. In the course of this section, we will explain the types *T* and the expressions *e* in the same order as they appear in the figure. For every expression, we simultaneously discuss both its syntax and its operational semantics which is shown in Figure 4.3.

The types  $T_{\lambda}$  are either base types *B* or aggregate types. The base types bool and int describe truth values and integers, respectively. Other base types such as unit, double, or char may be added depending of the application.

A refinement type  $\{x : T \mid e\}$  describes the subset of values x of type T that satisfy the boolean expression e. In particular, since true is satisfied by any x, the type  $\{x : T \mid true\}$  is equivalent to T. Syntax of  $QUBE_{\lambda}$ 

$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$T_{\lambda}$ B	::= ::=	$\begin{array}{c c} B & \{x:T \mid e\} & x:T \to T & (x:T,T) \\ \text{bool} & \text{int} \end{array}$	Types Base types
$\begin{array}{cccc} c & ::= & \mathbb{B} & \mathbb{Z} &   & f^1 &   & f^2 & & \text{Constants} \\ f^1 & ::= & \text{not} & & & \text{Unops} \\ f^2 & ::= & \leftrightarrow &   & \& &   &   & =   & !=   <   <=   >   +   -   *   /   % & \text{Binops} \\ v_{\lambda} & ::= & c &   & f^2 v &   & \text{fun } x : T \to e &   & (v, v : (x : T, T)) & \text{Values} \end{array}$	$e_{\lambda}$	::=	$c   x   fun x: T \rightarrow e   e e$ let $x = e$ in $e$ if $: T e$ then $e$ else $e$ ( $e:T$ ) ( $e, e: (x:T,T)$ ) let $(x,x) = e$ in $e$	Expressions
$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	С	::=	$\mathbb{B} \hspace{.1in} \mathbb{Z} \hspace{.1in} f^1 \hspace{.1in} f^2$	Constants
$f^{2} ::= \longleftrightarrow  \&   =  !=  <  <=  >  +  - *  /  \% $ Binops $v_{\lambda} ::= c  f^{2}v  fun x: T \to e  (v, v: (x:T, T)) $ Values	$f^1$	::=	not	Unops
$v_{\lambda} ::= c \left  f^2 v \right  \text{fun } x: T \to e \left  (v, v: (x:T, T)) \right $ Values	$f^2$	::=	$\longleftrightarrow  \&     =  !=  <  <=  >=  >  +  -  *  /  \%$	Binops
	$v_{\lambda}$	::=	$c \mid f^2 v \mid \text{fun } x: T \to e \mid (v, v: (x:T, T))$	Values

Figure 4.2: Abstract syntax of  $QUBE_{\lambda}$ 

To illustrate refinement types, we define two type abbreviations that will be used frequently in the remainder: a type nat for natural numbers and a type index for integers that range between zero and an upper bound. Note that type abbreveations are not a part of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . To obtain pure  $QUBE_{CORE}$  types, we only need to replace the abbreveations with their definitions.

## Example 4.1 (Refinement type)

type nat = { x:int | 0 <= x }
type index b:nat = { x:int | 0 <= x & x < b }</pre>

The dependent function type  $x:T_1 \to T_2$  binds the variable x of the domain type  $T_1$  in the codomain type  $T_2$ . This allows the result type of a function to vary according to the supplied argument. For example, when an operator of type  $x:T_1 \to T_2$  is applied to an operand e of type  $T_1$ , the application has type  $T_2[x \mapsto e]$ . The usual (non-dependent) function type is a special case of the dependent function type whose codomain does not depend on the argument value, i. e.,  $T_1 \to T_2$  is equivalent to  $x:T_1 \to T_2$  if  $x \notin \mathcal{FV}(T_2)$ .

To exemplify dependent function types, we provide types that precisely specify an integer identity function and safe integer division by means of refinement types.

Example 4.2 (Dependent function type)

 $\begin{vmatrix} id : x:int \to \{ v:int \mid v = x \} \\ / : x:int \to y: \{ v:int \mid not (v = 0) \} \to \{ v:int \mid v = x / y \}$ 

Similar to the dependent function type, the dependent tuple type  $(x:T_1,T_2)$ 

describes pairs  $(e_1, e_2)$  whose second components' type depends on the value of the first component, so that if  $e_1$  has type  $T_1$ , then  $e_2$  has type  $T_2[x \mapsto e_1]$ . The dependent tuple type generalises the conventional Cartesian product: the type  $(T_1, T_2)$  is equivalent to  $(x:T_1, T_2)$  if  $x \notin \mathcal{FV}(T_2)$ .

To illustrate dependent tuple types, we define type abbreviations for ascendingly ordered pairs of integers and, as a borderline case, for complex numbers.

## Example 4.3 (Dependent tuple type)

```
type ordered_pair = (x:int, { v:int | v >= x })
type cpx = (int,int)
```

We now describe the expressions of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . The constant symbols c comprise the booleans  $\mathbb{B} = \{true, false\}$ , the integers  $\mathbb{Z} = \{.., -1, 0, 1, ..\}$ , as well as the sets  $f^1$ ,  $f^2$  of built-in unary and binary functions. The only unary function symbol is the logical negation not. Binary function symbols are the logical connectives & (and), | (or),  $\leftrightarrow$  (iff), the relational operators =, !=, <, <=, >=, >, and the arithmetic operators +, -, \*, /, %.

An abstraction fun  $x: T \rightarrow e$  represents a function. It binds the variable x of type T in the abstraction body e. An abstraction is a value by itself. In particular, abstraction bodies are never evaluated. As a simple example, we specify a function for computing the arithmetic mean of two integers. Note that, like  $\lambda$  abstractions, fun associates to the right.

## Example 4.4 (Function value: arithmetic mean)

fun x:int  $\rightarrow$  fun y:int  $\rightarrow$  (x + y) / 2

An application  $e_1 e_2$  consists of an operator  $e_1$  and an operand  $e_2$ . Evaluation of applications follows a call-by-value regime. E-APP1 first evaluates the operator  $e_1$  before E-APP2 evaluates the operand  $e_2$ . If the application evaluates to a  $\beta$ -redex (fun  $x: T \rightarrow e$ ) v, E-ABSAPP  $\beta$ -reduces the application by substituting all free occurrences of x in e with the evaluated operand. Applications of function symbols to legitimate arguments are evaluated via  $\delta$ -reduction as described by the rules E-PRFAPP1 and E-PRFAPP2. Ill-formed applications of function symbols such as 1/0 or 0 = false cannot be evaluated and are thus "stuck" expressions. Applications  $f^2 v$  of a binary function symbol to a single value  $f^2 v$  are considered values.

The conditional expression if  $: T e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$  consists of the predicate  $e_p$  and the two branches  $e_t$  and  $e_e$ . The annotation : T guides the type checking mechanism by providing a common supertype for both branches. E-COND evaluates the predicate. If it evaluates to either true or false, the entire conditional

 $e \Rightarrow e$ Evaluation rules  $\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1}{e_1 e_2 \Rightarrow e'_1 e_2} \text{ (E-APP1)} \qquad \qquad \frac{e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2}{\nu_1 e_2 \Rightarrow \nu_1 e'_2} \text{ (E-APP2)}$  $(\operatorname{fun} x: T \to e) v \Rightarrow e[x \mapsto v] (E-ABSAPP)$  $\frac{f^{1}(v) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v'}{f^{1}v \Rightarrow v'} (E-PRFAPP1) \qquad \qquad \frac{f^{2}(v_{1}, v_{2}) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_{3}}{(f^{2}v_{1})v_{2} \Rightarrow v_{2}} (E-PRFAPP2)$  $\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1}{\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \Rightarrow \text{let } x = e'_1 \text{ in } e_2} \text{ (E-LETE)}$ let  $x = v_1$  in  $e_2 \Rightarrow e_2[x \mapsto v_1]$  (E-LET)  $\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow e_1'}{\text{if }: T \; e_1 \; \text{then} \; e_2 \; \text{else} \; e_3 \Rightarrow \text{if }: T \; e_1' \; \text{then} \; e_2 \; \text{else} \; e_3} \; (\text{E-COND})$ if : *T* true then  $e_2$  else  $e_3 \Rightarrow e_2$  (E-CONDT) if : T false then  $e_2$  else  $e_3 \Rightarrow e_3$  (E-CONDE)  $\frac{e \Rightarrow e'}{(e:T) \Rightarrow (e':T)}$  (E-COERCES)  $(v:T) \Rightarrow v$  (E-COERCE)  $\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1}{(e_1, e_2: T) \Rightarrow (e'_1, e_2: T)} (\text{E-TUP1}) \quad \frac{e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2}{(v_1, e_2: T) \Rightarrow (v_1, e'_2: T)} (\text{E-TUP2})$  $\frac{e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1}{\operatorname{let} (x_1, x_2) = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \Rightarrow \operatorname{let} (x_1, x_2) = e'_1 \text{ in } e_2} (\text{E-UNPACKE})$ let  $(x_1, x_2) = (v_{11}, v_{12}: T)$  in  $e_2 \Rightarrow e_2[x_1 \mapsto v_{11}][x_2 \mapsto v_{12}]$  (E-UNPACK) Figure 4.3: Evaluation rules of  $QUBE_{\lambda}$ 

evaluates to  $e_t$  (E-CONDT) or  $e_e$  (E-CONDE), respectively. The following example uses a conditional to define a safe integer division function.

## Example 4.5 (Safe division)

```
fun a:int \rightarrow fun b:int \rightarrow
if :int b != 0 then a / b else 0
```

The let-binding let  $x = e_1$  in  $e_2$  binds the variable x to the value of the righthand side  $e_1$  in the body expression  $e_2$ . E-LETE first evaluates the right-hand side expression. If this yields a value  $v_1$ , E-LET evaluates the entire let-binding to  $e_2[x \mapsto v_1]$ .

As an example, we define a function squared\_difference that uses a letbinding to avoid redundant computation of the difference.

## Example 4.6 (*Let-binding*)

```
let squared_difference = fun a:int → fun b:int →
   let d = a - b in
   d * d
in ...
```

The coercion (e:T) serves to up-coerce an expression *e* to a type *T*. The expression is evaluated by E-COERCES. If *e* evaluates to *v*, the entire coercion evaluates to *v* after rule E-COERCE.

The tuple constructor  $(e_1, e_2: (x:T_1, T_2))$  forms a (dependent) tuple with components  $e_1$  and  $e_2$ . The type annotation  $(x:T_1, T_2)$  is necessary as the typing of dependent tuples is ambiguous. For example, the tuple (0,1) may be regarded as a pair of integers (int,int), as an ordered pair (x:int,{ v:int | v >= x }), or as any other type that describes the tuple. The rules E-TUP1 and E-TUP2 evaluate the expressions from left to right, yielding the value  $(v_1, v_2: (x:T_1, T_2))$ .

The unpack expression let  $(x_1, x_2) = e_1$  in  $e_2$  projects the component values from a tuple. The expression binds the variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  to the respective component values of the right-hand side  $e_1$  in the body expression  $e_2$ . E-UNPACKE evaluates the right-hand side expression. If  $e_1$  evaluates to a tuple value  $(v_{11}, v_{12}: (x:T_1, T_2))$ , E-UNPACK evaluates the entire expression to  $e_2$ , in the process replacing  $x_1$  with  $v_{11}$  and  $x_2$  with  $v_{12}$ , respectively. The example adds the corresponding elements of two ordered pairs, which again yields an ordered pair.

## Example 4.7 (Adding ordered pairs)

```
let ordered_add = fun a:ordered_pair → fun b:ordered_pair →
  let (a1,a2) = a in
  let (b1,b2) = b in
  (a1 + b1, a2 + b2 : ordered_pair)
```

## **4.2 QUBE**<sub>→</sub>: Integer Vectors

Building on  $QUBE_{\lambda}$ , the language layer  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$  (QUBE vector) adds support for integer vectors. In the context of array programming, these vectors are particularly important as array shapes and as index vectors into multidimensional arrays.  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$  provides language elements for defining, accessing, and manipulating integer vectors. A vector comprehension allows the user to specify arbitrary operations that combine corresponding elements from multiple vectors. These operations can be encoded in the array property fragment of first-order logic, so that the compiler can statically reason about the values of integer vectors.

Figure 4.4 shows the abstract syntax of  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$ , its operational semantics is shown in Figure 4.5. The evaluation rule E-SEQ defines the auxiliary relation  $\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e}$  that evaluates sequences  $\overline{e}$  of expressions from left to right.

To describe integer vectors,  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$  introduces a new type intvec *e* where the expression *e* describes the length of the vector. Since vectors cannot have negative extent, *e* must denote a natural number. The vector type is refinable so that properties of entire vectors can be encoded in the type.

The vector constructor  $[\overline{e}]$  defines a vector with elements  $\overline{e}$ . The evaluation rule E-VECTOR makes use of the relation  $\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e}$  to evaluate the vector elements. If all elements evaluate to integers, the resulting vector  $[\overline{\mathbb{Z}}]$  is a value.

The vector selection  $e_{\cdot}(e_i)$  selects the element at index  $e_i$  from the vector  $e_{\cdot}$ . The rules E-VSELV and E-VSELI evaluate the vector and the index, respectively. If

*Syntax of* QUBE<sub>→</sub>

Figure 4.4: Abstract syntax of QUBE\_

Evaluation rules, continued

$$\begin{array}{c} \displaystyle \frac{e_i \Rightarrow e_i'}{|v_0,..,v_{i-1},e_i,..,e_{n-1}\Rightarrow_{seq}v_0,..,v_{i-1},e_i',..,e_{n-1}} \quad (\text{E-SEQ}) \\ \\ \displaystyle \frac{\overline{e}\Rightarrow_{seq}\overline{e'}}{[\overline{e}] \Rightarrow [\overline{e'}]} \quad (\text{E-VECTOR}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{e \Rightarrow e'}{e.(e_i) \Rightarrow e'.(e_i)} \quad (\text{E-VSELV}) \qquad \frac{e_i \Rightarrow e_i'}{v.(e_i) \Rightarrow v.(e_i')} \quad (\text{E-VSELI}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{0 \le i < |\overline{v}|}{[\overline{v}].(i) \Rightarrow v_i} \quad (\text{E-VSEL}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{e \Rightarrow e'}{e.(e_i) \leftarrow e_e} \Rightarrow e'.(e_i) \leftarrow e_e \quad (\text{E-VMV}) \qquad \frac{e_i \Rightarrow e_i'}{v.(e_i) \leftarrow e_e} \quad (\text{E-VMI}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{v.(v_i) \leftarrow e_e} \Rightarrow v.(v_i) \leftarrow e'_e \quad (\text{E-VME}) \qquad \frac{0 \le i < |\overline{v}|}{[\overline{v}].(i) \leftarrow v_e \Rightarrow \overline{v}.(e_i')]} \quad (\text{E-VMOD}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec e_n e_e \Rightarrow v.(v_i) \leftarrow e'_e} \quad (\text{E-VECL}) \qquad \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec v_n e_e \Rightarrow vec v_n e'_e} \quad (\text{E-VECE}) \\ \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_n}{vec e_n v \Rightarrow [v_1,...,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VECC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{0 \le n}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VECC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VECC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VECC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VECC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_1]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{vec n v \Rightarrow [v_1,..,v_n]} \quad (\text{E-VEC}) \\ \hline \frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_$$

Figure 4.5: Evaluation rules of  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$ 

 $e \Rightarrow e$ 

the vector evaluates to a value  $[\overline{v}]$  and the index evaluates to an integer *i* with  $0 \le i < |\overline{v}|$ , then E-VSEL yields the element  $v_i$ .

The vector modification  $e \cdot (e_i) \leftarrow e_e$  yields a modified version of the vector e in which the element at the index  $e_i$  is replaced with the new element  $e_e$ . Vector modification is non-destructive, i. e., the original vector is preserved as its elements are copied to the new vector value. The rules E-VMV, E-VMI, and E-VME evaluate the three subexpressions from left to right. If the vector and the index expression evaluate to a vector value  $[\overline{v}]$  and an appropriate integer index i, and the new element successfully evaluates to a value  $v_e$ , then E-VECE yields a vector with elements  $\overline{v}$  except that  $v_i$  is replaced with  $v_e$ .

The following example illustrates the non-destructive behaviour of the vector modification. Vector b is defined as a modification of vector a. Whereas b.(2) reflects the new element, the corresponding element of a remains unchanged.

## Example 4.8 (Non-destructive vector modification)

let a = [1,2,3] in let b = a.(2)  $\leftarrow$  a.(0) in (\* b = [1,2,1] \*) a.(2)  $\Rightarrow^* 3$ ,

Unlike the vector constructor  $[\overline{e}]$  which creates a vector of fixed length with distinct elements, the constant-value vector expression vec  $e_n e_e$  defines a vector of non-constant length  $e_n$  that only contains copies of the element  $e_e$ . The length and the element are evaluated by the rules E-VECL and E-VECE, respectively. If the length evaluates to a non-negative integer n and the element evaluates to a value v, the entire expression evaluates to a vector that contains n copies of v after rule E-VEC.

To illustrate constant-value vectors, we define a null vector whose length is determined by an expression.

[0,0,0,0]

## Example 4.9 (Null vector with dynamic length)

let 
$$n = 1+3$$
 in  
vec  $n = 0$   $\Rightarrow^*$ 

The vector comprehension vmap  $e_n \overline{e} f$  simultaneously applies a *k*-ary function *f* to all corresponding elements of the argument vectors  $e_1, ..., e_k$  of length  $e_n$ , where  $k \ge 1$ . Intuitively, the resulting vector is specified by (vmap  $e_n e_1, ..., e_k f$ ).(*i*) =  $f(e_1.(i), ..., e_k.(i))$ . The function *f* has the form  $(\overline{x} \rightarrow e)$  and may be understood as an in-place abstraction of the variables  $\overline{x}$  from the body *e*. The length and the argument vectors are evaluated by the rules E-VMAPL and E-VMAPV. if the length evaluates to an integer *n* and all vectors evaluate to vector values of length

*n*, then V-MAP evaluates the expression to a vector constructor. It applies the function  $(\overline{x} \rightarrow e)$  to the respective vector elements by substituting the variables  $\overline{x}$  with the actual values.

As an example, we use vmap to specify an expression that computes the elementwise sum of two vectors.

## Example 4.10 (Vector sum)

```
let av = [1,2,3,4] in
let bv = [1,1,1,1] in
vmap 4 av,bv (a,b \rightarrow a+b) \Rightarrow^* [2,3,4,5]
```

Similar to vmap, the vector predicate vfa  $e_n \overline{e} p$  checks whether a *k*-ary predicate p holds for all corresponding elements of the vectors  $e_1, ..., e_k$  of length  $e_n$ , with  $k \ge 1$ . The result is specified by the formula  $\forall i.0 \le i < e_n \cdot p(e_1.(i), ..., e_k.(i))$ . The predicate is an in-place abstraction  $(\overline{x} \rightarrow e)$  with variables  $\overline{x}$  and a body e. The length and the argument vectors are evaluated by E-VFAL and E-VFAV. If the length evaluates to an integer n and all vectors evaluate to vector values of length n, then V-VFA evaluates the entire expression to a conjunction of applications of p to the corresponding vector elements.

To illustrate how vector predicates may be used to refine vector types, we define the type natvec for vectors of natural numbers and the type indexvec that describes vectors whose elements range between 0 and the corresponding elements of a boundary vector.

## Example 4.11 (Refining vector types)

```
type natvec n:nat = { xv:intvec n | vfa n xv (x \rightarrow 0 <= x) }
type indexvec n:nat bv:(natvec n) =
{ xv:intvec n | vfa n xv,bv (x,b \rightarrow 0 <= x & x < b) }
```

## **4.3 QUBE : Multidimensional Arrays**

The third language layer  $QUBE_{[]}$  (QUBE array) adds support for multidimensional arrays and rank-generic programming. The layer relies on  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$  since array shapes and indices into multidimensional arrays are integer vectors.  $QUBE_{[]}$  provides means for defining, accessing and modifying arrays. A rank-generic array comprehension allows for the convenient specification of powerful array operations. The abstract syntax of  $QUBE_{[]}$  is shown in Figure 4.6, the corresponding operational semantics is detailed in Figure 4.7.

Syntax of QUBE

Figure 4.6: Abstract syntax of QUBE

The type of arrays is  $[T | \overline{e}]$  where *T* is the common type of the array elements and  $\overline{e}$  describes the array shape as a structured vector, i. e., a comma-separated sequence of vectors. Structured vectors allow us to specify array shapes and index vectors as compositions of multiple independent vectors. For example, an integer matrix of shape [2,3] is described by the type [int|[2,3]] but also by [int|[2],[3]] or even [int|fs,cs] for appropriate expressions fs and cs. The type of the rank-generic outer product oprod makes use of a structured array shape: given an array of type [int|sa] and an array of type [int|sb], the function yields an array of type [int|sa,sb].

Example 4.12 (Type of rank-generic outer product)

```
oprod: ra:nat \rightarrow rb:nat \rightarrow sa:(natvec ra) \rightarrow sb:(natvec rb) \rightarrow [int|sa] \rightarrow [int|sb] \rightarrow [int|sa,sb]
```

The array constructor  $[\overline{e}: T | [\overline{n}]]$  defines a multidimensional array with elements  $\overline{e}$  of the element type T and shape  $[\overline{n}]$  (and thus rank  $|\overline{n}|$ ). As a data type invariant, the array shape must not have negative shape components and the number of array elements must equal the product of the shape vector. Since these restrictions go beyond mere syntax, they are enforced by the type checker. The annotated element type serves two purposes. First, it provides a common supertype for the array elements. Second, it allows the type checker to determine the type of an empty array such as [:int|[0,10]]. The evaluation rule E-ARR evaluates the elements from left to right by applying the relation  $\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e}$ . An array of values  $[\overline{v}: T | [\overline{n}]]$  is itself a value, where  $\overline{v}$  is the data vector and  $\overline{n}$  is the shape vector. The data vector contains the array elements in row-major order, i. e., the order of array elements in the data vectors. Fig. 4.8 shows the representation of some multidimensional arrays in QUBE<sub>CORE</sub>.

The array selection  $e_a$ . [ $\overline{e}$ ] selects the element indexed by the structured index

Evaluation rules, continued

 $e \Rightarrow e$ 

$$\frac{\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}}{[\overline{e}:T \mid [\overline{n}]] \Rightarrow [\overline{e'}:T \mid [\overline{n}]]} (E-ARR)$$

$$\frac{e_a \Rightarrow e'_a}{e_a \cdot [\overline{e}] \Rightarrow e'_a \cdot [\overline{e}]} (E-SELA) \qquad \overline{\overline{v_a} \cdot [\overline{e}] \Rightarrow v_a \cdot [\overline{e'}]} (E-SELI)$$

$$\frac{|\overline{n}| = |\overline{i_1}, .., \overline{i_m}|}{[\overline{v}:T \mid [\overline{n}]] \cdot [[\overline{i_1}], .., [\overline{i_m}]] \Rightarrow v_{idx}} (E-SEL)$$
where  $idx = \iota \ \overline{n} \ (\overline{i_1}, .., \overline{i_m})$ 

$$\frac{e_a \Rightarrow e'_a}{e_a \cdot [\overline{e}] \leftarrow e_e} (E-MA) \qquad \overline{\frac{\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}}{v_a \cdot [\overline{e}] \leftarrow e_e}} (E-MI)$$

$$\frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{v_a \cdot [\overline{v}] \leftarrow e_e \Rightarrow v_a \cdot [\overline{v}] \leftarrow e'_e} (E-ME)$$

$$\frac{e_e \Rightarrow e'_e}{v_a \cdot [\overline{v}] \leftarrow e_e \Rightarrow v_a \cdot [\overline{v}] \leftarrow e'_e} (E-ME)$$

$$\frac{|\overline{n}| = |\overline{i_1}, .., \overline{i_m}|}{[\overline{v}:T \mid [\overline{n}]] \cdot [[\overline{i_1}], .., [\overline{i_m}]] \leftrightarrow v_e \Rightarrow [\overline{v}[idx \rightarrow v_e] : T \mid [\overline{n}]]} (E-MOD)$$
where  $idx = \iota \ \overline{n} \ (\overline{i_1}, .., \overline{i_m})$ 

$$\frac{\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}}{reshape \ \overline{e} \ e_a \Rightarrow reshape \ \overline{e'} \ e_a} (E-RS) \qquad \frac{e_a \Rightarrow e'_a}{reshape \ \overline{v} \ e_a \Rightarrow reshape \ \overline{v} \ e'_a} (E-RA)$$

$$\frac{(0 \le i_{jk})_{jk} \quad (0 < n_j)_j}{[reshape \ [\overline{i_1}], .., [\overline{i_m}] \ [\overline{v}:T \mid [\overline{n}]] \Rightarrow [\overline{v'}:T \mid [\overline{i_1}], .., \overline{i_m}]]} (E-RSHP)$$
where  $v'_k = v_k \mod \Pi \overline{n}$ 

$$\frac{\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}}{[gen : T \ \overline{e} \ with \ \overline{x} \rightarrow e_b \Rightarrow gen : T \ \overline{e'} \ with \ \overline{x} \rightarrow e_b} (E-GENS)$$

$$\frac{(0 \le n_{ij})_{ij}}{[gen : T \ [\overline{n_1}], .., [\overline{n_m}] \ with x_1, ..., x_m \rightarrow e_b \Rightarrow [\overline{e} : T \mid [\overline{n_1}], ..., \overline{n_m}]] (E-GEN)$$

$$where \ |e| = \prod [(\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m})]$$

Figure 4.7: Evaluation rules of  $QUBE_{[]}$ 

Array	Uniform array representation
1	[1:int []]
	[1,2,3:int [3]]
$\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}1&2&3\\4&5&6\end{array}\right)$	[1,2,3,4,5,6:int [2,3]]
7 - 8 - 9 $1 + 2 - 3 + 9$ $1 + 2 - 3 + 12$ $10 - 11 + 12$ $4 - 5 - 6$	[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12:int [2,2,3]]

Figure 4.8: Representation of multidimensional arrays in QUBE<sub>CORE</sub>

vector  $\overline{e}$  from the array  $e_a$ . The array and the index vector are evaluated by the rules E-SELA and E-SELI, respectively. The selection requires that the array evaluates to a value  $[\overline{v}: T | [\overline{n}]]$  and that  $\overline{e}$  evaluates to a sequence of integer vectors  $[\overline{i_1}],...,[\overline{i_m}]$  which jointly form a valid index vector  $\overline{iv} = \overline{i_1},...,\overline{i_m}$  into the array, i. e., the length of  $\overline{iv}$  must equal the array's rank  $|\overline{n}|$  and all elements  $iv_j$ must range between 0 and the corresponding shape element  $n_j$ . If all the preconditions are met, the selection yields the array element  $v_{idx}$ . The appropriate linear offset idx into the data vector  $\overline{v}$  is determined by the offset computation function  $\iota$  (iota).

## Definition 4.13 (Offset computation function $\iota$ )

Let  $\overline{s}$  with  $|\overline{s}| = r$  be a shape vector and  $\overline{v}$  with  $|\overline{v}| = r$  be an appropriate index vector into an array of shape  $\overline{s}$ . The offset computation function  $\iota \overline{s} \overline{v}$  (iota) is defined as follows:

$$\iota \,\overline{s} \,\overline{\nu} = \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} (\nu_j \cdot \prod_{k=j+1}^{r-1} s_k)$$

The example shows two equivalent selections into a matrix of shape [2,2], one uses a single vector, the other a structured vector.

## Example 4.14 (Array selection)

The array modification  $e_a$ .  $[\overline{e}] \leftarrow e_e$  modifies the array  $e_a$  by replacing the element indexed by the (structured) index vector  $\overline{e}$  with the new element  $e_e$ . Array modification is non-destructive: the original array is preserved as its elements are copied to the new array value. The three subexpressions are evaluated from left to right by the rules E-MA, E-MI, and E-ME. Similar to the selection, the array modification requires that the array evaluates to a value  $[\overline{v}: T \mid [n]]$  and that the structured vector  $\overline{e}$  evaluates to a valid index vector into that array. If  $e_e$  also evaluates to a value  $v_e$  then E-MOD yields an array equal to the original one except that the element idx in  $\overline{v}$  is replaced with  $v_e$ . The linear offset idx is once more defined by the index computation function  $\iota$ .

As an example, we show two equivalent modification of a matrix of shape [2,2], one uses a single vector, the other a structured vector.

## Example 4.15 (Array modification)

The reshape operation reshape  $\overline{e} e_a$  gives a new shape  $\overline{e}$  to an array  $e_a$ . The evaluation rules E-RS and E-RA evaluate the new shapes and the array from left to right. Provided that the array evaluates to a non-empty array value  $[\overline{\nu}: T | [n]]$  and that the new shape evaluates to non-negative integer vectors  $[\overline{i_1}], ..., [\overline{i_m}]$ , rule E-RSHP yields a new array  $[\overline{\nu'}: T | [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}]]$  whose elements are a repetition of the data vector  $\overline{\nu}$ : the element  $\nu'_k$  is the element  $\nu_{k \mod \prod \overline{n}}$ .

To illustrate reshape, we use it to conveniently specify an identity matrix of shape [4,4] using a structured shape.

## Example 4.16 (Reshape)

reshape [4],[4] [1,0,0,0,0 :int [5]]  $\Rightarrow$  [1,0,0,0, 0,1,0,0, 0,0,1,0, 0,0,0,1 :int [4,4]]

The array comprehension gen :  $T \ \overline{e}$  with  $\overline{x} \rightarrow e_b$  defines an array with the structured shape  $\overline{e}$  and element type T. For each shape vector  $e_j$ , the comprehension binds an index vector  $x_j$  in the body  $e_b$ . The evaluation rule E-GENS evaluates the shape vectors. If they all evaluate to non-negative integer vectors  $[\overline{n_1}], ..., [\overline{n_m}]$ , rule E-GEN evaluates the entire array comprehension to an array

Evaluation rules, continued

$$\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}$$

$$100p x_a: T = e_a; \overline{e} \text{ with } \overline{x} \to e_b \Rightarrow 100p x: T = e_a; \overline{e'} \text{ with } \overline{x} \to e_b$$
(E-LOOPS)

$$\frac{\left(0 \le n_{ij}\right)_{ij}}{\text{loop } x_a : T = e_a; \ [\overline{n_1}], ..., [\overline{n_m}] \text{ with } x_1, ..., x_m \to e_b \Rightarrow f_{p-1} \left(...(f_0 e_a)\right)} \text{ (E-LOOP)}$$

where 
$$p = \prod(\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m})$$
  
 $f_k = \operatorname{fun} x_a : T \to e_b[x_j \mapsto [\overline{i_j}]]_j$  such that  $\iota(\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m})(\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}) = k$ 

Figure 4.9: Evaluation rules of loop expressions

constructor  $[\overline{e}: T | [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}]]$ . Each element expression  $e_k$  is obtained by instantiating the index vectors  $x_j$  in  $e_b$  as vectors  $[\overline{i_j}]$  with  $\iota(\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m})(\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}) = k$ .

The following example shows two equivalent array comprehensions that specify an array of shape [2,2] whose elements equal the sum of their corresponding index positions.

## Example 4.17 (Array comprehension)

gen :int [2,2] with  $x \to x.(0)+x.(1) \Rightarrow^* [0,1,1,2 :int|[2,2]]$ gen :int [2],[2] with  $x,y \to x.(0)+y.(0) \Rightarrow^* [0,1,1,2 :int|[2,2]]$ 

Dual to gen, the loop expression loop  $x_a: T = e_a$ ;  $\overline{e}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$  specifies a rank-generic reduction operation. Its semantics is shown in Figure 4.9. For each shape vector  $e_j$ , loop binds an index vector  $x_j$  in the body  $e_b$ . Starting out with the initial value  $e_a$ , the accumulator variable  $x_a$  of type T, which is also bound in  $e_b$ , represents the intermediate loop result. E-LOOPS evaluates the shape vectors. If all shapes evaluate to non-negative vectors  $[\overline{n_1}], ..., [\overline{n_m}]$ , E-LOOP unfolds the loop into a sequence of function applications  $f_{p-1}(...(f_0 e_a))$  where p is the product of all shape components and each function  $f_k$  is defined as fun  $x_a: T \to e_b[x_j \mapsto [\overline{i_j}]]_j$  with  $\iota(\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m})(\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}) = k$ .

To illustrate loop, we define an expression that computes the element-wise sum of a multidimensional array. The loop unfolds into an expression that, starting with 0, selects and adds all elements from the array a in ascending lexicographic order.

 $e \Rightarrow e$ 

## Example 4.18 (Array sum)

```
let a = [1,2,3,4 :int|[2,2]] in

loop sum:int = 0; [2,2] with x → sum + a.[x]

⇒ ((fun sum:int → sum + a.[[1,1]])

        ((fun sum:int → sum + a.[[1,0]])

        ((fun sum:int → sum + a.[[0,1]])

        ((fun sum:int → sum + a.[[0,0]]) 0))))

⇒* 10
```

## 4.4 **Properties of Evaluation**

The previous sections introduced the language  $QUBE_{CORE}$  and its operational semantics in the form of a small-step evaluation relation. This section shows that the properties introduced in Section 2.2 hold for  $QUBE_{CORE}$  as well.

The set of values is a subset of expressions in normal form which are accepted as legal results of evaluation, as formalised by the following theorem.

## Theorem 4.19 (Every value is in normal form)

For all *v* there is no *e* with  $v \Rightarrow e$ .

**Proof:** By structural induction over *v*.

- 1. Case v = c: immediate, there is no rule to evaluate constants.
- 2. Case  $v = \operatorname{fun} x : T \to e$ : similar.
- 3. Case  $v = f^2 v'$ : only the rules E-APP1 and E-APP2 match the expression. By the hypothesis, the two subexpression are in normal form, so neither rule is applicable.
- 4. Case  $v = (v_1, v_2: (x:T_1, T_2))$ : only the rules E-TUP1 and E-TUP2 match the expression. By the hypothesis, the two subexpression are in normal form, so neither rule is applicable.
- 5. Case  $v = [\overline{v}]$ : only E-VECTOR matches the expression. By the hypothesis, all subexpressions are in normal form, hence E-SEQ and consequently E-VECTOR are not applicable.
- 6. Case  $v = [\overline{v} : T | [\overline{\mathbb{Z}}]]$ : only E-ARR matches the expression. By the hypothesis, all subexpressions are in normal form, therefore E-SEQ and consequently E-ARR are not applicable.

One-step evaluation of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expression is deterministic, i.e., the result of an expression taking an evaluation step will always be the same. The proof is

omitted here because it is a straightforward extension of the proof of the corresponding Theorem 2.12 for the applied  $\lambda$ -calculus.

Theorem 4.20 (Determinacy of one-step evaluation)

If  $e \Rightarrow e'$  and  $e \Rightarrow e''$  then e' = e''.

As one-step evaluation is deterministic, so is multi-step evaluation. In consequence, each expression has at most one normal form.

## Summary

This chapter presented the syntax and the operational semantics of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ , a variant of the functional array programming language QUBE. The language comprises three conceptual layers:  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  is a foundation that provides essential features of functional programming,  $QUBE_{-}$  adds support for processing integer vectors, and  $QUBE_{[]}$  enables rank-generic programming with multidimensional arrays.

We showed that the evaluation of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions is deterministic and that every value is in normal form. The converse proposition does not hold: not every expression in normal form is a value, for example if : T 42 then  $e_2$  else  $e_3$ , or [1,2,3,4:int|[2,2]].[[0,3]]. These expressions are "stuck" in the evaluation process. In the next chapter, we will present typing rules to rule out expressions whose evaluation might get stuck.
# Type Checking QUBE<sub>CORE</sub>

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This chapter explains how  $QUBE_{CORE}$  programs are type checked so that program errors are statically ruled out. Rank-generic programming adds a host of additional constraints that cannot be addressed with conventional type systems. For example, an element can only be selected from an array of rank *r* and shape vector *s* with an index vector of length *r* whose elements all range between 0 and the corresponding element of *s*.

Type checking of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is performed by several relations that act in concert. Figure 5.1 shows the common typing context and gives an overview of how the relations depend on each other.

The typing context  $\Gamma$  is either empty (·), a context  $\Gamma$  extended with a pair x : T that associates a variable with a type, or a context  $\Gamma$  extended with a boolean guard expression *e* that is assumed to hold under the context. Guard expressions allow the type system to take path information about the branches of a conditional into account [96, 86].

The typing relation  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$  assigns a type T to an expression e under a context  $\Gamma$ . The relation  $\Gamma \vdash T$  checks whether a type T is well-formed under  $\Gamma$ . In a type system with dependent types, both relations mutually depend on each other since types appear in expressions and expressions appear in types. The typing relation relies on the subtype relation  $\Gamma \vdash T <: T$  to check whether an expression of some type  $T_1$  may be safely used in a position where an expression of some other type  $T_2$  is expected.

To statically ensure that two array types have the same shape and to perform



Figure 5.1: Overview of the type checking relations

array bounds checking at compile time, the type checker must reason about how corresponding elements of structured vectors relate to each other. The relation  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e} \bowtie \overline{e} = \overline{(e,e) < e^{>}}$  statically joins two structured vectors into a sequence of pairs of vectors of equal length so that corresponding vector elements are aligned.

The proof relation  $\Gamma \vdash e$  which statically decides whether a boolean expression e is valid under a context  $\Gamma$  is the spine of the type system. Following the approach taken in [87, 36], this chapter presents two different flavours of the proof relation. In order to study the essential metatheoretic properties of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ , a conceptually simple but undecidable formalisation is used. In contrast, the QUBE compiler soundly approximates the proof relation in a decidable fragment of first-order logic.

The remainder of this chapter is structured as follows: Section 5.1 formalises when types are considered well-formed. Section 5.2 explains how corresponding elements of structured vectors are statically aligned. Section 5.3 discusses subtyping. With all pieces in place, Section 5.4 finally explains type checking of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions. Section 5.5 proofs essential soundness properties of the type system. Finally, Section 5.6 outlines the actual implementation of the proof relation by means of an SMT solver.

Well-formed types

 $\Gamma \vdash B \text{ (WF-BTYPE)}$   $\frac{\Gamma \vdash T_1 \qquad \Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash T_2}{\Gamma \vdash x : T_1 \to T_2} \text{ (WF-FUN)}$   $\frac{\Gamma \vdash T_1 \qquad \Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash T_2}{\Gamma \vdash (x : T_1, T_2)} \text{ (WF-TUP)}$   $\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \text{nat}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{intvec } e} \text{ (WF-INTVEC)}$   $\frac{\Gamma \vdash T \qquad (\Gamma \vdash e_i : \text{natvec } l_i)_i}{\Gamma \vdash [T \mid \overline{e}]} \text{ (WF-ARR)}$   $\frac{T \in \{\text{bool, int, intvec }\} \qquad \Gamma \vdash T \qquad \Gamma, x : T \vdash e : \text{bool}}{\Gamma \vdash \{x : T \mid e\}} \text{ (WF-REFTYPE)}$ 

## Figure 5.2: Well-formed types

# 5.1 Well-Formed Types

The relation  $\Gamma \vdash T$  checks whether a type *T* is well-formed under a context  $\Gamma$ . The context is needed for type checking the expressions that appear in dependent types. Figure 5.2 shows the rules of the well-formedness relation.

The base types bool and int are well-formed under any context as they contain no expressions (WF-BTYPE).

Dependent function types  $x: T_1 \to T_2$  and dependent tuple types  $(x: T_1, T_2)$  are checked by the rules WF-FUN and WF-TUP, respectively. Both types are well-formed under  $\Gamma$  when  $T_1$  is well-formed under  $\Gamma$  and when  $T_2$  is also well-formed under the additional assumption  $x: T_1$ .

Integer vectors and array axes cannot have negative length. Consequently, a type intvec *e* is only well-formed after rule WF-INTVEC when *e* has type nat. Similarly, WF-ARR states that an array type  $[T | \overline{e}]$  is well-formed if *T* is a well-formed type and each shape vector  $e_j$  has type natvec. As pointed out in Chapter 4, the types nat and natvec are abbreviations for the respective refinement types.

The final rule WF-REFTYPE checks the well-formedness of refinement types. Only the base types bool, int, and the vector type intvec e may be refined. A refinement type  $\{x:T \mid e\}$  is well-formed if T is well-formed and when e has type bool under the extended context  $\Gamma, x: T$ .

 $\Gamma \vdash T$ 

# 5.2 Joining Structured Vectors

The array type and the array primitives make use of structured vectors to describe shapes and index vectors. During type checking, structured vectors must be statically compared, for example, to determine whether an array of type  $[T | e_1, .., e_m]$  may be used in a position where an array of type  $[T | e_1', .., e_n']$  is required, or to decide whether a selection a.  $[e_1, .., e_m]$  into an array a of type  $[T | e_1', .., e_n']$  violates the array boundaries.

The generalised selection gsel illustrates the problem. Given an array a whose shape fs,cs consists of the *frame shape* fs and the *cell shape* cs, and an index vector x that indexes into the frame shape, the function selects the slice of elements of a whose position is prefixed with x. The example uses an extended form of let to conveniently define functions. The notation let f x:int = e in e' is equivalent to let  $f = fun x:int \rightarrow e$  in e'.

Example 5.1 (Generalised selection)

The partially applied function (gsel 1 [2] 1 [2] [0]) expects an argument of type [int|[2], [2]] but is applied to an array of type [int|[2,2]]. The argument is legitimate because the structured vectors [2], [2] and [2,2] have the same elements. In general however, structured vectors are not compile-time constants. In order to check the selection a. [x,y], the type checker must prove that all elements of the structured vector x,y range between 0 and the corresponding elements nor even their number are known at compile time.

Figure 5.3 shows the relation  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e} \bowtie \overline{e} = (e, e) < e>$  which statically joins two structured vectors so that corresponding elements are aligned. Applied to two structured vectors  $\overline{e_V}$ ,  $\overline{e_W}$ , the relation yields a sequence of pairs of the form  $(e_1, e_2) < e_l>$  where  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are vectors of length  $e_l$  whose elements stem from  $\overline{e_V}$  and  $\overline{e_W}$ , respectively. Structured vectors may be joined in either of three cases. In the first case, handled by J-VECTORS, both structured vectors have the same structure, i. e., they consist of the same number of vectors and corresponding vectors are known to have the same (typically non-constant) length. As its result, the rule merely pairs corresponding vectors and augments each pair with a length expression. In the example, J-VECTORS aligns fs with x and cs with y

$$\frac{\left(\Gamma \vdash e_{j} : \text{intvec } e'_{j} \quad \exists !n_{j}. \Gamma \vdash n_{j} = e'_{j}\right)_{j}}{\Gamma \vdash \oplus e_{1}, ..., e_{m} = [e_{1}.(0), ..., e_{1}.(n_{1}-1), ..., e_{m}.(0), ..., e_{m}.(n_{m}-1)]} \text{ (CONDENSE)}$$

Figure 5.3: Rules for joining structured vectors

during type checking of the selection.

$$\frac{\dots}{\Gamma \vdash fs, cs \bowtie x, y = (fs, x) < fr >, (cs, y) < cr >} (J-VECTORS)$$

where  $\Gamma = \text{fr:nat}$ , fs:(natvec fr), cr:nat, cs:(natvec cr),

x: (indexvec fr fs), a: [int|fs,cs], y: (indexvec cr cs) In the second case, handled by J-ELEMS, both structured vectors are known to have the same (constant) number of elements. In this case, the auxiliary rule CONDENSE yields a set of expressions that represent the individual elements of a structured vector. To deduce the length of each vector, CONDENSE uses the auxiliary relation  $\exists!n. \Gamma \vdash e = n$ , which determines a *unique* integer constant *n* such

that  $\Gamma \vdash e = n$ . J-ELEMS yields a single pair of vectors. In the above example, J-ELEMS is used to prove that the array [1,2,3,4 :int |[2,2]] is an appropriate argument to the function gsel that expects an array of type [int | [2], [2]].

$$\frac{\vdots}{\cdot \vdash \oplus [2], [2] = [2,2]} (\text{CONDENSE}) \qquad \frac{\vdots}{\cdot \vdash \oplus [2,2] = [2,2]} (\text{CONDENSE}) \\ \cdot \vdash [2], [2] \bowtie [2,2] = ([2,2], [2,2]) < 2 > (J-ELEMS)$$

The last rule J-ExFALSO explicitly deals with the case that the context  $\Gamma$  is invalid. Under such a context, for example false, we can neither compare length expressions (false  $\vdash e_1 = e_2$  will always hold), nor can we use the relation

Subtyping

 $\Gamma \vdash T <: T$ 

$$\begin{split} \Gamma \vdash B <: B \text{ (SUB-BTYPE)} \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash T_{21} <: T_{11} \qquad \Gamma, x : T_{21} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}}{\Gamma \vdash x : T_{11} \rightarrow T_{12} <: x : T_{21} \rightarrow T_{22}} \text{ (SUB-FUN)} \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash T_{11} <: T_{21} \qquad \Gamma, x : T_{11} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}}{\Gamma \vdash (x : T_{11}, T_{12}) <: (x : T_{21}, T_{22})} \text{ (SUB-TUP)} \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 = e_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{ intvec } e_1 <: \text{ intvec } e_2} \text{ (SUB-VEC)} \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash T_1 <: T_2 \qquad \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w) }} \quad (\Gamma \vdash \text{vfa} \ l_i \ v_i, w_i \ (x, y \rightarrow x = y))_i}{\Gamma \vdash [T_1 \mid \overline{e_1}] <: [T_2 \mid \overline{e_2}]} \text{ (SUB-ARR)} \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash T_1 <: T_2 \qquad \Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash e_1 \Rrightarrow e_2}{\Gamma \vdash \{x : T_1 \mid e_1\} <: \{x : T_2 \mid e_2\}} \text{ (SUB-REFTYPE)} \end{split}$$

Figure 5.4: Subtyping rules

 $\exists !n. \texttt{false} \vdash e = n \text{ to find a unique } n \text{ equal to } e.$  During type checking, an invalid context can only arise if an expression will never be evaluated at run-time, for example the first branch  $e_t$  of the conditional  $\texttt{iffalsethen} e_t \texttt{else} e_e$ . To allow type checking to proceed in these expressions, J-ExFALSO yields a pair of empty vectors.

# 5.3 Subtyping

The subtype relation  $\Gamma \vdash T <: T$  for comparing (well-formed) types is shown in Figure 5.4. By rule SUB-BTYPE, every base type *B* is a subtype of itself. For (dependent) function types, SUB-FUN states that subtyping is contravariant for the argument types and covariant for the result types. In contrast, SUB-TUP states that subtyping on dependent tuple types is covariant in both component types. Both rules bind the variable *x* to the lesser type in the context as *x* may be referenced in the second part of the respective types.

The subtyping rule SUB-VEC for integer vector types states that a type intvec  $e_1$  is a subtype of intvec  $e_2$  when the lengths  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are provably equivalent. Similarly, the subtyping rule SUB-ARR for array types  $[T_1 | \overline{e_1}]$  and  $[T_2 | \overline{e_2}]$  is covariant on the element types and requires that both structured vectors  $\overline{e_1}$  and  $\overline{e_2}$  denote the same shape. To compare the array shapes, SUB-ARR joins the structured vectors and compares the corresponding vector segments by proving the validity of a suitable vector predicate.

The subtyping rule for refinement types SUB-REF captures the intuition that a refinement type  $\{x: T_1 \mid e_1\}$  is a subtype of  $\{x: T_2 \mid e_2\}$  when the former describes a subset of the values described by the latter. The first premise checks that  $T_1$  is a subtype of  $T_2$ . This means that both types are either bool, int, or intvec of equal length, because of the restrictions on which types can be refined and the above subtyping rules. The second premise establishes the subset relation by checking whether  $e_1$  implies  $e_2$  under  $\Gamma, x: T_1$ . As usual, the implication operator  $e_1 \Rightarrow e_2$  is an abbreviation of  $(\text{not } e_1) \mid e_2$ .

# 5.4 Type Checking

This section presents the typing relation  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$  that associates  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions with types. Given the extensive syntax of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ , we incrementally present the typing rules for  $QUBE_{\lambda}$ ,  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$ , and  $QUBE_{[]}$ .

Type checking of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  requires to check the validity of boolean constraints under a context  $\Gamma$ , for example  $\Gamma \vdash 0 \leq i \& i < n$ . The implemented decision procedure for the proof relation converts the context and the boolean expression into a logical formula and applies a theorem prover. In particular, the translation puts both the implicit function of vmap  $e_n \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \rightarrow e)$  and the predicate of vfa  $e_n \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \rightarrow e)$  under a universal quantifier. To ensure that the resulting formula stays in the array property fragment [18], we restrict the expressions that may appear in the in-place function definitions  $(\overline{x} \rightarrow e)$  in both cases.

- Only constant and function symbols, variables, applications, conditional expressions, up-coercions, and let-bindings are allowed in the function body *e*.
- Only the bound variables x̄ may be referenced in the function body *e*, i. e.,
   *FV*(*e*) ⊆ {x̄}.

To enforce these restrictions, we augment the typing relation  $\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e : T$  with an environment parameter  $\varepsilon \in \{\circ, \bullet\}$  that indicates whether an expression is checked in a restricted (•) or unrestricted (•) environment. Typing rules that are not applicable under vfa or vmap require the parameter to be  $\circ$  in the conclusion. For example, abstractions cannot be typed under vfa and vmap because the conclusion of the corresponding typing rule T-ABS reads  $\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} \text{fun } x : T \to e :$  $(x:T \to T')$ . In contrast, variables may occur everywhere. Therefore, the typing rule T-VAR does not instantiate the environment parameter in its conclusion  $\Gamma \vdash_{e} x : T$ . When the typing relation is referred to in other sections as  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ , this is equivalent to  $\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e : T$ .

# Type Checking $QUBE_{\lambda}$

The typing rules for  $QUBE_{\lambda}$  are shown in Figure 5.5. As indicated by the environment parameter  $\varepsilon$ , only constants, variables, applications, let-expressions, conditionals, and coercions may appear under vmap and vfa. All other kinds of expressions require an unrestricted context ( $\circ$ ).

The subsumption rule T-SUB connects the subtype relation and the typing relation. It states that if an expression e has a type T' that is a subtype of some arbitrary well-formed type T, then e also has type T.

T-CONST gives types to constant and function symbols according to the table shown in Figure 5.6. To model the semantics of the symbols as closely as possible, the types are defined in terms of the symbols itself. T-VAR projects the type of a variable x from the context  $\Gamma$ .

The typing rule T-ABS for abstractions fun  $x : T \to e$  checks that T is well-formed under  $\Gamma$ . When e has type T' under the extended context  $\Gamma, x : T$  then the entire abstraction has a function type  $x : T \to T'$ . Applications  $e_1 e_2$  are checked by the rule T-APP. When the operator has a (dependent) function type  $x : T_1 \to T_2$  and when the operand has type  $T_1$ , then the application has type  $T_2[x \mapsto e_1]$ .

T-LET checks let-bindings let  $x = e_1$  in  $e_2$ . When the right-hand side  $e_1$  has type  $T_1$  under  $\Gamma$ , the rule proceeds to check the body expression  $e_2$  under the additional assumption  $x : T_1$ . Its type  $T_2$  is also the type of the entire expression. The antecedent  $\Gamma \vdash T_2$  enforces that  $T_2$  does not refer to x as it is not bound in the outer context  $\Gamma$ .

The conditional expression if : T e then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$  explicitly provides a common type T for the two branches. The typing rule T-COND checks that T is wellformed under  $\Gamma$  and that the predicate e actually is a boolean expression. The antecedents that check the branches take the path information into account by augmenting  $\Gamma$  with e and not e, respectively. When both branches have type T, the entire conditional has type T.

The coercion (e:T) serves to up-cast the type of an expression. Consequently, T-COERCE checks the well-formedness of T and whether e has the annotated type. Then, the entire coercion is associated with type T.

The typing rule T-TUP for tuple constructors  $(e_1, e_2: (x:T_1, T_2))$  checks whether the type annotation is well-formed. When the components have types  $T_1$  and  $T_2[x \mapsto e_1]$ , respectively, the tuple constructor has the annotated type. Type checking

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e: T' \qquad \Gamma \vdash T' <: T \qquad \Gamma \vdash T}{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e: T}$$
(T-SUB)

$$\begin{split} \Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} c : type(c) \; (\text{T-CONST}) & \frac{x : T \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} x : T} \; (\text{T-VAR}) \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash T \quad \Gamma, x : T \vdash_{\circ} e : T'}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} \text{fun } x : T \to e : (x : T \to T')} \; (\text{T-ABS}) \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_1 : (x : T_1 \to T_2) \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_2 : T_1}{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_1 e_2 : T_2 [x \mapsto e_2]} \; (\text{T-APP}) \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_1 : T_1 \quad \Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} \text{let } x = e_1 \; \text{in } e_2 : T_2} \; (\text{T-LET}) \end{split}$$

 $\frac{\Gamma \vdash T \qquad \Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e: \texttt{bool} \qquad \Gamma, e \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_t : T \qquad \Gamma, \texttt{not} e \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_e : T}{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} (\texttt{if} : T \ e \ \texttt{then} \ e_t \ \texttt{else} \ e_e) : T} (T\text{-COND})$ 

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash T \qquad \Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e:T}{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} (e:T):T}$$
(T-COERCE)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash (x:T_1, T_2) \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_1:T_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_2:T_2[x \mapsto e_1]}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} (e_1, e_2: (x:T_1, T_2)): (x:T_1, T_2)}$$
(T-TUP)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e' : (x:T_1, T_2) \quad \Gamma, x_1:T_1, x_2:T_2[x \mapsto x_1] \vdash_{\circ} e:T \quad \Gamma \vdash T}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} \operatorname{let} (x_1, x_2) = e' \operatorname{in} e:T} (T-UNPACK)$$

Figure 5.5: Typing rules for  $QUBE_{\lambda}$ 

 $\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon} e_{\lambda} : T$ 

true : {x:bool | x}  
false : {x:bool | not x}  
not : x:bool 
$$\rightarrow$$
 {y:bool | y  $\leftrightarrow$  not x}  
 $\circ \in \{\leftrightarrow, \&, |\}$  : x:bool  $\rightarrow$  y:bool  $\rightarrow$  {z:bool |  $z \leftrightarrow x \circ y$ }  
 $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  : {x:int |  $x = n$ }  
 $\circ \in \{=, !=, <, <=, >=, >\}$  : x:int  $\rightarrow$  y:int  $\rightarrow$  {z:bool |  $z \leftrightarrow x \circ y$ }  
 $\circ \in \{+, -, *\}$  : x:int  $\rightarrow$  y:int  $\rightarrow$  {z:int |  $z = x \circ y$ }  
 $\circ \in \{/, \%\}$  : x:int  $\rightarrow$  y:{y':int | y'!=0}  $\rightarrow$  {z:int |  $z = x \circ y$ }

Figure 5.6: Types of constants and function symbols

Unpack expressions let  $(x_1, x_2) = e'$  in *e* are handled similar to let-expressions. First, T-UNPACK ensures that the right-hand side has a tuple type  $(x:T_1, T_2)$ . Then, the body expression is checked under the context  $\Gamma, x_1: T_1, x_2: T_2[x \mapsto x_1]$ . When its type *T* is well-formed under the outer context  $\Gamma$  (and thus does not reference  $x_1, x_2$ ), then the entire expression has type *T*.

# Type Checking QUBE<sub>→</sub>

The typing rules for the language fragment  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$  are shown in Figure 5.7. For type checking  $QUBE_{CORE}$ , static reasoning about integers and integer vectors is essential. To capture the interrelationships of the expressions as precisely as possible, the typing rules for  $QUBE_{\rightarrow}$  reflect the semantics of each expression at the type level.

None of the expressions in QUBE<sub> $\rightarrow$ </sub> may appear under vmap or vfa, as indicated by the environment parameter  $\circ$ . We use the notation  $0 \le x \le y$  as an abbreviation of  $0 \le x \And x \le y$ . Likewise, the notation  $a \stackrel{=}{=}_n b$  abbreviates the equality of two vectors a, b of common length n as defined by the vector predicate vfa  $n a, b (x, y \rightarrow x = y)$ .

Vectors  $[\overline{e}]$  are typed by the rule T-VECTOR. All subexpressions  $e_i$  must be integers. The type of the vector expression is a refinement of intvec *n* that specifies the value in terms of the vector constructor  $[\overline{e}]$  itself.

T-VSEL and T-VMOD check vector selections  $e \cdot (e_i)$  and vector modifications  $e \cdot (e_i) \leftarrow e_e$ , respectively. In both cases, e has to be a vector and the index  $e_i$  must range within the vector bounds. In case of the vector modification, the new ele-

Type checking, continued

 $\overline{\Gamma \vdash_{\varepsilon}} e_{\rightarrow} : T$ 

$$\frac{(\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{j} : \operatorname{int})_{j}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} [\overline{e}] : \{x : \operatorname{intvec} |\overline{e}| \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{|\overline{e}|} [\overline{e}] \}} (\operatorname{T-VECTOR})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e : \operatorname{intvec} e_{n} \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{i} : \{x : \operatorname{int} \mid 0 \leq x < e_{n} \}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e . (e_{i}) : \{x : \operatorname{int} \mid x = e . (e_{i}) \}} (\operatorname{T-VSEL})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e : \operatorname{intvec} e_{n} \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{i} : \{x : \operatorname{int} \mid 0 \leq x < e_{n} \} \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{e} : \operatorname{int}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e . (e_{i}) \leftarrow e_{e} : \{x : \operatorname{intvec} e_{n} \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_{n}} e . (e_{i}) \leftarrow e_{e} \}} (\operatorname{T-VMOD})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{n} : \operatorname{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{e} : \operatorname{int}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} \operatorname{vec} e_{n} e_{e} : \{x : \operatorname{intvec} e_{n} \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_{n}} \operatorname{vec} e_{n} e_{e} \}} (\operatorname{T-VEC})$$

$$\frac{|\overline{e}| = |\overline{x}| \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{n} : \operatorname{int} \quad (\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{j} : \operatorname{intvec} e_{n})_{j} \quad \overline{x : \operatorname{int}} \vdash_{\bullet} e_{b} : \operatorname{int}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} \operatorname{veap} e_{n} \quad \overline{e} \quad (\overline{x} \to e_{b}) : \{x' : \operatorname{intvec} e_{n} \mid x' \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_{n}} \operatorname{vmap} e_{n} \quad \overline{e} \quad (\overline{x} \to e_{b}) \}} (\operatorname{T-VMAP})$$

$$\frac{|\overline{e}| = |\overline{x}| \quad \Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{n}: \text{nat} \quad (\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} e_{j}: \text{intvec} e_{n})_{j} \quad x: \text{int} \vdash_{\bullet} e_{b}: \text{bool}}{\Gamma \vdash_{\circ} \text{vfa} e_{n} \ \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \to e_{b}): \{x': \text{bool} \mid x' \leftrightarrow \text{vfa} e_{n} \ \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \to e_{b})\}} \text{ (T-VFA)}$$

where  $a \stackrel{=}{=}_n b = vfa n a, b (x, y \rightarrow x = y)$ 

Figure 5.7: Typing rules for QUBE →

ment  $e_e$  has to be an integer, too. The corresponding types  $\{x: \text{int} \mid x = e . (e_i)\}$ and  $\{x: \text{intvec } e_n \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_n} e . (e_i) \leftarrow e_e\}$  reflect the expressions at the type level. The constant-value vector expression vec  $e_n e_e$  is well-typed when the vector length  $e_n$  has type nat and when the element  $e_e$  has type int. T-VEC associates the expression with type  $\{x: \text{intvec } e_n \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_n} \text{vec } e_n e_e\}$ .

The rule T-VMAP checks vector comprehensions of the form vmap  $e_n \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \rightarrow e_b)$ . Under  $\Gamma$ , the vector length  $e_n$  is required to have type nat and all vectors  $\overline{e}$  must have type intvec  $e_n$ . The body  $e_b$  is subject to the restrictions outlined in Section 4.2: only a subset of simple expressions is permitted and no variable apart from  $\overline{x}$  may be referenced in  $e_b$ . To ensure these requirements,  $e_b$  is checked with the environment parameter • under a context that only binds the variables  $\overline{x}$  as integers. When  $e_b$  has type int, the type of the vector comprehension is a refinement of intvec  $e_n$  that reflects the comprehension itself.

Vector predicates vfa  $e_n \overline{e}$  ( $\overline{x} \rightarrow e_b$ ) are checked by rule T-VFA which is similar to T-VMAP. The rule checks the same preconditions except that  $e_b$  have type bool. The type of the vector predicate is bool refined by the predicate itself.

# Type Checking QUBE

Figure 5.8 shows the typing rules for the language fragment  $QUBE_{[]}$  that deals with multidimensional arrays. Unlike base and vector types, array types cannot be refined. In consequence, an array type such as [int|[1024,1024]] abstracts away the potentially huge number of individual array elements. For our goal of type checking array programs, reasoning about individual array elements is inessential. It is sufficient to reason about ranks, shape and index vectors. None of the expressions in  $QUBE_{[]}$  may appear under vmap or vfa, as indicated by the environment parameter  $\circ$ .

Array constructors  $[\overline{e}: T | [\overline{n}]]$  are checked by T-ARR. The premises ensure that all shape components  $n_i$  are non-negative and that the number of elements  $|\overline{e}|$  equals the shape product  $\prod \overline{n}$ . Furthermore, the annotated type *T* must be wellformed and every element must have type *T*. Then the array has type  $[T | [\overline{n}]]$ .

Selections  $e.[\overline{e_i}]$  and array modifications  $e.[\overline{e_i}] \leftarrow e_e$  are checked by the rules E-SEL and E-MOD, respectively. Both rules require that e is an array of some array type  $[T | \overline{e_s}]$ . To avoid array boundary violations, the structured shape vector  $\overline{e_s}$  has to be an upper bound for the structured index vector  $\overline{e_i}$ . The substituted element  $e_e$  is required to have type T, too. The result of a selection has the element type T whereas the result of array modification has the same type as the original array e.

T-RSHP checks reshaping expressions reshape  $\overline{e} e_a$ . As pointed out in Section 4.3, the array  $e_a$  can only be reshaped if it contains at least one element. Thus, the third premise ensures that the array's shape vectors  $\overline{e_s}$  are all strictly positive. The new shape vectors  $\overline{e}$  must all have type natvec to rule out negative shapes. Reshaping yields an array of type  $[T | \overline{e}]$ .

Array comprehensions gen :  $T \ \overline{e}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$  are checked by T-GEN. The annotated type T has to be well-formed and all shape vectors  $e_j$  are required to have type natvec. Under the assumption that every  $x_j$  denotes a vector that ranges between  $\vec{0}$  and  $e_j$ , the body expression  $e_b$  must have type T. When all preconditions are met, the result array has type  $[T | \overline{e}]$ .

T-LOOP checks loop expressions of the form loop  $x_a: T = e_a$ ;  $\overline{e}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$ . The annotated type T must be well-formed and the initial value  $e_a$  must of course have type T. Furthermore, the loop bounds  $\overline{e}$  have to be non-negative vectors. Assuming that every  $x_j$  is a vector that ranges between  $\vec{0}$  and  $e_j$ , and that the accumulator  $x_a$  has type T, the loop body  $e_b$  must also have type T. In consequence, the result of the entire reduction also has type T.

$$\begin{split} & Type \ checking, \ continued \\ \hline & \Gamma \vdash_e e_{\Pi} : T \\ & \frac{\left(0 \leq n_i\right)_i \quad |\overline{e}| = \prod \overline{n} \quad \Gamma \vdash T \quad \left(\Gamma \vdash_o e_j : T\right)_j}{\Gamma \vdash_o [\overline{e}: T \mid [\overline{n}]] : [T \mid [\overline{n}]]} \ (T-ARR) \\ & \frac{\left(1 \leq n_i\right)_i \quad |\overline{e}| = \overline{(s, v) < r}\right) \quad \Gamma \vdash_o e_i : [T \mid \overline{e_s}]}{\Gamma \vdash_o e_i : [T \mid \overline{e_s}]} \ (T-SEL) \\ & \frac{\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_s} \bowtie \overline{e_i} = \overline{(s, v) < r} \quad (\Gamma \vdash vfa r_j s_j, v_j \ (s, i \to 0 \leq i < s))_j}{\Gamma \vdash_o e_i : [\overline{e_i}] : T} \ (T-MOD) \\ & \frac{\left(\Gamma \vdash_o e_i : natvec \ \right)_i \quad \Gamma \vdash_o e_i : [T \mid \overline{e_s}]}{\Gamma \vdash_o reshape \overline{e} e_a : [T \mid \overline{e_s}]} \ (\Gamma \vdash pos \ e_{rj} \ e_{sj})_j} \ (T-RSHP) \\ & \text{where } pos \ n \ v = vfa \ n \ v \ (x \to 0 < x) \\ & \frac{|\overline{e}| = |\overline{x}| \quad \Gamma \vdash T \quad (\Gamma \vdash_o e_j : natvec \ e'_j)_j \quad \Gamma, \overline{x} : \overline{T} \vdash_o e_b : T}{\Gamma \vdash_o gen : T \ \overline{e} \ with \ \overline{x} \to e_b : [T \mid \overline{e_j}]} \ (T-GEN) \\ & \text{where } T_j = \{x' : intvec \ e'_j \mid vfa \ e_{nj} \ x', e_j \ (x, y \to 0 < = x < y) \} \\ \hline & \frac{|\overline{e}| = |\overline{x}| \quad \Gamma \vdash T \quad \Gamma \vdash_o e_a : T \ (\Gamma \vdash_o e_j : natvec \ e'_j)_j \quad \Gamma, \overline{x} : \overline{T}, x_a : T \vdash_o e_b : T}{\Gamma \vdash_o \log x_a : T = e_a; \ \overline{e} \ with \ \overline{x} \to e_b : T} \ (T-LOOP) \\ & \text{where } T_j = \{x' : intvec \ e'_j \mid vfa \ e_{nj} \ x', e_j \ (x, y \to 0 < = x < y) \} \end{split}$$

Figure 5.8: Typing rules for QUBE<sub>[]</sub>

# 5.5 Correctness of Type Checking

The previous sections have formalised the syntax, semantics, and typing rules of  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . This section gives proof that  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is type-safe, which means that no well-typed program can go wrong. As in Chapter 2.3, type-safety is shown by proving the progress and preservation theorems. However, due to subtyping and dependent types, additional lemmas are required. Apart from the support for rank-generic programming, the metatheory of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is similar to that of other approaches that incorporate type checking and theorem proving, such as [87, 36].

QUBE<sub>CORE</sub> provides an extensive set of constant and function symbols. The following axiom states that every symbol has a well-formed type and that  $\delta$ -reduction of a function symbol behaves as declared by its type.

## Axiom 5.2 (Constant symbols are well-behaved)

Each constant symbol c has a type type(c) such that

- 1.  $\cdot \vdash type(c)$
- 2. If  $type(f^1) = x: T_1 \to T_2$ , then the  $\delta$ -reduction  $f^1(v_1) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_2$  is defined for all values  $v_1$  with  $\cdot \vdash v_1: T_1$  so that  $\cdot \vdash v_2: T_2[x \mapsto v_1]$ .
- 3. If  $type(f^2) = x : T_1 \to y : T_2 \to T_3$ , then the  $\delta$ -reduction  $f^2(v_1, v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v_3$ is defined for all values  $v_1, v_2$  with  $\cdot \vdash v_1 : T_1$  and  $\cdot \vdash v_2 : T_2[x \mapsto v_1]$  so that  $\cdot \vdash v_3 : T_3[x \mapsto v_1][y \mapsto v_2]$ .

Well-formed types and well-typed expressions cannot contain any free variables apart from those declared in the context  $\Gamma$ . As the relations are interdependent, the proof is by simultaneous induction on the derivations.

## Lemma 5.3 (Free variables)

- 1. If  $\Gamma \vdash T$ , then  $\mathcal{FV}(T) \subseteq dom(\Gamma)$ .
- 2. If  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ , then  $\mathcal{FV}(e) \cup \mathcal{FV}(T) \subseteq dom(\Gamma)$ .

As part of the proof, it is necessary to reason about the proof relation  $\Gamma \vdash e$  that checks the validity of a predicate e under a context  $\Gamma$ . For this purpose, we use the undecidable but intuitive formalisation of the proof relation  $\Gamma \vdash e$  shown in Figure 5.9 [87, 36]. The relation is defined in terms of substitutions  $\sigma = x_1 \mapsto v_1, x_2 \mapsto v_2, ...$  that map variables to values. The auxiliary relation  $\Gamma \models \sigma$  defines when a substitution  $\sigma$  is permitted by a context  $\Gamma$ . By S-EMPTY, the empty context permits the empty substitution. By S-TYPE, a substitution  $\sigma, x \mapsto v$  is permitted by a context  $\Gamma, x : T$  if  $\sigma$  is permitted by  $\Gamma$  and there is some

Permitted substitution

$$\begin{array}{c} \cdot \models \emptyset \; (\text{S-EMPTY}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{\Gamma \models \sigma \quad \cdot \vdash \nu : T[\sigma]}{\Gamma, x : T \models \sigma, x \mapsto \nu} \; (\text{S-TYPE}) \\ \\ \hline \frac{\Gamma \models \sigma \quad e[\sigma] \Rightarrow^* \text{true}}{\Gamma, e \models \sigma} \; (\text{S-GUARD}) \end{array}$$

Proof relation

$$\frac{\forall \sigma.(\text{if }\Gamma \models \sigma, \text{ then } e[\sigma] \Rightarrow^* \text{true})}{\Gamma \vdash e} \text{ (PROOF)}$$

Figure 5.9: An undecidable formalisation of the proof relation

value *v* that has type  $T[\sigma]$  under the empty context. By S-GUARD, a substitution  $\sigma$  is permitted by  $\Gamma$ , *e* if  $\sigma$  is permitted by  $\Gamma$  and the instance  $e[\sigma]$  of the guard expression *e* evaluates to true. For example, a context  $x : \operatorname{nat}, y : \operatorname{int}, x \le y$  permits the substitutions  $x \mapsto 0, y \mapsto 0$  and  $x \mapsto 0, y \mapsto 1$ , but not  $x \mapsto 1, y \mapsto 0$ .

According to PROOF, the proof relation  $\Gamma \vdash e$  considers a predicate e valid under a context  $\Gamma$  if it evaluates to true under all substitutions  $\sigma$  that are permitted by the context. For example,  $x : \operatorname{nat}, y : \operatorname{int}, x \leq y \vdash 0 \leq y$  is valid, but  $x : \operatorname{nat}, y : \operatorname{int}, x \leq y \vdash y < 0$  is not. In particular, any predicate is vacuously valid if there is no  $\sigma$  with  $\Gamma \models \sigma$ . This happens when  $\Gamma$  contains a type that is not inhabited by any values or an unsatisfiable guard expression. For example,  $\{v: \operatorname{int} \mid 0 \leq v < 0\} \vdash false$  and false  $\vdash false$ .

As an immediate observation, a substitution  $\sigma$  that has been derived from a context  $\Gamma$  is defined exactly for the variables in  $\Gamma$ . The substitutes are values that are well-typed under the empty context and thus, by Lemma 5.3, contain no free variables.

## Lemma 5.4 (Substitutes are closed)

If  $\Gamma \models \sigma$ , then  $dom(\Gamma) = dom(\sigma)$  and  $\mathcal{FV}(cod(\sigma)) = \emptyset$ .

As a corollary of the previous lemma, permuting the individual mappings of a substitution does not affect the substitution result.

 $\Gamma\models\sigma$ 

 $\Gamma \vdash e$ 



Figure 5.10: Well-formed contexts

Corollary 5.5 (Permutation of substitution)

If Γ ⊨ σ<sub>1</sub>, σ<sub>2</sub>, then
1. for all expressions *e*, *e*[σ<sub>1</sub>, σ<sub>2</sub>] = *e*[σ<sub>2</sub>, σ<sub>1</sub>]
2. for all types *T*, *T*[σ<sub>1</sub>, σ<sub>2</sub>] = *T*[σ<sub>2</sub>, σ<sub>1</sub>]

The following lemma establishes a link between the structures of substitutions and permitting contexts.

## Lemma 5.6 (Structure of substitutions)

- 1. If  $\Gamma \models \sigma_1, \sigma_2$ , then there are contexts  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  such that  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  with  $dom(\Gamma_1) = dom(\sigma_1)$  and  $dom(\Gamma_2) = dom(\sigma_2)$ .
- 2. If  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$ , then there are substitutions  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  such that  $\sigma = \sigma_1, \sigma_2$  with  $dom(\Gamma_1) = dom(\sigma_1)$  and  $dom(\Gamma_2) = dom(\sigma_2)$ .
- 3.  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma_1, \sigma_2$  with  $dom(\Gamma_1) = dom(\sigma_1)$  and  $dom(\Gamma_2) = dom(\sigma_2)$  iff  $\Gamma_1 \models \sigma_1, \Gamma_2[\sigma_1] \models \sigma_2$ .

Figure 5.10 shows the relation  $\vdash \Gamma$  that defines whether a context  $\Gamma$  is considered well-formed. A well-formed context is either empty (·), a well-formed context  $\Gamma$  extended with declaration of a type *T* that is well-formed under  $\Gamma$ , or a well-formed context  $\Gamma$  extended with a guard expression *e* that has type bool under  $\Gamma$ .

The weakening lemma states that the context under which any given fact has been derived may be freely extended with additional variable bindings.

#### Lemma 5.7 (Weakening)

- If  $\vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash T_x$ , then
  - 1. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ .
  - 2. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ .
  - 3. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 <: T_2$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 <: T_2$ .
  - 4. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ .
  - 5. if  $\exists !n_1. \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_1 = e$ , then either  $\exists !n_2. \Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_2 = e$  with  $n_1 = n_2$  or  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash false$ .
  - 6. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w) < l^>}$  and  $(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash vfa \ l_j \ v_j, w_j \ f)_j$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v', w') < l'>}$  and  $(\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash vfa \ l'_j \ v'_j, w'_j \ f)_j$ .

**Proof:** By simultaneous induction over the respective derivations. The proofs of 1.–3. are straightforward inductions.

4. We show that  $\forall \sigma$ .(if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$ , then  $e[\sigma] \Rightarrow^* true$ ), so that the result follows from PROOF.

Assume  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$ . By Lemma 5.6,  $\Gamma_1 \models \sigma_1$ ,  $x : T_x[\sigma_1] \models x \mapsto v_x$ , and  $\Gamma_2[\sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x] \models \sigma_2$ . Since  $x \notin \mathcal{FV}(\Gamma_2)$ ,  $\Gamma_2[\sigma_1] \models \sigma_2$ . By Lemma 5.6,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma_1, \sigma_2$ . Since  $x \notin e$ ,  $e[\sigma_1, x \mapsto v, \sigma_2] \Rightarrow^*$  true iff  $e[\sigma_1, \sigma_2] \Rightarrow^*$  true. By inversion of PROOF for the assumption  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ , we already know that  $\forall \sigma$ .(if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma_1, \sigma_2$ , then  $e[\sigma_1, \sigma_2] \Rightarrow^*$  true).

5. There is a unique *n* with  $\forall \sigma$ .(if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$ , then  $(n = e[\sigma]) \Rightarrow^*$  true). Necessarily, there must be at least one  $\sigma$  with  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$  and  $(n = e[\sigma]) \Rightarrow^*$  true.

By Lemma 5.6,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$  iff  $\Gamma_1 \models \sigma_1$  and  $\Gamma_1[\sigma_1] \models \sigma_2$ . If there is a value  $v_x$ with  $\cdot \vdash v_x : T_x[\sigma_1]$ , then by S-TYPE,  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x \models \sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x$ . As  $x \notin \mathcal{FV}(\Gamma_2)$ ,  $\Gamma_2[\sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x] \models \sigma_2$ . By Lemma 5.6,  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x, \sigma_2$ . Since  $x \notin \mathcal{FV}(e)$ ,  $(n = e[\sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x, \sigma_2]) \Rightarrow^*$  true. If there is no  $v_x$  with  $\cdot \vdash v_x : T_x[\sigma_1]$ , there is no  $\sigma$  satisfying  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma$  so that by PROOF,  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash$  false is vacuously true.

- 6. By induction on the derivation of  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w) < l}$ .
  - (a) Case J-VECTORS:

$$\begin{split} &\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_{v1}, .., e_{vn} \bowtie e_{w1}, .., e_{wn} = (e_{v1}, e_{w1}) < l_1 >, .., (e_{vn}, e_{wn}) < l_n >, \\ &(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_{vj}: \texttt{intvec} \, l_j, \quad \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_{wj}: \texttt{intvec} \, l_j)_j \\ &\text{By the hypothesis, the } e_{vj}, e_{wj} \text{ keep their type under the extended context, so} \\ &\text{that J-VECTORS applies, again yielding } (e_{v1}, e_{w1}) < l_1 >, .., (e_{vn}, e_{wn}) < l_n >. \text{ By 4.,} \\ &(\Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \texttt{vfa} \, l_j \, e_{vj}, e_{wj} \, f)_j. \end{split}$$

(b) Case J-ELEMS:  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_{v_1}, ..., e_{v_m} \bowtie e_{w_1}, ..., e_{w_m} = ([\overline{e}], [e']) < n >,$  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \oplus e_{v_1}, ..., e_{v_m} = [\overline{e}], \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \oplus e_{w_1}, ..., e_{w_m} = [\overline{e'}]$  J-ELEMS relies on the auxiliary rule CONDENSE to statically form the joined vectors. We inspect the premises of CONDENSE. By the hypothesis, if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_j$ : intvec  $e'_j$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_j$ : intvec  $e'_j$ . CONDENSE then tries to guess a constant length  $n_j$  for each vector  $e_j$  under the extended context. By 5., either the same length as before is guessed or the context is contradictory. If  $\exists !n_j. \Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_j = e'_j$ , then CONDENSE and subsequently J-ELEMS apply as before, so that by 4.,  $\Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash v fa n$  [ $\overline{e}$ ], [ $\overline{e'}$ ] f. If the context is contradictory, then by J-EXFALSO,  $\Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e_{v_1}, ..., e_{v_n} \bowtie e_{w_1}, ..., e_{w_n} = ([], []) <0>$  and  $\Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash v fa 0$  [], [] f is trivially true.

(c) Case J-EXFALSO:  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = ([], []) < 0 >, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash false$ By 4.,  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash false$ , so that J-EXFALSO applies again and  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \P$ vfa 0 [], [] f is trivially true.

Similar to weakening, the guard weakening lemma states that the context under which a given fact has been derived may be extended with additional guard expressions. The proof is similar to the proof of the weakening lemma.

#### Lemma 5.8 (Guard weakening)

If 
$$\vdash \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$$
 and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash e_G$ : bool, then

- 1. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ .
- 2. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ .
- 3. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 \lt: T_2$ , then  $\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 \lt: T_2$ .
- 4. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ , then  $\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ .
- 5. if  $\exists !n_1.\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_1 = e$ , then either  $\exists !n_2.\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_2 = e$  with  $n_1 = n_2$  or  $\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash false$ .
- 6. if  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w)} \stackrel{\langle l \rangle}{\langle l \rangle}$ , and  $(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \vdash \text{vfa } l_j v_j, w_j f)_j$ , then  $\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v', w')} \stackrel{\langle l' \rangle}{\langle l' \rangle}$  and  $(\Gamma_1, e_G, \Gamma_2 \vdash \text{vfa } l'_j v'_j, w'_j f)_j$

In a similar spirit, the narrowing lemma states that a context under which a fact has been derived may be restricted by confining the types of variables in the context. The proof is similar to the proof of the preceding lemmas.

#### Lemma 5.9 (Narrowing)

If  $\vdash \Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2$  and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash T'_x <: T_x$ , then

- 1. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ .
- 2. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ .
- 3. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 <: T_2$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 <: T_2$ .
- 4. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ .
- 5. if  $\exists !n_1.\Gamma_1, x: T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_1 = e$ , then either  $\exists !n_2.\Gamma_1, x: T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_2 = e$  with  $n_1 = n_2$  or  $\Gamma_1, x: T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash f$ alse.
- 6. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w) < l}$  and  $(\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash vfa \ l_j \ v_j, w_j \ )_j$ , then  $\Gamma_1, x : T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v', w') < l'}, (\Gamma_1, x : T'_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash vfa \ l'_j \ v'_j, w'_j \ f)_j$

In  $QUBE_{CORE}$ , variables can occur in both expressions and types. Due to the variable convention 2.3, all bound identifiers are different from the variable to be substituted. Therefore, the substitution function for  $QUBE_{CORE}$  is a straightforward extension of the substitution function for the untyped  $\lambda$ -calculus 2.4.

The small-step semantics of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  only requires that values are substituted instead of full-blown expressions. We therefore prove a simplified variant of the substitution lemma which states that the type of an expression is preserved when variables are substituted with values of appropriate types.

## Lemma 5.10 (Substitution lemma)

If  $\vdash \Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2$  and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash v_x : T_x$ , then

- 1. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash e[x \mapsto v_x] : T[x \mapsto v_x]$ .
- 2. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ , then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash T[x \mapsto v_x]$
- 3. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 \lt: T_2$ , then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash T_1[x \mapsto v_x] \lt: T_2[x \mapsto v_x]$
- 4. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$ , then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash e[x \mapsto v_x]$ .
- 5. if  $\exists !n_1.\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash n_1 = e$ , then  $\exists !n_2.\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash n_2 = e[x \mapsto v_x]$  with  $n_1 = n_2$ .
- 6. if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w) < l}$  and  $(\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash vfa l_j v_j, w_j f)_j$ , then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash \overline{e_1}[x \mapsto v_x] \bowtie \overline{e_2}[x \mapsto v_x] = (\overline{(v, w) < l})[x \mapsto v_x]$ and  $(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash (vfa l_j v_j, w_j f)[x \mapsto v_x])_j$

**Proof**: By simultaneous induction over the respective derivations. Most cases are proved by straightforward induction, similar to the proofs of the previous lemmas.

1. Straightforward induction over typing derivations  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e : T$ , except for

the case T-VAR, where  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash x' : T, x' \in dom(\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2)$ 

- (a) Case x' = x:  $x'[x \mapsto v_x] = v_x$ Since  $T_x = T$ ,  $\Gamma_1 \vdash v_x : T$ . By lemma 5.3,  $x \notin \mathcal{FV}(v_x) \cup \mathcal{FV}(T)$ , so that  $T[x \mapsto v_x] = T$ . By weakening and guard weakening,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash v_x : T$ .
- (b) Case  $x' \neq x$ :  $x'[x \mapsto v_x] = x'$ As  $x' \neq x$ ,  $x' \in dom(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$  and hence,  $x': T[x \mapsto v_x] \in (\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x])$ . By T-VAR,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash x': T[x \mapsto v_x]$ .
- 2. Straightforward induction over type derivations  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T$ .
- 3. Straightforward induction over subtype derivations  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash T_1 <: T_2$ .
- 4. By  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash e$  and inversion of PROOF, we know that  $\forall \sigma.(\text{if } \Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma, \text{ then } e[\sigma] \Rightarrow^* \text{true})$ . We show that for all substitutions  $\sigma$  with  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \models \sigma$ , there is a substitution  $\sigma'$  with  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma'$ , so that the result follows from PROOF.

Assume  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \models \sigma_1, \sigma_2$ . By Lemma 5.6,  $\Gamma_1 \models \sigma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x][\sigma_1] \models \sigma_2$ . By permutation of the substitution,  $\Gamma_2[\sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x] \models \sigma_2$ . From  $\Gamma_1 \models \sigma_1$  and  $\Gamma_1 \vdash v_x : T_x$  and by S-TYPE,  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x \models \sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x$ . By Lemma 5.6,  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \models \sigma_1, x \mapsto v_x, \sigma_2$ .

- 5. By 4., if  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash n = e$ , then  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2[x \mapsto v_x] \vdash n = e[x \mapsto v_x]$ .
- 6. By induction on the derivation of  $\Gamma_1, x : T_x, \Gamma_2 \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = \overline{(v, w) < l>}$ . Under substitution, all rules apply as before.

A subtype relation must be reflexive and transitive, so that subtyping is a preorder on types.

#### Theorem 5.11 (Subtyping is a preorder)

- 1. If  $\Gamma \vdash T$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash T <: T$  (reflexivity)
- 2. If  $\Gamma \vdash T_1 \lt: T_2$  and  $\Gamma \vdash T_2 \lt: T_3$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash T_1 \lt: T_3$  (transitivity)

#### **Proof:** We show reflexivity and transitivity independently.

- 1. By induction on the derivation of  $\Gamma \vdash T$ .
  - (a) Case WF-BTYPE: T = B: Immediate by SUB-BTYPE.
  - (b) Case WF-FUN:  $T = x : T_1 \to T_2$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T_1$  and  $\Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash T_2$ : By the induction hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T_1 <: T_1$  and  $\Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash T_2 <: T_2$ . The result follows from SUB-FUN.
  - (c) Case WF-TUP:  $T = (x : T_1, T_2)$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T_1$  and  $\Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash T_2$ : Similar.
  - (d) Case WF-INTVEC: T = intvec e with  $\Gamma \vdash e : \text{nat}$ : By reflexivity of equality,  $\Gamma \vdash e = e$ . The result follows from SUB-VEC.

- (e) Case WF-ARR:  $T = [T | e_1, ..., e_n]$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T$  and  $(\Gamma \vdash e_j : \text{natvec } l_j)_j$ : By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T <: T$ . By J-VECTORS,  $\Gamma \vdash e_1, ..., e_n \bowtie e_1, ..., e_n = (e_1, e_1) < l_1 > ..., (e_n, e_n) < l_n >$ . By reflexivity of equality,  $(\Gamma \vdash \text{vfa } l_j e_j, e_j (x, y \rightarrow x = y))_j$ . The result follows from SUB-ARR.
- (f) Case WF-REFTYPE:  $T = \{x : T' \mid e\}$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T'$  and  $\Gamma, x : T' \vdash e$ : bool: By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T' <: T'$ . By reflexivity of implication,  $\Gamma, x : T' \vdash e \Rightarrow e$ . The results follows from SUB-REFTYPE.
- 2. By induction on the derivations of  $\Gamma \vdash T_1 \lt: T_2$  and  $\Gamma \vdash T_2 \lt: T_3$ . As each subtyping rule compares two types of the same syntactic form, all three types must have the same syntactic form. We can thus check the rules individually.
  - (a) Case SUB-BTYPE:  $T_1 = B$ ,  $T_2 = B$ ,  $T_3 = B$ . Immediate.
  - (b) Case SUB-FUN:  $T_1 = x : T_{11} \to T_{12}, T_2 = x : T_{21} \to T_{22}, T_3 = x : T_{31} \to T_{32}$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T_{21} <: T_{11}, \Gamma, x : T_{21} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}$  and  $\Gamma \vdash T_{31} <: T_{21}, \Gamma, x : T_{31} \vdash T_{22} <: T_{32}$ By the hypothesis:  $\Gamma \vdash T_{31} <: T_{11}$ . By narrowing  $\Gamma, x : T_{21} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}$  we obtain  $\Gamma, x : T_{31} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}$ . With  $\Gamma, x : T_{31} \vdash T_{22} <: T_{32}$  and by the hypothesis,  $\Gamma, x : T_{31} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}$ . With  $\Gamma, x : T_{31} \vdash T_{22} <: T_{32}$  and by the hypothesis,  $\Gamma, x : T_{31} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{32}$ . By SUB-FUN,  $\Gamma \vdash x : T_{11} \to T_{12} <: x : T_{31} \to T_{32}$ .
  - (c) Case SUB-TUP:  $T_1 = (x:T_{11}, T_{12}), T_2 = (x:T_{21}, T_{22}), T_3 = (x:T_{31}, T_{32})$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T_{11} <: T_{21}, \Gamma, x: T_{11} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}$  and  $\Gamma \vdash T_{21} <: T_{31}, \Gamma, x: T_{21} \vdash T_{22} <: T_{32}$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T_{11} <: T_{31}$ . By narrowing  $\Gamma, x: T_{21} \vdash T_{22} <: T_{32}$ , we obtain  $\Gamma, x: T_{11} \vdash T_{22} <: T_{32}$ . With  $\Gamma, x: T_{11} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{22}$  and by the hypothesis,  $\Gamma, x: T_{11} \vdash T_{12} <: T_{32}$ . By SUB-TUP,  $\Gamma \vdash (x:T_{11}, T_{12}) <: (x:T_{31}, T_{32})$ .
  - (d) Case SUB-VEC:  $T_1 = \text{intvec } e_1$ ,  $T_2 = \text{intvec } e_2$ ,  $T_3 = \text{intvec } e_3$  with  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 = e_2$  and  $\Gamma \vdash e_2 = e_3$ By transitivity of equality,  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 = e_3$ . By SUB-VEC,  $\Gamma \vdash \text{intvec } e_1 <: \text{intvec } e_3$ .
  - (e) Case SUB-ARR:  $T_1 = [T'_1 | \overline{e_1}], T_2 = [T'_2 | \overline{e_2}], T_3 = [T'_3 | \overline{e_3}]$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T'_1 <: T'_2, \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_2} = (u, v) < m >, (\Gamma \vdash vfa m_i u_i, v_i (x, y \to x=y))_i$ , and
    - $\Gamma \vdash T'_1 < : T'_2, \Gamma \vdash e_1 \bowtie e_2 = (u, v) < m^2, (\Gamma \vdash vfa m_i u_i, v_i (x, y \to x = y))_i, \text{ and } \\ \Gamma \vdash T'_2 < : T'_3, \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_2} \bowtie \overline{e_3} = (v, w) < n^>, (\Gamma \vdash vfa n_i v_i, w_i (x, y \to x = y))_i \\ \text{By the hypothesis, } \Gamma \vdash T'_1 < : T'_3. \text{ We split cases on how the structured vectors } \\ \text{may have been joined and show that all cases satisfy the premises of SUB-ARR, } \\ \text{so that } \Gamma \vdash [T'_1|\overline{e_1}] < : [T'_3|\overline{e_3}]. \end{cases}$ 
      - i. Case J-ExFALSO, J-ExFALSO:  $\Gamma \vdash false$ By J-ExFALSO,  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_3} = ([], []) <0>$ . The element-wise equality of the empty vectors  $\Gamma \vdash vfa \in [], [](x, y \rightarrow x=y)$  is trivially valid.
      - ii. Case J-VECTORS, J-VECTORS:  $|\overline{e_1}| = |\overline{e_2}| = |\overline{e_3}| = n$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash e_{1i}: \texttt{intvec} \ l_i, \Gamma \vdash e_{2i}: \texttt{intvec} \ l_i, \Gamma \vdash e_{3i}: \texttt{intvec} \ l_i)_i$ By J-VECTORS,  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_3} = (e_{11}, e_{31}) < l_1 > \dots, (e_{1n}, e_{3n}) < l_n > \text{ and by transitivity of equality, } (\Gamma \vdash \texttt{vfa} \ l_i \ e_{1i}, e_{3i} \ (x, y \to x = y))_i$ .
      - iii. Case J-ELEMS, J-ELEMS:  $\Gamma \vdash \oplus \overline{e_1} = [\overline{e'_1}], \Gamma \vdash \oplus \overline{e_2} = [\overline{e'_2}], \Gamma \vdash \oplus \overline{e_3} = [\overline{e'_3}]$ and  $|\overline{e'_1}| = |\overline{e'_2}| = |\overline{e'_3}| = n$ By J-ELEMS,  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_3} = ([e'_1], [e'_3]) < n >$ . By transitivity of equality,  $\Gamma \vdash vfa n [e'_1], [e'_3] (x, y \to x=y)$ .

- iv. Case J-VECTORS, J-ELEMS:  $|\overline{e_1}| = |\overline{e_2}| = m$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash e_{1i} : \text{intvec } l_i, \Gamma \vdash e_{2i} : \text{intvec } l_i)_i$ , and  $\Gamma \vdash \oplus \overline{e_2} = [\overline{e'_2}], \Gamma \vdash \oplus \overline{e_3} = [\overline{e'_3}], |\overline{e'_2}| = |\overline{e'_3}| = n$ : The shapes  $\overline{e_1}, \overline{e_2}$  have the same structure. By CONDENSE,  $\Gamma \vdash \oplus \overline{e_1} = [\overline{e'_1}]$ . By J-ELEMS,  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} \bowtie \overline{e_3} = ([e'_1], [e'_3]) < n$ . By transitivity of equality,  $\Gamma \vdash \text{vfa} n [e'_1], [e'_3] (x, y \to x = y)$ .
- v. Case J-ELEMS, J-VECTORS: Similar
- (f) Case SUB-REF:  $T_1 = \{x : T'_1 | e_1\}, T_2 = \{x : T'_2 | e_2\}, T_3 = \{x : T'_3 | e_3\}$  with  $\Gamma \vdash T'_1 <: T'_2, \Gamma, x : T'_1 \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow e_2$  and  $\Gamma \vdash T'_2 <: T'_3, \Gamma, x : T'_2 \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow e_3$ : By the hypothesis  $\Gamma \vdash T'_1 <: T'_3$ . By narrowing  $\Gamma, x : T'_2 \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow e_3$  we obtain  $\Gamma, x : T'_1 \vdash e_2 \Rightarrow e_3$ . By transitivity of implication,  $\Gamma, x : T'_1 \vdash e_1 \Rightarrow e_3$  and thus by SUB-REF,  $\Gamma \vdash \{x : T'_1 | e_1\} <: \{x : T'_3 | e_3\}$ .

The following lemma captures the intuition that evaluation does not affect the validity of a predicate.

## Lemma 5.12 (Preservation of validity under evaluation)

If  $\Gamma \vdash e_E[e]$  and  $e \Rightarrow e'$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash e_E[e']$ .

**Proof:** From the assumption and by inversion of PROOF, we obtain  $\forall \sigma$ .(if  $\Gamma \models \sigma$ , then  $e_E[e][\sigma] \Rightarrow^*$  true). By Theorem 4.20, evaluation is deterministic and therefore,  $e_E[e][\sigma] \Rightarrow^*$  true iff  $e_E[e'][\sigma] \Rightarrow^*$  true. The result follows from PROOF.

Similarly, evaluation has no effect on types.

Lemma 5.13 (Equivalence of types under evaluation)

If  $\Gamma \vdash T[e]$  and  $e \Rightarrow e'$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash T[e] \equiv T[e']$ , i.e.,  $\Gamma \vdash T[e'] <: T[e]$  and  $\Gamma \vdash T[e] <: T[e']$ .

**Proof:** By induction on type derivations  $\Gamma \vdash T$ .

- 1. Case WF-BTYPE: T = BB contains no expressions.
- 2. Case WF-FUN:  $T = x: T_1[e] \rightarrow T_2[e], \Gamma \vdash T_1[e], \Gamma, x: T_1[e] \vdash T_2[e]$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T_1[e'] \equiv T_1[e]$  and  $\Gamma, x: T_1[e] \vdash T_2[e'] \equiv T_2[e]$ . By SUB-FUN,  $\Gamma \vdash x: T_1[e'] \rightarrow T_2[e'] \equiv x: T_1[e] \rightarrow T_2[e]$ .
- 3. Case WF-TUP:  $T = (x:T_1[e], T_2[e]), \Gamma \vdash T_1[e], \Gamma, x: T_1[e] \vdash T_2[e]$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T_1[e'] \equiv T_1[e]$  and  $\Gamma, x: T_1[e] \vdash T_2[e'] \equiv T_2[e]$ . By SUB-TUP,  $\Gamma \vdash (x:T_1[e'], T_2[e']) \equiv (x:T_1[e], T_2[e])$ .
- 4. Case WF-INTVEC:  $T = \text{intvec } e_E[e], \Gamma \vdash e_E[e] : \text{nat.}$ By Theorem 4.20, evaluation is deterministic. Therefore,  $e_E[e]$  and  $e_E[e']$  will evaluate to the same value under all permitted substitutions, so that  $\Gamma \vdash e_E[e] = e_E[e']$ . By SUB-VEC,  $\Gamma \vdash \text{intvec } e_E[e] \equiv \text{intvec } e_E[e']$ .

- 5. Case WF-ARRAY:  $T = [T'[e] | e_s[e]], \Gamma \vdash T'[e], (\Gamma \vdash e_{sj}[e] : natvec e_{lj})_j$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T'[e'] \equiv T'[e]$ . Evaluation does not affect the structure of a structured vector, so that by J-VECTORS,  $\Gamma \vdash e_{s1}[e'], ..., e_{sm}[e'] \bowtie e_{s1}[e], ..., e_{sm}[e] = (e_{s1}[e'], e_{s1}[e]) < e_{l1} > ..., (e_{sm}[e'], e_{sm}[e]) < e_{lm} >$ . By Theorem 4.20, evaluation is deterministic. Therefore, for each j,  $e_{sj}[e]$  and  $e_{sj}[e']$  will evaluate to the same value under all permitted substitutions, so that  $\Gamma \vdash e_{sj}[e'] \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_{lj}} e_{sj}[e]$ . By SUB-ARR,  $\Gamma \vdash [T'[e'] | \overline{e_s[e']}] \equiv [T'[e] | \overline{e_s[e]}]$ .
- 6. Case WF-REFTYPE:  $T = \{x : T'[e] \mid e_E[e]\}, \Gamma \vdash T'[e], \Gamma \vdash e_E[e] : \text{bool.}$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash T'[e'] \equiv T'[e]$ . By Theorem 4.20, evaluation is deterministic. Therefore,  $e_E[e]$  and  $e_E[e']$  will evaluate to the same value under all permitted substitutions, so that by reflexivity of implication  $\Gamma, x : T'[e] \vdash e_E[e] \Rightarrow e_E[e']$ and  $\Gamma, x : T'[e] \vdash e_E[e'] \Rightarrow e_E[e]$ . By SUB-REFTYPE,  $\Gamma \vdash \{x : T'[e'] \mid e_E[e']\} \equiv \{x : T'[e] \mid e_E[e]\}$

With all these facts in hand, we can now prove the preservation theorem.

#### Theorem 5.14 (Preservation of types under evaluation)

If  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$  and  $e \Rightarrow e'$ , then  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .

**Proof:** By induction on type derivations  $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ . We split cases on the potential evaluation steps.

- 1. Case T-SUB:  $\Gamma \vdash e : T', \Gamma \vdash T' <: T, \Gamma \vdash T$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T'$  and thus the result follows from T-SUB.
- 2. Case T-VAR: e = x. There is no e' with  $e \Rightarrow e'$ .
- 3. Case T-CONST: e = c. e is a value.
- 4. Case T-ABS:  $e = \text{fun } x: T_1 \rightarrow e'$ . *e* is a value.

5. Case T-APP: 
$$e = e_1 e_2$$
,  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 : (x : T_1 \to T_2)$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_2 : T_1$ ,  $T = T_2[x \mapsto e_2]$ 

- (a) Case E-APP1:  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1, e' = e'_1 e_2$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_1 : (x : T_1 \rightarrow T_2)$ . The result follows from T-APP.
- (b) Case E-APP2:  $e_1 = v_1, e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2, e' = v_1 e'_2$ By T-APP,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T_2[x \mapsto e'_2]$ . By Lemma 5.13,  $\Gamma \vdash T_2[x \mapsto e'_2] <: T_2[x \mapsto e_2]$ , so that the result follows from T-SUB.
- (c) Case E-APPABS:  $e_1 = \text{fun } x: T_1 \rightarrow e_b, e_2 = v_2, \Gamma, x: T_1 \vdash e_b: T_2, e' = e_b[x \mapsto v_2]$ By Lemma 5.10,  $\Gamma \vdash e': T_2[x \mapsto v_2]$ .
- (d) Case E-PRFAPP1:  $e_1 = f^1$ ,  $e_2 = v_2$ ,  $f^1(v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v$ , e' = vBy Axiom 5.2,  $\Gamma \vdash v : T_2[x \mapsto v_2]$ .
- (e) Case E-PRFAPP2:  $e_1 = f^2 v_1$ ,  $e_2 = v_2$ ,  $f^2(v_1, v_2) \Rightarrow_{\delta} v$ , e' = v. Similar.
- 6. Case T-LET:  $e = \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_1 : T_1$ ,  $\Gamma, x : T_1 \vdash e_2 : T$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash T$ 
  - (a) Case E-LETR:  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1$ ,  $e' = \text{let } x = e'_1 \text{ in } e_2$ The result follows from the induction hypothesis and T-LET.

- (b) Case E-LET:  $e_1 = v_1$ ,  $e' = e_2[x \mapsto v_1]$ By the substitution lemma,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T[x \mapsto v_1]$ . Since  $\Gamma \vdash T$ , x is not free in T and thus  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .
- 7. Case T-COND:  $e = if : T e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash T$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_p$ : bool,  $\Gamma \vdash e_t : T$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_e : T$ 
  - (a) Case E-COND:  $e_p \Rightarrow e'_p$ ,  $e' = if : T e'_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ The result follows from the induction hypothesis and T-COND.
  - (b) Case E-CONDT:  $e_p = \text{true}, e' = e_t$ . Immediate.
  - (c) Case E-CONDE:  $e_p = \texttt{false}, e' = e_e$ . Immediate.
- 8. Case T-COERCE:  $e = (e_1:T), \Gamma \vdash T, \Gamma \vdash e_1:T$ 
  - (a) Case E-COERCES:  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1, e' = (e'_1:T)$ The result follows from the induction hypothesis and T-COERCE.
  - (b) Case E-COERCE:  $e_1 = v_1$ ,  $e' = v_1$ . Immediate.
- 9. Case T-TUP:  $e = (e_1, e_2: (x:T_1, T_2)), \Gamma \vdash (x:T_1, T_2), \Gamma \vdash e_1: T_1, \Gamma \vdash e_2: T_2[x \mapsto e_1], T = (x:T_1, T_2)$ 
  - (a) Case E-TUP1:  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1, e' = (e'_1, e_2: (x:T_1, T_2))$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_1: T_1$ . By Lemma 5.13,  $\Gamma \vdash T_2[x \mapsto e_1] <: T_2[x \mapsto e'_1]$ , so that by T-SUB,  $\Gamma \vdash e_2: T_2[x \mapsto e'_1]$ . The result follows from T-TUP.
  - (b) Case E-TUP2:  $e_1 = v_1, e_2 \Rightarrow e'_2, e' = (v_1, e'_2; (x; T_1, T_2))$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_2 : T_2[x \mapsto v_1]$ . The result follows from T-TUP.
- 10. Case T-UNPACK:  $e = \text{let}(x_1, x_2) = e_1 \text{ in } e_2, \Gamma \vdash e_1 : (x : T_1, T_2), \Gamma, x_1 : T_1, x_2 : T_2[x \mapsto x_1] \vdash e_2 : T, \Gamma \vdash T$ 
  - (a) Case E-UNPACKE:  $e_1 \Rightarrow e'_1$ ,  $e' = \text{let}(x_1, x_2) = e'_1$  in  $e_2$ The result follows from the induction hypothesis and T-UNPACK.
  - (b) Case E-UNPACK:  $e_1 = (v_1, v_2: (x:T_1, T_2)), e' = e_2[x_1 \mapsto v_1][x_2 \mapsto v_2]$ By inversion of T-TUP,  $\Gamma \vdash v_1: T_1, \Gamma \vdash v_2: T_2[x \mapsto v_1]$ . By the substitution lemma 5.10 and because  $x_1$  is not free in  $T, \Gamma, x_2: T_2[x \mapsto x_1][x_1 \mapsto v_1] \vdash e_2[x_1 \mapsto v_1]: T$ . Since  $T_2[x \mapsto x_1][x_1 \mapsto v_1] \equiv T_2[x \mapsto v_1]$ , and by the substitution lemma,  $\Gamma \vdash e_2[x_1 \mapsto v_1][x_2 \mapsto v_2]: T$ .
- 11. Case T-VECTOR:  $e = [\overline{e}], (\Gamma \vdash e_j : \operatorname{int})_j, T = \{x : \operatorname{intvec} |\overline{e}| | x \neq_{|\overline{e}|} [\overline{e}] \}$ By E-SEQ and E-VECTOR,  $\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}$  with  $|\overline{e}| = |\overline{e'}|$  so that  $e' = [\overline{e'}]$ . By T-VECTOR,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x : \operatorname{intvec} |\overline{e}| | x \neq_{|\overline{e}|} [\overline{e'}] \}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- 12. Case T-VSEL:  $e = e_v . (e_i)$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_v$ : intvec  $e_n$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_i : \{x : \text{int} \mid 0 \le x \le e_n\}$ ,  $T = \{x : \text{int} \mid x = e_v . (e_i)\}$ 
  - (a) Case E-VSELV:  $e_{\nu} \Rightarrow e'_{\nu}$ ,  $e' = e'_{\nu} \cdot (e_i)$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_{\nu}$ : intvec  $e_n$ . By T-VSEL,  $\Gamma \vdash e'$ : {x: int |  $x = e'_{\nu} \cdot (e_i)$  }. The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
  - (b) Case E-VSELI:  $e_v = v_v$ ,  $e_i \Rightarrow e'_i$ ,  $e' = v_v$ .  $(e'_i)$

By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_i : \{x : \text{int} \mid 0 \le x \le e_n\}$ . According to T-VSEL,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x : \text{int} \mid x = v_v . (e'_i)\}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.

- (c) Case E-VSEL:  $e_v = [\overline{c}], 0 \le e_i = i < |\overline{c}|, e' = c_i$ By T-CONST,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x : \text{int} \mid x = c_i\}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- 13. Case T-VMOD:  $e = e_v . (e_i) \leftarrow e_e$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_v$ : intvec  $e_n$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_i : \{x : \text{int} \mid 0 \le x \le e_n\}$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_e : \text{int}, T = \{x : \text{intvec } e_n \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_n} e_v . (e_i) \leftarrow e_e\}$ 
  - (a) Case E-VMV:  $e_v \Rightarrow e'_v, e' = e'_v . (e_i) \leftarrow e_e$
  - (b) Case E-VMI:  $e_v = v_v, e_i \Rightarrow e'_i, e' = v_v . (e'_i) \leftarrow e_e$
  - (c) Case E-VME:  $e_v = v_v$ ,  $e_i = v_i$ ,  $e_e \Rightarrow e'_e$ ,  $e' = v_v \cdot (v_i) \leftarrow e'_e$ The results follow from the hypothesis, T-VMOD, Lemma 5.13, and T-SUB.
  - (d) Case E-VMOD:  $e_v = [\overline{c}], 0 \le e_i = i < |\overline{c}|, e_e = c_e, e' = [\overline{c}[i \mapsto c_e]]$ By T-VECTOR,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x: \text{intvec } |\overline{c}| \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_{|\overline{c}|} [\overline{c}[i \mapsto c_e]] \}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- 14. Case T-VEC:  $e = \text{vec } e_n e_e$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_n : \text{nat}$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_e : \text{int}$ ,  $T = \{x : \text{intvec } e_n \mid x = \text{vec } e_n e_e\}$ 
  - (a) Case E-VECL:  $e_n \Rightarrow e'_n$ ,  $e' = \operatorname{vec} e'_n e_e$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_n$ : nat. By T-VEC,  $\Gamma \vdash e'$ : { $x : \operatorname{intvec} e'_n \mid x = \operatorname{vec} e'_n e_e$  }. The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
  - (b) Case E-VECE:  $e_n = v_n$ ,  $e_e \Rightarrow e'_e$ ,  $e' = \operatorname{vec} v_n v_e$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_e$ : int. By T-VEC,  $\Gamma \vdash e'$ : { $x : \operatorname{intvec} v_n \mid x = \operatorname{vec} v_n e'_e$ }. The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
  - (c) Case E-VEC:  $0 \le e_n = n$ ,  $e_e = c_e$ ,  $e' = [c_e, .., c_e]$ By T-VECTOR,  $\Gamma \vdash e'$ : { $x : intvec \ n \mid x \stackrel{=}{=}_n [c_e, .., c_e]$ }. The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- 15. Case T-VMAP:  $e = \text{vmap } e_n \ \overline{e_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b), \ \Gamma \vdash e_n : \text{nat}, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : \text{intvec } e_n)_j, \ \overline{x: \text{int}} \vdash e_b : \text{int}, \ T = \{x': \text{intvec } e_n \mid x' \stackrel{=}{=}_{e_n} \text{vmap } e_n \ \overline{e_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b) \}$ 
  - (a) Case E-VMAPL:  $e_n \Rightarrow e'_n$ ,  $e' = \text{vmap } e'_n \overline{e_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b)$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_n$ : nat. According to the typing rule T-VMAP,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x': \text{intvec } e'_n \mid x' \stackrel{=}{=}_{e'_n} \text{vmap } e'_n \ \overline{e_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b) \}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
  - (b) Case E-VMAPV:  $e_n = v_n$ ,  $\overline{e_v} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'_v}$ ,  $e' = \text{vmap } v_n \overline{e'_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b)$ By the hypothesis,  $(\Gamma \vdash e'_{vj} : \text{intvec } v_n)_j$ . According to T-VMAP,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x': \text{intvec } v_n \mid x' \stackrel{=}{=}_{v_n} \text{vmap } v_n \overline{e'_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b) \}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
  - (c) Case E-VMAP:  $0 \le n = e_n$ ,  $\overline{e_v} = [\overline{c_0}], ..., [\overline{c_m}], |\overline{c_i}| = n, e' = [e_{b0}, ..., e_{bn-1}]$  where  $e_{bj} = e_b[x_0 \mapsto c_{0j}]..[x_m \mapsto c_{mj}]$ By Lemma 5.10,  $(\cdot \vdash e_{bj} : int)_j$ . According to the typing rule T-VECTOR,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x': intvec \ n \mid x' \stackrel{=}{=}_n [e_{b0}, ..., e_{bn-1}] \}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- 16. Case T-VFA:  $e = vfa \ e_n \ \overline{e_v} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b), \ \Gamma \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ (\Gamma \vdash e_{vj} : intvec \ e_n)_j, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_n : nat, \ \overline{x : int} \vdash e_$

 $e_b$ : bool,  $T = \{x': bool \mid x' \leftrightarrow vfa e_n \overline{e_v} (\overline{x} \to e_b) \}$ 

- (a) Case E-VFAL:  $e_n \Rightarrow e'_n, e' = vfa e'_n \overline{e_v} (\overline{x} \to e_b)$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_n$ : nat. According to the typing rule T-VFA,  $\Gamma \vdash e'$ :  $\{x': bool \mid x' \leftrightarrow vfa e'_n \overline{e_v} (\overline{x} \to e_b)\}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- (b) Case E-VFAV:  $e_n = v_n$ ,  $\overline{e_v} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'_v}$ ,  $e' = vfa v_n \overline{e'_v} (\overline{x} \to e_b)$ By the hypothesis,  $(\Gamma \vdash e'_{vj} : intvec v_n)_j$ . According to the typing rule T-VFA,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x': bool \mid x' \iff vfa v_n \overline{e'_v} (\overline{x} \to e_b)\}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- (c) Case E-VFA:  $0 \le n = e_n$ ,  $\overline{e_v} = [\overline{c_0}], ..., [\overline{c_m}], e' = e_{b0} \& ... \& e_{bn-1}$  where  $e_{bj} = e_b[x_0 \mapsto c_{0j}]..[x_m \mapsto c_{mj}]$ By Lemma 5.10,  $(\cdot \vdash e_{bj} : bool)_j$ . By T-APP, T-CONST,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : \{x' : bool \mid x' \leftrightarrow e_{b0} \& ... \& e_{bn-1}\}$ . The result follows from Lemma 5.13 and T-SUB.
- 17. Case T-ARR:  $e = [\overline{e} : T' | [\overline{n}]], \Gamma \vdash T', (\Gamma \vdash e_j : T')_j, T = [T' | [\overline{n}]]$ By E-SEQ and E-ARR,  $\overline{e} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'}$  with  $|\overline{e}| = |\overline{e'}|$ . By the induction hypothesis,  $(\Gamma \vdash e'_j : T')_j$ . Thus, the result follows by T-ARR.
- 18. Case T-SEL:  $e = e_a$ .  $[\overline{e_i}]$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_a$ :  $[T \mid \overline{e_s}]$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_s} \bowtie \overline{e_i} = \overline{(s,v) < r >}$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash vfa r_i s_i, v_i (s, i \rightarrow 0 \le i \& i \le s))_i$ 
  - (a) Case E-SELA:  $e_a \Rightarrow e'_a, e' = e'_a$ .  $[\overline{e_i}]$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_a : [T \mid \overline{e_s}]$ , so that the result follows from T-SEL.
  - (b) Case E-SELI: e<sub>i</sub> ⇒<sub>seq</sub> e<sub>i</sub>', e' = e<sub>a</sub>. [e<sub>i</sub>']
    By the hypothesis, the type of each e<sub>ij</sub> is preserved, so that e<sub>i</sub>' has the same structure as e<sub>i</sub>. Hence, Γ ⊢ e<sub>s</sub> ⋈ e<sub>i</sub>' = (s, v') < r>
    (Γ ⊢ vfa r<sub>j</sub> s<sub>j</sub>, v'<sub>j</sub> (s, i → 0<=i&i<s))<sub>j</sub>. By T-SEL, Γ ⊢ e': T.
  - (c) Case E-SEL:  $e_a = [\overline{\nu} : T | [\overline{n}]], \overline{e_i} = [\overline{i_1}], ..., [\overline{i_m}], e' = v_{(\iota \ \overline{n} \ (\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}))}$ . By inversion of T-ARR,  $(\Gamma \vdash v_j : T)_j$  and therefore  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .
- 19. Case T-MOD:  $e = e_a$ .  $[\overline{e_i}] \leftarrow e_e$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_a$ :  $[T' \mid \overline{e_s}]$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_e$ : T',  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_s} \bowtie \overline{e_i} = \overline{(s, v) < r >}$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash vfa r_j s_j, v_j (s, i \rightarrow 0 \le i \& i \le s))_j$ ,  $T = [T' \mid \overline{e_s}]$ 
  - (a) Case E-MA: e<sub>a</sub> ⇒ e'<sub>a</sub>, e' = e'<sub>a</sub>. [e<sub>i</sub>] ← e<sub>e</sub> By the hypothesis, Γ ⊢ e'<sub>a</sub> : [T' | e<sub>s</sub>], so that the result follows from T-MOD.
    (b) Case E-MI: e<sub>i</sub> ⇒<sub>seq</sub> e'<sub>i</sub>, e' = e<sub>a</sub>. [e'<sub>i</sub>] ← e<sub>e</sub>
    - By the hypothesis, the type of each  $e_{ij}$  is preserved, so that  $\overline{e'_i}$  has the same structure as  $\overline{e_i}$ . Hence,  $\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_s} \bowtie \overline{e'_i} = \overline{(s,v')} < r >$ . By Lemma 5.12,  $(\Gamma \vdash vfa r_i s_i, v'_i (s, i \rightarrow 0 <= i\&i < s))_i$ . The result follows from T-MoD.
  - (c) Case E-ME:  $e_e \Rightarrow e'_e, e' = e_a$ .  $[\overline{e_i}] \leftarrow e'_e$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_e : T'$ , so that the result follows from T-MOD.
  - (d) Case E-MOD:  $e_a = [\overline{\nu} : T' | [\overline{n}]], \overline{e_i} = [\overline{i_1}], ..., [\overline{i_m}], e_e = \nu_e, e' = [\overline{\nu}[\iota \ \overline{n} \ (\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}) \mapsto \nu_e] : T' | [\overline{n}]].$

By inversion of T-ARR,  $(\Gamma \vdash v_j : T')_j$ . Thus, by T-ARR,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : [T' \mid [\overline{n}]]$ . Since  $\Gamma \vdash e_a : [T' \mid \overline{e_s}]$ , we know that  $\Gamma \vdash [T' \mid [\overline{n}]] <: [T' \mid \overline{e_s}]$ , and therefore by T-SUB,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : [T' \mid \overline{e_s}]$ .

- 20. Case T-RSHP:  $e = \text{reshape } \overline{e_t} e_a$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash e_{tj} : \text{natvec } e_{lj})_j$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_a : [T' | \overline{e_s}]$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash \text{vfa } e_{rj} e_{sj} (x \to 0 < x))_j$ ,  $T = [T' | \overline{e_t}]$ 
  - (a) Case E-RS:  $\overline{e_t} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'_t}$ ,  $e' = \text{reshape } \overline{e'_t} e_a$ By the hypothesis,  $(\Gamma \vdash e'_{tj} : \text{natvec } e_{lj})_j$ . By T-RESHAPE,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : [T' \mid \overline{e'_t}]$ . By Lemma 5.13,  $\Gamma \vdash [T' \mid \overline{e'_t}] <: [T' \mid \overline{e_t}]$ . The result thus follows from T-SUB.
  - (b) Case E-RA:  $e_a \Rightarrow e'_a, e' = \text{reshape } \overline{e_t} e'_a$ By the hypothesis,  $\Gamma \vdash e'_a : [T' | \overline{e_s}]$ . The result follows from T-RESHAPE.
  - (c) Case E-RSHP:  $\overline{e_t} = [\overline{i_1}], ..., [\overline{i_m}], e_a = [\overline{\nu} : T' | [\overline{n}]], (0 < n_j)_j,$   $e' = [\overline{\nu'} : T' | [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}]], \nu'_k = \nu_k \mod \prod \overline{n}$ By T-ARR,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : [T' | [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}]]$ . By J-ELEMS,  $\Gamma \vdash [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}] \bowtie [\overline{i_1}], ..., [\overline{i_m}] = ([\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}], [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}]) < r >$  and  $\Gamma \vdash \nu \text{ fa } r \ [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}], [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}] \ (x, y \to x = y)$ holds because of the reflexivity of equality. By SUB-ARR,  $\Gamma \vdash [T' | [\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}]] <:$ :  $[T' | [\overline{i_1}], ..., [\overline{i_m}]]$ , so that by T-SUB,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .
- 21. Case T-GEN:  $e = \text{gen} : T_b \ \overline{e_s}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash T_b$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash e_{sj} : \text{natvec} \ e_{rj})_j$ ,  $\Gamma, x_1 : \text{indexvec} \ e_{r1} \ e_{s1}, ..., x_m : \text{indexvec} \ e_{rm} \ e_{sm} \vdash e_b : T_b$ ,  $T = [T_b \mid \overline{e_s}]$ 
  - (a) E-GENS:  $\overline{e_s} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'_s}$ ,  $e' = \text{gen} : T_b \ \overline{e'_s}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$ By the hypothesis,  $(\Gamma \vdash e'_{sj} : \text{natvec } e_{rj})_j$ . By T-GEN,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : [T_b | \overline{e'_s}]$ . By Lemma 5.13,  $\Gamma \vdash [T_b | \overline{e'_s}] <: [T_b | \overline{e_s}]$ . The result follows from T-SUB.
  - (b) E-GEN:  $\overline{e_s} = [\overline{n_1}], ..., [\overline{n_m}], e' = [e'_b : T_b | [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}]], e'_{bk} = e_b[x_j \mapsto [\overline{i_j}]]_j$ By construction,  $(\Gamma \vdash [\overline{i_j}] : indexvec e_{rj} e_{sj})_j$ . By the substitution lemma 5.10,  $(\Gamma \vdash e_{bk} : T_b)_k$ . By T-ARR,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : [T_b | [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}]]$ . By rule J-ELEMS,  $\Gamma \vdash [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}] \bowtie [\overline{n_1}], ..., [\overline{n_m}] = ([\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}], [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}]) < r >$  and  $\Gamma \vdash vfa \ r \ [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}], [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}] \ (x, y \to x = y)$  holds because of the reflexivity of equality. By SUB-ARR,  $\Gamma \vdash [T_b | [\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}]] <: [T_b | [\overline{n_1}], ..., [\overline{n_m}]]$ , so that by T-SUB,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .
- 22. Case T-LOOP:  $e = \text{loop } x_a : T = e_a$ ;  $\overline{e_s}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash T$ ,  $(\Gamma \vdash e_{sj} : \text{natvec } e_{rj})_j$ ,  $\Gamma \vdash e_a : T$ ,  $\Gamma, x_1 : \text{indexvec } e_{r1} e_{s1}, ..., x_m : \text{indexvec } e_{rm} e_{sm}, x_a : T \vdash e_b : T$ 
  - (a) Case E-LOOPS:  $\overline{e_s} \Rightarrow_{seq} \overline{e'_s}$ ,  $e' = \text{loop } x_a : T = e_a$ ;  $\overline{e'_s}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$ By the hypothesis,  $(\Gamma \vdash e'_{sj} : \text{natvec } e_{rj})_j$ . By T-LOOP,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .
  - (b) Case E-LOOP:  $(e_{sj} = [\overline{n_j}])_j$ ,  $e' = f_{p-1}$   $(...(f_0 e_a))$  with  $p = \prod(\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m})$  and  $f_k = \operatorname{fun} x : T \to e_b[x_j \mapsto [\overline{i_j}]]_j$  such that  $\iota (\overline{n_1}, ..., \overline{n_m}) (\overline{i_1}, ..., \overline{i_m}) = k$ By construction,  $(\Gamma \vdash [\overline{i_j}] : \operatorname{indexvec} e_{rj} e_{sj})_j$ . By the substitution lemma 5.10,  $\Gamma, x_a : T \vdash e_b[x_j \mapsto [\overline{i_j}]]_j : T$ . By T-FUN,  $\Gamma \vdash f_k : T \to T$ . By several applications of T-APP,  $\Gamma \vdash e' : T$ .

The canonical forms lemma recapitulates the possible forms the values of a given type may have. The lemma is a straightforward observation from the syntax of values, the types of constants, and the typing rules.

## Lemma 5.15 (Canonical forms)

- 1. If v is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v$ : bool then v is either true or false.
- 2. If *v* is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v$  : int then  $v \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- 3. If v is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v : x : T_1 \to T_2$  then  $v = f^1$ ,  $v = f^2$ ,  $v = f^2 v_1$ , or  $v = \text{fun } x : T \to e$ .
- 4. If *v* is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v : (x : T_1, T_2)$  then  $v = (v_1, v_2 : (x : T_1, T_2))$ .
- 5. If v is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v$ : intvec e then  $v = [\overline{n}]$  with  $e \Rightarrow^* |\overline{n}|$  and  $(n_i \in \mathbb{Z})_i$ .
- 6. If v is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v$ :  $[T \mid e_1, ..., e_m]$  then  $v = [\overline{v} : T \mid [\overline{n}]]$  where each element  $v_i$  is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v_i : T$  and  $(n_i \ge 0)_i, |\overline{v}| = \prod \overline{n}$ . Furthermore,  $(e_i \Rightarrow^* [\overline{s_i}])_i$  with  $\overline{s_1}, ..., \overline{s_m} = \overline{n}$ .
- 7. If v is a value with  $\cdot \vdash v : \{x : T \mid e\}$  then v is any value v' with  $\cdot \vdash v' : T$  and  $e[x \mapsto v'] \Rightarrow^*$  true.

Finally, we are ready to prove the progress theorem for QUBE<sub>CORE</sub>.

# Theorem 5.16 (Progress)

If  $\cdot \vdash e : T$ , then *e* is a value or there is some e' with  $e \Rightarrow e'$ .

**Proof:** By induction on typing derivations  $\cdot \vdash e : T$ .

- 1. Case T-SUB:  $e = e, \cdot \vdash e : T', \cdot \vdash T' <: T, \cdot \vdash T$ The result follows directly from the induction hypothesis.
- 2. Case T-VAR: e = x*e* is not closed.
- 3. Case T-CONST: e = c*e* is a value.
- 4. Case T-ABS:  $e = \text{fun } x: T \rightarrow e'$ *e* is a value.
- 5. Case T-APP:  $e = e_1 e_2$ ,  $\vdash e_1 : x : T_1 \rightarrow T_2$ ,  $\vdash e_2 : T_1$ By the hypothesis, either  $e_1$  is a value or it can make an evaluation step;  $e_2$  similar. If  $e_1$  is not a value, then E-APP1 applies. If  $e_1$  is a value and  $e_2$  is not, then E-APP2 applies. If both expressions are values, then by the canonical forms lemma either
  - $e_1 = f^2$  then  $e = f^2 v_2$  is a value, or
  - $e_1 = f^1$  and E-PRFAPP1 applies because of axiom 5.2, or

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- $e_1 = f^2 v_1$  and E-PRFAPP2 applies because of axiom 5.2, or
- $e_1 = \operatorname{fun} x : T' \to e'$  and E-ABSAPP applies.
- 6. Case T-LET:  $e = \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2$ By the hypothesis,  $e_1$  is a value or it can make an evaluation step. If  $e_1$  is not a value, then E-LETE applies, else E-LET applies.
- 7. Case T-COND:  $e = if e_1$  then  $e_2$  else  $e_3$ ,  $\cdot \vdash e_1$ : bool By the hypothesis,  $e_1$  is a value or it can make an evaluation step. If  $e_1$  is not a value, then E-COND applies. If  $e_1$  is a value, then by the canonical forms lemma, it is either true or false. Thus either E-CONDT or E-CONDE applies.
- 8. Case T-COERCE:  $e = (e_1:T_1)$ By the hypothesis,  $e_1$  is a value or it can make an evaluation step. If  $e_1$  is not a value, then E-COERCES applies, else E-COERCE applies.
- 9. Case T-TUP: e = (e<sub>1</sub>, e<sub>2</sub>: (x:T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub>))
  By the hypothesis, e<sub>1</sub>, e<sub>2</sub> are values or they can make an evaluation step. If e<sub>1</sub> is not a value, then E-TUP1 applies. If e<sub>1</sub> is a value and e<sub>2</sub> is not, then E-TUP2 applies. If both expressions are values, then e is a value.
- 10. Case T-UNPACK:  $e = \text{let}(x_1, x_2) = e_1$  in  $e_2$ By the hypothesis,  $e_1$  is a value or it can make an evaluation step. If  $e_1$  is not a value, then E-UNPACKE applies. If  $e_1$  is a value, then by the canonical forms lemma  $e_1 = (v_1, v_2: (x:T_1, T_2))$  and hence, E-UNPACK applies.
- 11. Case T-VECTOR: e = [ē], (· ⊢ e<sub>j</sub> : int)<sub>j</sub> By the hypothesis, the expressions ē are either values of or they can make an evaluation step. When an expression is not a value, then E-SEQ and E-VECTOR apply. When all expressions are values, they must all be integers (canonical forms lemma) and therefore, the vector is a value.
- 12. Case T-VSEL:  $e = e_v \cdot (e_i)$ ,  $\vdash e_v$ : intvec  $e_l$ ,  $\vdash e_i$ : {x: int  $| 0 \le x \le e_l$ } By the hypothesis, e and  $e_i$  are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If  $e_v$  is not a value, then E-VSELV applies. If  $e_v$  is a value and  $e_i$  is not, then E-VSELI applies. If both expressions are values, then, by the canonical forms lemma,  $e_v$  must be a vector  $[\overline{n}]$  with  $e_l \Rightarrow^* |\overline{n}|$  and  $e_i$  must be an integer i with  $0 \le i < |\overline{n}|$ , so that E-VSEL applies.
- 13. Case T-VMOD: Similar.
- 14. Case T-VEC:  $e = \text{vec } e_n e_e$ ,  $\vdash e_n : \text{nat}$ ,  $\vdash e_e : \text{int}$ By the hypothesis,  $e_n$  and  $e_e$  are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If  $e_n$  is not a value, then E-VECL applies. If  $e_n$  is a value and  $e_i$  is not, then E-VECE applies. If both expressions are values, then by the canonical forms lemma,  $e_n$  must be an integer n with  $0 \le n$  and  $e_i$  must be an integer, so that E-VEC applies.
- 15. Case V-MAP:  $e = \text{vmap } e_n \overline{e} (\overline{x} \to e_b)$ ,  $|\overline{e}| = |\overline{x}|, \cdot \vdash e_n : \text{nat}, (\cdot \vdash e_j : \text{intvec } e_n)_j$ By the hypothesis,  $e_n$  and the expressions  $\overline{e}$  are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If  $e_n$  is not a value, then E-VMAPL applies. If  $e_n$  is a value, and an  $e_i$  is not, then E-SEQ and E-VMAPV apply. If all expressions are values then, by the

canonical forms lemma,  $e_n$  must be an integer n with  $0 \le n$  and each expression  $e_j$  must be an integer vector  $[\overline{m_j}]$  with  $|\overline{m_j}| = n$ . Since also  $|\overline{e}| = |\overline{x}|$ , E-VMAP applies.

- 16. Case T-VFA:  $e = vfa e_n \overline{e} (\overline{x} \rightarrow e_b)$ . Similar.
- 17. Case T-ARRAY:  $e = [\overline{e}: T | [\overline{n}]], (\cdot \vdash e_j: T)_j$ By the hypothesis, each expressions  $e_i$  is either a value of can make an evaluation step. When some expression  $e_i$  is not a value, then E-SEQ and E-ARR apply. When all expressions are values, the array is itself a value.
- 18. Case T-SEL:  $e = e_a \cdot [e_1, .., e_m]$ ,  $\cdot \vdash e_a : [T | e_{s1}, .., e_{sn}]$ ,  $\cdot \vdash e_{s1}, .., e_{sn} \bowtie e_1, .., e_m = \overline{(s, v) < r}$ ,  $(\cdot \vdash vfa r_i s_j, v_j (s, i \to 0 <= i \& i < s))_j$ By the hypothesis,  $e_a$  and the  $e_i$  are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If  $e_a$  is not a value, E-SELA applies. If  $e_a$  is a value, but some  $e_i$  is not, then E-SEQ and E-SELI apply. If all subexpressions are values, then, by the canonical forms lemma,  $e_a$  must be an array value  $[\overline{v} : T | [\overline{n}]]$  with  $(e_{si} \Rightarrow^* [\overline{s_i}])_i$  so that  $\overline{s_1}, .., \overline{s_m} = \overline{n}$ . Moreover, each index vector  $e_j$  must be an integer vector  $[\overline{i_j}]$ . The remaining preconditions ensure that the shapes  $\overline{e_s}$  and  $\overline{e_i}$  can be joined and that the index vectors describe a valid position in  $e_a$ , i. e.,  $|i_1, .., i_n| = |n|$  and  $(0 \le (i_1, .., i_n)_j < n_i)_i$ . Thus, E-SEL applies.
- 19. Case T-MOD:  $e = e_a$ .  $[\overline{e_i}] \leftarrow e_e$ . Similar.
- 20. Case T-RSHP: e = reshape e<sub>1</sub>,.., e<sub>m</sub> e<sub>a</sub>, (·⊢ e<sub>i</sub> : natvec \_)<sub>i</sub>, ·⊢ e<sub>a</sub> : [T' | e<sub>s1</sub>,.., e<sub>sn</sub>], (·⊢ vfa e<sub>rj</sub> e<sub>sj</sub> (x → 0 < x))<sub>j</sub>
  By the hypothesis, e<sub>a</sub> and the e<sub>i</sub> are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If some e<sub>i</sub> is not a value, then E-SEQ and E-RS apply. If all e<sub>i</sub> are values, but e<sub>a</sub> is not, then E-RA applies. If all subexpressions are values, then, by the canonical forms lemma, e<sub>a</sub> must be an array value [v̄ : T | [n̄]] with (e<sub>si</sub> ⇒\* [s<sub>i</sub>])<sub>i</sub> so that s<sub>1</sub>,..,s<sub>m</sub> = n̄. By the precondition, (0 < n<sub>j</sub>)<sub>j</sub>. Moreover, each shape vector e<sub>j</sub> must be a vector of natural numbers [i<sub>j</sub>]. Therefore, E-RSHP applies.
- 21. Case T-GEN:  $e = \text{gen} : T_b \ \overline{e_s} \ \text{with} \ \overline{x} \to e_b, \ \cdot \vdash T_b, \ (\cdot \vdash e_{sj} : \text{natvec} \ e_{rj})_j, \ x_1 : (\text{indexvec} \ e_{r1} \ e_{s1}), ..., x_m : (\text{indexvec} \ e_{rm} \ e_{sm}) \vdash e_b : T_b$ By the hypothesis, the  $e_{si}$  are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If some  $e_i$  is not a value, then E-SEQ and E-GENS apply. If all subexpressions are values, then by the canonical forms lemma, each  $e_{si}$  must be a vector of natural numbers and therefore E-GEN applies.
- 22. Case T-LOOP:  $e = \text{loop } x_a: T = e_a$ ;  $\overline{e_s}$  with  $\overline{x} \to e_b$ ,  $\vdash T$ ,  $( \cdot \vdash e_{sj} : \text{natvec } e_{rj})_j$ ,  $\cdot \vdash e_a: T, x_1: (\text{indexvec } e_{r1} e_{s1}), ..., x_m: (\text{indexvec } e_{rm} e_{sm}), x_a: T \vdash e_b: T$ By the hypothesis, the  $e_{si}$  are either values or they can make an evaluation step. If some  $e_i$  is not a value, then E-SEQ and E-LOOPS apply. If all subexpressions are values, then by the canonical forms lemma, each  $e_{si}$  must be a vector of natural numbers and therefore E-LOOP applies.

The progress theorem states that each closed and well-typed term is either a value or can make an evaluation step. As stated by the preservation theorem,

each evaluation step preserves the type of the expression, so that the progress theorem applies to the result again. In our context, where we did not provide facilities for general recursion, this means that any well-typed QUBE<sub>CORE</sub> program will terminate and yield a value.

# 5.6 SMT-Based Validity Checking

The previous section used a straightforward yet undecidable formalisation of the proof relation  $\Gamma \vdash e$  to show that the type system is safe. This section describes the actual, decidable implementation  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$  of the proof relation. The implementation maps information from the context and the expression to a formula in the quantifier-free fragment of equality logic with uninterpreted functions and linear integer arithmetic (UFLIA). Moreover, array properties [18, 17, 66] are used to encode properties of integer vectors. The resulting formula can be decided by current automatic theorem provers, namely solvers for the Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT) problem of first-order logic [30, 33]. The relation  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$  is a sound approximation of  $\Gamma \vdash e$ , so that  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$  implies  $\Gamma \vdash e$ . On the other hand, we sacrifice completeness, so that  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$  does not imply  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$ . In effect, the QUBE type checker behaves conservative: it rules out all programs that might get stuck during evaluation, but it also rejects some programs that actually behave well at run-time.

The rule DPROOF explains the implementation of  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$ . The rule forms a  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expression that will evaluate to true when the guard expressions  $\{e_G \mid e_G \in \Gamma\}$  and the refinements  $\{e_R[x' \mapsto x] \mid x : \{x' : T \mid e_R\} \in \Gamma\}$  imply e. Then, the expression is encoded as a first-order formula using the function C[[e]].

$$\frac{\text{Valid } \mathcal{C}\left[\left[ \bigwedge \left( \{e_G \mid e_G \in \Gamma\} \cup \{e_R[x' \mapsto x] \mid x : \{x' : T \mid e_R\} \in \Gamma\} \right) \Rightarrow e\right]\right]}{\Gamma \vdash_D e} \quad (\text{DPROOF})$$

As an example, we show that the context  $x : \{x': \text{int} | 0 \le x'\}, y : \text{int}, x \le y$ implies  $0 \le y$ . The encoding takes the refinement type of x into account. All occurrences of x' in the refinement predicate  $0 \le x'$  are substituted with x. The guard expression  $x \le y$  and the constraint  $0 \le y$  are translated straightforwardly.

## Example 5.17 (Proving simple implications)

$$\frac{\text{Valid} (0 \le x \land x \le y \to 0 \le y)}{x : \{x' : \text{int} \mid 0 \le x'\}, y : \text{int}, x \le y \vdash_D 0 \le y}$$

The example only contains variables and applications of function symbols that are readily available in the quantifier-free UFLIA fragment of first-order logic. In general however, the encoding must also translate the other  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions, such as let-bindings, function definitions as well as vector and array expressions. We now explain the translation in more detail.

The languages of SMT solvers such as YICES [33] or Z3 [30] are variants of many-sorted first-order logic which generalises first-order logic as presented in Chapter 3. Similar to programming languages that use types to classify expressions, many-sorted logic uses sorts to classify terms. For the sake of simplicity, we do not consider sorts or well-sorted terms. We just assume that there are primitive sorts bool and int and that all our terms are well-sorted. Terms of sort bool are called formulas, so that a syntactic distinction between terms and formulas is redundant. Although the syntax of many-sorted logic permits arbitrary nestings of terms and formulas, both can be disentangled so that the conventional structure of first-order formulas can be restored.

In many-sorted logic, a term *t* is either a variable *x*, an application  $f(t_1, ..., t_n)$  of a function symbol *f* to terms, a conditional term  $ite(t_1, t_2, t_3)$ , or a quantified term  $\forall x. t$  or  $\exists x. t$ . Constants are nullary function symbols. The boolean function symbols  $\top$ ,  $\bot$ ,  $\neg$ ,  $\lor$ ,  $\land$ ,  $\lor$ ,  $\rightarrow$ , and  $\leftrightarrow$  have the usual meaning. The sort int introduces function symbols for the integers  $\mathbb{Z}$ , the predicate symbols =,  $\neq$ , <,  $\leq$ ,  $\geq$ , >, and the linear arithmetic functions +, -, and  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Moreover, there is a special binary function symbol  $t_1[t_2]$  for reading an element with the integer index  $t_2$  from an array  $t_1$ .

Figure 5.11 shows the encoding function  $[\![e]\!](\kappa)$ . The function takes a  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expression *e* and a function  $\kappa$ , which maps  $QUBE_{CORE}$  variables to logic terms, for processing local variable definitions. The result (t, T) consists of a term *t* that approximates the expression and a set *T* of additional constraints, which are also terms. The encoding function is defined using pattern matching: the first equation whose left-hand side matches the expression applies.

The encoding function  $C \llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$  used in DPROOF is defined in terms of  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket (\cdot)$ :

$$\mathcal{C}\llbracket e \rrbracket = \bigwedge (\{t\} \cup T) \text{ where } (t,T) = \llbracket e \rrbracket (\kappa_0)$$

The function  $\kappa_0 : x \to t$  yields a logical variable  $\hat{x}$  for every  $QUBE_{CORE}$  variable x. The operation  $\cdot [\cdot \leftarrow \cdot]$  alters a function  $\kappa$  such that  $\kappa [x \leftarrow t](x) = t$ . A variable  $\tilde{x}$  always represents a fresh uninterpreted function symbol.

 $\llbracket x \rrbracket(\kappa)$  encodes the variable x by applying  $\kappa$ . For let-bindings let  $x = e_1$  in  $e_2$ , the encoding follows the operational semantics. First,  $e_1$  is translated to  $(t_1, T_1)$ . Then,  $e_2$  is encoded under  $\kappa [x \leftarrow t_1]$  which gives  $(t_2, T_2)$  so that the let-expression can be encoded as  $(t_2, T_1 \cup T_2)$ .

Logical encoding of  $\mathsf{QUBE}_{\mathsf{CORE}}$  expressions

 $\llbracket e \rrbracket(\kappa) = (t,T)$ 

$$\begin{split} \|x\|(\kappa) &= (\kappa(x), \emptyset) \\ \| [ \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 ] (\kappa) &= (t_2, T_1 \cup T_2) \\ & \text{where } (t_1, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa), \\ & (t_2, T_2) = [\![e_2]\!] (\kappa[x \leftarrow t_1]) \\ \| \text{furue} \|(\kappa) &= (T, \emptyset) \\ \| \text{false} \|(\kappa) &= (L, \emptyset) \\ & \| \text{not } e^1 \|(\kappa) &= (n, \emptyset) \\ & \| \text{not } e^1 \|(\kappa) &= (n, \emptyset) \\ & \| \text{not } e^1 \|(\kappa) &= (n, 0) \\ & \| \text{not } e^1 \|(\kappa) &= (n, 0) \\ & (1 \circ t_2, T_1 \cup T_2) \text{ where } (t_1, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & \circ \in \{ \leftrightarrow, \&, l \} . [\![e_1 \circ e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (t_1 \circ t_2, T_1 \cup T_2) \text{ where } (t_1, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & \circ \in \{ +, ...\} . [\![e_1 \circ e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (t_1 \circ t_2, T_1 \cup T_2) \text{ where } (t, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & \circ \in \{ +, ...\} . [\![e_1 \circ e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (t_1 \circ t_2, T_1 \cup T_2) \text{ where } (t, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & \circ \in \{ +, ...\} . [\![e \circ n ]\!] (\kappa) &= (t \circ n, T) \text{ where } (t, T) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![e_1 e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (t_1 (t_2), T_1 \cup T_2) \text{ where } (t_1, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![e_1 e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (t_1 (t_2), T_1 \cup T_2) \text{ where } (t_1, T_1) = [\![e_1]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![e_1 \cdot (e_2)\!] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, \emptyset) \\ & [\![let (x_1, x_2) = e_1 \text{ in } e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, \emptyset) \\ & [\![let (x_1, x_2) = e_1 \text{ in } e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, [\tilde{x}[t_1] = t_3 + \forall j, j \neq t_2 \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = t_1[j]\} \cup T) \\ & \text{ where } (t_i, T_i) = [\![e_i]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![vec e_1 e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, [\tilde{x}[\tilde{x}[t_1] = t_i] \cup \bigcup_i T_i) \text{ where } (t_i, T_i) = [\![e_i]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![vec e_1 e_2]\!] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, [\tilde{x}[t_2] = t_2 \wedge \forall j. 0 \le j < t_1 \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = \tilde{y}] \cup T_1 \cup T_2) \\ & \text{ where } (t_i, T_i) = [\![e_i]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![vea e_n \overline{e} (\overline{y} \rightarrow e_b)\!] ] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, [\tilde{x} \mapsto \forall j. 0 \le j < t_n \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j]] = \tilde{y} \cup t_i[j]]_i \} \cup T) \\ & \text{ where } T = T_n \cup \bigcup_i T_i, (t_i, T_i) = [\![e_i]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![vea e_n \overline{e} (\overline{y} \rightarrow e_b)\!] ] (\kappa) &= (\tilde{x}, [\tilde{x} \mapsto \forall j. 0 \le j < t_n \rightarrow t_b[y_i \rightarrow t_i[j]]_i ] \cup T) \\ & \text{ where } T = T_n \cup \bigcup_i T_i, (t_i, T_i) = [\![e_i]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![vea e_n \overline{e} (\overline{y} \rightarrow e_b)\!] ] (\kappa) = (\tilde{x}, [\tilde{x} \mapsto \forall j. 0 \le j < t_n \rightarrow t_b[y_i \rightarrow t_i[j]]_i ] \cup T) \\ & \text{ where } T = T_n \cup \bigcup_i T_i, (t_i, T_i) = [\![e_i]\!] (\kappa) \\ & [\![vea e_n \overline{e} (\overline{y} \rightarrow e_b)\!] ] (\kappa) = (\tilde{x},$$

Figure 5.11: A mapping from  $QUBE_{CORE}$  expressions to logical formulas. The first equation whose left-hand side matches the expression applies.

Booleans and integer constants map to the corresponding logical constants. Similarly, we encode applications of boolean operators, (linear) arithmetic operators, and conditional expressions as applications of the equivalent interpreted functions. All other functions map to uninterpreted function symbols by the bottom-most rule.

Tuples  $(e_1, e_2: T)$  are abstractly represented as uninterpreted functions  $\tilde{x}$ . Similarly, the encoding of unpack-expressions let  $(x_1, x_2) = e_1$  in  $e_2$  merely takes  $e_2$  into account, abstracting away from the relationship between the variables  $x_1, x_2$  and the expression  $e_1$ . The encoding function ignores type annotations (e:T).

In contrast, the encoding function emphasises the accurate representation of vectors and vector operations. Selections  $e_1 \, (e_2)$  are encoded as logical array reads  $t_1[t_2]$ . The vector modification  $e_1 \, (e_2) \leftarrow e_3$  represents a vector that is equal to  $e_1$  at all position except  $e_2$ , where it is  $e_3$ . We thus encode the vector modification as a new logical array  $\tilde{x}$  with the additional constraints  $\tilde{x}[t_2] = t_3$  and  $\forall j. j \neq t_2 \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = t_1[j]$ . In a similar spirit, we encode vector constructors  $[\overline{e}]$  as fresh arrays  $\tilde{x}$  with  $x[j] = t_j$  for all j and constant-value vector expressions vec  $e_1 e_2$  as arrays  $\tilde{x}$  with  $\tilde{y} = t_2$  and  $\forall j. 0 \leq j < t_1 \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = \tilde{y}$ .

Vectors defined by map expressions vmap  $e_n \bar{e} \ (\overline{y} \to e_b)$  are also converted to new logical arrays  $\tilde{x}$ . Modelling the operational semantics of vmap, the array is constrained such that each element  $\tilde{x}[j]$  must equal  $t_b[y_i \mapsto t_i[j]]_i$ , i. e., every  $y_i$ in  $t_b$  gets replaced with  $t_i[j]$ . The encoding of vector predicates vfa  $e_n \bar{e} \ (\overline{x} \to e_b)$  is similar, but introduces  $\tilde{x}$  as a truth variable that is constrained by the universally quantified formula  $\forall j. 0 \le j < t_n \to t_b[x_i \mapsto t_i[j]]_i$ .

All other expressions, namely abstractions, and the expressions from  $QUBE_{[]}$ , are encoded as uninterpreted functions  $\tilde{x}$ .

We now prove some essential properties of the transformation. Given an expression, the encoding function yields a term and a set of constraints that are lifted out of their original context. In the presence of universal quantifiers, it is crucial that no term that depends on a quantified variable is moved out of the scope of the quantifier.

## Proposition 5.18 (Expressions under vmap and vfa yield no constraints)

For map operations vmap  $e_n \overline{e} (\overline{x} \to e_b)$  and predicates vfa  $e_n \overline{e} (\overline{x} \to e_b)$ , encoding of the  $e_b$  yields an empty constraint set, i. e.,

$$\llbracket e_b \rrbracket (\kappa) = (t_b, \emptyset)$$

**Proof:** Constraints are only generated by the encoding rules for  $[\cdot], \cdot.(\cdot) \leftarrow \cdot$ , vec, vmap, and vfa. The typing rules treat  $e_b$  as a restricted expression and thereby ensure that none of the above expressions may appear in  $e_b$ .

An encoded formula may contain some universal quantifiers and thus may not be immediately processed by an SMT solver. We show that the universally quantified terms all belong to the decidable array property fragment [18], so that the entire formula can be transformed into an equisatisfiable quantifier-free formula by means of the decision procedure outlined in Section 3.4.

## Proposition 5.19 (Quantified terms are array properties)

The universally quantified terms that result from encoding vector expressions are array properties.

**Proof:** Only the encoding rules for  $\cdot$ . $(\cdot) \leftarrow \cdot$ , vec, vmap, and vfa emit universally quantified terms. We inspect the rules individually.

1. Case  $e_1 \cdot (e_2) \leftarrow e_3$ :

The quantified term is  $\forall j. j \neq t_2 \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = t_1[j]$ . The index guard  $j \neq t_2$  is a shorthand for  $j \leq t_2 - 1 \lor t_2 + 1 \leq j$ . By construction,  $e_2$  and thus  $t_2$  cannot depend on j, which allows us to abstract out  $t_2$  out of the index guard as a new variable. In the value constraint  $\tilde{x}[j] = t_1[j]$ , the index variable j is only used to select into arrays.

2. Case vec  $e_1 e_2$ :

The quantified term is  $\forall j.0 \le j < t_1 \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = \tilde{y}$ . Similar to the above case, the index guard may be rewritten as  $0 \le j \le t_1 - 1$  and  $t_1$  may be abstracted out as it cannot depend on j. The value constraint obeys the required grammar.

3. Case vmap  $e_n \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \to e)$ :

The quantified term is  $\forall j.0 \leq j < t_n \rightarrow \tilde{x}[j] = t_b[y_i \rightarrow t_i[j]]_i$ . The index guard may be transformed to meet requirements as in case 2. Since  $e_b$  is a restricted expression, the term  $t_b$  can only contain constants, the variables  $\overline{x}$  as integers, logical and arithmetic functions and if-then-else terms. In particular,  $t_b$  cannot by itself reference j. Therefore, substituting the variables  $x_i$  with  $t_i[j]$  yields a well-formed value constraint.

4. Case vfa  $e_n \overline{e} \ (\overline{x} \to e)$ : Similar.

The encoding function is accurate for boolean expressions, integers and linear integer operations, vector expressions and let-bindings. All other expressions are soundly abstracted away with uninterpreted function symbols. When only expressions of the former group are used in program positions where the proof relation is used to reason about values, the type checker will not report any false type errors. Specifically, these positions are type refinements, length expressions in vector types, shape expressions in array types, conditional predicates, function arguments or tuple components when a value of some refinement type is expected, length expressions in vec, vmap, and vfa, vector indices, shape

expressions in reshape, gen, loop, and array index vectors. Despite the extensive list, many interesting array programs can be typed. Some examples will be shown in Section 8. Moreover, in cases where the proof machinery fails to accurately reason about the value of a complex expression, appropriate run-time checks can be inserted manually.

# Summary

This chapter presented the type system of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  and gave proof of its safety. However, even with SMT-based constraint proving, the presented rules are not immediately suitable for implementation. Responsible for this is the subsumption rule T-SUB which applies to every expression arbitrarily often. In contrast, all other rules are syntax directed: for every expression, there is one and only one type checking rule that matches that expression. Thus, to implement a terminating type checking algorithm, it is only necessary to tame the subsumption rule.

 $QUBE_{CORE}$  is constructed such that type checking never requires to guess an appropriate supertype for an expression. Instead, the language elements are annotated with these types. For example the conditional if :  $T \ e \ then \ e_t \ else \ e_e$  provides a common supertype T for both branches. Thus, in all situations where the declarative rules use the subsumption rule to appropriately elevate the type of an expression, it is sufficient to check whether the type is a subtype of the required type and we can therefore eliminate T-SUB.
# Part III

# The QUBE Programming Language

# 6

# The QUBE Programming Language

This chapter describes the actual syntax of the QUBE programming language. The syntax of QUBE is heavily inspired by OCAML [69], a popular dialect of the ML family of functional languages. Programmers familiar with OCAML should be able to quickly learn QUBE, too. Aimed to be a practical language for array programming with dependent types, QUBE extends QUBE<sub>CORE</sub> with a richer expression syntax, more base types, some syntactic sugar, an ML-style module system [83], and support for stateful computations and I/O. The latter two extensions were added to the QUBE compiler by Florian Büther in the course of his Diploma thesis [20]. Hence, this chapter only gives a brief overview of these features and refers the reader to the aforementioned thesis for details.

The remainder of the chapter is organised as follows: Section 6.1 explains the expression syntax of QUBE and how it extends  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . Section 6.2 outlines the module system of QUBE. Finally, Section 6.3 explains how QUBE integrates stateful computations and I/O operations by means of uniqueness types.

# 6.1 Expression Syntax

This section explains the expression syntax of QUBE and how it is different from  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . Fig. 6.1 specifies an (abstract) grammar of QUBE expressions in extended Backus-Naur form.

To facilitate general-purpose computations, QUBE provides the additional base

types char, float, and double along with the required constants, arithmetic operations, and conversion operations.

QUBE generalizes the unary functions of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  to functions of arbitrary arity. The *n*-ary function type has the form  $x_1:T_1...x_n:T_n \to T_{n+1}$ . The syntax of function types allows the compiler to statically determine how many arguments are required for an exact application of a given operator. The corresponding abstraction has the form  $fun x_1:T_1...x_n:T_n:T_{n+1} \to e$ , where the declaration of the return type  $:T_{n+1}$  is optional. The syntax of the extended application that allows an operator to be applied to multiple operands is  $e e_1 ... e_m$ , where *m* may differ from the arity of *e*. The following example illustrates the definition of a ternary function and its function type.

#### Example 6.1 (Function with multiple arguments)

(fun x:int y:int z:int :int  $\rightarrow$  x+y+z) : x:int. y:int. z:int  $\rightarrow$  int

Variables that denote binary functions can be enclosed in backticks and be used as infix operators. For example, x 'add' y is equivalent to add x y.

Similar to the generalisation of functions, QUBE generalises pairs to (dependent) tuples with *n* components for  $n \ge 2$ . The dependent tuple type of length *n* has the form  $(x_1:T_1,\ldots,x_{n-1}:T_{n-1},T_n)$ . The syntax of the dependent tuple constructor is  $(e_1,\ldots,e_n:(x_1:T_1,\ldots,x_{n-1}:T_{n-1},T_n))$ , whereas a non-dependent tuple may simply be specified as  $(e_1,\ldots,e_n)$ . The example shows how dependent triples can be used to represent arrays of different rank and shape in a uniform way.

#### Example 6.2 (Dependent triples)

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(1,[5] ,[1,2,3,4,5|[5]] : (r:nat, s:natvec r, [int|s]))
(2,[2,2],[1,2,3,4|[2,2]] : (r:nat, s:natvec r, [int|s]))
```

The type annotation at the conditional expression is optional in QUBE. In most expressions if  $e_p$  then  $e_t$  else  $e_e$ , either the type of  $e_t$  is a supertype of the type of  $e_e$ , or vice versa. In these cases, the compiler will automatically assume the greater type as the type of the conditional.

The let construct of QUBE combines the let and unpack expressions from  $QUBE_{CORE}$  and adds support for mutually recursive function definitions. The non-recursive binding let  $p_1 = e_1$  and ... and  $p_n = e_n$  in  $e_{n+1}$  evaluates the expressions  $e_1, ..., e_n$  in arbitrary order and matches the results with the patterns  $p_1, ..., p_n$  such that all variables from the patterns are bound to values in  $e_{n+1}$ . Patterns may be variables x and tuple patterns  $(p_1, ..., p_m)$  for  $m \ge 2$ .

The recursive binding let rec  $p_1 = e_1$  and ... and  $p_n = e_n$  in  $e_{n+1}$  defines a set of mutually recursive functions under the restriction that all patterns  $p_i$  are

$$T ::= B | \{x:T \mid e\} | \{[x:]T.\}[x:]T \to T$$
 Types  

$$| (\{[x:]T,\}^{+}T) | \text{ intvec } e | [T \mid e\{,e\}] \mid X\{e\}$$

$$B ::= bool | \text{ int } | \text{ char } | \text{ float } | \text{ double}$$
 Base types  

$$e ::= c | x | \text{ fun } \{x:T\}^{+}[:T] \to e | e\{e\}^{+}$$
 Expressions  

$$| (e:T) | (e\{,e\}^{+}[:T]) | \text{ if } [:T]e \text{ then } e \text{ else } e | \text{ let } [rec] lb \{ \text{ and } lb \} \text{ in } e$$
  

$$e.(e) | e.(e) \leftarrow e | \text{ vec } e e | \text{ vec } e e | \text{ vet } e e | e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e e | e e e e | e e e e e | e e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e | e |$$

Figure 6.1: The expression syntax of QUBE

mere variables  $x_i$  and that all right-hand side expressions  $e_i$  are abstractions fun  $x_1: T_1 \dots x_n: T_n : T_{n+1} \rightarrow e$  that provide a result type.

As a convenience notation, QUBE provides a special let binding for function definitions. The binding  $x_f x_1 : T_1 \dots x_n : T_n : T_{n+1} = e$  is equivalent to writing  $x_f = \text{fun } x_1 : T_1 \dots x_n : T_n : T_{n+1} \to e$ . In both notations, the result type is only required for declaring recursive functions. To illustrate the let expression, we define the well-known mutually recursive functions even and odd.

#### Example 6.3 (Mutually recursive functions)

let rec even n:nat :bool = if n = 0 then true else odd (n-1) and odd n:nat :bool = if n = 0 then false else even (n-1) in even 4

The vector and array expressions of QUBE differ very little from their counterparts in  $QUBE_{CORE}$ . Most notably, the vector constructor and the array constructor have been fused into a common expression. The element type and shape anno-

tations are optional. If the type annotation is missing, the compiler determines a common supertype of all elements. For empty array constructors, the element type defaults to int. If the shape annotation is missing, the array constructor will be assumed to define a rank 1 array. Vectors with integer elements will be given an intvec type, as described by rule T-VECTOR in Figure 5.7. Via an additional subtyping rule, the compiler allows integer vectors to be used as rank 1 integer arrays. In QUBE, vmap and vfa do not require the vector length as an argument.

The gen and loop expressions of QUBE employ a restricted form of pattern matching on index vectors to allow the elements in a convex sub-region of the index space to be computed from a different expression than all other elements. An array comprehension of the form

gen s with @lb..ub as  $x \rightarrow e \mid x' \rightarrow e'$ 

specifies an array of shape vector s, whose elements are either computed from the expression e or from the default expression e'. Which of these two expressions is chosen depends on the element's index vector. If the index vector is within the range specified by the *range pattern* @lb..ub, where the lower bound vector lb is inclusive and the upper bound vector ub is exclusive, e is chosen, otherwise e' is taken. In situations where the length of the index vector is constant, QUBE allows the index vector to be alternatively specified as a *vector pattern*  $[\overline{x}]$ . The element type of gen and the accumulator type of loop are optional as the compiler can in many cases determine an appropriate type itself. To illustrate range and vector patterns, we define an operation that concatenates two vectors of doubles.

Example 6.4 (Range and vector patterns)

```
let concat m:nat n:nat a:[double|[m]] b:[double|[n]] =
  gen [m+n] with
  | @[0]..[m] as x → a.[x]
  | [i] → b.[[i-m]]
```

# 6.2 Module System

To support large-scale programming beyond individual expressions, QUBE features an elaborate module system [20, 83]. The system supports separate namespaces, separate compilation, information hiding, and interfacing with foreign functions.

A module consists of a signature that describes all the types and values provided by the module and a structure that contains the actual definitions. Each source

M	::=	<pre>struct <math>\{b\}</math> end <math> \{m.\}m  M:I</math> type <math>X \{x:T\} = T</math>   let [rec] <math>lb</math> {and <math>lb</math>} structure <math>m = M</math>   signature <math>i = I</math> open <math>\{m, m\}m</math> external <math>x:T = combol</math></pre>	Module expressions
b	::=		Bindings
I d	 ::= 	open $\{m.\}m$ external $x: I = symbol$ sig $\{d\}$ end $\{m.\}i$ type $X \{x:T\} [= T]$ val $x: T$ structure $m: I$ signature $i = I$ open $\{m.\}m$ external $x: T = symbol$	Interface expressions Declarations
T	::=	$ \begin{array}{c} \dots & \{m  .  \} X \\ \dots & \{m  .  \} x \end{array} $	Types
e	::=		Expressions

Figure 6.2: The module syntax of QUBE

code file A.q implicitly defines a structure A. Similarly, a source code file A.qi implicitly defines a signature A. Alternatively, structures and signatures can be defined explicitly, even inside of other structures.

Figure 6.2 shows the module syntax of QUBE. In the figure, four different kinds of identifiers are used. As before, the metavariables x and X represent value and type identifiers, respectively. The metavariable m stands for a module identifier and i stands for an interface identifier. Module identifiers must begin with an uppercase letter, all other identifiers must begin with a lowercase letter.

To navigate through the module hierarchy, both value identifiers and type identifiers are extended with a module path. For example, Cpx.make selects the value make from a module Cpx.

A module expression M is either a structure definition struct bs end that packages together related bindings bs, a path  $m_1 \dots m_n \dots m_n$  that selects a structure m from a module tree, or a module expression of the form M : I that restricts the interface of the module M to the interface I.

The binding type  $X x_1 : T_1 \dots x_n : T_n = T_{n+1}$  defines a new type X that takes arguments  $x_i$  of type  $T_i$  as an abbreviation of the right-hand side type  $T_{n+1}$ . Similar to the let expression, the let binding simultaneously defines a number of (potentially recursive) values.

A binding of the form structure m = M binds a structure m that is defined by the module expression M. Similarly, a binding of the form signature i = I binds a signature i that is defined by the interface expression I.

A binding open  $m_1 \dots m_n \dots m_n$  makes all names from the module  $m_1 \dots m_n \dots m_n$  available in the current structure without the module path.

Finally, a binding of the form external x : T = symbol declares an externally

```
structure Cpx = struct
  type t = (double,double)
  let make re:double im:double = (re,im)
  let re c:t = let (re,_) = c in re
  let im c:t = let (_,im) = c in im
  (* ... *)
end : sig
  type t
  val make : double. double \rightarrow t
  val re : t \rightarrow double
  val im : t \rightarrow double
  (* ... *)
end
```

Figure 6.3: An example module for complex numbers

defined function x of type T that is implemented by the linker symbol symbol.

Analogue to module expressions, an interface expression is either a signature definition sig ds end that packages a list ds of declarations, or a path  $m_1 \dots m_n \cdot i$  that selects an interface i from a module tree.

The declarations of a signature abstractly describe the bindings of a structure. A type declaration may omit the implementation of the type to create an abstract data type. A declaration of the form val x : T merely indicates the existence of a value x of type t. Similarly, a structure can only be declared to have a certain interface. In contrast, the signature, open, and external declarations are equivalent to the corresponding bindings.

To illustrate some of the module syntax, Figure 6.3 shows an example module Cpx that provides basic support for complex numbers. The structure implements complex numbers as pairs of double and defines the necessary constructor and destructor functions. The module is sealed by a signature that hides the implementation type of complex numbers such that values of type Cpx.t can only be manipulated by functions from Cpx.

# 6.3 Stateful Computations

QUBE expressions are referentially transparent, i. e., an expression will always evaluate to the same result when applied to the same arguments. While the absence of state and side-effects makes it easy to reason about QUBE expressions, additional measures are required to mimic the behaviour of imperative programs

T T <sub>C</sub>	::= ::= 	$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $	Types Core Types
е	::=	$e!(e)   e!(e) \leftarrow e   e![\{e, \}e]   e![\{e, \}e] \leftarrow e$	Expressions

Figure 6.4: Syntax for uniqueness types and destructive array operations

that manipulate the machine state or interact with the execution environment. Similar to the programming languages CLEAN and SAC, QUBE uses *uniqueness types* [9] to incorporate side-effects into the referentially transparent setting. The implementation most closely resembles the approach described in [32].

A variable with a unique type must be referenced at most once. Unique objects are thus explicit representations of state. To manipulate such a state, a function must consume the corresponding unique object and produce a new unique object that represents the new state. The data dependencies between producers and consumers of unique objects then implicitly enforce the desired sequential evaluation of unique expressions.

Figure 6.4 shows the syntax extensions for uniqueness types. The types have been refined such that every type consists of a core type  $T_c$  and a uniqueness attribute. Core types are essentially the types as defined in Section 6.1. A type  $*T_c$  is *unique*. The absence of a uniqueness attribute implicitly makes a type *shared*. A uniqueness variable u makes the type  $u \uparrow T_c$  polymorphic with respect to the uniqueness attribute. The type checker determines an appropriate instance of u depending on how the corresponding value is used. The notation  $?T_c$  is a convenience notation for  $u \uparrow T_c$  where u is a fresh variable.

Each element of a data structure has its own uniqueness. In order to avoid illegal sharing of unique elements, the uniqueness propagation rule must be obeyed [84]: if a unique object is stored in a data structure, the data structure becomes unique as well.

To enable interactive programs, QUBE defines an abstract type \*world whose values represent states of the execution environment. The function main, which serves as the entry point of a QUBE program, must have type \*world  $\rightarrow$  \*world. The type captures the intuition that an interactive program transforms the execution environment from an initial to a final state. Using the library function Io.print\_endline of type string. \*world  $\rightarrow$  \*world, we can write a Hello World program.

#### Example 6.5 (Hello World)

let main w:\*world = Io.print\_endline "Hello\_World" w

```
let swap n:nat arr:*[int|[n]] i:(index n) j:(index n) =
  let (arr,ai) = arr![[i]] in
  let (arr,aj) = arr![[j]] in
  let arr = arr![[i]] ← aj in
  let arr = arr![[j]] ← ai in
  arr
```

#### Figure 6.5: Destructive swapping of array elements

In the context of array programs, uniqueness types have a desirable second application. Since a unique array type describes an array that has at most one reference to it, modifications of this array may be performed destructively. Thus, the asymptotic complexity of array modification drops from O(n) to O(1).

QUBE provides a custom set of expressions to access and modify unique arrays. The unique vector selection e!(e) and the unique array selection e![e,...,e] take unique arrays and shared indices. In order to preserve the array reference, the expressions return a fresh reference to the array in addition to the selected element. The unique vector modification  $e!(e) \leftarrow e$  and the unique array modification  $e![e,...,e] \leftarrow e$  take unique arrays, shared indices, and shared substitute elements.

To illustrate destructive array modification, Figure 6.5 defines a function swap that takes a unique array and two valid array indices i and j. The operation uses unique array selections to select the elements at the positions i and j, respectively. Afterwards, the array is updated destructively and the final reference to the array is returned.

#### Summary

This chapter presented the syntax of the QUBE programming language. Based on QUBE<sub>CORE</sub>, the language provides a number of features for practical array programming with dependent types. The module system of QUBE allows complex programs to be decomposed into smaller and more manageable modules that assemble related definitions. QUBE uses the module system to provide an extensive standard library of predefined functions. Via uniqueness types, QUBE supports stateful computations such as I/O and destructive array updates without losing referential transparency.

# Language Implementation

QUBE is implemented by a compiler that translates QUBE programs into code for the Low-Level Virtual Machine (LLVM) which in turn emits machine-specific assembly language. The compiler was implemented by Florian Büther, Markus Weigel, Sebastian Hungerecker, and myself.

The remainder of this chapter is organized as follows: Section 7.1 characterises the design goals of the QUBE compiler. Section 7.2 gives an overview of the compiler architecture and describes the individual phases of the compilation process. The implementation dynamically represents multidimensional arrays as mere sequences of elements. Section 7.3 explains how the QUBE compiler uses the dependent array types to statically augment intermediate programs with information about array ranks and shapes wherever these are required for evaluation.

# 7.1 Design of the QUBE Compiler

The design of the QUBE compiler aims at translating QUBE programs into wellperforming executables. A secondary goal was to explore how to use the rich type information to produce even better code.

Most visible to the user, the compiler uses the types to statically detect program errors such as array-boundary violations and give appropriate type error messages. Type checking is performed in collaboration with a Satisfiability Modulo Theories (SMT) solver. Programs that pass the type checker are known not to exhibit program errors. In consequence, the compiler can avoid inserting dynamic checks such as array bounds checks into the program.

QUBE's type system is monomorphic. Therefore, all basic values have unboxed representations. Only closures, tuples, and arrays are allocated on the heap. Multidimensional arrays are represented solely by their linear data vectors. Instead of also providing the corresponding shape vectors at run-time, the compiler uses the shape expressions from the array types to statically annotate the program with shape information wherever necessary. The process will be described in more detail in Section 7.3.

Integer vectors have a pre-eminent role in array programming. They represent shapes and allow us to index elements from multidimensional arrays. Unfortunately, the overhead of allocating a vector on the heap just to select a single array element is prohibitive. To avoid integer vectors from manifesting at runtime, the QUBE compiler employs two strategies. First, whenever the length of an integer vector is statically known, the compiler represents the vector by its individual elements. Operations on these vectors can in most cases be unrolled, resulting in a number of scalar computations. Second, the compiler implements *index vector elimination* (IVE) [12], a technique develop in the context of the SAC compiler [42] that replaces linear operations on index vectors with equivalent operations on scalar offsets.

QUBE is a higher-order language that supports first-class functions and nested function declarations. Inner functions may refer to variables that are bound in the surrounding function. The QUBE compiler uses lambda lifting [60] to eliminate free variables from inner functions. For each free variable, the procedure introduces an additional function argument that must be passed at every application. The closed functions are moved to the top-level.

The implementation of curried function applications takes advantage of QUBE's *n*-ary function types. As the arity of any given function f is statically known, the compiler can determine whether an application  $f e_1 \dots e_n$  provides too few, too many, or the right number of arguments. If the number of arguments matches the function's arity, an exact call is made. If there are too many arguments, the compiler splits the application so that first an exact call is made whose result is then applied to the remaining arguments. If the application has too few arguments, the compiler generates a closure that combines a tuple  $(e_1, \dots, e_n)$  with a pointer to a new function that takes the tuple and the remaining arguments so that it can make an exact call to f.

Another important feature of functional programming languages is automatic memory management. The language implementation is responsible for allocating space for new data structures and releasing the memory once the data structures are no longer used. Currently, the QUBE compiler relies on the Boehm-Dehmers-Weiser conservative garbage collector [16] for storage reclamation. In the future however, we would like to replace it with a memory management scheme based on reference counting, since this would allow us to safely perform destructive array updates even in the context of immutable arrays [45, 94].

The QUBE compiler targets the Low-Level Virtual Machine (LLVM) [68], a compiler infrastructure that supports a variety of processor architectures. LLVM takes programs in a machine-independent typed assembly language and performs extensive compile-time optimisations. The result is either statically compiled to machine code or stored as bytecode for interpretation (aided by justin-time compilation). A feature that makes compiling to LLVM particularly interesting is its support for tail-call optimisation (TCO) [62], a technique that substitutes function calls in tail position with more efficient jump instructions into the called functions.

As LLVM can use the C calling conventions, the generated object files can be linked with native libraries. Interfacing between QUBE and C programs is straightforward due to the similarities between the representations of QUBE data structures and the corresponding data structures in C. The interoperation works in both directions: QUBE programs can access library functions written in C and, vice versa, QUBE functions can serve as the trusted computational kernels of programs written in any other language that can interface with C.

The QUBE compiler itself is written in OCAML [69, 22], a popular language in the ML family of programming languages [70, 75]. OCAML offers inductive data types and facilities to define recursive functions over these types by pattern matching. In conjunction with type inference and automatic memory management, these features make OCAML well-suited for compiler construction.

# 7.2 Compilation at a Glance

This section describes the compilation process of the QUBE compiler. Fig. 7.1 gives an overview of the compilation. The blocks represent the individual compilation phases that lower the source program to a native object file a.out through a series of intermediate representations.

The compiler accepts a QUBE program as a source file suffixed with .q. Scanning and parsing of the program yields a *Parsetree*, an abstract syntax tree that closely resembles the source program.

Type checking is performed in collaboration with the YICES theorem prover [33]. The implementation of the proof relation  $\Gamma \vdash_D e$  encodes the context and the

Compilation process





negated property not e as a logical formula in the decidable UFLIA<sup>1</sup> fragment of first-order logic as described in Section 5.6. When the SMT solver yields *unsatisfiable* then e is valid under  $\Gamma$  and thus the program is type correct. In case that the SMT solver finds the encoded formula satisfiable, it reports a model, i. e., an assignment of the program variables in  $\Gamma$  that satisfies the encoding of not e. Since e may thus be invalid under  $\Gamma$ , the program is rejected with an appropriate type error message.

Well-typed programs are emitted by the type checker in an intermediate representation called *Typedtree*. This abstract syntax tree still largely resembles the source program with a few notable differences. First, all user-defined types are replaced by their definitions. Second, all bound identifiers are uniquely renamed. Third, to admit descriptor-free representation, all language elements that deal with vectors or arrays are annotated with expressions that represent the vector lengths, array rank and shapes, respectively. The descriptor-free array representation and the required compile-time annotations will be described in more detail in section 7.3.

The *Normalisation* phase systematically eliminates complex subexpressions from the syntax tree, yielding the intermediate representation *Coretree*. Similar to administrative normal form [37], *Coretree* only allows functions to be applied to trivial arguments, called atoms, which are either constants or identifiers. More complex expressions must only appear on the right-hand side of a let-binding. Thus, complex subexpressions are abstracted out of their original context and bound to fresh variables.

Due to its regular structure, the *Coretree* representation is well-suited for *program optimisation*. The side-effect free nature of (well-typed) QUBE programs allows to straightforwardly apply a host of compiler optimisations without changing the program semantics. Currently, the QUBE compiler performs the following high-level program optimisations most of which are well-known from compiler construction text books [1, 3, 47]:

- Function inlining: non-recursive functions whose size do not exceed a certain threshold are inlined.
- Partial evaluation: the compiler reduces applications of the built-in logic and arithmetic operations to constant arguments. Conditionals with constant predicates are reduced to the adequate branch. Unpack expressions are reduced when the definition of the tuple is known. For vectors and arrays that are defined by a constructor, selections and modifications with constant index vectors and reshape operations with constant shape vectors are reduced. For vectors of known length, instances of vmap and vfa

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>uninterpreted functions and linear integer arithmetic

are expanded. Similarly, instances of gen and loop are expanded for small shapes.

- **Common subexpression elimination:** identical right-hand sides of letbindings are eliminated to avoid redundant computations.
- **Dead code removal:** the compiler eliminates all bindings of unreferenced variables as these cannot contribute to the program result.

After program optimisation, the compiler phase *index transformation* lowers the multidimensional QUBE arrays to linear arrays that can be mapped to actual computing hardware. In particular, index vectors into multidimensional arrays are transformed into scalar offsets into the linear array representation. By means of *index vector elimination* [12], the compiler converts many linear operations on heap-allocated integer vectors into equivalent scalar operations that can be performed in processor registers. The compiler phase maps the syntax tree to a representation called *Indextree* that dispenses with dependent types in favour of simple types.

The next phase *Lambda lifting* [60] eliminates nested function definitions. The procedure augments inner functions with additional arguments for each free variable and modifies all applications of these functions to pass the necessary value. The closed functions are then moved out of their original context to the top-level.

The *Memory management* phase augments the intermediate code with instructions that explicitly allocate and modify memory. In effect, the purely functional QUBE programs are transformed into stateful programs that perform computations as a sequence of modifications of the machine state.

As the final stage of the QUBE compiler, *code generation* transforms the syntax tree into code for the Low-Level Virtual Machine (LLVM) [68] which in turn emits machine-specific object code.

# 7.3 Descriptor-Free Array Representation

Array ranks and shape vectors are essential for the evaluation of array programs: for a matrix a: [int | [m,n]] stored in row-major order, the element a. [[i,j]] is located in the linear memory representation of a at the offset  $i \cdot n + j$ . To provide rank and shape vector wherever necessary, language implementations typically associate each array with an array descriptor that is maintained at runtime in addition to the array itself. A descriptor-based array representation of a takes the form of a tuple <2, [m,n], [d\_1,...,d\_p] > where the first component 2 is the array rank, the second component [m,n] is the shape vector, and the third component  $[d_1, \ldots, d_p]$  is the data vector whose length p equals the product of the shape vector elements. To the programmer, these arrays appear as abstract data types that provide means for obtaining the array shape and (safely) accessing the individual elements.

In the context of QUBE, a more compact representation of arrays can be employed [97]. The type of an array captures both its element type and its shape as a structured vector. The QUBE compiler uses this information to statically annotate the program with rank and shape information wherever these are required for evaluation. The above selection thus becomes a. [([m,n],[i,j])<2>], removing the need for dynamically looking up the shape of a. The language implementation can thus dispense with array descriptors and instead represent arrays as mere sequences of elements.

Once all structural properties of arrays are represented explicitly in intermediate code, they become subject to program optimisation. For example, dead code removal eliminates superfluous computations of and on structural properties. Likewise, common subexpression elimination avoids repeated computation of identical shape information. Last not least, constant folding and algebraic simplification contribute their share to optimise computations on rank and shape expressions.

Fig. 7.2 shows the rules of the relation  $e \uparrow e$  which statically annotates programs with the required array properties. Program annotation takes place during type checking where the type of each expressions is determined. For the sake of clarity, we avoid reformulating the entire set of typing rules from Chapter 5 and omit the typing context  $\Gamma$ .

Each shape segment  $e_i$  of an array type  $[T | e_1, ..., e_n]$  is annotated with its length  $l_i$ . The array type becomes  $[T | e_1 < l_1 > ..., e_n < l_n >]$ .

The vector expressions vfa  $\overline{e}$  ( $\overline{x} \to e$ ) and vmap  $\overline{e}$  ( $\overline{x} \to e$ ) implicitly loop over all input vectors  $\overline{e}$  simultaneously to compute the result. Since type checking ensures that all vectors have the same length l, it is sufficient to annotate the expressions with l once, yielding vfa $\langle l \rangle \overline{e}$  ( $\overline{x} \to e$ ) and vmap $\langle l \rangle \overline{e}$  ( $\overline{x} \to e$ ).

Array selections  $e_a$ .  $[\overline{e}]$  are annotated with the result of joining the structured shape vector of  $e_a$  and the structured index vector  $\overline{e}$ . Both vectors are required to compute the offset into the linear representation of  $e_a$ . As the join operation ensures that corresponding shape and index segments have the same length, the offset computation can be carried out without dynamically aligning the structured vectors. Array modifications  $e_a$ .  $[\overline{e}] \leftarrow e_e$  are annotated in the same way.

Evaluation of a reshape expression reshape  $\overline{e} e_a$  involves computing the number of elements of  $e_a$  as well as the number of elements in the result which is given

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{[T \mid e_{1}, ..., e_{n}] \Uparrow [T \mid e_{1} < l_{1} > ..., e_{n} < l_{n} > ]} (A-TARRAY)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l)_{i}}{\text{vfa } e_{1}, ..., e_{n} f \Uparrow vfa < l > e_{1}, ..., e_{n} f} (A-VFA)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l)_{i}}{\text{vmap } e_{1}, ..., e_{n} f \Uparrow vmap < l > e_{1}, ..., e_{n} f} (A-VMAP)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot ..., e_{n} f \Uparrow vmap < l > e_{1}, ..., e_{n} f} (A-VMAP)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot ..., e_{n} f \Uparrow vmap < l > e_{1}, ..., e_{n} f} (A-VMAP)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot ..., e_{n} = (s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > }{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1}, ..., e_{n}] \Uparrow e_{n} \cdot [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]} (A-SEL)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1}, ..., e_{n}] \Uparrow e_{n} \cdot [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]}{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1}, ..., e_{n}] \Uparrow e_{n} \cdot [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]} (A-MOD)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1} \cdot ..., e_{n}] \leftrightarrow e_{n} \cdot [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]}{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1}, ..., e_{n}] \leftrightarrow e_{n} \cdot [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]} \leftarrow e_{e} (A-MOD)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1} \cdot ..., e_{n} < e_{n} \land e_{n} \land e_{n} \land [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]} \leftarrow e_{e} (A-MOD)$$

$$\frac{(e_{i}: \text{intvec } l_{i})_{i}}{e_{n} \cdot [e_{1} \cdot ..., e_{n} < e_{n} \land [(s_{1}, v_{1}) < r_{1} > ..., (s_{o}, v_{o}) < r_{o} > ]}{(A-SEHP)}$$

 $\frac{(e_i: \text{intvec } l_i)_i}{\text{loop } x_a = e_a; e_1, ..., e_n \text{ with } g \Uparrow \text{ loop } x_a = e_a; e_1 < l_1 > ..., e_n < l_n > \text{ with } g} \text{ (A-LOOP)}$ 

Figure 7.2: Static annotation of the required array properties

by the product of the elements from  $\overline{e}$ . Thus, we annotate the expression with the entire shape of  $e_a$  and the length of each vector  $e_i$ .

The shape vectors of the array comprehension gen and the loop expression are also annotated with their respective lengths, since these are required to determine the lengths of the corresponding index vectors and for computing the number of elements in the index space.

The idea of descriptor-free array representation is related to the compilation scheme devised for rank-generic SAC programs [65]. The SAC compiler uses different representations for arrays of statically known shape, arrays of statically known rank (but unknown shape), and arrays of statically unknown rank and shape to avoid creating run-time descriptors whenever possible. Thus the efficiency of compiled code depends on the available shape information. To improve the amount of static shape information, the SAC compiler uses a combination of partial evaluation and function specialisation [43]. Recent work [98] proposed *symbolic array attributes* as a uniform scheme to infer and represent structural information in rank-generic array programs such that it may be used by optimisations. Descriptor-free array representation takes all these ideas to their conclusion.

# Summary

This chapter presented the implementation of the QUBE programming language. The QUBE compiler translates programs to LLVM programs through a series of intermediate representations. Most of the program transformations involved are similar to those employed by compilers for other strict, higher-order functional programming languages, with a few notable exceptions.

Type checking is performed in collaboration with an SMT solver to soundly decide whether two expressions denote the same value and, in extension, whether two types are equal.

Dependent array types represent array ranks and shape vectors in the type system. The QUBE compiler uses this information to statically annotate intermediate programs with array properties wherever these are required for evaluation. This allows the program to dispense with dynamic representations of ranks and shape vectors. Instead, arrays are stored as mere sequences of elements. Furthermore, exposing rank and shape computations explicitly in intermediate code makes them subject to compile time optimisation. In effect, the compiled programs contain very little overhead.

QUBE's n-ary function types provide static information about the arity of a (potentially unknown) function. The compiler uses this information to determine

whether an application is partial, exact, or an over application of a function. For each situation, appropriate code that does not require dynamic branching is generated. In contrast, compilers for languages such as HASKELL, SML, or OCAML that only have unary function types (despite allowing to define *n*-ary functions) must deal with function application dynamically by either of two basic approaches [71]. In the *push/enter* model, the caller pushes all arguments to the stack. The called function, which knows its own arity, inspects the stack to determine how many arguments it has been passed. If there are too few arguments, the function must return an object representing a partial application, if there are too many arguments, some of them must be left on the stack for later consumption. In the *eval/apply* model, the caller, which statically knows the number of arguments, evaluates the function and inspects the resulting closure to determine its arity. By case distinction, the caller chooses appropriate code that either extends the closure, makes an exact call, or makes an exact call followed by another application.

# 8

# **Rank-Generic Array Operations**

Traditional array languages such as APL [55], J [56], and MATLAB [76] provide a large number of built-in array operations from which more complex programs are assembled. In contrast, QUBE allows the user to define her own set of typesafe array operations by means of the versatile gen and loop expressions.

This chapter introduces a number of essential rank-generic array operations. The assortment of operations is inspired by those available in SAC and the interpreted array languages mentioned above. As the current implementation of QUBE does not support polymorphism, we define all operations for arrays of integers. They may be instantiated for other types as deemed necessary.

The remainder of the chapter is organised as follows: Section 8.1 defines some common type abbreviations that will be used throughout the chapter. Section 8.2 illustrates element-wise array operations that apply a function to all elements of an array or pairs of corresponding elements from two arrays. Section 8.3 defines selection functions that select larger chunks of array elements instead of a single element. Section 8.4 presents structural array operations that affect the organisation of elements inside an array. Finally, Section 8.5 presents powerful higher-order array functions.

# 8.1 Type Abbreviations

The program shown in Example 8.1 defines several type abbreviations that will be used throughout the remainder of the chapter.

The type nat describes non-negative integers. natvec n is the type of vectors of length n that only contain non-negative integers. The type index n describes valid indices into a vector of length n. indexvec r s is the type of valid index vectors into an array of rank r and shape s.

The types nat\_le b and natvec\_le n b are the types of naturals and vectors of naturals of length n, respectively, that do not exceed the boundary (vector) b. Conversely, the types int\_ge b and intvec\_ge n b describe integers and integers vectors of length n whose elements are greater or equal to the boundary (vector) b.

#### Example 8.1 (Type abbreviations)

```
type nat = { v:int | 0 <= v }
type natvec n:nat = { v:intvec n | vfa v (vi \rightarrow 0 <= vi) }
type index n:nat = { v:int | 0 <= v & v < n }
type indexvec r:nat s:(natvec r) =
    { v:intvec r | vfa v,s (vi,si \rightarrow 0 <= vi & vi < si) }
type nat_le b:int = { v:int | 0 <= v & v <= b }
type natvec_le n:nat b:(intvec n) =
    { v:intvec r | vfa v,b (vi,bi \rightarrow 0 <= bi & vi <= bi) }
type int_ge b:int = { v:int | b <= v }
type int_ge b:int = { v:int | b <= v }
type intvec_ge n:nat b:(intvec n) =
    { v:intvec n | vfa b,v (bi,vi \rightarrow bi <= vi) }</pre>
```

# 8.2 Element-Wise Computations

An important class of array operations are element-wise operations that apply a function to each element of an array or to pairs of corresponding elements from two arrays of equal shape. In this section, we develop the rank-generic addition operation add by incrementally generalising a shape-specific implementation.

We start with a shape-specific function that adds matrices of shape [2,2] by selecting and adding the corresponding elements. The type system ensures that

add can only be applied to matrices of the required shape. As the new shape also has shape [2,2], all array accesses are known to be correct.

#### Example 8.2 (Shape-specific Add)

```
let add a:[int|[2,2]] b:[int|[2,2]] =
  [ a.[[0,0]] + b.[[0,0]], a.[[0,1]] + b.[[0,1]],
      a.[[1,0]] + b.[[1,0]], a.[[1,1]] + b.[[1,1]] | [2,2]]
```

Using dependent types, we can generalise add such that it becomes applicable to arbitrary matrices of shape [m,n]. For this purpose, we abstract the shape components m:nat and n:nat from the shape of the array types. Furthermore, we replace the array constructor with an array comprehension that creates an array of shape [m,n] and at each index x adds the corresponding elements from a and b.

Example 8.3 (Shape-generic Add)

```
let add m:nat n:nat a:[int|[m,n]] b:[int|[m,n]] = gen [m,n] with x \rightarrow a.[x] + b.[x]
```

Even more general, by specifying the shape as a vector s:(natvec r) where r:nat, we obtain a variant of add that is applicable to any two integer arrays of shape s, no matter whether these are vectors, matrices, or anything else. It is noteworthy that this generalisation does not require to change the function body of add apart from the shape.

Example 8.4 (Rank-generic Add)

```
let add r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s] b:[int|s] = gen s with x \rightarrow a.[x] + b.[x]
```

Other element-wise operations, like element-wise negation, subtraction or multiplication can be defined in the same way.

A slight variation of this scheme is the function sum that adds all elements of an array. The rank-generic operation is implemented by means of a loop expression that, starting with the initial value 0, iterates over the array indices and successively adds all array elements to the intermediate result.

#### Example 8.5 (Sum)

```
let sum r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s] =
loop acc:int = 0; s with x \rightarrow acc + a.[x]
```

### 8.3 Selection Functions

The array selection a. [x] selects a single element from an array a. In many situations it is desirable to simultaneously select larger chunks of data. With the help of gen, many useful and type-safe generalisations of scalar selection can be specified.

The generalised selection gsel and its dual fsel perform rank-generic array slicing. Given an array a whose shape fs, cs consists of the *frame shape* fs and the *cell shape* cs, and an index vector x that indexes into the frame shape, gsel selects the slice of elements whose position in a is prefixed with x. Similarly, given the array a and a vector y that indexes into the cell shape, the operation fsel selects the slice of element whose position in a is suffixed with y.

Example 8.6 (Gsel and fsel: array slicing)

The function take selects an interval of items from an array. The operation takes an array a of some shape s and a vector t whose magnitude defines the extent of the interval along each axis of a. If t.(i) is positive, the interval starts at the beginning of axis i. Otherwise, the interval ends at the tail of the axis. The dual function drop takes an array a and a vector d. Depending on the sign of d.(i), the operation discards the leading or the trailing |d.(i)| items along the axis i.

Example 8.7 (Take and drop)

Using take and drop, we can conveniently define the function tile that, starting at a position p, selects a block of elements of size ts from an array a. To achieve the desired effect, the definition first drops p items from a and then takes ts items from the result.

Example 8.8 (Tile)

```
let tile r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s]
        ts:(natvec_le r s)
        p:(natvec_le r (vmap s,ts (si,tsi → si-tsi))) =
    take r (vmap s,p (si,pi → si-pi)) ts (drop r s p a)
```

The indirect selection msel simultaneously performs multiple independent selections. The function takes an array a and an array idxs of index vectors into a. For every vector in idxs, msel performs a selection into a and yields the array of results. It is worth noting that the arrays a and idxs may have different ranks and shapes as long as all elements of idxs are appropriate index vectors into a. The index generator iota computes the set of all possible index vectors into an array of a given shape s. For an array a of rank r and shape s, msel r s r s (iota r s) a is equivalent to a.

Example 8.9 (Indirect selection and the index generator)

# 8.4 Structural Functions

This section defines functions that affect the structure of arrays, i. e. the organisation of elements inside the array.

The operation reverse takes an array and reverses the order of its items by subtracting the current index from the maximal array index.

Example 8.10 (Reverse)

```
let reverse r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s] =
gen s with x \rightarrow a.[vmap s,x (si,xi \rightarrow si-xi-1)]
```

The function condense drops every second item along each axis of a given array, thereby halving the extent of each axis. The dual function scatter creates an array whose extent in each axis is twice that of the corresponding axis from the given array a. The elements of a are copied into every even index position of the result array, the other elements initialised with a specified default element def.

#### Example 8.11 (Condense and scatter)

```
let condense r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s] =
  gen vmap s (si \rightarrow si/2) with x \rightarrow a.[vmap x (xi \rightarrow 2 * xi)]
let scatter r:nat s:(natvec r) def:int a:[int|s]=
  gen vmap s (si \rightarrow 2*si) with x \rightarrow
  if vfa x (xi \rightarrow xi % 2 = 0)
  then a.[vmap x (xi \rightarrow xi / 2)]
  else def
```

Variants of condense or scatter for other constant strides can be specified when required. However, generalising either function to some abstract stride str requires that we perform an array bounds check for every selection. The reason is that neither the multiplication of x by str nor the division of x by str is expressible in linear integer arithmetic and thus the compiler cannot statically verify the access into a.

The operation cat (*catenate*) joins two arrays a and b by appending the array b at the end of the outermost axis of array a. Therefore, the shapes of both arrays must have a common suffix s of length r.

#### Example 8.12 (Catenate)

The function embed allows us to embed an array into a larger array of the same rank and is thus complementary to tile. The operation takes an array a, a new shape ns that must be at least as large as the shape of a, an outer array o of shape ns and an index position p. It creates an array of shape ns into which the elements of a are copied starting from the index p. The other elements are initialised with the corresponding elements from o.

#### Example 8.13 (Embed)

The function shift moves the elements of a given array a as specified by the offset vector off, whose length must equal the rank of a. A positive entry in off means that the elements are shifted to the left (i.e. towards the beginning) of the corresponding axis. Vice versa, the elements are shifted to the right if the entry in off is negative. The emerging vacancies are initialised with the default element def.

The type of off statically ensures that not all elements can be shifted out of the array. In case this functionality is required, a wrapper function can be written that either shifts the elements or yields a new array entirely filled with def.

#### Example 8.14 (Shift)

```
let shift r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s] def:int
        off:{ v:intvec r | vfa s,v (si,vi → -si<vi & vi<si) } =
    let lb = vmap off (oi → if oi < 0 then -oi else 0) in
    let ub = vmap s,off (si,oi → if oi < 0 then si else si-oi) in
    gen s with
    | @lb..ub as x → a.[vmap x,off (xi,oi → xi+oi)]
    | x → def
```

Similar to shift is the function rotate. As indicated by its name, the function rotates each axis of a given array by as many elements to the left as are specified by corresponding element of the rotation vector rot. The elements of rot must range between 0 and the length of the axis. To achieve unbounded rotation, the rotation vector would need to be pre-processed, for example, by element-wise computation of rot % s.

The implementation realises multidimensional rotation as a sequence of rotations along the individual axes. For each axis ax, the items at positions below the boundary b = s.(ax)-rot.(ax) are obtained by adding rot.(ax) to the current index. The items beyond b are obtained by subtracting b from the current index.

#### Example 8.15 (Rotate)

```
let rotate r:nat s:(natvec r) a:[int|s] rot:(indexvec r s) =
let null = vec r 0 in
loop a = a; [r] with [ax] →
let off = null.(ax) ← rot.(ax) in
let bound = null.(ax) ← (s.(ax) - rot.(ax)) in
gen s with
| @bound..s as x → a.[vmap x,bound (xi,bi → xi-bi)]
| y → a.[vmap y,off (xi,oi → xi+oi)]
```

# 8.5 Higher-Order Functions

A powerful feature of functional programming is the ability to define higherorder functions, or functionals. These take functions as arguments or have a function as a result. Higher-order functions are useful as they allow us to encapsulate programming patterns that repeat across different functions.

The higher-order functions map and map2 capture the pattern underlying elementwise operations such as add that apply a function to every element of an array and return the array of results. map takes a unary function f and applies it to each element of an array. Similarly, map2 applies a binary operation to corresponding elements of two arrays.

Example 8.16 (Map and Map2)

By partial application of map2, we obtain an alternative rank-generic definition of element-wise addition.

let add = map2 (fun x:int y:int  $\rightarrow$  x+y)

In the same style, the construction principle underlying functions such as sum can be condensed into a higher-order function. The operation fold\_left uses a loop to traverse an index space in ascending lexicographic order. Starting with an abstract identity element id, the function uses an abstract binary operation f to combine the intermediate result acc with the current loop element. Vice versa, fold\_right traverses the index space in descending lexicographic order. Example 8.17 (Fold)

We use fold\_left to simplify the definition of sum and to provide a function prod that computes the product of all elements of an array.

```
let sum = fold_left (fun x:int y:int \rightarrow x+y) 0
let prod = fold_left (fun x:int y:int \rightarrow x*y) 1
```

The inner product ip is a generalisation of the matrix multiplication. Instead of restricting its arguments to (suitable) matrices, ip allows the arguments to have arbitrary shapes and an arbitrary number of axes as long as the last axis of the first argument is as long as the first axis of the second argument. The function combines from each vector along the last axis (rows) of the first array with each vector along the first axis (columns) of the second array by applying the abstract function g to corresponding elements. Each result vector is reduced using the function f with identity id.

#### Example 8.18 (Inner product)

We can specialise ip to the common matrix multiplication by appropriately instantiating the shape vectors and the functions f as addition with the identity element 0 and g as multiplication, respectively.

let matmul r:nat s:nat t:nat =
 let add x:int y:int = x+y in
 let mul x:int y:int = x\*y in
 ip add 0 mul 1 1 [r] s [t]

Similar to ip, the outer product op combines each element from an array a of shape s with each element from array b of shape t by applying the abstract

function g, yielding an integer array of shape s,t.

Example 8.19 (Outer product)

```
let op g:(int. int → int)
    m:nat n:nat s:(natvec m) t:(natvec n)
    a:[int|s] b:[int|t] =
  gen s,t with x,y → a.[x] 'g' b.[y]
```

# Summary

This chapter presented how rank-generic operations that are usually provided as built-in functions by array programming systems can be specified in QUBE itself. By virtue of dependent types, these functions are automatically verified by the compiler and can thus be trusted even in safety-critical applications. Moreover, the argument types precisely document the sets of allowed function parameters.

# **9** Evaluation

This chapter evaluates the suitability of QUBE for practical program development by considering a number of example programs. The programs chosen are all well-known and nicely demonstrate QUBE language features. Ideally, the evaluation provides insights that motivate potential future extensions of the QUBE language and compiler.

All measurements were performed on an Apple iMac with a 2.8 GHz Core 2 Duo processor and 4 GB RAM. The QUBE compiler uses LLVM version 2.8 as the backend compiler. The reference C programs were compiled with GCC version 4.2.1.

The remainder of this chapter is structured as follows: Section 9.1 and Section 9.2 compare the efficiency of rank-generic implementations of the inner product and the convolution with C implementations of the algorithms. Section 9.3 investigates a QUBE implementation of Quicksort that makes use of destructive array updates to achieve better run-time performance.

# 9.1 Matrix Multiplication and Inner Product

Matrix multiplication is an important operation in linear algebra. The inner product generalises matrix multiplication to arrays of arbitrary rank. As a first micro-benchmark, this section compares the rank-generic inner product with a naive (but reasonable) implementation of matrix multiplication in C.

The inner product ip shown in Example 9.1 takes two arrays a and b, where the last axis of a has to be as long as the first axis of b. The type of ip precisely documents this constraint: for two vectors r and t and a natural number s, the shape of a must be r, [s], and the shape of b has to be [s],t. The result has shape r,t.

The body of ip consists of a gen expression that creates a new array where the element at position i, j is the scalar product of row i from a and column j from b that is computed by an appropriate loop.

Example 9.1 (Inner product (generalised matrix multiplication))

When applied to arrays of some specific rank, the QUBE compiler will inline the body of ip and create a rank-specific instance of the gen expression that computes the result.

Example 9.2 shows a straightforward C implementation of matrix multiplication that serves as a reference for comparing the run-time performance of ip. Unlike the QUBE program, the types of the function arguments do not communicate the shape constraints. Memory management and index computations must be performed explicitly.

Example 9.2 (*Matrix multiplication in* C)

```
double *matmul(int m, int n, int o, double *a, double *b) {
    int i,j,k;
    double *c = malloc(m*o*sizeof(double));
    for (i = 0; i < m; i++) {
        for (j = 0; j < o; j++) {
            double sum = 0.0;
            for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {
                sum += a[i*n+k] * b[k*o+j];
            }
            c[i*o+j] = sum;
        }
    }
    return(c);
}</pre>
```

Figure 9.1 compares the run-times of the rank-generic inner product, a rank-specific instance of the inner product and the C matrix multiplication when applied to arrays of shape [1024,1024].



Figure 9.1: Run-times of inner product in QUBE, matrix multiplication in QUBE, and matrix multiplication in C for arrays of shape [1024,1024].

All programs perform roughly equally well. In particular, the rank-generic instance performs so well because the compiler's index vector elimination can replace the offset computations  $\iota \mathbf{r} \mathbf{i}$  and  $\iota \mathbf{t} \mathbf{j}$  with scalar indices such that neither of the index vectors  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$  manifests at run-time. The rank-specific QUBE program performs somewhat better because the function is inlined into the applying context where all shapes are constants. Somewhat mysteriously, the C program performs even better. We attribute these improvements to differences between the gcc and LLVM optimisation and code generation schemes.

# 9.2 Rank-Generic Convolution

As a second micro-benchmark, this section investigates array convolution. Rankgeneric convolution is a straightforward extension of the well-known convolution on time-discrete 1D signals f and g of length m and  $n \le m$ , respectively.

$$\left[ (f * g)(i) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} (f(i+j) \cdot g(m-j)) \right]_{i=0}^{m-n+1}$$

Example 9.3 shows a rank-generic convolution function written in QUBE. For any rank r, the function takes a rank r array f of some shape fs and another rank r

array g of some other shape gs that must not exceed fs. First, g is reverted by means of the function reverse defined in Section 8.4. Then, a gen expression moves the resulting array g' over all subarrays of f of shape gs. At each position, a loop computes the sum of the element-wise product of g' and the underlying subarray.

#### Example 9.3 (Rank-generic convolution)

```
let convolve r:nat fs:(natvec r) f:[double|fs]
        gs:(natvec_le r fs) g:[double|gs] =
   let g' = reverse r gs g in
   gen vmap fs,gs (fsi,gsi → fsi-gsi+1) with x →
      loop sum:double = 0.; gs with y →
        sum + f.[vmap x,y (xi,yi → xi+yi)] * g'.[y]
```

Again, we use a rank-specific C implementation of the algorithm as a reference to evaluate the efficiency of convolve. Example 9.4 shows the corresponding C program that computes a 2D convolution. With four nested for-loops and extensive index computations, the program is substantially more complicated than the QUBE program.

```
Example 9.4 (2D Convolution in C)
```

```
double *convolve( int fm, int fn, double *f,
                   int gm, int gn, double *g) {
  int ri,rj,gi,gj;
  double *gr = reverse(gm,gn,g);
  int rm = fm-gm+1;
  int rn = fn-gn+1;
  double *r = malloc(rm*rn*sizeof(double));
  for (ri = 0; ri < rm; ri++) {</pre>
    for (rj = 0; rj < rn; rj++) {
      double sum = 0.0;
      for (gi = 0; gi < gm; gi++) {</pre>
        for (gj = 0; gj < gn; gj++) {
          sum += f[(ri+gi)*fn+rj+gj] * gr[gi*gn+gj];
        }
      }
      r[ri*rn+rj] = sum;
    }
  }
 free(gr);
  return(r);
}
```

Figure 9.2 compares the run-times of the rank-generic convolution, a rank-specific convolution in QUBE, and the C program. All programs have been applied to an array of shape [10240,10240] and a [3,3] filter kernel.



Figure 9.2: Run-times of rank-generic convolution in QUBE, 2D convolution in QUBE, and 2D convolution in C for arrays of shape [10240,10240] and [3,3].

Almost eight times slower than the reference program, the rank-generic convolution turns out to be a stress-test for the language implementation for three reasons. First, since r is unknown, the gen and loop expressions cannot be mapped to finite nestings of for-loops. Instead, both expressions are implemented by means of recursive functions which causes some function call overhead. Second, although the compiler's index vector elimination scheme simplifies the offset computation  $\iota$  fs (vmap x,y (xi,yi  $\rightarrow$  xi+yi)) into ( $\iota$  fs x)+( $\iota$  fs y), it cannot further simplify the two offset computations such that they have be computed by means of separate for-loops. Third, as both index vectors x and y are required to determine the offset into f, memory for the two vectors must be dynamically allocated. Since the amount of work performed by each instance of the innermost loop is small, the memory management overhead is significant.

As a more positive result, the rank-specific instance of convolve, which is the typical case, only consumes 63% of the time required by the reference program. One reason for the good performance is that none of the problems hampering the rank-generic program occurs in the rank-specific setting. Moreover, the QUBE compiler inlines the definition of convolve into the applying context where the loop boundaries and array sizes are constants instead of variables that must be kept in registers.

# 9.3 Quicksort

Fig. 9.3 shows a type-safe implementation of Hoare's quicksort algorithm for sorting integer arrays. The program aims to mimic the well-known imperative implementations of quicksort as closely as possible. To achieve good performance, the program makes extensive use of uniqueness types that allow for destructive array updates.

The type bounded 1 u describes all integers in the inclusive interval [1, u]. The auxiliary function swap takes a unique array and destructively exchanges the elements at two given index positions i and j. The types of the indices ensure that no out-of-bounds accesses can occur.

The function qsort takes a unique array arr of length n and two integers 1 and r that specify the indices of the leftmost and the rightmost array element to be sorted. When there are at least two elements to be sorted, the program determines a pivot element and partitions the array such that all elements less than or equal to the pivot element are moved to its left and all other elements are moved to its right. Both parts of the array are then sorted recursively. The result of qsort has polymorphic uniqueness, such that it may be used in places where either a unique array or a shared array is expected.

The partitioning function partition takes the unique array, the interval of elements to be sorted given by 1 and r and the initial position pivot\_idx of the pivot element in the interval. The function swaps the pivot element to the rightmost position in the interval. Thereafter, it uses the tail-recursive function ploop to rearrange the array elements. The function traverses the array with a read index read and swaps all elements less than or equal to the pivot elements to a store index store that marks the boundary between both parts of the interval. At the end of the loop, the pivot element is swapped to the final index store. partition returns the partitioned array and the new location of the pivot element.

The second function qsort is merely a wrapper function that parameterises the recursive quicksort function.

Figure 9.4 compares the run-times of a QUBE implementation of quicksort with a corresponding reference implementation in C. As a worst-case input, both programs are applied to arrays with ten million integers that are initially sorted in reverse order. The QUBE program takes 50% more time to sort the array than the C program. The overhead stems from the memory management required to allocate and garbage collect the tuples returned by partition. Since ploop is a tail-recursive function that has no further call-sites, the LLVM inlines the function into the body of partition and subsequently converts the tail-recursion into a loop.
```
type bounded l:int u:int = { v:int | 1 <= v & v <= u }
let swap n:nat arr:*[int|[n]] i:(index n) j:(index n) =
  let (arr,ai) = arr![[i]] in
  let (arr,aj) = arr![[j]] in
  let arr = arr![[i]] ← aj in
  let arr = arr![[j]] ← ai in
  \operatorname{arr}
let partition n:nat arr:*[int|[n]]
              l:nat r:{v:int|v<n} pivot_idx:(bounded l r) =</pre>
  let (arr,pivot) = arr![[pivot_idx]] in
  let arr = swap n arr pivot_idx r in
  let rec ploop arr:*[int|[n]] read:(bounded l r)
                store:(bounded l read) :*(?[int|[n]],bounded l r) =
    if read < r
    then
      let (arr,arr_read) = arr![[read]] in
      if arr_read <= pivot
      then ploop (swap n arr read store) (read+1) (store+1)
      else ploop arr (read+1) store
    else (swap n arr store r, store)
  in
  ploop arr l l
let rec qsort n:nat arr:*[int|[n]] l:nat r:{v:int|v<n} :?[int|[n]] =</pre>
  if l < r
  then
    let pivot_idx = (1+r)/2 in
    let (arr,pivot_idx) = partition n arr l r pivot_idx in
    let arr = qsort n arr l (pivot_idx-1) in
    let arr = qsort n arr (pivot_idx+1) r in
    \operatorname{arr}
  else arr
let qsort n:nat a:*[int|[n]] = qsort n a 0 (n-1)
```

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Figure 9.3: Quicksort in QUBE
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Figure 9.4: Run-times of quicksort in QUBE and in C for ten million elements.

## Summary

This chapter evaluated the suitability of the QUBE programming language and its implementation for actual program development by means of some well-known example programs.

The rank-generic implementations of the inner product and the convolution are at the same time simpler and more powerful than the corresponding rank-specific C programs. In both cases, the dependent types are unobtrusive and naturally document the constraints the functions impose on the arguments. The QUBE implementation of quicksort uses uniqueness types and destructive array updates to mimic the well-known imperative implementations of the algorithm. The combination of dependent types and uniqueness types causes some notational overhead, in particular since the partitioning loop maps to a tail-recursive function that requires its own set of typed arguments.

At least in a rank-specific context, which is the typical case, the run-time performance of the QUBE programs for inner product and convolution is on par with the C functions. In the case of quicksort, we have identified tuple construction as a source of overhead. An optimisation that replaces passing boxed tuples between functions with passing the individual components could eliminate large parts of this overhead.

## **10** Conclusion and Future Work

Making the expressive power of dependent types available for practical program development is a subject of ongoing research. It is a particular challenge to design programming systems with dependent types in a way such that the user is not required to have expert knowledge in type theory. QUBE is a new programming language that employs dependent types in the context of array programming where their use is both intuitive and beneficial.

Dependent types are intuitive for array programs because rank and shape are inherent properties of multidimensional arrays. Scientific programmers are used to specifying their algorithms in terms of array shapes: each undergraduate course on linear algebra teaches the function type of matrix multiplication as  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} \to \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$ . Dependent types allow the developer to concisely express the constraints on the array shapes.

Dependent types are beneficial for array programs because base type errors, rank errors, shape errors, and even array boundary violations can be statically ruled out. Array programs with dependent types are thus correct by construction. Since static verification makes dynamic checks such as array bounds checks obsolete, dependent types also help to improve the run-time efficiency of array programs.

The syntax, semantics, and type system of QUBE have been formalised by means of the core language QUBE<sub>CORE</sub> that captures the essential concepts of QUBE without any syntactic sugar. Multidimensional array types are parameterised by integer vectors that represent the array shape. Integer vector types are in turn

parameterised by integers that represent the vector length. As a significant result of this thesis, the type system of  $QUBE_{CORE}$  has a formal correctness proof, i.e., a proof that well-typed expressions cannot exhibit any run-time errors.

Based on QUBE<sub>CORE</sub>, the actual QUBE programming language adds a host of features to facilitate practical programming, such as an ML-style module system and support for stateful computations. QUBE is implemented by a compiler that translates programs into efficient native code. In order to decide whether two dependent types are equivalent or in a subtype relation, the compiler performs type checking in collaboration with a theorem prover for the Satisfiability Modulo Theories problem of first-order logic. Since SMT solving proceeds fully automatically, the QUBE type checker behaves very much like a (very powerful) type checker for a mainstream programming language that either accepts or rejects a program without further interaction with the user. Moreover, the OUBE compiler uses the rank and shape information from the dependent types to instrument programs with corresponding expressions wherever these properties are required at run-time, for example to compute memory offsets. The benefits of this strategy are twofold: First, once the structural properties of arrays are encoded explicitly in the intermediate program, they become subject to compiler optimisation. Second, multidimensional arrays may be represented as mere sequences of data without additional shape descriptors or type tags. In effect, the compiled programs contain very little overhead.

Unlike interpreted languages, QUBE does not provide a large number of built-in array operations. Instead, the standard array operations can be defined in QUBE itself by means of the versatile gen and loop expressions. Due to static typing, these array operations are inherently type-safe. QUBE appears to be well-suited for developing practical array programs. For most rank-generic functions, dependent types are unobtrusive as they naturally express the constraints a function imposes on its arguments. For the programs investigated, the run-time performance of QUBE programs is roughly on par with corresponding C programs.

The development of QUBE has focused on static verification of rank-generic array programs. There are several potential directions for future extensions of both the language and the compiler.

The most glaring omission in QUBE's type system is missing support for polymorphism. In the current system, functions must be re-implemented for each argument type. Adding support for parametric polymorphism would allow the user to define functions that operate on values of arbitrary types.

Furthermore, the QUBE compiler would greatly benefit from additional program optimisation schemes. QUBE encourages a programming style where programs are composed from predefined rank-generic array operations. Although elegant, the resulting code is plagued with excessive creation of temporary arrays that increase both the program's time and memory demands. In order to avoid temporary arrays, QUBE could employ similar techniques as the SAC compiler. WITH-LOOP-FOLDING [88] is an effective deforestation technique that replaces selections into arrays with the selected element's definition. In QUBE, it should be possible to perform deforestation even in a rank-generic setting by using the SMT solver to determine the code that defines a given element.

Finally, due to its functional and side-effect free semantics and its focus on array operations that uniformly apply to a large number of elements, QUBE lends itself well for non-sequential evaluation on multi-core processors or even general-purpose graphics processing units. Since almost all array operations are defined in terms of gen and loop expressions, the implementation efforts can be concentrated on these expressions. The evaluation of gen can be trivially distributed over multiple worker threads. In contrast, the accumulator variable and the deterministic evaluation order of loop preclude a naive approach to concurrent evaluation. Again, taking a leaf out of SAC's book, a potential remedy could be to define a parallel loop that does not guarantee a certain evaluation order and uses an additional function to combine the partial results.

The current QUBE compiler may be used as a basis to explore all the directions of future work outlined above.

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