

CS301

Session 9

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Agenda

- ♦ The uScheme interpreter
- ♦ Approaches to solving the homework problem

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Abstract syntax: top level

```
datatype toplevel = EXP      of exp
                  | DEFINE  of name * lambda
                  | VAL      of name * exp
                  | USE       of name
```

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Abstract syntax: expressions

```
datatype
exp = LITERAL of value
    | VAR      of name
    | SET      of name * exp
    | IFX      of exp * exp * exp
    | WHILEX   of exp * exp
    | BEGIN    of exp list
    | LETX     of let_kind *
                (name * exp) list * exp
    | LAMBDA   of lambda
    | APPLY    of exp * exp list
and let_kind = LET | LETREC | LETSTAR
```

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Abstract syntax: values

```
and value =  
  NIL  
  | BOOL      of bool  
  | NUM       of int  
  | SYM       of name  
  | PAIR      of value * value  
  | CLOSURE   of lambda * value ref env  
  | PRIMITIVE of primitive  
withtype primitive = value list -> value  
and lambda      = name list * exp
```

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Design choices

- ✦ ML has all the features of uScheme (and then some)
- ✦ ...so interpreting uScheme in ML is pretty easy
- ✦ Choice: when do we represent a uScheme feature *directly* by the same feature in ML?
- ✦ Example: the store

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Environment and store

- ✦ ML types for generic environments

```
type name = string  
type 'a env = (name * 'a) list
```

- ✦ Instantiate to get a mapping from names to locations:

```
value ref env
```

- ✦ We're using the ML store to represent the uScheme store!

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Manipulating environments

```
(* lookup and assignment of existing bindings *)  
exception NotFound of name  
fun find (name, []) = raise NotFound name  
  | find (name, (n, v)::tail) = if name = n then v  
  else find(name, tail)
```

```
(* adding new bindings *)  
exception BindListLength  
fun bind(name, v, rho) = (name, v) :: rho  
fun bindList(n::vars, v::vals, rho) = bindList  
  (vars, vals, bind(n, v, rho))  
  | bindList([], [], rho) = rho  
  | bindList _ = raise BindListLength
```

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Initial environment

```
val emptyEnv = []

fun initialEnv() =
  let val rho = foldl
    (fn ((name, prim), rho)
     => bind(name, ref (PRIMITIVE prim), rho))
  in emptyEnv ("+", arithOp op + ) ::
    ("-", arithOp op - ) ::
    ...
  end
```

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The function eval

```
fun eval(e, rho) =
  let fun ev(LITERAL n) = n
        | ev(VAR v) = ...
        | ev(SET (n, e)) = ...
        | ev(IFX (e1, e2, e3)) = ...
        | ev(WHILEX (guard, body)) = ...
        | ev(BEGIN es) = ...
        | ev(LAMBDA l) = ...
        | ev(APPLY (f, args)) = ...
        | ev(LETX (LET, bs, body)) = ...
        | ev(LETX (LETSTAR, bs, body)) = ...
        | ev(LETX (LETREC, bs, body)) = ...
      in ev e
    end
```

Why is there no parameter "sigma"? Note the handling of "rho"!

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Translating semantics to code

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Variables

♦ Lookup

$$\frac{x \in \text{dom } \rho \quad \rho(x) \in \text{dom } \sigma}{\langle \text{VAR}(x), \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle \sigma(\rho(x)), \sigma \rangle}$$

| ev(VAR v) = !(find(v, rho))

♦ What's that ! doing there? Where does rho come from?

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Assignment

$$\diamond \frac{x \in \text{dom } \rho \quad \rho(x) = l \quad \langle e, \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle}{\langle \text{SET}(x, e), \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \{l \mapsto v\} \rangle}$$

```
| ev(SET (n, e)) =
  let val v = ev e
  in find (n, rho) := v;
    v
  end
```

- ♦ What does := mean? What's the reason for ; ?

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Let-binding

$$\begin{array}{c} l_1, \dots, l_n \notin \text{dom } \sigma \\ \langle e_1, \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v_1, \sigma_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle e_n, \rho, \sigma_{n-1} \rangle \Downarrow \langle v_n, \sigma_n \rangle \\ \hline \langle e, \rho \{x_1 \mapsto l_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto l_n\}, \sigma_n \{l_1 \mapsto v_1, \dots, l_n \mapsto v_n\} \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle \\ \hline \langle \text{LET}(\langle x_1, e_1, \dots, x_n, e_n \rangle, e), \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle \end{array}$$

```
| ev(LETX (LET, bs, body)) =
  let val (names, values) = ListPair.unzip bs
  in eval (body, bindList(names, map (ref o ev) values, rho))
  end
```

- ♦ Where do the fresh locations come from? Notice the environment used for eval!

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Let* binding

$$\begin{array}{c} l_1, \dots, l_n \notin \text{dom } \sigma \\ \langle e_1, \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v_1, \sigma' \rangle \quad \rho_1 = \rho \{x_1 \mapsto l_1\} \quad \sigma_1 = \sigma' \{l_1 \mapsto v_1\} \\ \vdots \\ \langle e_n, \rho_{n-1}, \sigma_{n-1} \rangle \Downarrow \langle v_n, \sigma'_{n-1} \rangle \quad \rho_n = \rho_{n-1} \{x_n \mapsto l_n\} \quad \sigma_n = \sigma'_{n-1} \{l_n \mapsto v_n\} \\ \hline \langle e, \rho_n, \sigma_n \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle \\ \hline \langle \text{LETSTAR}(\langle x_1, e_1, \dots, x_n, e_n \rangle, e), \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle \end{array}$$

```
| ev(LETX (LETSTAR, bs, body)) =
  let fun step ((n, e), rho) = bind(n, ref (eval(e, rho)), rho)
  in eval (body, foldl step rho bs)
  end
```

- ♦ Where is rho bound in the second line? In the third line? How is the sequencing controlled?

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Letrec binding

- ♦ Left as an exercise for the reader

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Evaluating functions

$x_1, \dots, x_n$ all distinct

$$\langle \text{LAMBDA}(\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle, e), \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle \langle \text{LAMBDA}(\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle, e), \rho \rangle, \sigma \rangle$$

```
| ev(LAMBDA l) = CLOSURE(l, rho)
```

◆ Remember:

```
datatype value = NIL
```

```
...
```

```
| CLOSURE of lambda * value ref env
```

- ◆ This is the main key point for the assignment. What's the current type of the result of evaluating a lambda? What do you want to change it to?

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Applying primitive functions

```
| ev(APPLY (f, args)) =  
  (case ev f  
   of PRIMITIVE prim => prim (map ev args)
```

- ◆ Another crucial point for the assignment: if lambda expressions are going to evaluate to a value of the same type as primitive functions, how should we expect to apply them to arguments?

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Applying defined functions

$$\begin{array}{l} l_1, \dots, l_n \notin \text{dom } \sigma \\ \langle e, \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle \langle \text{LAMBDA}(\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle, e_c), \rho_c \rangle, \sigma_0 \rangle \\ \langle e_1, \rho, \sigma_0 \rangle \Downarrow \langle v_1, \sigma_1 \rangle \end{array}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \langle e_n, \rho, \sigma_{n-1} \rangle \Downarrow \langle v_n, \sigma_n \rangle \\ \hline \langle e_c, \rho_c \{x_1 \mapsto l_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto l_n\}, \sigma_n \{l_1 \mapsto v_1, \dots, l_n \mapsto v_n\} \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle \\ \langle \text{APPLY}(e, e_1, \dots, e_n), \rho, \sigma \rangle \Downarrow \langle v, \sigma' \rangle \end{array}$$

```
| ev(APPLY (f, args)) = (case ev f of ...  
| CLOSURE clo      =>  
  let val ((formals, body), savedrho) = clo  
    val actuals = map ev args  
  in eval(body, bindList(formals, map ref  
    actuals, savedrho))  
    handle BindListLength => raise RuntimeError (...)  
  end
```

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Changing it

- ◆ What will happen to the code for applying user functions in your new version of the interpreter?
- ◆ How will you make sure the function body is evaluated in the correct environment?
- ◆ How will you test to make sure you did the right thing?

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Approaching the assignment

- ♦ Big clue: "rename PRIMITIVE to PROCEDURE"
- ♦ Why? because now all procedures will have the same representation.
- ♦ A useful sidetrack: understand exactly how ML functions +, - etc. are used to construct the uScheme primitives.

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Some clues

- ♦ The design choice being explored has to do with which uScheme features are to be represented by the corresponding ML features
- ♦ For a complete answer, pay attention to error handling; but in the beginning, ignore it
- ♦ A slight emendation: the result of the eval of a lambda has *the same type* as a primitive function

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More clues

- ♦ Virtually all the code you need is already there in the interpreter. You just have to reorganize.
- ♦ It's a lot of work to do this the wrong way. It's very little work to do it the right way. Remember, the change is described as a "simplification"!

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Agenda

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- ✦ Introduction to type systems
- ✦ A monomorphic type system for Impcore
- ✦ Types for arrays

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Static vs. dynamic checking

- ✦ Dynamic checking in uScheme:

```
-> (define appendfoo (lambda (l) (append 'foo l)))
appendfoo
-> (appendfoo '(1 2))
error: car applied to non-pair foo in (car ll)
```

- ✦ Static checking in ML:

```
- fun appendfoo l = "foo" @ l;
! Toplevel input:
! fun appendfoo l = "foo" @ l;
!           ^^^^^
! Type clash: expression of type
!   string
! cannot have type
!   'a list
```

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Checking and interpreters

- ✦ Dynamic type checks: integrated with evaluation - a single-stage interpreter
- ✦ Static type checks: first phase of a two-stage interpreter

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Static type checking: why?

- ✦ Not just to annoy novice programmers
- ✦ Support for serious programming
 - ✦ Catch mistakes at compile time and reduce dependency on completeness of testing
 - ✦ Document the intended behavior of programs
 - ✦ Define interfaces between modules
- ✦ Support for optimizing compilers

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Where we're going

- ✦ Typed Impcore: a simple - and annoying - type system
- ✦ Typed uScheme: a powerful - and still annoying - type system ...
- ✦ ... that motivates *type inference* as implemented for ML, Haskell, etc.

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What Impcore types do

- ✦ In a well-typed Impcore program we know:
 - ✦ Every function (including primitives) receives the right number and type of actual parameters
 - ✦ Only Booleans are used for flow control (if and while)
- ✦ ...and we know this without ever running the program!

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What they don't do

- ✦ We don't know if
 - ✦ there is division by 0
 - ✦ application of car or cdr to the empty list
 - ✦ illegal array indexing
 - ✦ infinite looping or recursion
 - ✦ wrong answers

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Extending Impcore

- ✦ Values: integers, Booleans, arrays
- ✦ Add typing rules and a static type checker
- ✦ Show type soundness: if a well-typed expression e evaluates to v , then v is compatible with the type of e
 - ✦ `int` yields a number
 - ✦ `bool` yields 0 or 1 (!)
 - ✦ etc.

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Extending the syntax

- ✦ Argument and result types must be declared, e.g.

```
(define int exp ((int b) (int e))
  (if (= 0 e) 1
      (* b (exp b (- e 1)))))
```

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Extending the syntax (2)

- ✦ Array syntax example:

```
-> (define (array int) nzeroes ((int n))
    (array-make n 0))
nzeroes
-> (nzeroes 10)
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
```

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The types of tImpcore

- ✦ Base types

```
int
bool
unit
```

- ✦ Array types

```
(array type)
```

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Booleans

- ♦ Absence of Boolean literals leads to some oddities:

```
-> (= 0 0)
1
-> (= 0 1)
0
-> (if 1 2 3)
type error: Condition in if expression has type
int, which should be bool
-> (if (= 0 0) 2 3)
2
-> (val true (= 0 0))
1
-> (if true 2 3)
2
```

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Reminder: Impcore semantics

- ♦ Remember that we needed three environments for Impcore: ξ, ϕ, ρ for global variables, functions, and formal parameters
- ♦ In our type system (sometimes called a *static semantics*) we have three type environments $\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho$ to record the types of global variables, functions, and parameters

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Type system

- ♦ Simple types: $\tau = \text{INT}|\text{BOOL}|\text{UNIT}|\text{ARRAY}(\tau)$
- ♦ Function types: $\tau_f = \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \rightarrow \tau$
- ♦ Typing judgment for expressions: $\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e : \tau$
- ♦ Typing judgement for top-level items:
$$\langle t, \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \Gamma'_\xi, \Gamma'_\phi \rangle$$
- ♦ Properties: deterministic, sound w.r.t. evaluation

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Literals and variables

- ♦ Literals are numbers

$$\overline{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{LITERAL}(v) : \text{INT}}$$

- ♦ Variable types are kept in the type environments

$$\frac{x \in \text{dom } \Gamma_\rho}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{VAR}(x) : \Gamma_\rho(x)}$$

$$\frac{x \notin \text{dom } \Gamma_\rho \quad x \in \text{dom } \Gamma_\xi}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{VAR}(x) : \Gamma_\xi(x)}$$

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Assignments

- ♦ To parameters

$$\frac{x \in \text{dom } \Gamma_\rho \quad \Gamma_\rho(x) = \tau \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{SET}(x, e) : \tau}$$

- ♦ To globals

$$\frac{x \notin \text{dom } \Gamma_\rho \quad x \in \text{dom } \Gamma_\xi \quad \Gamma_\xi(x) = \tau \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{SET}(x, e) : \tau}$$

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Typing an if-expression

- ♦ The two arms must have the same type - why?

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_1 : \text{BOOL} \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_2 : \tau \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_3 : \tau}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{IF}(e_1, e_2, e_3) : \tau}$$

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Typing a while-loop

- ♦ The value returned is the uninteresting "unit"

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_1 : \text{BOOL} \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{WHILE}(e_1, e_2) : \text{UNIT}}$$

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Typing a sequence

- ♦ Types 1 ... n-1 are uninteresting

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \dots \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_n : \tau_n}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{BEGIN}(e_1, \dots, e_n) : \tau_n}$$

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Function application

- Using the function type environment

$$\frac{\Gamma_\phi(f) = \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \rightarrow \tau \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_i : \tau_i}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{APPLY}(f, e_1, \dots, e_n) : \tau}$$

- We check that the actual parameters have the required types

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Function definition

- Extending the function type environment

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi \{f \mapsto \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \rightarrow \tau\}, \{x_1 \mapsto \tau_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto \tau_n\} \vdash e : \tau}{\langle \text{DEFINE}(f, (\langle x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n \rangle, e : \tau), \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \rightarrow (\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi \{f \mapsto \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \rightarrow \tau\})} \rangle$$

- Notice how we *assume* the formals have the correct types while we are typing the body!

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Top level value binding

- We extend the global type environment

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \{\} \vdash e : \tau}{\langle \text{VAL}(x, e), \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \Gamma_\xi \{x \mapsto \tau\}, \Gamma_\phi \rangle}$$

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Typing arrays

- Introduction rule

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_1 : \text{INT} \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{ARRAY-MAKE}(e_1, e_2) : \text{ARRAY}(\tau)}$$

- One of the elimination rules:

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_1 : \text{ARRAY}(\tau) \quad \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash e_2 : \text{INT}}{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\rho \vdash \text{ARRAY-GET}(e_1, e_2) : \tau}$$

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A type-checking interpreter

- ◆ Instead of a read-eval-print loop we have a read-check-eval-print loop
- ◆ The type checking stage is a straightforward translation of the inference rules
- ◆ Now we see the usefulness of the polymorphic environment type from the uScheme interpreter:

```
typeof : exp * ty env * funty env * ty env -> ty
```

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Abstract syntax

- ◆ Types and expressions

```
datatype ty    = INTTY | BOOLTY | UNITTY | ARRAYTY of ty
datatype funty = FUNTY of ty list * ty
datatype exp   = LITERAL of value
                | VAR      of name
                | SET      of name * exp
                | IFX      of exp * exp * exp
                | WHILEX   of exp * exp
                | BEGIN    of exp list
                | APPLY    of name * exp list
                | AGET     of exp * exp
                | ASET     of exp * exp * exp
                | AMAKE    of exp * exp
                | ALEN     of exp
```

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Abstract syntax

- ◆ Top level

```
type userfun =
{ formals : (name * ty) list, body : exp, returns : ty }

datatype toplevel = EXP      of exp
                  | DEFINE  of name * userfun
                  | VAL     of name * exp
                  | USE      of name
```

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Typing a function definition

$$\frac{\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi \{f \mapsto \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \rightarrow \tau\}, \{x_1 \mapsto \tau_1, \dots, x_n \mapsto \tau_n\} \vdash e : \tau}{\langle \text{DEFINE}(f, (\langle x_1 : \tau_1, \dots, x_n : \tau_n \rangle, e : \tau), \Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi, \rightarrow (\Gamma_\xi, \Gamma_\phi \{f \mapsto \tau_1 \times \dots \times \tau_n \rightarrow \tau\})} \rangle$$

```
fun topty (t, globals, functions) =
  case t
  of ...
  | DEFINE (name, {returns, formals, body}) =>
    let val (fnames, ftys) =
        ListPair.unzip formals
        val functions' =
            bind(name, FUNTY (ftys, returns), functions)
        val tau =
            typeof (body, globals, functions',
                    bindList(fnames, ftys, emptyEnv))
    in if tau = returns then
        (globals, functions')
      else
        raise TypeError (...)
    end
```

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