

Typeless Programming in Java 5 and 7

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⇒ Developing a type-inference-system, which determines principal types

Example: Multiplication of matrices

```
class Matrix extends Vector<Vector<Integer>> {
    Matrix mul(Matrix m) {
        Matrix ret = new Matrix();
        int i = 0;
        while(i < size()) {
            Vector<Integer> v1 = this.elementAt(i);
            Vector<Integer> v2 = new Vector<Integer>();
            int j = 0;
            while(j < size()) {
                int erg = 0;
                int k = 0;
                while(k < v1.size()) {
                    erg = erg + v1.elementAt(k)
                        * m.elementAt(k).elementAt(j); k++; }
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```

Alternative Typing

```
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System determines the principal typing(s)

```
mul: Matrix → Matrix &  
Matrix → Vector<Vector<Integer>>  
&...&  
Vector<? extends Vector<? extends Integer>>  
→ Vector<? super Vector<Integer>>
```

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Simple types $S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$

- ▶ $BTV^{(ty)} \subseteq S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$ (bounded type variables)
- ▶ $TC^{()}\subseteq S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$ (0-ary type constructors/classes)
- ▶ For $ty_i \in S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$
 - $\cup \{?\}$
 - $\cup \{? \text{ extends } \tau \mid \tau \in S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)\}$
 - $\cup \{? \text{ super } \tau \mid \tau \in S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)\}$

and $C \in TC^{(a_1|b_1 \dots a_n|b_n)}$ it holds

$$C\langle ty_1, \dots, ty_n \rangle \in S\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$$

if for $CC(C\langle ty_1, \dots, ty_n \rangle) = C\langle \overline{ty_1}, \dots, \overline{ty_n} \rangle$ holds:

$$\overline{ty_i} \leq^* b_i[a_j \mapsto \overline{ty_j} \mid 1 \leq j \leq n],$$

where

- ▶ $CC(\dots)$ denotes the capture conversion
- ▶ \leq^* is the subtyping ordering.

Abbreviation for wildcard-types

Instead of `A<? extends B>` we write

`A<?B>`

and instead of `C<? super D>` we write

`C<?D>`.

Subtyping ordering \leq^*

Reflexive and transitive closure of

- ▶ if θ extends θ' then $\theta \leq^* \theta'$.
- ▶ if $\theta_1 \leq^* \theta_2$ then $\sigma_1(\theta_1) \leq^* \sigma_2(\theta_2)$, where for each type variable a of θ_2 holds $\sigma_1(a) = \sigma_2(a) \in \text{SType}_{TS}(BTV)$ (soundness condition).
- ▶ $a \leq^* \theta'$ for $a \in BTV^{(\theta_1 \& \dots \& \theta_n)}$ where $\exists \theta_i : \theta_i \leq^* \theta'$.
- ▶ It holds $C\langle \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n \rangle \leq^* C\langle \theta'_1, \dots, \theta'_n \rangle$ if for θ_i and θ'_i either
 - ▶ $\theta_i = \text{?}\bar{\theta}_i, \theta'_i = \text{?}\bar{\theta}'_i$ and $\bar{\theta}_i \leq^* \bar{\theta}'_i$ or
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- ▶ From $C\langle \bar{\theta}_1, \dots, \bar{\theta}_n \rangle \leq^* C\langle \theta'_1, \dots, \theta'_n \rangle$ follows with $C\langle \bar{\theta}_1, \dots, \bar{\theta}_n \rangle = CC(C\langle \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n \rangle) : C\langle \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n \rangle \leq^* C\langle \theta'_1, \dots, \theta'_n \rangle$
- ▶ $T|_{(\theta_1 \& \dots \& \theta_n)} \leq^* \theta_i$ for any $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Type unification [Pluemicke 2009]³

Subtyping relation for type terms: \leq^*

Type Unification problem:

For two type terms θ_1 and θ_2 a substitution σ is demanded such that:

$$\sigma(\theta_1) \leq^* \sigma(\theta_2).$$

Base: Unification algorithm [Martelli, Montanari 1982]⁴

³M. Plumicke. *Java type unification with wildcards*, INAP 07. LNAI 5437.

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$\text{Integer} \leq^* \text{Number}$

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Example cont.

⇒

$$\{ \{ \text{Integer} \dot{=} ?\text{Number}, a \dot{=} \text{Integer} \}, \{ ?\text{Number} \dot{=} ?\text{Number}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Number} \}, \\ \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} ?\text{Number}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \}, \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} ?\text{Number}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \}, \\ \{ \text{Integer} \dot{=} \text{Number}, a \dot{=} \text{Integer} \}, \{ ?\text{Number} \dot{=} \text{Number}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Number} \}, \\ \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} \text{Number}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \}, \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} \text{Number}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \}, \\ \{ \text{Integer} \dot{=} ?\text{Integer}, a \dot{=} \text{Integer} \}, \{ ?\text{Number} \dot{=} ?\text{Integer}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Number} \}, \\ \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} ?\text{Integer}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \}, \\ \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} ?\text{Integer}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \}, \\ \{ \text{Integer} \dot{=} \text{Integer}, a \dot{=} \text{Integer} \}, \{ ?\text{Number} \dot{=} \text{Integer}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Number} \}, \\ \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} \text{Integer}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \} \{ ?\text{Integer} \dot{=} \text{Integer}, a \dot{=} ?\text{Integer} \} \}$$

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The language Java_{core}

```

Source      := class*
class       := Class( stype, [ extends( stype ), ] IVarDecl*, Method* )
IVarDecl    := InstVarDecl( stype, var )
Method      := Method( mname, [stype], ( var [stype] )*, block )
block       := Block( stmt* )
stmt        := block | Return( expr ) | While( bexpr, block )
             | LocalVarDecl( var [stype] ) | If( bexpr, block[, block] )
             | stmtexpr
stmtexpr    := Assign( var, expr ) | New( stype, expr* )
             | MethodCall( [expr], f, expr* )
expr       := stmtexpr | this | super
             | LocalOrFieldVar( var ) | InstVar( expr, var )
             | bexp | sexp
    
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Intersection types: At the end **each** remained set of type assumptions forms **one element** of the result's **intersection type**.

Example: Multiplication of matrices: Type assumptions

```
class Matrix extends Vector<Vector<Integer>> {
  { $\alpha$ } mul(({ $\beta$ } m) {
    { $\gamma$ } ret = new Matrix();
    int i = 0;
    while(i < size()) {
      { $\iota$ } v1 = this.elementAt(i);
      { $\kappa$ } v2 = new Vector<Integer>();
      int j = 0;
      while(j < size()) {
        { $\chi$ } erg = 0;
        int k = 0;
        while(k < v1.size()) {
          erg = erg + ({ $\xi$ }({ $\iota$ } v1).elementAt(k))
            * ({ $\psi$ }({ $\phi$ } ({ $\beta$ } m).elementAt(k)).elementAt(j)); k++;
        }
        v2.addElement({ $\chi$ } erg); j++;
      }
      ret.addElement({ $\mu$ } v2); i++;
    }
    return ret;
  }}
```

```
ret = new Matrix ()
```

```
{ $\alpha$ } mul({ $\beta$ } m) {
    { $\gamma$ } ret = {Matrix} new Matrix();
    ...
    return { $\gamma$ } ret;
}
```

Unification: `Matrix` \leq γ

\Rightarrow

```
 $\gamma$  = Matrix
 $\gamma$  = Vector<Vector<Integer>>
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```

Type assumptions after the first unification

```
class Matrix extends Vector<Vector<Integer>> {
    { $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$ } mul({ $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ } m) {
        {Matrix, Vector<Vector<Integer>>, Vector<?Vector<Integer>>,
         Vector<?Vector<?Integer>>, Vector<?Vector<?Integer>>,
         Vector<?Vector<Integer>>} ret = new Matrix();
    }
    int i = 0; while(i < size()) {
        { $\iota$ ,  $\iota$ ,  $\iota$ ,  $\iota$ ,  $\iota$ ,  $\iota$ } v1 = this.elementAt(i);
        { $\kappa$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\kappa$ } v2 = new Vector<Integer>();
        int j = 0; while(j < size()) {
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                * ({ $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\psi$ }
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    }
    return ret; } }
```

```
v1 = this.elementAt(i);
```

```
{  $\alpha$  } mul ({  $\beta$  } m) {
    ...
    {  $\iota$  } v1 = ({ Matrix } this).elementAt(i);
    ...
}
```

Unification: **Matrix** \triangleleft Vector $\langle \iota \rangle$

\Rightarrow

```
 $\iota$  = Vector<Integer>
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```

```
return ret;
```

```
{  $\alpha$  } mul({  $\beta$  } m) {  
    ...  
    return {  $\gamma$  } ret;  
}
```

Unification: $\gamma \leq \alpha$ for

$\gamma = \text{Matrix}$

$\gamma = \text{Vector}\langle\text{Vector}\langle\text{Integer}\rangle\rangle$

$\gamma = \text{Vector}\langle^?\text{Vector}\langle\text{Integer}\rangle\rangle$

Result:

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Result:

$\text{mul} : \&_{\beta, \alpha}(\beta \rightarrow \alpha),$

where

$\beta \leq^* \text{Vector} \langle ? \text{Vector} \langle ? \text{Integer} \rangle \rangle,$

$\text{Matrix} \leq^* \alpha$

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Purpose: Byte-code generation for **methods with intersection types**

Code generation for method with intersection types⁵

- ▶ Byte-code allows no intersection types
- ▶ First approach: generate for **each element** of the intersection type an **own method**

⁵M. Plümicke, *Intersection types in java*. PPPJ 2008. 

Example: class OL I

```
class OL {
    Integer m(x) { return x + x; } //Integer → Integer
    Boolean m(x) { return x || x; } //Boolean → Boolean
}

class Main {
    main(x) { // Integer → Integer & Boolean → Boolean
        ol;
        ol = new OL();
        return ol.m(x);
    }
}
```

Example: class OL II

Result for Main:

```
class Main {  
    Integer main(Integer x) {  
        OL ol;  
        ol = new OL();  
        return ol.m(x); }  
  
    Boolean main(Boolean x) {  
        OL ol;  
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Java program is correct

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```
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  ...  
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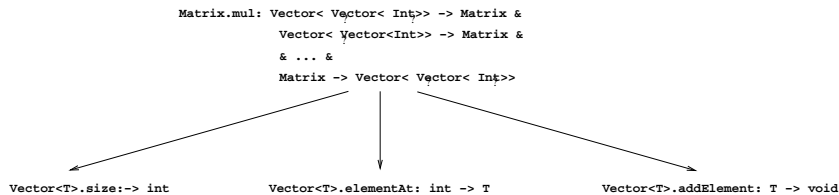
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```
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        OL ol;  
        ol = new OL();  
        return ol.m(x); }  
  
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Code is unchanged in comparison to the first approach

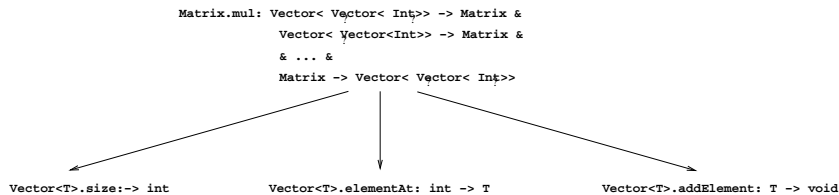
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Code generation (only one method!)

```
Matrix mul(Vector<? extends Vector<? extends Integer>> m) {  
    Matrix ret = new Matrix();  
    int i = 0;  
    while(i < size()) {  
        Vector<Integer> v1 = this.elementAt(i);  
        Vector<Integer> v2 = new Vector<Integer>();  
        int j = 0;  
        while(j < size()) {  
            int erg = 0;  
            int k = 0;  
            while(k < v1.size()) { erg = erg + ...; k++; }  
            v2.addElement(new Integer(erg)); j++; }  
        ret.addElement(v2); i++; }  
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This refined definition guarantees, that for each method, which is generated by the resolving algorithm, at least one typing is contained in the principal type.

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Implementation: The resolving algorithm and optimize the type inference algorithm

Closures (λ -expressions) in Java 7?

Motivation: Bulk-data APIs like **parallel arrays**

- ▶ parallelism approach: sorting, searching, selection

Example:

```
public class Student {  
    String name;  
    int graduationYear;  
    double gpa; //grade point average  
}
```

```
ParallelArray<Student> students  
    = new ParallelArray<Student>(fjPool, data);
```

```
double bestGpa = students.withFilter(isSenior)  
    .withMapping(selectGpa)  
    .max();
```

Realization by **helper objects**

```
static final Ops.Predicate<Student> isSenior
    = new Ops.Predicate<Student>() {
        public boolean op(Student s) {
            return s.graduationYear == Student.THIS_YEAR;
        }
    };
```

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static final Ops.ObjectToDouble<Student> selectGpa
    = new Ops.ObjectToDouble<Student>() {
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Our approach is following:

Project Lambda⁶ Java Language Specification draft (Version 0.1.5)

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Mark Reinhold's Blog (Principal Engineer Java SE and OpenJDK)

Two key features are needed:

- ▶ A literal syntax, for writing closures, and
- ▶ Function types, so that closures are first-class citizens in the type system.

To integrate closures with the rest of the language and the platform we need two additional features:

- ▶ Closure conversion to implement a single-method interface or abstract class and
- ▶ Extension methods

The language Java_λ

Source := *class**
class := `Class(stype, [extends(stype),] IVarDecl*, FunDecl*)`
IVarDecl := `InstVarDecl(stype, var)`
FunDecl := `Fun(fname, [type], lambdaexpr)`
block := `Block(stmt*)`
stmt := `block | Return(expr) | While(bexpr, block)`
 `| LocalVarDecl(var[, type]) | If(bexpr, block[, block])`
 `| stmtexpr`
lambdaexpr := `Lambda(((var[, type]))*, (stmt | expr))`
stmtexpr := `Assign(var, expr) | New(stype, expr*)`
 `| Eval(expr, expr*)`
expr := `lambdaexpr | stmtexpr | this | super`
 `| LocalOrFieldVar(var) | InstVar(expr, var)`
 `| InstFun(expr, fname) | bexpr | sexp`

Types $\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$

- ▶ $\text{SType}_{TS}(BTV) \subseteq \text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$
- ▶ For $\theta_i \in \text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$

$$\# \theta_0(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \in \text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$$

(*straw-man syntax*, correspond to $\theta_1 \times \dots \times \theta_n \rightarrow \theta_0$)

Subtyping–relation

Let \leq^* be the Java subtyping relation on simple types $\text{SType}_{TS}(BTV)$.

The continuation on $\text{Type}_{TS}(BTV)$ is defined as:

$$\# \theta_0 (\theta'_1, \dots, \theta'_n) \leq^* \# \theta'_0 (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \quad \text{iff} \quad \theta_i \leq^* \theta'_i.$$

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Consistence check, and additionally determination of possible solutions.

Adaption to the Java λ type system

SIMPLIFY: The [Martelli, Montanari 1982] unification is substituted by the [Pluemicke 2009] type unification⁸

CONSISTENCE: The functions *above* and *below* are substituted by the functions *greater* and *smaller*⁸, as *above* and *below* are not finite in the Java λ type system.

⁸M. Pluemicke. *Java type unification with wildcards*, INAP 07. LNAI 5437.

Example

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    Matrix m1 = new Matrix(...);  
    Matrix m2 = new Matrix(...);  
    m1.op.(m2).(##Matrix m1, Matrix m2) {  
        Matrix ret = new Matrix ();  
        : //matrice multiplication  
        return ret;  
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```

Goal: The system determines the type

```
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```

automatically.

$WTYPE(\emptyset, \#(m)(\#(f)(f.(this, m))))$, (TYPE)

- ▶ $t_m \rightarrow t_{\#f} \triangleleft t_{op}$
- ▶ $t_f \rightarrow t_{f(this, m)} \triangleleft t_{\#f}$
- ▶ $t_f \triangleleft (t_1, t_2) \rightarrow t_3$
- ▶ $Matrix \triangleleft t_1$
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It	Coercion	l_{Matrix}	l_{t_1}	l_{ϵ_1}	l_{ϵ_2}	l_{ϵ_3}	...
0		M	*	*	*	*	
1	$M \triangleleft t_1$	M	$M, V \langle V \langle Int \rangle \rangle$	*	*	*	
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1	$\epsilon_1 \triangleleft \epsilon_2$	M	$M, V \langle V \langle Int \rangle \rangle$	$M, V \langle V \langle Int \rangle \rangle$	$M, V \langle V \langle Int \rangle \rangle$	*	
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This is a well-typing.

Compare to the goal:

$$\text{Matrix} \rightarrow ((\text{Matrix}, \text{Matrix}) \rightarrow \text{Matrix}) \rightarrow \text{Matrix}$$

The well-typing is more principal.

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- ▶ Implementation:
 - ▶ Code-generation for intersection types
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