

Type Inference Exercise 1

Infer the types of the following Haskell functions:

```
foo (x,y) = (y,x)
```

```
bar (x,y) = x ++ y
```

```
msg True = "okay"
msg False = "error"
```

```
baz [] = []
baz (x : xs) = xs : baz xs
```

```
strange [] = "empty"
strange (f : fs) = f 42
```

Let's Play the Evaluation Game

```
h1 :: String -> (Int, String)
h1 str = (length str, ' ' : str)
```

```
g h = fst (h "") : [limit]
```

Then:

```
g h1
= fst (h1 "") : [limit]
= fst (length "", ' ' : "") : [limit]
= length "" : [limit]
= 0 : [limit]
= [0, 100]
```

Let's Play the Evaluation Game Again

```
h2 :: String -> (Int, Char)
h2 str = (sum (map ord (notOccCaps str)), head str)
```

```
notOccCaps :: String -> String
notOccCaps str = filter ('notElem' str) ['A' .. 'Z']
```

```
g h = fst (h "") : [limit]
```

Then:

```
g h2
= fst (h2 "") : [limit]
= fst (sum (map ord (notOccCaps "")), head "") : [limit]
= sum (map ord (notOccCaps "")) : [limit]
= ...
= 2015 : [limit]
= [2015, 100]
```

Higher-Order Functions

```
g h = fst (h "") : [limit]
```

Functional Programming: Functions are first-class citizens

- Functions can be **arguments of other functions**: $g\ h2$
- Functions can be **components of data structures**: $(7, h1)$, $[h1, h1]$
- Functions can be **results of function application**: $succ \circ succ$

A **first-order function** accepts only non-functional values as arguments.

A **higher-order function** expects functions as arguments.

g is a second-order function: it expects first-order functions like $h1$, $h2$ as arguments.

Type Inference Examples

```
fst :: (a,b) -> a
fst (x,y) = x
```

```
fst ('c', False) :: Char
```

```
["hello", fst (x, 17)] => x :: String
```

```
f p = limit + fst p      => p :: (Int,a)
                          f :: (Int,a) -> Int
```

```
g h = fst (h "") : [limit]
=> h :: String -> (Int,a)
   g :: (String -> (Int,a)) -> [Int]
```

Curried Functions

- **Function application associates to the left**, i.e.,

$$f\ x\ y = (f\ x)\ y$$

- Multi-argument functions in Haskell are typically defined as **curried** function, i.e., “they accept their arguments one at a time”:

```
cylVol r h = (pi :: Double) * r * r * h
```

Since the right-hand side, `r`, and `h` obviously all have type `Double`, we have;

```
(cylVol r) :: Double -> Double
cylVol     :: Double -> (Double -> Double)
```

- **Function type construction associates to the right**, i.e.,

$$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c = a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)$$

Application of Curried Functions

Let values with the following types be given:

```
f :: a -> b -> c
x :: a
y :: b
```

The type of f is the function type $a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)$, with

- argument type a ,
- result type $b \rightarrow c$.

Therefore, we can apply f to x and obtain:

$$(f\ x) :: b \rightarrow c$$

The application of a “two-argument function” to a single argument is a “one-argument function”, which can then be applied to a second argument:

$$(f\ x)\ y :: c = f\ x\ y$$

Operations on Functions

```
id :: a -> a      -- identity function
id x = x
```

```
(.) :: (b -> c) -> (a -> b) -> (a -> c) -- function composition
(f . g) x = f (g x)
```

```
flip :: (a -> b -> c) -> (b -> a -> c) -- argument swapping
flip f x y = f y x
```

```
curry :: ((a,b) -> c) -> (a -> b -> c) -- currying
curry g x y = g (x,y)
```

```
uncurry :: (a -> b -> c) -> ((a,b) -> c)
uncurry f (x,y) = f x y
```

Exercise (necessary!): Copy only the definitions to a sheet of paper, and then infer the types yourself!

Operator Sections

- Infix operators are turned into functions by surrounding them with parentheses:

```
(+) 2 3 = 2 + 3
```

- This is necessary in type declarations:

```
(+)  :: Int -> Int -> Int    -- not the “natural” type of (+)
(:)  :: a  -> [a] -> [a]
(++) :: [a] -> [a] -> [a]
```

- It is also possible to supply only one argument (which has to be an atomic expression):

```
(2  +) 3      = 2 + 3      = (+ 3 ) 2
(8.3 /) 2.5   = 8.3 / 2.5 = (/ 2.5) 8.3
(7  :) []    = 7  : []    = (: [] ) 7
((2^17) :) (16:[]) = (2^17) : 16 : [] = (: (16:[])) (2^17)
```

Turning Functions into Infix Operators

Surrounding a function name by **backquotes** turns it into an infix operator.

Frequently used examples (not the “natural” types throughout):

```
div, mod, max, min :: Int -> Int -> Int
elem :: Int -> [Int] -> Bool
```

```
12 `div` 7      = 1
12 `mod` 7      = 5
12 `max` 7      = 12
12 `min` 7      = 7
12 `elem` [1 .. 10] = False
```

Type Inference Exercise 2

Infer the types of the following Haskell functions:

```
pupd1 f (x, y) = (f x, y)
```

```
keep1 f p = (fst p, f p)
```

```
filter p xs = [x | x ← xs, p x]
```

```
(...) = (.) ∘ (.)
```

$(f x) :: b$ iff for exactly one type a we have $f :: a \rightarrow b$ and $x :: a$.