

Homework 5
ENE4014 Programming Languages, Spring 2026
due: 6/17(Wed), 23:59

As usual, skeleton code will be provided (before you start, see README.md).

Exercise 1 Consider the following language:

$$\begin{array}{l} P \rightarrow E \\ E \rightarrow n \\ \quad | \text{ true} \\ \quad | \text{ false} \\ \quad | x \\ \quad | E + E \mid E - E \mid E * E \mid E / E \\ \quad | E - E \\ \quad | \text{ iszero } E \\ \quad | \text{ if } E \text{ then } E \text{ else } E \\ \quad | \text{ let } x = E \text{ in } E \\ \quad | \text{ letrec } f(x) = E \text{ in } E \\ \quad | \text{ proc } x E \\ \quad | E E \end{array}$$

Types for the language are defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{l} T \rightarrow \text{int} \\ \quad | \text{bool} \\ \quad | T \rightarrow T \\ \quad | \alpha \end{array}$$

where α is a type variable. Implement the following type-inference function:

$$\text{typeof} : P \rightarrow T$$

which takes a program and returns its type if the program is well-typed. When the program is ill-typed, `typeof` should raise an exception `TypeError`.

As discussed in the class, `typeof` is defined with two functions: one for generating type equations and the other for solving the equations. Complete the implementation of these two functions in the skeleton code:

$$\text{gen_equations} : \text{TEnv.t} \rightarrow \text{exp} \rightarrow \text{typ} \rightarrow \text{typ_eqn}$$

`solve : typ_eqn -> Subst.t`

Modules for type environments (`TEnv`) and substitutions (`Subst`), as well as the operations of applying substitutions to types (`Subst.apply`) and extending substitutions (`Subst.extend`), are provided.

Exercise 2 Define the function

`expand : P -> P`

that transforms an expression into a semantically-equivalent expression where every let-bound variable in the original expression gets replaced by its definition. For examples,

- `expand(let x = 1 in x)` produces 1.
- `expand(let f = proc (x) x in if (f (iszero 0)) then (f 11) else (f 22))` produces
`(if ((proc (x) x) iszero 0) then ((proc (x) x) 11) else ((proc (x) x) 22)).`
- Unused definitions should not go away. For example,

`expand(let x = iszero true in 2)`

should return `let x = iszero true in 2` instead of `2`.

As discussed in class, the function `expand` can be used for implementing the let-polymorphic type system. The type checker `typeof : P -> T` in Problem 1 does not support polymorphism and would not accept the following program:

`p = let f = proc (x) x in if (f (iszero 0)) then (f 11) else (f 22)`

However, the same type checking algorithm with `expand` (i.e., `typeof(expand(p))`) should succeed.