CSCI 3155: Lab Assignment 5

Fall 2012: Due Saturday, November 10, 2012

The primary purpose of this lab is to explore mutation or imperative updates in programming languages. A related topic that we also explore is parameter passing modes. Concretely, we will extend JavaScript/TypeScript with mutable variables and objects, type declarations, limited type casting, and parameter passing modes. At this point, we have many of the key features of JavaScript/TypeScript, except object-orientation (i.e., dynamic dispatch). Parameters are always passed by value in JavaScript/TypeScript, so the parameter passing modes in JavaScript/TypeScript is an extension beyond JavaScript/TypeScript to illustrate another language design decision. We will update our type checker and small-step interpreter from Lab 4 and see that mutation forces to do a rather global refactoring of our interpreter.

We will also be exposed to the idea of transforming code to a “lowered” form to make it easier to implement interpretation.

Instructions. You will work on this assignment in pairs. However, note that each student needs to submit a write-up and are individually responsible for completing the assignment.

You are welcome to talk about these questions in larger groups. However, we ask that you write up your answers in pairs. Also, be sure to acknowledge those with which you discussed, including your partner and those outside of your pair.

Recall the evaluation guideline from the course syllabus. Try to make your code as concise and clear as possible. Challenge yourself to find the most crisp, concise way of expressing the intended computation. This may mean using ways of expression computation currently unfamiliar to you. Finally, make sure that your file compiles and runs (using Scala 2.9.2). A program that does not compile will not be graded.

Submission Instructions. First, submit your .scala file to the auto-testing system to get instant feedback on your code. You may submit as many times as you want, but please submit at least once before the deadline. We will only look at your last submission. A link to the auto-testing system is available on the moodle.

Then, upload to the moodle exactly two files named as follows:

- Lab5_YourIdentiKey.pdf with your answers to the written questions (scanned, clearly legible handwritten write-ups are acceptable)
- Lab5_YourIdentiKey.scala with your answers to the coding exercises

Replace YourIdentiKey with your IdentiKey. To help with managing the submissions, we ask that you rename your uploaded files in this manner.
expressions  \[ e ::= x | n | b | \text{undefined} | uo | e_1 \mid bop e_2 | e_1 ? e_2 : e_3 \]
\[ | \text{mut} \; x = e_1; e_2 | \text{jsy.print}(e_1) \]
\[ | \text{str} | \text{function} \; p(\text{mode} \; x : \tau) \mid \text{tann} \; e_1 | e_0(e) \]
\[ | \{ f : \tau \} | e_1.f | e_1 = e_2 | a | \text{null} \]
\[ | \text{interface} \; T \{ f : \tau \}; e_1 \]

values  \[ v ::= n | b | \text{undefined} | \text{str} | \text{function} \; p(\text{mode} \; x : \tau) \mid \text{tann} \; e_1 \]
\[ | a | \text{null} \]

location expressions  \[ le ::= x | e_1.f \]

location values  \[ lv ::= * \; a | a.f \]

unary operators  \[ uop ::= - | ! | | (\tau) \]

binary operators  \[ bop ::= , | + | - | * | / | === | !== | < | <= | > | >= | && | || \]

types  \[ \tau ::= \text{number} | \text{bool} | \text{string} | \text{Undefined} | (\text{mode} \; x : \tau) \Rightarrow \tau' | f : \tau \]
\[ | \text{Null} | T | \text{Interface} \; T \; \tau \]

variables  \[ x \]

numbers (doubles)  \[ n \]

booleans  \[ b ::= \text{true} | \text{false} \]

strings  \[ \text{str} \]

function names  \[ p ::= x | \varepsilon \]

field names  \[ f \]

type annotations  \[ \text{tann} ::= : \tau | \varepsilon \]

mutability  \[ \text{mut} ::= \text{const} | \text{var} \]

passing mode  \[ \text{mode} ::= \text{const} | \text{name} | \text{var} | \text{ref} \]

addresses  \[ a \]

type variables  \[ T \]

type environments  \[ \Gamma ::= \cdot | \Gamma[\text{mut} \; x : \tau] \]

memories  \[ M ::= \cdot | M[a : k] \]

contents  \[ k ::= v | f : v \]

Figure 1: Abstract Syntax of JavaScripty

**Getting Started.** Download the code template Lab5_YourIdentiKey.scala from the assignment page. Be sure to also write your name, your partner, and collaborators there.

1. **Feedback.** Complete the survey on the linked from the moodle after completing this assignment. Any non-empty answer will receive full credit.

2. **JavaScripty Implementation**

At this point, we are used to extending our interpreter implementation by updating our type checker typeInfer and our small-step interpreter step. The syntax with extensions highlighted is shown in Figure 1.

**Mutation.** In this lab, we add mutable variables declared as follows:

\[ \text{var} \; x = e_1; e_2 \]
and then include an assignment expression:

\[ e_1 = e_2 \]

that writes the value of \( e_2 \) to a location named by expression \( e_1 \). Expressions may be mutable variables or fields of objects. We make all fields of objects mutable as is the default in JavaScript (unlike the previous lab).

**Parameter Passing Modes.** In this lab, we annotate function parameters with `const`, `var`, `name`, or `ref`. In the concrete syntax, we can leave off the annotation in which case we consider it as `var` (like JavaScript). The annotations `const` and `var` say the parameters should be pass-by-value (as before) either with an immutable or mutable variable, respectively. The `name` and `ref` annotations specify pass-by-name and pass-by-reference, respectively.

**Aliasing.** In JavaScript, objects are dynamically allocated on the heap and then referenced with an extra level of indirection through a heap address. This indirection means two program variables can reference the same object, which is called aliasing. With mutation, aliasing is now observable as demonstrated by the following example:

```javascript
const x = { f : 1 }
const y = x
x.f = 2
jsy.print(y.f)
```

The code above should print 2 because \( x \) and \( y \) are aliases (i.e., reference to the same object). Aliasing makes programs more difficult to reason about and is often the source of subtle bugs.

To model allocation, object literals of the form `{ \( f \) : \( v \)}` are no longer values, rather they evaluate to an address \( a \), which are values. Addresses \( a \) are included in program expressions \( e \) because they arise during evaluation. However, there is no way to explicitly write an address in the source program. Addresses are an example of an enrichment of program expressions as an intermediate form solely for evaluation.

**Casting and Type Declarations.** In the previous lab, we carefully crafted a very nice situation where as long as the input program passed the type checker, then evaluation would be free of run-time errors. Unfortunately, there are often programs that we want to execute that we cannot completely check statically and must rely on some amount of dynamic (run-time) checking.

We want to re-introduce dynamic checking in a controlled manner, so we ask that the programmer include explicit casts, written \( \langle \tau \rangle e \). Executing a cast may result in a dynamic type error but ideally nowhere else. Our step implementation should only result in throwing `DynamicTypeError` when executing a cast. For simplicity, we limit the expressivity of casts to essentially between object types.
Object types become quite verbose to write everywhere, so we introduce type declarations for them:

```java
interface T τ; e
```

that says declare at type name \( T \) defined to be type \( τ \) that is in scope in expression \( e \). For simplicity, we limit \( τ \) to be an object type. We do not consider \( T \) and \( τ \) to be same type (i.e., conceptually using name type equality for type declarations), but we permit casts between them.

**Lowering: Removing Interface Declarations.** Type names become burdensome to work with as-is (e.g., requiring an environment to remember the mapping between \( T \) and \( τ \)). Instead, we will simplify the implementation of our later phases by first getting rid of `interface` type declarations, essentially replacing \( τ \) for \( T \) in \( e \). We do not quite do this replacement because `interface` type declarations may be recursive and instead replace \( T \) with a new type form `Interface T τ` that bundles the type name \( T \) with its definition \( τ \). In `Interface T τ`, the type variable \( T \) should be considered bound in this construct.

- This “lowering” is implemented in the function

  ```python
def removeInterfaceDecl(e: Expr): Expr
  ```

  that you need to complete.

  This function is very similar to substitution, but instead of substituting for program variables \( x \) (i.e., `Var(x)`), we substitute for type variables \( T \) (i.e., `TVar(T)`). Thus, we need an environment that maps type variable names \( T \) to types \( τ \) (i.e., the `env` parameter of type `Map[String,Typ]`).

  Code to perform the replacement over types \( τ \) (i.e., `Typ`) is provided in the template, which recursively walks over the structure of types and applies the replacement to type variables (i.e, `TVar`) using the type variable environment.

  In the `removeInterfaceDecl` function, we need to apply this type replacement anywhere the `JAVA` `SCRIPT` `TY` programmer can specify a type \( τ \). We implement this process by recursively walking over the structure of the input expression looking for places to apply the type replacement.

  Finally, we remove interface type declarations

  ```java
  interface T τ; e
  ```

  by extending the environment with \( [ T \rightarrow τ ] \) and applying the replacement in \( e \). For simplicity, we assume that \( τ \) in an `interface` type declaration that does not include any other type name besides \( T \). This assumption means that something like the following code:

  ```java
  interface A { ... }
  interface B { a: A }
  ```

  is unexpected input. Do not worry about checking for this case (just be aware that some later phase will probably crash).
For **extra credit**, extend your code to handle this case. Remember that extra credit is really “extra,” so only tackle this after you have everything else working. If you try the extra credit, mention it in your write-up. We will look at it if everything else is working well.

With objects allocated on the heap, we also introduce the null value, which enables pointer-based data structures. Somewhat uniquely, null is not directly assignable to something of object type. The null value has type Null, which we make castable to any object type. But there is a cost to this flexibility, with null, we have to introduce another run-time check. We add another kind of run-time error for null dereference errors, which we write as nullerror and implement in step by throwing NullDereferenceError.

In Figure 2, we show the updated and new AST nodes. Note that Deref and Cast are Uops (i.e., they are unary operators).

**Type Checking.** The inference rules defining the typing judgment form are given in Figures 3, 4, and 5.

- Similar to before, we implement type inference with the function

  ```python
def typeInfer(env: Map[String, (Mutability, Typ)], e: Expr): Typ
```

  that you need to complete.

- The type inference should use a helper function

  ```python
def castOk(t1: Typ, t2: Typ): Boolean
```

  that you also need to complete. This function specifies when type t1 can be casted to type t2 and implements the judgment form \( \tau_1 \leadsto \tau_2 \) given in Figure 5.

A template for the Function case for typeInfer is provided that you may use if you wish.

**Reduction.** We also update substitute and step from Lab 4. A small-step operational semantics is given in Figures 6, 7, and 8.

The small-step judgment form is now as follows:

\[
\langle M, e \rangle \rightarrow \langle M', e' \rangle
\]

that says informally, “In memory \( M \), expression \( e \) steps to a new configuration with memory \( M' \) and expression \( e' \).” The memory \( M \) is a map from addresses \( a \) to contents \( k \), which include values and object values. The presence of a memory \( M \) that gets updated during evaluation is the hallmark of *imperative computation*.

- The step function now has the following signature

  ```python
def step(m: Mem, e: Expr): (Mem, Expr)
```

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/* Declarations */
case class Decl(mut: Mutability, x: String, e1: Expr, e2: Expr) extends Expr
  Decl(mut, x, e1, e2) mut x = e1; e2
case class InterfaceDecl(tvar: String, tobj: Typ, e: Expr) extends Expr
  InterfaceDecl(T, τ, e) interface T τ; e

sealed abstract class Mutability
  case object Const extends Mutability
    Const const
  case object Var extends Mutability
    Var var

/* Addresses and Mutation */
case class Assign(e1: Expr, e2: Expr) extends Expr
  Assign(e1, e2) e1 = e2
  case object Null extends Expr
    Null null
  case class A(a: Int) extends Expr
    A(...) a
  case object Deref extends Uop
    Deref ∗

/* Functions */
case class Function(p: Option[String],
  params: List[(String,(PMode,Typ))], tann: Option[Typ],
  e1: Expr) extends Expr
  Function(p, (x, (mode, τ)), tann, e1) function p(mode x: τ) tann e1

sealed abstract class PMode
  case object PConst extends PMode
    PConst const
  case object PName extends PMode
    PName name
  case object PVar extends PMode
    PVar var
  case object PRef extends PMode
    PRef ref

/* Casting */
case class Cast(t: Typ) extends Uop
  Cast(t) (t)

/* Types */
case class TVar(tvar: String) extends Typ
  TVar(T) T
  case class TInterface(tvar: String, t: Typ) extends Typ
    TInterface(T, τ) Interface T τ

Figure 2: Representing in Scala the abstract syntax of JAVASCRIPTY. After each case class or case object, we show the correspondence between the representation and the concrete syntax.
Figure 3: Typing of non-imperative primitives and objects of JAVASCRIPTY (no change from the previous lab).
Figure 4: Typing of objects and binding constructs of JavaScript. There is no rule for expression form \texttt{interface }\tau ; e \texttt{ because it is translated away prior to type checking.}

corresponding to the updated operational semantics. This function needs to be completed.

Some rules require allocating fresh addresses. For example, \texttt{DoObject} specifies allocating a new address \(a\) and extending the memory mapping \(a\) to the object. The address \(a\) is stated to be fresh by the constraint that \(a \notin \text{dom}(M)\). In the implementation, you can call \texttt{A.fresh()} to get a fresh address.

- The \texttt{step} function now has the following signature

  \[
  \texttt{def step(m: Mem, e: Expr): (Mem, Expr)}
  \]

  corresponding to the updated operational semantics. This function needs to be completed.

One might notice that in our operational semantics, the memory \(M\) only grows and never shrinks during the course of evaluation. Our interpreter only ever allocates memory and never deallocates! This choice is fine in a mathematical model and for this lab, but a production run-time system must somehow enable collecting garbage—allocated memory locations that are no longer used by the running program. Collecting garbage may be done manually by the programmer (as in C and C++) or automatically by a conservative garbage collector (as in JavaScript, Scala, Java, C#, Python).

One might also notice that we have a single memory instead of a stack of activation records for local variables and a heap for objects as discussed in Computer Systems. Our interpreter instead simply allocates memory for local variables when they are encountered (e.g., \texttt{DoVar}). It never deallocates, even though we know that with local variables, those memory cells become inaccessible by the program once the function returns. The key observation is that the traditional stack is not essential for local variables but rather is an optimization for automatic deallocation based on function call-and-return.
Figure 5: Typing of imperative and type casting constructs of JavaScript.
**Call-By-Name.** The final wrinkle in our interpreter is that call-by-name requires substituting an arbitrary expression into another expression. Thus, we must be careful to avoid free variable capture (cf., Notes 2.2). We did not have to consider this case before because we were only ever substituting values that did not have free variables.

- In this lab, the substitute function is provided completely, but it calls the function

  ```python
def avoidCapture(esub: Expr, e: Expr): Expr
  ``

  to rename bound variables in e to avoid capturing free variables in esub. It works in a similar way to substitute and removeInterfaceDecl that do some transformation with with variables in some way.

  First, we figure out the free variables of esub. Then, we perform a recursive walk over expressions with an environment mapping original names to new non-clashing names with the free variables of esub (i.e., Map[String, String]). We need to pick a non-clashing renaming at places where variables around (i.e., Decl and Function) and then rename uses of those variables where they are in scope.

**Type Safety.** There is delicate interplay between the casts that we permit statically with

\[ \tau_1 \leadsto \tau_2 \]

and the dynamic checks that we need to perform at run-time (i.e., in

\[ \langle M, e \rangle \rightarrow \langle M', e' \rangle \]

as with TypeErrorCastObj or NullErrorDeref).

We say that a static type system (e.g., our \( \Gamma \vdash e : \tau \) judgement form) is *sound* with respect to an operational semantics (e.g., our \( \langle M, e \rangle \rightarrow \langle M', e' \rangle \)) if whenever our type checker defined by our typing judgment says a program is well-typed, then our interpreter defined by our small-step semantics never gets stuck (i.e., never throws StuckError).

Note that if the equality checks \( \tau_i = \tau_i' \) in the premises of CastOkObject\_1 and CastOkObject\_1 were changed slightly to cast ok checks (e.g., \( \tau_i \leadsto \tau_i' \)), then our type system would become unsound with respect to our current operational semantics. For **extra credit**, carefully explain why by giving an example expression that demonstrates the unsoundness. Then, carefully explain what run-time checking would need to be added to regain soundness. First, give the explanation in prose, and then, try to formalize it in our semantics (if the challenge excites you).
Figure 6: Small-step operational semantics of non-imperative primitives of JAVASCRIPTY. The only change compared to the previous lab is the threading of the memory.
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Figure 7: Small-step operational semantics of objects, binding constructs, variable and field assignment, and function call of JAVASCRIPTY.
\[ (M, e) \rightarrow (M', e') \]

**DoCast**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{DoCast}\quad v \neq \text{null} \quad v \neq a \\
\langle M, \langle \tau \rangle v \rangle \rightarrow \langle M, v \rangle \\
\end{array}
\]

**DoCastNull**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{DoCastNull}\quad \tau = \{ \ldots \} \text{ or Interface } T \{ \ldots \} \\
\langle M, \langle \tau \rangle \text{null} \rangle \rightarrow \langle M, \text{null} \rangle \\
\end{array}
\]

**DoCastObj**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{DoCastObj}\quad M(a) = \{ \ldots \} \quad \tau = \{ \ldots, f_i : \tau_i, \ldots \} \text{ or Interface } T \{ \ldots, f_i : \tau_i, \ldots \} \\
\quad f_i \in \text{dom}(M(a)) \quad \text{for all } i \\
\quad \langle M, \langle \tau \rangle a \rangle \rightarrow \langle M, a \rangle \\
\end{array}
\]

**TypeErrorCastObj**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{TypeErrorCastObj}\quad M(a) = \{ \ldots \} \quad \tau = \{ \ldots, f_i : \tau_i, \ldots \} \text{ or Interface } T \{ \ldots, f_i : \tau_i, \ldots \} \\
\quad f_i \notin \text{dom}(M(a)) \quad \text{for some } i \\
\quad \langle M, \langle \tau \rangle a \rangle \rightarrow \text{typeerror} \\
\end{array}
\]

**NullErrorGetField**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{NullErrorGetField}\quad \langle M, \ast \text{null} \rangle \rightarrow \text{nullerror} \\
\quad \langle M, \text{null}.f \rangle \rightarrow \text{nullerror} \\
\end{array}
\]

**NullErrorAssignVar**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{NullErrorAssignVar}\quad \langle M, \ast \text{null} = v \rangle \rightarrow \text{nullerror} \\
\end{array}
\]

**NullErrorAssignField**

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{NullErrorAssignField}\quad \langle M, \text{null}.f = v' \rangle \rightarrow \text{nullerror} \\
\end{array}
\]

Type error and null error propagation rules elided

**Figure 8:** Small-step operational semantics of type casting and null dereference errors of **JAVASCRIPTY.**

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3. **Type Equality.** This question uses the PL-Detective. The most important part of this question is not the final answer (e.g., the type equality mechanism) but the reasoning that led to the answer. Thus, don't leave the write up to the last minute! Also since the number of attempts you can submit to the PL-Detective is limited, it is worth thinking carefully before each submission. The limit is set high enough that you can waste about half of the attempts and still get the full score. When you submit a program to the PL-Detective, it tells you how many programs you have submitted without syntax errors so far. Note that type errors are not syntax errors.

We study two type equality mechanisms: name type equality and structural type equality. In this exercise, you will figure out the type equality mechanism used by MYSTERY. As with previous exercises, you will accomplish this by submitting programs to the PL-Detective and observing the results.

For the purpose of this assignment, you should assume that an assignment

\[ Expr_1 := Expr_2 \]

is legal only if the types of \(Expr_1\) and \(Expr_2\) are equal. Also, assume that the type of a constant number (e.g., 5) is **INTEGER**.

(a) In this question, ignore TYPE declarations in MYSTERY. TYPE declarations are similar to type in Scala or typedef in C and C++. For example,

```
TYPE T = INTEGER
```

in MYSTERY creates a new type name \(T\) for the type **INTEGER**. This declaration is similar to

```
type T = Int
```

in Scala or

```
typedef int T
```

in C/C++.

i. Determine and describe how MYSTERY defines type equality for **ARRAY**, **PROCEDURE**, and subrange types. Your description should be precise and complete enough that a reader can take any two types (where both are array types, procedure types, or subrange types) in MYSTERY and determine whether or not they are equal. You may submit up to 8 programs to the PL-Detective. You will lose 5% of the points for this question for each additional program that you use. Submitted programs that fail due to syntax errors do not count in your total. Note that **type errors** are not syntax errors. Use the following link for this exercise:

[http://csci3155.cs.colorado.edu/pl-detective/hw/pldteq.htm](http://csci3155.cs.colorado.edu/pl-detective/hw/pldteq.htm)

**Hint.** The issue of whether two types are name or structurally equal comes up only when they are not obviously different. For example, the subrange types \([0 \ TO \ 10]\) and \([5 \ TO \ 20]\) are obviously different and thus you do not need to submit a program to the PL-Detective to determine if they are equal or not.

Present an argument for your answer. Your argument should include the evidence (e.g., programs you submitted to the PL-Detective and the output) along with a
carefully reasoned argument explaining how your answer is justified by your evidence.

ii. Give one point in favor of and one point against MYSTERY's type equality mechanism (which you just discovered).

(b) In this question you will determine how MYSTERY's TYPE declarations affect type equality. In other words, after

\[
\text{TYPE } T = \langle \text{some type} \rangle
\]

are \(T\) and \(\langle \text{some type} \rangle\) equal?

i. Determine and describe how MYSTERY's TYPE declarations affect type equality. Write this as if you are writing a language definition, that is, your answer to this question combined with your answer to question 2 should allow a reader to determine the equality of any two types in MYSTERY's including ones that use type names declared using TYPE. You may submit up to 2 programs to the PL-Detective in your investigation. Each additional program is charged 5% of the points for this question. Submitted programs that fail due to syntax errors do not count in your total. Note that type errors are not syntax errors. Use the following link for this exercise:

http://csci3155.cs.colorado.edu/pl-detective/hw/pldteq2.htm

Present an argument for your answer. Your argument should include the evidence (e.g., programs you submitted to the PL-Detective and the output) along with a carefully reasoned argument explaining how your answer is justified by your evidence.

ii. Give one point in favor of and one point against the semantics that you just discovered.

4. Optional: Parameter Passing Modes. In this question, you will discover the parameter passing mechanism for MYSTERY.

Working on this question as well as studying and implementing the evaluation rules for function calls in Figure 7 are three very different ways to better understand parameter passing modes. They may be mutually beneficial.

For the purpose of this question assume that the actual's type and the corresponding formal's type must be the same using structural type equality. Also assume that MYSTERY uses static scoping.

(a) For the following parameter passing implementations:

- pass-by-value
- pass-by-value-result
- pass-by-reference
- pass-by-name

give a realistic example for which the implementation is most suitable. You may want to consult Section 9.5.2 of Sebesta. Support your answer with clear arguments.

(b) Determine and describe the parameter passing mechanism in MYSTERY using the following link:
Be sure to state how MYSTERY’s implementation addresses the issues discussed in part (a). Try to keep your submissions to at most 10 PRINTs.

(c) Provide and discuss the evidence that supports your case.

(d) Repeat parts (b) and (c) from above using this link (which potentially uses a different parameter passing implementation):

http://csci3155.cs.colorado.edu/pl-detective/hw/pldparam2.htm