

## Lecture 18:

- Semantic analysis (cont)

## Announcements:

- HW-4 out
- Proj. Part 1 due Fri

## Semantic Checker

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**Check more complex statements and expressions** (from last time ...)

```
public void visit(BasicExpr node) {
    node.rvalue.accept(this);
}

public void visit(UnaryExpr node) {
    node.expr.accept(this);
    if (node.unaryOp.lexeme.equals("not")) // not is the only choice
        if (!currType.type.lexeme.equals("bool") || currType.isArray)
            error("expecting boolean expression", currType.type);
}

public void visit(BinaryExpr node) {
    // set up the lhs
    node.lhs.accept(this);
    DataType lhsType = currType;
    // set up the rhs
    node.rhs.accept(this);
    DataType rhsType = currType;
    // get the operator
    String op = node.binaryOp.lexeme;
    // check the cases ...
}
```

## Type Inference Rules

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### Purpose

- like grammar rules, give rules for inferring types
- the “legal” inferences (from which implies type errors)
- not all semantic errors captured (e.g., shadowing, use-before-def, etc.)

### Basics

- “ $e : t$ ” states that expression  $e$  has type  $t$  ... e.g.,  $42 : \text{int}$
- $\Gamma$  denotes the typing context (the entire environment)
- $\vdash$  stands for “implies”
- $\Gamma \vdash e : t$  means it is implied from the given typing context that  $e$  has type  $t$

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An example typing rule (not from MyPL) ...

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : t \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : t}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 + e_2 : t}$$

“If expressions  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  have type  $t$  in the current context, then expression  $e_1 + e_2$  has the type  $t$  as well”

- typing rules allow us to infer the types of complex expressions
- which help us to assign types to (var) names
- and (indirectly) type check statements

**Check In:** Look over the typing rules and find 2 rules that are confusing to you