

# DHOL: HOL + dependent types + subtyping

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not even well-typed

Should it be?

## 2 Paths

$$x =_A y \not\vdash B(x) \equiv B(y)$$

- + typing stays decidable
  - need to explicitly transfer  $u : B(x)$  into  $B(y)$
- +/- equality behaves more like isomorphism
- need two equalities (one decidable, one undecidable)

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- + intuitive, simple
- + corresponds to mathematical practice
- typing undecidable

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Motivation for DHOL: reevaluate once a decade or so

- ▶ ATPs have gotten a lot better
- ▶ ultimate task (theorem proving) undecidable anyway

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equality is for terms of the same type:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_T s : A \quad \Gamma \vdash_T t : A}{\Gamma \vdash_T s =_A t : \text{bool}}$$

congruence for type formation:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_T a : (x_1 : A_1, \dots, x_n : A_n) \rightarrow \text{Type in } T \quad \Gamma \vdash_T s_1 =_{A_1} t_1 \quad \dots \quad \Gamma \vdash_T s_n =_{A_n[x_1/s_1, \dots, x_{n-1}/s_{n-1}]} t_n}{\Gamma \vdash_T a \ s_1 \ \dots \ s_n \equiv a \ t_1 \ \dots \ t_n}$$

the key rule that solves/creates all the problems

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Implication must be dependent:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_T F : \text{bool} \quad \Gamma, F \vdash_T G : \text{bool}}{\Gamma \vdash_T F \Rightarrow G : \text{bool}}$$

same for conjunction, maybe disjunction

not definable from equality, needs to be primitive

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Type-checks now for  $f : (x : A) \rightarrow B$ :

$$x =_A y \Rightarrow f(x) =_{B(x)} f(y)$$



## Theorem Proving

By translation DHOL  $\rightsquigarrow$  HOL

- ▶ Colin Rothgang, Rabe, Benz Müller CADE 2023
- ▶ translation to HOL via dependency erasure
  - ▶  $a t_1 \dots t_n \rightsquigarrow a, \quad (x : A) \rightarrow B \rightsquigarrow A \rightarrow B$
  - ▶ sound/complete (only) for well-typed DHOL formulas
- ▶ recover dependencies via PER semantics
- ▶ Type-checker
  - ▶ follow the typing rules as usual
  - ▶ collect proof obligations and discharge them with HOL ATP

Native DHOL theorem prover

- ▶ Niederhauser, Brown, Kaliszyk IJCAR 2024
- ▶ Tableaux-based
- ▶ Challenge: synthesizing well-typed terms

# HOL + Dependent Types + Subtyping

## Undecidable Typing: Double Down

DHOL is expensive because typing is undecidable.

But once we've paid that prize, other features are relatively cheap, e.g.,

- ▶ refinement types  $A|p$  for  $p : A \rightarrow \text{bool}$
- ▶ quotient types  $A/r$  for  $r : A \rightarrow A \rightarrow \text{bool}$

both inherently undecidable

## Refinement Types

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$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_T t : A \quad \Gamma \vdash_T r : A \rightarrow A \rightarrow \text{bool}}{\Gamma \vdash_T t : A/r}$$

$=_{A/r}$  is equivalence closure of  $r$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash_T u : A/r \quad \Gamma x : A, x' : A, x =_{A/r} x' \vdash_T f(x) : B}{\Gamma \vdash_T f(u) : B}$$

Subtyping:  $A <: A/r$

## Subtype Hierarchy

 $A/\lambda x, y. \top$  $\vdots$  $A/r$  $\vdots$  $A|\lambda x. \top \equiv A \equiv A/\lambda x, y. \perp$  $\vdots$  $A|p$  $\vdots$  $A|\lambda x. \perp$



## Subtype Characterization

$$\Gamma \vdash_T A <: B$$

iff

$$\Gamma, x : A \vdash_T x : B$$

iff

$$\Gamma, x : A, y : A, x =_A y \vdash_T x =_B y$$

iff

$$\Gamma \vdash_T \forall x, y : A. x =_A y \Rightarrow x =_B y \quad *$$

\* not ATP-ready because true iff well-formed  
and  $\text{DHOL} \rightsquigarrow \text{HOL}$  only sound/complete for well-formed formulas

## Theorem Prover

- ▶ Translation to HOL generalizes easily
- ▶ Soundness/completeness as before
- ▶ Type-checker: as before but
  - ▶ needs subtype-checking
  - ▶ open question: how to reduce  $A <: B$  to  $\vdash F$

## Trying to Eliminate Refinement/Quotient Types

Provable:

$$(x : A) \rightarrow B|p \equiv ((x : A) \rightarrow B)|_{\lambda f. \forall x:A. p (f x)}$$

$$(x : A/r) \rightarrow B \equiv ((x : A) \rightarrow B)|_{\lambda f. \forall x,y:A. r x y \Rightarrow (f x) =_B (f y)}$$

$$(x : A|p) \rightarrow B \text{ :> } ((x : A) \rightarrow B)/_{\lambda f,g. \forall x:A. (p x) \Rightarrow (f x) =_B (g x)}$$

$$(x : A) \rightarrow B/r \text{ :> } ((x : A) \rightarrow B)/_{\lambda f,g. \forall x:A. r (f x) (g x)}$$

What about the other two directions?

- ▶ <: for refined domain: not true —  $B(x)$  might depend on  $p x$
- ▶ <: for quotiented codomain: can be axiom