

# **The Implementation of a Static Prediction of Heap Space Usage for First-Order Functional Programs**

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## The Task:

Determine the memory usage of given functional program prior to runtime. No specific resource annotations present.

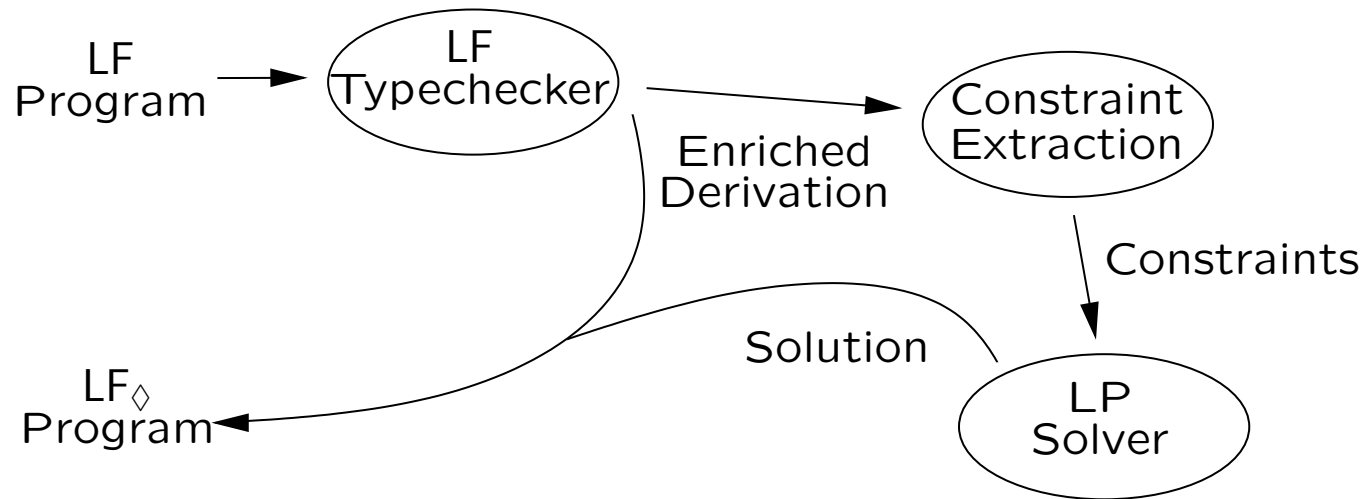
## Our Solution:

Derive set of linear inequalities over  $\mathbb{Q}$  from typing derivation. Solutions provide bounds on heap space usage as linear function of input size. (Theoretical work presented at POPL'03)

## Application:

Proof-carrying code for guarantees on resource consumption  
EU project: [Mobile Resource Guarantees](#), Edinburgh-Munich

## Overview inference process:



LF is:

- non-linear, first-order, functional, monomorphic, let-normal
- automatically generated from [Camelot](#)  
(ML-dialect with memory primitives for deallocation)
- syntactically equal to LF<sub>◇</sub>, but types yield linear bounds on heap space consumption

## Nested resource annotations:

Suppose

```
f: list[list[int,#,1|0],#,2|0],3 -> list[int,#,4|0],5;
```

Evaluating  $f([l_1, \dots, l_m])$

- requires at most  $3 + 2m + 1\sum |l_i|$  extra heap cells and
- leaves at least  $5 + 4|f(l)|$  unused memory cells

Annotations are merely weight factors:

- No direct reference to length/size of data  
(as compared to sized types [Hughes & Pareto '99,'02])
- Rational values allowed

## Calculation Examples:

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<code>list[int,#,1 0]</code>	<code>[1,2,3,4,5]</code>	5	5	10
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## Shared Data

Annotations are linearly distributed in shared data:

```
type tree=
```

```
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## Contributions:

- Efficient and automatic analysis
  - Inference amounts to solving linear inequalities over  $\mathbb{Q}$
  - Yields linear arithmetic expressions for heap usage
  - Modular: only a function and its sub-functions must be examined at once
- Further aspects
  - Shared data structures accounted for
  - Manual intervention possible if desired
  - Slack in solution of LP reveals a computational branch leaking memory

## Integer solutions:

- Allow evaluation without memory management support:
  - $LF_{\diamond}^{\text{lin}, \mathbb{N}}$  translates to malloc-free C via LFPL [MH'00]
  - LFPL: all non size-increasing functions in  $\text{ETIME} = \text{Linspace} + \text{unbounded Stack}$  [Cook'72]
- Results on complexity of finding solutions in  $\mathbb{N}$ :
  - Computing optimal solution NP-hard
  - Finding a solution feasible in linearly typed fragment
  - Finding optimal toplevel annotations feasible

## Completeness of inference for LFPL requires:

- Prohibit “borrowing” from non-termination:
  - Function return types must not contain surface resources
- Canonical resource placement:
  - $(\text{bool} \otimes \diamond) \approx (\diamond \otimes \text{bool}) \rightsquigarrow (\text{bool}, 1)$
  - Only one branch of a sum may contain surface resources
  - Trees with unlabeled leafs only

## Implementation

Syntax closely related to Camelot/Caml, except:

- Fully sequentialized (let normal form)
- No polymorphism
- No parameterized types
- Expects well-typed input

Theses issues already addressed by Camelot-Compiler!

## Current problems:

- Polymorphism (esp. in resource annotations)
- Higher-order functions
- Non-linear bounds
- Tighter bounds (GC useless here)
- Automation of pattern match mode: destructive/read-only
- Feed detected slack back to source code
- Functional Objects
- Mutual recursive datatypes lead to non-termination
- Not enough examples (e.g. subtyping)

## Rational Annotations

Function *tos* shall replace each third element of a list

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tos}([1, 2, 3, 4, 5]) &= \text{tpo}(\text{sec}([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])) \\ \text{tos}([1, 2, 3, 4, 5]) &= [1, 2, 1, 4, 5, 4] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sec}([1, 2, 3, 4, 5]) &= [1, 2, 4, 5] \\ \text{tpo}([1, 2, 4, 5]) &= [1, 2, 1, 4, 5, 4] \end{aligned}$$

- Length of input list changes in between
- Set SIZE (int) = 2 or use int  $\otimes$  int

## Rational Annotations

$$\text{tos}(l) = \text{tpo}(\text{sec}(l))$$

$$\text{sec}(\text{Nil}) = \text{Nil}$$

$$\text{sec}(\text{Cons}(h_1, \text{Nil})) = \text{Cons}(h_1, \text{Nil})$$

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$$\text{sec}(\text{Cons}(h_1, \text{Cons}(h_2, \text{Cons}(h_3, t)))) = \text{Cons}(h_1, \text{Cons}(h_2, \text{sec}(t)))$$

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## Rational Annotations

$$\text{tos} : \text{list}(\text{int}, l_1), x_1 \rightarrow \text{list}(\text{int}, l_3), x_3$$

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$$\text{tpo} : \text{list}(\text{int}, l_2), x_2 \rightarrow \text{list}(\text{int}, l_3), x_3$$

Simplification and Elimination leads to

$$x_1 \geq x_2$$

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plus nonnegativity constraints

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tos : (list(int, 0), 3)  $\rightarrow$  (list(int, 0), 0)

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[1, 2, 1, 4, 5, 4] : list(int, 0)

allocated + reserved

$$5 \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot 0 + 3 = 18$$

$$4 \cdot 3 + 4 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 0 = 18$$

$$6 \cdot 3 + 6 \cdot 0 + 0 = 18$$

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$$3 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 0 = \frac{27}{2}$$

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$$x_1 \geq -2l'_1 + 2l'_2 + x_2 \quad l'_1 \geq 3$$

$$x_1 \geq -3l'_1 + 2l'_2 + x_1 - x_2 + x_2 \quad l'_2 \geq 3$$

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versus

tos : (list(int, 3), 6) → (list(int, 3), 0)

sec : (list(int, 3), 6) → (list(int, 6), 0)

tpo : (list(int, 6), 0) → (list(int, 3), 0)

## Example Pathlist: Sharing

$$\text{pathacc} \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 2 \quad 3 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 4 \quad 5 \end{array}, [] \right)$$

$$= \text{pathacc}(\text{Leaf}(2), [1]) \text{ ++ } \text{pathacc} \left( \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 4 \quad 5 \end{array}, [1] \right)$$

$$= [2, 1] \text{ ++ } \text{pathacc}(\text{Leaf}(4), [3, 1]) \text{ ++ } \text{pathacc}(\text{Leaf}(5), [3, 1])$$

$$= [2, 1], [4, 3, 1], [5, 3, 1]$$

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$\text{pathlist} : \text{tree}(A) \longrightarrow \text{list}(\text{list}(A))$   
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 $\text{pathacc}(\text{Leaf}(a), c) = \text{Cons}(\text{Cons}(a, c), \text{Nil})$   
 $\text{pathacc}(\text{Node}(a, l, r), c) = \text{let } x = \text{Cons}(a, c) \text{ in}$   
 $\quad \text{pathacc}(l, x) \uparrow\uparrow \text{pathacc}(r, x)$

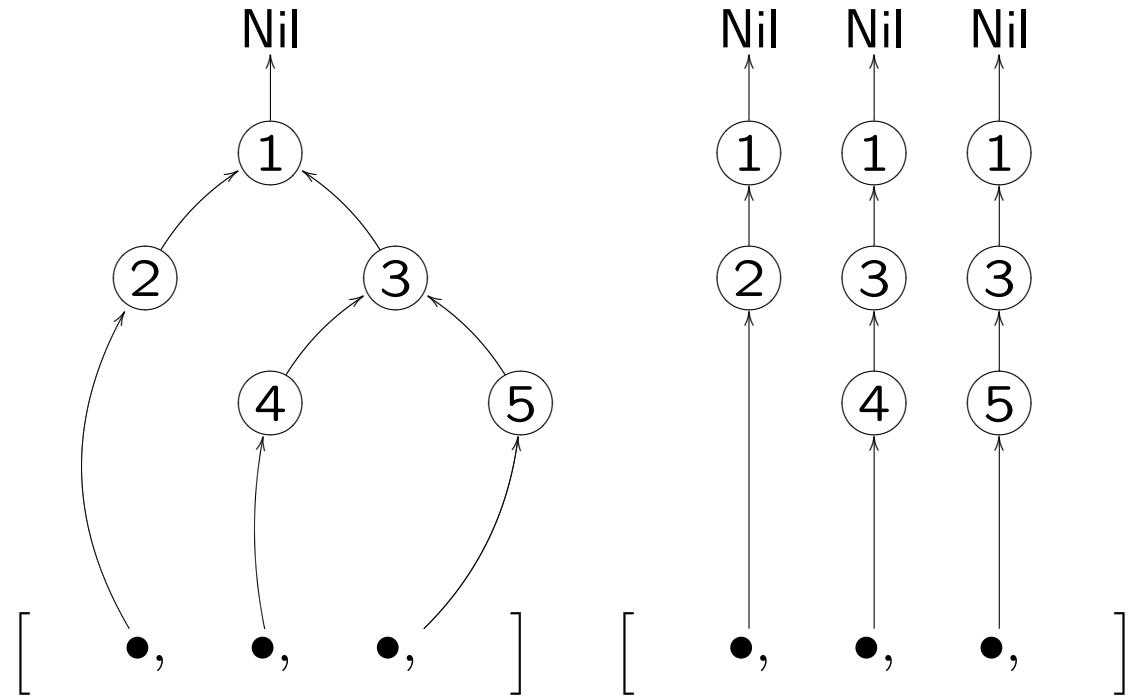
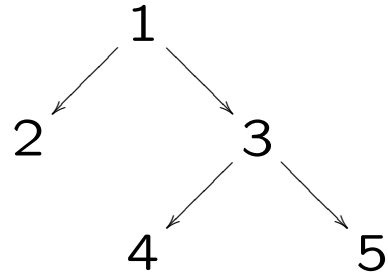


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`pathlist` : `tree(A, 1), 2`  $\longrightarrow$  `list(list(A, 0), 0), 0`  
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`pathacc` : `tree(A, 1), list(A, 0), 2`  $\longrightarrow$  `list(list(A, 0), 0), 0`  
`pathacc(Leaf(a), c)` = `Cons(Cons(a, c), Nil)`  
`pathacc(Node(a, l, r), c)` = `let x=Cons(a, c) in`  
`pathacc(l, x) ++ pathacc(r, x)`

## Example Pathlist: Sharing



cells  
reserved

$$2 \cdot 3 + 3 = 9$$

$$5 + 2$$

$$10 + 6$$

$$0$$

$$16 + 6$$

**Pathlist:** Read-only versus destructive pattern match

pathlist :  $\text{tree}(A, t), x \longrightarrow \text{list}(\text{list}(A, 0), 0), 0$

pathacc :  $\text{tree}(A, t), \text{list}(A, 0), x \longrightarrow \text{list}(\text{list}(A, 0), 0), 0$

	$t$	$x$	Constraints	
Destructive	1	2	$t + x \geq 3$	$t + 1 \geq x$
Read-Only	$2 + a$	1	$t + x \geq 3 + a$	$t + x \geq 2x + a + 1$

with  $a := \text{SIZE}(A)$

This TEXT is normal.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

This TEXT is red.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

This TEXT is green.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

This TEXT is blue.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

This TEXT is yellow.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

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This TEXT is darkgreen.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

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This TEXT is grey.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

This TEXT is black.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●

This TEXT is normal.  $1 + 2 = \vec{v}$  ●●●