

Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS1200)

Lecture 12

Finite Maps and Typechecking

Chapter 10

Announcements

- Midterm 1: Friday, February 14th
 - Coverage: up to today (Chapters 1-10)
 - During lecture
- Last names: A – Z Meyerson Hall B1
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 - M – Z DRL A1
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12: Which do you prefer?

I want to see new material in class on Friday

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I would rather watch a recorded lecture of the new material after the exam (but before Wednesday's class)

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I don't have a preference

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Finite Maps

*A case study on abstract interfaces
and concrete implementations*

Motivating Scenario

- Suppose you were writing a course-management system and needed to look up the lab section for a student given the student's PennKey...
 - Students might add/drop the course
 - Students might switch lab sections
 - Students should be in only *one* lab section
- How would you do it? What data structure would you use?

Key/Value store

Key	Value
“stephanie”	15
“swap”	05
“ezaan”	10
“likat”	15
...	...

- Each key is associated with a value.
 - No two keys are identical
 - Values can be repeated
- Given the key “stephanie”, we want to find / lookup the value 15

Finite Maps

- A *finite map* (a.k.a. *dictionary*) is a collection of *entries* from distinct *keys* to *values*.
 - Operations to *add* a new entry, *test* for key membership, *get* the value bound to a particular key, *list* all entries stored in the map
- Example: we might use a finite map to look up the lab section of a CIS 1200 student
- Like sets, *finite maps* appear in many settings:
 - domain names to IP addresses
 - words to their definitions (a dictionary)
 - user names to passwords
 - ...

Design Process Step 1:
Understand the problem

Signature: Finite Map

Design Process Step 2:
specify the interface

```
module type MAP = sig
  type ('k, 'v) map
  val empty    : ('k, 'v) map
  val add      : 'k -> 'v -> ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map
  val remove   : 'k -> ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map
  val mem      : 'k -> ('k, 'v) map -> bool
  val get      : 'k -> ('k, 'v) map -> 'v
  val equals   : ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map -> bool
end
```

The map type is generic in *two ways*:
type of keys *and* type of values

Properties of Finite Maps

For any finite map `m`, key `k`, and value `v`:

1. `get k (add k v m) = v`
2. If $k_1 \neq k_2$ then
`get k1 (add k2 v2 (add k1 v1 m)) = v1`
3. If `mem k m = true` then
there is a `v` such that `get k m = v`
4. If `mem k m = false` then
`get k m = v` fails
5. `mem k (add k v m) = true`

Design Process Step 3:
write test cases

(among others...)

Tests for Finite Map abstract type

```
;; open Assert

(* A simple map with one element. *)
let m1 : (int, string) map = add 1 "uno" empty

(* access value for key in the map *)
;; run_test "find 1 m1" (fun () -> get 1 m1) = "uno"

(* find for value that does not exist in the map? *)
;; run_failing_test "find 2 m1" (fun () -> get 2 m1) = "dos" )

let m2 : (int, string) map = add 1 "un" m1

(* find after redefining value, should be new value *)
;; run_test "find 1 m2" (fun () -> get 1 m2) = "un"

(* test membership *)
;; run_test "mem test" (fun () ->
    mem 1 (add 2 "dos" (add 1 "uno" empty)))
```

Using an anonymous function avoids making up a (redundant) function name for the test

Design Process Step 3:
write test cases

Finite Map Demo

Implementing the module

`finiteMap.ml`

Implementation: Ordered Lists

```
module Assoc : MAP = struct
  (* Represent a finite map as a list of pairs.      *)
  (* Representation invariant:                      *)
  (*   - no duplicate keys (helps get, remove)    *)
  (*   - keys are sorted (helps equals, get)       *)
  type ('k, 'v) map = ('k * 'v) list
  let empty : ('k, 'v) map = []
  let rec mem (key:'k) (m : ('k, 'v) map) : bool =
    begin match m with
    | [] -> false
    | (k,v)::rest ->
      (key >= k) &&
      ((key = k) || (mem key rest))
    end
```

Design Process Step 4:
implement it!

Implementation: Ordered Lists

```
let rec get (key:'k) (m : ('k,'v) map) : 'v =
begin match m with
| [] -> failwith "key not found"
| (k,v)::rest ->
  if key < k then failwith "key not found"
  else if key = k then v
  else get key rest
end

let rec remove (key:'k) (m : ('k,'v) map) : ('k,'v) map =
begin match m with
| [] -> []
| (k,v)::rest ->
  if key < k then m
  else if key = k then rest
  else (k,v)::remove key rest
end
```

Language support for Abstract Types

- Programming languages support abstract types in different ways
- Key concept: Encapsulation
 - A way to specify (write down) an interface
 - A means of **hiding implementation details**
- Benefits: safety and flexibility
- In OCaml:
 - Interfaces are specified using a *signature* or *interface*
 - Encapsulation: the interface can *omit* information
 - type definitions
 - names of auxiliary functions
 - Clients *cannot* mention values or types not named in the interface

Typechecking

How does OCaml typecheck your code?

*Historical aside: the algorithm we are about to see is known as the Damas-Hindley-Milner type inference algorithm. Turing Award winner Robin Milner was, among other things, the inventor of "ML" (for "meta language"), from which OCaml gets its "ml".

OCaml Typechecking Errors

```
type ('k,'v) map = ('k * 'v) list

(* A finite map that contains no entries. *)
let empty () = []

let rec mem
begin match m
| [] ->
| (k,v):
  if key
    (key = k) || (mem key rest)
end

;; run_test "mem test" (fun () ->
  mem "b" [("a",3); ("b",4)])
)

let rec get (key:'k) (m : ('k,'v) map) : 'v =
begin match m with
| [] -> failwith "not found"
```

Signature mismatch:
...
Values do not match:
 val empty : unit -> 'a list
is not included in
 val empty : ('k, 'v) map
File "finiteMap.ml", line 13, characters 2-27: Expected
declaration
File "finiteMap.ml", line 60, characters 6-11: Actual declaration

12: What is the type of this expression?

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int list -> int list

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int list -> int list -> int list

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int list -> (int -> int) list

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None (it doesn't typecheck)

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let e : _____ =  
  transform (fun x y -> x + y)
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2. int list -> int list -> int list
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4. None (it doesn't typecheck)

Answer: 3

Typechecking

How to determine the type of an expression?

1. Recursively determine the types of *all* sub-expressions

- Constants have “obvious” types

3 : int “foo” : string true : bool

- Identifiers may have type annotations

- let and function arguments
- Module signatures/interfaces

2. Expressions that *construct* structured values have compound types built from the types of sub-expressions

(3, “foo”) : int * string
(fun (x:int) -> x + 1) : int -> int
Node(Empty, (3, “foo”), Empty) : (int * string) tree

Typechecking Functions

To typecheck a function:

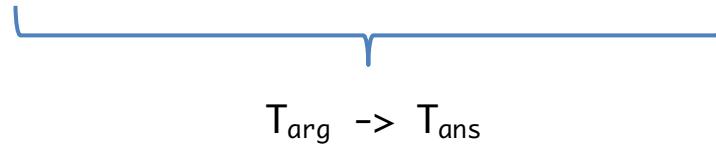
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fun (x:int) -> x + x
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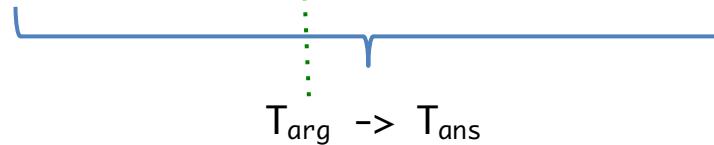
Make up "new names" for
the input (argument) and
output (answer) types.

Typechecking Functions

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`fun (x:int) -> x + x`

Take the argument type
from the type annotation
(if any*): $T_{arg} = int$



$T_{arg} \rightarrow T_{ans}$

*If there is no annotation, just use the "fresh" name...

Typechecking Functions

To typecheck a function:

fun (x:int) -> x + 2

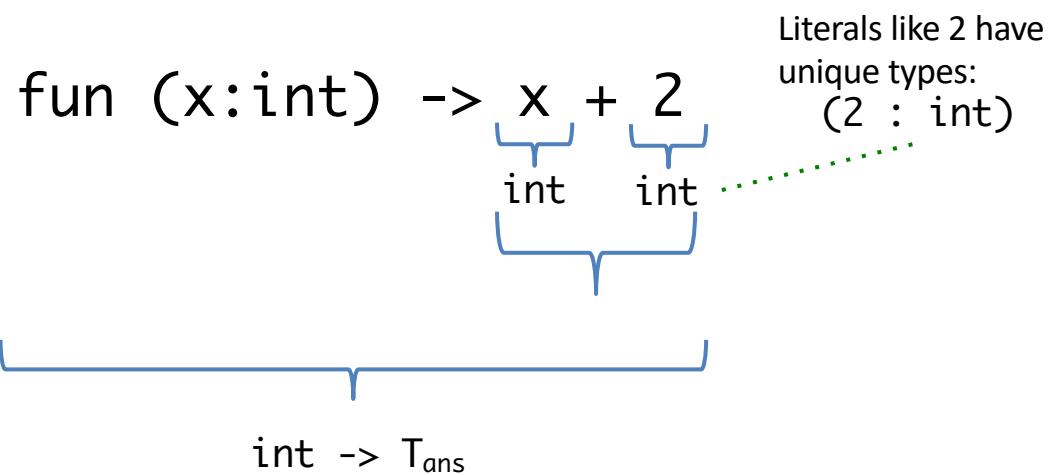
Recursively typecheck the body of the function in a "typing context" where the argument has the input type:
 $(x : \text{int})$



int $\rightarrow T_{\text{ans}}$

Typechecking Functions

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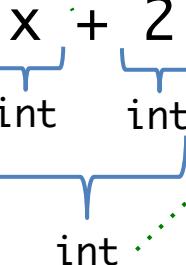
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Built-in operations like (+) also have types:

(+) : int -> int -> int

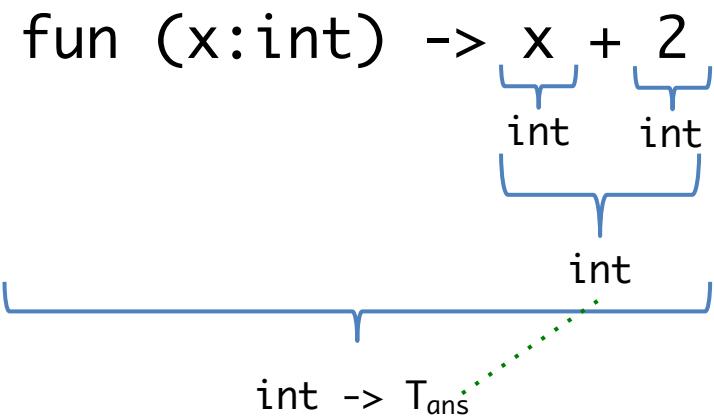


int -> T_{ans}

Function application has the result type, assuming the input types are correct.

Typechecking Functions

To typecheck a function:



The "answer" type is the
type of the function body.
 $T_{ans} = \text{int}$

Typechecking Functions

To typecheck a function:

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fun (x:int) -> x + 2
```

The expression `x + 2` is annotated with type information. Brackets under `x` and `2` both point to the word `int`, indicating they are integers. A bracket under the entire expression `x + 2` also points to the word `int`, indicating the result is an integer.

int -> int

Typechecking II

3. The type of a function-application expression is obtained as the result from the function type:

- Given a function $f : T_{\text{arg}} \rightarrow T_{\text{ans}}$
- and an argument $e : T_{\text{arg}}$ of the input type
- the application $(f e) : T_{\text{ans}}$ has the answer type

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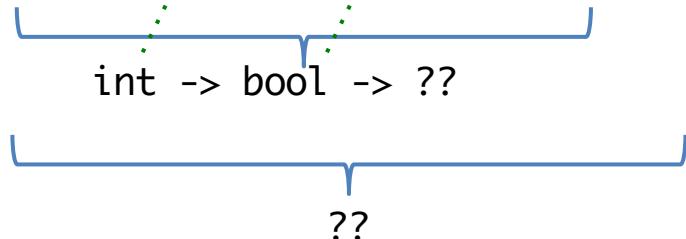


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int -> bool -> ??

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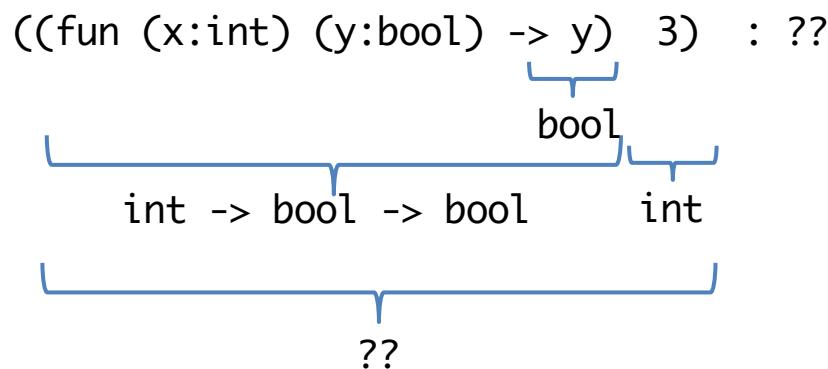
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The diagram illustrates the type derivation of the expression `((fun (x:int) (y:bool) -> y) 3)`. A blue bracket underlines the entire expression. Another blue bracket underlines the argument `3`. A third blue bracket underlines the type `int -> bool -> bool`. The word `bool` is written above the bracket underlining the argument `3`, and the question mark `??` is written below the bracket underlining the type.

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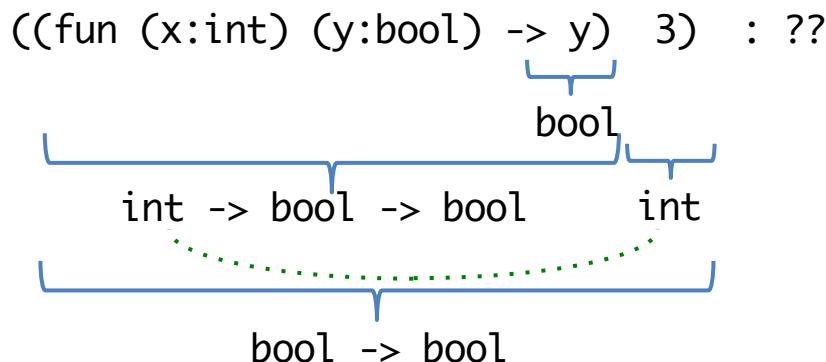
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Here:

$$T_{\text{arg}} = \text{int}$$

$$T_{\text{ans}} = \text{bool} \rightarrow \text{bool}$$

Typechecking III

- What about generics? i.e., what if $f : 'a \rightarrow 'a$?
- For generic types we *unify*
 - Given a function $f : T_1 \rightarrow T_2$
 - and an argument $e : U_1$ of the input type
 - Can “*match up*” T_1 and U_1 to obtain information about type parameters in T_1 and U_1 based on their usage
- *Unification:*
 - Try to match up corresponding parts of the type
$$\underline{(\text{int list}) \text{ tree}} \Leftrightarrow \underline{'a \text{ tree}}$$

 - This produces an *instantiation*: e.g. $'a = \text{int list}$
 - *Propagate* that instantiation to all occurrences of $'a$
 - If unification fails, produce a type checking error
$$\underline{\text{bool tree}} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\text{int tree}}$$


ERROR! $\text{bool} \neq \text{int}$

Example Typechecking Problem

```
empty    : ('k, 'v) map
add      : 'k -> 'v -> ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map
entries  : ('k, 'v) map -> ('k * 'v) list
```

```
fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)
```

??

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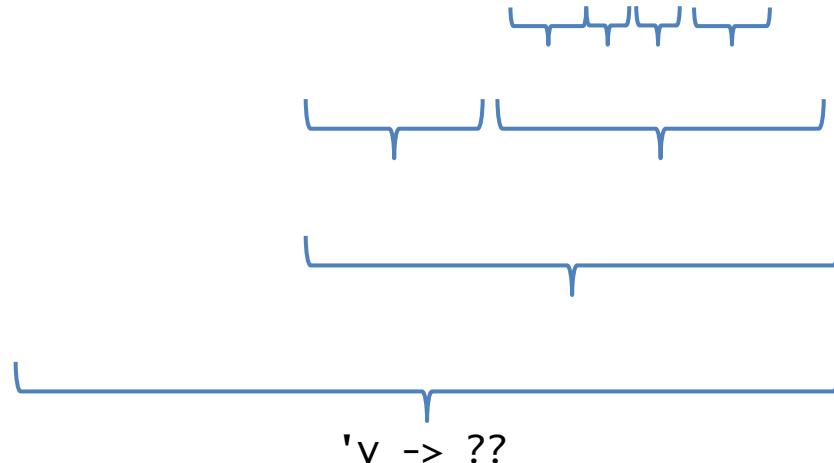
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 int

 'v

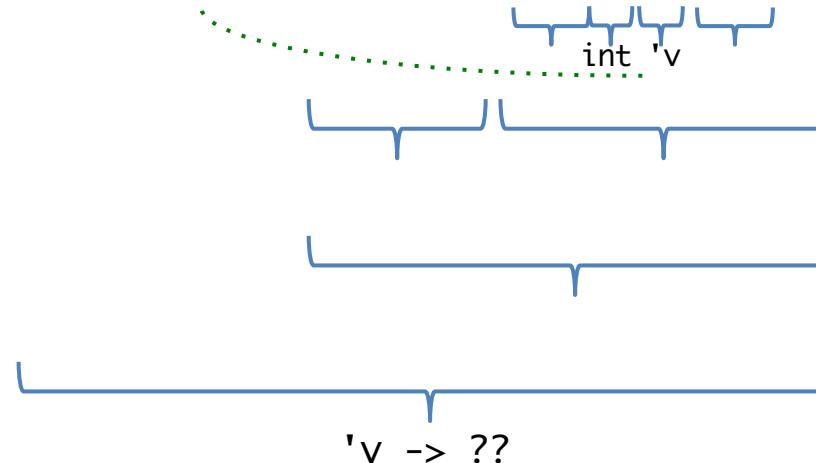


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entries  : ('k, 'v).map -> ('k * 'v) list
```

```
fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)
```

int v ('k, 'v) map

v -> ??

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```

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fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)
```

int 'v ('k, 'v) map

[[]]

[]

'v -> ??

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int -> 'v -> ('k, 'v) map

??

'v -> ??

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Application:

$T_1 = 'k$

$T_2 = 'v -> ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map$

Instantiate: $'k = \text{int}$

$'v -> ??$

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Application:

$T_1 = \text{int}$

$T_2 = 'v -> (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map} -> (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map}$

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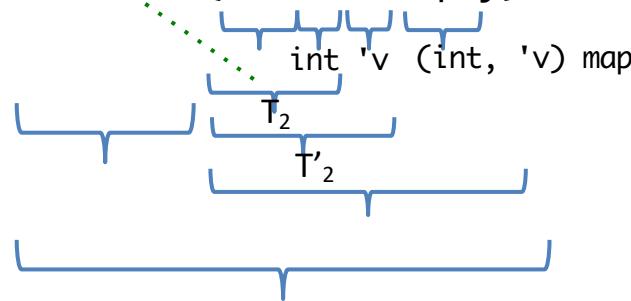
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fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)

Another Application:

$T'_1 = 'v$

$T'_2 = (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map} \rightarrow (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map}$



Instantiate: $'v = 'v$

$'v \rightarrow ??$

Example Typechecking Problem

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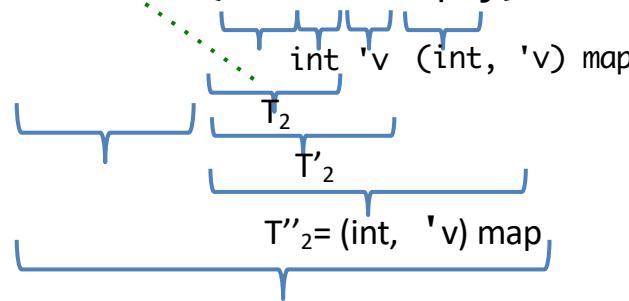
fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)

A third Application:

$T''_1 = (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map}$

$T''_2 = (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map}$

Argument and argument
type already agree



'v -> ??

Example Typechecking Problem

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empty    : ('k, 'v) map
add      : 'k -> 'v -> ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map
entries  : ('k, 'v) map -> ('k * 'v) list
```

fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)

int -> 'v -> ('int, 'v) map

T_2

T'_2

$T''_2 = (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map}$

'v -> ??

Example Typechecking Problem

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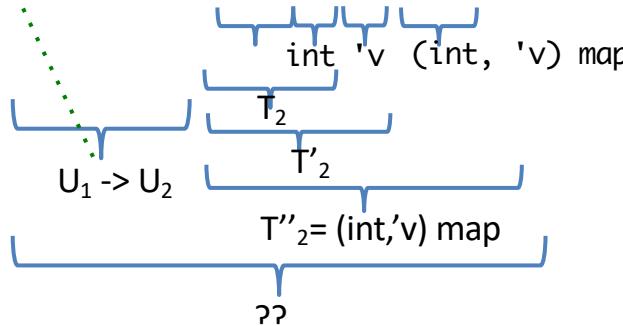
fun (x:'v) -> entries (add 3 x empty)

Another Application:

$U_1 = ('k, 'v) \text{ map}$
 $U_2 = ('k * 'v) \text{ list}$

Unify U_1 with T''_2
 $('k, 'v) \text{ map} \Leftrightarrow (\text{int}, 'v) \text{ map}$

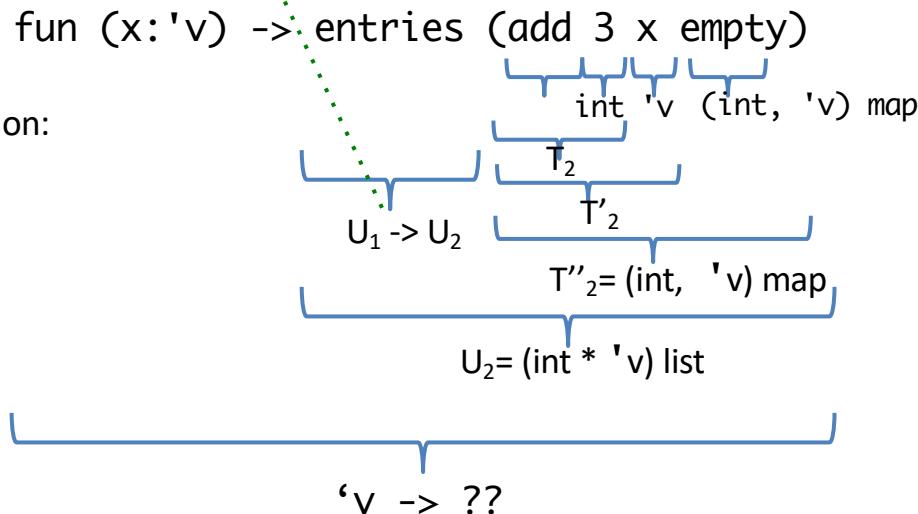
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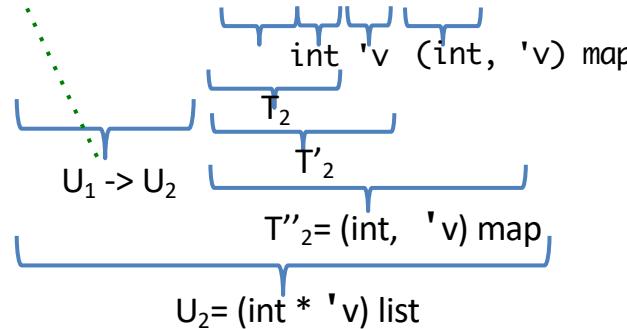
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Another Application:

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$'v \rightarrow (\text{int} * 'v) \text{ list}$

Ill-typed Expressions?

- An expression is ill-typed if, during this type checking process, inconsistent constraints are encountered:

```
empty    : ('k, 'v) map
add      : 'k -> 'v -> ('k, 'v) map -> ('k, 'v) map
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```

add 3 true (add “foo” false empty)

Error: found int but expected string