

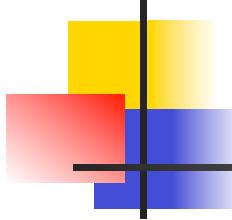
# Programming Languages and Compilers (CS 421)



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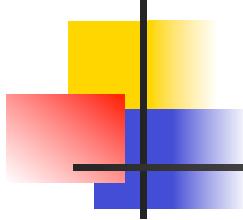
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# Curry - Howard Isomorphism

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- Type Systems are logics; logics are type systems
  - Types are propositions; propositions are types
  - Terms are proofs; proofs are terms
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- Functions space arrow corresponds to implication; application corresponds to modus ponens



# Curry - Howard Isomorphism

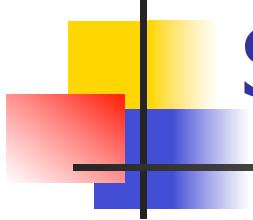
## ■ Modus Ponens

$$\frac{A \Rightarrow B \quad A}{B}$$

## • Application

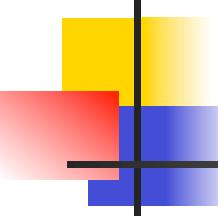
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \alpha \rightarrow \beta \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \alpha}{\Gamma \vdash (e_1 \ e_2) : \beta}$$

- The above system can't handle polymorphism as in OCAML
- No type variables in type language (only meta-variable in the logic)
- Would need:
  - Object level type variables and some kind of type quantification
  - **let** and **let rec** rules to introduce polymorphism
  - Explicit rule to eliminate (instantiate) polymorphism



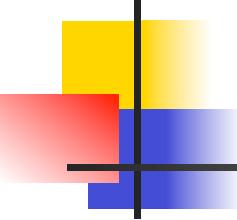
# Support for Polymorphic Types

- Monomorphic Types ( $\tau$ ):
  - Basic Types: int, bool, float, string, unit, ...
  - Type Variables:  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \varepsilon$
  - Compound Types:  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ , int \* string, bool list, ...
- Polymorphic Types:
  - Monomorphic types  $\tau$
  - Universally quantified monomorphic types
  - $\forall \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n . \tau$
  - Can think of  $\tau$  as same as  $\forall. \tau$



# Support for Polymorphic Types

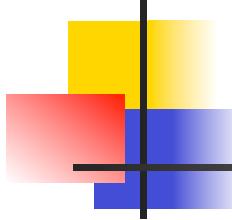
- Typing Environment  $\Gamma$  supplies polymorphic types (which will often just be monomorphic) for variables
- Free variables of monomorphic type just type variables that occur in it
  - Write  $\text{FreeVars}(\tau)$
- Free variables of polymorphic type removes variables that are universally quantified
  - $\text{FreeVars}(\forall \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n . \tau) = \text{FreeVars}(\tau) - \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$
- $\text{FreeVars}(\Gamma) = \text{all } \text{FreeVars} \text{ of types in range of } \Gamma$



# Monomorphic to Polymorphic

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- Given:
  - type environment  $\Gamma$
  - monomorphic type  $\tau$
  - $\tau$  shares type variables with  $\Gamma$
- Want most polymorphic type for  $\tau$  that doesn't break sharing type variables with  $\Gamma$
- $\text{Gen}(\tau, \Gamma) = \forall \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n . \tau$  where  
 $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\} = \text{freeVars}(\tau) - \text{freeVars}(\Gamma)$



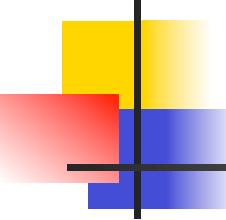
# Polymorphic Typing Rules

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- A *type judgement* has the form

$$\Gamma \vdash \text{exp} : \tau$$

- $\Gamma$  uses polymorphic types
  - $\tau$  still monomorphic
- Most rules stay same (except use more general typing environments)
- Rules that change:
  - Variables
  - Let and Let Rec
  - Allow polymorphic constants
- Worth noting functions again



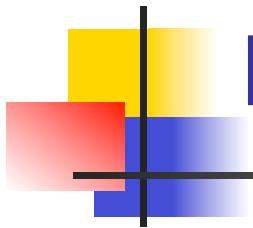
# Polymorphic Let and Let Rec

- let rule:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 [x : \text{Gen}(\tau_1, \Gamma)] + \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash (\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2) : \tau_2}$$

- let rec rule:

$$\frac{[x : \tau_1] + \Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 [x : \text{Gen}(\tau_1, \Gamma)] + \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash (\text{let rec } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2) : \tau_2}$$



# Polymorphic Variables (Identifiers)

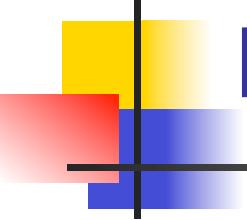
Variable axiom:

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash x : \varphi(\tau)} \quad \text{if } \Gamma(x) = \forall \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n . \tau$$

- Where  $\varphi$  replaces all occurrences of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  by monotypes  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n$
- Note: Monomorphic rule special case:

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash x : \tau} \quad \text{if } \Gamma(x) = \tau$$

- Constants treated same way



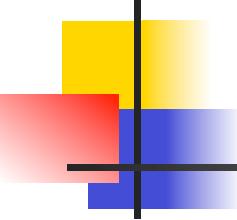
# Fun Rule Stays the Same

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- fun rule:

$$\frac{[x : \tau_1] + \Gamma \vdash e : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fun } x \rightarrow e : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2}$$

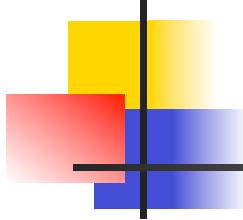
- Types  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  monomorphic
- Function argument must always be used at same type in function body



# Polymorphic Example

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- Assume additional constants:
- $\text{hd} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \alpha$
- $\text{tl} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \alpha \text{ list}$
- $\text{is\_empty} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}$
- $:: : \forall \alpha. \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \alpha \text{ list}$
- $[] : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list}$



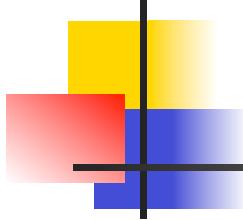
# Polymorphic Example

- Show:

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{} |- let rec length =
    fun l -> if is_empty l then 0
               else 1 + length (tl l)
in length ((::) 2 []) + length((::) true []) : int
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# Polymorphic Example: Let Rec Rule

■ Show: (1)

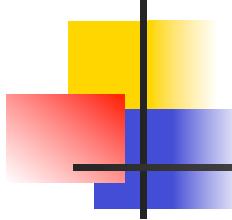
$$\{ \text{length}: \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int} \}$$
$$|- \text{fun } l \rightarrow \dots$$
$$: \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}$$

(2)

$$\{ \text{length}: \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int} \}$$
$$|- \text{length } ((::) 2 []) +$$
$$\text{length}((::) \text{true} []) : \text{int}$$

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$$\{ \} |- \text{let rec length} =$$
$$\text{fun } l \rightarrow \text{if is\_empty } l \text{ then } 0$$
$$\text{else } 1 + \text{length } (\text{tl } l)$$
$$\text{in length } ((::) 2 []) + \text{length}((::) \text{true} []) : \text{int}$$



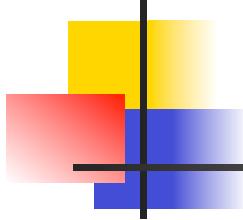
# Polymorphic Example (1)

- Show:

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```
{length: $\alpha$  list -> int} |-  
fun l -> if is_empty l then 0  
                      else 1 + length (tl l)  
:  $\alpha$  list -> int
```



# Polymorphic Example (1): Fun Rule

- Show: (3)

$$\{ \text{length}: \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \quad l: \alpha \text{ list} \} \vdash$$

if `is_empty l` then 0

else `length (hd l) + length (tl l)` : int

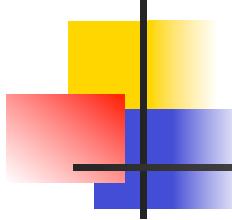
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$$\{ \text{length}: \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int} \} \vdash$$

fun `l` -> if `is_empty l` then 0

else 1 + `length (tl l)`

:  $\alpha$  list  $\rightarrow$  int



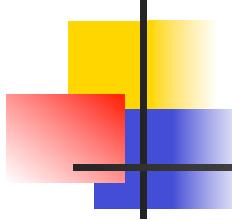
## Polymorphic Example (3)

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

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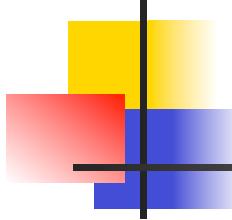
$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma |- & \text{ if } \text{is\_empty } \text{l} \text{ then } 0 \\ & \text{else } 1 + \text{length } (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \text{int}\end{aligned}$$



## Polymorphic Example (3):IfThenElse

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length}:\alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l}:\alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} (4) \qquad \qquad \qquad (5) \qquad \qquad \qquad (6) \\ \Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty } \text{l} \quad \Gamma \vdash 0:\text{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash 1 + \\ \qquad : \text{bool} \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{length } (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \text{int} \end{array}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if is\_empty } \text{l} \text{ then } 0 \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{else } 1 + \text{length } (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \text{int}}$$



## Polymorphic Example (4)

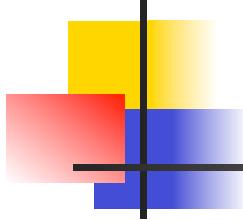
- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

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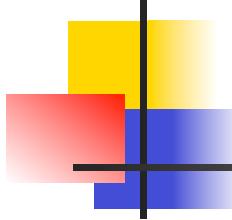
$\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty } \text{l} : \text{bool}$



# Polymorphic Example (4): Application

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

$$\frac{\overline{\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}} \quad \overline{\Gamma \vdash \text{l} : \alpha \text{ list}}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty l} : \text{bool}}$$

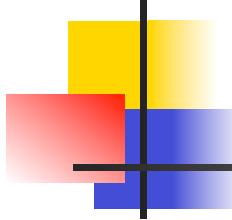


## Polymorphic Example (4)

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

By Const since  $\alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}$  is  
instance of  $\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}$  ?

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash \text{l} : \alpha \text{ list}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty l} : \text{bool}}$$



## Polymorphic Example (4)

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

By Const since  $\alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}$  is By Variable  
instance of  $\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}$   $\Gamma(\text{l}) = \alpha \text{ list}$

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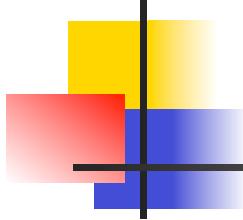
$$\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{bool}$$

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$$\Gamma \vdash \text{l} : \alpha \text{ list}$$

$$\Gamma \vdash \text{is\_empty l} : \text{bool}$$

- This finishes (4)



# Polymorphic Example (5):Const

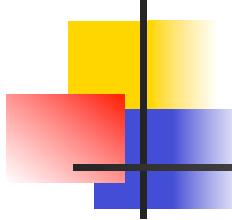
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- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

By Const Rule

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$$\frac{}{\Gamma |- 0:\text{int}}$$



## Polymorphic Example (6):Arith Op

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{ l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

By Variable

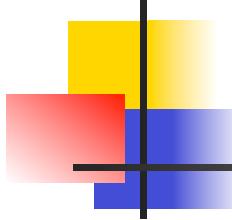
$$\frac{}{\Gamma |- \text{length}} \quad (7)$$

By Const  $\quad : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int} \quad \Gamma |- (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \alpha \text{ list}$

$$\frac{\Gamma |- 1 : \text{int}}{\Gamma |- \text{length} (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \text{int}}$$

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$$\Gamma |- 1 + \text{length} (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \text{int}$$



## Polymorphic Example (7):App Rule

- Let  $\Gamma = \{\text{length} : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}, \text{l} : \alpha \text{ list}\}$
- Show

By Const

By Variable

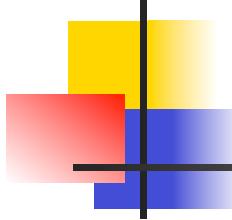
$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \alpha \text{ list}}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{l} : \alpha \text{ list}}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash (\text{tl } \text{l}) : \alpha \text{ list}}$$

By Const since  $\alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \alpha \text{ list}$  is instance of

$\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \alpha \text{ list}$



## Polymorphic Example: (2) by ArithOp

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$
- Show:

(8)

$\Gamma' \vdash$

$\text{length } ((::) 2 []) : \text{int}$

(9)

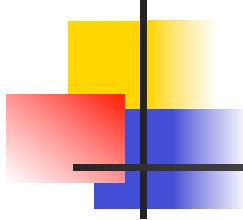
$\Gamma' \vdash$

$\text{length}((::) \text{ true } []) : \text{int}$

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$\{\text{length} : \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$

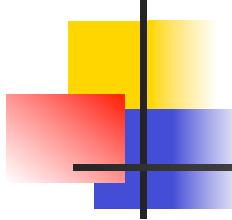
$\vdash \text{length } ((::) 2 []) + \text{length}((::) \text{ true } []) : \text{int}$



## Polymorphic Example: (8)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$
- Show:

$$\frac{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length} : \text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int} \quad \Gamma' \vdash ((::) 2 []): \text{int list}}{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length } ((::) 2 []) : \text{int}}$$



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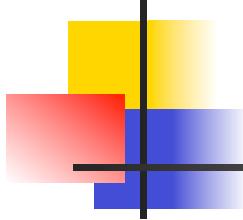
By Var since  $\text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int}$  is instance of

$\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}$

(10)

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$$\frac{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length} : \text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int} \quad \Gamma' \vdash ((::)2 []): \text{int list}}{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length } ((::) 2 []) : \text{int}}$$

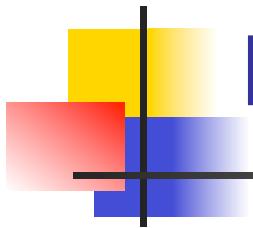


# Polymorphic Example: (10)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$
- Show:
- By Const since  $\alpha \text{ list}$  is instance of  
 $\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list}$

(11)

$$\frac{\Gamma' \vdash ((::) 2) : \text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int list} \quad \overline{\Gamma' \vdash [] : \text{int list}}}{\Gamma' \vdash ((::) 2 []) : \text{int list}}$$



# Polymorphic Example: (11)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$

- Show:

- By Const since  $\alpha$  list

is instance of

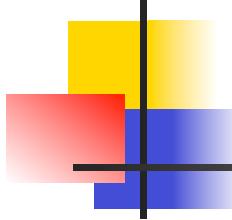
$$\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list}$$

$$\frac{}{\Gamma' \vdash (\text{::}) : \text{int} \rightarrow \text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int list}}$$

By Const

$$\frac{}{\Gamma' \vdash 2 : \text{int}}$$

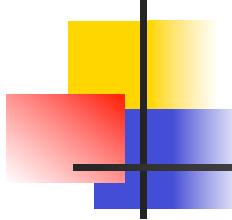
$$\frac{\Gamma' \vdash (\text{::}) : \text{int} \rightarrow \text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int list} \quad \Gamma' \vdash 2 : \text{int}}{\Gamma' \vdash ((\text{::}) 2) : \text{int list} \rightarrow \text{int list}}$$



## Polymorphic Example: (9)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$
- Show:

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma' \vdash \\ \text{length} : \text{bool list} \rightarrow \text{int} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Gamma' \vdash \\ ((::) \text{ true } []): \text{bool list} \end{array}}{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length} ((::) \text{ true } []): \text{int}}$$



## Polymorphic Example: (9)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$
- Show:

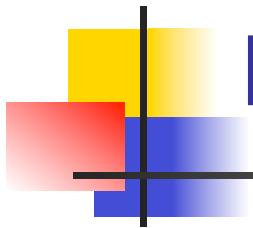
By Var since  $\text{bool list} \rightarrow \text{int}$  is instance of

$\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}$

(12)

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$$\frac{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length} : \text{bool list} \rightarrow \text{int} \quad \Gamma' \vdash ((::) \text{ true } []) : \text{bool list}}{\Gamma' \vdash \text{length} ((::) \text{ true } []) : \text{int}}$$

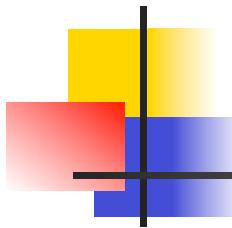


# Polymorphic Example: (12)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$
- Show:
- By Const since  $\alpha \text{ list}$  is instance of  
 $\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list}$

(13)

$$\frac{\Gamma' \vdash ((::)\text{true}) : \text{bool list} \rightarrow \text{bool list} \quad \overline{\Gamma' \vdash [] : \text{bool list}}}{\Gamma' \vdash ((::)\text{true} []) : \text{bool list}}$$



# Polymorphic Example: (13)AppRule

- Let  $\Gamma' = \{\text{length} : \forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list} \rightarrow \text{int}\}$

- Show:

By Const since bool list

is instance of  $\forall \alpha. \alpha \text{ list}$

By Const

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$$\frac{}{\Gamma' |-}$$
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$$(\text{::}) : \text{bool} \rightarrow \text{bool list} \rightarrow \text{bool list}$$

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$$\text{true} : \text{bool}$$

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$$\Gamma' |- ((\text{::}) \text{ true}) : \text{bool list} \rightarrow \text{bool list}$$