

Towards Efficient and Verified Virtual Machines for Dynamic Languages

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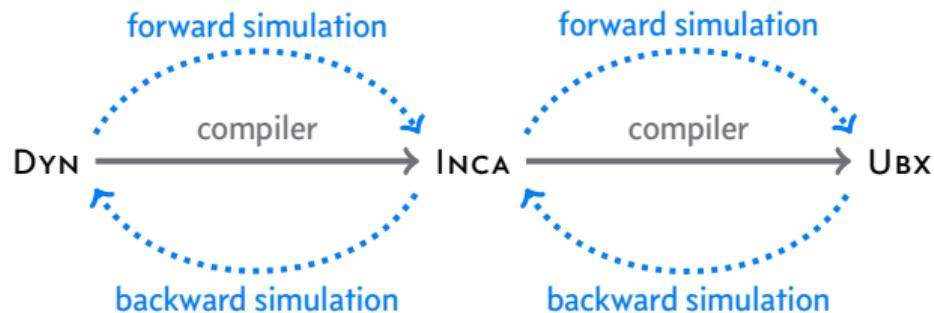
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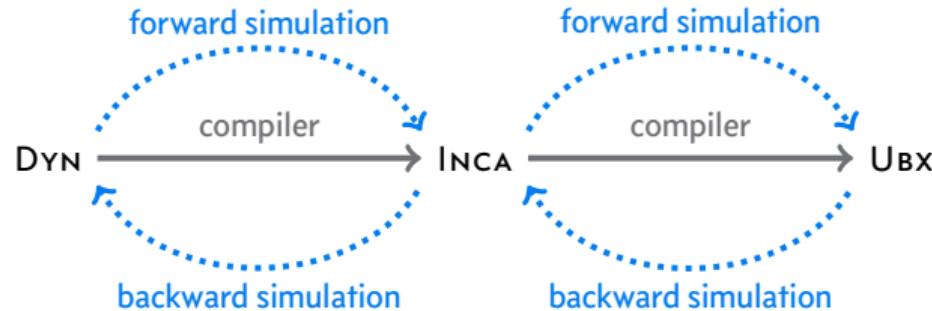
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Mechanized formalization

- ▶ Isabelle/HOL
- ▶ 4800 lines + 1000 background
- ▶ Extensive use of locales
- ▶ Realistic small-step operational semantics

DYN: Simple Interpreter for Dynamically Typed Languages

Features

- ▶ Operand stack
- ▶ Dynamic memory
- ▶ n -ary operations
- ▶ Conditional jumps
- ▶ Recursive function calls

Values

```
data dynamic =  
    DI int |  
    DF float |  
    ...
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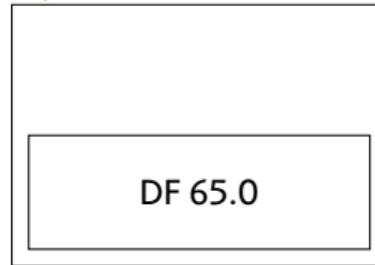
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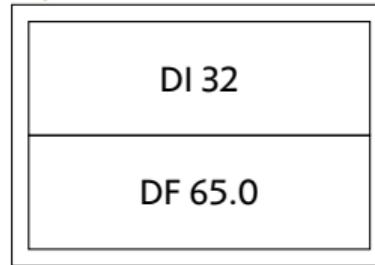
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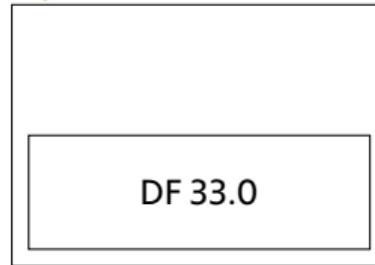
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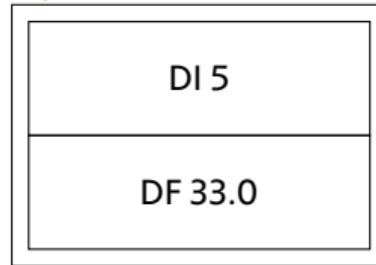
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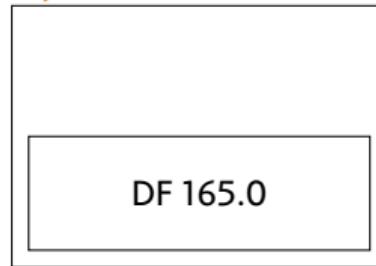
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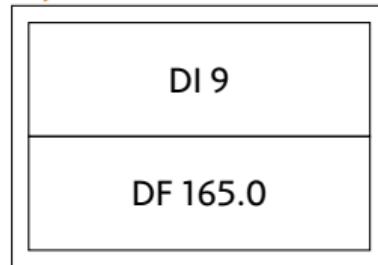
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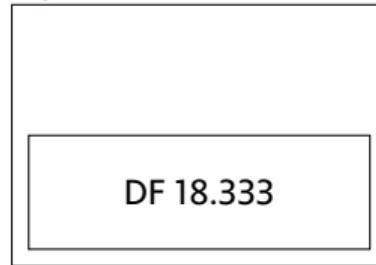
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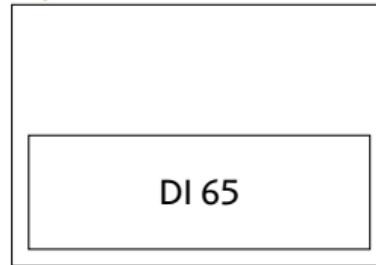
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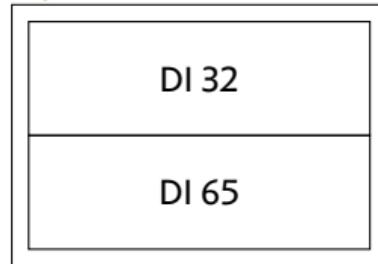
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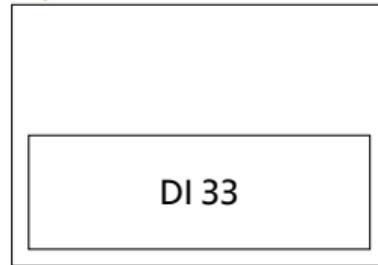
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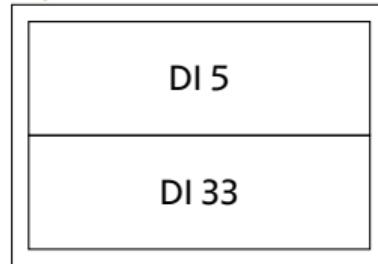
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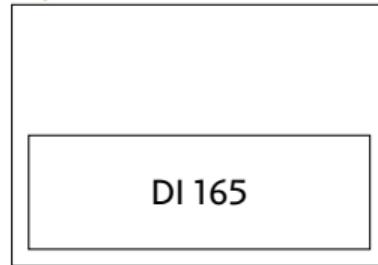
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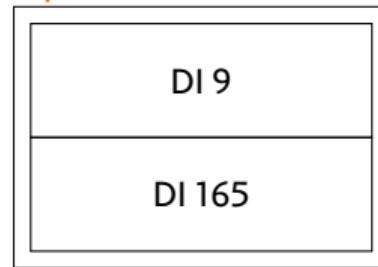
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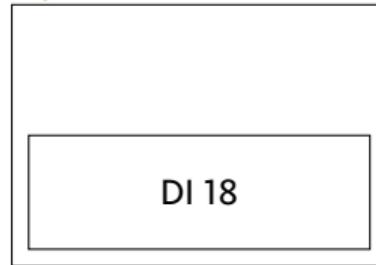
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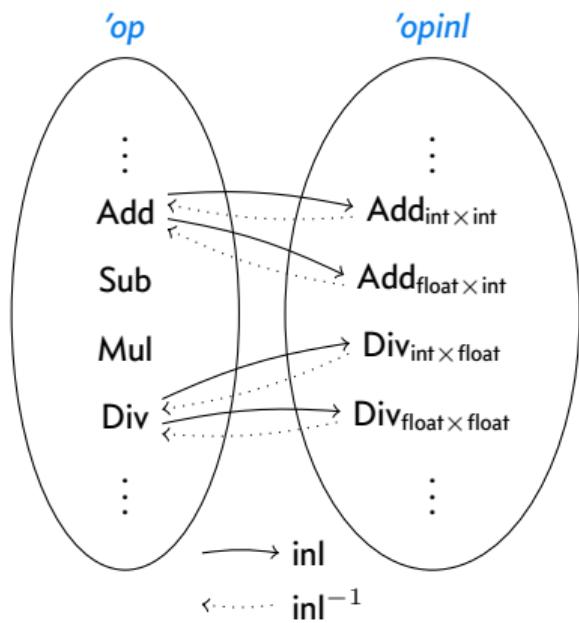
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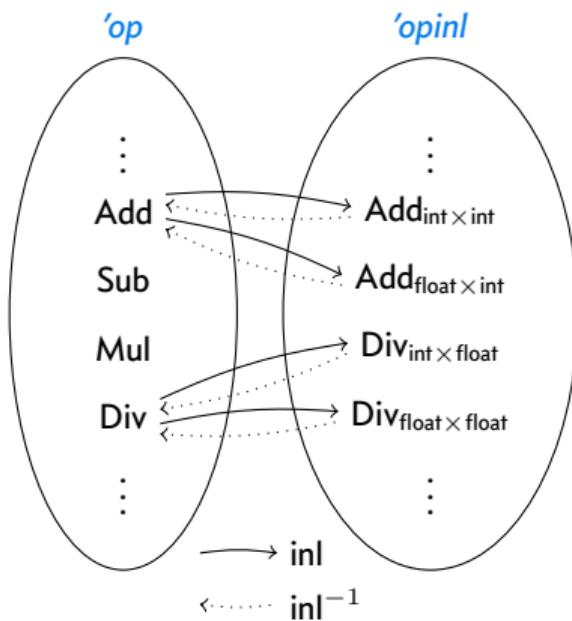
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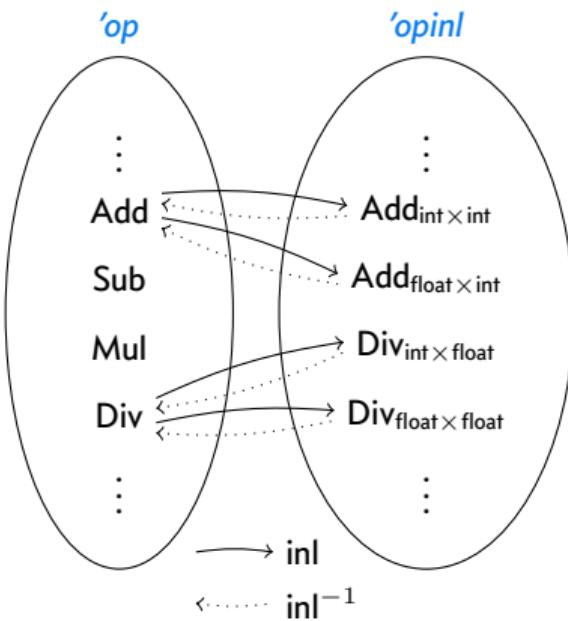
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...

assumes

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INCA: DYN Plus Inline Caching

+1 instruction for inlined operations

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⋮

$\rightarrow_{DYN}-Op$

⋮

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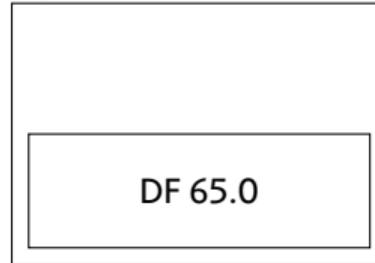
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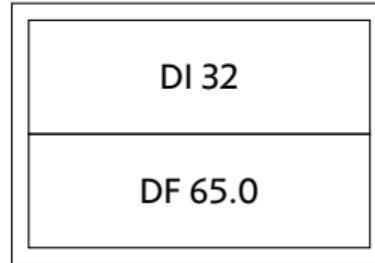
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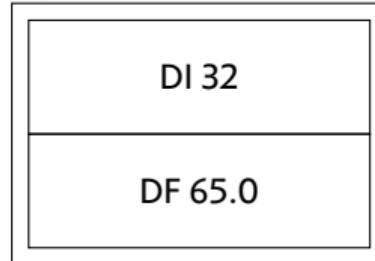
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Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
→ OpIn1 Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
Op Mul
Push (DI 9)
Op Div
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto .}

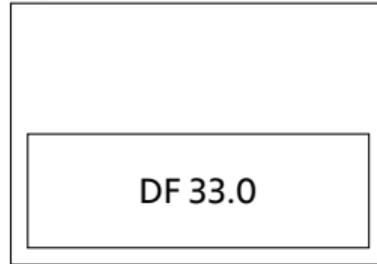
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	6
INCA	1 st	8
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
→ Push (DI 5)
Op Mul
Push (DI 9)
Op Div
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

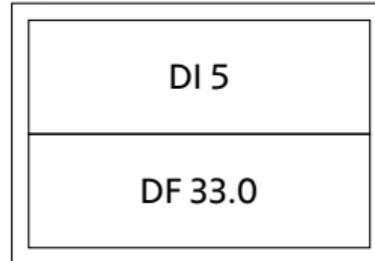
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	6
INCA	1 st	8
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
→ Op Mul
Push (DI 9)
Op Div
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto .}

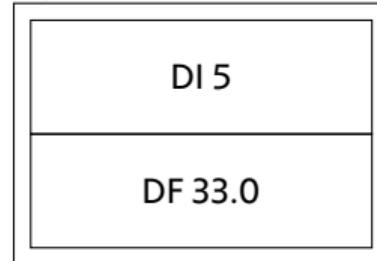
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	6
INCA	1 st	8
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
→ OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
Op Div
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

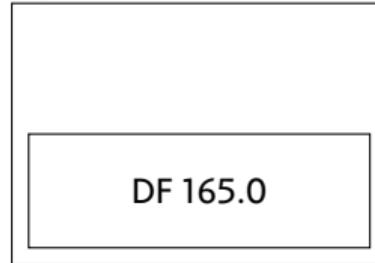
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	12
INCA	1 st	16
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpIn1 Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
OpIn1 Mulfloat×int
→ Push (DI 9)
Op Div
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto ·}

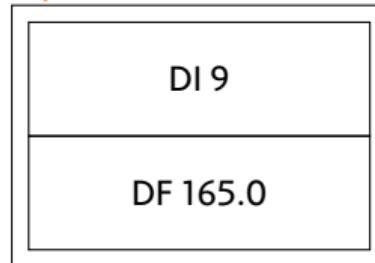
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	12
INCA	1 st	16
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

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Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
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OpIn1 Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
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Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

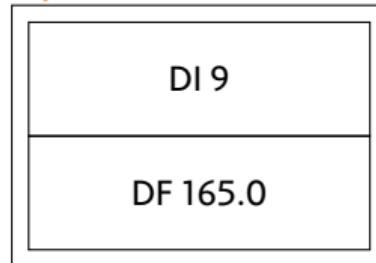
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	12
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INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
→ OpInl Divfloat×int
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

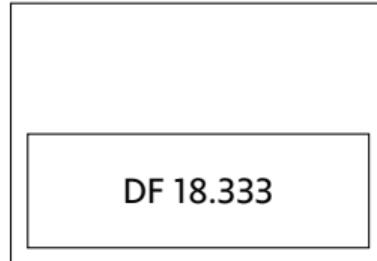
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat×int
→ Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto ·}

Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: 1st pass

*Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9*

Load fahrenheit

Push (DI 32)

OpInl Sub_{float × int}

Push (DI 5)

OpInl Mul_{float × int}

Push (DI 9)

OpInl Div_{float × int}

Store celsius

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ DF 18.333}

Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	<i>n</i> th	

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

$Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9$
→ Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Sub_{float×int}
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mul_{float×int}
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Div_{float×int}
Store celsius

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

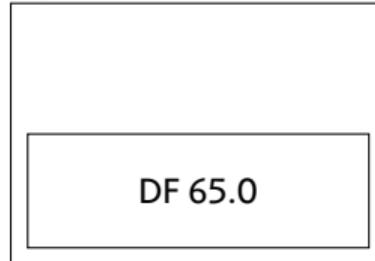
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	0

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

$Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9$
Load fahrenheit
→ Push (DI 32)
OpInl Sub_{float × int}
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mul_{float × int}
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Div_{float × int}
Store celsius

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

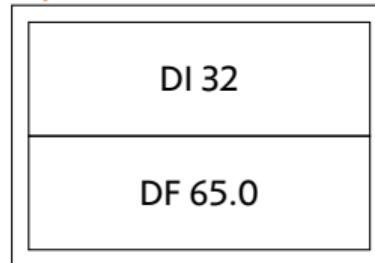
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	0

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
→ OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat×int
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto ·}

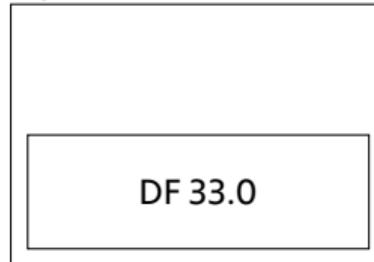
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	0

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
→ Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat×int
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto .}

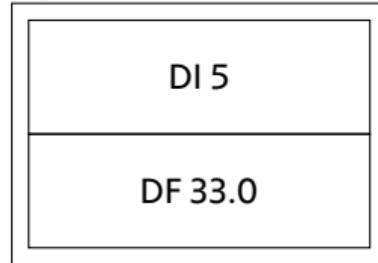
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	4

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
→ OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat×int
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto .}

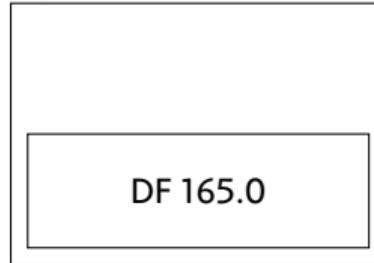
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	4

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mulfloat×int
→ Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat×int
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto .}

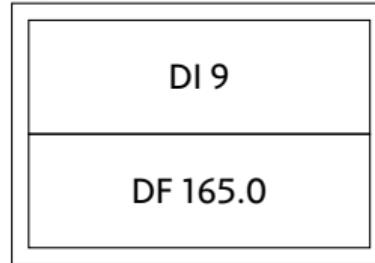
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	8

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

$Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9$
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Sub_{float × int}
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mul_{float × int}
Push (DI 9)
→ OpInl Div_{float × int}
Store celsius

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

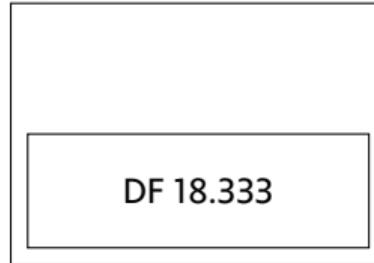
Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	8

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat×int
Push (DI 5)
OpInl Mulfloat×int
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat×int
→ Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto ·}

Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	12

INCA: Execution of Small Example Program

Program: n^{th} pass

$Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9$

Load fahrenheit

Push (DI 32)

OpInl Sub_{float × int}

Push (DI 5)

OpInl Mul_{float × int}

Push (DI 9)

OpInl Div_{float × int}

Store celsius

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto DF 18.333}

Language	Pass	Type checks
DYN	all	18
INCA	1 st	24
INCA	n^{th}	12

INCA: Compiler is Sound and Complete

The compiler \mathcal{C} trivially lifts instructions from DYN to INCA.

Soundness

There exists a bisimulation \sim , such that $p \sim \mathcal{C}p$.

Completeness

\mathcal{C} is a total function.

Unboxing Completely Removes Type Checks in Operations

Example without unboxing

```
fun eval_inl Divfloat×int (DF x) (DI y) = DF (Float.div x (Float.from_int y))
| eval_inl Divint×int (DI x) (DI y) = DI (Int.div x y)
| eval_inl Divfloat×float (DF x) (DF y) = DF (Float.div x y)
| eval_inl Divint×int (DI x) (DF y) = DF (Float.div (Float.from_int x) y)
| ...
| ...
```

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Example without unboxing

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| eval_inl Divfloat×float (DF x) (DF y) = DF (Float.div x y)
| eval_inl Divint×int (DI x) (DF y) = DF (Float.div (Float.from_int x) y)
| ...
| ...
```

Example with unboxing

```
fun eval_ubx Divfloat×int x y = Float.div x (Float.from_int y)
| ...
```

UBX: INCA Plus Unboxing

+n instructions for pushing unboxed values

+2 instructions for loading/storing unboxed values

+1 instructions for unboxed operations

INCA rules

$\rightarrow_{\text{INCA}} \text{-Push}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{INCA}} \text{-Load}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{INCA}} \text{-Store}$

UBX rules

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Push}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Push-Int}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Push-Float}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Load}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Load-Ubx-Hit}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Load-Ubx-Miss}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Store}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Store-Ubx}$

$\rightarrow_{\text{UBX}} \text{-Op-Ubx}$

Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache hit**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9  
→ LoadUbx float fahrenheit  
PushInt 32  
OpUbx Subfloat×int  
PushInt 5  
OpUbx Mulfloat×int  
PushInt 9  
OpUbx Divfloat×int  
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

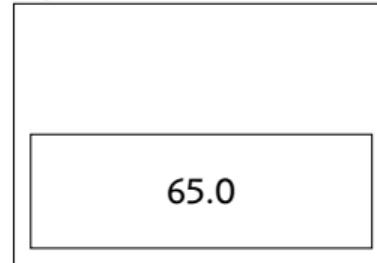
{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ .}

Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache hit**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
LoadUbx float fahrenheit
→ PushInt 32
OpUbx Subfloat × int
PushInt 5
OpUbx Mulfloat × int
PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat × int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

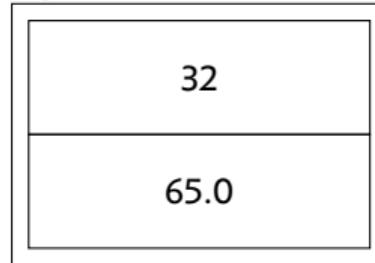
{fahrenheit ↦ DF 65.0, celsius ↦ ·}

Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache hit**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
LoadUbx float fahrenheit
PushInt 32
→ OpUbx Subfloat×int
PushInt 5
OpUbx Mulfloat×int
PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat×int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

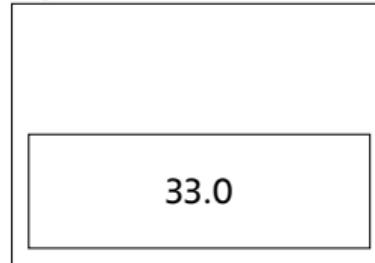
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PushInt 32
OpUbx Subfloat×int
→ PushInt 5
OpUbx Mulfloat×int
PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat×int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto .}

Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache hit**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
LoadUbx float fahrenheit
PushInt 32
OpUbx Subfloat×int
PushInt 5
→ OpUbx Mulfloat×int
PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat×int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

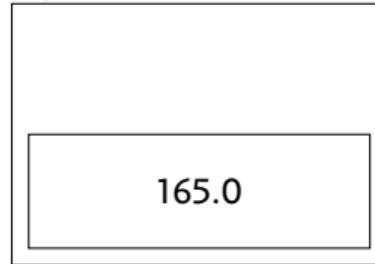
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PushInt 32
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PushInt 5
OpUbx Mulfloat × int
→ PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat × int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

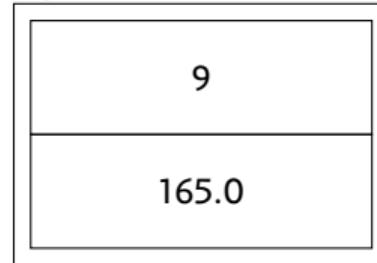
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PushInt 32
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OpUbx Mulfloat×int
PushInt 9
→ OpUbx Divfloat×int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

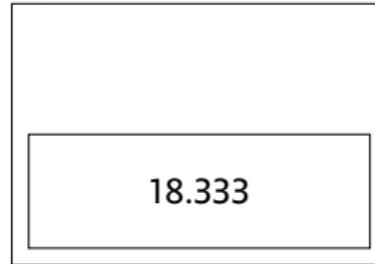
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Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
LoadUbx float fahrenheit
PushInt 32
OpUbx Subfloat × int
PushInt 5
OpUbx Mulfloat × int
PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat × int
→ StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

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Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache hit**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9
LoadUbx float fahrenheit
PushInt 32
OpUbx Subfloat×int
PushInt 5
OpUbx Mulfloat×int
PushInt 9
OpUbx Divfloat×int
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit \mapsto DF 65.0, celsius \mapsto DF 18.333}

Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache miss**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9  
→ LoadUbx float fahrenheit  
PushInt 32  
OpUbx Subfloat×int  
PushInt 5  
OpUbx Mulfloat×int  
PushInt 9  
OpUbx Divfloat×int  
StoreUbx float celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

{fahrenheit ↦ DI 65, celsius ↦ ·}

Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache miss**

```
Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9  
→ Load fahrenheit  
Push (DI 32)  
OpInl Subfloat×int  
Push (DI 5)  
OpInl Mulfloat×int  
Push (DI 9)  
OpInl Divfloat×int  
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

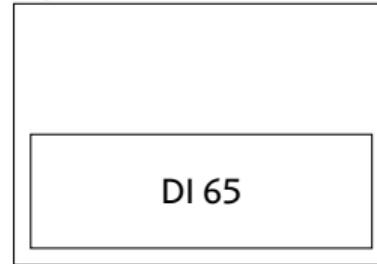
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Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

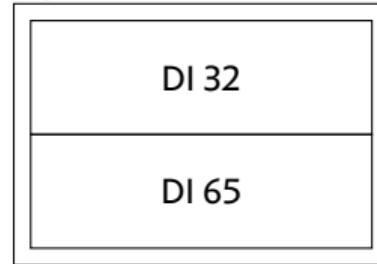
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Store celsius
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Operand stack



Dynamic memory

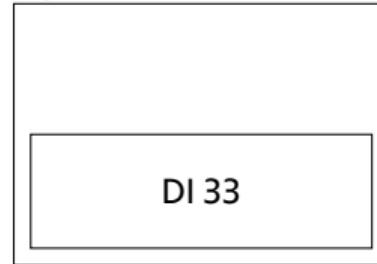
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Push (DI 9)
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Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

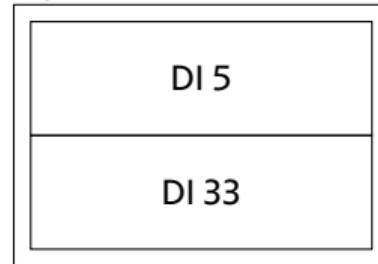
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Ubx: Execution of Small Example Program

Program with **cache miss**

```
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Load fahrenheit
Push (DI 32)
OpInl Subfloat × int
Push (DI 5)
→ OpInl Mulfloat × int
Push (DI 9)
OpInl Divfloat × int
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

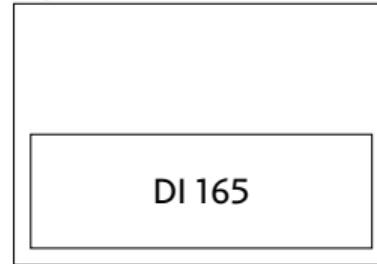
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Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

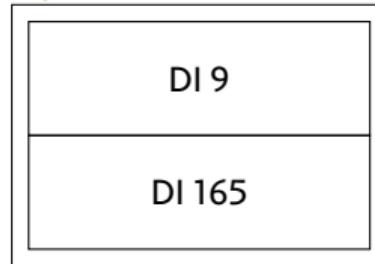
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Celsius = (Fahrenheit - 32) * 5/9  
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Push (DI 32)  
OpInl Subfloat × int  
Push (DI 5)  
OpInl Mulfloat × int  
Push (DI 9)  
→ OpInl Divfloat × int  
Store celsius
```

Operand stack



Dynamic memory

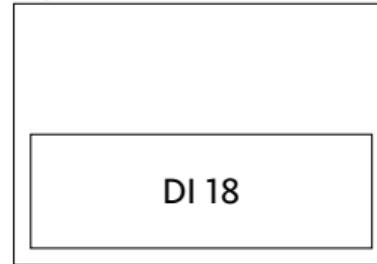
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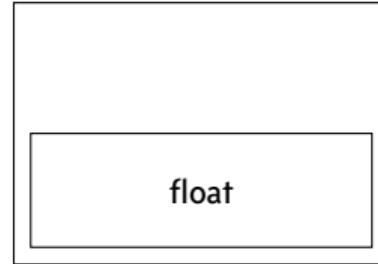
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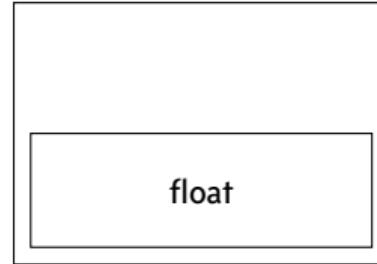
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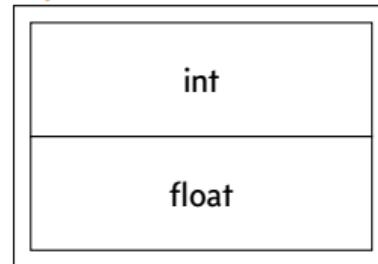
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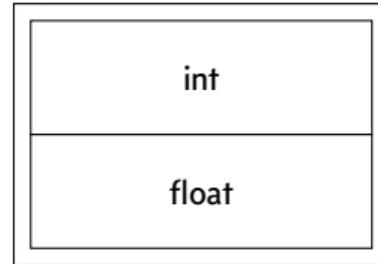
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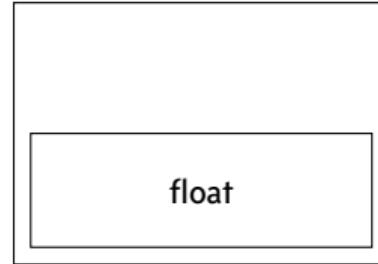
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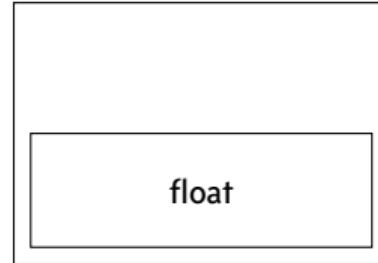
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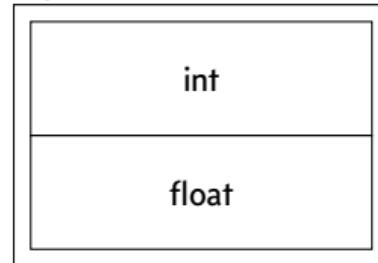
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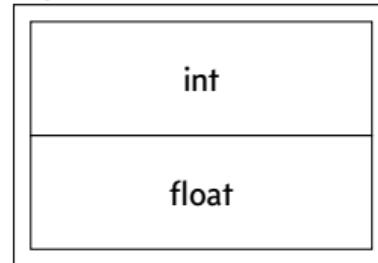
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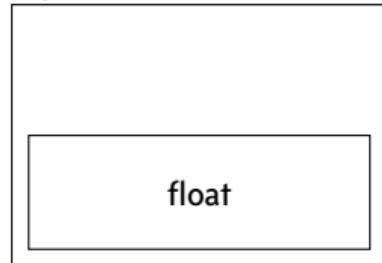
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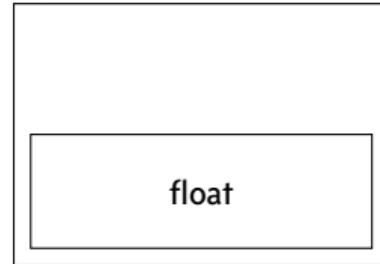
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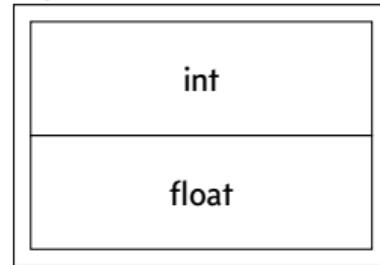
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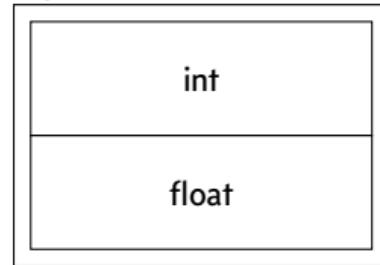
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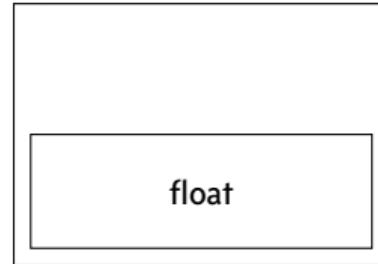
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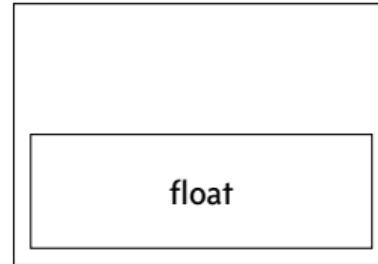
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Ubx: Compiler is Sound and Almost Complete

The compiler \mathcal{C}

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2. performs a single-pass, optimizing abstract analysis;
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Soundness

If p is “well-typed”, there exists a bisimulation \sim , such that $p \sim \mathcal{C}p$.

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