

# YACC: Yet Another Church Calculus

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*FUNCTIONALITY IN COMBINATORY LOGIC\**

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1. *Introduction.*—In an attempt to resolve the foundations of logic and mathematics into their elements, it has occurred to several persons that certain notions, ordinarily taken as primitive, could be analyzed into constituents of much simpler nature. Among such notions are, on the one hand, various processes of substitution, and the use of variables generally; and, on the other hand, the categories of logic—such as proposition, propositional function and the like—together with the intuitions by which we tell what entities belong to them.

For a theory concerned with an analysis of these notions I have proposed the name *combinatory logic* (*Amer. Jour. Math.*, **52**, 511 (1930)). This is

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The purpose of the present paper is to give a formulation of the simple theory of types which incorporates certain features of the calculus of  $\lambda$ -conversion. A complete incorporation of the calculus of  $\lambda$ -conversion into the theory of types is impossible if we require that  $\lambda x$  and juxtaposition shall retain their respective meanings as an abstraction operator and as denoting the application of function to argument. But the present partial



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## An Extension of the Basic Functionality Theory for the $\lambda$ -Calculus

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**1 Introduction** The first works about the assignment of types to terms of the  $\lambda$ -calculus (or combinatory logic) arose in the context of logical theories of types.\* Church [2] presented a first-order system with types based on  $\lambda$ -conversion, and since then many systems of this kind have been proposed; a review of them is given in the introduction of [15]. The problem of adjoining new objects and deduction rules to combinatory logic is faced in a more general way in [6] and [7], since Curry is interested in studying the properties of

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$$\frac{\vdash M : \sigma \quad \vdash N : \tau}{\vdash M \bigwedge N : \sigma \wedge \tau} [\wedge I] \quad (\lambda x : \kappa. M) \wedge (\lambda x : \kappa'. N) = \lambda x : \kappa \sqcap \kappa'. M \wedge N$$

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Given a principal typing  $\langle \Gamma; \mu \rangle$  there are infinitely many TIC terms  $M$  such that  $\widehat{\text{type}}(M) = \mu$  and  $\Gamma = \{x : \widehat{\vartheta} \mid \iota(M, x) = \vartheta\}$ .

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## Theorem (Characterisation of head normal forms)

*A TIC term  $M$  has a head normal form iff  $\text{type}(M) \neq \omega$ .*



## Related works

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# Thank you!