

Adding Dynamic Types to C#



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Contributions

- Define a core fragment of C# 4.0 (Featherweight C#)
- Translation $FC_4^{\#} \rightarrow C_{CLR}^{\#}$
- Addition of **dynamic** type
 - ▶ Subtyping transitivity is maintained (*in your face, Siek and Taha*)
- Operational semantics for $C_{CLR}^{\#}$
 - ▶ Prove type soundness
 - ▶ **Note:** Unsafe code is not included in $C_{CLR}^{\#}$

Terminology

Term

Delegate
Value Type
Reference Type
Boxing
Unboxing
DLR

Meaning

Function pointer
Stack-based, passed by value
Heap-based, passed by reference
Value Type → Reference Type
Reference Type → Value Type
Dynamic Language Runtime
(efficient runtime dispatch)

C# in 20 Seconds!

```
class Foomatic {
    public int Bazar { get; set; } // Read/write property
    public int Fooz(bool bar) {
        return bar ? Bazar : Bazar * 2;
    }
}

class Program {
    static void Main(string[] args) {
        var myFoo = new Foomatic(); // Construct a Foomatic
        myFoo.Bazar = 10;

        Console.WriteLine(myFoo.Bazar); // 10
        Console.WriteLine(myFoo.Fooz(false)); // 20

        myFoo.GetType().GetProperty("Bazar")
            .SetValue(myFoo, 50); // myFoo.Bazar = 50

        Console.WriteLine(myFoo.Bazar); // 50
        Console.WriteLine(typeof(Foomatic).GetMethod("Fooz")
            .Invoke(myFoo, new object[] { false })); // 100
    }
}
```

Motivation

- Interact cleanly with COM components

```
var word = new Word.Application();
word.Visible = true;
word.Documents.Add();
// ...
word.Selection.PasteSpecial(Link: true, DisplayAsIcon: true);
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int i = d; // Fails at runtime, dynamic :> int
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- Method calls and property accesses are resolved at runtime

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dynamic dynObject = someObject;
dynObject.Field = 5; // [...].GetProperty("Field").SetValue(someObject, 5);
dynObject.Method(); // [...].GetMethod("Method").Invoke(someObject);
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- Runtime type of dynamic subexpressions for method resolution

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void M(short s, int i) { ... }

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Summary of Changes

- C# now has type `dynamic`
- Converted to `object` at runtime
 - ▶ Treated specially by the compiler
- A `dynamic` expression can be converted to any type
 - ▶ Runtime type test inserted
- Method calls with `dynamic` subexpressions deferred to runtime
 - ▶ Compile-time types of non-dynamic subexpressions for resolution

Bidirectional Type System

- Type checking

```
T x = e; // Ensure that e can be converted to type T
```

- Type synthesis

```
var y = e; // Determine a type for e, and consequently y
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- Subtle differences...

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Featherweight C[#]

- Completely valid subset of C[#] 4.0
- Classes, generics, overloading, inheritance, side-effects
- Constructors treated as normal methods (.ctor)
- Assume a unique entry point main

Featherweight C# Grammar

Programs

$p ::= \overline{cd}$	Program
$cd ::=$	Class declaration
public class $C<\overline{X}> : \overline{\sigma}$	$\{ \overline{fd} \; \overline{md} \; \overline{cmd} \}$
$fd ::= \text{public } \sigma \; f;$	Field declaration
$md ::=$	Method declaration
public virtual $\sigma \; m <\overline{X}> (\overline{\sigma} \; \overline{x}) \{ \overline{s} \}$	
public override $\sigma \; m <\overline{X}> (\overline{\sigma} \; \overline{x}) \{ \overline{s} \}$	
$cnd ::=$	Constructor method declaration
public $C <\overline{X}> (\overline{\sigma} \; \overline{x}) : \text{this}(\overline{\sigma}) \{ \overline{s} \}$	
public $C <\overline{X}> (\overline{\sigma} \; \overline{x}) : \text{base}(\overline{\sigma}) \{ \overline{s} \}$	

Statements

$s ::=$	Statement
$;$	Skip
$se;$	Expression statement
$\text{if } (e) s \text{ else } s$	Conditional statement
$\sigma \; x = e;$	Variable declaration
$e.f = e;$	Field assignment
$\text{return } e;$	Return statement
$\{ \overline{s} \}$	Block

Types

$\sigma ::=$	Type
γ	Value type
ρ	Reference type
X	Type parameter
$\gamma ::=$	Value Type
bool	Boolean
int	Integer
byte	Byte
$\rho ::=$	Reference Type
$C <\overline{\sigma}>$	Class type (including <code>object</code> and <code>dynamic</code>)
D $<\overline{\sigma}>$	Delegate type

Expressions

$e ::=$	Expression
b	Boolean
i	Integer
$e \oplus e$	Built-in operator
x	Variable
null	Null
$(\sigma)e$	Cast
$e.f$	Field access
$\text{delegate } (\overline{\sigma} \; \overline{x}) \{ \overline{s} \}$	Anonymous method expression
se	Statement expression

$se ::=$	Statement expression
$e(\overline{e})$	Delegate invocation
$e.m <\overline{\sigma}> (\overline{e})$	Method invocation
$\text{new } C <\overline{\sigma}> (\overline{e})$	Object creation
$x = e$	Variable assignment

- Non-trivial conversions are explicit (subtyping = subclassing)
- Method invocations are fully resolved
- Explicit dynamic operations available
- `dynamic` → object (`dynamic` $\notin \theta$)

C# CLR Grammar

Expressions

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i	Integer
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$\text{delegate } (\tau \bar{x})\{\bar{S}\}$	Anonymous method expression
CE	Conversion Expression
DE	Dynamic Expression
SE	Statement expression
$CE ::=$	Conversion Expression
$\text{ByteToInt}(E)$	Byte to Integer conversion
$\text{IntToByte}(E)$	Integer to Byte conversion
$\text{Box}[\gamma](E)$	Boxing conversion
$\text{Unbox}[\gamma](E)$	Unboxing conversion
$\text{Downcast}[\rho](E)$	Downcast
$DE ::=$	Dynamic Expression
$\text{Convert}[\sigma](E)$	Dynamic type test
$\text{MemberAccess}[f](E: \sigma)$	Dynamic field selection
$\text{DInvoke}(E: \sigma, \underline{E: \sigma})$	Dynamic delegate invocation
$\text{ObjectCreate}[\rho](E: \sigma)$	Dynamic object creation
$\text{MInvoke}[m](E: \sigma, \underline{E: \sigma})$	Dynamic method invocation

Expressions (cont)

$MD ::=$	Target method descriptor
$\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\tau_C} \rangle : : m \langle \overline{X_m} \rangle \langle \overline{\tau_m} \rangle : (\overline{\tau_p}) \rightarrow \tau_r$	
$SE ::=$	Statement expression
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$\text{Assign}[f](E: \sigma, E: \sigma);$	Dynamic field assignment

Notation

- $|C < \text{int}, \text{dynamic} >|^* = C < \text{int}, \text{object} >$
- $\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \tau$
 - ▶ In Γ , E can be **converted** to type τ
- $\Gamma \triangleright E \uparrow \tau$
 - ▶ In Γ , E **synthesizes** type τ
- $\Gamma \vdash E \uparrow^+ \tau$
 - ▶ Same as \uparrow , except **null** $\uparrow^+ \text{object}$ and **int** literals are recorded
- $f\text{type}(\sigma, f)$
 - ▶ Get type of field f in type σ
- $d\text{type}(D)(\bar{\sigma}) = \bar{\sigma_2} \rightarrow \sigma_3$
 - ▶ Get type of delegate D, substitute in types σ , end up with type $\bar{\sigma_2} \rightarrow \sigma_3$
- $m\text{type}(\sigma, m)$
 - ▶ Get method signatures named m reachable from type σ

C[#]_{CLR} Type Conversion

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{[CLR-Byte]} \frac{0 \leq i \leq 255}{\Gamma \triangleright i \leq \text{byte}} \quad \text{[CLR-Null]} \frac{}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{null} \leq \theta} \quad \text{[CLR-Skip]} \frac{}{\Gamma \triangleright ; \leq \tau} \quad \text{[CLR-ExpStatement]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright SE_1 \uparrow \tau_1}{\Gamma \triangleright SE_1; \leq \tau} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-AME]} \frac{|dtype(\mathbf{D})(\bar{\tau})|^* = \bar{\tau}_0 \rightarrow \tau_1 \quad \Gamma, \bar{x}: \bar{\tau}_0 \triangleright \bar{S}_1 \leq \tau_1}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{delegate}(\bar{\tau}_0 \bar{x})\{\bar{S}_1\} \leq \mathbf{D} < \bar{\tau}} \quad \text{[CLR-Cond]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \leq \text{bool} \quad \Gamma \triangleright S_1 \leq \tau \quad \Gamma \triangleright S_2 \leq \tau}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{if } (E_1) S_1 \text{ else } S_2 \leq \tau} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-Synth]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright e_1 \uparrow \tau_0 \quad \tau_0 \leq \tau_1}{\Gamma \triangleright e_1 \leq \tau_1} \quad \text{[CLR-FAss]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \uparrow \tau_1 \quad |ftytype(\tau_1, f)|^* = \tau_2 \quad \Gamma \triangleright E_2 \leq \tau_2}{\Gamma \triangleright E_1.f = E_2; \leq \tau} \\
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 \text{[CLR-FAssDyn]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \leq |\sigma_1|^* \quad \Gamma \triangleright E_2 \leq |\sigma_2|^*}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{Assign}[f](E_1: \sigma_1, E_2: \sigma_2); \leq \tau} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-ReturnExp]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \leq \tau_1}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{return } E_1; \leq \tau_1} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-Seq]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \leq \tau_1 \quad x \notin \text{dom}(\Gamma) \quad \Gamma, x: \tau_1 \triangleright \bar{S}_1 \leq \tau}{\Gamma \triangleright \tau_1 x = E_1; \leq \bar{S}_1 \leq \tau}
 \end{array}$$

$C^\#_{CLR}$ Type Synthesis (1/2)

$$[\text{CLR-S-Int}] \frac{}{\Gamma \triangleright i \uparrow \text{int}}$$

$$[\text{CLR-S-Bool}] \frac{}{\Gamma \triangleright b \uparrow \text{bool}}$$

$$[\text{CLR-S-Var}] \frac{}{\Gamma, x: \tau \triangleright x \uparrow \tau} \quad [\text{CLR-S-Field}] \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \uparrow \tau_1 \quad |f\text{type}(\tau_1, f)|^* = \tau_2}{\Gamma \triangleright E_1.f \uparrow \tau_2}$$

$$[\text{CLR-S-DellInv}] \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \uparrow D < \bar{\tau} > \quad |d\text{type}(D)(\bar{\tau})|^* = \bar{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \quad \Gamma \triangleright \bar{E}_2 \leq \bar{\tau}_1}{\Gamma \triangleright E_1(\bar{E}_2) \uparrow \tau_2}$$

$$[\text{CLR-S-New}] \frac{MD = C < \bar{X}_C > < \bar{\tau}_C > :: \text{ctor}: (\bar{\tau}_p) \quad \Gamma \triangleright \bar{e}_1 \leq \bar{\tau}_p[\bar{X}_C := \bar{\tau}_C]}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{new } MD(\bar{E}_1) \uparrow C < \bar{\tau}_C >}$$

$$[\text{CLR-S-VarAssign}] \frac{\Gamma, x_1: \tau_1 \triangleright E_1 \leq \tau_1}{\Gamma, x_1: \tau_1 \triangleright x_1 = E_1 \uparrow \tau_1}$$

$$[\text{CLR-S-MethInv}] \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E_1 \leq C < \bar{\tau}_C > \quad \Gamma \triangleright \bar{E}_2 \leq \bar{\tau}_p[\bar{X}_C, \bar{X}_m := \bar{\tau}_C, \bar{\tau}_1] \quad MD = C < \bar{X}_C > < \bar{\tau}_C > :: m < \bar{X}_m > < \bar{\tau}_1 > : (\bar{\tau}_p) \rightarrow \tau_r}{\Gamma \triangleright E_1.MD(\bar{E}_2) \uparrow \tau_r}$$

C[#]_{CLR} Type Synthesis (2/2)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{[CLR-S-B2I]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \text{byte}}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{ByteToInt}(E) \uparrow \text{int}} \quad \text{[CLR-S-I2B]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \text{int}}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{IntToByte}(E) \uparrow \text{byte}} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-S-Box]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \gamma}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{Box}[\gamma](E) \uparrow \text{object}} \quad \text{[CLR-S-Unbox]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \text{object}}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{Unbox}[\gamma](E) \uparrow \gamma} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-S-Downcast]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \uparrow \tau \quad \tau \leq |\rho|^*}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{Downcast}[\rho](E) \uparrow |\rho|^*} \quad \text{[CLR-S-DConv]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \text{object}}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{Convert}[\sigma](E) \uparrow |\sigma|^*} \\
 \\
 \text{[CLR-S-DMemAcc]} \frac{\Gamma \triangleright E \leq \text{object}}{\Gamma \triangleright \text{MemberAccess}[f](E) \uparrow \text{object}} \\
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Translation to C[#]_{CLR} (Type Conversion)

- Subclassing relation $C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} > : C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} >$

$$\frac{}{\rho : \rho} \frac{\text{class } C_1 < \overline{X} > : C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} > \quad C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} > [\overline{X} := \overline{\sigma_1}] : C_3 < \overline{\sigma_3} >}{C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} > : C_3 < \overline{\sigma_3} >}$$

- Implicit conversion

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{[IC-Ref]} \frac{}{\sigma_1 <:; \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow \bullet} \qquad \text{[IC-ByteToInt]} \frac{}{\text{byte} <:; \text{int} \rightsquigarrow \text{ByteToInt}(\bullet)} \\ \text{[IC-Val-Obj]} \frac{}{\gamma <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow \text{Box}[\gamma](\bullet)} \qquad \text{[IC-Ref-Obj]} \frac{}{\rho <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow \bullet} \\ \text{[IC-Sub]} \frac{C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} > : C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} >}{C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} > <:; C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} > \rightsquigarrow \bullet} \qquad \text{[IC-Dynamic]} \frac{\sigma <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow C}{\sigma <:; \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow C} \end{array}$$

- Explicit conversion (cast required)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{[XC-Ref]} \frac{}{\sigma_1 <:_x \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow \bullet} \qquad \text{[XC-IntToByte]} \frac{}{\text{int} <:_x \text{byte} \rightsquigarrow \text{IntToByte}(\bullet)} \\ \text{[XC-ObjVal]} \frac{}{\text{object} <:_x \gamma \rightsquigarrow \text{Unbox}[\gamma](\bullet)} \qquad \text{[XC-ObjRef]} \frac{\rho \neq \text{dynamic}}{\text{object} <:_x \rho \rightsquigarrow \text{Downcast}[\rho](\bullet)} \\ \text{[XC-Down]} \frac{C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} > : C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} >}{C_2 < \overline{\sigma_2} > <:_x C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} > \rightsquigarrow \text{Downcast}[C_1 < \overline{\sigma_1} >](\bullet)} \qquad \text{[XC-IC]} \frac{\sigma_1 <:; \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow C}{\sigma_1 <:_x \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow C} \end{array}$$

Translation to C[#]_{CLR} (Term Conversion 1/2)

Implicit Conversion (Expressions)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{[IC-Byte]} \frac{0 \leq i \leq 255}{\Gamma \vdash i \lessdot; \text{byte} \rightsquigarrow i} \quad \text{[IC-Null]} \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{null} \lessdot; \rho \rightsquigarrow \text{null}} \\ \text{[IC-AME]} \frac{d\text{type}(D)(\bar{\sigma}) = \bar{\sigma}_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2 \quad \Gamma, \bar{x}; \bar{\sigma}_1 \vdash \bar{s}_1 \lessdot; \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow \bar{S}_1}{\Gamma \vdash \text{delegate}(\bar{\sigma}_0 \bar{x}) \{ \bar{s}_1 \} \lessdot; D < \bar{\sigma} > \rightsquigarrow \text{delegate}(\bar{\sigma}_0 \bar{x}) \{ \bar{S}_1 \}} \\ \text{[IC-Synth]} \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \sigma_0 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \sigma_0 \neq \text{dynamic} \quad \sigma_0 \lessdot; \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \lessdot; \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow C[E_1]} \\ \text{[IC-Dynamic]} \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow E_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \lessdot; \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow \text{Convert}[\sigma_1](E_1: \text{dynamic})} \end{array}$$

Explicit Conversion (Expressions)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{[XC-Synth]} \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \sigma_0 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \sigma_0 \neq \text{dynamic} \quad \sigma_0 \lessdot_{\times} \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \lessdot_{\times} \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow C[E_1]} \\ \text{[XC-Dynamic]} \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow E_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \lessdot_{\times} \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow \text{Convert}[\sigma_1](E_1: \text{dynamic})} \end{array}$$

Translation to C[#]_{CLR} (Term Conversion 2/2)

Implicit Conversion (Statements)

$$[\text{C-Skip}] \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash ; <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow ;} \quad [\text{C-ExpStatement}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash se_1 \uparrow \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow SE_1}{\Gamma \vdash se_1 ; <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow SE_1 ;}$$

$$[\text{C-Cond}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 <:_i \text{bool} \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash s_1 <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow S_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash s_2 <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow S_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } (e_1) s_1 \text{ else } s_2 <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow \text{if } (E_1) S_1 \text{ else } S_2}$$

$$[\text{C-FAss}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \sigma_1 \neq \text{dynamic} \quad ftype(\sigma_1, f) = \sigma_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 <:_i \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow E_2}{\Gamma \vdash e_1.f = e_2 ; <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow E_1.f = E_2 ;}$$

$$[\text{C-FAssDyn}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 \uparrow^+ \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow E_2}{\Gamma \vdash e_1.f = e_2 ; <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow \text{Assign}[f](E_1:\text{dynamic}, E_2:\sigma_2);}$$

$$[\text{C-ReturnExp}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow E_1}{\Gamma \vdash \text{return } e_1 ; <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow \text{return } E_1 ;}$$

$$[\text{C-Seq}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 <:_i \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad x \notin dom(\Gamma) \quad \Gamma, x:\sigma_1 \vdash \overline{s_1} <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow \overline{S_1}}{\Gamma \vdash \sigma_1 x = e_1 ; \overline{s_1} <:_i \sigma \rightsquigarrow |\sigma_1|^* x = E_1 ; \overline{S_1}}$$

Translation to C[#]_{CLR} (Type Synthesis 1/2)

$$[\text{S-Bool}] \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash b \uparrow \text{bool} \rightsquigarrow b} \quad [\text{S-Int}] \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash i \uparrow \text{int} \rightsquigarrow i} \quad [\text{S-Var}] \frac{}{\Gamma, x: \sigma \vdash x \uparrow \sigma \rightsquigarrow x}$$

$$[\text{S-Cast}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 <:_\times \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1}{\Gamma \vdash (\sigma_1)e_1 \uparrow \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1}$$

$$[\text{S-Field}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \sigma_1 \neq \text{dynamic} \quad ftype(\sigma_1, f) = \sigma_2}{\Gamma \vdash e_1.f \uparrow \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow E_1.f}$$

$$[\text{S-DelInv}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{D}\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad dtype(\text{D})(\overline{\sigma}) = \overline{\sigma_1} \rightarrow \sigma_2 \quad \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_2} <; \overline{\sigma_1} \rightsquigarrow \overline{E_2}}{\Gamma \vdash e_1(\overline{e_2}) \uparrow \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow E_1(\overline{E_2})}$$

$$\text{CMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} mtype(C\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle, .ctor)$$

$$\text{AMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{C\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: .ctor: (\overline{\sigma_p}) \mid \\ C\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: .ctor: (\overline{\sigma_p}) \in \text{CMG}, \\ |\overline{\sigma_p}| = |\overline{e_1}|, \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} <; \overline{\sigma_p}[X_C := \overline{\sigma_c}]\}$$

$$\Gamma \vdash best(\text{AMG}, \overline{e_1}) \rightsquigarrow md = C\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: .ctor: (\overline{\sigma_p})$$

$$[\text{S-New}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_1} <; \overline{\sigma_p}[X_C := \overline{\sigma_C}] \rightsquigarrow \overline{E_1}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{new } C\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle(\overline{e_1}) \uparrow C\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle \rightsquigarrow \text{new } |md|^*(\overline{E_1})}$$

$$[\text{S-VarAssign}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \sigma \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \sigma \neq \text{dynamic} \quad \text{CMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} mtype(\sigma, m)}{\Gamma, x_1: \sigma_1 \vdash e_1 <; \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1}$$

$$\text{AMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{C\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: m\langle \overline{X_m} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_1} \rangle: (\overline{\sigma_p}) \rightarrow \sigma_r \mid$$

$$C\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: m\langle \overline{X_m} \rangle: (\overline{\sigma_p}) \rightarrow \sigma_r \in \text{CMG},$$

$$|\overline{X_m}| = |\overline{\sigma_1}|, \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_2} <; \overline{\sigma_p}[X_C := \overline{\sigma_C}, X_m := \overline{\sigma_1}]\}$$

$$\Gamma \vdash best(\text{AMG}, \overline{e_2}) \rightsquigarrow md = C\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: m\langle \overline{X_m} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_1} \rangle: (\overline{\sigma_p}) \rightarrow \sigma_r$$

$$[\text{S-MInv}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash \overline{e_2} <; \overline{\sigma_p}[X_C := \overline{\sigma_C}, X_m := \overline{\sigma_1}] \rightsquigarrow \overline{E_2}}{\Gamma \vdash e_1.m\langle \overline{\sigma_1} \rangle(\overline{e_2}) \uparrow \sigma_r[X_C := \overline{\sigma_C}, X_m := \overline{\sigma_1}] \rightsquigarrow E_1.m|md|^*(\overline{E_2})}$$

Translation to C[#]_{CLR} (Type Synthesis 2/2)

$$\begin{array}{c}
 [\text{S-FieldDyn}] \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow E_1}{\Gamma \vdash e_1.f \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow \text{MemberAccess}[f](E_1:\text{dynamic})} \\ \\
 [\text{S-DInvDyn1}] \frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash e \uparrow \sigma \rightsquigarrow E \\ \Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow^+ \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \dots \Gamma \vdash e_n \uparrow^+ \sigma_n \rightsquigarrow E_n \\ \exists i. 1 \leq i \leq n. \sigma_i = \text{dynamic} \end{array}}{\Gamma \vdash e(e_1, \dots, e_n) \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow \text{DInvoke}(E; \sigma, (E_1: \sigma_1, \dots, E_n: \sigma_n))} \\ \\
 [\text{S-DInvDyn2}] \frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_2} \uparrow^+ \overline{\sigma_2} \rightsquigarrow \overline{E_2} \\ \Gamma \vdash e_1(\overline{e_2}) \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow \text{DInvoke}(E_1: \text{dynamic}, \overline{E_2}; \overline{\sigma_2}) \end{array}}{} \\ \\
 [\text{S-NewDyn}] \frac{\begin{array}{c} \text{CMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{mtype}(\mathcal{C}\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle, .\text{ctor}) \\ \Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow^+ \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \dots \Gamma \vdash e_n \uparrow^+ \sigma_n \rightsquigarrow E_n \quad \exists j. 1 \leq j \leq n. \sigma_j = \text{dynamic} \\ \text{AMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\mathcal{C}\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle ::.\text{ctor}: (\overline{\sigma'}) | \\ \quad \mathcal{C}\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle ::.\text{ctor}: (\overline{\sigma'}) \in \text{CMG}, \\ \quad |\overline{\sigma'}| = n, \Gamma \vdash \overline{e}_i <:_i \overline{\sigma'_i}[\overline{X_C} := \overline{\sigma_c}] \ i \in 1..n\} \\ |\text{AMG}| \geq 1 \end{array}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{new } \mathcal{C}\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle(e_1, \dots, e_n) \uparrow \text{C}\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle \rightsquigarrow \text{ObjectCreate}[\mathcal{C}\langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle](E_1: \sigma_1, \dots, E_n: \sigma_n)} \\ \\
 [\text{S-MInvDyn1}] \frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow E_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash \overline{e_2} \uparrow^+ \overline{\sigma} \rightsquigarrow \overline{E_2} \\ \Gamma \vdash e_1.m \langle \overline{\sigma_1} \rangle(\overline{e_2}) \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow \text{MInvoke}[m](E_1: \text{dynamic}, \overline{E_2}; \overline{\sigma}) \end{array}}{} \\ \\
 [\text{S-MInvDyn2}] \frac{\begin{array}{c} \Gamma \vdash e \uparrow \sigma \rightsquigarrow E \\ \Gamma \vdash e_1 \uparrow^+ \sigma_1 \rightsquigarrow E_1 \dots \Gamma \vdash e_n \uparrow^+ \sigma_n \rightsquigarrow E_n \\ \exists j. 1 \leq j \leq n. \sigma_j = \text{dynamic} \\ \text{AMG} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\mathcal{C}\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: m \langle \overline{X_m} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma} \rangle: (\overline{\sigma'}) \rightarrow \sigma_r | \\ \quad \mathcal{C}\langle \overline{X_C} \rangle \langle \overline{\sigma_C} \rangle :: m \langle \overline{X_m} \rangle: (\overline{\sigma'}) \rightarrow \sigma_r \in \text{CMG}, \\ \quad |\overline{X_m}| = |\overline{\sigma_1}|, |\overline{\sigma'}| = n, \Gamma \vdash \overline{e}_i <:_i \overline{\sigma'_i}[\overline{X_C} := \overline{\sigma_C}, \overline{X_m} := \overline{\sigma_1}] \ i \in 1..n\} \\ |\text{AMG}| \geq 1 \end{array}}{\Gamma \vdash e.m \langle \overline{\sigma_1} \rangle(e_1, \dots, e_n) \uparrow \text{dynamic} \rightsquigarrow \text{MInvoke}[m](E: \sigma, (E_1: \sigma_1, \dots, E_n: \sigma_n))} \end{array}$$

Big Picture

- Any type can be implicitly converted to `dynamic`
- `dynamic` converted to `object` during translation
- Compile-time knowledge (i.e. `int` literals) retained
- Appropriate run-time casts inserted (subclassed relation)
- Overload resolution uses run-time and compile-time knowledge
- Type preservation (hooray!)

Operational Semantics (1/2)

- Payload component ($r : \sigma$) = run-time value, type
 - ▶ Look up type from context if $\sigma = \text{dynamic}$
 - ▶ Do type checking and synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c} [\text{S-PayODyn}] \frac{}{\Gamma, o: \tau \vdash o: \text{dynamic} \uparrow \tau \rightsquigarrow o} \quad [\text{S-PayIntDyn}] \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash i: \text{dynamic} \uparrow \text{int} \rightsquigarrow i} \\ \qquad\qquad\qquad [\text{S-PayStatic}] \frac{\sigma \neq \text{dynamic}}{\Gamma \vdash o: \sigma \uparrow \sigma \rightsquigarrow o} \\ \\ [\text{C-PayODyn}] \frac{\tau \lessdot; \sigma \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma, o: \tau \vdash o: \text{dynamic} \lessdot; \sigma \rightsquigarrow C[o]} \\ \\ [\text{C-PayNullDyn}] \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash \text{null}: \text{dynamic} \lessdot; \rho \rightsquigarrow \text{null}} \\ \\ [\text{C-PayIntDyn}] \frac{\text{int} \lessdot; \sigma \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash i: \text{dynamic} \lessdot; \sigma \rightsquigarrow C[i]} \quad [\text{C-PayIntLit}] \frac{1 \leq i \leq 255}{\Gamma \vdash i: \text{int}^l \lessdot; \text{byte} \rightsquigarrow i} \\ \\ [\text{C-PayStatic}] \frac{\sigma_1 \neq \text{dynamic} \quad \sigma_1 \lessdot; \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow C}{\Gamma \vdash r: \sigma_1 \lessdot; \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow C[r]} \end{array}$$

Operational Semantics (2/2)

- It all comes down to the CLR . . .

$$[\text{E-Convert}] \frac{|H| \vdash o:\sigma_1 <:; \sigma_2 \rightsquigarrow E}{\langle H, ST, \text{Convert}[\sigma_2](o:\sigma_1), FS \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, ST, E, FS \rangle}$$

$$[\text{E-DMemAcc}] \frac{|H| \vdash (o:\sigma).f <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow E}{\langle H, ST, \text{MemberAccess}[f](o:\sigma), FS \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, ST, E, FS \rangle}$$

$$[\text{E-DNew}] \frac{|H| \vdash \text{new } C<\bar{\sigma}>(\overline{r:\sigma'}) <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow E}{\langle H, ST, \text{ObjectCreate}[C<\bar{\sigma}>](\overline{r:\sigma'}), FS \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, ST, E, FS \rangle}$$

$$[\text{E-DDeclInv}] \frac{|H| \vdash o:\sigma(\overline{r:\sigma'}) <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow E}{\langle H, ST, \text{DInvoke}(o:\sigma, \overline{r:\sigma'}), FS \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, ST, E, FS \rangle}$$

$$[\text{E-DMethInv}] \frac{|H| \vdash (o:\sigma).m(\overline{r:\sigma'}) <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow E}{\langle H, ST, \text{MInvoke}[m](o:\sigma, \overline{r:\sigma'}), FS \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, ST, E, FS \rangle}$$

$$[\text{E-DFAss}] \frac{|H| \vdash (o:\sigma).f=(o':\sigma') <:; \text{object} \rightsquigarrow E}{\langle H, ST, \text{Assign}[f](o:\sigma, o':\sigma');, FS \rangle \rightarrow \langle H, ST, E, FS \rangle}$$

Questions?

