Exercises 7 (Contextual analysis)

7A. (Type checking)

The course notes (slide 7-11) outline type checking on some Fun AST fragments. In similar style, outline type checking on the following AST fragments:



7B. (*Symbol tables*)

The structure of a compiler's symbol tables (e.g., the type table) depends on the source language's block structure. What can you say about the structure of a symbol table in a compiler for each of the following source languages?

- (a) In early versions of Cobol, all variables were global.
- (b) In early versions of Fortran, all variables were either global or local. A local variable could have the same identifier as a global variable (but then the local variable would "hide" the global variable).
- (c) In C, the program consists of declarations of global variables and functions. A function body is a block ("{ ... }"). Any block may contain nested blocks. Any block may contain declarations of local variables. A local variable can have the same identifier as a global variable or even a variable declared in an enclosing block (but then the local variable would "hide" the other variable).