

Semantic analysis requires:

- checking the **types of all expressions**
- showing the program satisfies
all non-grammatical requirements

Let's consider the non-grammatical requirements first.

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Three deal with **function names at the global level**:

- each function name is defined exactly once
- there **is** a user-defined function named `main`
- there **is not** a user-defined function named `print`

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We can implement each of these checks with a loop over the list of function definitions that make up the program.

For example:

```
for p in list of defs
    if p.name = "print" then
        addError
            ("user-defined function named 'print'")
```

All three of these checks can be done with a single loop:

```
f_named_main = false
list_of_names = []

for f in list of function defs
  if f.name = "print"
    then addError
      ("user-defined function named 'print'")
  if f.name = "main"
    then f_named_main = true
  if f.name in list_of_names
    then addError("duplicate function named", f.name)
    else add f.name to list_of_names

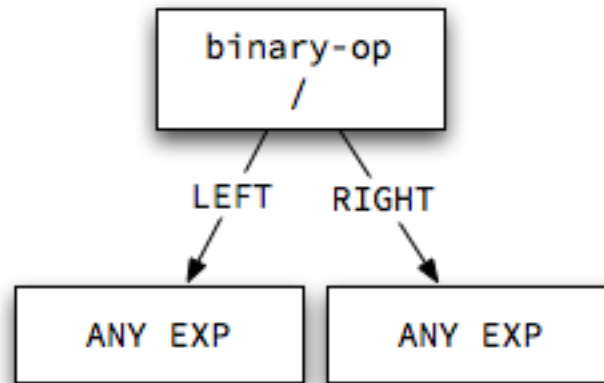
if !f_named_main
  then addError("no user-defined function named 'main'")
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```

The other two deal with **names used within a function**:

- each parameter name
is defined exactly once in a given function
- each function
refers only to its formal parameters and other functions

We can implement the first with a **loop over the parameter list** and the second with a **tree traversal** of the function's body that validates each identifier and function call.

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To type-check this or any other node, a semantic checker needs to...

1. Type-check its parts.
2. Apply a type rule to the results.

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The type rule for divide and other binary arithmetic ops is:

```
if type(left operand) == integer
  and
  type(right operand) == integer

  then type of node = integer
  else type of node = error
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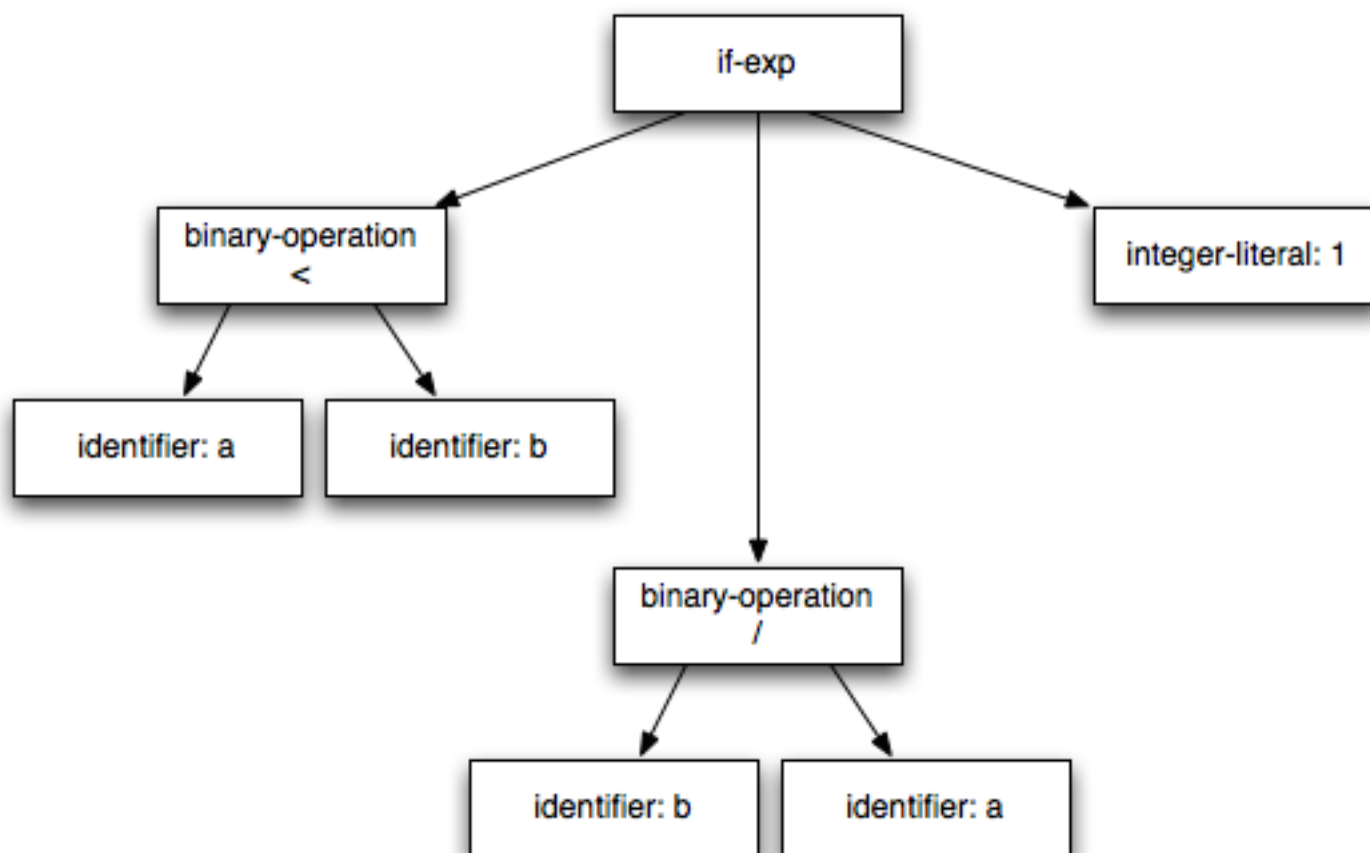
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Consider this Klein **if** expression:

```
if (a < b)
  then b / a
  else 1
```

Its AST looks something like this:

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Our type checker must:

- type check the condition
- type check the then clause
- type check the else clause

And then apply a rule:

```
if type(condition) == boolean
    and type(then) == type(else)
then
    type(if-exp) = type(then)
else
    type(if-exp) = error
```

Quick exercise:

What type expression might a semantic checker assign to this Klein `if` expression?

```
if (a < b)
  then b / a
  else false
```

What if we change `(a < b)` to `true` ?

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Applying that type rule, the **if** expression from our exercise:

```
if (a < b)
  then b / a
  else false
```

has a type of error. We can never use this expression as the body of a function. It cannot guarantee to return an integer or a boolean.

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But what of **this** expression?

```
print(  
    if (a < b)  
    then b / a  
    else false  
)
```

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Our Klein compiler **can** support this feature by assigning a new kind of type to the `if` expression:

`OR(type1, type2)`

This is a new kind of constructed type.

It says an expression is **either** `type1` **or** `type2`.

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Types have structure.

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integer

pointer

boolean

integer

array

tuple

sequence [0..9]

integer

string

int

function

tuple

int

string

int


```
function divides(x: integer, n: integer): boolean  
  MOD(n, x) = 0
```

The rule we need to type-check a **function definition** looks like this:

```
if type of body == type of return type  
then  
  type of function def  
    = function(parameters type, return type)  
  
else  
  type of function def = error
```

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```
divides( count(1, binary_n), n )
```

The rule we need to type-check a **function call** looks like this:

```
if type of function def == function(s, t)
    and
    type of argument list == s
then
    type of function call = t
else
    type of function call = error
```