

The Cedilleum Language Specification

Syntax, Typing, Reduction, and Elaboration

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1 Syntax

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| id | identifiers for definitions |
| u | term variables |
| X | type variables |
| k | kind variables |
| $x ::= id \mid u \mid X$ | non-kind variables |

Figure 1: Identifiers

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Figure 2: Untyped terms

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| <i>mod</i> | ::= | module <i>id</i> . <i>imprt</i> * <i>cmd</i> * | module declarations |
| <i>imprt</i> | ::= | import <i>id</i> . | module imports |
| <i>cmd</i> | ::= | <i>defTermOrType</i> <i>defDataType</i> <i>defKind</i> | definitions |
| <i>defTermOrType</i> | ::= | <i>id</i> <i>checkType</i> ? = <i>term</i> . | term definition |
| | | <i>id</i> : <i>kind</i> = <i>type</i> . | type definition |
| <i>defDataType</i> | ::= | data <i>id</i> <i>param</i> * : <i>kind</i> = <i>constr</i> * . | datatype definitions |
| <i>defKind</i> | ::= | <i>k</i> = <i>kind</i> | |
| <i>checkType</i> | ::= | : <i>type</i> | annotation for term definition |
| <i>param</i> | ::= | (<i>x</i> : <i>typeOrKind</i>) | |
| <i>typeOrKind</i> | ::= | <i>type</i> <i>kind</i> | |
| <i>constr</i> | ::= | <i>id</i> : <i>type</i> | |

Figure 3: Modules and definitions

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| <i>kind</i> | ::= | \star | |
| | | $\Pi x : \text{typeOrKind} . \text{kind}$ | explicit product |
| | | $\text{typeOrKind} \rightarrow \text{kind}$ | kind arrow |
| | | (<i>kind</i>) | |
| <i>type</i> | ::= | <i>X</i> | |
| | | $\Pi x : \text{type} . \text{type}$ | explicit product |
| | | $\forall x : \text{typeOrKind} . \text{type}$ | implicit product |
| | | $\lambda x : \text{typeOrKind} . \text{type}$ | type-level function |
| | | $\text{type} \rightarrow \text{type}$ | normal arrow type |
| | | $\text{type} \Rightarrow \text{type}$ | arrow with erased domain |
| | | $\text{type} \cdot \text{type}$ | |
| | | <i>type term</i> | |
| | | { <i>uterm</i> \simeq <i>uterm</i> } | untyped equality |
| | | (<i>type</i>) | |

Figure 4: Kinds and types

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| <i>term</i> | $::=$ | x | |
| | | $\lambda x \text{ class}^? . \text{term}$ | normal abstraction |
| | | $\Lambda x \text{ class}^? . \text{term}$ | erased abstraction |
| | | $[\text{defTermOrType}] - \text{term}$ | let |
| | | $\text{term } \text{term}$ | applications |
| | | $\text{term} - \text{term}$ | application to an erased term |
| | | $\text{term} \cdot \text{type}$ | application to a type |
| | | $\beta \{ \text{term} \}$ | reflexivity of equality |
| | | $\varsigma \text{ term}$ | symmetry of equality |
| | | $\rho \text{ term} - \text{term}$ | equality elimination by rewriting |
| | | $\delta - \text{term}$ | ex falso quodlibet |
| | | $\phi \text{ term} - \text{term} \{ \text{term} \}$ | type cast |
| | | $\chi \text{ type}^? - \text{term}$ | check a term against a type |
| | | $\mu \text{ term motive}^? \{ \text{case}^* \}$ | pattern match and fixpoint |
| | | (term) | |
| <i>vararg</i> | $::=$ | u | normal constructor argument |
| | | $- u$ | erased constructor argument |
| | | $\cdot X$ | type constructor argument |
| <i>class</i> | $::=$ | $: \text{typeOrKind}$ | |
| <i>motive</i> | $::=$ | $@ \text{type}$ | motive for induction |
| <i>case</i> | $::=$ | $ \text{id arg}^* \mapsto \text{term}$ | |

Figure 5: Annotated Terms