## 0.0.1 At Index

The operation atIndex will return the Value at a specified numeric index within a Collection or an empty Collection if there is no value at the specified index.

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 \begin{array}{l} -atIndex[Collection,\mathbb{N}] \\ -idx?:\mathbb{N} \\ coll?:Collection \\ -atIndex\_:Collection \times \mathbb{N} \to V \\ \hline \\ \#idx?=1 \\ coll!=atIndex(coll?,idx?)=(head(idx? \mid coll?)) \iff idx? \in coll? \\ coll!=atIndex(coll?,idx?)=\langle\rangle \iff idx? \not\in coll? \end{array}
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Given the definition of the Collection and V free types

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Collection :== emptyColl \mid append \langle \langle Collection \times Scalar \vee Collection \vee KV \times \mathbb{N} \rangle \rangle
V ::= Scalar \mid Collection \mid KV
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The collection member  $coll?_{idx?}: V$  is implied from append accepting the argument of type  $Scalar \vee Collection \vee KV \equiv V$  which means each Collection member is of type V. Given that extraction ( $\_ \uparrow \_$ ) returns a Collection,

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\frac{\operatorname{seq} X : Collection}{-1 - : \mathbb{P} \mathbb{N}_1 \times \operatorname{seq} X \to \operatorname{seq} X}
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in order for atIndex to return the collection member without altering its type, the first member of atIdx' must be returned, not atIdx' itself.

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atIdx' : Collection
coll!, coll?_{idx?} : V
atIdx' = (idx? \uparrow coll?) \Rightarrow \langle coll?_{idx?} \rangle
coll! = head(atIdx') = coll?_{idx?}
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The head call is made possible by restricting idx? to be a single numeric value.

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\begin{split} idx?, idx': \mathbb{N} \\ & \# idx? = 1 \bullet (idx? \mid coll?) = \langle coll?_{idx?} \rangle \bullet \\ & (head(idx? \mid coll?)) = coll?_{idx?} \quad \text{[expected return given } idx?] \\ & \# idx' \geq 2 \bullet (idx' \mid coll?) = \langle coll?_{idx'_i} \dots coll?_{idx'_j} \rangle \bullet \\ & (head(idx' \mid coll?)) = coll?_{idx'_i} \quad \text{[unexpected return given } idx'] \end{split}
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Additionally, if the provided  $idx? \notin coll?$  then an empty Collection will be returned given that head must be passed a non-empty Collection.

$$\frac{head : \operatorname{seq}_1 X \to X}{idx? \notin coll?} \Rightarrow (idx? \restriction coll?) = \langle \rangle \neg \operatorname{seq}_1$$

The properties of atIndex are illustrated in the following examples.

$$\begin{split} X &= \langle x_0, x_1, x_2 \rangle \\ x_0 &= 0 \\ x_1 &= foo \\ x_2 &= \langle a, b, c \rangle \\ atIndex(X, 0) &= 0 & [head \left( \langle \, x_0 \, \rangle \right)] \\ atIndex(X, 1) &= foo & [head \left( \langle \, x_1 \, \rangle \right)] \\ atIndex(X, 2) &= \langle a, b, c \rangle & [head \left( \langle \, x_2 \, \rangle \right)] \\ atIndex(X, 3) &= \langle \, \rangle & [3 \not\in X \Rightarrow x_3 \not\in X] \end{split}$$