## MEDFORD Grammar

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\langle comment \rangle
                             ::= from # to end-of-line
                             ::= `@ \langle string-literal \rangle
\langle macro \rangle
                               \langle \cancel{L} T_{\cancel{E}} X-literal\rangle
                             ::= \$\$ \langle \cancel{L} T_F X \rangle \$\$
                             ::= *((\langle string\text{-}literal \rangle \mid \langle PATEX\text{-}literal \rangle \mid \langle macro \rangle) \langle whitespace \rangle)
\langle text \rangle
                                    terminated by (# | @ | `@)
\langle macro-def \rangle
                             ::= \langle macro \rangle \langle whitespace \rangle \langle text \rangle
\langle minor-token \rangle
                             ::= \langle string\text{-}literal \rangle (expected tokens defined in the spec)
\langle \mathit{data-prov-token} \rangle \, ::= \, \mathtt{Data\_Primary} \mid \mathtt{Data\_Copy} \mid \mathtt{Data\_Ref}
                                    Code_Primary | Code_Copy | Code_Ref
                                | Paper Primary | Paper Copy | Paper Ref
\langle major-token \rangle
                             ::= Code | Comment | Contributor | Data | Date | Expedetion
                                      File | Funding | Keyword | Method | Paper | Software
                                     | Species | Version
                                   \langle data-prov-token \rangle
                                    \langle string\text{-}literal \rangle
\langle linking\text{-}token \rangle
                             ::= Q(major-token) \langle text \rangle
\langle metadata \rangle
                             ::= @ \langle major-token \rangle - \langle minor-token \rangle \langle whitespace \rangle \langle text \rangle
\langle statement \rangle
                             ::= \langle metadata \rangle
                                     \langle comment \rangle
                                    \langle macro-def \rangle
                                    \langle empty \rangle
\langle MEDFORD \rangle
                             ::= *\langle statement \rangle
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Notes:

- ullet < string-literal> excludes whitespace
- $\bullet$   $<\!linking\text{-}token\!>$  must reference a major token that exists