# Cedille2: A proof theoretic redesign of the Calculus of Dependent Lambda Eliminations

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# PREFACE

#### INTRODUCTION

Type theory is a tool for reasoning about assertions of some domain of discourse. When applied to programming languages that domain is the expressible programs and their properties. Of course, a type theory may be rich enough to express detailed properties about a program, such that it halts or returns an even number. Therein lies a tension between what properties a type theory can faithfully (i.e. consistently) encode and the complexity of the type theory itself. If the theory is too complex then it may be untenable to prove that the type theory is well-behaved. Indeed, the design space of type theories is vast, likely infinite. When incorporating features the designer must balance complexity against capability.

Modern type theory arguably began with Martin-Löf in the 1970s and 1980s when he introduced a dependent type theory with the philosophical aspirations of being an alternative foundation of mathematics [19, 20]. Soon after in 1985, the Calculus of Constructions (CC) was introduced by Coquand [5, 6]. Inductive data (e.g. natural numbers, lists, trees) was shown by Guevers to be impossible to derive in CC [11]. Nevertheless, inductive data was added as an extension by Pfenning [24] and the Calculus of Inductive Constructions (CIC) became the basis for the proof assistant Rocq [23].

In the early 1990s Barendregt introduced a generalization to Pure Type Systems (PTS) and studied CC under his now famous  $\lambda$ -cube [2, 1]. The  $\lambda$ -cube demonstrated how CC could be deconstructed into four essential sorts of functions. At its base was the Simply Typed Lambda Calculus (STLC) a type theory introduced in the 1940s by Church to correct logical consistency issues in his (untyped)  $\lambda$ -calculus [4]. The STLC has only basic functions found in all programming languages. System F, a type theory introduced by Girard [13, 14] and independently by Reynolds [27], is obtained from STLC by adding quantification over types (i.e. polymorphic functions). Adding a

copy of STLC at the type-layer, functions from types to types, yields System  $F^{\omega}$ . Finally, the addition of quantification over terms or functions from terms to types, completes CC. While this is not the only path through the  $\lambda$ -cube to arrive at CC it is the most well-known and the most immediately relevant.

Perhaps surprisingly, all the systems of the  $\lambda$ -cube correspond to a logic. In the 1970s Curry circulated his observations about the STLC corresponding to intuitionistic propositional logic [15]. Reynolds and Girard's combined work demonstrated that System F corresponds to second-order intuitionistic propositional logic [13, 27, 28]. Indeed, Barendregt extended the correspondence to all systems in his  $\lambda$ -cube noting System  $F^{\omega}$  as corresponding to higher-order intuitionistic propositional logic and CC as corresponding to higher-order intuitionistic predicate logic [1]. Fundamentally, the Curry-Howard correspondence associates programs of a type theory with proofs of a logic, and types with formula. However, the correspondence is not an isomorphism because the logical view does not possess a unique assignment of proofs. The type theory contains potentially *more* information than the proof derivation.

Cedille is a programming language with a core type theory based on CC [30, 31]. However, Cedille took an alternative road to obtaining inductive data than what was done in the 1980s. Instead, CC was modified to add the implicit products of Miquel [21], the dependent intersections of Kopylov [17], and an equality type over untyped terms. The initial goal of Cedille was to find an efficient way to encode inductive data. This was achieved in 2018 with Mendler-style lambda encodings [8]. However, the design of Cedille sacrificed certain properties such as the decidability of type checking. Decidability of type checking was stressed by Kreisel to Scott as necessary to reduce proof checking to type checking because a proof does not, under Kreisel's philosophy, diverge [29]. This puts into contention if Cedille corresponds to a logic at all. What remains is to describe the redesign of Cedille such that it does have decidability of type checking and to argue why this state of affairs is preferable. However, completing this journey requires a deeper introduction into the type theories of the  $\lambda$ -cube.

$$t ::= x \mid \mathfrak{b}(\kappa_{1}, x : t_{1}, t_{2}) \mid \mathfrak{c}(\kappa_{2}, t_{1}, \dots, t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_{2})})$$

$$\kappa_{1} ::= \lambda \mid \Pi$$

$$\kappa_{2} ::= \star \mid \square \mid \text{app}$$

$$\mathfrak{a}(\star) = \mathfrak{a}(\square) = 0$$

$$\mathfrak{a}(\text{app}) = 2$$

$$\lambda x : t_{1} \cdot t_{2} := \mathfrak{b}(\lambda, x : t_{1}, t_{2})$$

$$(x : t_{1}) \to t_{2} := \mathfrak{b}(\Pi, x : t_{1}, t_{2})$$

$$t_{1} \ t_{2} := \mathfrak{c}(\text{app}, t_{1}, t_{2})$$

$$\square := \mathfrak{c}(\square)$$

Figure 1.1: Syntax for System  $F^{\omega}$ .

# 1.1 System $F^{\omega}$

The following description of System  $F^{\omega}$  differs from the standard presentation in a few important ways:

- 1. the syntax introduced is of a generic form which makes certain definitions more economical,
- 2. a bidirectional PTS style is used but weakening is replaced with a well-formed context relation.

These changes do not affect the set of proofs or formula that are derivable internally in the system.

Syntax consists of three forms: variables (x, y, z, ...), binders  $(\mathfrak{b})$ , and constructors  $(\mathfrak{c})$ . Every binder and constructor has an associated discriminate or tag to determine the specific syntactic form. Constructor tags have an associated arity  $(\mathfrak{a})$  which determines the number of arguments, or subterms, the specific constructor contains. A particular syntactic expression will be interchangeably called a syntactic form, a term, or a subterm if it exists inside another term in context. See Figure 1.1 for the complete syntax of  $F^{\omega}$ . Note that the grammar for the syntax is defined using a BNF-style [9] where  $t := f(t_1, t_2, ...)$  represents a recursive definition defining a category of syntax, t, by its allowed subterms. For convenience a shorthand form is defined for each tag to maintain a more familiar appearance with standard syntactic definitions. Thus, instead of writing  $\mathfrak{b}(\lambda, (x : A), t)$  the more common form is used:  $\lambda x$ :

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FV(x) = \{x\}
FV(\mathfrak{b}(\kappa_{1}, x : t_{1}, t_{2})) = FV(t_{1}) \cup (FV(t_{2}) - \{x\})
FV(\mathfrak{c}(\kappa_{2}, t_{1}, \dots, t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_{2})})) = FV(t_{1}) \cup \dots \cup FV(t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_{2})})
[y := t]x = x
[y := t]y = t
[y := t]\mathfrak{b}(\kappa_{1}, x : t_{1}, t_{2}) = (\mathfrak{b}(\kappa_{1}, x : [y := t]t_{1}, [y := t]t_{2}))
[y := t]\mathfrak{c}(\kappa_{2}, t_{1}, \dots, t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_{2})}) = \mathfrak{c}(\kappa_{2}, [y := t]t_{1}, \dots, [y := t]t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_{2})})
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Figure 1.2: Operations on syntax for System  $F^{\omega}$ , including computing free variables and susbtitution.

A. t. Whenever the tag for a particular syntactic form is known the shorthand will always be used instead.

Free variables of syntax is defined by a straightforward recursion that collects variables that are not bound in a set. Likewise, substitution is recursively defined by searching through subterms and replacing the associated free variable with the desired term. See Figure 1.2 for the definitions of substitution and computing free variables. However, there are issues with variable renaming that must be solved. A syntactic form is renamed by consistently replacing bound and free variables such that there is no variable capture. For example, the syntax  $\lambda x: A.y$  x cannot be renamed to  $\lambda y: A.y$  y because it captures the free variable y with the binder  $\lambda$ . More critically, variable capture changes the meaning of a term. There are several rigorous ways to solve variable renaming including (non-exhaustively): De Bruijn indices (or levels) [7], locally-nameless representations [3], nominal sets [25], locally-nameless sets [26], etc. All techniques incorporate some method of representing syntax uniquely with respect to renaming. For this work the variable bureaucracy will be dispensed with. It will be assumed that renaming is implicitly applied whenever necessary to maintain the meaning of a term. For example,  $\lambda x: A.y = \lambda z: A.y = \lambda z$  and the substitution  $[x := t] \lambda x : A. y x$  unfolds to  $\lambda x : [x := t] A. [z := t] (y x)$ .

The syntax of  $F^{\omega}$  has a well understood notion of reduction (or dynamics,

$$\frac{t_1 \leadsto t_1'}{\mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1, t_2) \leadsto \mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1', t_2)} \qquad \frac{t_2 \leadsto t_2'}{\mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1, t_2) \leadsto \mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1, t_2')}$$

$$\frac{t_i \leadsto t_i' \qquad i \in 1, \dots, \mathfrak{a}(\kappa)}{\mathfrak{c}(\kappa, t_1, \dots t_i, \dots t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa)}) \leadsto \mathfrak{c}(\kappa, t_1, \dots t_i', \dots t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa)})}$$

$$(\lambda \, x: A. \, b) \, t \leadsto [x:=t]b$$

Figure 1.3: Reduction rules for System  $F^{\omega}$ .

or computation) defined in Figure 1.3. This is an *inductive* definition of a twoargument relation on terms. A given rule of the definition is represented by a collection of premises  $(P_1, \ldots, P_n)$  written above the horizontal line and a conclusion (C) written below the line. An optional name for the rule (EXAMPLE) appears to the right of the horizontal line. An inductive definition induces a structural induction principle allowing reasoning by cases on the rules and applying the induction hypothesis on the premises. During inductive proofs it is convenient to name the derivation of a premise  $(\mathcal{D}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{D}_n)$ . Moreover, to minimize clutter during proofs the name of the rule is removed.

$$\frac{P_1 \quad \dots \quad P_n}{C} \quad \text{EXAMPLE} \quad \frac{P_1}{P_1} \quad \dots \quad \frac{P_n}{P_n}$$

Inductive definitions build a finite tree of rule applications concluding with axioms (or leafs). Axioms are written without premises and optionally include the horizontal line. The reduction relation for  $F^{\omega}$  consists of three rules and one axiom. Relations defined in this manner are always the *least* relation that satisfies the definition. In other words, any related terms must have a corresponding inductive tree witnessing the relation.

The reduction relation (or step relation) models function application anywhere in a term via its axiom, called the  $\beta$ -rule. This relation is antisymmetric. There is a *source* term s and a *target* term t,  $s \leadsto t$ , where t is the result of

$$\frac{t \ R \ t'}{t \ R^* \ t'} \ \text{Reflexive} \qquad \frac{t \ R \ t'}{t \ R^* \ t''} \ \text{Transitive}$$

Figure 1.4: Reflexive-transitive closure of a relation R.

one function evaluation in s. Alternatively,  $s \rightsquigarrow t$  is read as s steps to t. Note that if there is no  $\lambda$ -term applied to an argument (i.e. no function ready to be evaluated) for a given term t then that term cannot be the source term in the reduction relation. A term that cannot be a source is called a value. If there exists some sequence of terms related by reduction that end with a value, then all source terms in the sequence are normalizing. If all possible sequences of related terms end with a value for a particular source term s, then s is strongly normalizing. Restricting the set of terms to a normalizing subset is critical to achieve decidability of the reduction relation.

For any relation -R-, the reflexive-transitive closure  $(-R^*-)$  is inductively defined with two rules as shown in Figure 1.4. In the case of the step relation the reflexive-transitive closure,  $s \leadsto^* t$ , is called the *multistep relation*. Additionally, when  $s \leadsto^* t$  then s multisteps to t. It is easy to show that any reflexive-transitive closure is itself transitive.

**Lemma 1.** Let R be a relation on a set A and let  $a, b, c \in A$ . If a  $R^*$  b and b  $R^*$  c then a  $R^*$  c.

*Proof.* By induction on  $a R^* b$ .

Case: 
$$\frac{\phantom{a}}{t R^* t}$$

It must be the case the a = b.

Case: 
$$\frac{t\overset{\mathcal{D}_1}{R}\,t'}{t\;R^*\;t''} \frac{t'\overset{\mathcal{D}_2}{R^*}\,t''}{t\;R^*\;t''}$$

Let z = t', then we have a R z and  $z R^* b$ . By the inductive hypothesis (IH) we have  $z R^* c$  and by the transitive rule we have  $a R^* c$  as desired.

Two terms are *convertible*, written  $t_1 \equiv t_2$ , if  $\exists t'$  such that  $t_1 \leadsto^* t'$  and  $t_2 \leadsto^* t'$ . Note that this is not the only way to define convertibility in a type theory, but it is the standard method for a PTS. Convertibility is used in the typing rules to allow syntax forms to have continued valid types as terms reduce. It may be tempting to view conversion as the reflexive-symmetric-transitive closure of the step relation, but transitivity is not an obvious property. In fact, proving transitivity of conversion is often a significant effort, beginning with the confluence lemma.

**Lemma 2** (Confluence). If  $s \rightsquigarrow^* t_1$  and  $s \rightsquigarrow^* t_2$  then there exists a t' such that  $t_1 \rightsquigarrow^* t'$  and  $t_2 \rightsquigarrow^* t'$ .

*Proof.* See Appendix A for a proof of confluence involving a larger reduction relation. Note that  $F^{\omega}$ 's step relation is a subset of this relation and thus is confluent.

**Theorem 1** (Transitivity of Conversion). If  $a \equiv b$  and  $b \equiv c$  then  $a \equiv c$ 

*Proof.* By premises we know  $\exists u, v$  such that  $a \rightsquigarrow^* u, b \rightsquigarrow^* u, b \rightsquigarrow^* v$ , and  $c \rightsquigarrow^* v$ . By confluence,  $\exists z$  such that  $u \rightsquigarrow^* z$  and  $v \rightsquigarrow^* z$ . By transitivity of multistep reduction,  $a \rightsquigarrow^* z$  and  $c \rightsquigarrow^* z$ . Therefore,  $a \equiv c$ .

Figure 1.5 defines the typing relation on terms for  $F^{\omega}$ . As previously mentioned this formulation is different from standard presentations. Four relations are defined mutually:

- 1.  $\Gamma \vdash t \rhd T$ , to be read as T is the inferred type of the term t in the context  $\Gamma$  or, t infers T in  $\Gamma$ ;
- 2.  $\Gamma \vdash t \triangleright T$ , to be read as T is the inferred type, possibly after some reduction, of the term t in the context  $\Gamma$  or, t reduction-infers T in  $\Gamma$ ;
- 3.  $\Gamma \vdash t \vartriangleleft T$ , to be read as T is checked against the inferred type of the term t in the context  $\Gamma$  or, t checks against T in  $\Gamma$ ;

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A}{\Gamma \vdash t \blacktriangleright B} \xrightarrow{A \leadsto^* B} \text{RedInf} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A}{\Gamma \vdash t \lhd B} \xrightarrow{\Gamma \vdash t \lhd B} \text{Chk}$$

$$\frac{\neg \vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A} \xrightarrow{A \Longrightarrow^* B} \text{RedInf} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash B \blacktriangleright K \qquad A \equiv B}{\Gamma \vdash t \lhd B} \xrightarrow{CHK}$$

$$\frac{\neg \vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash k \rhd \Box} \xrightarrow{AXIOM} \qquad \frac{\vdash \Gamma \qquad \Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright K}{\vdash \Gamma, x : A} \xrightarrow{CTXAPP}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma \qquad \Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright \Box \qquad \Gamma, x : A \vdash B \blacktriangleright \Box}{\Gamma \vdash (x : A) \to B \rhd \Box} \xrightarrow{P11} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright K \qquad \Gamma, x : A \vdash B \blacktriangleright \star}{\Gamma \vdash (x : A) \to B \rhd \star} \xrightarrow{P12}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash (x : A) \to B \blacktriangleright K}{\Gamma, x : A \vdash t \rhd B} \xrightarrow{\Gamma \vdash a \lhd A} \xrightarrow{\Gamma \vdash a \lhd A} \xrightarrow{PP} \xrightarrow{PP12}$$

Figure 1.5: Typing rules for System  $F^{\omega}$ . The variable K is a metavariable representing either  $\star$  or  $\square$ .

4.  $\vdash \Gamma$ , to be read as the context  $\Gamma$  is well-formed, and thus consists only of types that themselves have a type

Note that there are two PI rules that restrict the domain and codomain pairs of function types to three possibilities:  $(\Box, \Box)$ ,  $(\star, \star)$ , and  $(\Box, \star)$ . This is exactly what is required by the  $\lambda$ -cube for this definition to be  $F^{\omega}$ . For the unfamiliar reading this rules is arcane, thus below is exposition of a selection of the typing rules to better acclimate the reader with the notation:

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash \star \rhd \Box}$$
 Axiom The axiom rule has one premise, requiring that the context is well-formed. It concludes that the constant term  $\star$  has type  $\Box$ . Intuitively, the term  $\star$  should be viewed as a universe of types, or a type of types, often referred to as a *kind*. Likewise, the term  $\Box$  should be viewed as a universe of kinds, or a kind of kinds. An alternative idea would be to change the conclusion to  $\Gamma \vdash \star \rhd \star$ . This is called the *type-in-type* rule, and it causes the type theory to be inconsistent [13, 16]. Note that there is no way

to determine a type for  $\square$ . It plays the role of a type only.

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma \quad (x:A) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x \rhd A} \text{ VAR}$$

 $\Gamma \vdash x \rhd A$  The variable rule is a context lookup. It scans the context to determine if the variable is anywhere in context and then the associated type is what that variable infers. This rule is what requires the typing relation to mention a context. Whenever a type is inferred or checked it is always desired that the context is well-formed. That is why the variable rule also requires the context to be well-formed as a premise, because it is a leaf relative to the inference relation. Without this additional premise there could be typed terms in ill-formed contexts.

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f \blacktriangleright (x:A) \to B \qquad \Gamma \vdash a \lhd A}{\Gamma \vdash f \ a \rhd [x:=a]B} \text{ App}$$

 $\Gamma \vdash f \ a \rhd [x := a]B$  The application rule infers the type of the term f and reduces that type until it looks like a function-type. Once a function type is required it is clear that the type of the term a must match the function-type's argument-type. Thus, a is checked against the type A. Finally, the inferred result of the application is the codomain of the function-type B with the term a substituted for any free occurrences of x in B. This substitution is necessary because this application could be a type application to a type function. For example, let  $f = \lambda X : \star$  id X where id is the identity term. The inferred type of f is then  $(X : \star) \to X \to X$ . Let  $a = \mathbb{N}$  (any type constant), then  $f \ a \rhd [X := \mathbb{N}](X \to X)$  or  $f \ a \rhd \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$ .

While this presentation of  $F^{\omega}$  is not standard Lennon-Bertrand demonstrated that it is equivalent to the standard formulation [18]. In fact, Lennon-Bertrand showed that a similar formulation is logically equivalent for the stronger CIC. Thus, the standard metatheoretical results, such that well-typed terms of  $F^{\omega}$  are strongly normalizing still holds.

**Theorem 2** (Strong Normalization of  $F^{\omega}$ ). If  $\Gamma \vdash t \rhd T$  then t and T are strongly normalizing

*Proof.* System  $F^{\omega}$  is a subsystem of CC which has several proofs of strong normalization. See (non-exhaustively) proofs using saturated sets [10], model theory [32], realizability [22], etc.

With strong normalization the convertibility relation is decidable, and moreover, type checking is decidable. Let red be a function that reduces its input until it is either  $\star$ ,  $\square$ , a binder, or in normal form. Note that this function is defined easily by applying the outermost reduction and matching on the resulting term. Let conv test the convertibility of two terms. Note that this function may be defined by reducing both terms to normal forms and comparing them for syntactic identity. Both functions are well-defined because  $F^{\omega}$  is strongly normalizing. Then the functions infer, check, and wf can be mutually defined by following the typing rules. Thus, type inference and type checking is decidable for  $F^{\omega}$ .

While it is true that  $F^{\omega}$  only has function types as primitives several other data types are internally derivable using function types. For example, the type of natural numbers is defined:

$$\mathbb{N}: \star = (X:\star) \to X \to (X \to X) \to X$$

Likewise, pairs and sum types are defined:

$$A \times B = (X : \star) \to (A \to B \to X) \to X$$
 
$$A + B = (X : \star) \to ((A \to X) \times (B \to X)) \to X$$

The logical constants true and false are defined:

$$\top = (X : \star) \to X \to X$$
$$\bot = (X : \star) \to X$$

Negation is defined as implying false:

$$\neg A = A \rightarrow \bot$$

These definitions are called *Church encodings* and originate from Church's initial encodings of data in the  $\lambda$ -calculus. However, recall that induction principles cannot be derived internally for these definitions [11]. This is not only cumbersome but unsatisfactory as the natural numbers are in their essence the least set satisfying their induction principle. Ultimately, the issue is that

these definitions are too general. They omit more possibilities than one would like, and those exotic elements break the principle of induction. Note that the syntax and theory of System  $F^{\omega}$  is not flexible enough to notice and define these exotic elements, but it is also not strong enough to rule them out.

#### 1.2 Calculus of Constructions

Describe extension to CC

#### 1.3 Cedille

Add an irrelevant equality and demonstrate how it breaks decidability

Describe, briefly, how Cedille enables inductive encodings through a quotient construction

#### 1.4 Thesis

Describe what the *thesis* of your work is

#### 1.5 Contributions

List the contributions of each chapter

#### THEORY DESCRIPTION AND BASIC METATHEORY

The theory described in this chapter is a variation of the core theory of Cedille [31]. It is closely related with the significant differences occurring with the equality type. This variation has two primary goals. First, to have decidable type checking (and thus decidable conversion checking). Second, to retain as many constructions as possible from Cedille. This chapter focuses on the description of the theory and some basic metatheory. By basic, we mean properties that are provable by induction on the various derivations or are otherwise provable using straightforward methods.

Syntax for the theory is described in Figure 2.1. Unlike other presentations a generic syntax tree is used with a tag to indicate different syntactic forms. There are three basic syntactic constructs: variables, binders, and constructors. A generic presentation enables occasional economic benefits in presenting other derivations. However, a more standard syntax is defined in terms of the generic one. The specific syntactic forms and the generic forms are used interchangeably whichever is more convenient.

Formally, syntax is worked with as a locally nameless set following the axioms of Pitts [2023pitts'lns]. For the sake of presentation these details are elided. This means that freshness of variables and capture avoiding substitution are largely taken for granted in the exposition of the theory. Moreover, identity of syntactic terms is assumed to be alpha equivalence. Meaning that, again, bureaucracy around variables is taken for granted. Thus, substitution is defined simply:

$$[x := v]y = v \text{ if } x = y$$

$$[x := v]y = y \text{ if } x \neq y$$

$$[x := v]\mathfrak{b}(\kappa_1, x : t_1, t_2) = \mathfrak{b}(\kappa_1, x : [x := v]t_1, [x := v]t_2)$$

$$[x := v]\mathfrak{c}(\kappa_2, t_1, \dots, t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_2)}) = \mathfrak{c}(\kappa_2, [x := v]t_1, \dots, [x := v]t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa_2)})$$

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t ::= x \mid \mathfrak{b}(\kappa_1, x : t_1, t_2) \mid \mathfrak{c}(\kappa_2, t_1, \dots, t_{\mathfrak{q}(\kappa_2)})

\kappa_1 ::= \lambda_m \mid \Pi_m \mid \cap

\kappa_2 ::= \star \mid \Box \mid \bullet_m \mid \text{pair} \mid \text{proj}_1 \mid \text{proj}_2 \mid \text{eq} \mid \text{refl} \mid J \mid \vartheta \mid \delta \mid \phi

             m ::= \omega \mid 0 \mid \tau
                   \mathfrak{a}(\star) = \mathfrak{a}(\square) = 0
                   \mathfrak{a}(\operatorname{proj}_1) = \mathfrak{a}(\operatorname{proj}_2) = \mathfrak{a}(\operatorname{refl}) = \mathfrak{a}(\vartheta) = \mathfrak{a}(\delta) = 1
                   \mathfrak{a}(\bullet_m)=2
                   \mathfrak{a}(\text{pair}) = \mathfrak{a}(\text{eq}) = \mathfrak{a}(\varphi) = 3
                   \mathfrak{a}(J) = 6
                              \star := \mathfrak{c}(\star)
                                                                                                                      t.1 := \mathfrak{c}(\operatorname{proj}_1, t)
                             \square := \mathfrak{c}(\square)
                                                                                                                     t.2 := \mathfrak{c}(\text{proj}_2, t)
        \lambda_m x : t_1 \cdot t_2 := \mathfrak{b}(\lambda_m, x : t_1, t_2)
                                                                                                      t_1 =_{t_2} t_3 := \mathfrak{c}(eq, t_1, t_2, t_3)
(x:t_1) \to_m t_2 := \mathfrak{b}(\Pi_m, x:t_1, t_2)
                                                                                                             refl(t) := \mathfrak{c}(refl, t)
      (x:t_1) \cap t_2 := \mathfrak{b}(\cap, x:t_1, t_2)
                                                                                                                  \vartheta(t) := \mathfrak{c}(\vartheta, t)
               t_1 \bullet_m t_2 := \mathfrak{c}(\bullet_m, t_1, t_2)
                                                                                                                  \delta(t) := \mathfrak{c}(\delta, t)
            [t_1, t_2, t_3] := \mathfrak{c}(\text{pair}, t_1, t_2, t_3)
                                                                                                                  \varphi(t) := \mathfrak{c}(\varphi, t)
                                  J(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) := \mathfrak{c}(J, t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6)
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Figure 2.1: Generic syntax, there are three constructors, variables, a generic binder, and a generic non-binder. Each are parameterized with a constant tag to specialize to a particular syntactic construct. The non-binder constructor has a vector of subterms determined by an arity function computed on tags. Standard syntactic constructors are defined in terms of the generic forms.

$$|x| = x \qquad |f \bullet_{\tau} a| = |f| \bullet_{\tau} |a|$$

$$|\star| = \star \qquad |[t_1, t_2, T]| = |t_1|$$

$$|\Box| = \Box \qquad |t.1| = |t|$$

$$|\lambda_0 x : A \cdot t| = |t| \qquad |t.2| = |t|$$

$$|\lambda_{\omega} x : A \cdot t| = \lambda_{\omega} x \cdot |t| \qquad |x =_A y| = |x| =_{|A|} |y|$$

$$|\lambda_{\tau} x : A \cdot t| = \lambda_{\tau} x : |A| \cdot |t| \qquad |\operatorname{refl}(t)| = \lambda_{\omega} x \cdot x$$

$$|(x : A) \to_m B| = (x : |A|) \to_m |B| \qquad |J(A, P, x, y, e, w)| = |e| \bullet_{\omega} |w|$$

$$|(x : A) \cap B| = (x : |A|) \cap |B| \qquad |\vartheta(e)| = |e|$$

$$|f \bullet_0 a| = |f| \qquad |\delta(e)| = |e|$$

$$|f \bullet_0 a| = |f| \bullet_{\omega} |a| \qquad |\varphi(f, e)| = \lambda_{\omega} x \cdot x$$

Figure 2.2: Erasure of syntax, for type-like and kind-like syntax erasure is homomorphic, for term-like syntax erasure reduces to the untyped lambda calculus.

$$\frac{t_1 \leadsto t_1'}{\mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1, t_2) \leadsto \mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1', t_2)} \qquad \frac{t_2 \leadsto t_2'}{\mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1, t_2) \leadsto \mathfrak{b}(\kappa, x: t_1, t_2')}$$

$$\frac{t_i \leadsto t_i' \qquad i \in 1, \dots, \mathfrak{a}(\kappa)}{\mathfrak{c}(\kappa, t_1, \dots t_i, \dots t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa)}) \leadsto \mathfrak{c}(\kappa, t_1, \dots t_i', \dots t_{\mathfrak{a}(\kappa)})}$$

$$(\lambda_m \, x: A. \, b) \bullet_m \, t \leadsto [x:=t] b$$

$$[t_1, t_2, A].1 \leadsto t_1$$

$$[t_1, t_2, A].2 \leadsto t_2$$

$$J(A, P, x, y, \operatorname{refl}(z), w) \leadsto w \bullet_0 z$$

$$\vartheta(\operatorname{refl}(t.1)) \leadsto \operatorname{refl}(t)$$

$$\vartheta(\operatorname{refl}(t.2)) \leadsto \operatorname{refl}(t)$$

Figure 2.3: Reduction rules for arbitrary syntax.

$$dom_{\Pi}(\omega, K) = \star \qquad codom_{\Pi}(\omega) = \star dom_{\Pi}(\tau, K) = K \qquad codom_{\Pi}(\tau) = \square dom_{\Pi}(0, K) = K \qquad codom_{\Pi}(0) = \star$$

Figure 2.4: Domain and codomains for function types. The variable K is either  $\star$  or  $\square$ .

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash k \rhd \Box} \text{ Axiom} \qquad \frac{\vdash \Gamma \qquad (x : A) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash k \rhd A} \text{ Var}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A \qquad A \leadsto^* B}{\Gamma \vdash t \blacktriangleright B} \text{ RedInf} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash B \blacktriangleright K \qquad A \equiv B}{\Gamma \vdash t \vartriangleleft B} \text{ Chk}$$

$$\frac{x \notin \text{FV}(\Gamma)}{\vdash \Gamma \qquad \Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright K} \text{ CtxApp}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma \qquad \Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright A \bowtie M}{\vdash \Gamma, x : A} \text{ CtxApp}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright \text{ dom}_{\Pi}(m, K) \qquad \Gamma, x : A \vdash B \blacktriangleright \text{ codom}_{\Pi}(m)}{\Gamma \vdash (x : A) \to_m B \rhd \text{ codom}_{\Pi}(m)} \text{ Pi}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright \text{ dom}_{\Pi}(m, K) \qquad \Gamma, x : A \vdash t \rhd B \qquad x \notin \text{FV}(|t|) \text{ if } m = 0}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda_m x : A \cdot t : (x : A) \to_m B} \text{ Lam}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f \blacktriangleright (x : A) \to_m B \qquad \Gamma \vdash a \vartriangleleft A}{\Gamma \vdash f \bullet_m a \rhd [x := a]B} \text{ App}$$

Figure 2.5: Inference rules for function types, including erased functions. The variable K is either  $\star$  or  $\square$ .

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \blacktriangleright \star \qquad \Gamma, x : A \vdash B \blacktriangleright \star}{\Gamma \vdash (x : A) \cap B \rhd \star} \text{ Int } \frac{\Gamma \vdash T \blacktriangleright (x : A) \to_{\tau} B}{\Gamma \vdash t \lhd A}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t \blacktriangleright (x : A) \cap B \rhd \star}{\Gamma \vdash t . 1 \rhd A} \text{ Fst } \frac{\Gamma \vdash t \blacktriangleright (x : A) \cap B}{\Gamma \vdash t . 2 \rhd [x := t.1]B} \text{ Snd}$$

Figure 2.6: Inference rules for intersection types.

Figure 2.7: Inference rules for equality types where cBool :=  $(X : \star) \to_0 (x : X) \to_{\omega} (y : X) \to_{\omega} X$ ; ctt :=  $\lambda_0 X : \star . \lambda_{\omega} x : X . \lambda_{\omega} y : X . x$ ; and cff :=  $\lambda_0 X : \star . \lambda_{\omega} x : X . \lambda_{\omega} y : X . y$ . Also,  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ 

# PROOF NORMALIZATION AND RELATIONSHIP TO SYSTEM $\mathbf{F}^\omega$

# CONSISTENCY AND RELATIONSHIP TO CDLE

#### **OBJECT NORMALIZATION**

A  $\varphi_i$ -proof is a proof that allows i nested  $\varphi$  syntactic constructs. For example, a  $\varphi_0$ -proof allows no  $\varphi$  subterms, a  $\varphi_1$ -proof allows  $\varphi$  subterms but no nested  $\varphi$  subterms, and a  $\varphi_2$ -proof allows  $\varphi_1$  subterms. Defined inductively, a  $\varphi_0$ proof is a proof with no  $\varphi$  syntactic constructs and a  $\varphi_{i+1}$ -proof is a proof with  $\varphi_i$ -proof subterms.

For any  $\varphi_i$ -proof p there is a strictification s(p) that is a  $\varphi_0$ -proof in Figure 5.1.

**Lemma 3** (Strictification Preserves Inference). Given  $\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A$  then  $\Gamma \vdash$ s(t) > A

*Proof.* By induction on the typing rule, the  $\varphi$  rule is the only one of interest:

Case: 
$$\Gamma \vdash f \blacktriangleright (a:A) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}_1} (x:A') \cap B$$

$$\frac{A \equiv A'}{\Gamma \vdash \varphi(f,e) \rhd (a:A) \xrightarrow{\omega} (x:A') \cap B} (x:A') \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}_3} FV(|e|) = \varnothing$$

Need to show that  $\Gamma \vdash s(\varphi(a, f, e)) \rhd (x : A) \cap B$  which reduces to:  $\Gamma \vdash s(f) \bullet_{\omega} s(a) \rhd (x : A) \cap B$ . By the IH we know that s(f) infers the same function type, and that s(a) infers the same argument type, therefore the application rule concludes the proof.

**Lemma 4** (Strict Proofs are Normalizing). Given  $\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A$  then s(t) is strongly normalizing

*Proof.* Direct consequence of strong normalization of proofs

$$s(x) = x \qquad \qquad s([s,t,T]) = [s(s),s(t),s(T)]$$

$$s(\star) = \star \qquad \qquad s(t.1) = s(t).1$$

$$s(\Box) = \Box \qquad \qquad s(t.2) = s(t).2$$

$$s(\lambda_m x : A. t) = \lambda_m x : s(A). s(t) \qquad \qquad s(x =_A y) = s(x) =_{s(A)} s(y)$$

$$s((x : A) \rightarrow_m B) = (x : s(A)) \rightarrow_m s(B) \qquad \qquad s(\text{refl}(t)) = \text{refl}(s(t))$$

$$s((x : A) \cap B) = (x : s(A)) \cap s(B) \qquad \qquad s(\vartheta(e)) = \vartheta(s(e))$$

$$s(f \bullet_m a) = s(f) \bullet_m s(a) \qquad \qquad s(\delta(e)) = \delta(s(e))$$

$$s(J(A, P, x, y, r, w)) = J(s(A), s(P), s(x), s(y), s(r), s(w))$$

$$s(\varphi(a, f, e)) = s(f) \bullet_\omega s(a)$$

Figure 5.1: Strictification of a proof.

**Lemma 5** (Strict Objects are Normalizing). Given  $\Gamma \vdash t \rhd A$  then |s(t)| is strongly normalizing

#### *Proof.* Proof Idea:

Proof reduction tracks object reduction in the absence of  $\varphi$  constructs. Thus, the normalization of a proof provides an upper-bound on the number of reductions an object can take to reach a normal form.

A proof,  $\Gamma \vdash t_1 \rhd A$ , is contextually equivalent to another proof,  $\Gamma \vdash t_2 \rhd A$ , if there is no context with hole of type A whose object reduction diverges for  $t_1$  but not  $t_2$ . In other words, if a context can be constructed that distinguishes the terms based on their object reduction.

**Lemma 6.** A  $\varphi_1$ -proof, p, is contextually equivalent to its strictification, s(p)

*Proof.* Proof by induction on the typing rule for p, focus on the application rule:

Case: 
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash f \blacktriangleright (x : A) \to_m B \qquad \Gamma \vdash \stackrel{\mathcal{D}_2}{a} \lhd A}{\Gamma \vdash f \bullet_m a \rhd [x := a]B}$$

In particular, we care about when  $f = \varphi(v, b, e).2$  and  $m = \omega$ . Note that the first projection has a proof-reduction that yields a which makes it unproblematic.

We know that s(v) = v because f is a  $\varphi_1$ -proof. Let  $v_n$  be the normal form of v and note that  $|v_n|$  is also normal. Likewise, we have  $e_n$  and  $|e_n|$  normal.

Suppose there is a context  $C[\cdot]$  where |p| diverges but |s(p)| normalizes. (Note that the opposite assumption is impossible). If  $|v_n|$  is a variable, then reduction in |p| is blocked (contradiction). Otherwise  $|v_n| = \lambda x. x \ t_1 \cdots t_n$  where  $t_i$  are normal.

Now it must be the case that  $|e \bullet_{\omega} v| = |e_n| \bullet_{\omega} |v_n|$  is normalizing. Thus, we have a refl proof that  $v_n = (f \bullet_{\omega} v_n).1$ . (Note, this proof must be refl because  $\mathrm{FV}(|e|) = \varnothing$ ). But, this implies convertibility, thus  $|v_n| =_{\beta} |f| \bullet_{\omega} |v_n|$ , but this must mean more concretely that  $|f| \bullet_{\omega} |v_n| \leadsto |v_n|$ . Yet  $|f| \bullet_{\omega} |v_n| \bullet_{\omega} a$  is strongly normalizing because it is s(p). Therefore, p in this case is strongly normalizing which refutes the assumption yielding a contradiction.

**Lemma 7.** If  $t_1$  is strongly normalizing and contextually equivalent to  $t_2$  then  $t_2$  is strongly normalizing

*Proof.* Immediate by the definition of contextual equivalence.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.** A  $\varphi_i$ -proof p is strongly normalizing for all i

*Proof.* By induction on i.

Case: i = 0

Immediate because s(p) = p and strict proofs are strongly normalizing.

Inductive Case:

Suppose that  $\varphi_i$ -proof is strongly normalizing. Goal: show that  $\varphi_{i+1}$ -proof is strongly normalizing.

# CEDILLE2: SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

# CEDILLE2: INTERNALLY DERIVABLE CONCEPTS

# CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

## Appendix A

# PROOF OF CONFLUENCE

# Appendix B

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# UNDECIDED

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