The Complete Syntax of 🖄

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1 Lexemes

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MODULE ([a-zA-Z] [a-zA-Z0-9_-]+\.)*[a-zA-Z] [a-zA-Z0-9_-]*

SYMBOL _*[a-z] [a-zA-Z0-9_]*

TYPENAME _*[A-Z] [a-zA-Z0-9_]*

AT-SYMBOL @[a-zA-Z0-9_]+

DECIMAL-INTEGER [0-9]+

HEX-INTEGER 0[xX] [0-9a-fA-F]+

BINARY-INTEGER 0[bB] [01]+

OCTAL-INTEGER 0[o0] [0-7]+

FLOAT [0-9]+\.[0-9]+(e-?[0-9]+)?

STRING "(\\"|[^"])*"

CHARACTER '\\.'|'[^\\]'
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2 Syntax

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translation-unit ::= module-declaration? top-level-statement*
module-declaration ::= "module" MODULE ";"
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top-level-statement ::= export-statement |
                        import-statement |
                        declaration
                        assignment
export-statement ::= "export" typename-list ";" |
                     "export" symbol-list ";"
typename-list ::= (TYPENAME ",")* TYPENAME
symbol-list ::= (SYMBOL ",")* SYMBOL
import-statement ::= "import" MODULE "." type ("as" TYPENAME)? ";" |
                     "import" MODULE "." SYMBOL ("as" SYMBOL)? ";" |
                     "import" MODULE ".*" ";"
declaration ::= qualified-symbol "::" type ";"
qualified-symbol ::= SYMBOL type-qualification?
assignment ::= qualified-symbol "=" expression ";" |
               short-form-function
guarded-pattern-list ::= pattern-list guard?
short-form-function ::= qualified-symbol "(" guarded-pattern-list? ")"
                        function-body ";"
function-body ::= block |
                  ":=" expression
block ::= "{" statement* "}"
guard ::= "|" expression
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type ::= TYPENAME type-qualification? |
         tuple-type
         function-type
         enum-type
         variant-type
variant-type ::= "variant" (variant-option ",")* variant-option
variant-option ::= TYPENAME tuple-type
function-type ::= type "->" type
enum-type ::= "enum" "{" enum-list "}"
enum-list ::= (AT-SYMBOL ",")* AT-SYMBOL
tuple-type ::= "(" (type ",")* type ")"
type-qualification ::= "<" type-parameter-list ">"
type-parameter-list ::= (type-parameter ",")* type-parameter
type-parameter ::= literal |
                   SYMBOL |
                   type
statement ::= assignment
              declaration
              function-call-expression |
              block
              while-block
              for-block
              do-while-block
              return-statement
              if-block
              case-block
              ";"
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return-statement ::= "return" expression ";"
while-block ::= "while" expression block
for-block ::= "for" pattern "in" expression block
do-while-block ::= "do" block "while" expression ";"
if-block ::= "if" expression block |
             "if" expression block "else" block
case-block ::= "case" expression "{" case-body* "}"
case-body ::= pattern-list block
pattern-list ::= (pattern ",")* pattern
pattern ::= SYMBOL
            pattern ":" pattern
            "[" pattern-list? "]" |
            "(" pattern-list? ")" |
            literal
            variant-match-pattern
variant-match-pattern ::= type |
                          type "(" pattern-list? ")"
expression ::= literal
               function-call-expression
               list-expression
               tuple-expression
               hint-expression
               unary-expression
               binary-expression
               lambda
               variant-constructor-expression |
               SYMBOL
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function-call-expression ::= expression "(" expression-list? ")"
lambda ::= "\" "(" guarded-pattern-list? ")" function-body |
           "\" function-body
list-expression ::= "[" expression-list? "]"
expression-list ::= (expression ",")* expression
tuple-expression ::= "(" expression-list ")"
hint-expression ::= expression "::" type
unary-expression ::= unary-operator expression
binary-expression ::= expression binary-operator expression
literal ::= numeric-literal
            string-literal
            character-literal |
            symbol-literal
numeric-literal ::= DECIMAL-INTEGER |
                    HEX-INTEGER
                    BINARY-INTEGER |
                    OCTAL-INTEGER |
                    FLOAT
string-literal ::= STRING
character-literal ::= CHARACTER
symbol-literal ::= AT-SYMBOL
variant-constructor-expression ::= type |
                                   type tuple-expression
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unary-operator ::= "!" |
                     "*" |
                     "-" |
                     "+"
binary-operator ::= "+"
                      "-"
                      "*"
                      "/"
                      "%"
                      "and" |
                      "or"
                      "=="
                      " !="
                      "<"
                      "<="
                      ">"
                      ">="
                      ":"
                      "<-"
                      "."
                      II ^ II
                      "!!"
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3 Operator Precedences

Operator	Associativity
() {}	non-associative
. ^	right
calls and vcons	right
unary! * - +	non-associative
!!	left
* / %	left
+ -	left
:	left
:: (type hint)	non-associative
== != < <= > >=	non-associative
and	left
or	left
<-	right