The Language Nameless

BNF-converter

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The lexical structure of Nameless

Identifiers

Identifiers $\langle Ident \rangle$ are unquoted strings beginning with a letter, followed by any combination of letters, digits, and the characters $_$ ', reserved words excluded.

Literals

Integer literals $\langle Int \rangle$ are nonempty sequences of digits.

Reserved words and symbols

The set of reserved words is the set of terminals appearing in the grammar. Those reserved words that consist of non-letter characters are called symbols, and they are treated in a different way from those that are similar to identifiers. The lexer follows rules familiar from languages like Haskell, C, and Java, including longest match and spacing conventions.

The reserved words used in Nameless are the following:

```
Bool
      Nat
             Ref
Unit
      else
            false
      if
fun
             iszero
pred
      ref
            return
succ
      then
           true
unit
```

The symbols used in Nameless are the following:

```
( ) {
} := ;
! 0 #
= : ->
```

Comments

Single-line comments begin with //.
Multiple-line comments are enclosed with /* and */.

The syntactic structure of Nameless

Non-terminals are enclosed between \langle and \rangle . The symbols ::= (production), | (union) and ϵ (empty rule) belong to the BNF notation. All other symbols are terminals.

```
\langle Program \rangle ::= \langle Expr \rangle
\langle Expr \rangle ::= \langle ListExpr0 \rangle
                             \langle Expr0 \rangle
\langle Expr0 \rangle ::= if \langle Expr0 \rangle then \langle Expr0 \rangle else \langle Expr0 \rangle
                               fun (\langle Type \rangle) { return \langle Expr\theta \rangle }
                               \langle Expr1 \rangle := \langle Expr0 \rangle
                               \langle Expr1 \rangle
\langle ListExpr0 \rangle ::= \epsilon
                                       \langle Expr0 \rangle
                                       \langle Expr\theta \rangle; \langle ListExpr\theta \rangle
\langle Expr1 \rangle ::= \langle Expr1 \rangle \langle Expr2 \rangle
                               \langle Expr2 \rangle
\langle Expr2 \rangle ::= ref \langle Expr3 \rangle
                             ! \langle Expr3 \rangle
                               succ ⟨Expr3⟩
                               pred \langle Expr3 \rangle
                               iszero \langle Expr3 \rangle
                               \langle Expr3 \rangle
```

```
\langle Expr3 \rangle ::=
                         unit
                          true
                           false
                          \langle Ident \rangle
                          \langle Integer \rangle
                          # (Integer)
                           ( \langle Expr \rangle )
\langle Store \rangle ::= \{ \langle ListAssignment \rangle \}
\langle Assignment \rangle ::= \# \langle Integer \rangle = \langle Expr \rangle
\langle Assignment \rangle; \langle ListAssignment \rangle
\langle StoreTyping \rangle ::= \{ \langle ListLocationTyping \rangle \}
\langle LocationTyping \rangle ::= \# \langle Integer \rangle : \langle Type \rangle
\langle ListLocationTyping \rangle ::= \epsilon
                                        | \langle LocationTyping \rangle
                                               \langle LocationTyping \rangle; \langle ListLocationTyping \rangle
\langle \mathit{Type} \rangle \quad ::= \quad \langle \mathit{Type1} \rangle \ -> \langle \mathit{Type} \rangle
                         \langle Type1 \rangle
\langle Type1 \rangle ::= Ref \langle Type2 \rangle
                          \langle Type2 \rangle
\langle Type2 \rangle ::= Bool
                          Nat
                          Unit
                         ( \langle Type \rangle )
\langle Typing \rangle ::= \langle Expr \rangle : \langle Type \rangle
```