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SUMMARY

The report gives a defining description of the standard libraries of the programming language Scheme.

This report frequently refers back to the $Revised^6$ Report on the Algorithmic Language Scheme [11]; references to the report are identified by designations such as "report section" or "report chapter".

Parts of the library report are derived from earlier revisions of the report [8]. We gratefully acknowledge their authors for their contributions. More detailed information on authorship can be found at the beginning of the Revised⁶ Report on the Algorithmic Language Scheme.

We intend this report to belong to the entire Scheme community, and so we grant permission to copy it in whole or in part without fee. In particular, we encourage implementors of Scheme to use this report as a starting point for manuals and other documentation, modifying it as necessary.

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1. Unicode

The procedures exported by the (rnrs unicode (6)) library provide access to some aspects of the Unicode semantics for characters and strings: category information, caseindependent comparisons, case mappings, and normalization [12].

Some of the procedures that operate on characters or strings ignore the difference between upper case and lower case. These procedures have "-ci" (for "case insensitive") embedded in their names.

1.1. Characters

(char-upcase <i>char</i>)	procedure
(char-downcase char)	procedure
(char-titlecase char)	procedure
(char-foldcase char)	procedure

These procedures take a character argument and return a character result. If the argument is an upper-case or titlecase character, and if there is a single character that is its lower-case form, then char-downcase returns that character. If the argument is a lower-case or title-case character, and there is a single character that is its upper-case form, then char-upcase returns that character. If the argument is a lower-case or upper-case character, and there is a single character that is its title-case form, then char-titlecase returns that character. If the argument is not a title-case character and there is no single character that is its titlecase form, then char-titlecase returns the upper-case form of the argument. Finally, if the character has a casefolded character, then char-foldcase returns that character. Otherwise the character returned is the same as the argument. For Turkic characters I (#\x130) and 1 (#\x131), char-foldcase behaves as the identity function; otherwise char-foldcase is the same as char-downcase composed with char-upcase.

<pre>(char-upcase #\i) (char-downcase #\i) (char-titlecase #\i) (char-foldcase #\i)</pre>	$ \implies \# \setminus I \\ \implies \# \setminus i \\ \implies \# \setminus I \\ \implies \# \setminus i $
<pre>(char-upcase #\ß) (char-downcase #\ß) (char-titlecase #\ß) (char-foldcase #\ß)</pre>	
(char-upcase $\# \Sigma$) (char-downcase $\# \Sigma$) (char-titlecase $\# \Sigma$) (char-foldcase $\# \Sigma$)	$ \implies \# \setminus \Sigma \\ \implies \# \setminus \sigma \\ \implies \# \setminus \Sigma \\ \implies \# \setminus \sigma $
(char-upcase $\#(\varsigma)$ (char-downcase $\#(\varsigma)$	$ \implies \# \backslash \Sigma \\ \implies \# \backslash \varsigma $

(char-titlecase $\# \varsigma$)	\implies #\ Σ
(char-foldcase $\# \)$	\implies #\ σ

Note: Note that **char-titlecase** does not always return a title-case character.

Note: These procedures are consistent with Unicode's localeindependent mappings from scalar values to scalar values for upcase, downcase, titlecase, and case-folding operations. These mappings can be extracted from UnicodeData.txt and CaseFolding.txt from the Unicode Consortium, ignoring Turkic mappings in the latter.

Note that these character-based procedures are an incomplete approximation to case conversion, even ignoring the user's locale. In general, case mappings require the context of a string, both in arguments and in result. The string-upcase, string-downcase, string-titlecase, and string-foldcase procedures (section 1.2) perform more general case conversion.

(char-ci=? $char_1 \ char_2 \ char_3 \$)	procedure
(char-ci <math char_1 \ char_2 \ char_3 \dots)	procedure
(char-ci>? $char_1 \ char_2 \ char_3 \$)	procedure
(char-ci<=? $char_1 \ char_2 \ char_3 \dots$)	procedure
(char-ci>=? $char_1 \ char_2 \ char_3 \dots$)	procedure

These procedures are similar to char=?, etc., but operate on the case-folded versions of the characters.

(char-ci #\z #\Z)</th <th>\implies #f</th>	\implies #f
(char-ci=? $\#\z \$	\implies #t
$(char-ci=? \#\ (\sigma))$	\implies #t

(char-alphabetic? char)	procedure
(char-numeric? <i>char</i>)	procedure
(char-whitespace? char)	procedure
(char-upper-case? char)	procedure
(char-lower-case? char)	procedure
(char-title-case? <i>char</i>)	procedure

These procedures return **#t** if their arguments are alphabetic, numeric, whitespace, upper-case, lower-case, or title-case characters, respectively; otherwise they return **#f**.

A character is alphabetic if it has the Unicode "Alphabetic" property. A character is numeric if it has the Unicode "Numeric" property. A character is whitespace if has the Unicode "White_Space" property. A character is upper case if it has the Unicode "Uppercase" property, lower case if it has the "Lowercase" property, and title case if it is in the Lt general category.

(char-alphabetic? #\a)	\implies #t
(char-numeric? #\1)	\implies #t
(char-whitespace? #\space)	\implies #t
(char-whitespace? #\x00A0)	\implies #t
(char-upper-case? #\ Σ)	\implies #t
(char-lower-case? # σ)	\implies #t

(char-general-category char)

procedure

Returns a symbol representing the Unicode general category of *char*, one of Lu, Ll, Lt, Lm, Lo, Mn, Mc, Me, Nd, Nl, No, Ps, Pe, Pi, Pf, Pd, Pc, Po, Sc, Sm, Sk, So, Zs, Zp, Zl, Cc, Cf, Cs, Co, or Cn.

1.2. Strings

(string-upcase string)	procedure
(string-downcase string)	procedure
(string-titlecase string)	procedure
(string-foldcase string)	procedure

These procedures take a string argument and return a string result. They are defined in terms of Unicode's localeindependent case mappings from Unicode scalar-value sequences to scalar-value sequences. In particular, the length of the result string can be different from the length of the input string. When the specified result is equal in the sense of **string=**? to the argument, these procedures may return the argument instead of a newly allocated string.

The string-upcase procedure converts a string to upper case; string-downcase converts a string to lower case. The string-foldcase procedure converts the string to its case-folded counterpart, using the full case-folding mapping, but without the special mappings for Turkic languages. The string-titlecase procedure converts the first cased character of each word, and downcases all other cased characters.

(string-upcase "Hi") (string-downcase "Hi") (string-foldcase "Hi")	\Rightarrow	"HI" "hi" "hi"
<pre>(string-upcase "Straße") (string-downcase "Straße") (string-foldcase "Straße") (string-downcase "STRASSE")</pre>	\Rightarrow \Rightarrow	"STRASSE" "straße" "strasse" "strasse"
(string-downcase " Σ ")	\Rightarrow	" <i>o</i> "
; Chi Alpha Omicron Sigma: (string-upcase "XAO∑") (string-downcase "XAO∑")		$"XAO\Sigma"$ $"\chi\alpha o\varsigma"$

Note: The case mappings needed for implementing these procedures can be extracted from UnicodeData.txt, SpecialCasing.txt, WordBreakProperty.txt, and CaseFolding.txt from the Unicode Consortium.

Since these procedures are locale-independent, they may not be appropriate for some locales.

Note: Word breaking, as needed for the correct casing of Σ and for string-titlecase, is specified in Unicode Standard Annex #29 [5].

(string-ci=? string ₁ string ₂ string	$g_3 \ldots$) procedure
(string-ci string<sub 1 string ₂ string	$g_3 \ldots$) procedure
(string-ci>? string ₁ string ₂ string	$g_3 \ldots$) procedure
(string-ci<=? string ₁ string ₂ strin	$ng_3 \ldots$) procedure
(string-ci>=? string ₁ string ₂ strin	$ng_3 \ldots$) procedure

These procedures are similar to **string=**?, etc., but operate on the case-folded versions of the strings.

(string-normalize-nfd string)	procedure
(string-normalize-nfkd string)	procedure
(string-normalize-nfc string)	procedure
(string-normalize-nfkc <i>string</i>)	procedure

These procedures take a string argument and return a string result, which is the input string normalized to Unicode normalization form D, KD, C, or KC, respectively. When the specified result is equal in the sense of string=? to the argument, these procedures may return the argument instead of a newly allocated string.

2. Bytevectors

Many applications deal with blocks of binary data by accessing them in various ways—extracting signed or unsigned numbers of various sizes. Therefore, the (rnrs bytevectors (6)) library provides a single type for blocks of binary data with multiple ways to access that data. It deals with integers and floating-point representations in various sizes with specified endianness.

Bytevectors are objects of a disjoint type. Conceptually, a bytevector represents a sequence of 8-bit bytes. The description of bytevectors uses the term *byte* for an exact integer object in the interval $\{-128, \ldots, 127\}$ and the term *octet* for an exact integer object in the interval $\{0, \ldots, 255\}$. A byte corresponds to its two's complement representation as an octet.

The length of a bytevector is the number of bytes it contains. This number is fixed. A valid index into a bytevector is an exact, non-negative integer object less than the length of the bytevector. The first byte of a bytevector has index 0; the last byte has an index one less than the length of the bytevector.

Generally, the access procedures come in different flavors according to the size of the represented integer and the endianness of the representation. The procedures also distinguish signed and unsigned representations. The signed representations all use two's complement.

Like string literals, literals representing bytevectors do not need to be quoted:

 $\#vu8(12 \ 23 \ 123) \implies \#vu8(12 \ 23 \ 123)$

2.1. Endianness

Many operations described in this chapter accept an *endianness* argument. Endianness describes the encoding of exact integer objects as several contiguous bytes in a bytevector [4]. For this purpose, the binary representation of the integer object is split into consecutive bytes. The little-endian encoding places the least significant byte of an integer first, with the other bytes following in increasing order of significance. The big-endian encoding places the most significant byte of an integer first, with the other bytes following in decreasing order of significance.

This terminology also applies to IEEE-754 numbers: IEEE 754 describes how to represent a floating-point number as an exact integer object, and endianness describes how the bytes of such an integer are laid out in a bytevector.

Note: Little- and big-endianness are only the most common kinds of endianness. Some architectures distinguish between the endianness at different levels of a binary representation.

2.2. General operations

(endianness (endianness symbol)) syntax

The name of (endianness symbol) must be a symbol describing an endianness. An implementation must support at least the symbols **big** and **little**, but may support other endianness symbols. (endianness (endianness symbol)) evaluates to the symbol named (endianness symbol). Whenever one of the procedures operating on bytevectors accepts an endianness as an argument, that argument must be one of these symbols. It is a syntax violation for (endianness symbol) to be anything other than an endianness symbol supported by the implementation.

Note: Implementors should use widely accepted designations for endianness symbols other than **big** and **little**.

Note: Only the name of \langle endianness symbol \rangle is significant.

(native-endianness)

procedure

Returns the endianness symbol associated implementation's preferred endianness (usually that of the underlying machine architecture). This may be any (endianness symbol), including a symbol other than **big** and **little**.

(bytevector?	obj)	procedure
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Returns #t if *obj* is a bytevector, otherwise returns #f.

(make-bytevector	<i>k</i>)	procedure
(make-bvtevector	k fill)	procedure

Returns a newly allocated bytevector of k bytes.

If the *fill* argument is missing, the initial contents of the returned bytevector are unspecified.

If the *fill* argument is present, it must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{-128, \ldots 255\}$ that specifies the initial value for the bytes of the bytevector: If *fill* is positive, it is interpreted as an octet; if it is negative, it is interpreted as a byte.

(bytevector-length bytevector) procedure

Returns, as an exact integer object, the number of bytes in *bytevector*.

(bytevector=? $bytevector_1 \ bytevector_2$) procedure

Returns #t if $bytevector_1$ and $bytevector_2$ are equal—that is, if they have the same length and equal bytes at all valid indices. It returns #f otherwise.

(bytevector-fill! bytevector fill) procedure

The *fill* argument is as in the description of the make-bytevector procedure. The bytevector-fill! procedure stores *fill* in every element of *bytevector* and returns unspecified values. Analogous to vector-fill!.

(bytevector-copy! source source-start procedure target target-start k)

Source and target must be bytevectors. Source-start, target-start, and k must be non-negative exact integer objects that satisfy

0	\leq			source- $start + k$		
0	\leq	target- $start$	\leq	target- $start + k$	\leq	l_{target}

where l_{source} is the length of *source* and l_{target} is the length of *target*.

The bytevector-copy! procedure copies the bytes from *source* at indices

source-start, ..., source-start + k - 1

to consecutive indices in *target* starting at *target-index*.

This must work even if the memory regions for the source and the target overlap, i.e., the bytes at the target location after the copy must be equal to the bytes at the source location before the copy.

This returns unspecified values.

(let ((t	o (u8-list->bytevecto	or '(1	23	34	5	6 7	78)))))
(bytev	vector-copy! b 0 b 3	4)						
(bytev	vector->u8-list b))	\implies (1 2	3	1 1	23	4 8	8)

(bytevector-copy bytevector)

procedure

Returns a newly allocated copy of *bytevector*.

2.3. Operations on bytes and octets

(bytevector-u8-ref	by tevector	k)	procedure
(bytevector-s8-ref	by tevector	<i>k</i>)	procedure

K must be a valid index of *bytevector*.

The bytevector-u8-ref procedure returns the byte at index k of bytevector, as an octet.

The bytevector-s8-ref procedure returns the byte at index k of bytevector, as a (signed) byte.

(bytevector-u8-set!bytevector k octet)procedure(bytevector-s8-set!bytevector k byte)procedure

K must be a valid index of *bytevector*.

The bytevector-u8-set! procedure stores octet in element k of bytevector.

The bytevector-s8-set! procedure stores the two'scomplement representation of byte in element k of bytevector.

Both procedures return unspecified values.

```
(let ((b (make-bytevector 16 -127)))
 (bytevector-s8-set! b 0 -126)
 (bytevector-u8-set! b 1 246)
(list
  (bytevector-s8-ref b 0)
  (bytevector-u8-ref b 0)
  (bytevector-s8-ref b 1)
  (bytevector-u8-ref b 1)))
```

(bytevector->u8-list	bytevector)	procedure
(u8-list->bytevector	list)	procedure

 \implies (-126 130 -10 246)

List must be a list of octets.

The bytevector->u8-list procedure returns a newly allocated list of the octets of *bytevector* in the same order.

The u8-list->bytevector procedure returns a newly allocated bytevector whose elements are the elements of list *list*, in the same order. It is analogous to list->vector.

2.4. Operations on integers of arbitrary size

(bytevector-uint-ref bytevector k endianness size) procedure

(bytevector-sint-ref bytevector k endianness size) procedure

(bytevector-uint-set! bytevector k n endianness size) procedure

(bytevector-sint-set! bytevector k n endianness size) procedure

Size must be a positive exact integer object. $K, \ldots, k + size - 1$ must be valid indices of *bytevector*.

The bytevector-uint-ref procedure retrieves the exact integer object corresponding to the unsigned representation of size *size* and specified by *endianness* at indices $k, \ldots, k + size - 1$.

The bytevector-sint-ref procedure retrieves the exact integer object corresponding to the two's-complement representation of size *size* and specified by *endianness* at indices $k, \ldots, k + size - 1$.

For bytevector-uint-set!, n must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{0, \ldots, 256^{size} - 1\}$.

The bytevector-uint-set! procedure stores the unsigned representation of size *size* and specified by *endianness* into *bytevector* at indices $k, \ldots, k + size - 1$.

For bytevector-sint-set!, n must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{-256^{size}/2, \ldots, 256^{size}/2 - 1\}$. bytevector-sint-set! stores the two's-complement representation of size size and specified by endianness into bytevector at indices $k, \ldots, k + size - 1$.

The ...-set! procedures return unspecified values.

```
(define b (make-bytevector 16 -127))
```

(bytevector-uint-set! b 0 (- (expt 2 128) 3) (endianness little) 16)

```
(bytevector-sint-ref b 0 (endianness little) 16) \implies -3
```

(bytevector->u8-list b)

```
\Rightarrow
```

#xfffffffffffffffffffffffffff

```
(bytevector-sint-ref b 0 (endianness big) 16) \implies -3
```

(sint-list->bytevector *list endianness size*) procedure

Size must be a positive exact integer object. For uint-list->bytevector, list must be a list of exact integer objects in the interval $\{0, \ldots, 256^{size} - 1\}$. For sint-list->bytevector, list must be a list of exact integer objects in the interval $\{-256^{size}/2, \ldots, 256^{size}/2 - 1\}$. The length of bytevector must be divisible by size.

These procedures convert between lists of integer objects and their consecutive representations according to *size* and *endianness* in the *bytevector* objects in the same way as bytevector->u8-list and u8-list->bytevector do for one-byte representations.

(let ((b (u8-list->bytevector '(1 2 3 255 1 2 1 2)))) (bytevector->uint-list b (endianness little) 2)) ⇒ (513 65283 513 513)

2.5. Operations on 16-bit integers

(bytevector-u16-ref bytevector k endianness)

- $\begin{array}{c} & \text{procedure} \\ \texttt{(bytevector-s16-ref} \ bytevector \ k \ endianness)} \\ & \text{procedure} \end{array}$
- (bytevector-u16-native-ref bytevector k) procedure (bytevector-s16-native-ref bytevector k) procedure

(bytevector-s16-set! bytevector k n endianness) procedure

(bytevector-u16-native-set! bytevector k n) procedure

(bytevector-s16-native-set! bytevector k n) procedure

K must be a valid index of *bytevector*; so must k + 1. For bytevector-u16-set! and bytevector-u16-nativeset!, n must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{0, \ldots, 2^{16} - 1\}$. For bytevector-s16-set! and bytevector-s16-native-set!, n must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{-2^{15}, \ldots, 2^{15} - 1\}$.

These retrieve and set two-byte representations of numbers at indices k and k + 1, according to the endianness specified by *endianness*. The procedures with **u16** in their names deal with the unsigned representation; those with **s16** in their names deal with the two's-complement representation.

The procedures with **native** in their names employ the native endianness, and work only at aligned indices: k must be a multiple of 2.

The ...-set! procedures return unspecified values.

```
(define b
  (u8-list->bytevector
    '(255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255
      255 255 255 255 255 255 255 253)))
(bytevector-u16-ref b 14 (endianness little))
          \implies 65023
(bytevector-s16-ref b 14 (endianness little))
          \implies -513
(bytevector-u16-ref b 14 (endianness big))
          \implies 65533
(bytevector-s16-ref b 14 (endianness big))
          \implies -3
(bytevector-u16-set! b 0 12345 (endianness little))
(bytevector-u16-ref b 0 (endianness little))
          \implies 12345
(bytevector-u16-native-set! b 0 12345)
(bytevector-u16-native-ref b\rightarrow 12345
(bytevector-u16-ref b 0 (endianness little))
          \implies unspecified
```

2.6. Operations on 32-bit integers

(bytevector-u32-ref bytevector k endianness)

procedure (bytevector-s32-ref bytevector k endianness) procedure

(bytevector-u32-native-ref bytevector k) procedure (bytevector-s32-native-ref bytevector k) procedure (bytevector-u32-set! bytevector k n endianness) procedure

(bytevector-s32-set! bytevector k n endianness) procedure

(bytevector-u32-native-set! bytevector k n) procedure

(bytevector-s32-native-set! bytevector k n) procedure

 $K, \ldots, k + 3$ must be valid indices of bytevector. For bytevector-u32-set! and bytevector-u32-nativeset!, n must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{0, \ldots, 2^{32} - 1\}$. For bytevector-s32-set! and bytevector-s32-native-set!, n must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{-2^{31}, \ldots, 2^{31} - 1\}$.

These retrieve and set four-byte representations of numbers at indices $k, \ldots, k+3$, according to the endianness specified by *endianness*. The procedures with **u32** in their names deal with the unsigned representation; those with **s32** with the two's-complement representation.

The procedures with **native** in their names employ the native endianness, and work only at aligned indices: k must be a multiple of 4.

The ...-set! procedures return unspecified values.

2.7. Operations on 64-bit integers

(bytevector-u64-ref bytevector k endianness) procedure

(bytevector-s64-ref bytevector k endianness) procedure

(bytevector-u64-native-ref bytevector k) procedure (bytevector-s64-native-ref bytevector k) procedure

(bytevector u64-set! bytevector k n endianness)

procedure

(bytevector-s64-set! bytevector k n endianness) procedure

(bytevector-u64-native-set! bytevector k n) procedure

(bytevector-s64-native-set! bytevector k n) procedure

 $K, \ldots, k + 7$ must be valid indices of *bytevector*. For bytevector-u64-set! and bytevector-u64-nativeset!, *n* must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{0, \ldots, 2^{64} - 1\}$. For bytevector-s64-set! and bytevector-s64-native-set!, *n* must be an exact integer object in the interval $\{-2^{63}, \ldots, 2^{63} - 1\}$.

These retrieve and set eight-byte representations of numbers at indices $k, \ldots, k + 7$, according to the endianness specified by *endianness*. The procedures with u64 in their names deal with the unsigned representation; those with s64 with the two's-complement representation.

The procedures with **native** in their names employ the native endianness, and work only at aligned indices: k must be a multiple of 8.

The ... -set! procedures return unspecified values.

(define b
 (u8-list->bytevector

2.8. Operations on IEEE-754 representations

(bytevector-ieee-single-native-ref bytevector k)

procedure (bytevector-ieee-single-ref bytevector k endianness) procedure

 $K, \ldots, k + 3$ must be valid indices of *bytevector*. For **bytevector-ieee-single-native-ref**, k must be a multiple of 4.

These procedures return the inexact real number object that best represents the IEEE-754 single-precision number represented by the four bytes beginning at index k.

(bytevector-ieee-double-native-ref bytevector k) procedure

(bytevector-ieee-double-ref bytevector k endianness) procedure

 $K, \ldots, k + 7$ must be valid indices of *bytevector*. For **bytevector-ieee-double-native-ref**, k must be a multiple of 8.

These procedures return the inexact real number object that best represents the IEEE-754 double-precision number represented by the eight bytes beginning at index k.

(bytevector-ieee-single-native-set! bytevector k x) procedure

(bytevector-ieee-single-set! bytevector procedure $k \ x \ endianness$)

 $K, \ldots, k + 3$ must be valid indices of *bytevector*. For **bytevector-ieee-single-native-set**!, k must be a multiple of 4.

These procedures store an IEEE-754 single-precision representation of x into elements k through k + 3 of bytevector, and return unspecified values.

(bytevector-ieee-double-native-set! bytevector k x) procedure

(bytevector-ieee-double-set! bytevector procedure $k \ x \ endianness$)

 $K, \ldots, k + 7$ must be valid indices of *bytevector*. For **bytevector-ieee-double-native-set**!, k must be a multiple of 8.

These procedures store an IEEE-754 double-precision representation of x into elements k through k+7 of bytevector, and return unspecified values.

2.9. Operations on strings

This section describes procedures that convert between strings and bytevectors containing Unicode encodings of those strings. When decoding bytevectors, encoding errors are handled as with the **replace** semantics of textual I/O (see section 8.2.4): If an invalid or incomplete character encoding is encountered, then the replacement character U+FFFD is appended to the string being generated, an appropriate number of bytes are ignored, and decoding continues with the following bytes.

(string->utf8 string) procedure

Returns a newly allocated (unless empty) bytevector that contains the UTF-8 encoding of the given string.

(string->utf16	string)	procedure
(string->utf16	string endianness)	procedure

If endianness is specified, it must be the symbol big or the symbol little. The string->utf16 procedure returns a newly allocated (unless empty) bytevector that contains the UTF-16BE or UTF-16LE encoding of the given string (with no byte-order mark). If endianness is not specified or is big, then UTF-16BE is used. If endianness is little, then UTF-16LE is used.

(string->utf32	string)	procedure
(string->utf32	string endianness)	procedure

If endianness is specified, it must be the symbol big or the symbol little. The string->utf32 procedure returns a newly allocated (unless empty) bytevector that contains the UTF-32BE or UTF-32LE encoding of the given string (with no byte mark). If endianness is not specified or is big, then UTF-32BE is used. If endianness is little, then UTF-32LE is used.

(utf8->string bytevector)

procedure

Returns a newly allocated (unless empty) string whose character sequence is encoded by the given bytevector.

(utf16->string	bytevector	endianness)	procedure
(utf16->string	by tevector		procedure
endianness e	ndianness-	mandatoru?)	

Endianness must be the symbol big or the symbol little. The utf16->string procedure returns a newly allocated (unless empty) string whose character sequence is encoded by the given bytevector. Bytevector is decoded according to UTF-16, UTF-16BE, UTF-16LE, or a fourth encoding scheme that differs from all three of those as follows: If endianness-mandatory? is absent or #f, utf16->string determines the endianness according to a UTF-16 BOM at the beginning of bytevector if a BOM is present; in this case, the BOM is not decoded as a character. Also in this case, if no UTF-16 BOM is present, endianness specifies the endianness of the encoding. If endianness mandatory? is a true value, endianness specifies the endianness of the encoding, and any UTF-16 BOM in the encoding is decoded as a regular character.

Note: A UTF-16 BOM is either a sequence of bytes #xFE, #xFF specifying big and UTF-16BE, or #xFF, #xFE specifying little and UTF-16LE.

(utf32->string	by tevector	endianness)	procedure
(utf32->string	by tevector		procedure
endianness e	endianness-	mandatory?)	

Endianness must be the symbol big or the symbol little. The utf32->string procedure returns a newly allocated (unless empty) string whose character sequence is encoded by the given bytevector. Bytevector is decoded according to UTF-32, UTF-32BE, UTF-32LE, or a fourth encoding scheme that differs from all three of those as follows: If endianness-mandatory? is absent or #f, utf32->string determines the endianness according to a UTF-32 BOM at the beginning of bytevector if a BOM is present; in this case, the BOM is not decoded as a character. Also in this case, if no UTF-32 BOM is present, endianness specifies the endianness of the encoding. If endianness-mandatory? is a true value, endianness specifies the endianness of the encoding, and any UTF-32 BOM in the encoding is decoded as a regular character.

Note: A UTF-32 BOM is either a sequence of bytes #x00, #x00, #xFE, #xFF specifying big and UTF-32BE, or #xFF, #xFE, #x00, #x00, specifying little and UTF-32LE.

3. List utilities

This chapter describes the (rnrs lists (6)) library, which contains various useful procedures that operate on lists.

(find proc list)

procedure

Proc should accept one argument and return a single value. *Proc* should not mutate *list*. The find procedure applies proc to the elements of *list* in order. If proc returns a true value for an element, find immediately returns that element. If proc returns **#f** for all elements of the list, find returns **#f**. Proc is always called in the same dynamic environment as find itself.

```
(find even? '(3 1 4 1 5 9)) \implies 4
(find even? '(3 1 5 1 5 9)) \implies #f
```

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check that *list* is a chain of pairs up to the found element, or that it is indeed a list if no element is found. It should not check that it is a chain of pairs beyond the found element. The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

The *lists* should all have the same length, and *proc* should accept n arguments and return a single value. *Proc* should not mutate the *list* arguments.

For natural numbers i = 0, 1, ..., the for-all procedure $successively applies proc to arguments <math>x_i^1 \ldots x_i^n$, where x_i^j is the *i*th element of $list_j$, until **#f** is returned. If proc returns true values for all but the last element of $list_1$, for-all performs a tail call of proc on the kth elements, where k is the length of $list_1$. If proc returns **#f** on any set of elements, for-all returns **#f** after the first such application of proc. If the lists are all empty, for-all returns **#t**.

For natural numbers $i = 0, 1, \ldots$, the exists procedure applies *proc* successively to arguments $x_i^1 \ldots x_i^n$, where x_i^j is the *i*th element of $list_j$, until a true value is returned. If *proc* returns **#f** for all but the last elements of the *lists*, exists performs a tail call of *proc* on the *k*th elements, where *k* is the length of *list*₁. If *proc* returns a true value on any set of elements, exists returns that value after the first such application of *proc*. If the *lists* are all empty, exists returns **#f**.

Proc is always called in the same dynamic environment as for-all or, respectively, exists itself.

```
 \begin{array}{c} (\text{for-all even? '(3 1 4 1 5 9)}) \\ \implies \#f \\ (\text{for-all even? '(2 4 14)}) \implies \#t \\ (\text{for-all even? '(2 4 14 . 9)}) \\ \implies \& \text{assertion exception} \\ (\text{for-all (lambda (n) (and (even? n) n)}) \\ & \quad (2 4 14)) \\ \implies 14 \\ (\text{for-all < '(1 2 3) '(2 3 4)}) \\ \implies \#t \\ (\text{for-all < '(1 2 4) '(2 3 4)}) \\ \implies \#f \end{array}
```

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check that the *lists* are chains of pairs to the extent necessary to determine the return value. If this requires traversing the lists entirely, the implementation should check that the *lists* all have the same length. If not, it should not check that the *lists* are chains of pairs beyond the traversal. The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(filter proc list)	procedure
(partition proc list)	procedure

Proc should accept one argument and return a single value. *Proc* should not mutate *list*.

The filter procedure applies *proc* to each element of *list* and returns a list of the elements of *list* for which *proc* returned a true value. The partition procedure also applies *proc* to each element of *list*, but returns two values, the first one a list of the elements of *list* for which *proc* returned a true value, and the second a list of the elements of *list* for which *proc* returned a true value, and the second a list of the elements of *list* for which *proc* returned **#f**. In both cases, the elements of the result list(s) are in the same order as they appear in the input list. *Proc* is always called in the same dynamic environment as filter or, respectively, partition itself. If multiple returns occur from filter or partitions, the return values returned by earlier returns are not mutated.

(filter even? '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6)) \implies (4 2 6) (partition even? '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6)) \implies (4 2 6) (3 1 1 5 9) ; two values

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(fold-left combine nil list₁ list₂ ... list_n) procedure The lists should all have the same length. Combine must be a procedure. It should accept one more argument than there are *lists* and return a single value. It should not mutate the *list* arguments. The fold-left procedure iterates the *combine* procedure over an accumulator value and the elements of the *lists* from left to right, starting with an accumulator value of *nil*. More specifically, fold-left returns *nil* if the *lists* are empty. If they are not empty, *combine* is first applied to *nil* and the respective first elements of the *lists* in order. The result becomes the new accumulator value, and *combine* is applied to the new accumulator value and the respective next elements of the *list*. This step is repeated until the end of the list is reached; then the accumulator value is returned. *Combine* is always called in the same dynamic environment as fold-left itself.

```
(fold-left + 0 '(1 2 3 4 5)) \Longrightarrow 15
(fold-left (lambda (a e) (cons e a)) '()
            '(1 2 3 4 5))
           \implies (5 4 3 2 1)
(fold-left (lambda (count x)
              (if (odd? x) (+ count 1) count))
            0
            '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6 5 3))
           \implies 7
(fold-left (lambda (max-len s)
               (max max-len (string-length s)))
            '("longest" "long" "longer"))
           \implies 7
(fold-left cons '(q) '(a b c))
           \implies ((((q) . a) . b) . c)
(fold-left + 0 '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6))
           \implies 21
```

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation should check that the *lists* all have the same length. The implementation must check the restrictions on *combine* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *combine* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(fold-right combine nil list₁ list₂ ... list_n) procedure

The *lists* should all have the same length. *Combine* must be a procedure. It should accept one more argument than there are *lists* and return a single value. *Combine* should not mutate the *list* arguments. The fold-right procedure iterates the *combine* procedure over the elements of the *lists* from right to left and an accumulator value, starting with an accumulator value of *nil*. More specifically, fold-right returns *nil* if the *lists* are empty. If they are not empty, *combine* is first applied to the respective last elements of the *lists* in order and *nil*. The result becomes the new accumulator value, and *combine* is applied to the respective previous elements of the *lists* and the new accumulator value. This step is repeated until the beginning of the list is reached; then the accumulator value is returned. *Proc* is always called in the same dynamic environment as fold-right itself.

```
(fold-right + 0 '(1 2 3 4 5))
           \implies 15
(fold-right cons '() '(1 2 3 4 5))
           \implies (1 2 3 4 5)
(fold-right (lambda (x 1)
                (if (odd? x) (cons x 1) 1))
              <sup>()</sup>
              '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6 5))
                                \implies (3 1 1 5 9 5)
(fold-right cons '(q) '(a b c))
           \Rightarrow (a b c q)
(fold-right + 0 '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6))
           \implies 21
```

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation should check that the *lists* all have the same length. The implementation must check the restrictions on *combine* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *combine* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(remp proc list)	procedure
(remove <i>obj list</i>)	procedure
(remv <i>obj list</i>)	procedure
(remq <i>obj list</i>)	procedure

Proc should accept one argument and return a single value. *Proc* should not mutate *list*.

Each of these procedures returns a list of the elements of *list* that do not satisfy a given condition. The **remp** procedure applies *proc* to each element of *list* and returns a list of the elements of *list* for which *proc* returned **#f**. *Proc* is always called in the same dynamic environment as **remp** itself. The remove, remv, and remg procedures return a list of the elements that are not *obj*. The **remq** procedure uses eq? to compare *obj* with the elements of *list*, while remv uses eqv? and remove uses equal?. The elements of the result list are in the same order as they appear in the input list. If multiple returns occur from remp, the return values returned by earlier returns are not mutated.

```
(remp even? '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6 5))
          \implies (3 1 1 5 9 5)
(remove 1 '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6 5))
```

```
\implies (3 4 5 9 2 6 5)
(remv 1 '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2 6 5))
           \implies (3 4 5 9 2 6 5)
(remq 'foo '(bar foo baz)) \implies (bar baz)
```

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(memp proc list)	procedure
(member <i>obj list</i>)	procedure
(memv obj list)	procedure
(memq obj list)	${\rm procedure}$

Proc should accept one argument and return a single value. *Proc* should not mutate *list*.

These procedures return the first sublist of *list* whose car satisfies a given condition, where the sublists of *lists* are the lists returned by (list-tail list k) for k less than the length of *list*. The memp procedure applies proc to the cars of the sublists of *list* until it finds one for which proc returns a true value. Proc is always called in the same dynamic environment as memp itself. The member, memv, and memq procedures look for the first occurrence of *obj*. If *list* does not contain an element satisfying the condition, then **#f** (not the empty list) is returned. The member procedure uses equal? to compare *obj* with the elements of *list*, while memv uses eqv? and memq uses eq?.

(memp even? '(3 1 4 1 5 9 2) \implies (4 1 5 9 2 6))
(memq 'a '(a b c))	\implies	(abc)
(memq 'b '(a b c))		(b c)
(memq 'a '(b c d))	\implies	#f
(memq (list 'a) '(b (a) c))	$) \implies$	#f
(member (list 'a)		
'(b (a) c))	\implies	((a) c)
(memq 101 '(100 101 102))	\implies	unspecified
(memv 101 '(100 101 102))	\implies	(101 102)

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check that *list* is a chain of pairs up to the found element, or that it is indeed a list if no element is found. It should not check that it is a chain of pairs beyond the found element. The implementation must check the restrictions on proc to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(assp proc alist)	procedure
(assoc <i>obj alist</i>)	procedure

(assv obj	alist)	procedure
(assq obj	alist)	procedure

Alist (for "association list") should be a list of pairs. *Proc* should accept one argument and return a single value. *Proc* should not mutate *alist*.

These procedures find the first pair in *alist* whose car field satisfies a given condition, and returns that pair without traversing *alist* further. If no pair in *alist* satisfies the condition, then **#f** is returned. The **assp** procedure successively applies *proc* to the car fields of *alist* and looks for a pair for which it returns a true value. *Proc* is always called in the same dynamic environment as **assp** itself. The **assoc**, **assv**, and **assq** procedures look for a pair that has *obj* as its car. The **assoc** procedure uses **equal**? to compare *obj* with the car fields of the pairs in *alist*, while **assv** uses **eqv**? and **assq** uses **eq**?.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check that alist is a chain of pairs containing pairs up to the found pair, or that it is indeed a list of pairs if no element is found. It should not check that it is a chain of pairs beyond the found element. The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

```
(define d '((3 a) (1 b) (4 c)))
```

(assp even? d) (assp odd? d)	\Rightarrow (\Rightarrow (
(define e '((a 1) (b 2) (c	3)))	
(assq 'a e)	\implies	(a 1)
(assq 'b e)	\implies	(b 2)
(assq 'd e)	\implies	#f
(assq (list 'a) '(((a)) ((b)) ((c))))
	\implies	#f
(assoc (list 'a) '(((a)) (((b)) ((c))))
	\implies	((a))
(assq 5 '((2 3) (5 7) (11 1	.3)))	
	\implies	unspecified
(assv 5 '((2 3) (5 7) (11 1	.3)))	
	\implies	(5 7)

(cons*	$obj_1 \ldots$	obj_n	obj)	procedure
(cons*	obj)			procedure

If called with at least two arguments, cons* returns a freshly allocated chain of pairs whose cars are obj_1, \ldots, obj_n , and whose last cdr is obj. If called with only one argument, cons* returns that argument.

(cons*	1 2 '(3 4 5))	\implies (1 2 3 4 5)
(cons*	1 2 3)	\implies (1 2 . 3)
(cons*	1)	\implies 1

4. Sorting

This chapter describes the (rnrs sorting (6)) library for sorting lists and vectors.

(list-sort proc list)	procedure
(vector-sort proc vector)	procedure

Proc should accept any two elements of *list* or *vector*, and should not have any side effects. *Proc* should return a true value when its first argument is strictly less than its second, and **#f** otherwise.

The list-sort and vector-sort procedures perform a stable sort of *list* or vector in ascending order according to proc, without changing *list* or vector in any way. The list-sort procedure returns a list, and vector-sort returns a vector. The results may be eq? to the argument when the argument is already sorted, and the result of list-sort may share structure with a tail of the original list. The sorting algorithm performs $O(n \lg n)$ calls to proc where n is the length of *list* or vector, and all arguments passed to proc are elements of the list or vector being sorted, but the pairing of arguments and the sequencing of calls to proc are not specified. If multiple returns occur from list-sort or vector-sort, the return values returned by earlier returns are not mutated.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

(vector-sort! proc vector) procedure

Proc should accept any two elements of the vector, and should not have any side effects. *Proc* should return a true value when its first argument is strictly less than its second, and **#f** otherwise. The **vector-sort**! procedure destructively sorts *vector* in ascending order according to *proc*. The sorting algorithm performs $O(n^2)$ calls to *proc* where *n* is the length of *vector*, and all arguments passed to *proc* are elements of the vector being sorted, but the pairing of arguments and the sequencing of calls to *proc* are not specified. The sorting algorithm may be unstable. The procedure returns unspecified values.

(define v (vector 3 5 2 1))	
(vector-sort! < v)	\implies unspecified
V	\implies #(1 2 3 5)

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check

whether proc is an appropriate argument before applying it.

5. Control structures

This chapter describes the (rnrs control (6)) library, which provides useful control structures.

Syntax: $\langle \text{Test} \rangle$ must be an expression.

Semantics: A when expression is evaluated by evaluating the $\langle \text{test} \rangle \text{ expression}$. If $\langle \text{test} \rangle \text{ evaluates to a true value, the$ $remaining <math>\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ s are evaluated in order, and the results of the last $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ are returned as the results of the entire when expression. Otherwise, the when expression returns unspecified values. An unless expression is evaluated by evaluating the $\langle \text{test} \rangle \text{ expression}$. If $\langle \text{test} \rangle$ evaluates to #f, the remaining $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ s are evaluated in order, and the results of the last $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ are returned as the results of the entire unless expression. Otherwise, the unless expression returns unspecified values.

The final $\langle expression \rangle$ is in tail context if the when or unless form is itself in tail context.

(when (> 3 2) 'greater)	\implies greater
(when (< 3 2) 'greater)	\implies unspecified
(unless (> 3 2) 'less)	\implies unspecified
(unless (< 3 2) 'less)	\implies less

The when and unless expressions are derived forms. They could be defined by the following macros:

```
(define-syntax when
  (syntax-rules ()
      ((when test result1 result2 ...)
      (if test
            (begin result1 result2 ...)))))
(define-syntax unless
  (syntax-rules ()
        ((unless test result1 result2 ...)
        (if (not test)
                (begin result1 result2 ...))
        (if (not test)
                (begin result1 result2 ...)))))
(do ((({variable<sub>1</sub>} (init<sub>1</sub>) (step<sub>1</sub>)) syntax
        ...)
        ((test) (expression) ...)
```

Syntax: The $\langle \text{init} \rangle$ s, $\langle \text{step} \rangle$ s, $\langle \text{test} \rangle$ s, and $\langle \text{command} \rangle$ s must be expressions. The $\langle \text{variable} \rangle$ s must be pairwise distinct variables.

 $\langle \text{command} \rangle \dots \rangle$

Semantics: The do expression is an iteration construct. It specifies a set of variables to be bound, how they are to be

initialized at the start, and how they are to be updated on each iteration.

A do expression is evaluated as follows: The $\langle \text{init} \rangle$ expressions are evaluated (in some unspecified order), the $\langle \text{variable} \rangle$ s are bound to fresh locations, the results of the $\langle \text{init} \rangle$ expressions are stored in the bindings of the $\langle \text{variable} \rangle$ s, and then the iteration phase begins.

Each iteration begins by evaluating $\langle \text{test} \rangle$; if the result is **#f**, then the $\langle \text{command} \rangle$ s are evaluated in order for effect, the $\langle \text{step} \rangle$ expressions are evaluated in some unspecified order, the $\langle \text{variable} \rangle$ s are bound to fresh locations holding the results, and the next iteration begins.

If $\langle \text{test} \rangle$ evaluates to a true value, the $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ s are evaluated from left to right and the values of the last $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ are returned. If no $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ s are present, then the do expression returns unspecified values.

The region of the binding of a $\langle variable \rangle$ consists of the entire do expression except for the $\langle init \rangle$ s.

A $\langle \text{step} \rangle$ may be omitted, in which case the effect is the same as if ($\langle \text{variable} \rangle \langle \text{init} \rangle \langle \text{variable} \rangle$) had been written instead of ($\langle \text{variable} \rangle \langle \text{init} \rangle$).

If a do expression appears in a tail context, the $\langle expression \rangle$ s are a $\langle tail sequence \rangle$ in the sense of report section 11.20, i.e., the last $\langle expression \rangle$ is also in a tail context.

```
(do ((vec (make-vector 5))
  (i 0 (+ i 1)))
  ((= i 5) vec)
  (vector-set! vec i i)) ⇒ #(0 1 2 3 4)
(let ((x '(1 3 5 7 9)))
  (do ((x x (cdr x))
        (sum 0 (+ sum (car x))))
        ((null? x) sum))) ⇒ 25
```

The following definition of **do** uses a trick to expand the variable clauses.

```
(define-syntax do
  (syntax-rules ()
    ((do ((var init step ...) ...)
         (test expr ...)
         command ...)
     (letrec
       ((loop
         (lambda (var ...)
           (if test
               (begin
                 #f ; avoid empty begin
                 expr ...)
               (begin
                 command
                  . . .
                 (loop (do "step" var step ...)
                        ...))))))
```

```
(loop init ...)))
((do "step" x)
x)
((do "step" x y)
y)))
```

(case-lambda clause) ...) syntax

Syntax: Each $\langle case-lambda \ clause \rangle$ must be of the form

($\langle \text{formals} \rangle \langle \text{body} \rangle$)

 \langle Formals \rangle must be as in a lambda form (report section 11.4.2), and \langle body \rangle is as described in report section 11.3.

Semantics: A case-lambda expression evaluates to a procedure. This procedure, when applied, tries to match its arguments to the (case-lambda clause)s in order. The arguments match a clause if one of the following conditions is fulfilled:

- (Formals) has the form ((variable) ...) and the number of arguments is the same as the number of formal parameters in (formals).
- $\langle \text{Formals} \rangle$ has the form $(\langle \text{variable}_1 \rangle \dots \langle \text{variable}_n \rangle$. $\langle \text{variable}_{n+1} \rangle \rangle$ and the number of arguments is at least n.
- (Formals) has the form (variable).

For the first clause matched by the arguments, the variables of the $\langle \text{formals} \rangle$ are bound to fresh locations containing the argument values in the same arrangement as with lambda.

The last expression of a $\langle body \rangle$ in a case-lambda expression is in tail context.

If the arguments match none of the clauses, an exception with condition type &assertion is raised.

```
(define foo
  (case-lambda
   (() 'zero)
   ((x) (list 'one x))
   ((x y) (list 'two x y))
   ((a b c d . e) (list 'four a b c d e))
   (rest (list 'rest rest))))
(foo)
                                \implies zero
(foo 1)
                                \implies (one 1)
(foo 1 2)
                                \implies (two 1 2)
(foo 1 2 3)
                                \implies (rest (1 2 3))
(foo 1 2 3 4)
                                \implies (four 1 2 3 4 ())
```

The case-lambda keyword can be defined in terms of lambda by the following macros:

```
(define-syntax case-lambda
  (svntax-rules ()
    ((_ (fmls b1 b2 ...))
     (lambda fmls b1 b2 ...))
    ((_ (fmls b1 b2 ...) ...)
     (lambda args
       (let ((n (length args)))
         (case-lambda-help args n
           (fmls b1 b2 ...) ...))))))
(define-syntax case-lambda-help
  (syntax-rules ()
    ((_ args n)
     (assertion-violation #f
       "unexpected number of arguments"))
    ((_ args n ((x ...) b1 b2 ...) more ...)
     (if (= n (length '(x ...)))
         (apply (lambda (x ...) b1 b2 ...) args)
         (case-lambda-help args n more ...)))
    ((_ args n ((x1 x2 ... . r) b1 b2 ...) more ...)
     (if (>= n (length '(x1 x2 ...)))
         (apply (lambda (x1 x2 ... . r) b1 b2 ...)
                   args)
         (case-lambda-help args n more ...)))
    ((_ args n (r b1 b2 ...) more ...)
     (apply (lambda r b1 b2 ...) args))))
```

6. Records

This section describes abstractions for creating new data types representing records.

A record is a compound data structure with a fixed number of components, called *fields*. Each record has an associated type specified by a *record-type descriptor*, which is an object that specifies the fields of the record and various other properties that all records of that type share. Record objects are created by a *record constructor*, a procedure that creates a fresh record object and initializes its fields to values. Records of different types can be distinguished from each other and from other types of objects by *record predicates*. A record predicate returns **#t** when passed a record of the type specified by the record-type descriptor and **#f** otherwise. An *accessor* extracts from a record the component associated with a field, and a *mutator* changes the component to a different value.

Record types can be extended via single inheritance, allowing record types to model hierarchies that occur in applications like algebraic data types as well as single-inheritance class systems. If a record type t extends another record type p, each record of type t is also a record of type p, and the predicate, accessors, and mutators applicable to a record of type p are also applicable to a record of type t. The extension relationship is transitive in the sense that a type extends its parent's parent, if any, and so on. A record type that does not extend another record type is called a *base record type*.

A record type can be *sealed* to prevent it from being extended. Moreover, a record type can be *nongenerative*, i.e., it is globally identified by a "uid", and new, compatible definitions of a nongenerative record type with the same uid as a previous always yield the same record type.

The record mechanism spans three libraries:

- the (rnrs records syntactic (6)) library, a syntactic layer for defining a record type and associated constructor, predicate, accessor, and mutators,
- the (rnrs records procedural (6)) library, a procedural layer for creating and manipulating record types and creating constructors, predicates, accessors, and mutators;
- the (rnrs records inspection (6)) library, a set of inspection procedures.

The inspection procedures allow programs to obtain from a record instance a descriptor for the type and from there obtain access to the fields of the record instance. This facility allows the creation of portable printers and inspectors. A program may prevent access to a record's type—and thereby protect the information stored in the record from the inspection mechanism—by declaring the type opaque. Thus, opacity as presented here can be used to enforce abstraction barriers.

Any of the standard types mentioned in this report may or may not be implemented as an opaque record type. Thus, it may be possible to use inspection on objects of the standard types.

The procedural layer is particularly useful for writing interpreters that construct host-compatible record types. It may also serve as a target for expansion of the syntactic layers. The record operations provided through the procedural layer may, however, be less efficient than the operations provided through the syntactic layer, which is designed to allow expand-time determination of record-instance sizes and field offsets. Therefore, alternative implementations of syntactic record-type definition should, when possible, expand into the syntactic layer rather than the procedural layer.

The syntactic layer is used more commonly and therefore described first. This chapter uses the rtd and *constructor-descriptor* parameter names for arguments that must be record-type descriptors and constructor descriptors, respectively (see section 6.3).

6.1. Mutability and equivalence of records

The fields of a record type are designated *mutable* or *immutable*. Correspondingly, a record type with no mutable field is called *immutable*, and all records of that type are immutable objects. All other record types are *mutable*, and so are their records.

Each call to a record constructor of a mutable record type returns a new record with a fresh location (see report section 5.10). Consequently, for two records obj_1 and obj_2 , the return value of (eqv? obj_1 obj_2), as well as the return value of (eq? obj_1 obj_2), adheres to the following criteria (see report section 11.5):

- If obj_1 and obj_2 have different record types (i.e., their record-type descriptors are not eqv?), eqv? returns #f.
- If obj_1 and obj_2 are both records of the same mutable record type, and are the results of two separate calls to record constructors, then eqv? returns #f.
- If obj_1 and obj_2 are both the result of a single call to a record constructor, then eqv? returns #t.
- If obj_1 and obj_2 are both records of the same record type, where applying an accessor to both yields results for which eqv? returns **#f**, then eqv? returns **#f**.

6.2. Syntactic layer

The syntactic layer is provided by the (rnrs records syntactic (6)) library. Some details of the specification are explained in terms of the specification of the procedural layer below.

The record-type-defining form define-record-type is a definition and can appear anywhere any other $\langle definition \rangle$ can appear.

(define-record-type	(name	$ {\rm spec}\rangle$	(record	$clause\rangle^*$)
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	syntax
fields	auxiliary syntax
mutable	auxiliary syntax
immutable	auxiliary syntax
parent	auxiliary syntax
protocol	auxiliary syntax
sealed	auxiliary syntax
opaque	auxiliary syntax
nongenerative	auxiliary syntax
parent-rtd	auxiliary syntax

A define-record-type form defines a record type along with associated constructor descriptor and constructor, predicate, field accessors, and field mutators. The define-record-type form expands into a set of definitions in the environment where define-record-type appears; hence, it is possible to refer to the bindings (except for that of the record type itself) recursively. The $\langle name \text{ spec} \rangle$ specifies the names of the record type, constructor, and predicate. It must take one of the following forms:

(\langle record name \rangle \langle constructor name \rangle \langle predicate name \rangle) \langle record name \rangle

 $\langle \text{Record name} \rangle$, $\langle \text{constructor name} \rangle$, and $\langle \text{predicate name} \rangle$ must all be identifiers.

(Record name), taken as a symbol, becomes the name of the record type. (See the description of make-record-type-descriptor below.) Additionally, it is bound by this definition to an expand-time or runtime representation of the record type and can be used as parent name in syntactic record-type definitions that extend this definition. It can also be used as a handle to gain access to the underlying record-type descriptor and constructor descriptor (see record-type-descriptor and record-constructor-descriptor below).

 $\langle \text{Constructor name} \rangle$ is defined by this definition to be a constructor for the defined record type, with a protocol specified by the **protocol** clause, or, in its absence, using a default protocol. For details, see the description of the **protocol** clause below.

 $\langle {\rm Predicate \ name}\rangle$ is defined by this definition to a predicate for the defined record type.

The second form of (name spec) is an abbreviation for the first form, where the name of the constructor is generated by prefixing the record name with make-, and the predicate name is generated by adding a question mark (?) to the end of the record name. For example, if the record name is frob, the name of the constructor is make-frob, and the predicate name is frob?.

Each $\langle \text{record clause} \rangle$ must take one of the following forms; it is a syntax violation if multiple $\langle \text{record clause} \rangle$ s of the same kind appear in a define-record-type form.

(fields $\langle \text{field spec} \rangle^*$)

Each $\langle \text{field spec} \rangle$ has one of the following forms

 $\langle Field name \rangle$, $\langle accessor name \rangle$, and $\langle mutator name \rangle$ must all be identifiers. The first form declares an immutable field called $\langle field name \rangle$, with the corresponding accessor named $\langle accessor name \rangle$. The second form declares a mutable field called $\langle field name \rangle$, with the corresponding accessor named $\langle accessor name \rangle$, and with the corresponding mutator named $\langle mutator name \rangle$.

If (field spec) takes the third or fourth form, the accessor name is generated by appending the record name and field

name with a hyphen separator, and the mutator name (for a mutable field) is generated by adding a -set! suffix to the accessor name. For example, if the record name is frob and the field name is widget, the accessor name is frob-widget and the mutator name is frob-widget-set!.

If $\langle \text{field spec} \rangle$ is just a $\langle \text{field name} \rangle$ form, it is an abbreviation for (immutable $\langle \text{field name} \rangle$).

The \langle field name \rangle s become, as symbols, the names of the fields in the record-type descriptor being created, in the same order.

The fields clause may be absent; this is equivalent to an empty fields clause.

(parent $\langle parent name \rangle$)

Specifies that the record type is to have parent type $\langle \text{parent name} \rangle$, where $\langle \text{parent name} \rangle$ is the $\langle \text{record name} \rangle$ of a record type previously defined using define-record-type. The record-type definition associated with $\langle \text{parent name} \rangle$ must not be sealed.

(protocol $\langle expression \rangle$)

 $\langle \text{Expression} \rangle$ is evaluated in the same environment as the define-record-type form. It must evaluate to a procedure, and this procedure should be a protocol appropriate for the record type being defined.

The protocol is used to create a record-constructor descriptor as described below. If no protocol clause is specified, a constructor descriptor is still created using a default protocol. The clause can be absent only if the record type being defined has no parent type, or if the parent definition does not specify a protocol.

(sealed #t) (sealed #f)

If this option is specified with operand #t, the defined record type is sealed, i.e., no extensions of the record type can be created. If this option is specified with operand #f, or is absent, the defined record type is not sealed.

(opaque #t) (opaque #f)

If this option is specified with operand **#t**, or if an opaque parent record type is specified, the defined record type is opaque. Otherwise, the defined record type is not opaque. See the specification of **record-rtd** below for details.

(nongenerative $\langle uid \rangle$) (nongenerative)

This specifies that the record type is nongenerative with uid $\langle uid \rangle$, which must be an $\langle identifier \rangle$. If $\langle uid \rangle$ is absent, a unique uid is generated at macroexpansion time. If two record-type definitions specify the same *uid*, then the record-type definitions should be equivalent, i.e., the implied arguments to make-record-type-descriptor must be equivalent as described under make-record-type-descriptor. See section 6.3. If this condition is not met, it is either considered a syntax violation or an exception with condition type &assertion is raised. If the condition is met, a single record type is generated for both definitions.

In the absence of a nongenerative clause, a new record type is generated every time a define-record-type form is evaluated:

(parent-rtd $\langle parent rtd \rangle \langle parent cd \rangle$)

Specifies that the record type is to have its parent type specified by $\langle \text{parent rtd} \rangle$, which should be an expression evaluating to a record-type descriptor or **#f**, and $\langle \text{parent cd} \rangle$, which should be an expression evaluating to a constructor descriptor (see below) or **#f**.

If $\langle \text{parent rtd} \rangle$ evaluates to #f, then if $\langle \text{parent cd} \rangle$ evaluates to a value, that value must be #f.

If $\langle \text{parent rtd} \rangle$ evaluates to a record-type descriptor, the record type must not be sealed. Moreover, a record-type definition must not have both a parent and a parent-rtd clause.

Note: The syntactic layer is designed to allow record-instance sizes and field offsets to be determined at expand time, i.e., by a macro definition of define-record-type, as long as the parent (if any) is known. Implementations that take advantage of this may generate less efficient constructor, accessor, and mutator code when the parent-rtd clause is used, since the type of the parent is generally not known until run time. The parent clause should therefore be used instead when possible.

All bindings created by define-record-type (for the record type, the constructor, the predicate, the accessors, and the mutators) must have names that are pairwise distinct.

If no parent clause is present, no parent-rtd clause is present, or a parent-rtd clause is present but (parent rtd) evaluates to **#f**, the record type is a base type.

The constructor created by a define-record-type form is a procedure as follows:

• If the record type is a base type and no protocol clause is present, the constructor accepts as many arguments as there are fields, in the same order as they appear in the fields clause, and returns a record object with the fields initialized to the corresponding arguments.

If the record type is a base type and a protocol clause is present, the protocol expression, if it evaluates to a value, must evaluate to a procedure, and this procedure should accept a single argument. The protocol procedure is called once during the evaluation of the define-record-type form with a procedure p as its argument. It should return a procedure, which will become the constructor bound to (constructor name). The procedure p accepts as many arguments as there are fields, in the same order as they appear in the fields clause, and returns a record object with the fields initialized to the corresponding arguments.

The constructor returned by the protocol procedure can accept an arbitrary number of arguments, and should call p once to construct a record object, and return that record object.

For example, the following protocol expression for a record-type definition with three fields creates a constructor that accepts values for all fields, and initialized them in the reverse order of the arguments:

```
(lambda (p)
(lambda (v1 v2 v3)
(p v3 v2 v1)))
```

If the record type is not a base type and a protocol clause is present, then the protocol procedure is called once with a procedure n as its argument. As in the previous case, the protocol procedure should return a procedure, which will become the constructor bound to (constructor name). However, n is different from p in the previous case: It accepts arguments corresponding to the arguments of the constructor of the parent type. It then returns a procedure p that accepts as many arguments as there are (additional) fields in this type, in the same order as in the fields clause, and returns a record object with the fields of the parent record types initialized according to their constructors and the arguments to n, and the fields of this record type initialized to its arguments of p.

The constructor returned by the protocol procedure can accept an arbitrary number of arguments, and should call n once to construct the procedure p, and call p once to create the record object, and finally return that record object.

For example, the following protocol expression assumes that the constructor of the parent type takes three arguments:

The resulting constructor accepts seven arguments, and initializes the fields of the parent types according to the constructor of the parent type, with v1, v2, and v3 as arguments. It also initializes the fields of this record type to the values of $x1, \ldots, x4$.

• If there is a parent clause, but no protocol clause, then the parent type must not have a protocol clause itself. Similarly, if there is a parent-rtd clause whose (parent rtd) evaluates to a record-type descriptor, but no protocol clause, then the (parent cd) expression, if it evaluates to a value, must evaluate to #f. The constructor bound to (constructor name) is a procedure that accepts arguments corresponding to the parent types' constructor first, and then one argument for each field in the same order as in the fields clause. The constructor returns a record object with the fields initialized to the corresponding arguments.

A protocol may perform other actions consistent with the requirements described above, including mutation of the new record or other side effects, before returning the record.

Any definition that takes advantage of implicit naming for the constructor, predicate, accessor, and mutator names can be rewritten trivially to a definition that specifies all names explicitly. For example, the implicit-naming record definition:

```
(define-record-type frob
 (fields (mutable widget))
 (protocol
    (lambda (p)
        (lambda (n) (p (make-widget n))))))
```

is equivalent to the following explicit-naming record definition.

Also, the implicit-naming record definition:

```
(define-record-type point (fields x y))
```

is equivalent to the following explicit-naming record definition:

```
(define-record-type (point make-point point?)
  (fields
      (immutable x point-x)
      (immutable y point-y)))
```

With implicit naming, it is still possible to specify some of the names explicitly; for example, the following overrides the choice of accessor and mutator names for the widget field.

```
(define-record-type frob
 (fields (mutable widget getwid setwid!))
 (protocol
    (lambda (p)
        (lambda (n) (p (make-widget n))))))
```

(record-type-descriptor (record name)) syntax

Evaluates to the record-type descriptor (see below) associated with the type specified by (record name).

Note: The **record-type-descriptor** procedure works on both opaque and non-opaque record types.

(record-constructor-descriptor $\langle record name \rangle$)

```
\operatorname{syntax}
```

Evaluates to the record-constructor descriptor (see below) associated with \langle record name \rangle .

The following example uses the record? procedure from the (rnrs records inspection (6)) library (section 6.4):

```
(define-record-type (point make-point point?)
  (fields (immutable x point-x)
           (mutable y point-y set-point-y!))
  (nongenerative
    point-4893d957-e00b-11d9-817f-00111175eb9e))
(define-record-type (cpoint make-cpoint cpoint?)
  (parent point)
  (protocol
   (lambda (n)
     (lambda (x y c)
       ((n x y) (color->rgb c)))))
  (fields
    (mutable rgb cpoint-rgb cpoint-rgb-set!)))
(define (color->rgb c)
  (cons 'rgb c))
(define p1 (make-point 1 2))
(define p2 (make-cpoint 3 4 'red))
(point? p1)
                               \implies #t.
(point? p2)
                               ⇒ #t.
(point? (vector))
                               \implies #f
(point? (cons 'a 'b))
                               \implies #f
(cpoint? p1)
                               \implies #f
(cpoint? p2)
                               \implies #t.
(point-x p1)
                               \implies 1
(point-y p1)
                               \implies 2
(point-x p2)
                               \implies 3
(point-y p2)
                               \implies 4
(cpoint-rgb p2)
                               \implies (rgb . red)
(set-point-y! p1 17)
                               \implies unspecified
(point-y p1)
                               \implies 17)
```

```
(record-rtd p1)
          \implies (record-type-descriptor point)
(define-record-type (ex1 make-ex1 ex1?)
  (protocol (lambda (p) (lambda a (p a))))
  (fields (immutable f ex1-f)))
(define ex1-i1 (make-ex1 1 2 3))
(ex1-f ex1-i1)
                              \implies (1 2 3)
(define-record-type (ex2 make-ex2 ex2?)
  (protocol
    (lambda (p) (lambda (a . b) (p a b))))
  (fields (immutable a ex2-a)
           (immutable b ex2-b)))
(define ex2-i1 (make-ex2 1 2 3))
(ex2-a ex2-i1)
                             \implies 1
(ex2-b ex2-i1)
                              \implies (2 3)
(define-record-type (unit-vector
                      make-unit-vector
                      unit-vector?)
  (protocol
   (lambda (p)
     (lambda (x y z)
       (let ((length
                (sqrt (+ (* x x)
                         (* y y)
                          (* z z)))))
         (p (/ x length)
             (/ y length)
             (/ z length))))))
  (fields (immutable x unit-vector-x)
          (immutable y unit-vector-y)
           (immutable z unit-vector-z)))
(define *ex3-instance* #f)
(define-record-type ex3
  (parent cpoint)
  (protocol
   (lambda (n)
     (lambda (x y t)
       (let ((r ((n x y 'red) t)))
         (set! *ex3-instance* r)
         r))))
  (fields
   (mutable thickness))
  (sealed #t) (opaque #t))
(define ex3-i1 (make-ex3 1 2 17))
(ex3? ex3-i1)
                              \implies #t
(cpoint-rgb ex3-i1)
                              \implies (rgb . red)
(ex3-thickness ex3-i1)
                              \implies 17
(ex3-thickness-set! ex3-i1 18)
          \implies unspecified
(ex3-thickness ex3-i1)
                              \implies 18
*ex3-instance*
                              \implies ex3-i1
```

(record? ex3-i1)

```
6.3. Procedural layer
```

The procedural layer is provided by the (rnrs records procedural (6)) library.

 \implies #f

Returns a *record-type descriptor*, or *rtd*, representing a record type distinct from all built-in types and other record types.

The *name* argument must be a symbol. It names the record type, and is intended purely for informational purposes and may be used for printing by the underlying Scheme system.

The *parent* argument must be either **#f** or an rtd. If it is an rtd, the returned record type, t, extends the record type p represented by *parent*. An exception with condition type **&assertion** is raised if *parent* is sealed (see below).

The *uid* argument must be either **#f** or a symbol. If *uid* is a symbol, the record-creation operation is *nongenerative* i.e., a new record type is created only if no previous call to **make-record-type-descriptor** was made with the *uid*. If *uid* is **#f**, the record-creation operation is *generative*, i.e., a new record type is created even if a previous call to **make-record-type-descriptor** was made with the same arguments.

If make-record-type-descriptor is called twice with the same *uid* symbol, the parent arguments in the two calls must be eqv?, the *fields* arguments equal?, the *sealed?* arguments boolean-equivalent (both **#f** or both true), and the *opaque?* arguments boolean-equivalent if the parents are not opaque. If these conditions are not met, an exception with condition type &assertion is raised when the second call occurs. If they are met, the second call returns, without creating a new record type, the same record-type descriptor (in the sense of eqv?) as the first call.

Note: Users are encouraged to use symbol names constructed using the UUID namespace [10] (for example, using the record-type name as a prefix) for the uid argument.

The *sealed?* flag must be a boolean. If true, the returned record type is sealed, i.e., it cannot be extended.

The *opaque?* flag must be a boolean. If true, the record type is opaque. If passed an instance of the record type, record? returns #f. Moreover, if record-rtd (see "Inspection" below) is called with an instance of the record type, an exception with condition type &assertion is raised. The record type is also opaque if an opaque parent is supplied. If *opaque?* is #f and an opaque parent is not supplied, the record is not opaque.

The *fields* argument must be a vector of field specifiers. Each field specifier must be a list of the form (mutable *name*) or a list of the form (immutable *name*). Each name must be a symbol and names the corresponding field of the record type; the names need not be distinct. A field identified as mutable may be modified, whereas, when a program attempts to obtain a mutator for a field identified as immutable, an exception with condition type &assertion is raised. Where field order is relevant, e.g., for record construction and field access, the fields are considered to be ordered as specified, although no particular order is required for the actual representation of a record instance.

The specified fields are added to the parent fields, if any, to determine the complete set of fields of the returned record type. If *fields* is modified after **make-record-type-descriptor** has been called, the effect on the returned rtd is unspecified.

A generative record-type descriptor created by a call to make-record-type-descriptor is not eqv? to any record-type descriptor (generative or nongenerative) created by another call to make-record-type-descriptor. A generative record-type descriptor is eqv? only to itself, i.e., (eqv? $rtd_1 \ rtd_2$) iff (eq? $rtd_1 \ rtd_2$). Also, two nongenerative record-type descriptors are eqv? iff they were created by calls to make-record-type-descriptor with the same uid arguments.

(record-type-descriptor? *obj*)

procedure

Returns **#t** if the argument is a record-type descriptor, **#f** otherwise.

Returns a record-constructor descriptor (or constructor descriptor for short) that specifies a record constructor (or constructor for short), that can be used to construct record values of the type specified by rtd, and which can be obtained via record-constructor. A constructor descriptor can also be used to create other constructor descriptors for subtypes of its own record type. Rtd must be a record-type descriptor. Protocol must be a procedure or #f. If it is #f, a default protocol procedure is supplied.

If *protocol* is a procedure, it is handled analogously to the protocol expression in a define-record-type form.

If rtd is a base record type parent-constructor-descriptor must be **#f**. In this case, protocol is called by record-constructor with a single argument p. P is a procedure that expects one argument for every field of rtd and returns a record with the fields of rtd initialized to these arguments. The procedure returned by protocol should call p once with the number of arguments p expects and return the resulting record as shown in the simple example below: (lambda (p) (lambda (v1 v2 v3) (p v1 v2 v3)))

Here, the call to p returns a record whose fields are initialized with the values of v1, v2, and v3. The expression above is equivalent to (lambda (p) p). Note that the procedure returned by *protocol* is otherwise unconstrained; specifically, it can take any number of arguments.

If rtd is an extension of another record type parent-rtdand protocol is a procedure, parent-constructor-descriptormust be a constructor descriptor of parent-rtd or **#f**. If parent-constructor-descriptor is a constructor descriptor, protocol is called by record-constructor with a single argument n, which is a procedure that accepts the same number of arguments as the constructor of parent-constructor-descriptor and returns a procedure pthat, when called, constructs the record itself. The pprocedure expects one argument for every field of rtd(not including parent fields) and returns a record with the fields of rtd initialized to these arguments, and the fields of parent-rtd and its parents initialized as specified by parent-constructor-descriptor.

The procedure returned by *protocol* should call n once with the number of arguments n expects, call the procedure p it returns once with the number of arguments p expects and return the resulting record. A simple *protocol* in this case might be written as follows:

This passes arguments v1, v2, v3 to n for *parent-constructor-descriptor* and calls p with x1, ..., x4 to initialize the fields of *rtd* itself.

Thus, the constructor descriptors for a record type form a sequence of protocols parallel to the sequence of recordtype parents. Each constructor descriptor in the chain determines the field values for the associated record type. Child record constructors need not know the number or contents of parent fields, only the number of arguments accepted by the parent constructor.

Protocol may be **#f**, specifying a default constructor that accepts one argument for each field of *rtd* (including the fields of its parent type, if any). Specifically, if *rtd* is a base type, the default *protocol* procedure behaves as if it were (lambda (p) p). If *rtd* is an extension of another type, then *parent-constructor-descriptor* must be either **#f** or itself specify a default constructor, and the default *protocol* procedure behaves as if it were:

```
(lambda (n)
  (lambda (v<sub>1</sub> ... v<sub>j</sub> x<sub>1</sub> ... x<sub>k</sub>)
      (let ((p (n v<sub>1</sub> ... v<sub>j</sub>)))
        (p x<sub>1</sub> ... x<sub>k</sub>))))
```

The resulting constructor accepts one argument for each of the record type's complete set of fields (including those of the parent record type, the parent's parent record type, etc.) and returns a record with the fields initialized to those arguments, with the field values for the parent coming before those of the extension in the argument list. (In the example, j is the complete number of fields of the parent type, and k is the number of fields of rtd itself.)

Τf rtdis anextension of another record parent-constructor-descriptortype and is #f, parent-constructor-descriptor is treated as if it were a constructor descriptor for the parent rtd of rtd with a default protocol.

Implementation responsibilities: If protocol is a procedure, the implementation must check the restrictions on it to the extent performed by applying it as described when the constructor is called. An implementation may check whether protocol is an appropriate argument before applying it.

```
(define rtd1
  (make-record-type-descriptor
   'rtd1 #f #f #f #f
   '#((immutable x1) (immutable x2))))
(define rtd2
  (make-record-type-descriptor
   'rtd2 rtd1 #f #f #f
   '#((immutable x3) (immutable x4))))
(define rtd3
  (make-record-type-descriptor
   'rtd3 rtd2 #f #f #f
   '#((immutable x5) (immutable x6))))
(define protocol1
  (lambda (p)
    (lambda (a b c)
      (p (+ a b) (+ b c))))
(define protocol2
  (lambda (n)
    (lambda (a b c d e f)
      (let ((p (n a b c)))
        (p (+ d e) (+ e f)))))
(define protocol3
  (lambda (n)
    (lambda (a b c d e f g h i)
      (let ((p (n a b c d e f)))
        (p (+ g h) (+ h i)))))
(define cd1
  (make-record-constructor-descriptor
   rtd1 #f protocol1))
(define cd2
 (make-record-constructor-descriptor
   rtd2 cd1 protocol2))
```

(record-constructor constructor-descriptor) procedure

Calls the *protocol* of *constructor-descriptor* (as described for make-record-constructor-descriptor) and returns the resulting constructor *constructor* for records of the record type associated with *constructor-descriptor*.

(record-predicate *rtd*)

```
procedure
```

Returns a procedure that, given an object *obj*, returns **#t** if *obj* is a record of the type represented by *rtd*, and **#f** otherwise.

(record-accessor rtd k)

procedure

K must be a valid field index of rtd. The record-accessor procedure returns a one-argument procedure whose argument must be a record of the type represented by rtd. This procedure returns the value of the selected field of that record.

The field selected corresponds to the kth element (0-based) of the *fields* argument to the invocation of make-record-type-descriptor that created rtd. Note that k cannot be used to specify a field of any type rtd extends.

```
(record-mutator rtd k)
```

procedure

K must be a valid field index of rtd. The record-mutator procedure returns a two-argument procedure whose arguments must be a record record r of the type represented by rtd and an object obj. This procedure stores obj within the field of r specified by k. The k argument is as in record-accessor. If k specifies an immutable field, an exception with condition type &assertion is raised. The mutator returns unspecified values.

(define :point (make-record-type-descriptor 'point #f #f #f #f

```
'#((mutable x) (mutable y))))
(define :point-cd
  (make-record-constructor-descriptor :point #f #f))
(define make-point (record-constructor :point-cd))
(define point? (record-predicate :point))
(define point-x (record-accessor :point 0))
(define point-y (record-accessor :point 1))
(define point-x-set! (record-mutator :point 0))
(define point-y-set! (record-mutator :point 1))
(define p1 (make-point 1 2))
(point? p1)
                             \implies #t
(point-x p1)
                             \implies 1
(point-y p1)
                             \implies 2
(point-x-set! p1 5)
                            \implies unspecified
(point-x p1)
                             \implies 5
(define :point2
  (make-record-type-descriptor
    'point2 :point
    #f #f #f '#((mutable x) (mutable y))))
(define make-point2
  (record-constructor
    (make-record-constructor-descriptor :point2
      #f #f)))
(define point2? (record-predicate :point2))
(define point2-xx (record-accessor :point2 0))
(define point2-yy (record-accessor :point2 1))
(define p2 (make-point2 1 2 3 4))
(point? p2)
                             \implies #t
(point-x p2)
                             \implies 1
                             \implies 2
(point-y p2)
                             \implies 3
(point2-xx p2)
(point2-yy p2)
                             \implies 4
(define :point-cd/abs
  (make-record-constructor-descriptor
   :point #f
   (lambda (new)
     (lambda (x y)
       (new (abs x) (abs y))))))
(define make-point/abs
  (record-constructor :point-cd/abs))
(point-x (make-point/abs -1 -2))
          \implies 1
(point-y (make-point/abs -1 -2))
          \implies 2
(define :cpoint
  (make-record-type-descriptor
   'cpoint :point
   #f #f #f
```

'#((mutable rgb))))

```
(define make-cpoint
  (record-constructor
   (make-record-constructor-descriptor
    :cpoint :point-cd
    (lambda (p)
      (lambda (x y c)
((p x y) (color->rgb c)))))))
(define make-cpoint/abs
  (record-constructor
   (make-record-constructor-descriptor
    :cpoint :point-cd/abs
    (lambda (p)
      (lambda (x y c)
((p x y) (color->rgb c)))))))
(define cpoint-rgb
  (record-accessor :cpoint 0))
(define (color->rgb c)
  (cons 'rgb c))
(cpoint-rgb (make-cpoint -1 -3 'red))
          \implies (rgb . red)
(point-x (make-cpoint -1 -3 'red))
          \implies -1
(point-x (make-cpoint/abs -1 -3 'red))
          \implies 1
```

6.4. Inspection

The (rnrs records inspection (6)) library provides procedures for inspecting records and their record-type descriptors. These procedures are designed to allow the writing of portable printers and inspectors.

On the one hand, record? and record-rtd treat records of opaque record types as if they were not records. On the other hand, the inspection procedures that operate on record-type descriptors themselves are not affected by opacity. In other words, opacity controls whether a program can obtain an rtd from a record. If the program has access to the original rtd via make-record-type-descriptor or record-type-descriptor, it can still make use of the inspection procedures.

(record? *obj*)

Returns #t if *obj* is a record, and its record type is not opaque, and returns #f otherwise.

(record-rtd record)

```
procedure
```

procedure

Returns the rtd representing the type of *record* if the type is not opaque. The rtd of the most precise type is returned;

that is, the type t such that *record* is of type t but not of any type that extends t. If the type is opaque, an exception is raised with condition type &assertion.

(record-type-name *rtd*) procedure

Returns the name of the record-type descriptor rtd.

(record-type-parent *rtd*) procedure

Returns the parent of the record-type descriptor *rtd*, or **#f** if it has none.

(record-type-uid *rtd*)

procedure

Returns the uid of the record-type descriptor rtd, or **#f** if it has none. (An implementation may assign a generated uid to a record type even if the type is generative, so the return of a uid does not necessarily imply that the type is nongenerative.)

(record-type-generative? *rtd*) procedure

Returns **#t** if *rtd* is generative, and **#f** if not.

(record-type-sealed? *rtd*) procedure

Returns #t if the record-type descriptor is sealed, and #f if not.

(record-type-opaque? *rtd*)

Returns **#t** if the the record-type descriptor is opaque, and **#f** if not.

(record-type-field-names *rtd*)

procedure

procedure

Returns a vector of symbols naming the fields of the type represented by rtd (not including the fields of parent types) where the fields are ordered as described under make-record-type-descriptor. The returned vector may be immutable. If the returned vector is modified, the effect on rtd is unspecified.

(record-field-mutable? rtd k)

procedure

Returns **#t** if the field specified by k of the type represented by rtd is mutable, and **#f** if not. K is as in record-accessor.

7. Exceptions and conditions

Scheme allows programs to deal with exceptional situations using two cooperating facilities: the exception system for raising and handling exceptional situations, and the condition system for describing these situations. The exception system allows the program, when it detects an exceptional situation, to pass control to an exception handler, and to dynamically establish such exception handlers. Exception handlers are always invoked with an object describing the exceptional situation. Scheme's condition system provides a standardized taxonomy of such descriptive objects, as well as a facility for extending the taxonomy.

7.1. Exceptions

This section describes Scheme's exception-handling and exception-raising constructs provided by the (rnrs exceptions (6)) library.

Exception handlers are one-argument procedures that determine the action the program takes when an exceptional situation is signalled. The system implicitly maintains a current exception handler.

The program raises an exception by invoking the current exception handler, passing it an object encapsulating information about the exception. Any procedure accepting one argument may serve as an exception handler and any object may be used to represent an exception.

The system maintains the current exception handler as part of the dynamic environment of the program; see report section 5.12.

When a program begins its execution, the current exception handler is expected to handle all &serious conditions by interrupting execution, reporting that an exception has been raised, and displaying information about the condition object that was provided. The handler may then exit, or may provide a choice of other options. Moreover, the exception handler is expected to return when passed any other non-&serious condition. Interpretation of these expectations necessarily depends upon the nature of the system in which programs are executed, but the intent is that users perceive the raising of an exception as a controlled escape from the situation that raised the exception, not as a crash.

(with-exception-handler handler thunk) procedure

Handler must be a procedure and should accept one argument. Thunk must be a procedure and should accept zero arguments. The with-exception-handler procedure returns the results of invoking thunk without arguments. Handler is installed as the current exception handler for the dynamic extent (as determined by dynamic-wind) of the invocation of thunk.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *thunk* to the extent performed by applying it as described above. The implementation must

check the restrictions on *handler* to the extent performed by applying it as described when it is called as a result of a call to **raise** or **raise-continuable**. An implementation may check whether *handler* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

Syntax: Each $\langle \text{cond clause} \rangle$ is as in the specification of cond. (See report section 11.4.5.) => and else are the same as in the (rnrs base (6)) library.

Semantics: Evaluating a guard form evaluates $\langle body \rangle$ with an exception handler that binds the raised object to $\langle variable \rangle$ and within the scope of that binding evaluates the clauses as if they were the clauses of a cond expression. That implicit cond expression is evaluated with the continuation and dynamic environment of the guard expression. If every $\langle cond \ clause \rangle$'s $\langle test \rangle$ evaluates to **#f** and there is no **else** clause, then **raise-continuable** is invoked on the raised object within the dynamic environment of the original call to **raise** except that the current exception handler is that of the guard expression.

The final expression in a $\langle \text{cond clause} \rangle$ is in a tail context if the guard expression itself is.

(raise *obj*)

```
procedure
```

Raises a non-continuable exception by invoking the current exception handler on *obj*. The handler is called with a continuation whose dynamic environment is that of the call to **raise**, except that the current exception handler is the one that was in place when the handler being called was installed. When the handler returns, a non-continuable exception with condition type **&non-continuable** is raised in the same dynamic environment as the handler.

(raise-continuable *obj*)

```
procedure
```

Raises a *continuable exception* by invoking the current exception handler on *obj*. The handler is called with a continuation that is equivalent to the continuation of the call to **raise-continuable**, with these two exceptions: (1) the current exception handler is the one that was in place when the handler being called was installed, and (2) if the handler being called returns, then it will again become the current exception handler. If the handler returns, the values it returns become the values returned by the call to **raise-continuable**.

(guard (con ((error? con)

```
(if (message-condition? con)
               (display (condition-message con))
               (display "an error has occurred"))
          'error)
         ((violation? con)
          (if (message-condition? con)
               (display (condition-message con))
               (display "the program has a bug"))
          'violation))
  (raise
    (condition
      (make-error)
      (make-message-condition "I am an error"))))
    prints: I am an error
                             \implies error
(guard (con
         ((error? con)
          (if (message-condition? con)
               (display (condition-message con))
               (display "an error has occurred"))
          'error))
  (raise
    (condition
      (make-violation)
      (make-message-condition "I am an error"))))
                             \implies &violation exception
(guard (con
         ((error? con)
          (display "error opening file")
          #f))
  (call-with-input-file "foo.scm" read))
    prints: error opening file
                              \implies #f
(with-exception-handler
  (lambda (con)
    (cond
      ((not (warning? con))
       (raise con))
      ((message-condition? con)
       (display (condition-message con)))
      (else
       (display "a warning has been issued")))
   42)
  (lambda ()
    (+ (raise-continuable
         (condition
           (make-warning)
           (make-message-condition
             "should be a number")))
       23)))
    prints: should be a number
                             \implies 65
```

7.2. Conditions

The section describes Scheme's (rnrs conditions (6)) library for creating and inspecting condition types and values. A condition value encapsulates information about an exceptional situation. Scheme also defines a number of basic condition types.

Scheme conditions provides two mechanisms to enable communication about an exceptional situation: subtyping among condition types allows handling code to determine the general nature of an exception even though it does not anticipate its exact nature, and compound conditions allow an exceptional situation to be described in multiple ways.

7.2.1. Condition objects

Conceptually, there are two different kinds of condition objects: simple conditions and compound conditions. An object that is either a simple condition or a compound condition is simply a condition. Compound conditions form a type disjoint from the base types described in report section 11.1. A simple condition describes a single aspect of an exceptional situation. A compound condition represents multiple aspects of an exceptional situation as a list of simple conditions, its components. Most of the operations described in this section treat a simple condition identically to a compound condition with itself as its own sole component. For a subtype t of &condition, a condition of type t is either a record of type t.

&condition

condition type

Simple conditions are records of subtypes of the &condition record type. The &condition type has no fields and is neither sealed nor opaque.

(condition $condition_1 \dots$)

procedure

The condition procedure returns a condition object with the components of the *conditions* as its components, in the same order, i.e., with the components of *condition*₁ appearing first in the same order as in *condition*₁, then with the components of *condition*₂, and so on. The returned condition is compound if the total number of components is zero or greater than one. Otherwise, it may be compound or simple.

(simple-conditions condition)

```
procedure
```

The simple-conditions procedure returns a list of the components of *condition*, in the same order as they appeared in the construction of *condition*. The returned list is immutable. If the returned list is modified, the effect on *condition* is unspecified.

Note: Because condition decomposes its arguments into simple conditions, simple-conditions always returns a "flattened" list of simple conditions.

Returns **#t** if *obj* is a (simple or compound) condition, otherwise returns **#f**.

```
(condition-predicate rtd) procedure
```

Rtd must be a record-type descriptor of a subtype of &condition. The condition-predicate procedure returns a procedure that takes one argument. This procedure returns #t if its argument is a condition of the condition type represented by rtd, i.e., if it is either a simple condition of that record type (or one of its subtypes) or a compound condition with such a simple condition as one of its components, and #f otherwise.

```
(condition-accessor rtd proc) procedure
```

Rtd must be a record-type descriptor of a subtype of &condition. *Proc* should accept one argument, a record of the record type of rtd. The condition-accessor procedure returns a procedure that accepts a single argument, which must be a condition of the type represented by rtd. This procedure extracts the first component of the condition of the type represented by rtd, and returns the result of applying *proc* to that component.

```
(define-record-type (&cond1 make-cond1 real-cond1?)
  (parent &condition)
  (fields
   (immutable x real-cond1-x)))
(define cond1?
  (condition-predicate
    (record-type-descriptor &cond1)))
(define cond1-x
  (condition-accessor
    (record-type-descriptor &cond1)
    real-cond1-x))
(define foo (make-cond1 'foo))
(condition? foo)
                             ⇒ #t.
(cond1? foo)
                             \implies #t
(cond1-x foo)
                             \implies foo
(define-record-type (&cond2 make-cond2 real-cond2?)
  (parent &condition)
  (fields
   (immutable y real-cond2-y)))
(define cond2?
  (condition-predicate
```

```
(record-type-descriptor &cond2)))
```

(define cond2-y (condition-accessor (record-type-descriptor &cond2) real-cond2-y)) (define bar (make-cond2 'bar)) (condition? (condition foo bar)) \implies #t. (cond1? (condition foo bar)) \implies #t (cond2? (condition foo bar)) \implies #t (cond1? (condition foo)) \implies #t (real-cond1? (condition foo)) \implies unspecified (real-cond1? (condition foo bar)) \implies #f (cond1-x (condition foo bar)) \implies foo (cond2-y (condition foo bar)) \implies bar (equal? (simple-conditions (condition foo bar)) (list foo bar)) \implies #t.

```
(equal? (simple-conditions
            (condition foo (condition bar)))
            (list foo bar)) ⇒ #t
```

Syntax: $\langle \text{Condition-type} \rangle$, $\langle \text{supertype} \rangle$, $\langle \text{constructor} \rangle$, and $\langle \text{predicate} \rangle$ must all be identifiers. Each $\langle \text{field-spec} \rangle$ must be of the form

 $(\langle field \rangle \langle accessor \rangle)$

where both $\langle \text{field} \rangle$ and $\langle \text{accessor} \rangle$ must be identifiers.

Semantics: The define-condition-type form expands into a record-type definition for a record type $\langle \text{condition-type} \rangle$ (see section 6.2). The record type will be non-opaque, non-sealed, and its fields will be immutable. It will have $\langle \text{supertype} \rangle$ has its parent type. The remaining identifiers will be bound as follows:

- (Constructor) is bound to a default constructor for the type (see section 6.3): It accepts one argument for each of the record type's complete set of fields (including parent types, with the fields of the parent coming before those of the extension in the arguments) and returns a condition object initialized to those arguments.
- (Predicate) is bound to a predicate that identifies conditions of type (condition-type) or any of its subtypes.

• Each (accessor) is bound to a procedure that extracts the corresponding field from a condition of type (condition-type).

```
(define-condition-type &c &condition
  make-c c?
  (x c-x))
(define-condition-type &c1 &c
  make-c1 c1?
  (a c1-a))
(define-condition-type &c2 &c
  make-c2 c2?
  (b c2-b))
(define v1 (make-c1 "V1" "a1"))
(c? v1)
                                 \implies #t
(c1? v1)
                                 \implies #t
(c2? v1)
                                 \implies #f
                                \implies "V1"
(c-x v1)
                                 \implies "a1"
(c1-a v1)
(define v2 (make-c2 "V2" "b2"))
(c? v2)
                                 \implies #t
(c1? v2)
                                 \implies #f
(c2? v2)
                                 \implies #t
(c-x v2)
                                \implies "V2"
(c2-b v2)
                                 ⇒ "b2"
(define v3 (condition
               (make-c1 "V3/1" "a3")
               (make-c2 "V3/2" "b3")))
(c? v3)
                                 \implies #t
                                 \implies #t
(c1? v3)
                                 \implies #t
(c2? v3)
(c-x v3)
                                 \implies "V3/1"
(c1-a v3)
                                \implies "a3"
(c2-b v3)
                                 ⇒ "b3"
(define v4 (condition v1 v2))
(c? v4)
                                 \implies #t
(c1? v4)
                                 \implies #t
(c2? v4)
                                 \implies #t
                                 ⇒ "V1"
(c-x v4)
                                 \implies "a1"
(c1-a v4)
                                 ⇒ "b2"
(c2-b v4)
(define v5 (condition v2 v3))
(c? v5)
                                 \implies #t
(c1? v5)
                                 ⇒ #t.
(c2? v5)
                                 \implies #t
(c-x v5)
                                 ⇒ "V2"
(c1-a v5)
                                 \implies "a3"
(c2-b v5)
                                 \implies "b2"
```

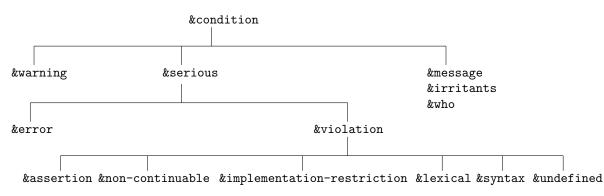


Figure 7.1: Hierarchy of standard condition types

7.3. Standard condition types

&message	condition type
(make-message-condition message)	procedure
(message-condition? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
(condition-message condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &message &condition
 make-message-condition message-condition?
  (message condition-message))
```

It carries a message further describing the nature of the condition to humans.

&warning	condition type
(make-warning)	procedure
(warning? obj)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &warning &condition make-warning warning?)

This type describes conditions that do not, in principle, prohibit immediate continued execution of the program, but may interfere with the program's execution later.

&serious	condition type
(make-serious-condition)	procedure
(serious-condition? obj)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &serious &condition
 make-serious-condition serious-condition?)
```

This type describes conditions serious enough that they cannot safely be ignored. This condition type is primarily intended as a supertype of other condition types.

&error	condition type
(make-error)	procedure
(error? obj)	procedure
This condition type could be defined by	

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type & error & serious make-error error?)

This type describes errors, typically caused by something that has gone wrong in the interaction of the program with the external world or the user.

&violation	condition type
(make-violation)	procedure
(violation? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &violation &serious
 make-violation violation?)
```

This type describes violations of the language standard or a library standard, typically caused by a programming error.

&assertion	condition type
(make-assertion-violation)	procedure
(assertion-violation? obj)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &assertion &violation
 make-assertion-violation assertion-violation?)
```

This type describes an invalid call to a procedure, either passing an invalid number of arguments, or passing an argument of the wrong type.

&irritants	condition type
(make-irritants-condition <i>irritants</i>)	procedure
(irritants-condition? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
(condition-irritants condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &irritants &condition make-irritants-condition irritants-condition? (irritants condition-irritants))

Irritants should be a list of objects. This condition provides additional information about a condition, typically the argument list of a procedure that detected an exception. Conditions of this type are created by the error and assertion-violation procedures of report section 11.14.

&who	condition type
(make-who-condition who)	procedure
(who-condition? obj)	procedure
(condition-who condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &who &condition make-who-condition who-condition? (who condition-who))

Who should be a symbol or string identifying the entity reporting the exception. Conditions of this type are created by the error and assertion-violation procedures (report section 11.14), and the syntax-violation procedure (section 12.9).

&non-continuable	condition type
(make-non-continuable-violation)	procedure
(non-continuable-violation? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &non-continuable &violation make-non-continuable-violation non-continuable-violation?)

This type indicates that an exception handler invoked via raise has returned.

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &implementation-restriction
    &violation
    make-implementation-restriction-violation
    implementation-restriction-violation?)
```

This type describes a violation of an implementation restriction allowed by the specification, such as the absence of representations for NaNs and infinities. (See section 11.3.)

&lexical	condition type
(make-lexical-violation)	procedure
(lexical-violation? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &lexical &violation make-lexical-violation lexical-violation?)

This type describes syntax violations at the level of the datum syntax.

&syntax	condition type
(make-syntax-violation form subform)	procedure
(syntax-violation? obj)	procedure
(syntax-violation-form condition)	procedure
(syntax-violation-subform condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &syntax &violation make-syntax-violation syntax-violation? (form syntax-violation-form) (subform syntax-violation-subform))

This type describes syntax violations. *Form* should be the erroneous syntax object or a datum representing the code of the erroneous form. *Subform* should be an optional syntax object or datum within the erroneous form that more precisely locates the violation. It can be **#f** to indicate the absence of more precise information.

&undefined	condition type
(make-undefined-violation)	procedure
(undefined-violation? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &undefined &violation make-undefined-violation undefined-violation?)

This type describes unbound identifiers in the program.

8. I/O

This chapter describes Scheme's libraries for performing input and output:

- The (rnrs io ports (6)) library (section 8.2) is an I/O layer for conventional, imperative buffered input and output with text and binary data.
- The (rnrs io simple (6)) library (section 8.3) is a convenience library atop the (rnrs io ports (6)) library for textual I/O, compatible with the traditional Scheme I/O procedures [8].

Section 8.1 defines a condition-type hierarchy that is exported by both the (rnrs io ports (6)) and (rnrs io simple (6)) libraries.

8.1. Condition types

The procedures described in this chapter, when they detect an exceptional situation that arises from an "I/O errors", raise an exception with condition type &i/o.

The condition types and corresponding predicates and accessors are exported by both the (rnrs io ports (6)) and (rnrs io simple (6)) libraries. They are also exported by the (rnrs files (6)) library described in chapter 9.

&i/o	condition type
(make-i/o-error)	procedure
(i/o-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &i/o &error make-i/o-error i/o-error?)

This is a supertype for a set of more specific I/O errors.

&i/o-read	condition type
(make-i/o-read-error)	procedure
(i/o-read-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &i/o-read &i/o make-i/o-read-error i/o-read-error?)

This condition type describes read errors that occurred during an I/O operation.

&i/o-write	condition type
(make-i/o-write-error)	procedure
(i/o-write-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-write &i/o
make-i/o-write-error i/o-write-error?)
```

This condition type describes write errors that occurred during an I/O operation.

&i/o-invalid-position	condition type
(make-i/o-invalid-position-error po	sition)
(i/o-invalid-position-error? <i>obj</i>) (i/o-error-position <i>condition</i>)	procedure procedure procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-invalid-position &i/o
 make-i/o-invalid-position-error
 i/o-invalid-position-error?
 (position i/o-error-position))
```

This condition type describes attempts to set the file position to an invalid position. *Position* should be the file position that the program intended to set. This condition describes a range error, but not an assertion violation.

&i/o-filename	condition type
(make-i/o-filename-error filename)	procedure
(i/o-filename-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
(i/o-error-filename condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &i/o-filename &i/o make-i/o-filename-error i/o-filename-error? (filename i/o-error-filename))

This condition type describes an I/O error that occurred during an operation on a named file. *Filename* should be the name of the file.

&i/o-file-protection co	ndition type
(make-i/o-file-protection-error filenam	<i>e</i>)
	procedure
(i/o-file-protection-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-file-protection
    &i/o-filename
    make-i/o-file-protection-error
    i/o-file-protection-error?)
```

A condition of this type specifies that an operation tried to operate on a named file with insufficient access rights.

&i/o-file-is-read-only	condition type
(make-i/o-file-is-read-only-error	filename)
(i/o-file-is-read-only-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-file-is-read-only
    &i/o-file-protection
    make-i/o-file-is-read-only-error
    i/o-file-is-read-only-error?)
```

A condition of this type specifies that an operation tried to operate on a named read-only file under the assumption that it is writeable.

&i/o-file-already-exists	condition type
(make-i/o-file-already-exists-error	filename)
	procedure
(i/o-file-already-exists-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
This condition type could be defined by	

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-file-already-exists
    &i/o-filename
    make-i/o-file-already-exists-error
    i/o-file-already-exists-error?)
```

A condition of this type specifies that an operation tried to operate on an existing named file under the assumption that it did not exist.

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-file-does-not-exist
    &i/o-filename
    make-i/o-file-does-not-exist-error
    i/o-file-does-not-exist-error?)
```

A condition of this type specifies that an operation tried to operate on an non-existent named file under the assumption that it existed.

&i/o-port	condition type
(make-i/o-port-error <i>pobj</i>)	procedure
(i/o-port-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
(i/o-error-port condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-port &i/o
make-i/o-port-error i/o-port-error?
 (pobj i/o-error-port))
```

This condition type specifies the port with which an I/O error is associated. *Pobj* should be the port. Conditions raised by procedures accepting a port as an argument should include an &i/o-port-error condition.

8.2. Port I/O

The (rnrs io ports (6)) library defines an I/O layer for conventional, imperative buffered input and output. A *port* represents a buffered access object for a data sink or source or both simultaneously. The library allows ports to be created from arbitrary data sources and sinks.

The (rnrs io ports (6)) library distinguishes between *input ports* and *output ports*. An input port is a source for data, whereas an output port is a sink for data. A port may be both an input port and an output port; such a port typically provides simultaneous read and write access to a file or other data.

The (rnrs io ports (6)) library also distinguishes between *binary ports*, which are sources or sinks for uninterpreted bytes, and *textual ports*, which are sources or sinks for characters and strings.

This section uses *input-port*, *output-port*, *binary-port*, *textual-port*, *binary-input-port*, *textual-input-port*, *binary-output-port*, *textual-output-port*, and *port* as parameter names for arguments that must be input ports (or combined input/output ports), output ports (or combined input/output ports), binary ports, textual ports, binary input ports, textual input ports, binary output ports, textual output ports, or any kind of port, respectively.

8.2.1. File names

Some of the procedures described in this chapter accept a file name as an argument. Valid values for such a file name include strings that name a file using the native notation of filesystem paths on an implementation's underlying operating system, and may include implementation-dependent values as well.

A *filename* parameter name means that the corresponding argument must be a file name.

8.2.2. File options

When opening a file, the various procedures in this library accept a file-options object that encapsulates flags to specify how the file is to be opened. A file-options object is an enum-set (see chapter 14) over the symbols constituting valid file options. A *file-options* parameter name means that the corresponding argument must be a file-options object.

(file-options (file-options symbol) ...) syntax

Each (file-options symbol) must be a symbol. The file-options syntax returns a file-options object that encapsulates the specified options.

When supplied to an operation that opens a file for output, the file-options object returned by (file-options) specifies that the file is created if it does not exist and an exception with condition type &i/o-file-already-exists is raised if it does exist. The following standard options can be included to modify the default behavior.

- no-create If the file does not already exist, it is not created; instead, an exception with condition type &i/o-file-does-not-exist is raised. If the file already exists, the exception with condition type &i/o-file-already-exists is not raised and the file is truncated to zero length.
- no-fail If the file already exists, the exception with condition type &i/o-file-already-exists is not raised, even if no-create is not included, and the file is truncated to zero length.
- no-truncate If the file already exists and the exception with condition type &i/o-file-already-exists

has been inhibited by inclusion of no-create or no-fail, the file is not truncated, but the port's current position is still set to the beginning of the file.

These options have no effect when a file is opened only for input. Symbols other than those listed above may be used as $\langle \text{file-options symbol} \rangle$ s; they have implementation-specific meaning, if any.

Note: Only the name of $\langle file-options \ symbol \rangle$ is significant.

8.2.3. Buffer modes

Each port has an associated buffer mode. For an output port, the buffer mode defines when an output operation flushes the buffer associated with the output port. For an input port, the buffer mode defines how much data will be read to satisfy read operations. The possible buffer modes are the symbols **none** for no buffering, **line** for flushing upon line endings and reading up to line endings, or other implementation-dependent behavior, and **block** for arbitrary buffering. This section uses the parameter name *buffer-mode* for arguments that must be buffer-mode symbols.

If two ports are connected to the same mutable source, both ports are unbuffered, and reading a byte or character from that shared source via one of the two ports would change the bytes or characters seen via the other port, a lookahead operation on one port will render the peeked byte or character inaccessible via the other port, while a subsequent read operation on the peeked port will see the peeked byte or character even though the port is otherwise unbuffered.

In other words, the semantics of buffering is defined in terms of side effects on shared mutable sources, and a lookahead operation has the same side effect on the shared source as a read operation.

(buffer-mode (buffer-mode symbol)) syntax

(Buffer-mode symbol) must be a symbol whose name is one of none, line, and block. The result is the corresponding symbol, and specifies the associated buffer mode.

Note: Only the name of (buffer-mode symbol) is significant.

Returns **#t** if the argument is a valid buffer-mode symbol, and returns **#f** otherwise.

8.2.4. Transcoders

Several different Unicode encoding schemes describe standard ways to encode characters and strings as byte sequences and to decode those sequences [12]. Within this document, a *codec* is an immutable Scheme object that represents a Unicode or similar encoding scheme.

An *end-of-line style* is a symbol that, if it is not **none**, describes how a textual port transcodes representations of line endings.

A *transcoder* is an immutable Scheme object that combines a codec with an end-of-line style and a method for handling decoding errors. Each transcoder represents some specific bidirectional (but not necessarily lossless), possibly stateful translation between byte sequences and Unicode characters and strings. Every transcoder can operate in the input direction (bytes to characters) or in the output direction (characters to bytes). A *transcoder* parameter name means that the corresponding argument must be a transcoder.

A *binary port* is a port that supports binary I/O, does not have an associated transcoder and does not support textual I/O. A *textual port* is a port that supports textual I/O, and does not support binary I/O. A textual port may or may not have an associated transcoder.

(latin-1-codec)	procedure
(utf-8-codec)	procedure
(utf-16-codec)	procedure

These are predefined codecs for the ISO 8859-1, UTF-8, and UTF-16 encoding schemes [12].

A call to any of these procedures returns a value that is equal in the sense of eqv? to the result of any other call to the same procedure.

(eol-style (eol-style symbol)) syntax	(eol-style	(eol-style	symbol)	syntax
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(Eol-style symbol) should be a symbol whose name is one of lf, cr, crlf, nel, crnel, ls, and none. The form evaluates to the corresponding symbol. If the name of *eol-style symbol* is not one of these symbols, the effect and result are implementation-dependent; in particular, the result may be an eol-style symbol acceptable as an *eol-style* argument to make-transcoder. Otherwise, an exception is raised.

All eol-style symbols except **none** describe a specific lineending encoding:

lf	$\langle \text{linefeed} \rangle$
cr	$\langle \text{carriage return} \rangle$
crlf	$\langle \text{carriage return} \rangle \langle \text{linefeed} \rangle$
nel	$\langle next line \rangle$
crnel	$\langle \text{carriage return} \rangle \langle \text{next line} \rangle$
ls	$\langle line separator \rangle$

For a textual port with a transcoder, and whose transcoder has an eol-style symbol none, no conversion occurs. For a textual input port, any eol-style symbol other than none means that all of the above line-ending encodings are recognized and are translated into a single linefeed. For a textual output port, none and lf are equivalent. Linefeed characters are encoded according to the specified eol-style symbol, and all other characters that participate in possible line endings are encoded as is.

Note: Only the name of $\langle eol-style \ symbol \rangle$ is significant.

(native-eol-style)

procedure

Returns the default end-of-line style of the underlying platform, e.g., lf on Unix and crlf on Windows.

&i/o-decoding	condition type
(make-i/o-decoding-error <i>pobj</i>)	procedure
(i/o-decoding-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

(define-condition-type &i/o-decoding &i/o-port make-i/o-decoding-error i/o-decoding-error?)

An exception with this type is raised when one of the operations for textual input from a port encounters a sequence of bytes that cannot be translated into a character or string by the input direction of the port's transcoder.

When such an exception is raised, the port's position is past the invalid encoding.

&i/o-encoding	condition type
(make-i/o-encoding-error $pobj\ cobj$)	procedure
(i/o-encoding-error? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
(i/o-encoding-error-char condition)	procedure

This condition type could be defined by

```
(define-condition-type &i/o-encoding &i/o-port
  make-i/o-encoding-error i/o-encoding-error?
  (cobj i/o-encoding-error-char))
```

An exception with this type is raised when one of the operations for textual output to a port encounters a character that cannot be translated into bytes by the output direction of the port's transcoder. *Cobj* should be the character that could not be encoded.

(error-handling-mode (error-handling-mode symbol)) syntax

(Error-handling-mode symbol) should be a symbol whose name is one of **ignore**, **raise**, and **replace**. The form evaluates to the corresponding symbol. If (error-handling-mode symbol) is not one of these identifiers, effect and result are implementation-dependent: The result may be an error-handling-mode symbol acceptable as a *handling-mode* argument to make-transcoder. If it is not acceptable as a *handling-mode* argument to make-transcoder, an exception is raised.

Note: Only the name of $\langle \text{error-handling-style symbol} \rangle$ is significant.

The error-handling mode of a transcoder specifies the behavior of textual I/O operations in the presence of encoding or decoding errors.

If a textual input operation encounters an invalid or incomplete character encoding, and the error-handling mode is **ignore**, an appropriate number of bytes of the invalid encoding are ignored and decoding continues with the following bytes. If the error-handling mode is **replace**, the replacement character U+FFFD is injected into the data stream, an appropriate number of bytes are ignored, and decoding continues with the following bytes. If the errorhandling mode is **raise**, an exception with condition type **&i/o-decoding** is raised.

If a textual output operation encounters a character it cannot encode, and the error-handling mode is **ignore**, the character is ignored and encoding continues with the next character. If the error-handling mode is **replace**, a codecspecific replacement character is emitted by the transcoder, and encoding continues with the next character. The replacement character is U+FFFD for transcoders whose codec is one of the Unicode encodings, but is the ? character for the Latin-1 encoding. If the error-handling mode is **raise**, an exception with condition type **&i/o-encoding** is raised.

(make-transcoder	codec)	procedure
(make-transcoder	codec eol-style)	procedure
(make-transcoder	codec eol-style handling-m	ode)
		procedure

Codec must be a codec; *eol-style*, if present, an eol-style symbol; and *handling-mode*, if present, an error-handling-mode symbol. *Eol-style* may be omitted, in which case it defaults to the native end-of-line style of the underlying platform. *Handling-mode* may be omitted, in which case it defaults to **replace**. The result is a transcoder with the behavior specified by its arguments.

(native-transcoder)

procedure

Returns an implementation-dependent transcoder that represents a possibly locale-dependent "native" transcoding.

(transcoder-codec transcoder)	procedure
(transcoder-eol-style transcoder)	procedure

(transcoder-error-handling-mode *transcoder*)

procedure

These are accessors for transcoder objects; when applied to a transcoder returned by make-transcoder, they return the *codec*, *eol-style*, and *handling-mode* arguments, respectively.

(bytevector->string bytevector transcoder) procedure

Returns the string that results from transcoding the *bytevector* according to the input direction of the transcoder.

(string->bytevector string transcoder) procedure

Returns the bytevector that results from transcoding the *string* according to the output direction of the transcoder.

8.2.5. End-of-file object

The end-of-file object is returned by various I/O procedures when they reach end of file.

(eof-object)

procedure

Returns the end-of-file object.

Note: The end-of-file object is not a datum value, and thus has no external representation.

(eof-object? *obj*) procedure

Returns **#t** if *obj* is the end-of-file object, **#f** otherwise.

8.2.6. Input and output ports

The operations described in this section are common to input and output ports, both binary and textual. A port may also have an associated *position* that specifies a particular place within its data sink or source, and may also provide operations for inspecting and setting that place.

(port? *obj*)

procedure

procedure

Returns **#t** if the argument is a port, and returns **#f** otherwise.

(port-transcoder *port*)

Returns the transcoder associated with *port* if *port* is textual and has an associated transcoder, and returns **#f** if *port* is binary or does not have an associated transcoder.

(textual-port? port)	procedure
(binary-port? port)	procedure

The textual-port? procedure returns #t if *port* is textual, and returns #f otherwise. The binary-port? procedure returns #t if *port* is binary, and returns #f otherwise.

(transcoded-port *binary-port transcoder*) procedure

The transcoded-port procedure returns a new textual port with the specified *transcoder*. Otherwise the new textual port's state is largely the same as that of *binary-port*. If *binary-port* is an input port, the new textual port will be an input port and will transcode the bytes that have not yet been read from *binary-port*. If *binary-port* is an output port, the new textual port will be an output port, the new textual port will be an output port and will transcode output characters into bytes that are written to the byte sink represented by *binary-port*.

As a side effect, however, transcoded-port closes *binary-port* in a special way that allows the new textual port to continue to use the byte source or sink represented by *binary-port*, even though *binary-port* itself is closed and cannot be used by the input and output operations described in this chapter.

(port-has-port-position?	port)	procedure
(port-position <i>port</i>)		procedure

The port-has-port-position? procedure returns #t if the port supports the port-position operation, and #f otherwise.

For a binary port, the port-position procedure returns the index of the position at which the next byte would be read from or written to the port as an exact non-negative integer object. For a textual port, port-position returns a value of some implementation-dependent type representing the port's position; this value may be useful only as the *pos* argument to set-port-position!, if the latter is supported on the port (see below).

If the port does not support the operation, port-position raises an exception with condition type &assertion.

Note: For a textual port, the port position may or may not be an integer object. If it is an integer object, the integer object does not necessarily correspond to a byte or character position.

(port-has-set-port-position!? port)	procedure
(set-port-position! port pos)	procedure

If *port* is a binary port, *pos* should be a non-negative exact integer object. If *port* is a textual port, *pos* should be the return value of a call to **port-position** on *port*.

The port-has-set-port-position!? procedure returns #t if the port supports the set-port-position! operation, and #f otherwise.

The set-port-position! procedure raises an exception with condition type &assertion if the port does not support the operation, and an exception with condition type &i/o-invalid-position if pos is not in the range of valid positions of port. Otherwise, it sets the current position of the port to pos. If port is an output port, set-port-position! first flushes port. (See flush-output-port, section 8.2.10.)

If *port* is a binary output port and the current position is set beyond the current end of the data in the underlying data sink, the object is not extended until new data is written at that position. The contents of any intervening positions are unspecified. Binary ports created by open-file-output-port and open-file-input/output-port can always be extended in this manner within the limits of the underlying operating system. In other cases, attempts to set the port beyond the current end of data in the underlying object may result in an exception with condition type &i/o-invalid-position.

(close-port *port*)

procedure

Closes the port, rendering the port incapable of delivering or accepting data. If *port* is an output port, it is flushed before being closed. This has no effect if the port has already been closed. A closed port is still a port. The close-port procedure returns unspecified values.

(call-with-port port proc)

procedure

Proc must accept one argument. The call-with-port procedure calls *proc* with *port* as an argument. If *proc* returns, *port* is closed automatically and the values returned by *proc* are returned. If *proc* does not return, *port* is not closed automatically, except perhaps when it is possible to prove that *port* will never again be used for an input or output operation.

8.2.7. Input ports

An input port allows the reading of an infinite sequence of bytes or characters punctuated by end-of-file objects. An input port connected to a finite data source ends in an infinite sequence of end-of-file objects.

It is unspecified whether a character encoding consisting of several bytes may have an end of file between the bytes. If, for example, get-char raises an &i/o-decoding exception because the character encoding at the port's position is incomplete up to the next end of file, a subsequent call to get-char may successfully decode a character if bytes completing the encoding are available after the end of file. (input-port? obj) procedure

Returns **#t** if the argument is an input port (or a combined input and output port), and returns **#f** otherwise.

(port-eof? *input-port*)

procedure

Returns **#t** if the **lookahead-u8** procedure (if *input-port* is a binary port) or the **lookahead-char** procedure (if *input-port* is a textual port) would return the end-of-file object, and **#f** otherwise. The operation may block indefinitely if no data is available but the port cannot be determined to be at end of file.

(open-file-input-port filename)	procedure
(open-file-input-port filename file-options))
	procedure
(open-file-input-port filename	procedure
file-options buffer-mode)	

(open-file-input-port filename procedure
 file-options buffer-mode maybe-transcoder)

Maybe-transcoder must be either a transcoder or **#f**.

The open-file-input-port procedure returns an input port for the named file. The *file-options* and *maybe-transcoder* arguments are optional.

The *file-options* argument, which may determine various aspects of the returned port (see section 8.2.2), defaults to the value of (file-options).

The *buffer-mode* argument, if supplied, must be one of the symbols that name a buffer mode. The *buffer-mode* argument defaults to **block**.

If *maybe-transcoder* is a transcoder, it becomes the transcoder associated with the returned port.

If maybe-transcoder is **#f** or absent, the port will be a binary port and will support the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations. Otherwise the port will be a textual port, and whether it supports the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations is implementation-dependent (and possibly transcoderdependent).

(open-bytevector-input-port bytevector) procedure (open-bytevector-input-port bytevector procedure maybe-transcoder)

Maybe-transcoder must be either a transcoder or #f.

The open-bytevector-input-port procedure returns an input port whose bytes are drawn from *bytevector*. If *transcoder* is specified, it becomes the transcoder associated with the returned port.

If *maybe-transcoder* is **#f** or absent, the port will be a binary port and will support the **port-position** and

set-port-position! operations. Otherwise the port will be a textual port, and whether it supports the port-position and set-port-position! operations will be implementation-dependent (and possibly transcoderdependent).

If *bytevector* is modified after open-bytevector-inputport has been called, the effect on the returned port is unspecified.

(open-string-input-port *string*) procedure

Returns a textual input port whose characters are drawn from *string*. The port may or may not have an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementationdependent. The port should support the port-position and set-port-position! operations.

If *string* is modified after **open-string-input-port** has been called, the effect on the returned port is unspecified.

(standard-input-port)

procedure

Returns a fresh binary input port connected to standard input. Whether the port supports the port-position and set-port-position! operations is implementationdependent.

(current-input-port)

procedure

This returns a default textual port for input. Normally, this default port is associated with standard input, but can be dynamically re-assigned using the with-input-from-file procedure from the (rnrs io simple (6)) library (see section 8.3). The port may or may not have an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementation-dependent.

(make-custom-binary-input-port id read! procedure get-position set-position! close)

Returns a newly created binary input port whose byte source is an arbitrary algorithm represented by the *read!* procedure. *Id* must be a string naming the new port, provided for informational purposes only. *Read!* must be a procedure and should behave as specified below; it will be called by operations that perform binary input.

Each of the remaining arguments may be **#f**; if any of those arguments is not **#f**, it must be a procedure and should behave as specified below.

• (read! bytevector start count)

Start will be a non-negative exact integer object, count will be a positive exact integer object, and bytevector will be a bytevector whose length is at least start + count. The read! procedure should obtain up to count

bytes from the byte source, and should write those bytes into *bytevector* starting at index *start*. The *read!* procedure should return an exact integer object. This integer object should represent the number of bytes that it has read. To indicate an end of file, the *read!* procedure should write no bytes and return 0.

• (get-position)

The *get-position* procedure (if supplied) should return an exact integer object representing the current position of the input port. If not supplied, the custom port will not support the **port-position** operation.

• (set-position! pos)

Pos will be a non-negative exact integer object. The *set-position!* procedure (if supplied) should set the position of the input port to *pos*. If not supplied, the custom port will not support the **set-port-position!** operation.

• (close)

The *close* procedure (if supplied) should perform any actions that are necessary when the input port is closed.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the return values of *read!* and *get-position* only when it actually calls them as part of an I/O operation requested by the program. The implementation is not required to check that these procedures otherwise behave as described. If they do not, however, the behavior of the resulting port is unspecified.

(make-custom-textual-input-port id read! procedure get-position set-position! close)

Returns a newly created textual input port whose character source is an arbitrary algorithm represented by the *read!* procedure. *Id* must be a string naming the new port, provided for informational purposes only. *Read!* must be a procedure and should behave as specified below; it will be called by operations that perform textual input.

Each of the remaining arguments may be **#f**; if any of those arguments is not **#f**, it must be a procedure and should behave as specified below.

• (read! string start count)

Start will be a non-negative exact integer object, count will be a positive exact integer object, and string will be a string whose length is at least start + count. The read! procedure should obtain up to count characters from the character source, and should write those characters into string starting at index start. The read! procedure should return an exact integer object

representing the number of characters that it has written. To indicate an end of file, the *read!* procedure should write no bytes and return 0.

• (get-position)

The *get-position* procedure (if supplied) should return a single value. The return value should represent the current position of the input port. If not supplied, the custom port will not support the **port-position** operation.

• (set-position! pos)

The *set-position!* procedure (if supplied) should set the position of the input port to *pos* if *pos* is the return value of a call to *get-position*. If not supplied, the custom port will not support the **set-port-position!** operation.

• (*close*)

The *close* procedure (if supplied) should perform any actions that are necessary when the input port is closed.

The port may or may not have an an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementation-dependent.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the return values of *read!* and *get-position* only when it actually calls them as part of an I/O operation requested by the program. The implementation is not required to check that these procedures otherwise behave as described. If they do not, however, the behavior of the resulting port is unspecified.

Note: Even when the *get-position* procedure is supplied, the **port-position** procedure cannot generally return a precise value for a custom textual input port if data has been read from the port. Therefore, it is likely that this entry will change in a future version of the report.

8.2.8. Binary input

(get-u8 binary-input-port)

procedure

procedure

Reads from *binary-input-port*, blocking as necessary, until a byte is available from *binary-input-port* or until an end of file is reached. If a byte becomes available, get-u8 returns the byte as an octet and updates *binary-input-port* to point just past that byte. If no input byte is seen before an end of file is reached, the end-of-file object is returned.

(lookahead-u8 binary-input-port)

The lookahead-u8 procedure is like get-u8, but it does not update *binary-input-port* to point past the byte.

(get-bytevector-n binary-input-port count) procedure

Count must be an exact, non-negative integer object representing the number of bytes to be read. The get-bytevector-n procedure reads from binary-input-port, blocking as necessary, until count bytes are available from *binary-input-port* or until an end of file is reached. If *count* bytes are available before an end of file, get-bytevector-n returns a bytevector of size *count*. If fewer bytes are available before an end of file, get-bytevector-n returns a bytevector containing those bytes. In either case, the input port is updated to point just past the bytes read. If an end of file is reached before any bytes are available, get-bytevector-n returns the end-of-file object.

(get-bytevector-n! binary-input-port procedure bytevector start count)

Start and count must be exact, non-negative integer objects, with count representing the number of bytes to be read. bytevector must be a bytevector with at least start + count elements.

get-bytevector-n! procedure reads from The binary-input-port, blocking as necessary, until count bytes are available from *binary-input-port* or until an end of file is reached. If *count* bytes are available before an end of file, they are written into *bytevector* starting at index start, and the result is *count*. If fewer bytes are available before the next end of file, the available bytes are written into *bytevector* starting at index *start*, and the result is a number object representing the number of bytes actually read. In either case, the input port is updated to point just past the bytes read. If an end of file is reached before any bytes are available, get-bytevector-n! returns the end-of-file object.

(get-bytevector-some *binary-input-port*) procedure

Reads from *binary-input-port*, blocking as necessary, until bytes are available from *binary-input-port* or until an end of file is reached. If bytes become available, get-bytevector-some returns a freshly allocated bytevector containing the initial available bytes (at least one), and it updates *binary-input-port* to point just past these bytes. If no input bytes are seen before an end of file is reached, the end-of-file object is returned.

(get-bytevector-all *binary-input-port*) procedure

Attempts to read all bytes until the next end of file, blocking as necessary. If one or more bytes are read, get-bytevector-all returns a bytevector containing all bytes up to the next end of file and updates *binary-input-port* to point just past these bytes. Otherwise, get-bytevector-all returns the end-of-file object. The operation may block indefinitely waiting to see if more bytes will become available, even if some bytes are already available.

8.2.9. Textual input

(get-char textual-input-port)

procedure

Reads from *textual-input-port*, blocking as necessary, until a complete character is available from *textual-input-port*, or until an end of file is reached.

If a complete character is available before the next end of file, get-char returns that character and updates the input port to point past the character. If an end of file is reached before any character is read, get-char returns the end-of-file object.

(lookahead-char textual-input-port) procedure

The lookahead-char procedure is like get-char, but it does not update *textual-input-port* to point past the character.

Note: With some of the standard transcoders described in this document, up to four bytes of lookahead are needed. Nonstandard transcoders may need even more lookahead.

(get-string-n textual-input-port count) procedure

Count must be an exact, non-negative integer object, representing the number of characters to be read.

The **get-string-n** procedure reads from *textual-input-port*, blocking as necessary, until *count* characters are available, or until an end of file is reached.

If count characters are available before end of file, get-string-n returns a string consisting of those count characters. If fewer characters are available before an end of file, but one or more characters can be read, get-string-n returns a string containing those characters. In either case, the input port is updated to point just past the characters read. If no characters can be read before an end of file, the end-of-file object is returned.

Start and count must be exact, non-negative integer objects, with count representing the number of characters to be read. String must be a string with at least start + count characters.

The get-string-n! procedure reads from *textual-input-port* in the same manner as get-string-n. If *count* characters are available before an end of file, they are written into *string* starting at index *start*, and *count* is returned. If fewer characters are available before an end

of file, but one or more can be read, those characters are written into *string* starting at index *start* and the number of characters actually read is returned as an exact integer object. If no characters can be read before an end of file, the end-of-file object is returned.

(get-string-all textual-input-port) procedure

Reads from *textual-input-port* until an end of file, decoding characters in the same manner as get-string-n and get-string-n!.

If characters are available before the end of file, a string containing all the characters decoded from that data are returned. If no character precedes the end of file, the endof-file object is returned.

(get-line textual-input-port) procedure

Reads from *textual-input-port* up to and including the line-feed character or end of file, decoding characters in the same manner as get-string-n and get-string-n!.

If a linefeed character is read, a string containing all of the text up to (but not including) the linefeed character is returned, and the port is updated to point just past the linefeed character. If an end of file is encountered before any linefeed character is read, but some characters have been read and decoded as characters, a string containing those characters is returned. If an end of file is encountered before any characters are read, the end-of-file object is returned.

Note: The end-of-line style, if not **none**, will cause all line endings to be read as linefeed characters. See section 8.2.4.

(get-datum textual-input-port) procedure

Reads an external representation from *textual-input-port* and returns the datum it represents. The get-datum procedure returns the next datum that can be parsed from the given *textual-input-port*, updating *textual-input-port* to point exactly past the end of the external representation of the object.

Any (interlexeme space) (see report section 4.2) in the input is first skipped. If an end of file occurs after the (interlexeme space), the end-of-file object (see section 8.2.5) is returned.

If a character inconsistent with an external representation is encountered in the input, an exception with condition types &lexical and &i/o-read is raised. Also, if the end of file is encountered after the beginning of an external representation, but the external representation is incomplete and therefore cannot be parsed, an exception with condition types &lexical and &i/o-read is raised.

8.2.10. Output ports

An output port is a sink to which bytes or characters are written. The written data may control external devices or may produce files and other objects that may subsequently be opened for input.

(output-port? obj) procedure

Returns **#t** if the argument is an output port (or a combined input and output port), **#f** otherwise.

(flush-output-port *output-port*) procedure

Flushes any buffered output from the buffer of *output-port* to the underlying file, device, or object. The flush-output-port procedure returns unspecified values.

(output-port-buffer-mode *output-port*) procedure

Returns the symbol that represents the buffer mode of output-port.

(open-file-output-port filename) (open-file-output-port filename file-option	procedure s)
	procedure
(open-file-output-port <i>filename</i>	procedure
file-options buffer-mode)	
(open-file-output-port filename	procedure
file-options buffer-mode maybe-transcoder	·)

Maybe-transcoder must be either a transcoder or #f.

The open-file-output-port procedure returns an output port for the named file.

The *file-options* argument, which may determine various aspects of the returned port (see section 8.2.2), defaults to the value of (file-options).

The *buffer-mode* argument, if supplied, must be one of the symbols that name a buffer mode. The *buffer-mode* argument defaults to **block**.

If *maybe-transcoder* is a transcoder, it becomes the transcoder associated with the port.

If maybe-transcoder is **#f** or absent, the port will be a binary port and will support the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations. Otherwise the port will be a textual port, and whether it supports the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations is implementation-dependent (and possibly transcoderdependent).

(open-bytevector-output-port)procedure(open-bytevector-output-portmaybe-transcoder)procedure

Maybe-transcoder must be either a transcoder or **#f**.

The open-bytevector-output-port procedure returns two values: an output port and an extraction procedure. The output port accumulates the bytes written to it for later extraction by the procedure.

If maybe-transcoder is a transcoder, it becomes the transcoder associated with the port. If maybe-transcoder is **#f** or absent, the port will be a binary port and will support the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations. Otherwise the port will be a textual port, and whether it supports the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations is implementation-dependent (and possibly transcoder-dependent).

The extraction procedure takes no arguments. When called, it returns a bytevector consisting of all the port's accumulated bytes (regardless of the port's current position), removes the accumulated bytes from the port, and resets the port's position.

(call-with-bytevector-output-port proc) procedure
(call-with-bytevector-output-port proc procedure
 maybe-transcoder)

Proc must accept one argument. *Maybe-transcoder* must be either a transcoder or **#f**.

The call-with-bytevector-output-port procedure creates an output port that accumulates the bytes written to it and calls *proc* with that output port as an argument. Whenever *proc* returns, a bytevector consisting of all of the port's accumulated bytes (regardless of the port's current position) is returned and the port is closed.

The transcoder associated with the output port is determined as for a call to open-bytevector-output-port.

(open-string-output-port)

procedure

Returns two values: a textual output port and an extraction procedure. The output port accumulates the characters written to it for later extraction by the procedure.

The port may or may not have an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementation-dependent. The port should support the port-position and set-port-position! operations.

The extraction procedure takes no arguments. When called, it returns a string consisting of all of the port's accumulated characters (regardless of the current position), removes the accumulated characters from the port, and resets the port's position.

(call-with-string-output-port *proc*) procedure

Proc must accept one argument. The call-with-stringoutput-port procedure creates a textual output port that accumulates the characters written to it and calls *proc* with 40 Revised⁶ Scheme Libraries (latest erratum: 21 July 2019)

that output port as an argument. Whenever *proc* returns, a string consisting of all of the port's accumulated characters (regardless of the port's current position) is returned and the port is closed.

The port may or may not have an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementation-dependent. The port should support the port-position and set-port-position! operations.

(standard-output-port)	procedure
(standard-error-port)	procedure

Returns a fresh binary output port connected to the standard output or standard error respectively. Whether the port supports the **port-position** and **set-port-position**! operations is implementationdependent.

(current-output-	-port)	procedure
(current-error-	port)	procedure

These return default textual ports for regular output and error output. Normally, these default ports are associated with standard output, and standard error, respectively. The return value of current-output-port can be dynamically re-assigned using the with-output-to-file procedure from the (rnrs io simple (6)) library (see section 8.3). A port returned by one of these procedures may or may not have an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementation-dependent.

```
(make-custom-binary-output-port id procedure
write! get-position set-position! close)
```

Returns a newly created binary output port whose byte sink is an arbitrary algorithm represented by the *write!* procedure. *Id* must be a string naming the new port, provided for informational purposes only. *Write!* must be a procedure and should behave as specified below; it will be called by operations that perform binary output.

Each of the remaining arguments may be **#f**; if any of those arguments is not **#f**, it must be a procedure and should behave as specified in the description of make-custom-binary-input-port.

• (write! bytevector start count)

Start and count will be non-negative exact integer objects, and bytevector will be a bytevector whose length is at least start + count. The write! procedure should write up to count bytes from bytevector starting at index start to the byte sink. The write! procedure should return the number of bytes that it wrote, as an exact integer object.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the return values of write! only when it actually calls write! as part of an I/O operation requested by the program. The implementation is not required to check that write! otherwise behaves as described. If it does not, however, the behavior of the resulting port is unspecified.

(make-custom-textual-output-port id procedure write! get-position set-position! close)

Returns a newly created textual output port whose byte sink is an arbitrary algorithm represented by the *write!* procedure. *Id* must be a string naming the new port, provided for informational purposes only. *Write!* must be a procedure and should behave as specified below; it will be called by operations that perform textual output.

Each of the remaining arguments may be **#f**; if any of those arguments is not **#f**, it must be a procedure and should behave as specified in the description of make-custom-textual-input-port.

• (write! string start count)

Start and count will be non-negative exact integer objects, and string will be a string whose length is at least start + count. The write! procedure should write up to count characters from string starting at index start to the character sink. The write! procedure should return the number of characters that it wrote, as an exact integer object.

The port may or may not have an associated transcoder; if it does, the transcoder is implementation-dependent.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the return values of write! only when it actually calls write! as part of an I/O operation requested by the program. The implementation is not required to check that write! otherwise behaves as described. If it does not, however, the behavior of the resulting port is unspecified.

8.2.11. Binary output

(put-u8	binary-output-port	octet)	procedure
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Writes *octet* to the output port and returns unspecified values.

(put-bytevector	binary-output-port	bytevector)
		procedure
(put-bytevector	binary-output-port	bytevector start)
		procedure
(put-bytevector	binary-output-port	procedure
by tevector s	tart count)	

Start and count must be non-negative exact integer objects that default to 0 and (bytevector-length bytevector) – start, respectively. Bytevector must have a length of at least start + count. The put-bytevector procedure writes the count bytes of the bytevector bytevector starting at index start to the output port. The put-bytevector procedure returns unspecified values.

8.2.12. Textual output

(put-char textual-output-port char) procedure

Writes *char* to the port. The **put-char** procedure returns unspecified values.

(put-string textual-output-port string) procedure
(put-string textual-output-port string start) procedure
(put-string textual-output-port string start count)
procedure

Start and count must be non-negative exact integer objects. String must have a length of at least start + count. Start defaults to 0. Count defaults to (string-length string) - start. The put-string procedure writes the count characters of string starting at index start to the port. The put-string procedure returns unspecified values.

(put-datum textual-output-port datum) procedure

Datum should be a datum value. The put-datum procedure writes an external representation of datum to textual-output-port. The specific external representation is implementation-dependent. However, whenever possible, an implementation should produce a representation for which get-datum, when reading the representation, will return an object equal (in the sense of equal?) to datum.

Note: Not all datums may allow producing an external representation for which get-datum will produce an object that is equal to the original. Specifically, NaNs contained in *datum* may make this impossible.

Note: The put-datum procedure merely writes the external representation, but no trailing delimiter. If put-datum is used to write several subsequent external representations to an output port, care should be taken to delimit them properly so they can be read back in by subsequent calls to get-datum.

8.2.13. Input/output ports

file-options buffer-mode)

(open-file-input/output-port filename procedure
 file-options buffer-mode transcoder)

Returns a single port that is both an input port and an output port for the named file. The optional arguments default as described in the specification of open-file-output-port. If the input/output port supports port-position and/or set-port-position!, the same port position is used for both input and output.

(make-custom-binary-input/output-port procedure id read! write! get-position set-position! close)

Returns a newly created binary input/output port whose byte source and sink are arbitrary algorithms represented by the *read!* and *write!* procedures. *Id* must be a string naming the new port, provided for informational purposes only. *Read!* and *write!* must be procedures, and should behave as specified for the make-custom-binary-input-port and make-custom-binary-output-port procedures.

Each of the remaining arguments may be **#f**; if any of those arguments is not **#f**, it must be a procedure and should behave as specified in the description of **make-custom-binary-input-port**.

Note: Unless both *get-position* and *set-position!* procedures are supplied, a put operation cannot precisely position the port for output to a custom binary input/output port after data has been read from the port. Therefore, it is likely that this entry will change in a future version of the report.

(make-custom-textual-input/output-port procedure id read! write! get-position set-position! close)

Returns a newly created textual input/output port whose textual source and sink are arbitrary algorithms represented by the *read!* and *write!* procedures. *Id* must be a string naming the new port, provided for informational purposes only. *Read!* and *write!* must be procedures, and should behave as specified for the make-custom-textual-input-port and make-custom-textual-output-port procedures.

Each of the remaining arguments may be **#f**; if any of those arguments is not **#f**, it must be a procedure and should behave as specified in the description of make-custom-textual-input-port.

Note: Even when both *get-position* and *set-position*! procedures are supplied, the **port-position** procedure cannot generally return a precise value for a custom textual input/output port, and a put operation cannot precisely position the port for output, after data has been read from the port. Therefore, it is likely that this entry will change in a future version of the report.

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8.3. Simple I/O

This section describes the (rnrs io simple (6)) library, which provides a somewhat more convenient interface for performing textual I/O on ports. This library implements most of the I/O procedures of the previous revision of this report [8].

The ports created by the procedures of this library are textual ports associated implementation-dependent transcoders.

(eof-object)		procedure
(eof-object?	obj)	procedure

These are the same as eof-object and eof-object? from the (rnrs io ports (6)) library.

(call-with-input-file f	ilename proc)	procedure
(call-with-output-file	filename proc)	procedure

Proc should accept one argument. These procedures open the file named by *filename* for input or for output, with no specified file options, and call *proc* with the obtained port as an argument. If *proc* returns, the port is closed automatically and the values returned by *proc* are returned. If *proc* does not return, the port is not closed automatically, unless it is possible to prove that the port will never again be used for an I/O operation.

(input-port? obj)	procedure
(output-port? <i>obj</i>)	procedure

These are the same as the input-port? and output-port? procedures in the (rnrs io ports (6)) library.

(current-input-port)	procedure
(current-output-port)	procedure
(current-error-port)	procedure

These are the same as the current-input-port, current-output-port, and current-error-port procedures from the (rnrs io ports (6)) library.

(with-input-from-file <i>filename thunk</i>)	procedure
(with-output-to-file <i>filename thunk</i>)	procedure

Thunk must be a procedure and must accept zero arguments. The file is opened for input or output using empty file options, and *thunk* is called with no arguments. During the dynamic extent of the call to *thunk*, the obtained port is made the value returned by current-input-port or current-output-port procedures; the previous default values are reinstated when the dynamic extent is exited. When *thunk* returns, the port is closed automatically. The values returned by *thunk* are returned. If an escape procedure is used to escape back into the call to *thunk* after *thunk* is returned, the behavior is unspecified.

(open-input-file	filename)	procedure
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Opens *filename* for input, with empty file options, and returns the obtained port.

	(open-output-file	filename)	procedure
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Opens *filename* for output, with empty file options, and returns the obtained port.

(close-input-port input-port)	procedure
(close-output-port <i>output-port</i>)	procedure

Closes input-port or output-port, respectively.

(read-char))	procedure
(read-char	textual-input-port)	procedure

Reads from *textual-input-port*, blocking as necessary until a character is available from *textual-input-port*, or the data that are available cannot be the prefix of any valid encoding, or an end of file is reached.

If a complete character is available before the next end of file, **read-char** returns that character, and updates the input port to point past that character. If an end of file is reached before any data are read, **read-char** returns the end-of-file object.

If *textual-input-port* is omitted, it defaults to the value returned by current-input-port.

(peek-char)	procedure
(peek-char textual-input-port)	procedure

This is the same as **read-char**, but does not consume any data from the port.

(read)	procedure
(read textual-input-port)	procedure

Reads an external representation from *textual-input-port* and returns the datum it represents. The **read** procedure operates in the same way as **get-datum**, see section 8.2.9.

If *textual-input-port* is omitted, it defaults to the value returned by current-input-port.

(write-char	char)	procedure
(write-char	char textual-output-port)	procedure

Writes an encoding of the character *char* to the *textual-output-port*, and returns unspecified values.

procedure

If *textual-output-port* is omitted, it defaults to the value returned by current-output-port.

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(newline)	procedure	
(newline textual-output-port)	procedure	(comma

This is equivalent to using write-char to write #\linefeed to textual-output-port.

If *textual-output-port* is omitted, it defaults to the value returned by current-output-port.

(display	obj)	procedure
(display	obj textual-output-port)	procedure

Writes a representation of *obj* to the given *textual-output-port*. Strings that appear in the written representation are not enclosed in doublequotes, and no characters are escaped within those strings. Character objects appear in the representation as if written by write-char instead of by write. The display procedure returns unspecified values. The *textual-output-port* argument may be omitted, in which case it defaults to the value returned by current-output-port.

(write	obj)	procedure
(write	obj textual-output-port)	procedure

Writes the external representation of *obj* to *textual-output-port*. The write procedure operates in the same way as put-datum; see section 8.2.12.

If *textual-output-port* is omitted, it defaults to the value returned by current-output-port.

9. File system

This chapter describes the (rnrs files (6)) library for operations on the file system. This library, in addition to the procedures described here, also exports the I/O condition types described in section 8.1.

(file-exists? *filename*)

procedure

Filename must be a file name (see section 8.2.1). The file-exists? procedure returns #t if the named file exists at the time the procedure is called, #f otherwise.

(delete-file *filename*)

procedure

Filename must be a file name (see section 8.2.1). The delete-file procedure deletes the named file if it exists and can be deleted, and returns unspecified values. If the file does not exist or cannot be deleted, an exception with condition type &i/o-filename is raised.

10. Command-line access and exit values

The procedures described in this section are exported by the (rnrs programs (6)) library.

Returns a nonempty list of strings. The first element is an implementation-specific name for the running top-level program. The remaining elements are command-line arguments according to the operating system's conventions.

(exit)	procedure
(exit <i>obj</i>)	procedure

Exits the running program and communicates an exit value to the operating system. If no argument is supplied, the exit procedure should communicate to the operating system that the program exited normally. If an argument is supplied, the exit procedure should translate the argument into an appropriate exit value for the operating system. If *obj* is **#f**, the exit is assumed to be abnormal.

11. Arithmetic

This chapter describes Scheme's libraries for more specialized numerical operations: fixnum and flonum arithmetic, as well as bitwise operations on exact integer objects.

11.1. Bitwise operations

A number of procedures operate on the binary two'scomplement representations of exact integer objects: Bit positions within an exact integer object are counted from the right, i.e. bit 0 is the least significant bit. Some procedures allow extracting *bit fields*, i.e., number objects representing subsequences of the binary representation of an exact integer object. Bit fields are always positive, and always defined using a finite number of bits.

11.2. Fixnums

Every implementation must define its fixnum range as a closed interval

$$[-2^{w-1}, 2^{w-1} - 1]$$

such that w is a (mathematical) integer $w \ge 24$. Every mathematical integer within an implementation's fixnum range must correspond to an exact integer object that is representable within the implementation. A fixnum is an exact integer object whose value lies within this fixnum range.

This section describes the (rnrs arithmetic fixnums (6)) library, which defines various operations on fixnums.

Fixnum operations perform integer arithmetic on their fixnum arguments, but raise an exception with condition type &implementation-restriction if the result is not a fixnum.

This section uses fx, fx_1 , fx_2 , etc., as parameter names for arguments that must be fixnums.

Returns #t if obj is an exact integer object within the fixnum range, #f otherwise.

(fixnum-width)	procedure
(least-fixnum)	procedure
(greatest-fixnum)	procedure

These procedures return w, -2^{w-1} and $2^{w-1} - 1$: the width, minimum and the maximum value of the fixnum range, respectively.

$(fx=? fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)$	procedure
(fx>? $fx_1 \ fx_2 \ fx_3 \ \dots$)	procedure
$(fx $	procedure
$(fx \ge fx_1 fx_2 fx_3 \dots)$	procedure
$(fx <=? fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)$	procedure

These procedures return **#t** if their arguments are (respectively): equal, monotonically increasing, monotonically decreasing, monotonically nondecreasing, or monotonically nonincreasing, **#f** otherwise.

(fxzero? fx)	procedure
(fxpositive? fx)	procedure
(fxnegative? fx)	procedure
(fxodd? fx)	procedure
(fxeven? fx)	procedure

These numerical predicates test a fixnum for a particular property, returning **#t** or **#f**. The five properties tested by these procedures are: whether the number object is zero, greater than zero, less than zero, odd, or even.

(fxmax
$$fx_1 fx_2 \dots$$
)procedure(fxmin $fx_1 fx_2 \dots$)procedure

These procedures return the maximum or minimum of their arguments.

$$(fx+ fx_1 fx_2)$$
procedure $(fx* fx_1 fx_2)$ procedure

These procedures return the sum or product of their arguments, provided that sum or product is a fixnum. An exception with condition type &implementation-restriction is raised if that sum or product is not a fixnum.

$$(fx-fx_1 fx_2)$$
procedure $(fx-fx)$ procedure

With two arguments, this procedure returns the difference $fx_1 - fx_2$, provided that difference is a fixnum.

With one argument, this procedure returns the additive inverse of its argument, provided that integer object is a fixnum.

An exception with condition type & implementation-restriction is raised if the mathematically correct result of this procedure is not a fixnum.

$$(fx-(least-fixnum))$$

 \implies & implementation-restriction exception

(fxdiv-and-mod $fx_1 fx_2$)	procedure
(fxdiv $fx_1 fx_2$)	procedure
(fxmod $fx_1 fx_2$)	procedure
(fxdiv0-and-mod0 $fx_1 fx_2$)	procedure
(fxdivO $fx_1 fx_2$)	procedure
(fxmod0 $fx_1 fx_2$)	procedure

 Fx_2 must be nonzero. These procedures implement number-theoretic integer division and return the results of the corresponding mathematical operations specified in report section 11.7.3.

(fx+/carry
$$fx_1$$
 fx_2 fx_3)

procedure

procedure

Returns the two fixnum results of the following computation:

$$(fx-/carry fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)$$

Returns the two fixnum results of the following computation:

carry
$$fx_1$$
 fx_2 fx_3)

(fx*/

procedure

procedure

Returns the two fixnum results of the following computation:

(fxnot fx)

Returns the unique fixnum that is congruent mod 2^w to the one's-complement of fx.

(fxand $fx_1 \ldots$)	procedure
(fxior $fx_1 \ldots$)	procedure
(fxxor fx_1)	procedure

These procedures return the fixnum that is the bit-wise "and", "inclusive or", or "exclusive or" of the two's complement representations of their arguments. If they are passed only one argument, they return that argument. If they are passed no arguments, they return the fixnum (either -1 or 0) that acts as identity for the operation.

(fxif fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)

procedure

Returns the fixnum that is the bit-wise "if" of the two's complement representations of its arguments, i.e. for each bit, if it is 1 in fx_1 , the corresponding bit in fx_2 becomes the value of the corresponding bit in the result, and if it is 0, the corresponding bit in fx_3 becomes the corresponding bit in the value of the result. This is the fixnum result of the following computation:

```
(fxior (fxand fx_1 fx_2)
(fxand (fxnot fx_1) fx_3))
```

(fxbit-count fx)

procedure

If fx is non-negative, this procedure returns the number of 1 bits in the two's complement representation of fx. Otherwise it returns the result of the following computation:

```
(fxnot (fxbit-count (fxnot fx)))
```

(fxlength fx)

procedure

Returns the number of bits needed to represent fx if it is positive, and the number of bits needed to represent (fxnot fx) if it is negative, which is the fixnum result of the following computation:

```
(do ((result 0 (+ result 1))

(bits (if (fxnegative? fx)

(fxnot fx)

fx)

(fxarithmetic-shift-right bits 1)))

((fxzero? bits)

result))
```

$$(fxfirst-bit-set fx)$$

procedure

Returns the index of the least significant 1 bit in the two's complement representation of fx. If fx is 0, then -1 is returned.

(fxbit-set?
$$fx_1 fx_2$$
)

procedure

 Fx_2 must be non-negative. The fxbit-set? procedure returns #t if the fx_2 th bit is 1 in the two's complement representation of fx_1 , and #f otherwise. This is the result of the following computation:

(if (fx>=?
$$fx_2$$
 (fx- (fixnum-width) 1))
(fxnegative? fx_1)
(not
(fxzero?
(fxand fx_1
(fxarithmetic-shift-left 1 fx_2)))))

(fxcopy-bit fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)

procedure

 Fx_2 must be non-negative and less than w - 1. Fx_3 must be 0 or 1. The fxcopy-bit procedure returns the result of replacing the fx_2 th bit of fx_1 by fx_3 , which is the result of the following computation:

(let* ((mask (fxarithmetic-shift-left 1
$$fx_2$$
)))
(fxif mask
(fxarithmetic-shift-left fx_3 fx_2)
 fx_1))

(fxbit-field fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)

procedure

 Fx_2 and fx_3 must be non-negative and less than w. Moreover, fx_2 must be less than or equal to fx_3 . The fxbit-field procedure returns the number represented by the bits at the positions from fx_2 (inclusive) to fx_3 (exclusive), which is the fixnum result of the following computation:

(let* ((mask (fxnot
(fxarithmetic-shift-left -1
$$fx_3$$
))))
(fxarithmetic-shift-right (fxand fx_1 mask)
 fx_2))

(fxcopy-bit-field fx_1 fx_2 fx_3 fx_4)

procedure

 Fx_2 and fx_3 must be non-negative and less than w. Moreover, fx_2 must be less than or equal to fx_3 . The fxcopy-bit-field procedure returns the result of replacing in fx_1 the bits at positions from fx_2 (inclusive) to fx_3 (exclusive) by the bits in fx_4 from position 0 (inclusive) to position $fx_3 - fx_2$ (exclusive), which is the fixnum result of the following computation:

```
(let* ((to
               fx_1)
       (start fx_2)
       (end
              fx_3)
       (from fx_4)
       (mask1 (fxarithmetic-shift-left -1 start))
       (mask2 (fxnot
                (fxarithmetic-shift-left -1 end)))
       (mask (fxand mask1 mask2))
       (mask3 (fxnot (fxarithmetic-shift-left
                         -1 (- end start)))))
  (fxif mask
        (fxarithmetic-shift-left (fxand from mask3)
                                    start)
        to))
(fxcopy-bit-field #b0000001 2 5 #b1111000)
          \implies 1
(fxcopy-bit-field #b0000001 2 5 #b0001111)
          \implies 29
(fxcopy-bit-field #b0001111 2 5 #b0001111)
          \implies 31
```

(fxarithmetic-shift	fx_1	fx_2)	procedure
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The absolute value of fx_2 must be less than w. If

(floor (* fx_1 (expt 2 fx_2)))

is a fixnum, then that fixnum is returned. Otherwise an exception with condition type &implementation-restriction is raised.

(fxarithmetic-shift-left fx_1 fx_2)	procedure
(fxarithmetic-shift-right fx_1 fx_2)	procedure

 Fx_2 must be non-negative, and less than w. The fxarithmetic-shift-left procedure behaves the same as fxarithmetic-shift, and (fxarithmetic-shift-right fx_1 fx_2) behaves the same as (fxarithmetic-shift fx_1 (fx- fx_2)).

(fxrotate-bit-field fx_1 fx_2 fx_3 fx_4)

procedure

 Fx_2 , fx_3 , and fx_4 must be non-negative and less than w. Fx_2 must be less than or equal to fx_3 . Fx_4 must be less than or equal to the difference between fx_3 and fx_2 . The fxrotate-bit-field procedure returns the result of cyclically permuting in fx_1 the bits at positions from fx_2 (inclusive) to fx_3 (exclusive) by fx_4 bits towards the more significant bits, which is the result of the following computation:

```
(let* ((n fx_1)
    (start fx_2)
    (end fx_3)
    (count fx_4)
    (width (fx- end start)))
(fxcopy-bit-field n start end
    (fxior
        (fxarithmetic-shift-left
        (fxbit-field n start (fx- end count)))
```

```
count)
(fxarithmetic-shift-right
 (fxbit-field n start end)
 (fx- width count)))))
```

(fxreverse-bit-field fx_1 fx_2 fx_3)

procedure

 Fx_2 and fx_3 must be non-negative and less than w. Moreover, fx_2 must be less than or equal to fx_3 . The fxreverse-bit-field procedure returns the fixnum obtained from fx_1 by reversing the order of the bits at positions from fx_2 (inclusive) to fx_3 (exclusive).

(fxreverse-bit-field #b1010010 1 4) ⇒ 88 ; #b1011000

11.3. Flonums

This section describes the (rnrs arithmetic flonums (6)) library.

This section uses fl, fl_1 , fl_2 , etc., as parameter names for arguments that must be flonums, and ifl as a name for arguments that must be integer-valued flonums, i.e., flonums for which the **integer-valued**? predicate returns true.

(flonum? obj)

procedure

Returns #t if *obj* is a flonum, #f otherwise.

(real->flonum x)

procedure

Returns the best florum representation of x.

The value returned is a florum that is numerically closest to the argument.

Note: If florums are represented in binary floating point, then implementations should break ties by preferring the floatingpoint representation whose least significant bit is zero.

(fl=? $fl_1 fl_2 fl_3 \dots$)	procedure
(fl <math fl_1 fl_2 fl_3 \dots)	procedure
$(f1 <=? f_1 f_2 f_3 \dots)$	procedure
(f1>? $fl_1 fl_2 fl_3 \dots$)	procedure
$(f1>=? fl_1 fl_2 fl_3)$	procedure

These procedures return **#t** if their arguments are (respectively): equal, monotonically increasing, monotonically nondecreasing, monotonically decreasing, or monotonically nonincreasing, **#f** otherwise. These predicates must be transitive.

(fl=? +inf.0 +inf.0)	\implies #t
(fl=? -inf.0 +inf.0)	\implies #f
(fl=? -inf.0 -inf.0)	\implies #t
(fl=? 0.0 - 0.0)	\implies #t
(fl 0.0 -0.0)</td <td>\implies #f</td>	\implies #f
(fl=? +nan.0 <i>fl</i>)	\implies #f
(fl +nan.0 <i fl)	\implies #f

procedure

(flinteger? fl)	procedure
(flzero? fl)	procedure
(flpositive? fl)	procedure
(flnegative? fl)	procedure
(flodd? <i>ifl</i>)	procedure
(fleven? <i>ifl</i>)	procedure
(flfinite? <i>fl</i>)	procedure
(flinfinite? fl)	procedure
(flnan? fl)	procedure

These numerical predicates test a flonum for a particular property, returning **#t** or **#f**. The flinteger? procedure tests whether the number object is an integer, flzero? tests whether it is fl=? to zero, flpositive? tests whether it is greater than zero, flnegative? tests whether it is less than zero, flodd? tests whether it is odd, fleven? tests whether it is even, flfinite? tests whether it is not an infinity and not a NaN, flinfinite? tests whether it is an infinity, and flnan? tests whether it is a NaN.

(flnegative? -0.0)	\implies #f
(flfinite? +inf.0)	\implies #f
(flfinite? 5.0)	\implies #t
(flinfinite? 5.0)	\implies #f
(flinfinite? +inf.0)	\implies #t

Note: (flnegative? -0.0) must return #f, else it would lose the correspondence with (fl<? -0.0 0.0), which is #f according to IEEE 754 [7].

(flmax fl_1	fl_2)	procedure
(flmin fl_1	$fl_2 \ldots$)	procedure

These procedures return the maximum or minimum of their arguments. They always return a NaN when one or more of the arguments is a NaN.

(fl+ <i>fl</i> ₁)	procedure
(fl* <i>fl</i> ₁)	procedure

These procedures return the flonum sum or product of their flonum arguments. In general, they should return the flonum that best approximates the mathematical sum or product. (For implementations that represent flonums using IEEE binary floating point, the meaning of "best" is defined by the IEEE standards.)

(fl+ +inf.0 -inf.0)	\implies	+nan.0
(fl+ +nan.0 <i>fl</i>)	\implies	+nan.0
(fl* +nan.0 <i>fl</i>)	\Rightarrow	+nan.0

(fl- fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(fl- <i>fl</i>)	procedure
(fl/ <i>fl</i> ₁ <i>fl</i> ₂)	procedure
(fl/ <i>fl</i>)	procedure

With two or more arguments, these procedures return the flonum difference or quotient of their flonum arguments, associating to the left. With one argument, however, they return the additive or multiplicative flonum inverse of their argument. In general, they should return the flonum that best approximates the mathematical difference or quotient. (For implementations that represent flonums using IEEE binary floating point, the meaning of "best" is reasonably well-defined by the IEEE standards.)

 $(fl-+inf.0+inf.0) \implies +nan.0$

For undefined quotients, **fl**/ behaves as specified by the IEEE standards:

(fl/ 1.0 0.0)	\implies +inf.0
(fl/ -1.0 0.0)	\implies -inf.0
(fl/ 0.0 0.0)	\implies +nan.0

(flabs fl)

Returns the absolute value of fl.

(fldiv-and-mod fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(fldiv fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(flmod fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(fldiv0-and-mod0 fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(fldiv0 fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(flmod0 fl_1 fl_2)	procedure

These procedures implement number-theoretic integer division and return the results of the corresponding mathematical operations specified in report section 11.7.3. In the cases where the mathematical requirements in section 11.7.3annot be satisfied by any number object, either an exception is raised with condition type &implementation-restriction, or unspecified flonums (one for fldiv flmod, fldiv0 and flmod0, two for fldiv-and-mod and fldiv0-and-mod0) are returned.

(fldiv fl_1 fl_2)	$\implies fl_1 \text{ div } fl_2$	
(flmod fl_1 fl_2)	$\implies fl_1 \mod fl_2$	
(fldiv-and-mod fl_1 fl_2)		
$\implies fl_1 \text{ div } fl_2,$	$fl_1 \mod fl_2$	
	; two return values	
(fldiv0 fl_1 fl_2)	$\implies fl_1 \operatorname{div}_0 fl_2$	
(flmod0 fl_1 fl_2)	$\implies fl_1 \mod_0 fl_2$	
(fldiv0-and-mod0 fl_1 fl_2)		
$\implies fl_1 \operatorname{div}_0 fl_2, fl_1 \operatorname{mod}_0 fl_2$		
	; two return values	

(flnumerator fl)	procedure
(fldenominator fl)	procedure

These procedures return the numerator or denominator of fl as a flonum; the result is computed as if fl was represented as a fraction in lowest terms. The denominator is always positive. The denominator of 0.0 is defined to be 1.0.

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(flnumerator +inf.0)	\implies +inf.0
(flnumerator -inf.0)	\implies -inf.0
(fldenominator +inf.0)	\implies 1.0
(fldenominator -inf.0)	\implies 1.0
(flnumerator 0.75)	\implies 3.0 ; probably
(fldenominator 0.75)	\implies 4.0 ; probably

Implementations should implement following behavior:

(flnumerator -0.0)

(flfloor <i>fl</i>)	procedure
(flceiling fl)	procedure
(fltruncate <i>fl</i>)	procedure
(flround fl)	procedure

 \implies -0.0

These procedures return integral flonums for flonum arguments that are not infinities or NaNs. For such arguments, flfloor returns the largest integral flonum not larger than fl. The flceiling procedure returns the smallest integral flonum not smaller than fl. The fltruncate procedure returns the integral flonum closest to fl whose absolute value is not larger than the absolute value of fl. The flround procedure returns the closest integral flonum to fl, rounding to even when fl represents a number halfway between two integers.

Although infinities and NaNs are not integer objects, these procedures return an infinity when given an infinity as an argument, and a NaN when given a NaN:

(flfloor +inf.0)	\implies	+inf.0
(flceiling -inf.0)	\implies	-inf.0
(fltruncate +nan.0)	\implies	+nan.0

(flexp fl)	procedure
(fllog fl)	procedure
(fllog fl_1 fl_2)	procedure
(flsin fl)	procedure
(flcos fl)	procedure
(fltan <i>fl</i>)	procedure
(flasin fl)	procedure
(flacos fl)	procedure
(flatan fl)	procedure
(flatan fl_1 fl_2)	procedure

These procedures compute the usual transcendental functions. The flexp procedure computes the base-*e* exponential of *fl*. The fllog procedure with a single argument computes the natural logarithm of *fl* (not the base ten logarithm); (fllog fl_1 fl_2) computes the base- fl_2 logarithm of fl_1 . The flasin, flacos, and flatan procedures compute arcsine, arccosine, and arctangent, respectively. (flatan fl_1 fl_2) computes the arc tangent of fl_1/fl_2 .

See report section 11.7.3 for the underlying mathematical operations. In the event that these operations do not yield a real result for the given arguments, the result may be a NaN, or may be some unspecified florum.

Implementations that use IEEE binary floating-point arithmetic should follow the relevant standards for these procedures.

```
(flexp +inf.0)
                                  \implies +inf.0
(flexp -inf.0)
                                   \Rightarrow 0.0
(fllog +inf.0)
                                  \implies +inf.0
(fllog 0.0)
                                  \implies -inf.0
(fllog -0.0)
                                  \implies unspecified
            ; if -0.0 is distinguished
(fllog -inf.0)
                                  \implies +nan.0
(flatan -inf.0)
            ⇒ -1.5707963267948965
            ; approximately
(flatan +inf.0)
            \implies 1.5707963267948965
            ; approximately
```

(flsqrt *fl*)

procedure

Returns the principal square root of fl. For -0.0, flsqrt should return -0.0; for other negative arguments, the result may be a NaN or some unspecified florum.

(flsqrt +inf.0)	\implies	+inf.0
(flsqrt -0.0)	\implies	-0.0

```
(flexpt fl_1 fl_2)
```

procedure

Either f_1 should be non-negative, or, if f_1 is negative, f_2 should be an integer object. The **flexpt** procedure returns f_1 raised to the power f_2 . If f_1 is negative and f_2 is not an integer object, the result may be a NaN, or may be some unspecified florum. If f_1 and f_2 are both zero, the result is 1.0. If f_1 is zero and f_2 is positive, the result is zero. If f_1 is zero and f_2 is negative, the result may be a NaN, or may be some unspecified florum.

&no-infinities	condition type
(make-no-infinities-violation)	procedure
(no-infinities-violation? <i>obj</i>)	procedure
&no-nans	condition type
(make-no-nans-violation)	procedure
(no-nans-violation? obj)	procedure

These condition types could be defined by the following code:

```
(define-condition-type &no-infinities
    &implementation-restriction
    make-no-infinities-violation
    no-infinities-violation?)
(define-condition-type &no-nans
    &implementation-restriction
    make-no-nans-violation no-nans-violation?)
```

These types describe that a program has executed an arithmetic operations that is specified to return an infinity or a NaN, respectively, on a Scheme implementation that is not able to represent the infinity or NaN. (See report section 11.7.2.)

(fixnum->flonum fx)

procedure

Returns a flonum that is numerically closest to fx.

Note: The result of this procedure may not be numerically equal to fx, because the fixnum precision may be greater than the flonum precision.

11.4. Exact bitwise arithmetic

This section describes the (rnrs arithmetic bitwise (6)) library. The exact bitwise arithmetic provides generic operations on exact integer objects. This section uses ei, ei_1 , ei_2 , etc., as parameter names that must be exact integer objects.

(bitwise-not ei)

procedure

Returns the exact integer object whose two's complement representation is the one's complement of the two's complement representation of ei.

(bitwise-and	$ei_1 \ldots$)	procedure
(bitwise-ior	$ei_1 \ldots$)	procedure
(bitwise-xor	$ei_1 \ldots$)	procedure

These procedures return the exact integer object that is the bit-wise "and", "inclusive or", or "exclusive or" of the two's complement representations of their arguments. If they are passed only one argument, they return that argument. If they are passed no arguments, they return the integer object (either -1 or 0) that acts as identity for the operation.

```
(bitwise-if ei_1 ei_2 ei_3)
```

procedure

Returns the exact integer object that is the bit-wise "if" of the two's complement representations of its arguments, i.e. for each bit, if it is 1 in ei_1 , the corresponding bit in ei_2 becomes the value of the corresponding bit in the result, and if it is 0, the corresponding bit in ei_3 becomes the corresponding bit in the value of the result. This is the result of the following computation:

(bitwise-ior (bitwise-and
$$ei_1 ei_2$$
)
(bitwise-and (bitwise-not ei_1) ei_3))

procedure

If ei is non-negative, this procedure returns the number of 1 bits in the two's complement representation of ei. Otherwise it returns the result of the following computation: (bitwise-not (bitwise-bit-count (bitwise-not ei)))

```
(bitwise-length ei)
```

procedure

Returns the number of bits needed to represent ei if it is positive, and the number of bits needed to represent (bitwise-not ei) if it is negative, which is the exact integer object that is the result of the following computation:

(bitwise-first-bit-set *ei*)

procedure

Returns the index of the least significant 1 bit in the two's complement representation of ei. If ei is 0, then -1 is returned.

(bitwise-bit-set? $ei_1 ei_2$)

```
procedure
```

 Ei_2 must be non-negative. The bitwise-bit-set? procedure returns #t if the ei_2 th bit is 1 in the two's complement representation of ei_1 , and #f otherwise. This is the result of the following computation:

```
(not (zero?
        (bitwise-and
        (bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left 1 ei2)
        ei1)))
```

(bitwise-copy-bit $ei_1 ei_2 ei_3$)

procedure

 Ei_2 must be non-negative, and ei_3 must be either 0 or 1. The **bitwise-copy-bit** procedure returns the result of replacing the ei_2 th bit of ei_1 by ei_3 , which is the result of the following computation:

```
\begin{array}{c} (\texttt{let*} ((\texttt{mask} (\texttt{bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left 1} ei_2))) \\ (\texttt{bitwise-if mask} \\ (\texttt{bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left} ei_3 ei_2) \\ ei_1)) \end{array}
```

(bitwise-bit-field $ei_1 ei_2 ei_3$)

procedure

 Ei_2 and ei_3 must be non-negative, and ei_2 must be less than or equal to ei_3 . The bitwise-bit-field procedure returns the number represented by the bits at the positions from ei_2 (inclusive) to ei_3 (exclusive), which is the result of the following computation:

(bitwise-copy-bit-field $ei_1 ei_2 ei_3 ei_4$) procedure

 Ei_2 and ei_3 must be non-negative, and ei_2 must be less than or equal to ei_3 . The **bitwise-copy-bit-field** procedure returns the result of replacing in ei_1 the bits at positions from ei_2 (inclusive) to ei_3 (exclusive) by the bits in ei_4 from position 0 (inclusive) to position $ei_3 - ei_2$ (exclusive), which is the result of the following computation:

```
(let* ((to
              ei_1)
       (start ei_2)
       (end
              ei_3)
       (from ei_4)
       (mask1
         (bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left -1 start))
       (mask2
         (bitwise-not
           (bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left -1 end)))
       (mask (bitwise-and mask1 mask2)))
  (bitwise-if mask
               (bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left from
                                                start)
              to))
```

(bitwise-arithmetic-shift $ei_1 ei_2$) procedure

Returns the result of the following computation:

(floor (* ei_1 (expt 2 ei_2)))

Examples:

(bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left $ei_1 ei_2$) procedure (bitwise-arithmetic-shift-right $ei_1 ei_2$) procedure

 Ei_2 must be non-negative. The bitwise-arithmeticshift-left procedure returns the same result as bitwise-arithmetic-shift, and

(bitwise-arithmetic-shift-right $ei_1 ei_2$)

returns the same result as

(bitwise-arithmetic-shift ei_1 (- ei_2)).

(bitwise-rotate-bit-field $ei_1 ei_2 ei_3 ei_4$) procedure

 Ei_2 , ei_3 , ei_4 must be non-negative, ei_2 must be less than or equal to ei_3 . The **bitwise-rotate-bit-field** procedure returns the result of cyclically permuting in ei_1 the bits at positions from ei_2 (inclusive) to ei_3 (exclusive) by ei_4 bits towards the more significant bits, which is the result of the following computation:

(let*	((n	ei_1)	
	(start	ei_2)	
	(end	ei ₃)	
	(count	ei ₄)	
	(width	(- end	start)))
(if	(positiv	e? widt	ch)
	(let* ((count ((mod count width))
	(field0	
		(bitwi	ise-bit-field n start end))
	(field1	(bitwise-arithmetic-shift-left
			field0 count))
	(field2	(bitwise-arithmetic-shift-right
			field0
			(- width count)))
	(field ((bitwise-ior field1 field2)))
	(bitwi	se-copy	y-bit-field n start end field))
	n))	10	

(bitwise-reverse-bit-field $ei_1 ei_2 ei_3$) procedure

 Ei_2 and ei_3 must be non-negative, and ei_2 must be less than or equal to ei_3 . The **bitwise-reverse-bit-field** procedure returns the result obtained from ei_1 by reversing the order of the bits at positions from ei_2 (inclusive) to ei_3 (exclusive).

(bitwise-reverse-bit-field #b1010010 1 4) \implies 88 ; #b1011000

12. syntax-case

The (rnrs syntax-case (6)) library provides support for writing low-level macros in a high-level style, with automatic syntax checking, input destructuring, output restructuring, maintenance of lexical scoping and referential transparency (hygiene), and support for controlled identifier capture.

12.1. Hygiene

Barendregt's hygiene condition [1] for the lambda calculus is an informal notion that requires the free variables of an expression N that is to be substituted into another expression M not to be captured by bindings in M when such capture is not intended. Kohlbecker, et al [9] propose a corresponding hygiene condition for macro expansion that applies in all situations where capturing is not explicit: "Generated identifiers that become binding instances in the completely expanded program must only bind variables that are generated at the same transcription step". In the terminology of this document, the "generated identifiers" are those introduced by a transformer rather than those present in the form passed to the transformer, and a "macro transcription step" corresponds to a single call by the expander to a transformer. Also, the hygiene condition applies to all introduced bindings rather than to introduced variable bindings alone.

This leaves open what happens to an introduced identifier that appears outside the scope of a binding introduced by the same call. Such an identifier refers to the lexical binding in effect where it appears (within a syntax (template); see section 12.4) inside the transformer body or one of the helpers it calls. This is essentially the referential transparency property described by Clinger and Rees [3]. Thus, the hygiene condition can be restated as follows:

A binding for an identifier introduced into the output of a transformer call from the expander must capture only references to the identifier introduced into the output of the same transformer call. A reference to an identifier introduced into the output of a transformer refers to the closest enclosing binding for the introduced identifier or, if it appears outside of any enclosing binding for the introduced identifier, the closest enclosing lexical binding where the identifier appears (within a syntax (template)) inside the transformer body or one of the helpers it calls.

Explicit captures are handled via datum->syntax; see section 12.6.

Operationally, the expander can maintain hygiene with the help of *marks* and *substitutions*. Marks are applied selectively by the expander to the output of each transformer it invokes, and substitutions are applied to the portions of each binding form that are supposed to be within the scope of the bound identifiers. Marks are used to distinguish like-named identifiers that are introduced at different times (either present in the source or introduced into the output of a particular transformer call), and substitutions are used to map identifiers to their expand-time values.

Each time the expander encounters a macro use, it applies an *antimark* to the input form, invokes the associated transformer, then applies a fresh mark to the output. Marks and antimarks cancel, so the portions of the input that appear in the output are effectively left unmarked, while the portions of the output that are introduced are marked with the fresh mark.

Each time the expander encounters a binding form it creates a set of substitutions, each mapping one of the (possibly marked) bound identifiers to information about the binding. (For a lambda expression, the expander might map each bound identifier to a representation of the formal parameter in the output of the expander. For a let-syntax form, the expander might map each bound identifier to the associated transformer.) These substitutions are applied to the portions of the input form in which the binding is supposed to be visible.

Marks and substitutions together form a *wrap* that is layered on the form being processed by the expander and pushed down toward the leaves as necessary. A wrapped form is referred to as a *wrapped syntax object*. Ultimately, the wrap may rest on a leaf that represents an identifier, in which case the wrapped syntax object is also referred to as an *identifier*. An identifier contains a name along with the wrap. (Names are typically represented by symbols.)

When a substitution is created to map an identifier to an expand-time value, the substitution records the name of the identifier and the set of marks that have been applied to that identifier, along with the associated expand-time value. The expander resolves identifier references by looking for the latest matching substitution to be applied to the identifier, i.e., the outermost substitution in the wrap whose name and marks match the name and marks recorded in the substitution. The name matches if it is the same name (if using symbols, then by eq?), and the marks match if the marks recorded with the substitution in the wrap, i.e., those that appear *below* the substitution. Marks applied after a substitution, i.e., appear over the substitution in the wrap, are not relevant and are ignored.

An algebra that defines how marks and substitutions work more precisely is given in section 2.4 of Oscar Waddell's PhD thesis [13].¹

12.2. Syntax objects

A syntax object is a representation of a Scheme form that contains contextual information about the form in addition to its structure. This contextual information is used by the expander to maintain lexical scoping and may also be used by an implementation to maintain source-object correlation [6].

A syntax object may be wrapped, as described in section 12.1. It may also be unwrapped, fully or partially, i.e., consist of list and vector structure with wrapped syntax objects or nonsymbol values at the leaves. More formally, a syntax object is:

- a pair of syntax objects,
- a vector of syntax objects,

¹Note, however, that Waddell's thesis describes slightly different semantics for **bound-identifier=?**—it specifies that for two identifiers to be equal in the sense of **bound-identifier=?**, they must have the same marks and be equal in the sense of **free-identifier=?**, whereas this report requires instead that they must have the same marks and have the same name.

- a nonpair, nonvector, nonsymbol value, or
- a wrapped syntax object.

The distinction between the terms "syntax object" and "wrapped syntax object" is important. For example, when invoked by the expander, a transformer (section 12.3) must accept a wrapped syntax object but may return any syntax object, including an unwrapped syntax object.

Syntax objects representing identifiers are always wrapped and are distinct from other types of values. Wrapped syntax objects that are not identifiers may or may not be distinct from other types of values.

12.3. Transformers

In define-syntax (report section 11.2.2), let-syntax, and letrec-syntax forms (report section 11.18), a binding for a syntactic keyword is an expression that evaluates to a *transformer*.

A transformer is a *transformation procedure* or a *variable* transformer. A transformation procedure is a procedure that must accept one argument, a wrapped syntax object (section 12.2) representing the input, and return a syntax object (section 12.2) representing the output. The transformer is called by the expander whenever a reference to a keyword with which it has been associated is found. If the keyword appears in the car of a list-structured input form, the transformer receives the entire list-structured form, and its output replaces the entire form. Except with variable transformers (see below), if the keyword is found in any other definition or expression context, the transformer receives a wrapped syntax object representing just the keyword reference, and its output replaces just the reference. Except with variable transformers, an exception with condition type &syntax is raised if the keyword appears on the left-hand side of a set! expression.

(make-variable-transformer proc)

procedure

Proc should accept one argument, a wrapped syntax object, and return a syntax object.

The make-variable-transformer procedure creates a variable transformer. A variable transformer is like an ordinary transformer except that, if a keyword associated with a variable transformer appears on the left-hand side of a set! expression, an exception is not raised. Instead, *proc* is called with a wrapped syntax object representing the entire set! expression as its argument, and its return value replaces the entire set! expression.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *proc* only to the extent performed by applying it as described. An implementation may check whether *proc* is an appropriate argument before applying it.

12.4. Parsing input and producing output

Transformers can destructure their input with syntax-case and rebuild their output with syntax.

(syntax-case $\langle \mathrm{expression} \rangle$ ($\langle \mathrm{literal} \rangle$)	syntax
$\langle syntax-case \ clause \rangle \ \dots)$	
_ auxiliary	syntax
auxiliary	syntax
Syntax: Each $\langle \text{literal} \rangle$ must be an identifier.	Each
(syntax-case clause) must take one of the follow	ing two
forms.	

 $(\langle pattern \rangle \langle output expression \rangle)$ $(\langle pattern \rangle \langle fender \rangle \langle output expression \rangle)$

 $\langle \text{Fender} \rangle$ and $\langle \text{output expression} \rangle$ must be $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ s.

A $\langle \mathrm{pattern} \rangle$ is an identifier, constant, or one of the following.

({pattern} ...)
({pattern} {pattern} {pattern})
({pattern} {pattern} {pattern})
({pattern} {pattern} {ellipsis} {pattern})
({pattern} {pattern} {ellipsis} {pattern} {pattern})
#({pattern})
#({pattern})

An $\langle \text{ellipsis} \rangle$ is the identifier "..." (three periods).

An identifier appearing within a $\langle \text{pattern} \rangle$ may be an underscore (_), a literal identifier listed in the list of literals ($\langle \text{literal} \rangle \dots$), or an ellipsis (...). All other identifiers appearing within a $\langle \text{pattern} \rangle$ are *pattern variables*. It is a syntax violation if an ellipsis or underscore appears in ($\langle \text{literal} \rangle \dots$).

 $_$ and ... are the same as in the (rnrs base (6)) library.

Pattern variables match arbitrary input subforms and are used to refer to elements of the input. It is a syntax violation if the same pattern variable appears more than once in a $\langle pattern \rangle$.

Underscores also match arbitrary input subforms but are not pattern variables and so cannot be used to refer to those elements. Multiple underscores may appear in a (pattern).

A literal identifier matches an input subform if and only if the input subform is an identifier and either both its occurrence in the input expression and its occurrence in the list of literals have the same lexical binding, or the two identifiers have the same name and both have no lexical binding.

A subpattern followed by an ellipsis can match zero or more elements of the input.

More formally, an input form F matches a pattern P if and only if one of the following holds:

• P is an underscore $(_)$.

- *P* is a pattern variable.
- *P* is a literal identifier and *F* is an equivalent identifier in the sense of free-identifier=? (section 12.5).
- P is of the form $(P_1 \ldots P_n)$ and F is a list of n elements that match P_1 through P_n .
- P is of the form $(P_1 \ldots P_n \ldots P_x)$ and F is a list or improper list of n or more elements whose first n elements match P_1 through P_n and whose nth cdr matches P_x .
- P is of the form $(P_1 \ldots P_k P_e \text{ (ellipsis) } P_{m+1} \ldots P_n)$, where (ellipsis) is the identifier \ldots and F is a proper list of n elements whose first k elements match P_1 through P_k , whose next m-k elements each match P_e , and whose remaining n-m elements match P_{m+1} through P_n .
- P is of the form (P₁ ... P_k P_e ⟨ellipsis⟩ P_{m+1} ... P_n . P_x), where ⟨ellipsis⟩ is the identifier ... and F is a list or improper list of n elements whose first k elements match P₁ through P_k, whose next m k elements each match P_e, whose next n m elements match P_{m+1} through P_n, and whose nth and final cdr matches P_x.
- P is of the form $\#(P_1 \dots P_n)$ and F is a vector of n elements that match P_1 through P_n .
- P is of the form $\#(P_1 \ldots P_k P_e \text{ (ellipsis) } P_{m+1} \ldots P_n)$, where (ellipsis) is the identifier \ldots and F is a vector of n or more elements whose first k elements match P_1 through P_k , whose next m-k elements each match P_e , and whose remaining n-m elements match P_{m+1} through P_n .
- *P* is a pattern datum (any nonlist, nonvector, nonsymbol datum) and *F* is equal to *P* in the sense of the equal? procedure.

Semantics: A syntax-case expression first evaluates $\langle expression \rangle$. It then attempts to match the $\langle pattern \rangle$ from the first $\langle syntax-case \ clause \rangle$ against the resulting value, which is unwrapped as necessary to perform the match. If the pattern matches the value and no $\langle fender \rangle$ is present, $\langle output \ expression \rangle$ is evaluated and its value returned as the value of the syntax-case expression. If the pattern does not match the value, syntax-case tries the second $\langle syntax-case \ clause \rangle$, then the third, and so on. It is a syntax violation if the value does not match any of the patterns.

If the optional $\langle \text{fender} \rangle$ is present, it serves as an additional constraint on acceptance of a clause. If the $\langle \text{pattern} \rangle$ of a given $\langle \text{syntax-case clause} \rangle$ matches the input value, the corresponding $\langle \text{fender} \rangle$ is evaluated. If $\langle \text{fender} \rangle$ evaluates

to a true value, the clause is accepted; otherwise, the clause is rejected as if the pattern had failed to match the value. Fenders are logically a part of the matching process, i.e., they specify additional matching constraints beyond the basic structure of the input.

Pattern variables contained within a clause's (pattern) are bound to the corresponding pieces of the input value within the clause's (fender) (if present) and (output expression). Pattern variables can be referenced only within syntax expressions (see below). Pattern variables occupy the same name space as program variables and keywords.

If the syntax-case form is in tail context, the (output expression)s are also in tail position.

(syntax $\langle \text{template} \rangle$)

syntax

Note: **#**'(template) is equivalent to (syntax (template)).

A syntax expression is similar to a quote expression except that (1) the values of pattern variables appearing within $\langle \text{template} \rangle$ are inserted into $\langle \text{template} \rangle$, (2) contextual information associated both with the input and with the template is retained in the output to support lexical scoping, and (3) the value of a syntax expression is a syntax object.

A $\langle \text{template} \rangle$ is a pattern variable, an identifier that is not a pattern variable, a pattern datum, or one of the following.

```
(\langle subtemplate \rangle ...)
(\langle subtemplate \rangle .... \langle template \rangle)
#(\langle subtemplate \rangle ...)
```

A \langle subtemplate \rangle is a \langle template \rangle followed by zero or more ellipses.

The value of a syntax form is a copy of (template) in which the pattern variables appearing within the template are replaced with the input subforms to which they are bound. Pattern data and identifiers that are not pattern variables or ellipses are copied directly into the output. A subtemplate followed by an ellipsis expands into zero or more occurrences of the subtemplate. Pattern variables that occur in subpatterns followed by one or more ellipses may occur only in subtemplates that are followed by (at least) as many ellipses. These pattern variables are replaced in the output by the input subforms to which they are bound. distributed as specified. If a pattern variable is followed by more ellipses in the subtemplate than in the associated subpattern, the input form is replicated as necessary. The subtemplate must contain at least one pattern variable from a subpattern followed by an ellipsis, and for at least one such pattern variable, the subtemplate must be followed by exactly as many ellipses as the subpattern in which the pattern variable appears. (Otherwise, the expander would not be able to determine how many times the subform should be repeated in the output.) It is a syntax violation if the constraints of this paragraph are not met.

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A template of the form ($\langle ellipsis \rangle \langle template \rangle$) is identical to $\langle \text{template} \rangle$, except that ellipses within the template have no special meaning. That is, any ellipses contained within (template) are treated as ordinary identifiers. In particular, the template (...) produces a single ellipsis. This allows macro uses to expand into forms containing ellipses.

The output produced by syntax is wrapped or unwrapped according to the following rules.

- the copy of $(\langle t_1 \rangle \ . \ \langle t_2 \rangle)$ is a pair if $\langle t_1 \rangle$ or $\langle t_2 \rangle$ contain any pattern variables,
- the copy of $(\langle t \rangle \langle ellipsis \rangle)$ is a list if $\langle t \rangle$ contains any pattern variables,
- the copy of $\#(\langle t_1 \rangle \ldots \langle t_n \rangle)$ is a vector if any of $\langle t_1 \rangle, \ldots, \langle t_n \rangle$ contain any pattern variables, and
- the copy of any portion of $\langle t \rangle$ not containing any pattern variables is a wrapped syntax object.

The input subforms inserted in place of the pattern variables are wrapped if and only if the corresponding input subforms are wrapped.

The following definitions of or illustrate syntax-case and syntax. The second is equivalent to the first but uses the #' prefix instead of the full syntax form.

```
(define-syntax or
 (lambda (x)
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(_) (syntax #f)]
      [(_ e) (syntax e)]
      [(_ e1 e2 e3 ...)
       (syntax (let ([t e1])
                 (if t t (or e2 e3 ...))))])))
(define-syntax or
  (lambda (x)
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(_) #'#f]
      [(_ e) #'e]
      [(_ e1 e2 e3 ...)
       #'(let ([t e1])
           (if t t (or e2 e3 ...)))])))
```

The examples below define *identifier macros*, macro uses supporting keyword references that do not necessarily appear in the first position of a list-structured form. The second example uses make-variable-transformer to handle the case where the keyword appears on the left-hand side of a set! expression.

```
(define p (cons 4 5))
(define-syntax p.car
  (lambda (x)
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(_ . rest) #'((car p) . rest)]
```

```
[_ #'(car p)])))
p.car
                               \implies 4
(set! p.car 15)
                               \implies &syntax exception
(define p (cons 4 5))
(define-syntax p.car
  (make-variable-transformer
    (lambda (x)
      (syntax-case x (set!)
         [(set! _ e) #'(set-car! p e)]
         [(_ . rest) #'((car p) . rest)]
         [_ #'(car p)])))
(set! p.car 15)
                               \implies 15
p.car
                               \implies (15 . 5)
p
```

12.5. Identifier predicates

(identifier? *obj*)

```
procedure
```

Returns #t if obj is an identifier, i.e., a syntax object representing an identifier, and **#f** otherwise.

The identifier? procedure is often used within a fender to verify that certain subforms of an input form are identifiers, as in the definition of rec, which creates selfcontained recursive objects, below.

```
(define-syntax rec
  (lambda (x)
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(_ x e)
       (identifier? #'x)
       #'(letrec ([x e]) x)])))
(map (rec fact
       (lambda (n)
         (if (= n 0))
             1
              (* n (fact (- n 1)))))
     (1 2 3 4 5))
          \implies (1 2 6 24 120)
(rec 5 (lambda (x) x))
```

procedures bound-identifier=? The and freeidentifier=? each take two identifier arguments and return #t if their arguments are equivalent and #f otherwise. These predicates are used to compare identifiers according to their *intended use* as free references or bound identifiers in a given context.

 \implies &syntax exception

(bound-identifier=? $id_1 id_2$) procedure

 Id_1 and id_2 must be identifiers. The procedure boundidentifier=? returns #t if a binding for one would capture a reference to the other in the output of the transformer, assuming that the reference appears within the scope of the binding, and **#f** otherwise. In general, two identifiers are **bound-identifier=?** only if both are present in the original program or both are introduced by the same transformer application (perhaps implicitly—see **datum-> syntax**). Operationally, two identifiers are considered equivalent by **bound-identifier=?** if and only if they have the same name and same marks (section 12.1).

The **bound-identifier=?** procedure can be used for detecting duplicate identifiers in a binding construct or for other preprocessing of a binding construct that requires detecting instances of the bound identifiers.

```
(free-identifier=? id_1 id_2) procedure
```

 Id_1 and id_2 must be identifiers. The free-identifier=? procedure returns #t if and only if the two identifiers would resolve to the same binding if both were to appear in the output of a transformer outside of any bindings inserted by the transformer. (If neither of two like-named identifiers resolves to a binding, i.e., both are unbound, they are considered to resolve to the same binding.) Operationally, two identifiers are considered equivalent by free-identifier=? if and only the topmost matching substitution for each maps to the same binding (section 12.1) or the identifiers have the same name and no matching substitution.

The syntax-case and syntax-rules forms internally use free-identifier=? to compare identifiers listed in the literals list against input identifiers.

The following definition of unnamed let uses bound-identifier=? to detect duplicate identifiers.

The argument #'(i ...) to unique-ids? is guaranteed to be a list by the rules given in the description of syntax above.

With this definition of let:

(let ([a 3] [a 4]) (+ a a)) \implies &syntax exception

However,

since the identifier **a** introduced by **dolet** and the identifier **a** extracted from the input form are not bound-identifier=?.

The following definition of **case** is equivalent to the one in section 12.4. Rather than including **else** in the literals list as before, this version explicitly tests for **else** using free-identifier=?.

```
(define-syntax case
  (lambda (x)
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(_ e0 [(k ...) e1 e2 ...] ...
              [else-key else-e1 else-e2 ...])
       (and (identifier? #'else-key)
            (free-identifier=? #'else-key #'else))
       #'(let ([t e0])
           (cond
             [(memv t '(k ...)) e1 e2 ...]
             . . .
             [else else-e1 else-e2 ...]))]
      [(_ e0 [(ka ...) e1a e2a ...]
              [(kb ...) e1b e2b ...] ...)
       #'(let ([t e0])
           (cond
             [(memv t '(ka ...)) e1a e2a ...]
             [(memv t '(kb ...)) e1b e2b ...]
             ...))])))
```

With either definition of case, else is not recognized as an auxiliary keyword if an enclosing lexical binding for else exists. For example,

since **else** is bound lexically and is therefore not the same **else** that appears in the definition of **case**.

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12.6. Syntax-object and datum conversions

(syntax->datum syntax-object)

procedure

Strips all syntactic information from a syntax object and returns the corresponding Scheme datum.

Identifiers stripped in this manner are converted to their symbolic names, which can then be compared with eq?. Thus, a predicate symbolic-identifier=? might be defined as follows.

```
(define symbolic-identifier=?
 (lambda (x y)
   (eq? (syntax->datum x)
        (syntax->datum y))))
```

(datum->syntax template-id datum)

procedure

Template-id must be a template identifier and datum should be a datum value. The datum->syntax procedure returns a syntax-object representation of datum that contains the same contextual information as template-id, with the effect that the syntax object behaves as if it were introduced into the code when template-id was introduced.

The datum->syntax procedure allows a transformer to "bend" lexical scoping rules by creating *implicit identifiers* that behave as if they were present in the input form, thus permitting the definition of macros that introduce visible bindings for or references to identifiers that do not appear explicitly in the input form. For example, the following defines a loop expression that uses this controlled form of identifier capture to bind the variable break to an escape procedure within the loop body. (The derived with-syntax form is like let but binds pattern variables see section 12.8.)

Were loop to be defined as

the variable break would not be visible in e

The datum argument *datum* may also represent an arbitrary Scheme form, as demonstrated by the following definition of include.

```
(define-syntax include
 (lambda (x)
    (define read-file
      (lambda (fn k)
        (let ([p (open-file-input-port fn
                    (file-options)
                    (buffer-mode block)
                    (native-transcoder))])
          (let f ([x (get-datum p)])
            (if (eof-object? x)
                (begin (close-port p) '())
                (cons (datum->syntax k x)
                      (f (get-datum p))))))))
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(k filename)
       (let ([fn (syntax->datum #'filename)])
         (with-syntax ([(exp ...)
                        (read-file fn #'k)])
           #'(begin exp ...)))])))
```

(include "filename") expands into a begin expression containing the forms found in the file named by "filename". For example, if the file flib.ss contains (define f (lambda (x) (g (* x x))), and the file glib.ss contains (define g (lambda (x) (+ x x))), the expression

```
(let ()
  (include "flib.ss")
  (include "glib.ss")
  (f 5))
```

evaluates to 50.

The definition of include uses datum->syntax to convert the objects read from the file into syntax objects in the proper lexical context, so that identifier references and definitions within those expressions are scoped where the include form appears.

Using datum->syntax, it is even possible to break hygiene entirely and write macros in the style of old Lisp macros. The lisp-transformer procedure defined below creates a transformer that converts its input into a datum, calls the programmer's procedure on this datum, and converts the result back into a syntax object scoped where the original macro use appeared.

12.7. Generating lists of temporaries

Transformers can introduce a fixed number of identifiers into their output simply by naming each identifier. In some cases, however, the number of identifiers to be introduced depends upon some characteristic of the input expression. A straightforward definition of letrec, for example, requires as many temporary identifiers as there are binding pairs in the input expression. The procedure generate-temporaries is used to construct lists of temporary identifiers.

(generate-temporaries *l*)

```
procedure
```

L must be be a list or syntax object representing a liststructured form; its contents are not important. The number of temporaries generated is the number of elements in l. Each temporary is guaranteed to be unique, i.e., different from all other identifiers.

A definition of letrec equivalent to the one using syntax-rules given in report appendix B is shown below.

This version uses generate-temporaries instead of recursively defined helper to generate the necessary temporaries.

12.8. Derived forms and procedures

The forms and procedures described in this section can be defined in terms of the forms and procedures described in earlier sections of this chapter.

(with-syntax (($\langle pattern \rangle \langle expression \rangle$) ...) $\langle body \rangle$) syntax

The with-syntax form is used to bind pattern variables, just as let is used to bind variables. This allows a transformer to construct its output in separate pieces, then put the pieces together.

Each $\langle \text{pattern} \rangle$ is identical in form to a syntax-case pattern. The value of each $\langle \text{expression} \rangle$ is computed and destructured according to the corresponding $\langle \text{pattern} \rangle$, and pattern variables within the $\langle \text{pattern} \rangle$ are bound as with syntax-case to the corresponding portions of the value within $\langle \text{body} \rangle$.

The with-syntax form may be defined in terms of syntax-case as follows.

The following definition of cond demonstrates the use of with-syntax to support transformers that employ recursion internally to construct their output. It handles all cond clause variations and takes care to produce one-armed if expressions where appropriate.

```
(define-syntax cond
  (lambda (x)
    (syntax-case x ()
      [(_ c1 c2 ...)
       (let f ([c1 #'c1] [c2* #'(c2 ...)])
         (syntax-case c2* ()
           [()]
            (syntax-case c1 (else =>)
              [(else e1 e2 ...) #'(begin e1 e2 ...)]
              [(e0) #'e0]
              [(e0 => e1)
               #'(let ([t e0]) (if t (e1 t)))]
              [(e0 e1 e2 ...)
               #'(if e0 (begin e1 e2 ...))])]
           [(c2 c3 ...)
            (with-syntax ([rest (f #'c2 #'(c3 ...))])
              (syntax-case c1 (=>)
                [(e0) #'(let ([t e0]) (if t t rest))]
                [(e0 => e1)]
                 #'(let ([t e0]) (if t (e1 t) rest))]
                [(e0 e1 e2 ...)
                 #'(if e0
                         (begin e1 e2 ...)
                         rest)]))])))))))
```

(quasisyntax $\langle \text{template} \rangle$)	syntax
unsyntax	auxiliary syntax
unsyntax-splicing	auxiliary syntax

The quasisyntax form is similar to syntax, but it allows parts of the quoted text to be evaluated, in a manner similar to the operation of quasiquote (report section 11.17).

Within a quasisyntax *template*, subforms of unsyntax and unsyntax-splicing forms are evaluated, and everything else is treated as ordinary template material, as with syntax. The value of each unsyntax subform is

inserted into the output in place of the unsyntax form, while the value of each unsyntax-splicing subform is spliced into the surrounding list or vector structure. Uses of unsyntax and unsyntax-splicing are valid only within quasisyntax expressions.

A quasisyntax expression may be nested, with each quasisyntax introducing a new level of syntax quotation and each unsyntax or unsyntax-splicing taking away a level of quotation. An expression nested within n quasisyntax expressions must be within n unsyntax or unsyntax-splicing expressions to be evaluated.

As noted in report section 4.3.5, # (template) is equivalent to (quasisyntax (template)), #, (template) is equivalent to (unsyntax (template)), and #, @(template) is equivalent to (unsyntax-splicing (template)).

The quasisyntax keyword can be used in place of with-syntax in many cases. For example, the definition of case shown under the description of with-syntax above can be rewritten using quasisyntax as follows.

```
(define-syntax case
  (lambda (x)
   (syntax-case x ()
      [(_ e c1 c2 ...)
       #`(let ([t e])
           #,(let f ([c1 #'c1] [cmore #'(c2 ...)])
               (if (null? cmore)
                   (syntax-case c1 (else)
                     [(else e1 e2 ...)
                      #'(begin e1 e2 ...)]
                     [((k ...) e1 e2 ...)
                      #'(if (memv t '(k ...))
                             (begin e1 e2 ...))])
                   (syntax-case c1 ()
                     [((k ...) e1 e2 ...)
                      #`(if (memv t '(k ...))
                            (begin e1 e2 ...)
                            #,(f (car cmore)
```

Uses of unsyntax and unsyntax-splicing with zero or more than one subform are valid only in splicing (list or vector) contexts. (unsyntax *template* ...) is equivalent to (unsyntax *template*) ..., and (unsyntax-splicing *template* ...) is equivalent to (unsyntax-splicing *template*) These forms are primarily useful as intermediate forms in the output of the quasisyntax expander.

Note: Uses of unsyntax and unsyntax-splicing with zero or more than one subform enable certain idioms [2], such as **#,@#,@**, which has the effect of a doubly indirect splicing when used within a doubly nested and doubly evaluated **quasisyntax** expression, as with the nested **quasiquote** examples shown in section 11.17.

Note: Any syntax-rules form can be expressed with syntax-case by making the lambda expression and syntax expressions explicit, and syntax-rules may be defined in terms of syntax-case as follows.

```
(define-syntax syntax-rules
  (lambda (x)
      (syntax-case x ()
      [(_ (lit ...) [(k . p) t] ...)
      (for-all identifier? #'(lit ... k ...))
      #'(lambda (x)
            (syntax-case x (lit ...)
            [(_ . p) #'t] ...))])))
```

Note: The identifier-syntax form of the base library (see report section 11.19) may be defined in terms of syntax-case, syntax, and make-variable-transformer as follows.

(define-syntax identifier-syntax

```
(lambda (x)
 (syntax-case x (set!)
  [(_ e)
  #'(lambda (x)
        (syntax-case x ()
        [id (identifier? #'id) #'e]
        [(_ x (... ...)) #'(e x (... ...))]))]
 [(_ (id exp1) ((set! var val) exp2))
  (and (identifier? #'id) (identifier? #'var))
  #'(make-variable-transformer
        (lambda (x)
            (syntax-case x (set!)
             [(set! var val) #'exp2]
             [(id x (... ...)) #'(exp1 x (... ..))]
        [id (identifier? #'id) #'exp1])))]))
```

12.9. Syntax violations

(syntax-violation who message form) procedure
(syntax-violation who message form subform)
procedure

Who must be **#f** or a string or a symbol. Message must be a string. Form must be a syntax object or a datum value. Subform must be a syntax object or a datum value. Subform must be a syntax object or a datum value. The syntax-violation procedure raises an exception, reporting a syntax violation. Who should describe the macro transformer that detected the exception. The message argument should describe the violation. Form should be the erroneous source syntax object or a datum value representing a form. The optional subform argument should be a syntax object or datum value representing a form. The optional subform argument should be a syntax object or datum value representing a form that more precisely locates the violation.

If who is **#f**, **syntax-violation** attempts to infer an appropriate value for the condition object (see below) as follows: When *form* is either an identifier or a list-structured syntax object containing an identifier as its first element, then the inferred value is the identifier's symbol. Otherwise, no value for *who* is provided as part of the condition object.

The condition object provided with the exception (see chapter 7) has the following condition types:

- If who is not **#f** or can be inferred, the condition has condition type &who, with who as the value of its field. Otherwise, the condition does not have condition type &who.
- The condition has condition type &message, with *message* as the value of its field.
- The condition has condition type &syntax with *form* and *subform* as the value of its fields. If *subform* is not provided, the value of the subform field is **#f**.

13. Hashtables

The (rnrs hashtables (6)) library provides a set of operations on hashtables. A *hashtable* is a data structure that associates keys with values. Any object can be used as a key, provided a *hash function* and a suitable *equivalence function* is available. A hash function is a procedure that maps keys to exact integer objects. It is the programmer's responsibility to ensure that the hash function is compatible with the equivalence function, which is a procedure that accepts two keys and returns true if they are equivalent and **#f** otherwise. Standard hashtables for arbitrary objects based on the **eq?** and **eqv?** predicates (see report section 11.5) are provided. Also, hash functions for arbitrary objects, strings, and symbols are provided.

This section uses the hashtable parameter name for arguments that must be hashtables, and the key parameter name for arguments that must be hashtable keys.

13.1. Constructors

(make-eq-hashtable) procedure
(make-eq-hashtable k) procedure

Returns a newly allocated mutable hashtable that accepts arbitrary objects as keys, and compares those keys with eq?. If an argument is given, the initial capacity of the hashtable is set to approximately k elements.

(make-eqv-hashtable)	procedure
(make-eqv-hashtable k)	procedure

Returns a newly allocated mutable hashtable that accepts arbitrary objects as keys, and compares those keys with eqv?. If an argument is given, the initial capacity of the hashtable is set to approximately k elements.

(make-hashtable hash-function equiv) procedure (make-hashtable hash-function equiv k) procedure Hash-function and equiv must be procedures. Hash-function should accept a key as an argument and should return a non-negative exact integer object. Equiv should accept two keys as arguments and return a single value. Neither procedure should mutate the hashtable returned by make-hashtable. The make-hashtable procedure returns a newly allocated mutable hashtable using hash-function as the hash function and equiv as the equivalence function used to compare keys. If a third argument is given, the initial capacity of the hashtable is set to approximately k elements.

Both *hash-function* and *equiv* should behave like pure functions on the domain of keys. For example, the **string-hash** and **string=**? procedures are permissible only if all keys are strings and the contents of those strings are never changed so long as any of them continues to serve as a key in the hashtable. Furthermore, any pair of keys for which *equiv* returns true should be hashed to the same exact integer objects by *hash-function*.

Implementation responsibilities: The implementation must check the restrictions on *hash-function* and *equiv* to the extent performed by applying them as described.

Note: Hashtables are allowed to cache the results of calling the hash function and equivalence function, so programs cannot rely on the hash function being called for every lookup or update. Furthermore any hashtable operation may call the hash function more than once.

13.2. Procedures

(hashtable? obj) procedure
Returns #t if obj is a hashtable, #f otherwise.

(hashtable-size *hashtable*) procedure

Returns the number of keys contained in *hashtable* as an exact integer object.

(hashtable-ref hashtable key default) procedure

Returns the value in *hashtable* associated with *key*. If *hashtable* does not contain an association for *key*, *default* is returned.

(hashtable-set! hashtable key obj) procedure

Changes *hashtable* to associate *key* with *obj*, adding a new association or replacing any existing association for *key*, and returns unspecified values.

(hashtable-delete! hashtable key) procedure

Removes any association for *key* within *hashtable* and returns unspecified values. 60 Revised⁶ Scheme Libraries (latest erratum: 21 July 2019)

(hashtable-contains? *hashtable key*)

Returns **#t** if *hashtable* contains an association for *key*, **#f** otherwise.

Proc should accept one argument, should return a single value, and should not mutate *hashtable*. The **hashtable-update!** procedure applies *proc* to the value in *hashtable* associated with *key*, or to *default* if *hashtable* does not contain an association for *key*. The *hashtable* is then changed to associate *key* with the value returned by *proc*.

The behavior of hashtable-update! is equivalent to the following code, but may be implemented more efficiently in cases where the implementation can avoid multiple lookups of the same key:

```
(hashtable-set!
hashtable key
(proc (hashtable-ref
hashtable key default)))
```

(hashtable-copy	hashtable)	procedure
(hashtable-copy	hashtable mutable)	procedure

Returns a copy of *hashtable*. If the *mutable* argument is provided and is true, the returned hashtable is mutable; otherwise it is immutable.

(hashtable-clear!	hashtable)	procedure
(hashtable-clear!	hashtable k)	procedure

Removes all associations from hashtable and returns unspecified values.

If a second argument is given, the current capacity of the hash table is reset to approximately k elements.

(hashtable-keys *hashtable*)

procedure

procedure

Returns a vector of all keys in *hashtable*. The order of the vector is unspecified.

(hashtable-entries *hashtable*)

Returns two values, a vector of the keys in *hashtable*, and a vector of the corresponding values.

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(hashtable-equivalence-function *hashtable*)

procedure

Returns the equivalence function used by *hashtable* to compare keys. For hashtables created with make-eq-hashtable and make-eqv-hashtable, returns eq? and eqv? respectively.

(hashtable-hash-function *hashtable*) procedure

Returns the hash function used by *hashtable*. For hashtables created by make-eq-hashtable or make-eqv-hashtable, #f is returned.

(hashtable-mutable? *hashtable*) procedure

Returns **#t** if *hashtable* is mutable, otherwise **#f**.

13.4. Hash functions

The equal-hash, string-hash, and string-ci-hash procedures of this section are acceptable as the hash functions of a hashtable only if the keys on which they are called are not mutated while they remain in use as keys in the hashtable.

(equal-hash *obj*)

procedure

Returns an integer hash value for *obj*, based on its structure and current contents. This hash function is suitable for use with equal? as an equivalence function.

Note: Like equal?, the equal-hash procedure must always terminate, even if its arguments contain cycles.

(string-hash string)

procedure

procedure

procedure

Returns an integer hash value for *string*, based on its current contents. This hash function is suitable for use with **string=**? as an equivalence function.

(string-ci-hash	string)
-----------------	---------

Returns an integer hash value for *string* based on its current contents, ignoring case. This hash function is suitable for use with string-ci=? as an equivalence function.

(symbol-hash symbol)

Returns an integer hash value for *symbol*.

14. Enumerations

This chapter describes the (rnrs enums (6)) library for dealing with enumerated values and sets of enumerated

values. Enumerated values are represented by ordinary symbols, while finite sets of enumerated values form a separate type, known as the *enumeration sets*. The enumeration sets are further partitioned into sets that share the same *universe* and *enumeration type*. These universes and enumeration types are created by the make-enumeration procedure. Each call to that procedure creates a new enumeration type.

This library interprets each enumeration set with respect to its specific universe of symbols and enumeration type. This facilitates efficient implementation of enumeration sets and enables the complement operation.

In the descriptions of the following procedures, *enum-set* ranges over the enumeration sets, which are defined as the subsets of the universes that can be defined using make-enumeration.

(make-enumeration symbol-list) procedure

Symbol-list must be a list of symbols. The makeenumeration procedure creates a new enumeration type whose universe consists of those symbols (in canonical order of their first appearance in the list) and returns that universe as an enumeration set whose universe is itself and whose enumeration type is the newly created enumeration type.

(enum-set-universe enum-set)

procedure

Returns the set of all symbols that comprise the universe of its argument, as an enumeration set.

(enum-set-indexer enum-set) procedure

Returns a unary procedure that, given a symbol that is in the universe of *enum-set*, returns its 0-origin index within the canonical ordering of the symbols in the universe; given a symbol not in the universe, the unary procedure returns **#f**.

The enum-set-indexer procedure could be defined as follows using the memq procedure from the (rnrs lists (6)) library:

```
(define (enum-set-indexer set)
 (let* ((symbols (enum-set->list
                               (enum-set-universe set)))
        (cardinality (length symbols)))
        (lambda (x)
        (cond
                         ((memq x symbols)
                          => (lambda (probe)
                               (- cardinality (length probe))))
        (else #f)))))
```

(enum-set-constructor *enum-set*)

procedure

Returns a unary procedure that, given a list of symbols that belong to the universe of *enum-set*, returns a subset of that universe that contains exactly the symbols in the list. The values in the list must all belong to the universe.

```
(enum-set->list enum-set) procedure
```

Returns a list of the symbols that belong to its argument, in the canonical order of the universe of *enum-set*.

(enum-set-member? symbol enum-set)	procedure
(enum-set-subset? enum-set ₁ enum-set ₂)	procedure
(enum-set=? $enum-set_1 enum-set_2$)	procedure

The enum-set-member? procedure returns #t if its first argument is an element of its second argument, #f otherwise.

The enum-set-subset? procedure returns #t if the universe of enum-set₁ is a subset of the universe of enum-set₂ (considered as sets of symbols) and every element of enum-set₁ is a member of enum-set₂. It returns #f otherwise.

The enum-set=? procedure returns #t if $enum-set_1$ is a subset of $enum-set_2$ and vice versa, as determined by the enum-set-subset? procedure. This implies that the universes of the two sets are equal as sets of symbols, but does not imply that they are equal as enumeration types. Otherwise, #f is returned.

(enum-set-union enum-set₁ enum-set₂) procedure (enum-set-intersection enum-set₁ enum-set₂) procedure

```
(enum-set-difference enum-set<sub>1</sub> enum-set<sub>2</sub>) procedure
```

 $Enum-set_1$ and $enum-set_2$ must be enumeration sets that have the same enumeration type.

The enum-set-union procedure returns the union of enum-set₁ and enum-set₂. The enum-set-intersection procedure returns the intersection of enum-set₁ and enum-set₂. The enum-set-difference procedure returns the difference of enum-set₁ and enum-set₂.

 \implies ((red blue) (red) (green))

(enum-set-complement enum-set) procedure

Returns *enum-set*'s complement with respect to its universe.

(enum-set-projection enum-set₁ enum-set₂)

procedure

Projects $enum-set_1$ into the universe of $enum-set_2$, dropping any elements of $enum-set_1$ that do not belong to the universe of $enum-set_2$. (If $enum-set_1$ is a subset of the universe of its second, no elements are dropped, and the injection is returned.) The result has the enumeration type of $enum-set_2$.

(define-enumeration ⟨type-name⟩ syntax (⟨symbol⟩ ...) ⟨constructor-syntax⟩)

The define-enumeration form defines an enumeration type and provides two macros for constructing its members and sets of its members.

A define-enumeration form is a definition and can appear anywhere any other $\langle definition \rangle$ can appear.

 $\langle Type-name \rangle$ is an identifier that is bound as a syntactic keyword; $\langle symbol \rangle \dots$ are the symbols that comprise the universe of the enumeration (in order).

 $(\langle type-name \rangle \langle symbol \rangle)$ checks at macro-expansion time whether the name of $\langle symbol \rangle$ is in the universe associated with $\langle type-name \rangle$. If it is, $(\langle type-name \rangle \langle symbol \rangle)$ is equivalent to $\langle symbol \rangle$. It is a syntax violation if it is not.

 $\langle \text{Constructor-syntax} \rangle$ is an identifier that is bound to a macro that, given any finite sequence of the symbols in the universe, possibly with duplicates, expands into an expression that evaluates to the enumeration set of those symbols.

 $(\langle \text{constructor-syntax} \rangle \langle \text{symbol} \rangle \dots)$ checks at macroexpansion time whether every $\langle \text{symbol} \rangle \dots$ is in the universe associated with $\langle \text{type-name} \rangle$. It is a syntax violation if one or more is not. Otherwise

 $(\langle \text{constructor-syntax} \rangle \langle \text{symbol} \rangle \dots)$

is equivalent to

```
((enum-set-constructor ((constructor-syntax)))
'((symbol) ...)).
```

Example:

(define-enumeration color (black white purple maroon) color-set)

```
(color black) ⇒ black
(color purpel) ⇒ &syntax exception
(enum-set->list (color-set))⇒ ()
(enum-set->list
 (color-set marcon white)) ⇒ (white marcon)
```

Note: In ($\langle \text{type-name} \rangle \langle \text{symbol} \rangle$) and ($\langle \text{constructor-syntax} \rangle \langle \text{symbol} \rangle \dots$) forms, only the names of the $\langle \text{symbol} \rangle$ s are significant.

15. Composite library

The (rnrs (6)) library is a composite of most of the libraries described in this report. The only exceptions are:

- (rnrs eval (6)) (chapter 16)
- (rnrs mutable-pairs (6)) (chapter 17)
- (rnrs mutable-strings (6)) (chapter 18)
- (rnrs r5rs (6)) (chapter 19)

The library exports all procedures and syntactic forms provided by the component libraries.

All of the bindings exported by (rnrs (6)) are exported for both run and expand; see report section 7.2.

16. eval

The (rnrs eval (6)) library allows a program to create Scheme expressions as data at run time and evaluate them.

(eval *expression environment*) procedure

Evaluates *expression* in the specified environment and returns its value. *Expression* must be a syntactically valid Scheme expression represented as a datum value, and *environment* must be an *environment*, which can be created using the **environment** procedure described below.

If the first argument to eval is determined not to be a syntactically correct expression, then eval must raise an exception with condition type &syntax. Specifically, if the first argument to eval is a definition or a splicing begin form containing a definition, it must raise an exception with condition type &syntax.

```
(environment import-spec ...) procedure
```

Import-spec must be a datum representing an (import spec) (see report section 7.1). The **environment** procedure returns an environment corresponding to *import-spec*.

The bindings of the environment represented by the specifier are immutable: If eval is applied to an expression that is determined to contain an assignment to one of the variables of the environment, then eval must raise an exception with a condition type &syntax.

```
(library (foo)
  (export)
  (import (rnrs)
          (rnrs eval))
  (write
    (eval '(let ((x 3)) x)
          (environment '(rnrs)))))
            writes 3
(library (foo)
  (export)
  (import (rnrs)
          (rnrs eval))
  (write
    (eval
      '(eval:car (eval:cons 2 4))
      (environment
        '(prefix (only (rnrs) car cdr cons null?)
                 eval:)))))
            writes 2
```

17. Mutable pairs

The procedures provided by the (rnrs mutable-pairs (6)) library allow new values to be assigned to the car and cdr fields of previously allocated pairs.

```
(set-car! pair obj)
```

procedure

procedure

Stores *obj* in the car field of *pair*. The **set-car**! procedure returns unspecified values.

(define (f) (list 'not-a-constant-list))
(define (g) '(constant-list))
(set-car! (f) 3) ⇒ unspecified
(set-car! (g) 3) ⇒ unspecified
; should raise &assertion exception

If an immutable pair is passed to **set-car!**, an exception with condition type **&assertion** should be raised.

```
(set-cdr! pair obj)
```

Stores *obj* in the cdr field of *pair*. The **set-cdr**! procedure returns unspecified values.

If an immutable pair is passed to **set-cdr!**, an exception with condition type **&assertion** should be raised.

18. Mutable strings

The string-set! procedure provided by the (rnrs mutable-strings (6)) library allows mutating the characters of a string in-place.

(string-set!	string k	char)	procedure
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K must be a valid index of *string*. The **string-set**! procedure stores *char* in element k of *string* and returns unspecified values.

Passing an immutable string to string-set! should cause an exception with condition type &assertion to be raised.

(define (f) (make-string 3	3 #*))
(define (g) "***")	
(string-set! (f) 0 #\?)	\implies unspecified
(string-set! (g) 0 #\?)	\implies unspecified
; should raise	&assertion exception

Note: Implementors should make **string-set!** run in constant time.

Stores *char* in every element of the given *string* and returns unspecified values.

19. $\mathbf{R}^{5}\mathbf{RS}$ compatibility

The features described in this chapter are exported from the (rnrs r5rs (6)) library and provide some functionality of the preceding revision of this report [8] that was omitted from the main part of the current report.

(exact->inexact	z)	procedure
(inexact->exact	<i>z</i>)	procedure

These are the same as the inexact and exact procedures; see report section 11.7.4.

(quotient n_1 n_2)	procedure
(remainder n_1 n_2)	procedure
(modulo n_1 n_2)	procedure

These procedures implement number-theoretic (integer) division. N_2 must be non-zero. All three procedures return integer objects. If n_1/n_2 is an integer object:

(quotient n_1 n_2)	$\implies n_1/n_2$
(remainder n_1 n_2)	\implies 0
(modulo n_1 n_2)	\implies 0

If n_1/n_2 is not an integer object:

(quotient n	$n_1 n_2$)	\Longrightarrow	n_q
(remainder	$n_1 \ n_2$)	\Longrightarrow	n_r
(modulo n_1	<i>n</i> ₂)	\Longrightarrow	n_m

where n_q is n_1/n_2 rounded towards zero, $0 < |n_r| < |n_2|$, $0 < |n_m| < |n_2|$, n_r and n_m differ from n_1 by a multiple of n_2 , n_r has the same sign as n_1 , and n_m has the same sign as n_2 .

Consequently, for integer objects n_1 and n_2 with n_2 not equal to 0,

$$(= n_1 (+ (* n_2 (quotient n_1 n_2)))$$

$$(remainder n_1 n_2)))$$

$$\implies \#t$$

provided all number object involved in that computation are exact.

(modulo 13 4) (remainder 13 4)	$\Rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow 1$
(modulo -13 4) (remainder -13 4)	
(modulo 13 -4) (remainder 13 -4)	\implies -3 \implies 1
(modulo -13 -4) (remainder -13 -4)	\implies -1 \implies -1
(remainder -13 -4.0)	⇒ -1.0

Note: These procedures could be defined in terms of div and mod (see report section 11.7.4) as follows (without checking of the argument types):

```
(define (sign n)
 (cond
  ((negative? n) -1)
  ((positive? n) 1)
  (else 0)))
```

```
(define (quotient n1 n2)
  (* (sign n1) (sign n2) (div (abs n1) (abs n2))))
```

```
(define (remainder n1 n2)
  (* (sign n1) (mod (abs n1) (abs n2))))
```

```
(define (modulo n1 n2)
  (* (sign n2) (mod (* (sign n2) n1) (abs n2))))
```

(delay (expression))

syntax

The delay construct is used together with the procedure force to implement *lazy evaluation* or *call by need*. (delay $\langle expression \rangle$) returns an object called a *promise* which at some point in the future may be asked (by the force procedure) to evaluate $\langle expression \rangle$, and deliver the resulting value. The effect of $\langle expression \rangle$ returning multiple values is unspecified.

(force *promise*)

procedure

Promise must be a promise. The **force** procedure forces the value of *promise*. If no value has been computed for the promise, then a value is computed and returned. The value of the promise is cached (or "memoized") so that if it is forced a second time, the previously computed value is returned.

```
\begin{array}{rcl} (\mbox{force (delay (+ 1 2)))} &\implies 3 \\ (\mbox{let ((p (delay (+ 1 2))))} \\ (\mbox{list (force p) (force p)))} \\ &\implies (3 3) \end{array}
```

```
(define a-stream
(letrec ((next
```

```
(lambda (n)
        (cons n (delay (next (+ n 1))))))
(next 0)))
(define head car)
(define tail
  (lambda (stream) (force (cdr stream))))
(head (tail (tail a-stream)))
```

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Promises are mainly intended for programs written in functional style. The following examples should not be considered to illustrate good programming style, but they illustrate the property that only one value is computed for a promise, no matter how many times it is forced.

```
(define count 0)
(define p
  (delay (begin (set! count (+ count 1))
                 (if (> count x)
                     count
                     (force p)))))
(define x 5)
                                   a promise
p
(force p)
                                   6
                                   a promise, still
р
(begin (set! x 10)
       (force p))
                                   6
```

Here is a possible implementation of delay and force. Promises are implemented here as procedures of no arguments, and force simply calls its argument:

```
(define force
  (lambda (object)
       (object)))
```

The expression

(delay $\langle expression \rangle$)

has the same meaning as the procedure call

```
(make-promise (lambda () (expression)))
```

as follows

```
(define-syntax delay
 (syntax-rules ()
  ((delay expression)
  (make-promise (lambda () expression))))),
```

where make-promise is defined as follows:

```
(define make-promise
 (lambda (proc)
  (let ((result-ready? #f)
        (result #f))
      (lambda ()
        (if result-ready?
            result
        (let ((x (proc)))
            (if result-ready?
            result
```

```
(begin (set! result-ready? #t)
      (set! result x)
      result)))))))
```

(null-environment n)

```
procedure
```

N must be the exact integer object 5. The null-environment procedure returns an environment specifier suitable for use with eval (see chapter 16) representing an environment that is empty except for the (syntactic) bindings for all keywords described in the previous revision of this report [8], including bindings for =>, ..., else, and _ that are the same as those in the (rnrs base (6)) library.

```
(scheme-report-environment n) procedure
```

N must be the exact integer object 5. The scheme-report-environment procedure returns an environment specifier for an environment that is empty except for the bindings for the identifiers described in the previous revision of this report [8], omitting load, interaction-environment, transcript-on, transcript-off, and char-ready?. The variable bindings have as values the procedures of the same names described in this report, and the keyword bindings, including =>, ..., else, and _ are the same as those described in this report.

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