A universe polymorphic type system. Inductive types. Vladimir Voevodsky

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To have one syntactic category "term" instead of two as in the original suggestion let us consider the system where there is an additional constant Type. Now every term will have a type with what was previously called "type expressions" becoming the terms T such that $\tau_{\Gamma}(T) = Type$. We set $\tau_{\Gamma}(Type) = Type$.

By construction, for any o one has $\tau_{\Gamma}(\tau_{\Gamma}(o)) = Type$.

The substitutional equivalence relations on terms will be such that:

- 1. The subset of terms that do not contain Type is closed under these relations. Such terms will be called small terms,
- 2. The subset of terms of the form $(\prod(T_n, x_n...(\prod(T_1, x_1.Type))..)))$, when n = 0 this expression is to mean simply Type, where T_n, \ldots, T_1 are small is closed under these relations. Such terms will be called P-terms.

Consider the inductive type declaration: Inductive TI (a1 : A1) .. (an : An) : forall (a1': A1') .. (an': An'), S :=

There will be the following two cases:

- 1. (c1) $S = \mathcal{U}_u$ where u is a u-level expression.
- 2. (c2) S = Type.