



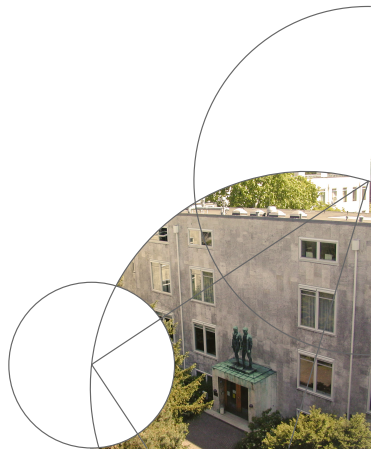
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Composing and Decomposing Data Types

A Closed Type Families Implementation of Data Types à la Carte

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- Can we improve error messages?
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Contributions

We re-implemented \preceq : such that:

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- We can express isomorphism \simeq :

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