

JASECI & JAC

BIBLE

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Not So Technical Terms Used

bleh mildly yucky. 30

christen to name or dedicate (something, such as a piece of code) by a ceremony that often involves breaking a bottle of champagne. 28

coder the superior human. 33

common languages typical languages programmers use to write commercial software, (e.g., C, C++, Java, Javascript, Python, Ruby, Go, Perl, PHP, etc.). 17

dope sick. 5

goo goo gaa gaa the language of babies. 29

grok to fully comprehend and understand deeply . 27

Jaseci jolt an insight derived from Jaseci that serves as a high voltage bolt of energy to the mind of a sharp coder.. 33

pwn the act of dominating a person, place, or thing. (...or a piece of code). 44

redonkulous dope. 5

scat the excrement of an animal including but not limited to human; also heroin . 9

sick redonkulous. 5, 27

Technical Terms Used

contexts A set of key value pairings that serve as a data payload attributable to nodes and edges in Jaseci graphs. 19

directed graphs . 18

hypergraph . 18

multigraph . 18

undirected graphs . 18

walker An abstraction in the Jaseci machine and Jac programming language that represents a computational agent that computes and travels along nodes and edges of a graph.
33

Preface

The way we design and write software to do computation and AI today sucks. How much you ask? Hrm. . . , let me think. . . , It's a vat of boiling poop, mixed with pee, slowly swirling and bubbling toward that dehydrated semi-solid state of goop that serves to repel and repulse most normal people, only attracting the few unfortunate-fortunate folks that happen to be tantalized with scat.

Hrm, too much? Probably. I guess you'd expect me to use concrete examples and cite evidence to make my points, with me being a professor and all. I mean, I could write something like *"The imperative programming model utilized in near all of the production software produced in the last four decades has not fundamentally changed since blah blah blah..."* to meet expectations. I'd certainly sound more credible and perhaps super smart. I have indeed grown accustomed to writing that way and boy has it gotten old. Well, I'm not going to do that here. Let's have fun. Afterall, Jaseci has never been work for me, its play. Very ambitious play granted, but play at it's core.

Everything here is based on my opinion. . . no, *expert* opinion, and my intuition. That suffices for me, and I hope it does for you. Even though I have spent many decades coding and leading coders working on the holy grail technical challenges of our time, I won't rely on that to assert my credibility. Let these ideas stand or die on thier own merit. Its my gut that tells me that we can do better. This book describes my attempt at better. I hope you find value in it. If you do, awesome! If you don't, awesome!

Chapter 1

Introduction

Part I

World of Jaseci

Chapter 2

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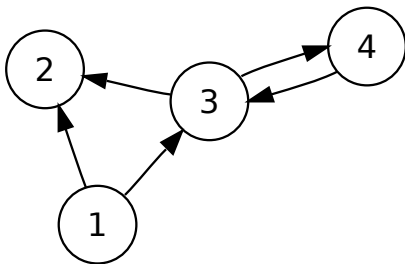
Abstractions of Jaseci

3.1 Graphs, the Friend that Never Gets Invited to the Party

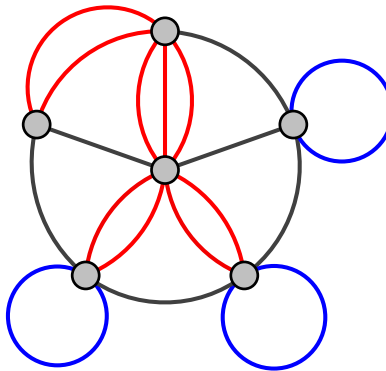
There's something quite strange that has happened with our common languages over the years, ...decades. When you look at it, almost every data structure we programmers use to solve problems can be modeled formally as a graph, or a special case of a graph, (save perhaps hash tables). Think about it, stacks, lists, queues, trees, heaps, and yes, even graphs, can be modeled with graphs. But, low and behold, no common language utilizes the formal semantics of a graph as its first order abstraction for data or memory. I mean, isn't it a bit odd that practically every data structure covered in the language-agnostic classic foundational work *Introduction to Algorithms* [4] can most naturally be reasoned about as a graph, yet none of the common languages have built in and be designed around this primitive. I submit that the graph semantic is stupidly rich, very nice for us humans to reason about, and, most importantly for the purpose of Jaseci, is inherently well suited for the conceptualization and reasoning about computational problems, especially AI problems.

There are a few arguments that may pop into mind at this point of my conjecture.

- “Well there are graph libraries in my favorite language that implement graph semantics, why would I need a language to force the concept upon me?” or
- “Duh! Interacting with all data and memory through graphical abstractions will make the language sssloooowww as hell since memory in hardware is essentially a big array, what is this dude talking about!?!?”



(a) Directed graph with cycle between nodes three and four.



(b) Multigraph with parallel edges and self-loops

Figure 3.1: Examples of first order graph symantics supported by Jaseci.¹

For the former of these two challenges, I counter with two points. First, the core design languages are always based upon their inherent abstractions. With graphs not being one such abstraction, the language’s design will not be optimized to empower programmers to nimbly do gymnastics with the rich language symantics that correspond to the rich semantics graphs offer (You’ll see what I mean in later chapters). And second, libraries suck (See A.1).

For the latter question, I’d respond, “Have you SEEN the kind of abstractions in modern languages!?!? It’s ridiculous, lets look at python dictionaries, actually scratch that, lets keep it simple and look at dynamic typing in general. The runtime complexity to support dynamic typing is most certainly hgiher than what would be needed to support graph symantics. Duh right back at’ya!”

3.1.1 Yes, But What Kind of Graphs

There are many categories of graphs to consider when thinking about the abstractions to support in Jaseci. There are rules to be defined as to the availabe semantics of the graphs. Should all graphs be directed graphs, should we allow the creation of undirected graphs, what about parallel edges or multigraph, are those explicitly expressible or discouraged / banned, can we express hypergraph, and what combination of these graphical sematics should be able to be manifested and manipulated through the programming model. At this point I can feel your eyes getting droopy and your mind moving into that intermediary state between concious and sleeping, so let me cut to the answer.

¹Images credits to wiki contributors [2, 3]

In Jaseci, we elect to assume the following semantics:

1. Graphs are directed (as per Figure 3.1a) with a special case of a doubly directed edge type which can be utilized practically as an undirected edge (imagine fusing the two edges between nodes 3 and 4 in the figure).
2. Both nodes and edges have their own distinct identities (i.e. an edge isn't representable as a pairing of two nodes). This point is important as both nodes and edges can have contexts.
3. Multigraphs (i.e., parallel edges) are allowed, including self-loop edges (as per Figure 3.1b).
4. Graphs are not required to be acyclic.
5. No hypergraphs, as I wouldn't want Jaseci programmers heads to explode.

As an aside, I would describe Jaseci graphs as strictly unstrict directed multigraphs that leverages the semantics of parallel edges to create a laymans 'undirected edge' by shorthand-ing two directed edges pointed in opposite directions between the same two nodes.

Nerd Alert 1 *(time to let your eyes glaze over)*

I'd formally describe a Jaseci Graph as an 7-tuple $(N, E, C, s, t, c_N, c_E)$, where

1. N is the set of nodes in a graph
2. E is the set of edges in a graph
3. C is the set of all contexts
4. $s: E \rightarrow V$, maps the source node to an edge
5. $t: E \rightarrow V$, maps the target node to an edge
6. $c_N: N \rightarrow C$, maps nodes to contexts
7. $c_E: E \rightarrow C$, maps edges to contexts

An undirected edge can then be formed with a pair of edges (x, y) if three conditions are met,

1. $x, y \in E$
2. $s(x) = t(y)$, and $s(y) = t(x)$
3. $c_E(x) = c_E(y)$

If you happen to have read that formal definition and didn't enter deep comatose you may be wondering "Whoa, what was that context stuff that came outta nowhere! What's this guy trying to do here, sneaking a new concept in as if it was already introduced and described."

Worry not friend, lets discuss.

3.1.2 Putting it All Into Context

A key principle of Jaseci is to reshape and reimagine how we view data and memory. We do so by fusing the concept of data with the intuitive and rich semantics of graphs as the lowest level primitive to view memory.

Nerd Alert 2 (*time to let your eyes glaze over*)

A context is a representation of data that can be expressed simply as a 3-tuple (\sum_K, \sum_V, p_K) , where

1. \sum_K is a finite alphabet of keys
2. \sum_V is a finite alphabet of values
3. p_K is the pairing of keys to values

3.2 Walkers

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Part II

Jaseci Jac'd Up

Chapter 6

The Jac Programming Language

To articulate the sourcer spells made possible by the wand that is Jaseci, I bestow upon thee, the Jac programming language. (Like the Harry Potter [5] simile there? Cool, I know ;-))

The name Jac take was chosen for a few reasons.

- “Jac” is three characters long, so its well suited for the file name extention `.jac` for Jac programs.
- It pulls its letters from the phrase **JA**seci **C**ode.
- And it sounds oh so sweet to say “Did you grok that sick Jac code yet!” Rolls right off the tongue.

This chapter provides the full deep dive into the language. By the end, you will be fully empowered with Jaseci wizardry and get a view into the key insights and novelty in the coding style.

6.1 Getting the Basics Out of the Way

First lets quickly dispense with the mundane. This section covers the standard table stakes fodder present in pretty much all languages. This stuff must be included for completeness, however you should be able to speed read this section. If you are unable to speed read this, perhaps you should give visual basic a try.



Figure 6.1: World’s youngest coder with valid HTML on shirt.¹

6.1.1 The Obligatory Hello World

Let’s begin with what has become the unofficial official starting point for any introduction to a new language, the “hello world” program. Thank you Canada for providing one of the most impactful contributions in computer science with “hello world” becoming a meme both technically and socially. We have such love for this contribution we even tag or newborns with the phrase as per Fig. 6.1. I digress. Lets now christen our baby, Jaseci, with its “Hello World” expression.

Jac Code 6.1: Jaseci says Hello!

```
1 walker init {  
2   std.out("Hello_World");  
3 }
```

Simple enough right? Well let’s walk through it. What we have here is a valid Jac program with a single walker defined. Remember a walker is our little robot friend that walks the nodes and edges of a graph and does stuff. In the curly braces, we articulate what our walker should do. Here we instruct our walker to utilize the standard library to call a print function denoted as `std.out` to print a single string, our star and esteemed string, “Hello World.” The output to the screen (or wherever the OS is routing it’s standard stream output) is simply,

```
1 Hello World
```

¹Image credit to wiki contributor [1]

And there we have the most useless program in the world. Though... technically this program is AI. Its not as intelligent as the machine depicted in Figure 6.1, but one that we can understand much better (unless you speak “goo goo gaa gaa” of course). Let’s move on.

6.1.2 Basic Arithmetic Operations

Next we should cover the he simplest math operations in Jac. We build upon what we’ve learned so far with our conversational AI above.

Jac Code 6.2: Basic arithmetic operations

```
1  walker init {  
2      a = 4 + 4;  
3      b = 4 * -5;  
4      c = 4 / 4; # Evaluates to a floating point number  
5      d = 4 - 6;  
6      e = a + b + c + d;  
7      std.out(a, b, c, d, e);  
8  }
```

The output of this groundbreaking program is,

```
1  8 -20 1.0 -2 -13.0
```

Jac Code 6.2 is comprised of basic math operations. The semantics of these experisions are pretty much the same as anything you may have seen before, and pretty much match the semantics we have in the Python language. In this Example, we also observe that Jac is an untyped language and variables can be delcared via a direct assignment; also very Python’y. The comma separated list of the defined variables **a - e** in the call to **std.out** illustrate multiple values being printed to screen from a single call.

Additionally, Jac supports power and modulo operations.

Jac Code 6.3: Additional arithmetic operations

```
1  walker init {  
2      a = 4 ^ 4; b = 9 % 5; std.out(a, b);  
3  }
```

Jac Code 6.3 outputs,

```
1  256 4
```

Here, we can also observe that, unlike Python, whitespace does not mater whatsoever. Languages utilizing whitespace to express static scoping should be criminalized. Yeah, I

said it, see Rant A.2. Anyway, A corollary to this design decision is that every statement must end with a “;”. The wonderful “;”, A nod of respect goes to C/C++/JavaScript for bringing this beautiful code punctuation to the masses. Of course the “;” as code punctuation was first introduced with ALGOL 58, but who the heck knows that language. It sounds like some kind of plant species. Bleh. Onwards.

Nerd Alert 3 *(time to let your eyes glaze over)*

Grammar 6.4 shows the lines from the formal grammar for Jac that corresponds to the parsing of arithmetic.

Grammar 6.4: Jac grammar clip relevant to arithmetic

```

126 arithmetic: term ((PLUS | MINUS) term)*;
127
128 term: factor ((MUL | DIV | MOD) factor)*;
129
130 factor: (PLUS | MINUS) factor | power;
131
132 power: func_call (POW factor)* | func_call index+;
```

(full grammar in Appendix B)

6.1.3 Comparison, Logical, and Membership Operations

Next we review the comparison and logical operations supported in Jac. This is relatively straight forward if you’ve programmed before. Let’s summarize quickly for completeness.

Jac Code 6.5: Comparision operations

```

1 walker init {
2   a = 5; b = 6;
3   std.out(a == b,
4     a != b,
5     a < b,
6     a > b,
7     a <= b,
8     a >= b,
9     a == b-1);
10 }
```

```
1 false true true false true false true
```

In order of appearance, we have tests for equality, non equality, less than, greater than, less than or equal, and greater than or equal. These tools prove indispensable when expressing functionality through conditionals and loops. Additionally,

Jac Code 6.6: Logical operations

```

1  walker init {
2      a = true; b = false;
3      std.out(a,
4          !a,
5          a && b,
6          a || b,
7          a and b,
8          a or b,
9          !a or b,
10         !(a and b));
11 }

```

```

1  true false false true false true false true

```

Jac Code 6.6 presents the logical operations supported by Jac. In order of appearance we have, boolean complement, logical and, logical or, another way to express and and or (thank you Python) and some combinations. These are also indispensable when using conditionals.

[NEED EXAMPLE FOR MEMBERSHIP OPERATIONS]

Nerd Alert 4 *(time to let your eyes glaze over)*

Grammar 6.7 shows the lines from the formal grammar for Jac that corresponds to the parsing of comparison, logical, and membership operations.

Grammar 6.7: Jac grammar clip relevant to comparison, logic, and membership

```

116 logical: compare ((KW_AND | KW_OR) compare)*;
117
118 compare:
119     NOT compare
120     | arithmetic (
121         (EE | LT | GT | LTE | GTE | NE | KW_IN | nin) arithmetic
122     );
123
124 nin: NOT KW_IN;

```

(full grammar in Appendix B)

6.1.4 Assignment Operations

Next, let's take a look at assignment in Jac. In contrast to equality tests of `==`, assignment operations copy the value of the right hand side of the assignment to the variable or object on the left hand side.

Jac Code 6.8: Assignment operations

```

1  walker init {
2      a = 4 + 4; std.out(a);
3      a += 4 + 4; std.out(a);
4      a -= 4 * -5; std.out(a);
5      a *= 4 / 4; std.out(a);
6      a /= 4 - 6; std.out(a);
7
8      # a := here; std.out(a);
9      # Noting existence of copy assign, described later
10 }

```

```

1  8
2  16
3  36
4  36.0
5  -18.0

```

As shown in Jac Code 6.8, there are a number of ways we can articulate an assignment. Of course we can simply set a variable equal to a particular value, however, we can go beyond that to set that assignment relative to its original value. In particular, we can use the short hand `a += 4 + 4;` to represent `a = a + 4 + 4;`. We will describe later an additional assignment type we call the copy assign. If you're simply dying of curiosity, I'll throw you a bone. This `:=` assignment only applies to nodes and edges and has the semantic of copying the member values of a node or edge as opposed to the particular node or edge a variable is pointing to. In a nutshell this assignment uses pass by value semantics vs pass by reference semantics which is default for nodes and edges.

Nerd Alert 5 *(time to let your eyes glaze over)*

Grammar 6.9 shows the lines from the formal grammar for Jac that corresponds to the parsing of assignment operations.

Grammar 6.9: Jac grammar clip relevant to assignment

```

104 assignment:
105     dotted_name index* EQ expression
106     | inc_assign
107     | copy_assign;
108
109 inc_assign:
110     dotted_name index* (PEQ | MEQ | TEQ | DEQ) expression;
111
112 copy_assign: dotted_name index* CPY_EQ expression;

```

(full grammar in Appendix B)

Rank	Symbol	Description
1	(), [], ., ::, spawn	Parenthetical/grouping, node/edge manipulation
2	^, []	Exponent, Index
3	*, /, %	Multiplication, division, modulo
4	+, -	Addition, subtraction
5	==, !=, >=, <=, >, <, in, not in	Comparison
6	&&, , and, or	Logical
7	-->, <--, -[]->, <-[]-	Connect
8	=, +=, -=, *=, /=, :=	Assignment

Table 6.1: Precedence of operations in Jac

6.1.5 Precedence in Jac

At this point in our discussion its important to note the precedence of operations in Jac. Table 6.1 summarizes this precedence. There are a number of new and perhaps interesting things that appear in this table that you may not have seen before. [JOKE] For now, don't hurt yourself trying to understand what they are and mean, we'll get there.

6.1.6 Foreshadowing Unique Graph Operations

Before we move on to more mundane basics that will continue to neutralize any kind of caffeine or methamphetamine buzz an experienced coder might have as they read this, lets enjoy a Jaseci jolt!

As described before, all data in Jaseci lives in either a graph, or within the scope of a walker. A walker, executes when it is *engaged* to the graph, meaning it is located on a particular node of the graph. In the case of the Jac programs we've looked at so far, each program has specified one walker for which I've happend to choose the name `init`. By default these `init` walkers are invoked from the default root node of an empty graph. Figure 6.2 shows the complete state of memory for all of the Jac programs discussed thus far. The `init` walker in these cases does not *walk* anywhere and has only executed a set of operations on this default root node `n0`.

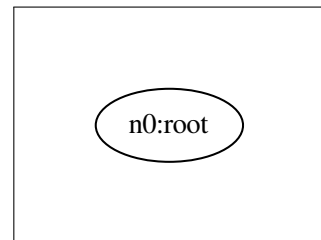


Figure 6.2: Graph in memory for simple Hello World program (JC 6.1)

Let's have a quick peek at some slick language syntax for building this graph and traveling to new nodes.

```
Jac Code 6.10: Preview of graph operators
```

```

1  node simple;
2  edge back;
3
4  walker kewl_graph_creator {
5      node_a = spawn here --> node::simple;
6      here <-[back]- node_a;
7      node_b = spawn here <--> node::simple;
8      node_b --> node_a;
9      take --> node::simple;
10 }

```

Jac Code 6.10 presents a sequence of operations that creates nodes and edges and produces a relatively simple complex graph. There is a bunch of new syntactic goodness presented in these 10 lines of code and I certainly won't describe them all here. The goal is to simply whet your appetite on what's to come. But let's look at the state of our data (memory) shown in Figure 6.3.

Yep, there's a good bit going on here. In just 10 lines of code we've done the following things:

1. Specified a new type of node we call a simple node.
2. Specified a new type of edge we call a back edge.
3. Specified a walker `kewl_graph_creator` and its behavior
4. Instantiated an outward pointing edge from the `n0:root` node.
5. Instantiated an instance of node type `simple`
6. Connected edge from `root` to `n1`
7. Instantiated a `back` edge
8. Connected `back` edge from `n1` to `n0`
9. Instantiated another instance of node type `simple`, `n2`
10. Instantiated an undirected edge from the `n0:root` node.
11. Connected edge from `root` to `n2`
12. Instantiated an outward pointing edge from `n2`
13. Connected edge from `n2` to `n1`
14. Travel to `n1` (and do nothing)
15. Travel to `n2` (and do nothing)

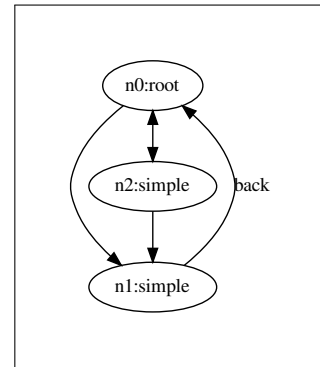


Figure 6.3: Graph in memory for JC 6.10

Ok, I'll wait until you pick your jaw up off the floor. ...I told you. Yessiree, this is going to get very interesting indeed...

Part III

Crafting Jaseci

Chapter 7

Architecting Jaseci Core

Chapter 8

Architecting Jaseci Cloud Serving

Epilogue

Appendix A

Rants

A.1 Libraries Suck

Because they do.

Still need more reasons?

Well, if you dont already know, I'm not going to tell you.

...

Still there?

...

Fine, I'll tell you.

1. They suck because they create dependancies for which you must have faith in the implementer of the library to maintain and keep bug free.
2. They suck because there are often at least 10 options to choose from with near exact features expressings slightly different idosyncratic ways.
3. They suck because they suck.

Don't get me wrong, we have to use libraries. I'm not saying go reimplement the wheel 15 thousand times over. But that doesn't mean they don't suck and should be avoided

if possible. The best is to know your library inside and out so the moment you hit some suckitude you can pull in the library's source code into your own codebase and pwn it as your own.

A.2 Utilizing Whitespace for Scoping is Criminal (Yea, I'm looking at you Python)

This whitespace debauchery perpetrated by Python and the like is one of the most perverted abuses of ASCII code 32 I've seen in computer science. It's an assault on the freedom of coders to decide the shape and structure of the beautiful sculptures their creative minds might want to actualize in syntax. Coder's fingers have a voice! And that voice deserves to be heard! The only folks that support this oppression are those in the 1% that get paid on a per line of code basis so they can lean on these whitespace mandates to pump up their salaries at the cost of coders everywhere.

"FREE THE PEOPLE! FREE THE CODE!"

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Appendix B

Full Jac Grammar Specification

Grammar B.1: Full listing of Jac Grammar (antlr4)

```
1 grammar jac;
2
3 /* Sentinels handle these top rules */
4 start: element+ EOF;
5
6 element: archetype | walker;
7
8 archetype:
9     KW_NODE NAME (COLON INT)? attr_block
10    | KW_EDGE NAME attr_block
11    | KW_GRAPH NAME graph_block;
12
13 walker:
14     KW_WALKER NAME LBRACE attr_stmt* walk_entry_block? (
15         statement
16         | walk_activity_block
17     )* walk_exit_block? RBRACE;
18
19 walk_entry_block: KW_WITH KW_ENTRY code_block;
20
21 walk_exit_block: KW_WITH KW_EXIT code_block;
22
23 walk_activity_block: KW_WITH KW_ACTIVITY code_block;
24
25 attr_block: LBRACE (attr_stmt)* RBRACE | COLON attr_stmt | SEMI;
26
27 attr_stmt: has_stmt | can_stmt;
28
29 graph_block: graph_block_spawn | graph_block_dot;
30
31 graph_block_spawn:
```

```

32     LBRACE has_root KW Spawn code_block RBRACE
33     | COLON has_root KW Spawn code_block SEMI;
34
35 graph_block_dot:
36     LBRACE has_root dot_graph RBRACE
37     | COLON has_root dot_graph SEMI;
38
39 has_root: KW_HAS KW_ANCHOR NAME SEMI;
40
41 has_stmt:
42     KW_HAS KW_PRIVATE? KW_ANCHOR? has_assign (COMMA has_assign)* SEMI;
43
44 has_assign: NAME | NAME EQ expression;
45
46 /* Need to be heavily simplified */ can_stmt:
47     KW_CAN dotted_name preset_in_out? event_clause? (
48         COMMA dotted_name preset_in_out? event_clause?
49     )* SEMI
50     | KW_CAN NAME event_clause? code_block;
51
52 event_clause: KW_WITH (KW_ENTRY | KW_EXIT | KW_ACTIVITY);
53
54 preset_in_out:
55     DBL_COLON NAME (COMMA NAME)* (DBL_COLON | COLON_OUT NAME)?;
56
57 dotted_name: NAME (DOT NAME)*;
58
59 code_block: LBRACE statement* RBRACE | COLON statement;
60
61 node_ctx_block: NAME (COMMA NAME)* code_block;
62
63 statement:
64     code_block
65     | node_ctx_block
66     | expression SEMI
67     | if_stmt
68     | for_stmt
69     | while_stmt
70     | ctrl_stmt SEMI
71     | report_action
72     | walker_action;
73
74 if_stmt: KW_IF expression code_block (elif_stmt)* (else_stmt)?;
75
76 elif_stmt: KW_ELIF expression code_block;
77
78 else_stmt: KW_ELSE code_block;
79
80 for_stmt:
81     KW_FOR expression KW_TO expression KW_BY expression code_block
82     | KW_FOR NAME KW_IN expression code_block;
83
84 while_stmt: KW_WHILE expression code_block;
85
86 ctrl_stmt: KW_CONTINUE | KW_BREAK | KW_SKIP;

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87
88 report_action: KW_REPORT expression SEMI;
89
90 walker_action:
91     ignore_action
92     | take_action
93     | destroy_action
94     | KW_DISENGAGE SEMI;
95
96 ignore_action: KW_IGNORE expression SEMI;
97
98 take_action: KW_TAKE expression (SEMI | else_stmt);
99
100 destroy_action: KW_DESTROY expression SEMI;
101
102 expression: assignment | connect;
103
104 assignment:
105     dotted_name index* EQ expression
106     | inc_assign
107     | copy_assign;
108
109 inc_assign:
110     dotted_name index* (PEQ | MEQ | TEQ | DEQ) expression;
111
112 copy_assign: dotted_name index* CPY_EQ expression;
113
114 connect: logical ( (NOT)? edge_ref expression)?;
115
116 logical: compare ((KW_AND | KW_OR) compare)*;
117
118 compare:
119     NOT compare
120     | arithmetic (
121         (EE | LT | GT | LTE | GTE | NE | KW_IN | nin) arithmetic
122     )*;
123
124 nin: NOT KW_IN;
125
126 arithmetic: term ((PLUS | MINUS) term)*;
127
128 term: factor ((MUL | DIV | MOD) factor)*;
129
130 factor: (PLUS | MINUS) factor | power;
131
132 power: func_call (POW factor)* | func_call index+;
133
134 func_call:
135     atom (LPAREN (expression (COMMA expression)*)? RPAREN)?
136     | atom DOT func_built_in
137     | atom? DBL_COLON NAME;
138
139 func_built_in:
140     | KW_LENGTH
141     | KW_KEYS

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142 | KW_EDGE
143 | KW_NODE
144 | KW_DESTROY LPAREN expression RPAREN;
145
146 atom:
147     INT
148     | FLOAT
149     | STRING
150     | BOOL
151     | node_edge_ref
152     | list_val
153     | dict_val
154     | dotted_name
155     | LPAREN expression RPAREN
156     | spawn
157     | Deref expression;
158
159 node_edge_ref: node_ref | edge_ref (node_ref)?;
160
161 node_ref: KW_NODE DBL_COLON NAME;
162
163 walker_ref: KW_WALKER DBL_COLON NAME;
164
165 graph_ref: KW_GRAPH DBL_COLON NAME;
166
167 edge_ref: edge_to | edge_from | edge_any;
168
169 edge_to: '-->' | '->' ('[' NAME ']')? '->';
170
171 edge_from: '<--' | '<-' ('[' NAME ']')? '<-';
172
173 edge_any: '<-->' | '<->' ('[' NAME ']')? '<->';
174
175 list_val: LSQUARE (expression (COMMA expression)*)? RSQUARE;
176
177 index: LSQUARE expression RSQUARE;
178
179 dict_val: LBRACE (kv_pair (COMMA kv_pair)*)? RBRACE;
180
181 kv_pair: STRING COLON expression;
182
183 spawn: KW_SPAWN expression? spawn_object;
184
185 spawn_object: node_spawn | walker_spawn | graph_spawn;
186
187 node_spawn: edge_ref? node_ref spawn_ctx?;
188
189 graph_spawn: edge_ref graph_ref;
190
191 walker_spawn: walker_ref spawn_ctx?;
192
193 spawn_ctx: LPAREN (assignment (COMMA assignment)*)? RPAREN;
194
195 /* DOT grammar below */
196 dot_graph:

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197     KW_STRICT? (KW_GRAPH | KW_DIGRAPH) dot_id? '{' dot_stmt_list '}';
198
199 dot_stmt_list: ( dot_stmt ';' '?' ) * ;
200
201 dot_stmt:
202     dot_node_stmt
203     | dot_edge_stmt
204     | dot_attr_stmt
205     | dot_id '=' dot_id
206     | dot_subgraph;
207
208 dot_attr_stmt: ( KW_GRAPH | KW_NODE | KW_EDGE ) dot_attr_list;
209
210 dot_attr_list: ( '[' dot_a_list? ']' ) + ;
211
212 dot_a_list: ( dot_id ( '=' dot_id ) ? ',' '?' ) + ;
213
214 dot_edge_stmt: ( dot_node_id | dot_subgraph ) dot_edgeRHS dot_attr_list?;
215
216 dot_edgeRHS: ( dot_edgeop ( dot_node_id | dot_subgraph ) ) + ;
217
218 dot_edgeop: '->' | '--';
219
220 dot_node_stmt: dot_node_id dot_attr_list?;
221
222 dot_node_id: dot_id dot_port?;
223
224 dot_port: ':' dot_id ( ':' dot_id ) ? ;
225
226 dot_subgraph: ( KW_SUBGRAPH dot_id ? ) ? '{' dot_stmt_list '}';
227
228 dot_id:
229     NAME
230     | STRING
231     | INT
232     | FLOAT
233     | KW_GRAPH
234     | KW_NODE
235     | KW_EDGE;
236
237 /* Lexer rules */
238 KW_GRAPH: 'graph';
239 KW_STRICT: 'strict';
240 KW_DIGRAPH: 'digraph';
241 KW_SUBGRAPH: 'subgraph';
242 KW_NODE: 'node';
243 KW_IGNORE: 'ignore';
244 KW_TAKE: 'take';
245 KW_SPAWN: 'spawn';
246 KW_WITH: 'with';
247 KW_ENTRY: 'entry';
248 KW_EXIT: 'exit';
249 KW_LENGTH: 'length';
250 KW_KEYS: 'keys';
251 KW_ACTIVITY: 'activity';

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252 COLON: ':';
253 DBL_COLON: '::';
254 COLON_OUT: ':>';
255 LBRACE: '{';
256 RBRACE: '}';
257 KW_EDGE: 'edge';
258 KW_WALKER: 'walker';
259 SEMI: ';';
260 EQ: '=';
261 PEQ: '+=';
262 MEQ: '-=';
263 TEQ: '*=';
264 DEQ: '/=';
265 CPY_EQ: ':=';
266 KW_AND: 'and' | '&&';
267 KW_OR: 'or' | '||';
268 KW_IF: 'if';
269 KW_ELIF: 'elif';
270 KW_ELSE: 'else';
271 KW_FOR: 'for';
272 KW_TO: 'to';
273 KW_BY: 'by';
274 KW_WHILE: 'while';
275 KW_CONTINUE: 'continue';
276 KW_BREAK: 'break';
277 KW_DISENGAGE: 'disengage';
278 KW_SKIP: 'skip';
279 KW_REPORT: 'report';
280 KW_DESTROY: 'destroy';
281 Deref: '&';
282 DOT: '.';
283 NOT: '!' | 'not';
284 EE: '==';
285 LT: '<';
286 GT: '>';
287 LTE: '<=';
288 GTE: '>=';
289 NE: '!=';
290 KW_IN: 'in';
291 KW_ANCHOR: 'anchor';
292 KW_HAS: 'has';
293 KW_PRIVATE: 'private';
294 COMMA: ',';
295 KW_CAN: 'can';
296 PLUS: '+';
297 MINUS: '-';
298 MUL: '*';
299 DIV: '/';
300 MOD: '%';
301 POW: '^';
302 LPAREN: '(';
303 RPAREN: ')';
304 LSQUARE: '[';
305 RSQUARE: ']';
306 FLOAT: ([0-9]+)? '.' [0-9]+;

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307 STRING: '"' ~ ["\r\n"]* '"' | '\'' ~ ['\r\n']* '\';
308 BOOL: 'true' | 'false';
309 INT: [0-9]+;
310 NAME: [a-zA-Z_] [a-zA-Z0-9_]*;
311 COMMENT: '/*' .*? '*/' -> skip;
312 LINE_COMMENT: '// ' ~[\r\n]* -> skip;
313 PY_COMMENT: '#' ~[\r\n]* -> skip;
314 WS: [ \t\r\n] -> skip;
315 ErrorChar: .;
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