SER 502 Language Grammar Documentation

1. Brief Overview of the Language:

This language is a minimalistic, single-letter syntax language designed for efficient and compact code expression. Each command or keyword is represented by a single uppercase letter, reducing verbosity, increasing speed and making the language intuitive for those familiar with foundational programming constructs.

2. Design Principles:

- Single-letter keywords for common programming constructs
- Statically typed
- Support for complex data structures and control flow
- Clear and unambiguous grammar

3. Tokens:

3.1 Keywords (Single Letters)

- T: Integer type declaration
- B: Boolean type declaration
- S: String type declaration
- P: Print statement
- I: If statement
- E: Else statement
- W: While loop
- F: For loop
- M: Method/Function declaration
- R: Return statement
- A: Array declaration
- N: Input operation
- K: Stack declaration
- Q: Queue declaration
- C: Constant declaration
- U: String to uppercase
- L: String to lowercase
- I: String join

3.2 Literals

- Integer literals: [0-9]+
- String literals: "[^"]*"
- Boolean literals: 0|1

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3.3 Identifiers
   • Pattern: [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]*
   • Cannot be a single-letter keyword
3.4 Operators
   • Arithmetic: +, -, *, /
   • Relational: <, >, =
   • Logical: & (AND), | (OR), ! (NOT)
   • Ternary: ?, :
3.5 Delimiters
   • Parentheses: (, )
   • Braces: {, }
   • Brackets: [,]
   • Semicolon:;
   • Dot: .
   • Comma:,
4. Grammar (EBNF):
program = { statement };
statement = declaration_stmt
    | if_stmt
    | while_stmt
    | for_stmt
    | print_stmt
    | function_stmt
    | return_stmt
    | array_stmt
    | stack_stmt
    | queue_stmt
    | const_stmt
    | input_stmt
    | expression_stmt;
declaration_stmt = type identifier [ "=" expression ] ";" ;
type = "T" | "B" | "S";
if_stmt = "I" "(" expression ")" block [ "E" block ];
while_stmt = "W" "(" expression ")" block;
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for_stmt = "F" "(" statement ";" expression ";" expression ")" block;
print_stmt = "P" expression ";";
function_stmt = "M" identifier "(" [ parameter_list ] ")" block;
return_stmt = "R" expression ";";
array_stmt = "A" type identifier "=" "[" [ expression_list ] "]" ";" ;
stack_stmt = "K" type identifier ";";
queue_stmt = "Q" type identifier ";";
const_stmt = "C" type identifier "=" expression ";" ;
input_stmt = "N" [ string_literal ] ";";
block = "{" { statement } "}";
expression_stmt = expression ";";
expression = ternary_expr;
ternary_expr = logical_expr [ "?" expression ":" expression ];
logical_expr = relational_expr { ("&" | "|") relational_expr };
relational_expr = arithmetic_expr { ("<" | ">" | "=") arithmetic_expr };
arithmetic_expr = term { ("+" | "-") term };
term = factor { ("*" | "/") factor } ;
factor = integer_literal
    | string_literal
    | boolean_literal
   | identifier
    | array_access
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| function_call
   | method_call
   |"(" expression ")"
   | "!" factor;
array_access = identifier "[" expression "]";
function_call = identifier "(" [ expression_list ] ")";
method_call = identifier "." identifier "(" [ expression ] ")";
parameter_list = parameter { "," parameter };
parameter = type identifier ;
expression_list = expression { "," expression } ;
5. Type System:
5.1 Basic Types
   • Integer (T): Whole numbers
   • Boolean (B): Truth values (0 or 1)
   • String (S): Text enclosed in double quotes
   • Array: Collection of values of the same type
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5.2 Data Structures

- Stack: Last-In-First-Out structure
- Queue: First-In-First-Out structure

6. Operator Precedence (highest to lowest)

- 1. Parentheses ()
- 2. Array access []
- 3. Method/Function calls
- 4. Unary operators!
- 5. Multiplicative *, /
- 6. Additive +, -
- 7. Relational <, >, =
- 8. Logical AND &
- 9. Logical OR |
- 10. Ternary?:

7. Comments

• Single-line: # comment

• Multi-line: #* comment *#