

A SIMPLE OBJECT ORIENTED LANGUAGE

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1 Background

Object oriented programming is used to provide a more dynamic method of running code at runtime using objects to select the procedural code to run. Today, many object oriented languages exist with different capabilities which can be used to determine what language to use when developing a program. However, no object oriented language has been specified to directly deal with mathematical formulae at the simplest level and with maximum optimisation. The language that we are to design: MathF, shall be used to make programs that can solve mathematical problems with the highest level of ease and optimisation.

2 Main Objective

Development of a simple object oriented language to simplify complex mathematical equations and formulae and a compiler for the language.

3 Specific Objectives

- The domain of the language and its mathematical principles
- The object oriented principles
- The lexical rules of the language
- The syntactical rules of the language
- The semantic rules of the language
- Data types, control statements and operators
- Exception handling
- Runtime libraries
- The compiler design

4 Methodology

The project will be carried out by a team of four students. The team will go through multiple discussions on the possible words, syntax and semantics of the language. The object oriented principles will also have to be discussed and implemented within the rules of the language. UML (Unified Modeling Language) principles and diagrams will be used in the analysis of the language rules. Binary trees will also be used to break down the language into smaller and manageable syntax for further analysis. A compiler will be designed to translate the new language into machine language.