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fOOrth

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It is with great pleasure that I am finally able to announce the release the initial beta of the fOOrth programming language system version 0.5.0. This language, written entirely in pure Ruby is released both as a [Ruby gem](#) and in [Source Code on github](#).

So, what exactly is the fOOrth programming language system anyway? The source code repository has this to say about the project:

The fOOrth language is an experimental variant of FORTH that attempts to incorporate object oriented and functional programming concepts. It also tries to extrapolate an alternate reality where FORTH was not frozen in the past, but continued to grow and develop with the times. Above all this project is the result of nearly 30 years of thought on the design of threaded compilers and languages with simplified grammars and syntax.

Also included in the [docs folder](#) are a User's Guide and Reference in both open office and PDF formats.

A lot of work and effort has gone into this personal labour of love. For example, I have discovered that writing good documentation is a lot harder than it looks. It is certainly harder than just writing code. I have also found however that having to explain what is going on in plain, simple, and easy-

to-understand terms has resulted in many improvements to the code that would not have happened otherwise. In effect, it served as a sober, detailed review of the code being generated.

This is still only a beta, and there is still a great deal more work to do. I hope you find it useful or at least interesting. If you like what you see, give the code a star to show your support. Suggestions, comments, complaints and ideas are always most welcomed.

Yours Truly

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