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# Assignment 2: External DSL interpreter

## Description

In this assignment, you should create an external DSL for a math interpreter. To complete the assignment, you should: fix the broken implementation sketch, both the Xtext grammar and code generator file (interpreter in this case). Use the JUnit tests to check how well your implementation works, and report on whether it passes all JUnit tests in a given test class. You can modify the parser and interpreter file as much as you need. Optionally, you can replace the dialog box with a hovering box, as shown in Bettini.

Hand in your response as a single pdf that includes

- 1. A brief description of the status of your assignment, in particular, which JUnit tests you pass
- 2. Your xtext file
- 3. Your generator file
- 4. Optionally, include code needed to implement hovering

#### Solution

A math interpreter has been implemented, using xtext and code generation / calculation using xtend.

The solution passes MathExampleTest and MathParsingTest tests.

The solution does not pass MathScopeTest and MathValidatorTest tests, as these elements have not been required by the assignment description, nor yet been tought in the course, at the time of this assignment.

The solution handles general math, as covered by the tests. This includes addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

It can also handle sub-expression, with variables being used only within the sub-expression. this is done by using the let keyword, a single variable declaration, in keyword, and then the expression.

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Example: let i = 2 in a * i end
```

The system can handle that the variables are not defined in the order they are used in other variables. However, you *can* trigger an invalid calculation, as there is not scoping of variables. When a variable is used inside a sub-expression, it can be used in the global scope, and will cause an error if not defined. The error is implemented as an error message box that pops up, notifying the user of the error.

Hovering box is not implemented in this solution.

Calculated variables are stored in output.txt file in the src-gen directory.

Tests have been *slightly* modified to handle a top-level Maths model, instead of only a single variable. It is only the ParseHelper injection that have been changed.

## Example usage

The following is a valid math expression that can be parsed and calculated by the interpreter:

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var a = 40
var b = let i = 2 in a * i end
var c = b * 3
var d = 40 + 2 * 4 + 80
var e = (40 + 2) * (4 + 80)
var x = let i = b in b + c + d + e + i end
var y = let y=2 in let z=3 in y*z end + y end + 79
```

The following would be the output of the above expression:

```
var a = 40
var b = 80
var c = 240
var d = 128
var e = 3528
var x = 4056
var y = 87
```

### Source code

The source code for assignment 2 is available at github.com/The0mikkel/sdu-mbsd.

This document is available at github.com/The0mikkel/sdu-mbsd/assignment2/README.md.