Compiler report - Project COCass

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1 Modifications

The following changes were made to existing constructs of the AST.

Each comes with an explanation of why it was deemed necessary in the context of other additions to the language.

1.1 Assignments

SET replaces both SET_VAR and SET_ARRAY as well as what was for some time SET_DEREF.

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• x = 1; \rightarrow SET_VAR("x", CST 1) \rightarrow SET(VAR "x", CST 1)

• t[0] = 1; \rightarrow SET_ARRAY("t", CST 0, CST 1) \rightarrow SET(OP2(S_INDEX, VAR "t", CST 0), CST 1)

• *x = 1 \rightarrow SET_DEREF("x", CST 1) \rightarrow SET(OP1(M_DEREF, VAR "x"), CST 1)
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Justification

With the addition of *x, SET_DEREF(x, e) was first added but required much code duplication (all code related to assignment needed to appear thrice).

At first, t[x][y] = 1; was a parsing error, even though t[x][y] was a valid expression.

Since M_DEREF added the horrible workaround $\star(\&t[x][y]) = 1$;, allowing any expression to be assigned to, I decided it was time to allow more expressions to be treated as lvalues. Changing assignment was deemed the best course of action.

At the same time, former constructors OPSET_VAR, OPSET_ARRAY and OPSET_DEREF were all merged into OPSET.