

Objo Grammar Summary

The notation used in this grammar is as follows:

nonTerminal

These symbols represent rules in the grammar

TERMINAL

These symbols represent endpoints in the grammar. Essentially, they are **Tokens**.

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Symbols may be grouped with parentheses.

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Acts as a logical OR between symbol groups

*

Indicates the preceding symbol group may occur ≥ 0 times

+

Indicates the preceding symbol group may occur ≥ 1 times

?

Indicates the preceding symbol group may occur ≤ 1 time

The Program

The syntactic grammar is used to parse the linear sequence of tokens into a nested abstract syntax tree. It begins with the first rule that matches an entire Objo program (or a single REPL entry):

`program` → `declaration*`

Declarations

A program is a series of declarations. Declarations are the statements that bind new identifiers or any of the other statement types.

`declaration` → `variableDecl`
| `functionDecl`
| `classDecl`
| `statement`

`variableDecl` → `VAR IDENTIFIER (COMMA IDENTIFIER)* (EQUAL expression)? terminator`

`functionDecl` → `FUNCTION method END FUNCTION terminator`

`classDecl` → `CLASS IDENTIFIER (INHERITS IDENTIFIER)? EOL`
`(getter | setter | methodDecl | foreignMethodDecl | staticMethodDecl)*`
`END CLASS terminator`

Statements

The remaining statement rules produce side effects but do not introduce new bindings.

statement	→	block
		breakStmt
		continueStmt
		doStmt
		exitStmt
		ifStmt
		forStmt
		printStmt
		quitStmt
		returnStmt
		selectStmt
		whileStmt
		expressionStmt

breakStmt	→	BREAK terminator
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block	→	(statement)*
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doStmt	→	DO EOL block LOOP (UNTIL expression)? terminator
continueStmt	→	CONTINUE EOL
exitStmt	→	EXIT EOL
ifStmt	→	IF expression then IF expression THEN EOL block (ELSEIF expression THEN EOL block)* (ELSE EOL block)? END IF terminator
forStmt	→	FOR IDENTIFIER EQUAL range (STEP expression)? EOL block NEXT (IDENTIFIER)? terminator
printStmt	→	PRINT expression terminator
quitStmt	→	QUIT terminator

returnStmt → RETURN expression? terminator

whileStmt → WHILE expression EOL
 block
 WEND terminator

expressionStmt → expression terminator

Expressions

Expressions produce values. Below are the grammar rules for expressions with the lowest precedence rules being first.

expression → assignment

assignment → coalesce
((EQUAL | PLUS_EQUAL | MINUS_EQUAL | STAR_EQUAL | SLASH_EQUAL) coalesce)?

coalesce → ternary QUERY_QUERY ternary

ternary → logicalOr (QUERY expression COLON ternary)?

logicalOr → logicalXor (OR logicalXor)*

logicalXor → logicalAnd (XOR logicalAnd)*

logicalAnd → equality (AND equality)*

equality → is ((NOT_EQUAL | EQUAL) is)*

is → comparison IS comparison

comparison → bitwiseOr ((GREATER | GREATER_EQUAL | LESS | LESS_EQUAL) bitwiseOr)*

bitwiseOr	→	bitwiseXor (PIPE bitwiseXor)*
bitwiseXor	→	bitwiseAnd (CARET bitwiseAnd)*
bitwiseAnd	→	bitwiseShift (AMPERSAND bitwiseShift)*
bitwiseShift	→	addition ((LESS_LESS GREATER_GREATER) addition)*
addition	→	multiplication ((PLUS MINUS) multiplication)*
multiplication	→	unary ((SLASH STAR MOD) unary)*
unary	→	(NOT MINUS) unary call
call	→	primary (LPAREN arguments? RPAREN DOT IDENTIFIER)*
primary	→	BOOLEAN NUMBER STRING NOTHING SELF IDENTIFIER (SUPER SUPER DOT IDENTIFIER) LPAREN expression RPAREN LSQUARE arguments* RSQUARE

Helper Rules

To keep the above rules clearer, some of the grammar is split out into the following re-usable helper rules.

`terminator` → `EOL | EOF`

`parameters` → `IDENTIFIER (COMMA IDENTIFIER)*`

`arguments` → `expression (COMMA expression)*`

`constructorDecl` → `CONSTRUCTOR LPAREN parameters? RPAREN EOL`
`block`
`END CONSTRUCTOR EOL`

`methodDecl` → `METHOD method END METHOD EOL`

`foreignMethodDecl` → `FOREIGN METHOD method END METHOD EOL`

`staticMethodDecl` → `STATIC METHOD method END METHOD EOL`

`method` → `IDENTIFIER LPAREN parameters? RPAREN EOL block`

`getter` → `GET IDENTIFIER EOL block END GETTER EOL`

setter → SET IDENTIFIER LPAREN IDENTIFIER RPAREN EOL BLOCK EOL

range → expression (TO | DOWNT0) expression

then → THEN (breakStmt | continueStmt | exitStmt | returnStmt | expressionStmt) terminator