Oz Programming: Basic syntax cheat sheets

This document is a non-exhaustive reminder of the syntax of the Oz programming language. It is always possible to improve it and your help is therefore welcome – just submit an issue on the link below and we will modify the document. Source code and the latest version of the pdf can be found at the following address: `https://github.com/some-github/a-wonderful-link`

Keywords	**Meaning**
Basic statements	
`Var = ...`	variable assignment (only single-assignment)
`declare Var`	global declaration of Var

`local Var in`
`  ...`
`end`
	local declaration

`fun {FunName Arg1 ... ArgN}`
`  ...`
`end`
	function definition

`proc {ProcName Arg1 ... ArgN}`
`  ...`
`end`
	procedure definition

`if Condition_1 then ...`
`elseif Condition_2 then ...`
`else ...`
`end`
	if ... else if ... else ...

`case Var of Pattern_1 then ...`
`[] Pattern_2 then ...`
`else ...`
`end`
	pattern matching

Booleans expressions and operators	
`false`	false value
`true`	true value
`andthen`	logical AND

`orelse`	logical OR
`==`	logical equality
`\=`	logical inequality (be careful it is a backslash)
`{Not [Your Expression]}`	logical NOT

Comparison operators

`<`	less than
`=<`	less than or equal to (because <= is an arrow)
`>`	greater than
`>=`	greater than or equal to

Arithmetic operators

`+`	addition
`-`	subtraction
`*`	multiplication
`/`	division (for floating point numbers)
`div`	division (for integers)
`mod`	modulo
`{Pow A B}`	A^B
`{Abs A}`	absolute value of A
`E = ~1`	unary negation (because - is an operator)

Data structures

`S = "A string"`	string declaration
`A = hELLO`	atom declaration (with lowercase first letter)
`A = 'An atom'`	same (with uppercase first letter and space)
`X = label(feature1:Field1 ... featureN:FieldN)`	record structure (features and label are atoms)

`R.feature`	access to the record's fields
`T = 1#2#3`	common operator (T = '#'(1:1 2:2 3:3))
`L = '|'(1:1 2:'|'(1:2 2:nil))`	list structure
`L = 1|2|nil`	a syntactic sugar to declare a list
`L = [1 2]`	another syntactic sugar for list declaration

Explicit state

`X = {NewCell Y}`	cell creation (multiple assignment variable)
`@X`	access to the cell's current content
`X := Z`	changes the content of the cell

`for X in L do`
`  ...`
`end`
	foreach loop (used with lists)

`for X in 1..N do`
`  ...`
`end`
	traditional for loop

Object-oriented programming

`class AClass`
`  attr a1 ... an`
`  meth init(Arg) ... end`
`  meth m1 ... end`
`  ...`
`  meth mn(Arg) ... end`
`end`
	class definition

`X = {New AClass init('arg')}` `{X m1}`	object creation and use

Exceptions handling

`raise E end`	throws an exception E
`try ... catch X then ... end`	catches a raised exception

Concurrent programming

`thread ... end`	thread creation