

Training Seminar (MC-403)

DELHI TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY (DTU)

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Full Stack Software Developer at CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

Role: Full Stack Software Developer

Organization: CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

Department: FAP-AIS-GI

Supervisor: Mr. Jan Janke

Duration: 1st September 2018
– 31st October 2019 (14 Months)

[Attestation Letter Link](#)



Summer Research Fellow @ University of Auckland, New Zealand

Role: Research Fellow in the
Field of Geometry of Mobius
Transformations

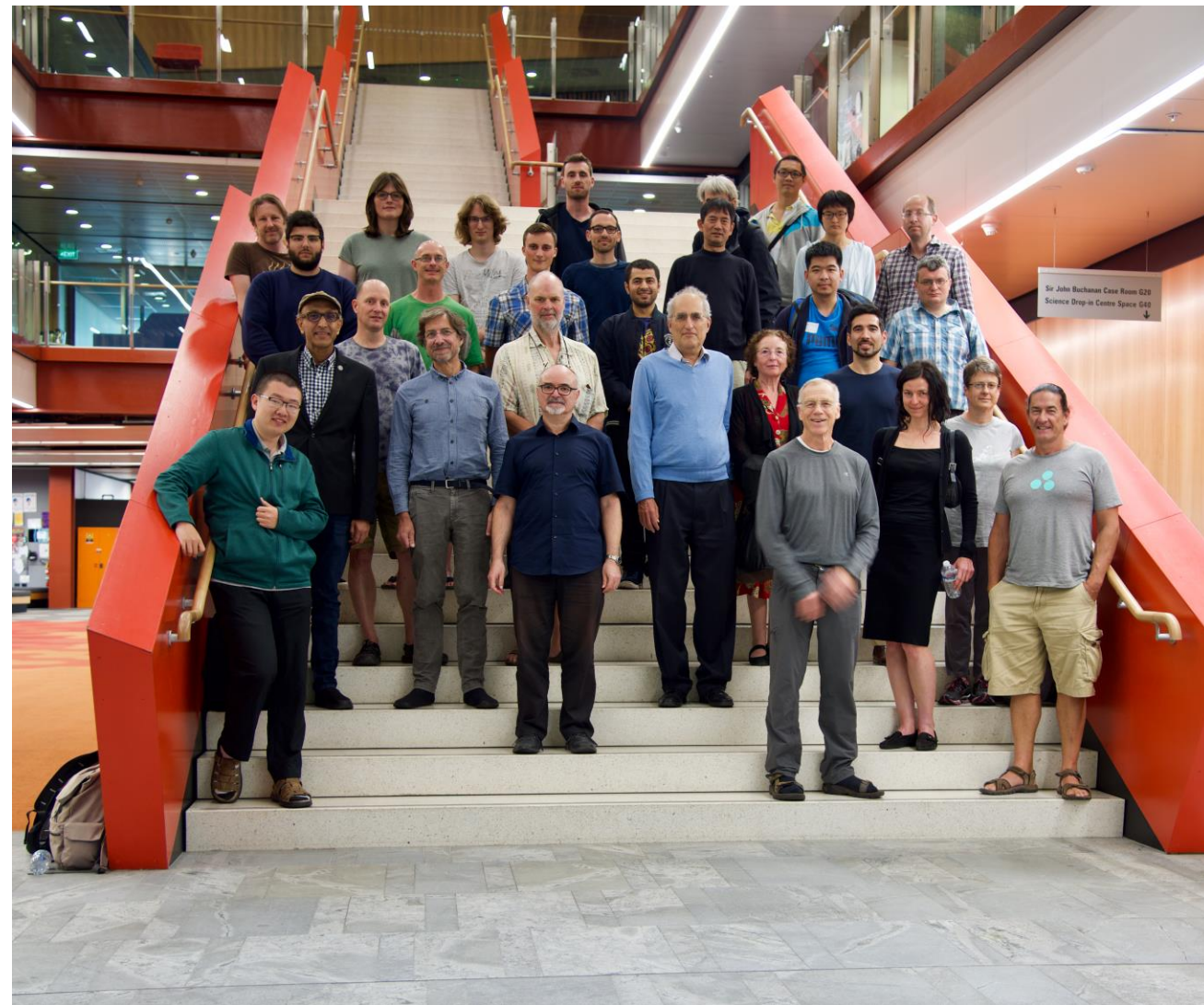
Organization: University of
Auckland, New Zealand

Department: Dpt. Of Pure
Mathematics

Supervisor: Dr. Pedram Hekmati

Duration: Jan – Feb 2020

[Invitation Letter Link](#)



MITACS Globalink Research Scholarship

Role: Researcher in Computer Vision

Organization: University of Athabasca, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Sponsor: MITACS, Canada

Department: Department of Computer Science

Supervisor: Dr. Maiga Chang

Duration: June - August 2020

Project: Subtext: Creating a Context Based Real Time Communication Application

[Project Link](#)

[Research Fellowship Award Letter](#)

Subtext: A Context Based Real Time Communication Application

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Details

- Project Title: Subtext - Creating a Context Based Communication Application
- Subject: Training Seminar (MC-403)
- Research Institute: Athabasca University, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- Scholarship Award: MITACS Globalink Research Internship Scholarship
- Host Professor: Dr. Maiga Chang
- Submitted To: Dr. L. N. Das
- Candidate Name: Anish Sachdeva
- Candidate Roll No: DTU/2K16/MC/013
- Project Link: <https://github.com/anishLearnsToCode/subtext>



Frameworks and Stacks Learnt and Introduced To In This Project

- Angular 2+
- Node.js
- npm
- Git and GitHub + Version Control
- Firebase RealTime Database
- Firebase Console
- Markdown
- LaTeX
- Parsing and Regex



Aim: Things
That I wanted
to support

- Text
- Code
- Markdown
- LaTeX
- Emojis



Text

- Messages like this
- And this
- Also numbers 123456
- and small case + CAPITAL
- Plus special characters
/*,.<>:'":}[][@#\$%^&*()_+=-

Java
C/C++
C#

JavaScript

Swift

Python

....

....

And
everything in
between

```
• class BinarySearchExample{
•   public static void binarySearch(int arr[], int first, int last, int key){
•     int mid = (first + last)/2;
•     while( first <= last ){
•       if ( arr[mid] < key ){
•         first = mid + 1;
•       }else if ( arr[mid] == key ){
•         System.out.println("Element is found at index: " + mid);
•         break;
•       }else{
•         last = mid - 1;
•       }
•       mid = (first + last)/2;
•     }
•     if ( first > last ){
•       System.out.println("Element is not found!");
•     }
•   }
•   public static void main(String args[]){
•     int arr[] = {10,20,30,40,50};
•     int key = 30;
•     int last=arr.length-1;
•     binarySearch(arr,0,last,key);
•   }
• }
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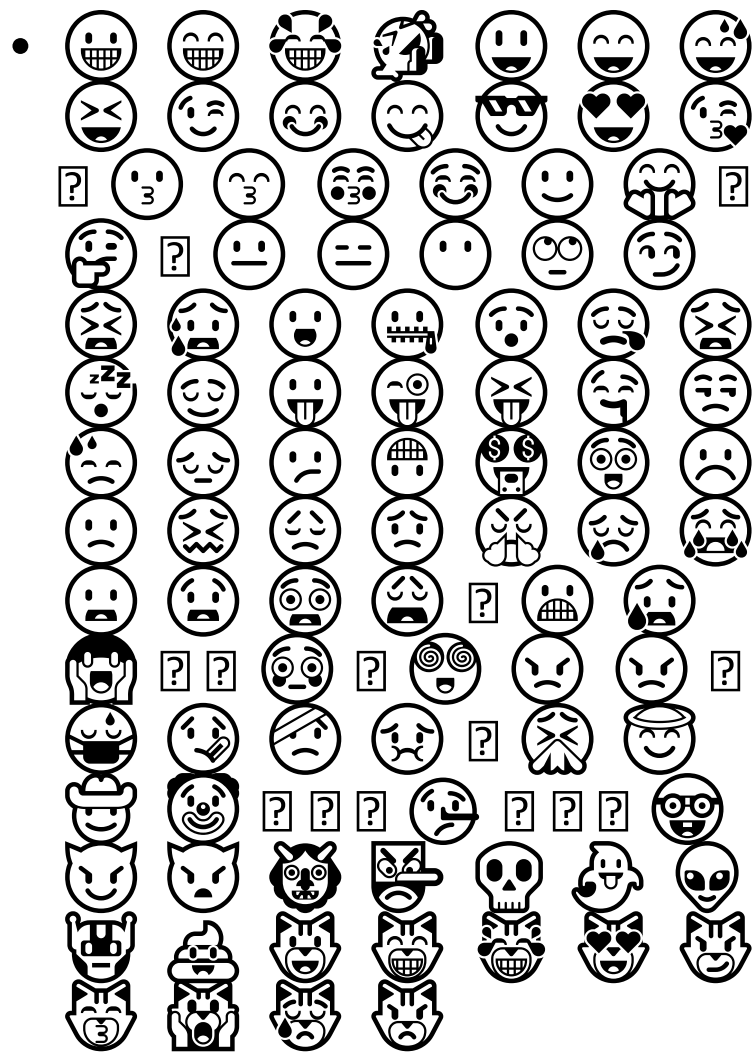
anish_@outlook.com :

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<div class="row">
  <div class="well" style="padding:15px; height: 600px; scroll-behavior: auto">
    <div *ngFor="let item of messageArray">
      <span><strong>{{item.user}} : </strong> <span [innerHTML]="item.message"></span></span>
    </div>
  </div>
</div>
<div class="row">
  <div class="col-sm-10">
    <textarea type="text" class="form-control" [(ngModel)]="messageText"></textarea>
  </div>
  <div class="col-sm-2">
    <button type="button" class="btn btn-success pull-right" (click)="sendMessage()">Send</button>
  </div>
</div>
```

Markdown

- `__bold__` --> **bold**
- `_italic_` --> *italics*
- ``code`` -> `code`
- ````js```` --> performatted code
- `# heading` -> Main Heading etc.

Emojis



LaTeX

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Context based real time communication app
that can understand information encoded with
different text markup formats



SUBTEXT



Current Market and Competition

- Whatsapp
- Facebook Messenger
- Instagram
- Google Allo/Messenger
- Microsoft Office
- Skype
- Google Docs/Sheets/Slides

Text + Emojis

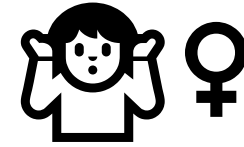
- Whatsapp
- Instagram
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- Google
- Microsoft etc.

Text + Emojis + Markdown

- Slack
- Whatsapp (Italic and bold from Markdown)

LaTeX + Others

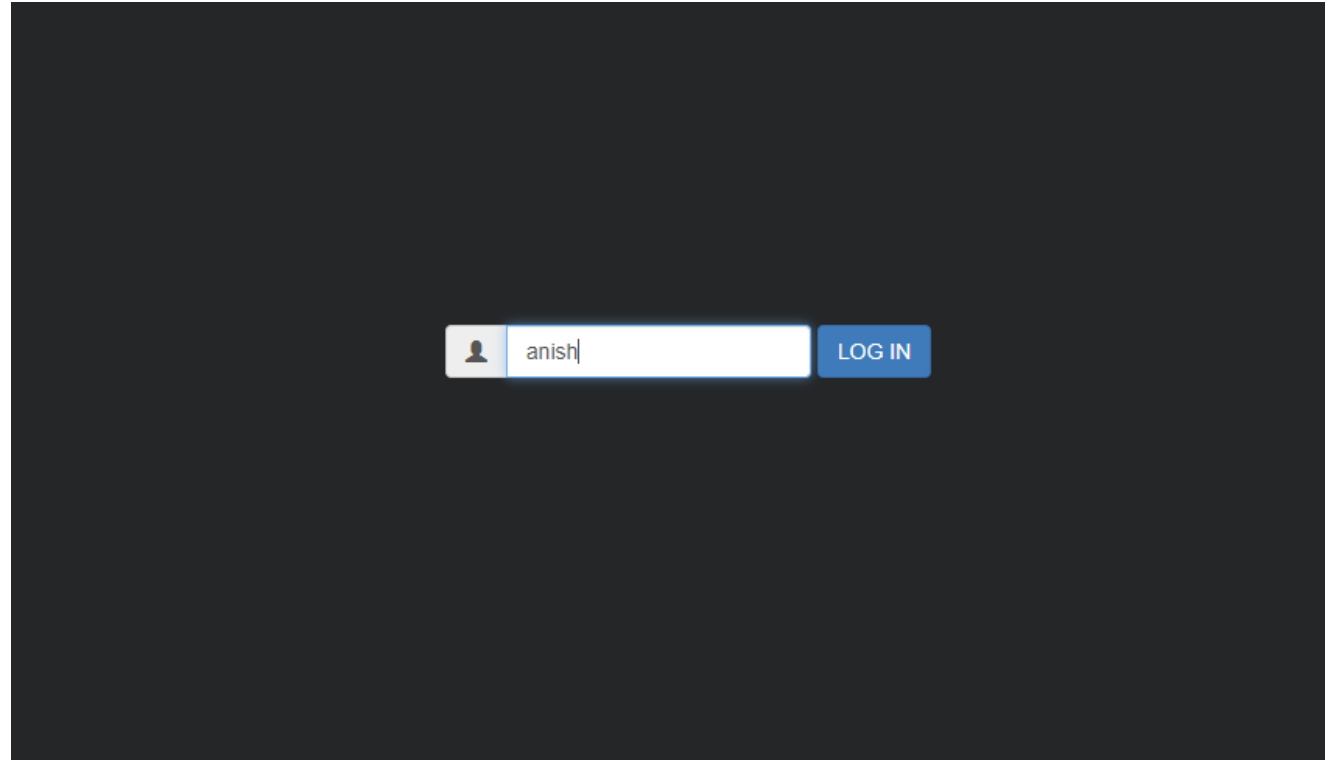
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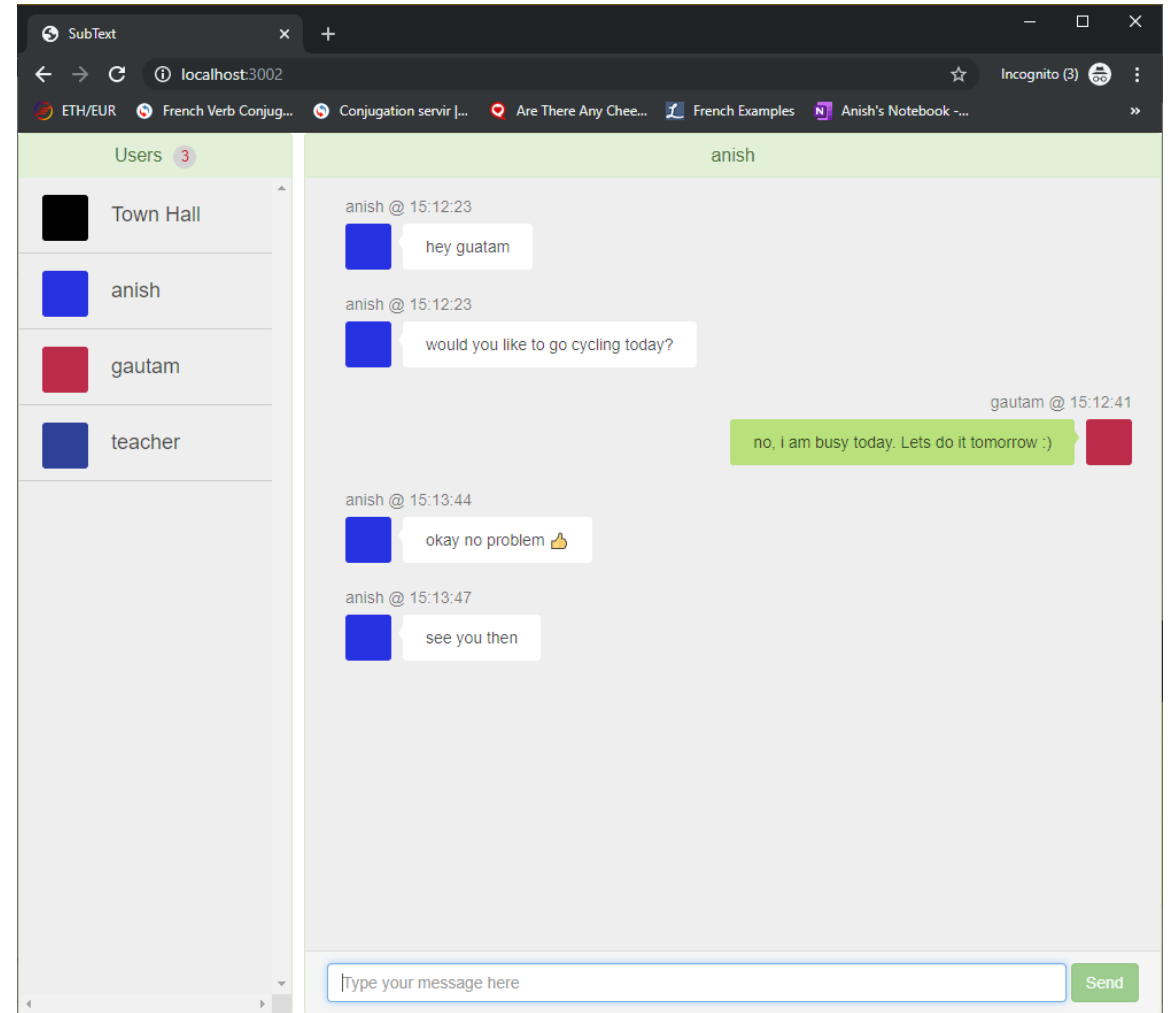
Initial Prototype

- Created using AngularJS, Express and MongoDB
- Has proper log in screen and text messaging facility people to people and also group chatting
- Also added chatbot that announces all active participants and when they leave the group etc.
- Disadvantages: does not support Markdown/LaTeX
- Another Disadvantage: was built on complete server side technology hence no client side rendering and computation available

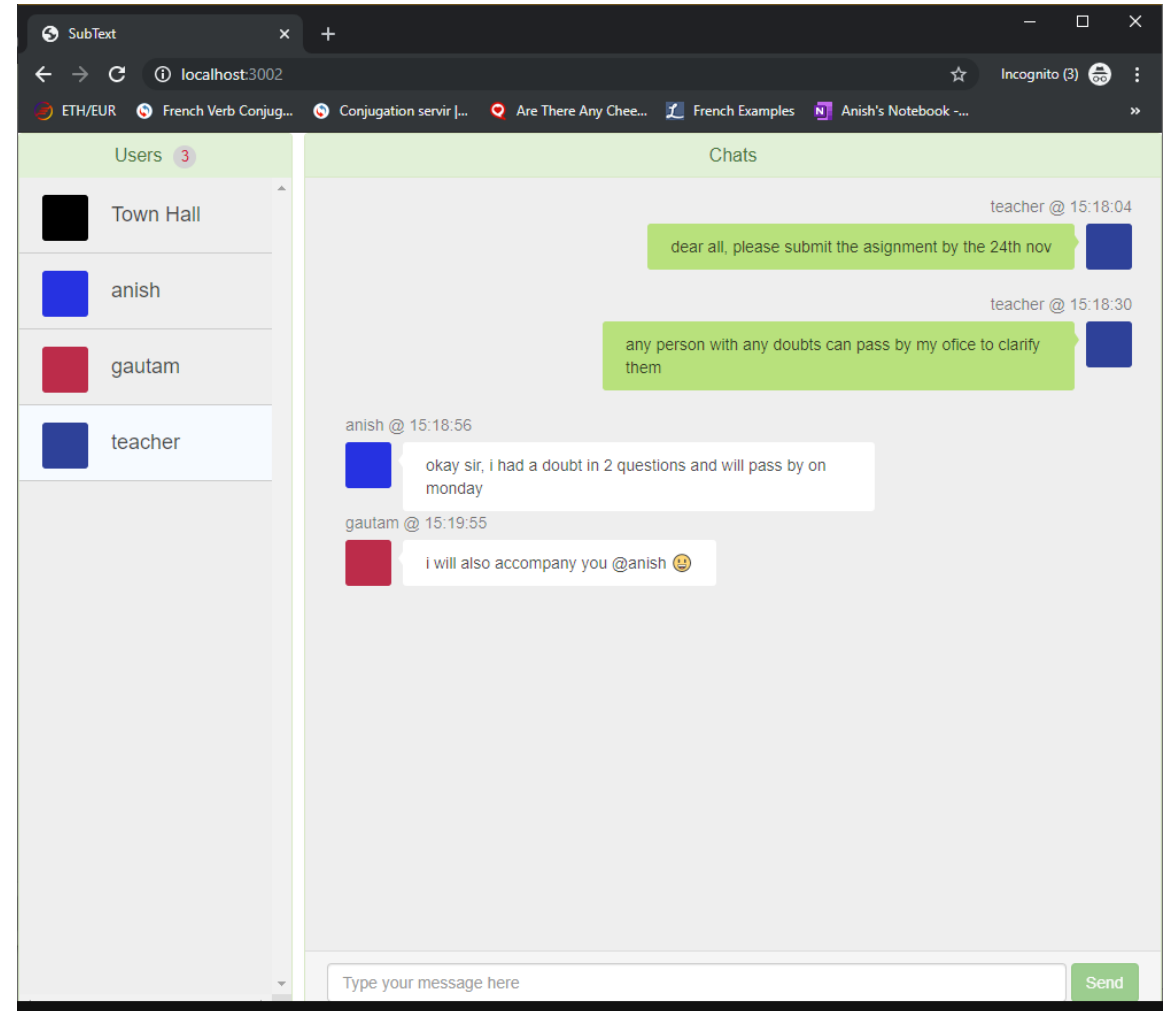
Prototype I: Login page



Prototype I: Chatting Person/Person



Prototype I: Person/Group



Prototype II

- Added mark down support
- Added multiple classroom support
- Created markdown analyser and text parser from scratch

Prototype II: Text interaction

SubText: Chat Application

Username

Choose Classroom

Join

Leave

anish :
joined the chatroom Computer Science

anish :
hello

anish :
my name is anish sachdeva and i have a cs doubt

gautam : has joined this room.
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gautam :
yeah, i can help

Send

Prototype II: Markdown + Text Interaction

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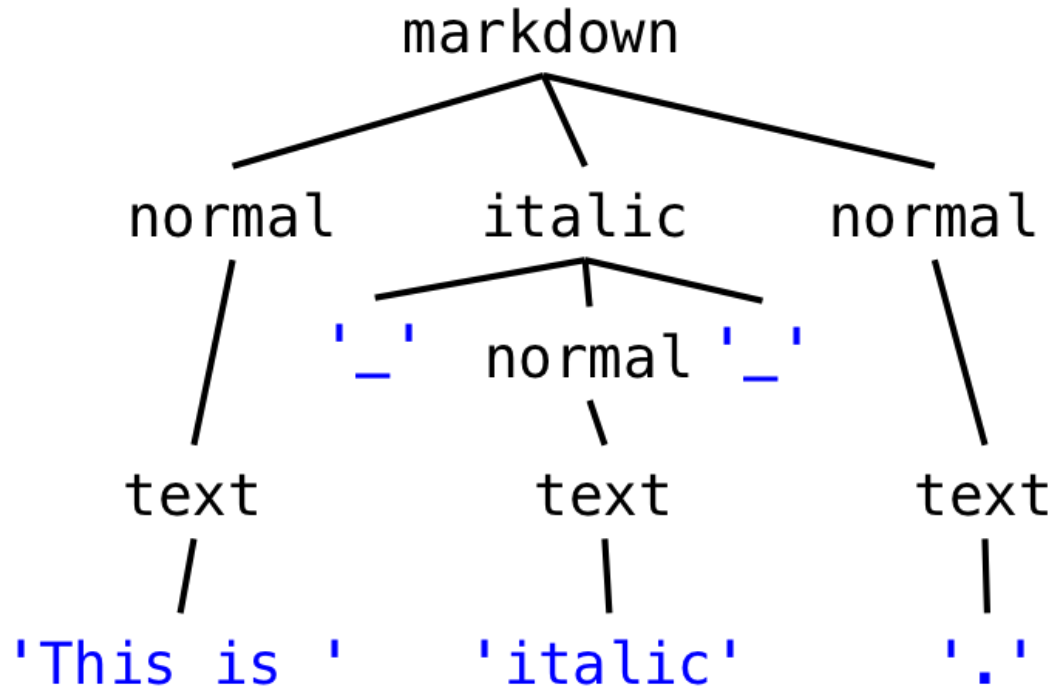
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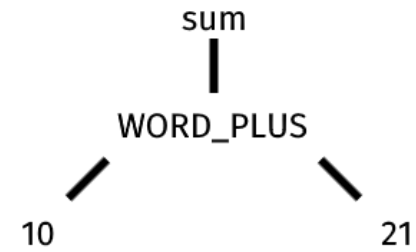
Markdown

- **Markdown** is a lightweight markup language with plain text formatting syntax. Its design allows it to be converted to many output formats, but the original tool by the same name only supports HTML. Markdown is often used to format readme files, for writing messages in online discussion forums, and to create rich text using a plain text editor.
- Developed by John Gruber and Aaron Swartz

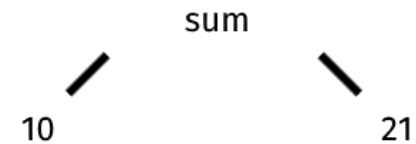
Lexical Parser



Parse Tree



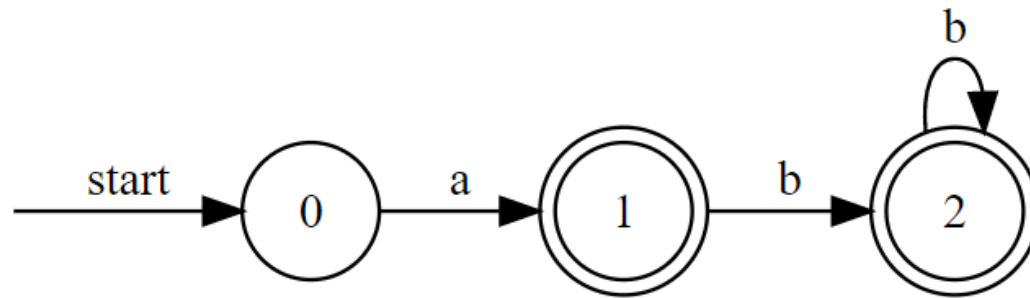
Abstract Syntax Tree



Finite Automata

A Finite Automaton is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$, where

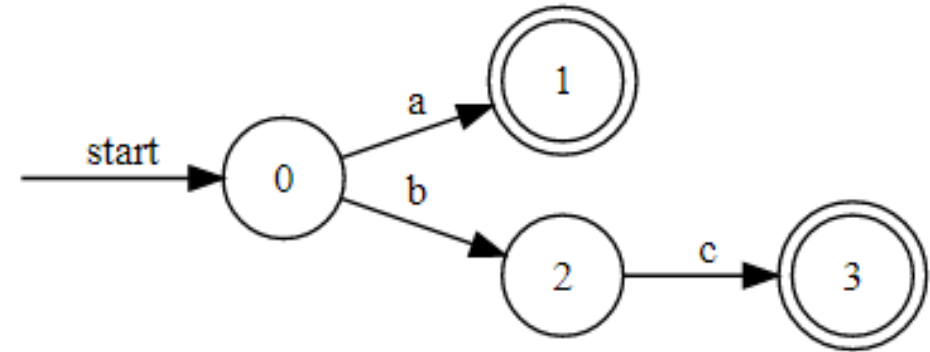
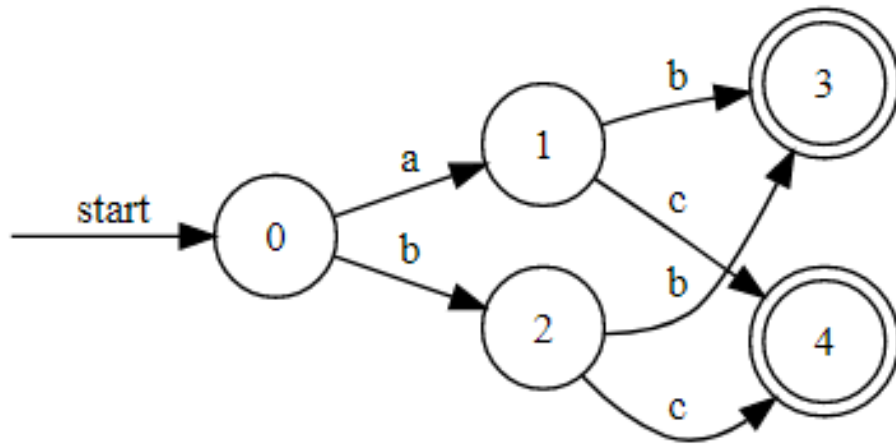
1. Q is a finite set called the **states**
2. Σ is a finite set called the **alphabet**
3. $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$ is the **transition function**
4. $q_0 \in Q$ is the **start state**, and
5. $F \subseteq Q$ is the **set of accepted states**.

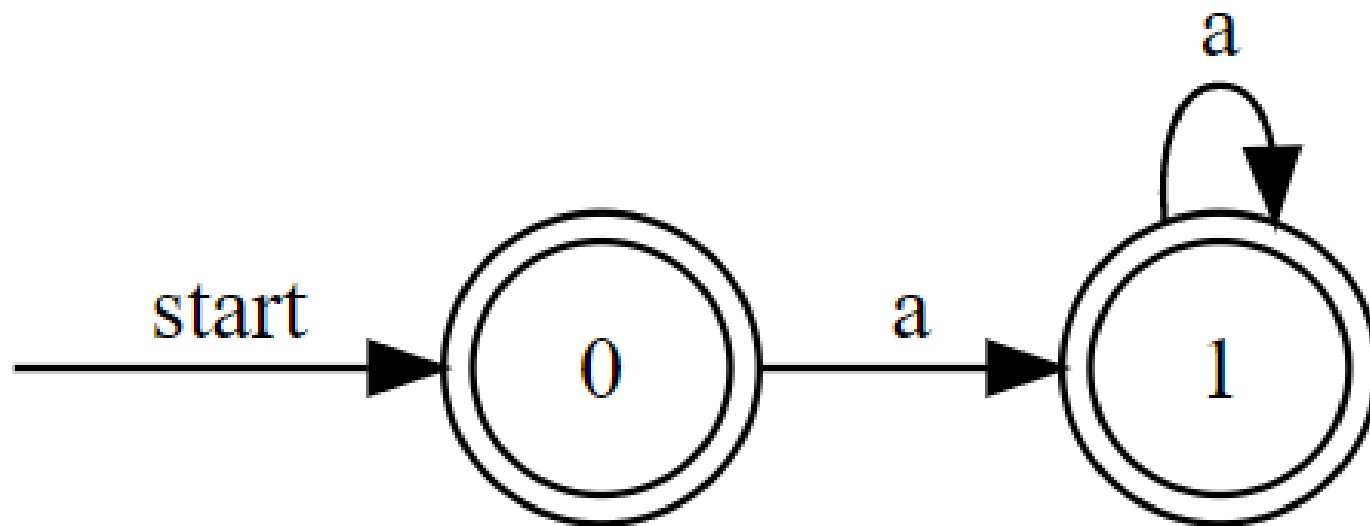
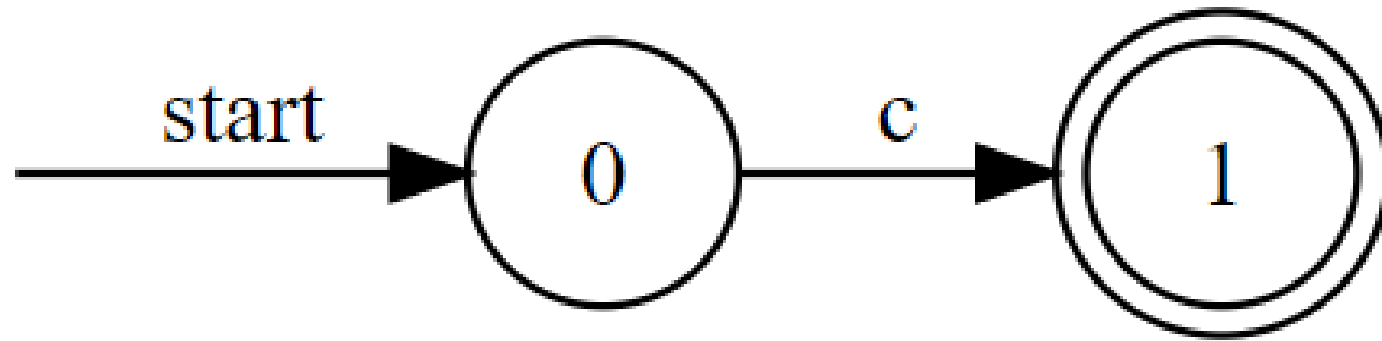


State	a	b
→ 0	1	Φ
1	Φ	2
2	Φ	2

Finite State Automata Generator

- See [this](#)
- This is a finite state automata generation web application that builds deterministic and non-deterministic automata based on regular expressions.



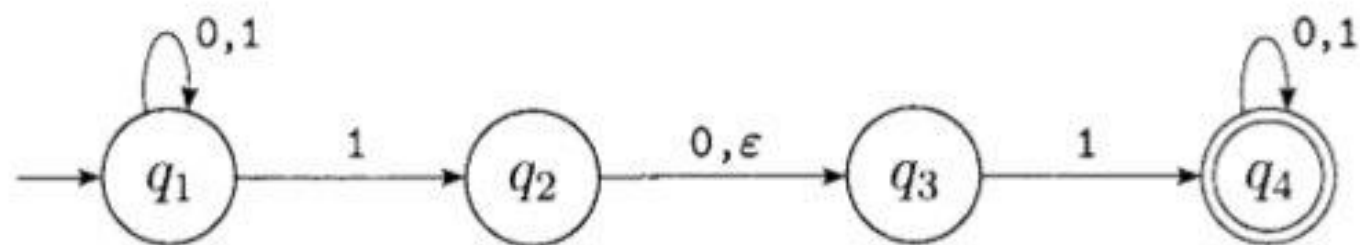


Deterministic
Finite
Automata
(DFA)

Non Deterministic Finite State Automata (N DFA)

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2. Σ is a finite set called the **alphabet**
3. $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow P(Q)$ is the **transition function**
4. $q_0 \in Q$ is the **start state**, and
5. $F \subseteq Q$ is the **set of accepted states**.



	0	1	ϵ
q_1	$\{q_1\}$	$\{q_1, q_2\}$	\emptyset
q_2	$\{q_3\}$	\emptyset	$\{q_3\}$,
q_3	\emptyset	$\{q_4\}$	\emptyset
q_4	$\{q_4\}$	$\{q_4\}$	\emptyset

Context Free Grammars

Formal Definition

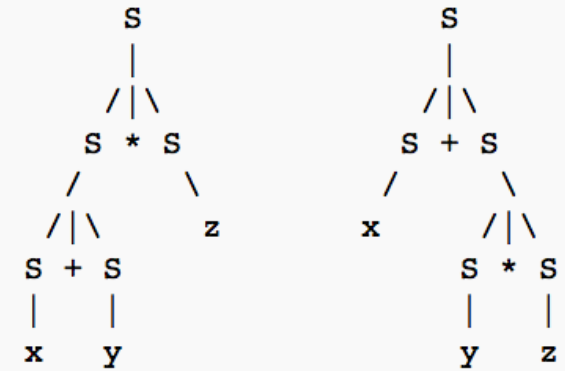
A context free grammar can be described by a 4 element tuple (V, Σ, R, S) , where

V is a finite set of variables (which are non-terminal)

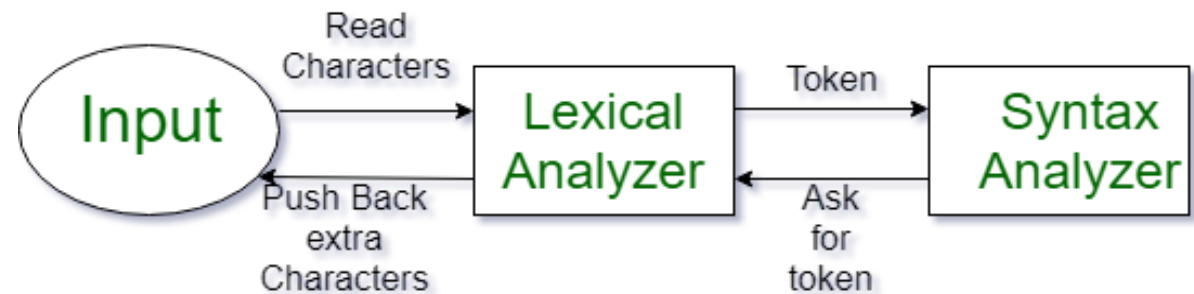
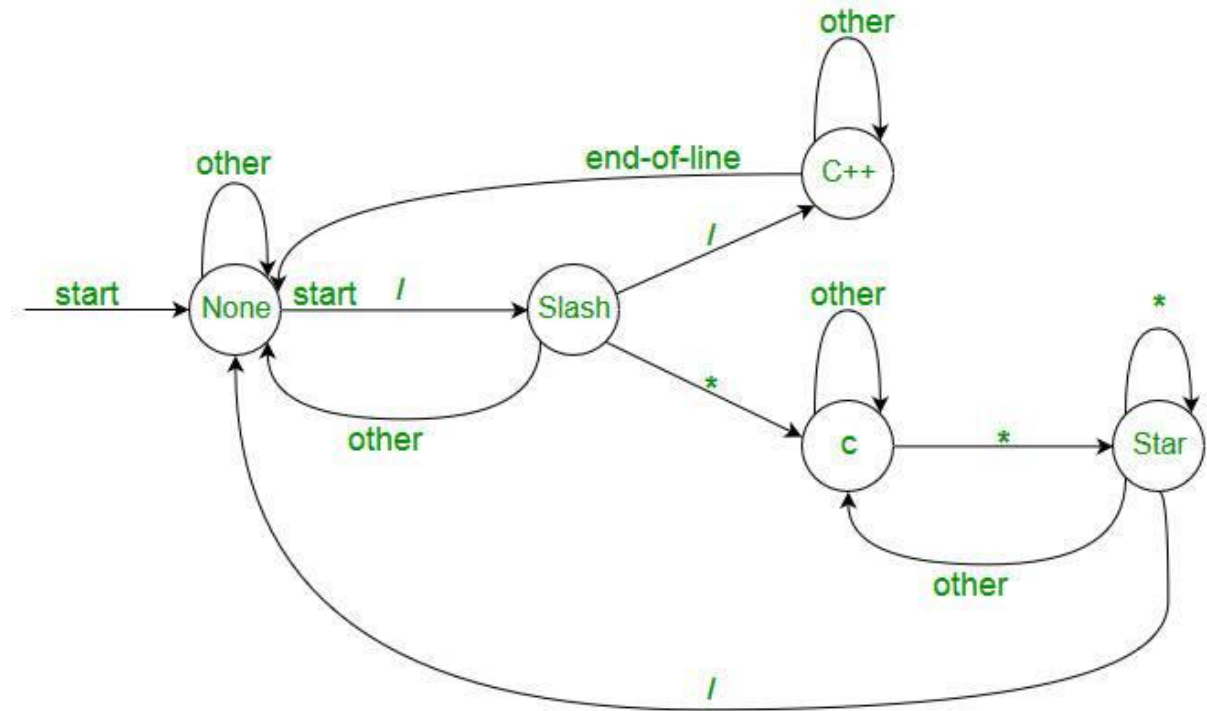
Σ is a finite set (disjoint from V) of terminal symbols

R is a set of production rules where each production rule maps a variable to a string $s \in (V \cup \Sigma)^*$

S (which is in V) which is a start symbol.

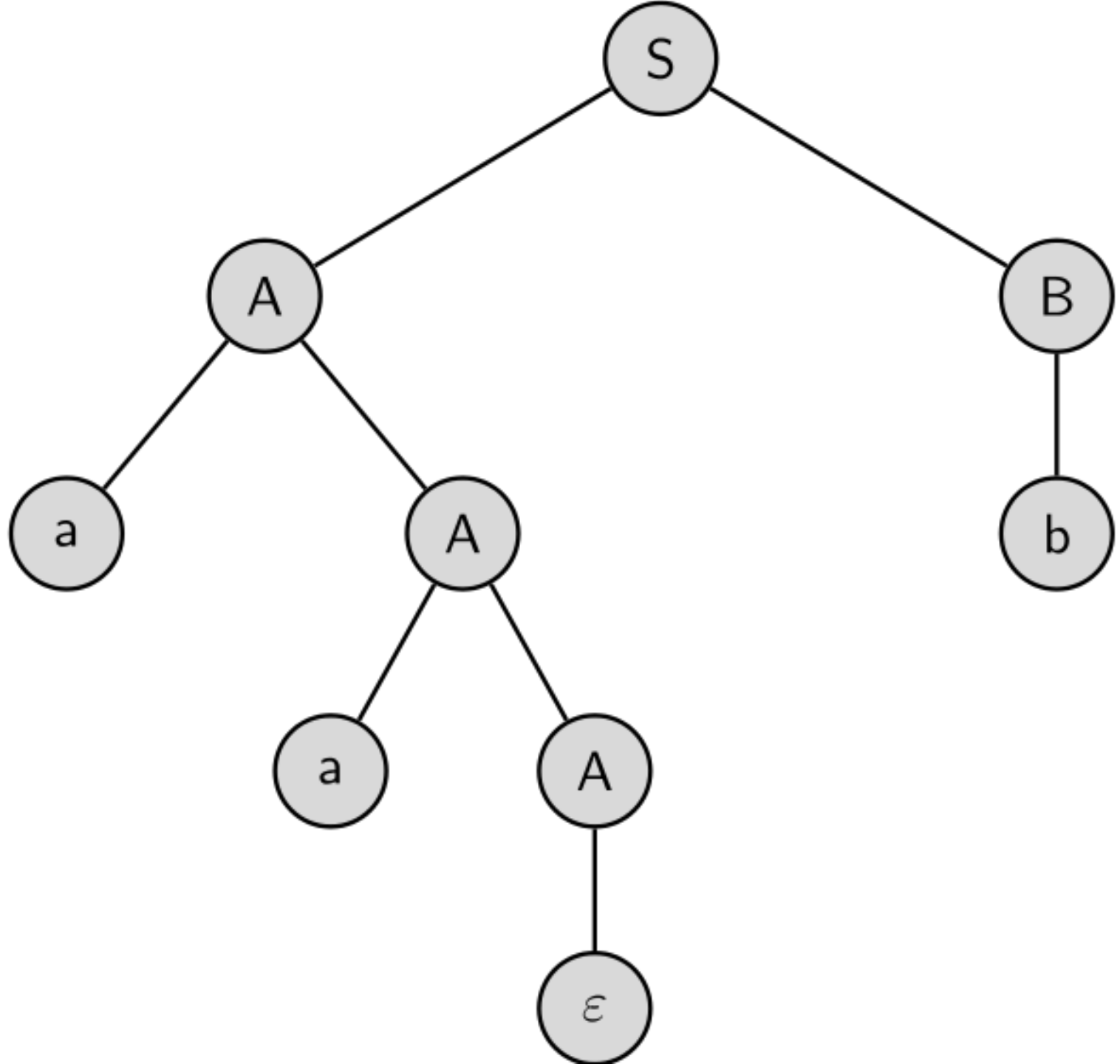


Lexical Parsing



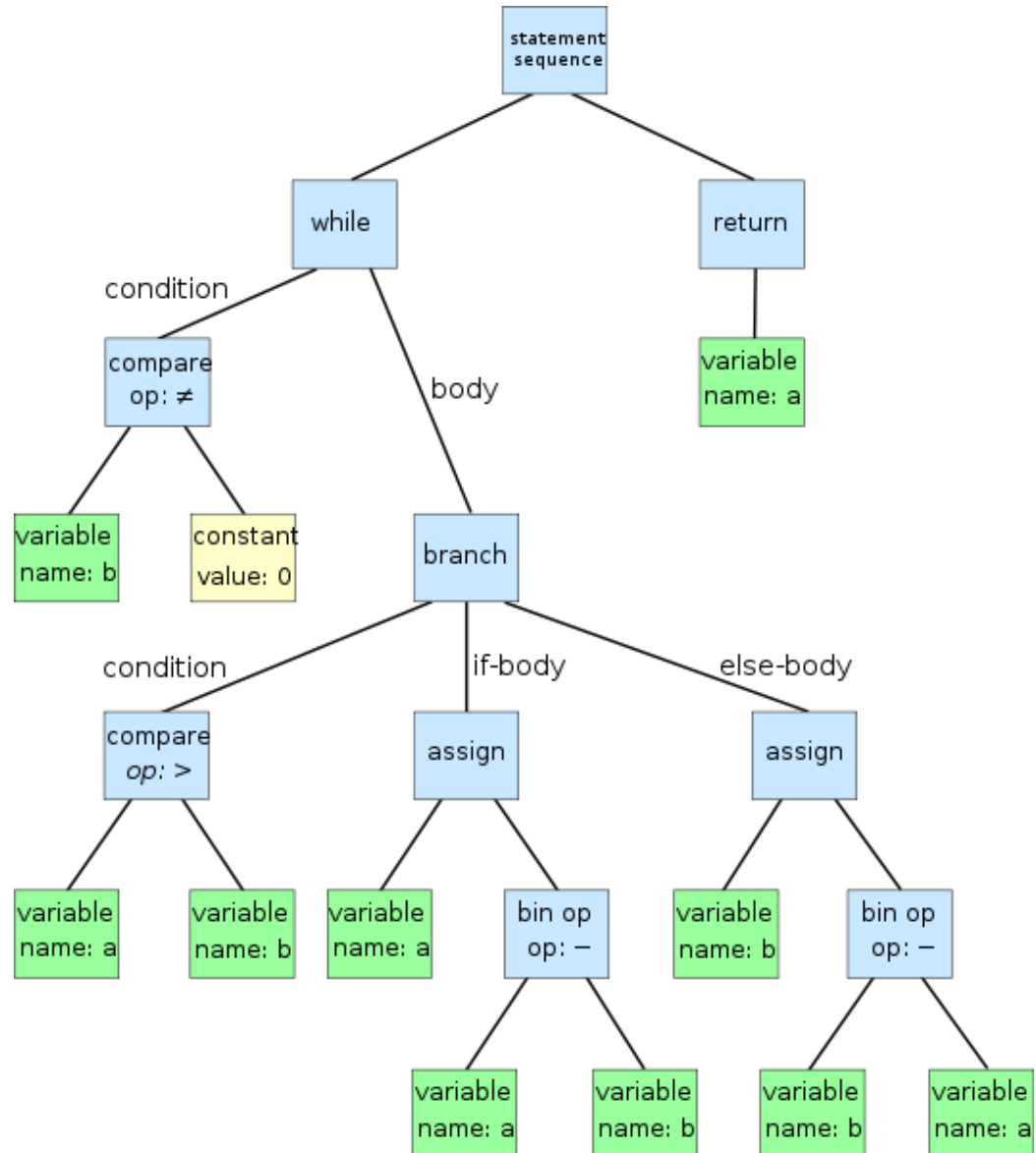
Parse Tree

- A **parse tree** or **parsing tree** or **derivation tree** or **concrete syntax tree** is an ordered, rooted [tree](#) that represents the syntactic structure of a string according to some context-free grammar. The term *parse tree* itself is used primarily in [computational linguistics](#); in theoretical syntax, the term *syntax tree* is more common.



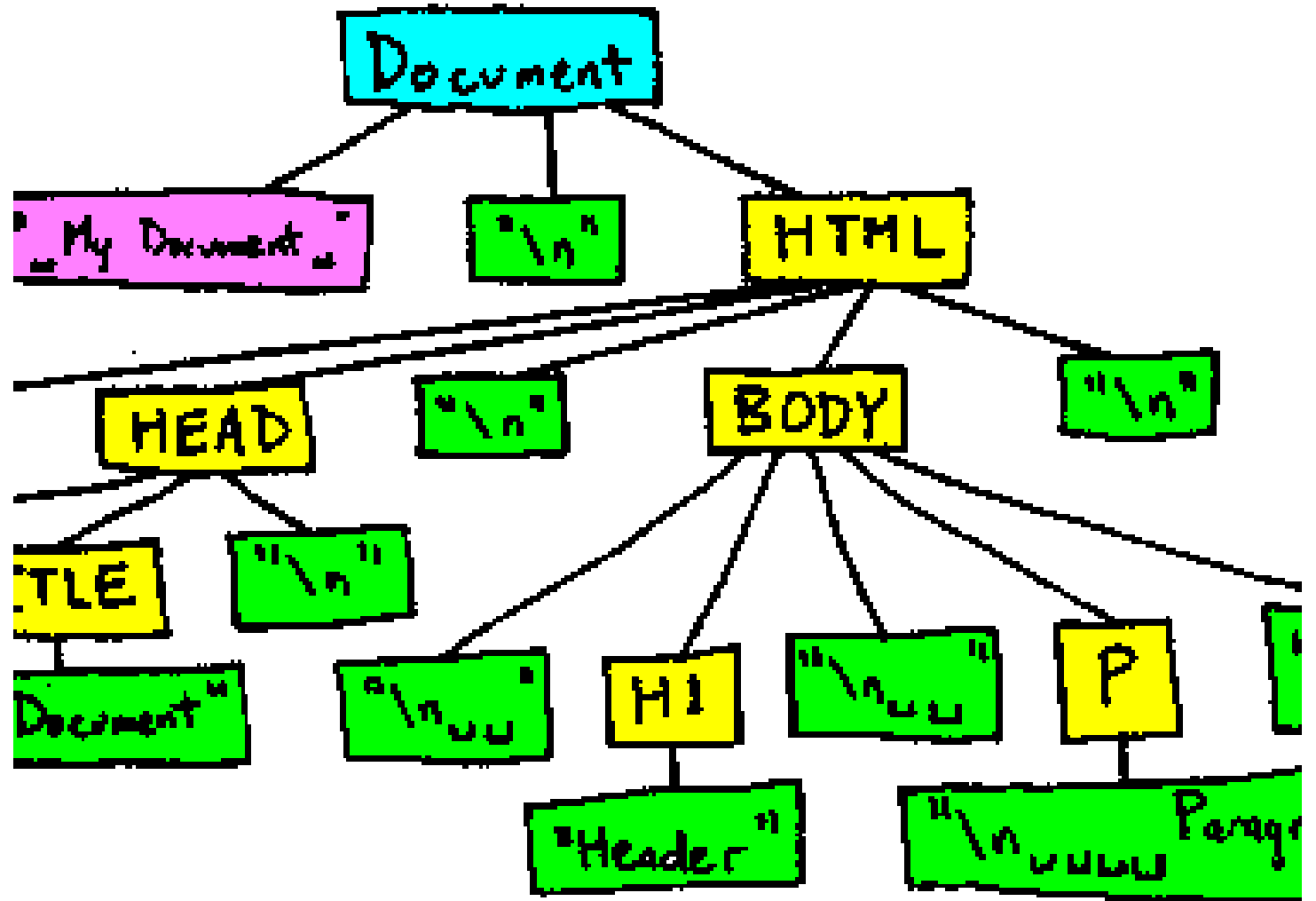
Abstract Syntax Tree

- In [computer science](#), an **abstract syntax tree (AST)**, or just **syntax tree**, is a [tree](#) representation of the [abstract syntactic](#) structure of [source code](#) written in a [programming language](#). Each node of the tree denotes a construct occurring in the source code.



Markdown Implementation

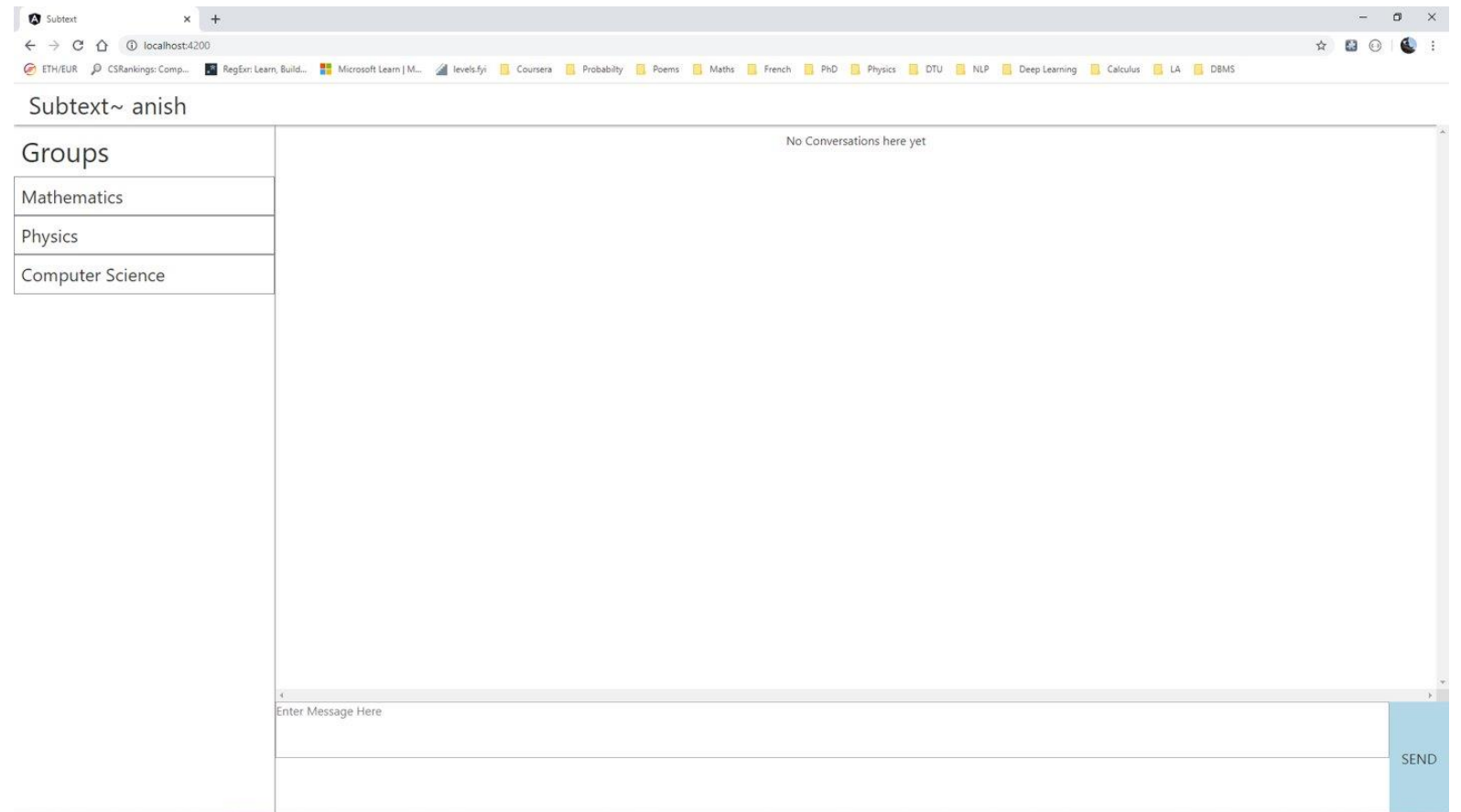
- The entire parser consists of many functions that each individually manage the successful conversion of a single markdown construct into an HTML node. A markdown construct here is referring to one single markdown formatting rule that applies e.g bold text or italic text. Here this atomic rule is referring to a single construct and I have created a singular function to handle and manage every such singular construct.



Prototype III

- Adds LaTeX Support
- Adds Mathematical fonts to represent Mathematical symbols
- Create an online compiler and parser that converts text to html based on LaTeX markup.
- This compiler works without any internet connection and is faster than OverLeaf!
- Also created a brand new interface for the application

Prototype III: Dedicated Groups Panel



Prototype III: Hot-Reload Conversion of Markdown text into Markdown

```
hello __world__ this is conversion _as I type_
```

```
hello world this is conversion as I type
```

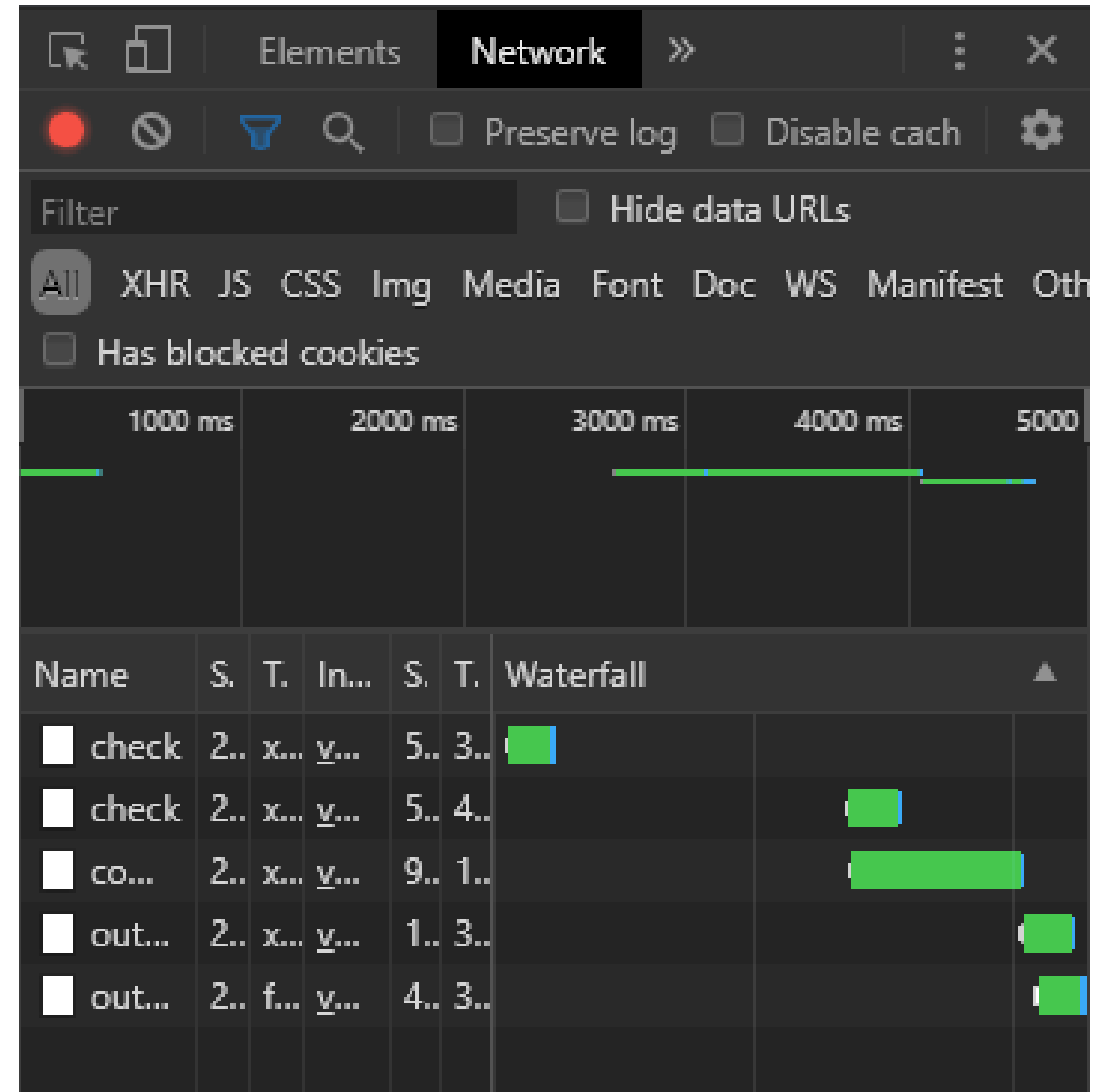
Prototype III: Conversion to LaTeX as we type

text + $x^2 + y$

text + $x^2 + y$

Overleaf vs. SubText LaTeX Conversion

- Open Overleaf Sample Project [here](#)
- SubText is 20x-400x faster!



Firestore Database



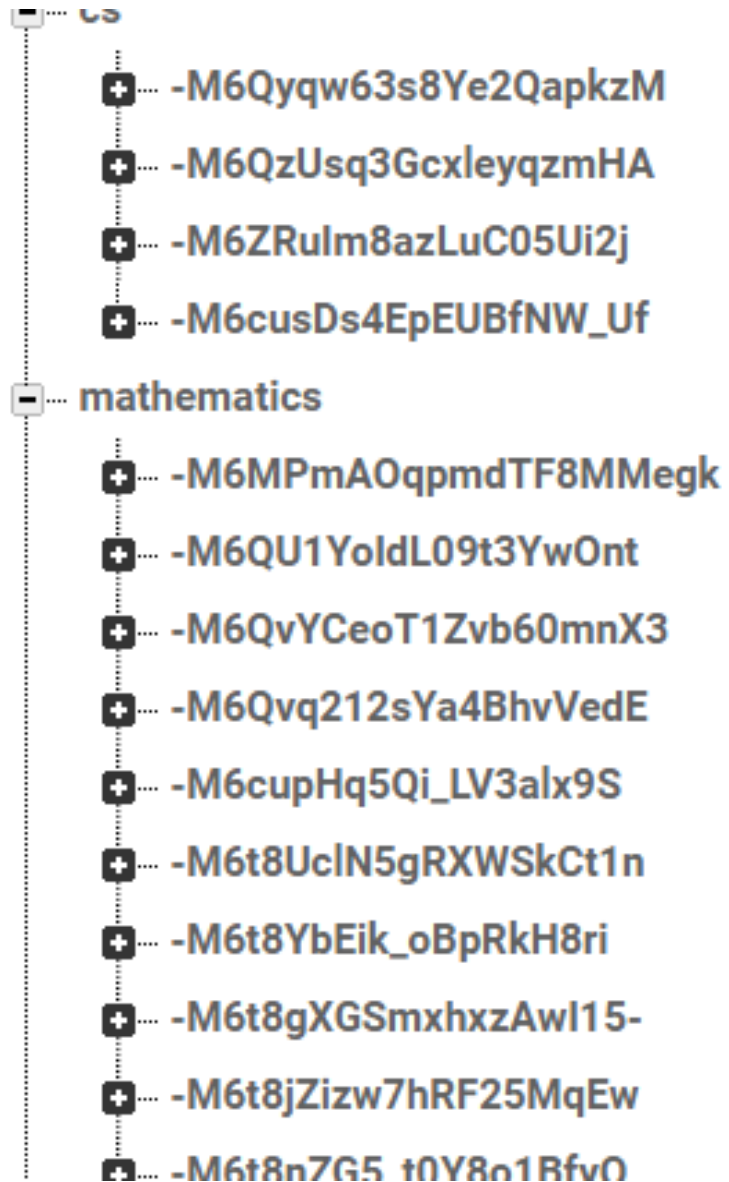
Firestore Database is a real time Database offered by Google.



It is very reactive and highly scalable.



Live data creation and modification can be seen here.



Persistent Message Store

See message database [here](#).

ENTER UNIQUE
USER NAME

anish

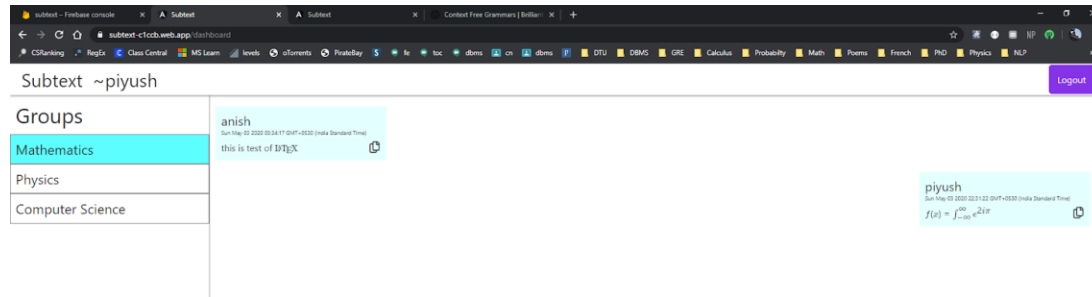
THE USERNAME HAS ALREADY BEEN TAKEN

ENTER UNIQUE
USER NAME

JOIN CHAT ROOM

Multiple User Support + Login/Logout Screen

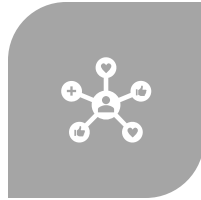
- See database live [here](#).



Future Scope – The Casual User



PERSISTEN USER
INFORMATION ON THE
DESKTOP USING COOKIES



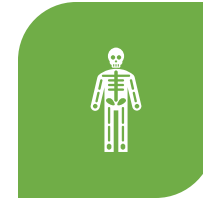
BUYING A DOMAIN NAME
LIKE SUBTEXT.COM OR
SUBTEXT.CHAT



GROUP CREATION AND
CHAT CREATION
FUNCTIONALITY



ADDING A ML/AI
KEYBOARD AGENT THAT
DETECTS AUTOMATICALLY
WHETHER A PERSON
WISHES TO TYPE
MARKDOWN OR LATEX
AND THEN
AUTOMATICALLY
SWITCHING TO THAT
CONTEXT



ADDING OTHER CONTEXTS
SUCH AS PICTURES, LIVE
CODE SNIPPETS, LISTS,
QUIZES, CALENDAR EVENTS
ETC.



ADDING EMAIL AND
OAUTH BASED
PERSISTENT USER AND
MESSAGE STORAGE



Future Scope – Businesses & Organizations

Future Scope - Organizations



Adding organizational capabilities and allowing organizations to create custom domain and create multiple internal teams with many groups.



An organization can register its individual name like *{abc}* and then access the domain like *abc.subtext.chat/group-name*



Inside a group, group owners will have the ability to create multiple channels for discussing and communicating on various issues and they will be able to do so individually in each channel using Markdown, LaTeX and all the other contexts that the application can automatically infer.



Future Scope - Organizations



For communicating inside a particular channel
they can use *{organization-
name}.subtext.com/{group}/{channel}*



And for chatting with an individual user they can
use *{organization-name}.subtext.com/user/{user-
name}*

- 
- Will be charged on a per user basis so larger organizations will be billed more as compared to smaller organizations.
 - The features required to make this production ready are feasible and minimum funding is required and with the support of DTU and the startup incubator and an additional good programmer it is very likely that the world's most powerful communication application may come out of DTU.
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Organizations - Revenue Model



Conclusion

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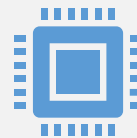
Users can express themselves better when they do not have to think what kind of messages they can or can't send.



They are able to better express themselves and additional markup languages such as Markdown and LaTeX draws professionals from many different backgrounds to make this application much more attractive.



Additional features such as Lists, Quizzes and Calendar events will further make this application lucrative to non-technical and non-industry specific persons.



All parsers and lexical analyzers are implemented on the client side code meaning that all transformations and rendering happens without calling the server and without need of internet.



Any Additional
Questions?

Important Links



[Subtext Repository](#)



[Subtext Deployed](#)



[Subtext Database](#) [Firebase]



[Author's LinkedIn Profile](#)



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Thank You :)