

# Glue Tool

- transpiles semantics specification to JS
- used in conjunction with Ohm-JS
- *cat transpiled grammar + transpiled JS semantics —> transpiler*
- use Ohm-JS to create a PEG parser for a mini-language for semantics transpiler (I call this the *glue* tool)
- “do 1 thing well”
  - simple spec —> JS code
- machine readable syntax allows for future extension via pipelining
  - ugly “human” syntax is ASCII to aid in alpha-level debugging

# Easy Automation

- use Left handles
  - every “statement” begins with a unique character
  - ugly to read (human)
  - easy to parse (automatically)
  - early BASIC used this principle
    - e.g. assignment begins with `LET` instead of an identifier — parser can easily tell “what is coming”
  - easy to eye-ball and debug
  - can replace with more human-readable syntax later, after it works
    - but, why bother?
    - transform from human-readable syntax to machine-readable syntax and leave it in machine-readable form for future automation