

COMP3012 - Compilers

Lab Session 1 - Exercises

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We start developing a Haskell interpreter for a simple language of Arithmetic Expressions. The formal grammar of the language is the following:

```
expr ::= int | expr + expr | expr - expr | expr * expr | expr / expr
      | - expr | ( expr )
```

1 Scanner

Write a scanner function that takes as input a string and, in the case that the string is a correct expression according to the grammar, produces a list of tokens:

```
scan :: String -> [Token]
```

where tokens are defined by the following data type:

```
data Token = IntLiteral Integer    -- Numbers
           | Oper Operator         -- Operators (no arity distinction)
           | OpenPar | ClosedPar   -- Parentheses
data Operator = Plus | Minus | Times | Divide
```

2 Parser

Write a parsing function that maps the list of tokens to an Abstract Syntax Tree:

```
parse :: [Token] -> AST
```

where the type of ASTs is defined as follows:

```
data AST = LitInteger Integer
         | BinOp BinOperator AST AST
         | UnOp  UnOperator AST
data BinOperator = Addition | Subtraction | Multiplication | Division
data UnOperator  = Negation
```

3 Evaluator

Write an evaluation function that calculates the value of an AST:

```
evaluate :: AST -> Integer
```

You can then put the three components together to produce an interpreter:

```
eval :: String -> Int
```

4 Extension

Extend your interpreter by adding a new binary operator `%` for the remainder of the division, and unary operator `abs` for the absolute value of an expression.