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# **VDM-10 Language Manual**

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# **Chapter 1**

## **Introduction**



## 1.1 Syntax

The syntax is divided into a number of sections:

**Packages** This section allowed the default packages to be defined for base and analysis:

```
base org.overture.ast.node;
analysis org.overture.ast.analysis;
```

**Tokens** This section defined tokens as tokens coming from a parser which uses the Token or external field types either as:

- **Standard Java Types** such as Integer, Boolean, Long, Char, ...
- **External classes** where the interface ExternalNode is implemented. This provides the AST which the ability to clone the node.
- **External defined Node** where such a node extends Node like any other node of the tree. Implementing all analysis and enumerations according to the tree standard.
- **External enum** This is like the standard Java type where the type given is a Java enum.

```
bool = 'bool';
java_Integer = 'java:java.lang.Integer';

location = 'java:org.overturetool.vdmj.lex.LexLocation';
LexToken = 'java:node:org.overturetool.vdmj.lex.LexToken';
nameScope = 'java:enum:org.overturetool.vdmj.typechecker.NameScope';
```

**Abstract Syntax Tree** This section describes the actual tree. Names at the top level are considered roots and # are considered sub roots and must be both specified as a root and a child of one or the main roots like exp in this case. Fields can be specified using

where the name is giving between the brackets and the type after the colon. A field can also be specified with ( ) which creates a field in the same style but it will not have its parent set when added, this is called a graph field. For the type naming see section ??.

```
exp {-> package='org.overture.ast.expressions'}
=    {apply} [root]:exp [args]:exp* [argtypes]:type* (recursive):definition
|    #Unary
;

#Unary {-> package='org.overture.ast.expressions'}
=    {absolute}
|    {head}
|    {mapInverse} (mapType):type.#Map
;
```

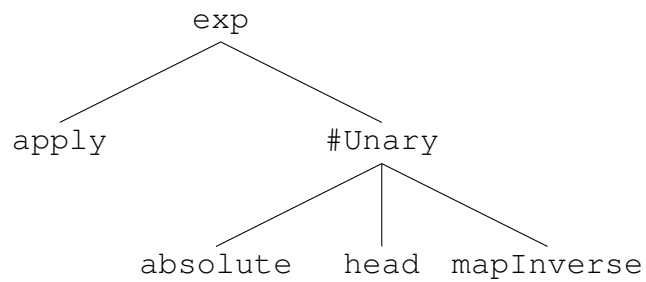


Figure 1.1: AST Example.

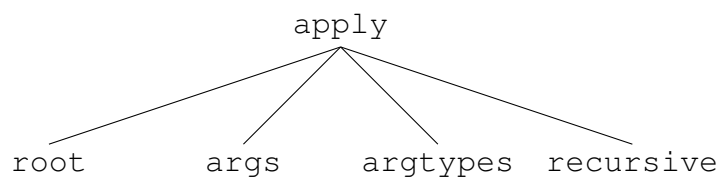


Figure 1.2: Field example for apply.

The above example will generate a tree like:

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```
%exp = [type]:type [location]:location
;
```

### 1.1.1 Hierarchy

### 1.1.2 Referencing

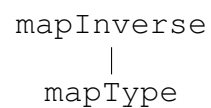


Figure 1.3: Field example for mapInverse.

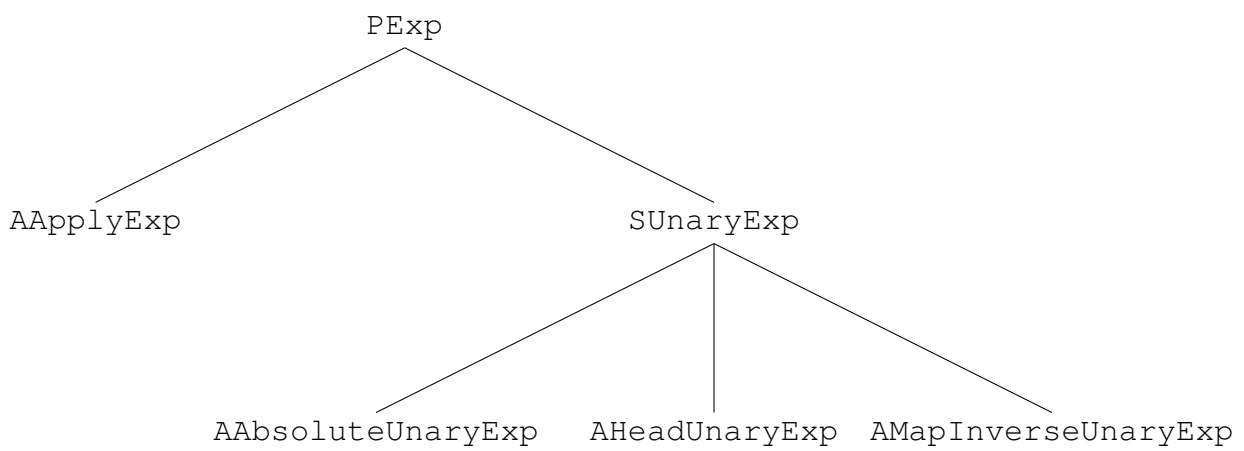


Figure 1.4: AST Example with generated names.