

SICPy §1

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A SICPy¹ program is a *module*, defined using Backus-Naur Form² as follows:

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<i>module</i>	::=	<i>statement</i> ...	statement sequence
<i>statement</i>	::=	<i>name</i> = <i>expression</i> <i>function</i> <u>return</u> <i>expression</i> <i>if-statement</i> <i>expression</i>	assignment statement function declaration return statement conditional statement expression statement
<i>function</i>	::=	<u>def</u> <i>name</i> (<i>parameters</i>) : <i>statement</i> ...	function declaration
<i>parameters</i>	::=	ε <i>name</i> [, <i>name</i>] ...	function parameters
<i>if-statement</i>	::=	<u>if</u> <i>expression</i> : <i>statement</i> ... [[<u>elif</u> <i>expression</i> : <i>statement</i> ...] ... <u>else</u> : <i>statement</i> ...]	conditional statement
<i>expression</i>	::=	<i>number</i> <u>True</u> <u>False</u> <i>string</i> <i>name</i> <i>expression</i> <i>binary-operator</i> <i>expression</i> <i>unary-operator</i> <i>expression</i> <i>expression</i> (<i>expressions</i>) <u>lambda</u> <i>name</i> [, <i>name</i>] ... : <i>expression</i> <i>expression</i> <u>if</u> <i>expression</i> <u>else</u> <i>expression</i> (<i>expression</i>)	primitive number expression primitive boolean expression primitive string expression name expression binary operator combination unary operator combination function application lambda expression conditional expression parenthesised expression
<i>binary-operator</i>	::=	+ - * / % == > < >= <= and or	
<i>unary-operator</i>	::=	not + -	
<i>expressions</i>	::=	ε <i>expression</i> [, <i>expression</i>] ...	argument expressions

¹SICPy is an adaptation of Source - the official language of the textbook Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs, JavaScript Adaptation.

²We adopt Henry Ledgard's BNF variant that he described in A human engineered variant of BNF, ACM SIGPLAN Notices, Volume 15 Issue 10, October 1980, Pages 57-62. In our grammars, we bold and underline keywords, [] for optional syntaxes, italics for syntactic variables, ε for nothing, *x|y* for *x* or *y*, and *x...* for zero or more repetitions of *x*.