Sulfur Language

Eliminates whitespace and shortens your code length

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Lexer

Each capital letter has its own meaning and usage. Symbols usage is relatively similar to Java. Variables must be lowercase and can contain underscores and numbers. The lexer uses a combination of a hashmap and regular expressions.

```
public enum TokenType {
    // Single alpha character tokens.
    ASSIGN('A'), BOOLEAN_T('B'), CHARACTER_T('C'), DOUBLE_T('D'), ELSE('E'), FUNCTION('F'), FLOAT_T('G'), H_UNUSED('H'), IF('I'), JUMP_OUT('J'),
    KONTINUE('K'), LONG_T('L'), MONOLOGUE('M'), INTEGER_T('N'), OBJECT_T('O'), PRINT('P'), QUIT('Q'), RETURN('R'), STRING_T('S'), TRUE('T'), UNTRUE('U'),
    VALUE('V'), WHILE('W'), EXECUTE('X'), YET('Y'), ZENITH('Z'),

    // Symbol tokens
    NOT('!'), AND('&'), OR('|'), MODULUS('%'), ADD('+'), SUB('-'), MULTIPLY('*'), DIVIDE('/'), EQUALITY('='), LESS_THAN('<'), GREATER_THAN('>'),
    LEFT_PAREN('('), RIGHT_PAREN(')'), LEFT_BRACKET('['), RIGHT_BRACKET(']'), LEFT_BRACE('{'), RIGHT_BRACE('}'),
    SEPARATOR(','), PROPERTY_ACCESSOR('~'),

    // Two-char symbols
    LT_EQ, GT_EQ, NOT_EQ,

    // Data Types
    BOOLEAN, CHARACTER('\''), DOUBLE, FLOAT, LONG, INTEGER, STRING('"'),

    // Special
    NUMBER, IDENTIFIER, EOF;
```

Symbols used by the language

Data Type Tokens:

B: Boolean
C: Character
D: Double
G: Float
L: Long
N: Integer
O: Object (WIP)
S: String
T: True / U: Untrue

Control Flow Tokens:

I: If
E: Else
W: While
J: Jump out (break)
K: Kontinue
F: Function
R: Return
Y: Yield ({)
Z Zenith (})
Q: Quit

Other Tokens:

A Assign (=)
M Monologue (comment)
P Print
V Value (used with assignments)

```
program         → block

block           → statement+

statement       → assignment | while | if | function_call | print | array_func_call | return | break | continue | quit

assignment      → ("A" IDENTIFIER TYPE ("[]")? "V" comparison1) | function_def

function_def    → "A" IDENTIFIER "F" TYPE? "V(" (TYPE IDENTIFIER)? ("," TYPE IDENTIFIER)* ")Y" block "Z"

while           → "W" comparison1 "Y" block "Z"

if              → "I" comparison1 "Y" block "Z" ("E" (if | "Y" block "Z"))?

function_call   → IDENTIFIER "(" (comparison1)? ("," comparison1)* ")"

array_func_call→ IDENTIFIER "~" IDENTIFIER "(" (comparison1)? ("," comparison1)* ")"

print           → "P(" (comparison1)? ("," comparison1)* ")"

return          → "R" comparison1
break           → "J"
continue        → "K"
quit            → "Q"
```

Grammar Part 1

Grammar Part 2

```
comparison1     → comparison2 ( "|" comparison2 )*

comparison2     → comparison3 ( "&" comparison3 )*

comparison3     → term ( ( "<" | ">" | "<=" | ">="  | "=" | "!=" ) term )*

term            → factor ( ( "-" | "+" ) factor )* ;

factor          → unary ( ( "/" | "*" | "%") unary )* ;

unary           → ("-" | "+" | "!") unary | primary ;

primary         → NUMBER | IDENTIFIER | function_call | array_func_call | "( cast_type )" | "(" expression ")" ;
```

Examples

Sulfur Code	Meaning
A num NV 42 * 2	Assign value (42*2) to integer variable ‘num’
A div_2 FNV (N x) Y R x/2 Z A div_2 FNV (N x) Y R x/2 Z Adiv_2FNV(Nx)YRx/2Z	Assign the function variable ‘div_2’ the value: a function with integer parameter ‘x’ that returns an integer, ‘x/2’
W num>5 Y A num NV div_2(num) Z	While num>5 divide it by 2
I num=3 Y P(“tree”) Z EI num=2 Y P(“dos”) Z E Y P(num) Z	If num is 3, print “tree”, else if num is 2, print “dos”, otherwise print num’s value
A list D[]V {42.0, 3.14}	Create an arraylist with 2 initial double values
P(list~get(1))	Use the property accessor (~) to call an arraylist function

Parser

```
private Expr.StatementBlock block() {
    ArrayList<Expr> statements = new ArrayList<Expr>();
    Expr.StatementBlock block = new Expr.StatementBlock(statements);

    while(current < tokens.size()) {
        if(match(TokenType.ASSIGN)) {
            statements.add(assignment());
        } else if(match(TokenType.WHILE)) {
            statements.add(whileStmt());
        } else if(match(TokenType.IF)) {
            statements.add(ifStmt());
        } else if(match(TokenType.IDENTIFIER, TokenType.PRINT)) {
            if(peek().type == TokenType.PROPERTY_ACCESSOR)
                statements.add(arrayFunctionCall());
            else
                statements.add(funcCall());
        } else if(match(TokenType.RETURN)) {
            statements.add(new Expr.ReturnStmt(comparison1()));
        } else if(match(TokenType.JUMP_OUT, TokenType.KONTINUE, TokenType.QUIT)) {
            statements.add(new Expr.FlowControlStmt(previous()));
        } else {
            break;
        }
    }
    return block;
}
```

Interpreter

- Like always, written in Java
- Starts at root expression and evaluates all sub trees
- Each expression type has its own evaluation function
- Can throw errors due to wrong types, undefined variables, misused break/continue statements etc.

Live Demo

Questions?