Language Specification

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1 Basic Types

1.1 Identifier

1.2 Numeric Literal

Numeric literals can be expressed in two ways:

1) **Decimal:** Decimal literals are expressed as base 10 integers. Formally:

2) **Double:** Double literals are expressed in base 10 and must contain a decimal. Formally:

1.3 Identifier

A variable/function name, or identifier, takes the form:

```
$LETTER (LETTER | '0'...'9')*;$
```

\$LETTER\$ is defined as:
$$('\ ') - (A'...'Z' - A'...'z' - A'...'z')$$

The placeholder ¡id¿ is used to indicate an identifier.

2 Functions

This language supports function definitions and calls that are non-recursive and in the same file. Function definitions are of the form:

```
<type> <id>(<params>) {
}
```

Where ¡params¿ is a comma separated list of ¡type¿ ¡id¿ declarations. For example:

```
int foo(int a, double b, int c) {
}
```

Functions do not need to be declared above where they are used. The file has a comprehensive function namespace.

Recursive and mutually recursive functions are not allowed. The graph of function calls with main as the root node must form a directed acyclic graph (DAG).

3 Expressions

3.1 Expressions

An expression can be an identifier, a literal, or a binary expression. Binary expressions take the form:

```
(\langle id \rangle | \langle literal \rangle) < op \rangle (\langle id \rangle | \langle literal \rangle)
```

3.2 Assignment Expressions

We support assignments of the form:

```
<id> = <expression >;
 <id> += <expression >;
 <id> -= <expression >;
 <id> *= <expression >;
 <id> /= <expression >;
```

Expressions of this form will be referred to with the placeholder:

```
<assignment>
```

4 Control Flow

4.1 For

```
for (<assignment>; <expression>; <assignment>) {
}
4.2 While
while (<expression>) {
}
4.3 If
If statements
if (<expression>) {
}
    If statements can also contain an else clause (but no elseif clauses)
if (<expression>) {
} else {
}
```