

IB Extended Essay
Computer Science HL:
An Implementation of Scheme Interpreter (R⁵RS*)

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*Revised⁵ Report on the Algorithmic Language Scheme

Abstract

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The main theme of this essay was the practice of compiler theories and lisp functional programming study. The essay records my journal about how I implemented a Scheme programming language interpreter in Ruby¹.

I tried to program the project with two times of reconstructions before the final version is done.

¹Ruby programming language, <http://ruby-lang.org>

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1 Introduction

The final work of the project consists an untested pre-complete Scheme interpreter with the following features:

- Basic types & literals: boolean, character, string, symbol, cons, vector, procedure, macro
- User defined closures
- User defined macros, both Scheme & Common Lisp styled, optionally unhygienic
- R⁵RS standard library functions

Currently the following R⁵RS features aren't implemented:

- Input/output ports
- Continuations
- Tail recursion optimization

The project is open-sourced under *The MIT License*, and the source code is hosted on github: <https://github.com/shouya/revo>

Hello, this is a test.

And test for math formula:

$$\int_0^1 f(t)e^{-2i\pi kt}$$

And inlines: $\phi = \frac{\sqrt{5}\pm 1}{2}$

Test foot²note.

underline is good, either *italic* and *emphasis*.

try **verbt**exts

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²this is a footnote.