



## Athanor Language

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# **Summary**

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This document describes the Athanor language.

# Computer Alchemy: Athanor

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The Athanor language borrows many concepts from many other languages, mainly C++ and Python. It is therefore quite straightforward to learn for someone with a basic knowledge of these languages.

## Some elements of language

An Athanor program contains variable declarations, function declarations and frames (or classes) declarations. A variable can be declared anywhere at any place, the same applies to functions, to the exception of loops.

### ► Comments

Comments for a line are introduced anywhere with a `//`.

```
//This is a comments
```

Comments for a bloc of lines are inserted into: `/@...@/`

```
/@
This is...
a bloc of comments.
@/
```

### ► Function

A function is declared with the keyword *function*, a name and some parameters.

### ► Frame

A frame is declared with the keyword *frame*, followed with a name. A sub-frame is simply declared as a frame within a frame.

### ► function and frame pre-declarations

The pre-declarations of functions and frames is not necessary in Athanor, since the interpreter first loops into the code to detect all functions and frames and declares them beforehand.

Hence:

```
//We call call2 from with call1
function call1(int x, int y) {
    call2(x,y);
}

//call2 is declared after call1
```

```
function call2(int x,int y) {  
    println(x,y);  
}
```

is a perfect licit code.

## System Functions

### ► Exit: `_exit()`

This function is used to exit definitely from a program.

### ► Error on key: `_erroronkey(bool)`

By default, any attempt to access a value in a map with an unknown key *does not raise an exception*. The function: `_erroronkey(bool)`, which should be placed at the very beginning of your code modifies this behavior.

### ► Stack Size: `_setstacksize(size)`

The stack size is initially set to 1000 functions calls. You can modify this value with this function. However, if your stack size is too large, then your program might crash as it could become larger than the actual stack size of your system.

### ► Number of threads: `_setthreadlimit(nb)`

The number of actual threads that can run in parallel is initially set to 1000 on Windows and 500 on other systems. You can modify this value to increase the number of threads that can run in parallel.

### ► Valid features: `_setvalidfeatures(mapss features)`

This method is used to put some constraints on the valid features that can be used both for *synodes* and *dependencies*.

See the *synode*, *dependency* section for more details.

### ► Number of threads to be joined together: `_setjoinedlimit(nb)`

By default up to 256 threads can be “joined” together. You can modify this number with this function.

### ► Initial environment variables: `_setenv(varname,value)`

It is possible to set environment variables at launch time with this function.

### ► Athanor version: `_version()`

Returns a string with version information about Athanor.

### ► **Mirror display: `_mirrordisplay(bool)`**

This function is used to set the mirror display from within a GUI. When it is activated “print” displays values both on the GUI output and the command window output.

## **Passing arguments to an Athanor program**

When an Athanor program is called with a list of arguments, each of these arguments becomes available to the Athanor program through three specific systems variables: `_args`, `_current` and `_paths`.

### **Example:**

```
atan myprogram c:\test\mytext.txt
```

### ► **`_args`: Argument vector**

Athanor provides a specific variable: “`_args`”, which is actually a string vector in which each argument is stored according to its position in the declaration list.

### **Example (from the call above):**

```
file f;  
f.openread(_args[0]);
```

### ► **`_paths`, `_current`: Path management**

*Athanor* provides a second vector variable: `_paths`, which stores the pathnames of the different *Athanor* programs, which have been loaded.

```
//Displaying all paths loaded in memory  
iterator it=_paths;  
  
for (it.begin();it.nend();it.next())  
    print("Loaded: ",it.value(),"\n");
```

### **Important**

The first element of this vector: `_paths[0]` stores the current directory pathname. `_paths[1]` stores the path of the current program file.

### **`_current`**

`_current` is another interesting variable that stores the path of the program file that is currently being run. The path stored in `_current` always finishes with a final separator. Actually, `_current` points to the same path as `_paths[1]`.

► **\_endl: Carriage return**

Windows and Unix do not use exactly the same carriage return, as on Windows, a carriage return is usually two characters long: “\r\n”.

`_endl` returns the proper carriage return according to the platform value.

► **\_sep : Separator in pathnames**

Unix-based systems and Windows use different separators in pathnames, between directory names. Unix requires a “/” while Windows requires a “\”.

Athanor provides a specific variable: `_sep`, which returns the right separator according to your system.

## Console

Athanor provides a default console, which can be used to load and edit any programs. The console can be used to test small pieces of code or to check the values at the end of an execution.

You can also execute a program in a debug mode, which then displays the content of the stack and of the variables at each step in your program.

To launch the console, run Athanor with: `-console`.



# Basic Types

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Athamor requires all items to be declared with a specific type. Types are either predefined or user-defined as a frame.

## Predefined types

Athamor proposes some very basic types:

### ► Basic Objects:

**self, string, int, decimal, float, long, bit, short, fraction, bool, date, time, call**

### ► Containers:

**vector, map, imatrix, fmatrix, file, iterator**

### ► function

A function is declared anywhere in the code, using the keyword *function*.

### ► frame

A *frame* is a user defined type which is very similar to a class in other languages. A *frame* contains as many variables or function definitions as necessary.

### ► Variable Declaration

A variable is declared as in many language by giving first the type of the variable, then a list of variable names, separated by commas and ending with a “,”.

#### Example:

```
//each variable can be individually instantiated in the list
int i,j,k=10;
string s1="s1",s2="s2";
```

#### private type name;

A variable can be declared as *private*, which forbids its access from external sources.

#### Example

```
private test toto;
```

# First Program

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Since an example is better than a hundred lines of explanation, here is a small program, which simply displays the content of a string

```
//declaration
string s;
int i;

//Instantiation
s="abcd";
i=100;
//Display
print("S=",s," I=",i,"\n");
```

## Execution

S=abcd I=100

## function, autorun, thread

---

A function is declared with the keyword *function*, followed with its name and parameters. A value can be returned with the keyword *return*. *Parameters are always sent as values except if the type is self*. It should be noted that a function does not provide any types for its return value.

### ► Enforcing Return Type

A function can impose a return type which is evaluated on the fly when a value is returned... The return type is declared after the argument lists with an "=":

```
function toto(int i) = int {
    i+=10;
    return(i);
}
```

We impose for instance that this function return an "int".

### ► autorun

An *autorun* function is automatically launched after its declaration. Autorun functions are only executed in the main file. If you have autorun functions in a file which is called from within another file, then these functions are not executed.

Note: *autorun* are useless in frames.

#### Example

```
autorun waitonred() {
    println("Loading:",_paths[1]);
}
```

### ► thread

When a *thread* function is launched, it is executed into an independent system thread.

#### Example:

```
thread toto(int i) {
    i+=10;
    return(i);
}

int j=toto(10);
print("J="+j+"\n");
```

### Execution:

J=20

#### ► protected thread

“*protected*” prevents two threads to access the same lines of code at the same time.

A *protected* thread sets a *lock* (see below) at the beginning of its launch, which is released once the function is executed. Thus, different calls to a protected function will be done in a sequence and not at the same time. *Protected* should be used for code that is not *reentrant*.

### Example

```
//We implement a synchronized thread
protected thread launch(string n,int m) {
    int i;
    println(n);
    //we display all our values
    for (i=0;i<m;i++)
        print(i, " ");
    println();
}

function principal() {
    //we launch our thread
    launch("Premier",2);
    launch("Second",4);
    println("End");
}

principal();
```

### run:

```
End
Premier
0 1
Second
0 1 2
```

#### ► exclusive thread

*Exclusive* is very similar to *protected*, with one difference. In the case of *protected*, the protection is at the method level, while with *exclusive* it is at the *frame* level. In this sense, *exclusive* works exactly as *synchronized* in Java.

In the case of a *protected* function, only one thread can have access to this *method* at a time, while if a method is *exclusive*, only one thread can have access to the *frame object* at a time, which means that different threads can execute the same method if this method is executed within different instances.

In other words, in a *protected* thread, we use a lock that belongs to the method, while in an *exclusive* thread, we use a lock that belongs to the frame instance.

```
exclusive thread framemethod(..) { lock(instanceid)...}
protected thread method(...) {lock(methodid)...}
```

## Example

```
//This frame exposes two methods
frame disp {

    //exclusive
    exclusive thread edisplay(string s) {
        println("Exclusive:",s);
    }

    //protected
    protected thread pdisplay(string s) {
        println("Protected:",s);
    }
}

//We also implement a task frame
frame task {
    string s;
    //with a specific "disp" instance
    disp cx;

    function _initial(string x) {
        s=x;
    }

    //Then we propose three methods
    //We call our local instance with protected
    function pdisplay() {
        cx.pdisplay(s);
    }

    //We call our local instance with exclusive
    function edisplay() {
        cx.edisplay(s);
    }

    //we call the global instance with exclusive
    function display(disp c) {
        c.edisplay(s);
    }
}

//the common instance
disp c;
vector v;
int i;
string s="T";
for (i=0;i<100;i++) {
    s="T"+i;
    task t(s);
    v.push(t);
}
```

```
//In this case, the display will be ordered as protected is not reentrant
//only one pdisplay can run at a time
for (i=0;i<100;i++)
    v[i].pdisplay();

//In this case, the display will be a mix of all edisplay working in parallel
//since, exclusive only protects methods within one instance, and we have different
//instances in this case...
for (i=0;i<100;i++)
    v[i].edisplay();

//In this last case, we have one single common object "disp" shared by all "task"
//The display will be again ordered as with protected, since this time we run into the same
// "c disp" instance.
for (i=0;i<100;i++)
    v[i].display(c);
```

### ► joined and waitonjoined

A thread can be declared as *joined*, if the main thread is supposed to wait for the completion of all the threads that were launched before completing its own code, you can use `waitonjoined()` which will then wait for these threads to finish.

You can use as many `waitonjoined()` as necessary in different threads. `waitonjoined` only waits on “*joined threads*” that were launched within a given thread.

### ► Stream Operator '<<<'

When you launch a thread, the result of that thread cannot be directly stored in a variable with the operator “=”, since a thread lives its own life without any links to the calling code. ATANOR provides a specific operator for this task: <<<, also called the stream operator. A stream is a variable which is connected to the thread in such a way that the values returned by the thread can be stored within that variable. Of course, the variable must be exists independently of the thread.

#### Example

```
//we create a thread as a "join" thread, in order to be able to use waitonjoined.
//This thread simply returns 2xi
joined thread Test(int i) {
    return(i*2);
}

//Our launch function, which will launch 10 threads
function launch() {
    //we first declare within this function our map storage variable
    treemap m;
    int i=0;
    //we then launch 10 threads, and we store the result of each into m at a specific position
    for (i in <0,10,1>)
        m[i]<<<Test(i);

    //we wait for all threads to finish
    waitonjoined();
}
```

```

    //we display our final value:
    println(m); //{0:0,1:2,2:4,3:6,4:8,5:10,6:12,7:14,8:16,9:18}
}

launch();

```

## Multiple definitions

Athamor allows for multiple definitions of functions sharing the same name, however differing in their parameter definition. For instance, one can implement a *display(string s)* and a *display(int s)*.

In this case, when more than one function is implemented sharing the same name, the argument control is much stricter than with one single implementation as the system will try to find, which function is the most suitable according to the argument list of the function call. Thus, the mechanism through which arguments are translated into a value suitable for a function parameter is no longer available.

### Example:

```

function testmultipledeclaration(string s, string v) {
    println("String:",s,v);
}

function testmultipledeclaration(int s, int v) {
    println("Int:",s,v);
}

//we declare our variables
int i;
int j;
string s1="s1";
string s2="s2";

//In this case, the system will choose the right function according to its argument list...
testmultipledeclaration(s1,s2); //the string implementation
testmultipledeclaration(i,j); //the integer implementation

```

## Default Arguments

Athamor supplies a mechanism to declare default arguments in a function. You can define for instance a value for a parameter, which then can be omitted from the call.

```

function acall(int x, int y=12, int z=30, int u=43) {
    println(x+y+z+u);
}

acall(10,5); //the result is: 88= 10+5+30+43

```

Note: *Only the last parameters in a declaration list can be optional.*

## Specific flags: private & strict

Functions can also be declared with two specific flags that are inserted before the *function* keyword: *private* and *strict*.

### Note:

If you wish to use both flags in the same definition, *private* should precede *strict*.

### ► private [function | thread | autorun | polynomial]

When a function is declared *private*, then it cannot be seen from outside the current Athanor file. If an Athanor program is loaded from within another Athanor program, *private* functions are unreachable from the loader.

### ► Example:

```
//This function is invisible from external loaders...
private function toto(int i) {
    i+=10;
    return(i);
}
```

### ► strict [function | thread | polynomial]

By default, when a function is declared in Athanor, the language tries to convert each argument from the calling function into the parameters expected by the function implementation. However, this mechanism might be a bit too loose in certain cases when a stricter parameter checking is required. The *strict* flag helps solve this problem, since any function declared with this flag will demand strict parameter control.

### Example:

```
strict function teststrictdeclaration(int s, int v) {
    println("Int:",s,v);
}
```

```
//we declare our variables
string s1="s1";
string s2="s2";
```

```
//In this case, the system will fail to find the right function for these parameters and will return
an error message...
```

```
teststrictdeclaration(s1,s2); //No string implementation
```



# Frame

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A frame is a class description which is used to declare complex data structures together with functions.

- Member variables can be instantiated within the frame.
- A method *\_initial* can be declared, which will be automatically called for each new instance of this frame.
- A sub-frame is declared into the frame body. It automatically inherits the methods and variables from the top frame.
- Redefinition of a function is possible within a sub-frame.
- Private functions and variables can also be declared within a frame.

## ► Example

```
frame myframe {
    int i=10;           //every new frame will instantiate i with 10
    string s="initial";

    function display() {
        print("IN MYFRAME:"+s+"\n");
    }
    frame mysubframe {
        function display() {
            print("IN MYSUBFRAME:"+s+"\n");
        }
    }
}
```

## Using a frame

A frame object is declared with the name of its frame as a type.

## ► Example

```
myframe first; //we create a first instance
mysubframe subfirst; //create a sub-frame instance

//We can recreate a new instance
first=myframe; //equivalent to "new myframe" in C++ or in Java

//To run a frame's function
myframe.display();
```

## *\_initial* function

A creator function can be associated to a frame. This function is automatically called when a new instance of that frame is created.

## ► Example

```
frame myframe {
    int i=10;           //every new frame will instantiate i with 10
    string s="initial";
```

```

        function _initial(int ij) {
            i=ij;
        }

        function display() {
            print("IN MYFRAME:"+s+"\n");
        }
    }

```

// A new instance of myframe is created:  
 myframe second(10); //the parameters are then passed to the \_initial function as in C++

## **\_final function**

The *\_final* function is called whenever a frame object is deleted. Usually, an object which is declared in a function or in a loop is deleted once this function or this loop ends.

### **Important**

- This function has no parameters.
- A call to that function *does not delete the object*.
- The content of this function cannot be debugged as it is called from within the destructor, *independently from the rest of the code*.

### ► **Example**

```

frame myframe {
    int i=10;           //every new frame will instantiate i with 10
    string s="initial";

    function _initial(int ij) {
        i=ij;
    }

    function _final() {
        print("IN MYFRAME:"+s+"\n");
    }
}

int i=10;
while (i>=0) {
    // A new instance of myframe is created:
    //At the end of each iteration the _final function will be called
    myframe item(i);
    i--;
}

```

## **Initialization Order**

When items are declared within a frame, the call to the *\_initial* function is done from the TOP down to its children.

Furthermore, if an item within a frame F is instantiated within the *\_initial* function of that frame F, then this declaration takes precedence to any other declarations.

### Example

```
//We declare two frames
frame within {
    int i;

    //with a specific constructor function
    function _initial(int j) {
        i=j*2;
        println("within _initial",i);
    }
}

//This frame declares a specific "within" frame
frame test {
    int i;
    //In this case, we declare a specific frame, whose declaration depends on the variable i
    within w(i);

    //Our function _initial for that frame...
    function _initial(int k) {
        i=k;
        println("test _initial",k);
    }
}

//we create a test instance: t1 with as initial value: 20
test t1(20);
```

### Execution

The execution yields the following result:

```
test _initial 20
within _initial 40
```

As we can see on this example, the *\_initial* function from *test* was executed first. The call to *\_initial* in *within*, was done after the execution, enabling the system to take advantage from the value of "i", which was declared in the frame description.

However, if one wants to initialize a *frame* element with a much more complex arrangement, it is possible to create the value from within the *\_initial* function. In that case, any other declaration is useless.

### Example

```
//This frame declares a specific "within" frame
frame test {
    int i;
    //In this case, we declare a specific frame, whose declaration depends on the variable i
    within w(i);
```

```

//Our function _initial for that frame...
function _initial(int k) {
    i=k;
    //we replace the previous description with a new one
    //this declaration subsumes the other one above
    w=within(100);
    println("test _initial",k);
}

//we create a test instance: t1 with as initial value: 20
test t1(20);

```

### Execution

The execution yields the following result:

```

test _initial 20
within _initial 200

```

As we can see on this example, the explicit initialization of “w” in *\_initial* replaces the declaration “*within w(i);*”, which becomes redundant.

### ► Creation within the constructor

We have seen that it was possible to create a frame element by either declaring its initialization directly into the frame field list or within the constructor itself. When the frame element construction is made in the constructor, a simple declaration suffices; any other declaration would be redundant.

### Example:

```

//This frame declares a specific "within" frame
frame test {
    int i;
    //In this case, we postpone the actual creation of the element to the constructor: _initial
    within w;

    //Our function _initial for that frame...
    function _initial(int k) {
        i=k;
        //we replace the previous description with a new one
        w=within(100);
        println("test _initial",k);
    }
}

//we create a test instance: t1 with as initial value: 20
test t1(20);

```

### Important

If constructor parameters are required for “w”, and no creation of that element “w” is done in the constructor, then Athanor will yield an error about missing parameters.

## Common variables

Athamor provides a very simple way to declare class variables. A class variable is a variable, whose value is shared across all instances of a given frame.

### Example

```
frame myframe {
  common int i; //every frame will have access to the same common instance of that variable.
}

myframe t1;
myframe t2;
t1.i=10;
t2.i=15;
println(t1.i,t2.i); //display for both variables : 15 15
```

## Private functions and members

Certain functions or variables can be declared as *private* in a frame. A *private* function or a *private* variable can only be accessed from within the frame.

### Example

```
frame myframe {
  int i=10; //every new frame will instantiate i with 10
  //private variable
  private string s="initial";

  function _initial(int ij) {
    i=ij;
  }

  //private function
  private function modify(int x) {
    i=x;
    s="Modified with:"+x; //you can modify "s" here
  }

  function display() {
    modify(1000); //you can call "modify" here
    print("IN MYFRAME:"+s+"\n");
  }
}

myframe test;

//Illegal instructions on private frame members...
test.modify(100); //this instruction is illegal as "modify" is private
println(test.s); //this instruction is illegal as "s" is private
```

## Sub-framing or enriching a frame

Athamor enables the programmer to enrich or *sub-frame* an existing frame. A frame description can be implemented in a few steps. For instance, one can start a first description, then decides to enrich it later in the program.

### ► Enriching

```
//We start with a limited definition of a frame...
frame myframe {
    int i=10;      //every new frame will instantiate i with 10
}

//We add some code here after...
...

//Then we enrich this frame with some more code
//All we need is to use the same frame instruction as above, adding some new stuff

frame myframe {
    function display() {
        println(i);
    }
}
```

### ► Function pre-declaration

Functions can also be pre-declared, and their body can then be defined later.

```
//We start with a limited definition of a frame...
frame myframe {
    int i=10;      //every new frame will instantiate i with 10

    function display(); //we prepare a display function implementation
}

//We add some code here after...
...

//Then we enrich this frame with some more codes
//All we need is to use the same frame instruction as above, adding some new stuff

frame myframe {
    function display() { //We actually implement it...
        println(i);
    }
}
```

This is especially useful, if you want two frames to use methods from each other.

Note: It is very important that the order in which functions are pre-declared reflect their actual declaration later on. In other words, if you declare two functions with the same name, then the order in which these two functions will be declared should be the same as for their pre-declaration.

## Example

```

frame myframe {

    //we pre-declare two versions of recall
    function recall(int k);
    function recall(string v);

    function lcall(int i) {
        //We call the first one with an integer
        int v=recall(i);
        println(v);
        //the other one with a string
        string u=recall("Recall:");
        println(u);
    }
}

frame myframe {
    //The bodies are declared here...
    //THEY ARE declared in the same order as their pre-declaration.
    //First the integer
    function recall(int i) {
        return(i*4);
    }

    //Then the string
    function recall(string s) {
        return(s+"test");
    }
}

```

### ► Sub-frames

```

...

//If we want to add some sub-frames...
frame myframe {
    //We can now add our sub-frame...
    frame subframe {...}
}

```

### ► Using upper definition: frame::function

If you need to use the definition of the parent frame, instead of the current thread, Athanor provides a mechanism, which is very similar to other languages such as C++ or Java. The function name must be preceded with the frame name together with “::”.

## Example

```

//Calling subframes...

//We define a test frame, in which we define a subtest frame
frame test {
    int i;

```

```

function _initial(int k) {
    i=k;
}

function display() {
    println("In test",i);
}

frame subtest {
    string x;

    function display() {
        println("In subtest",i);
        test::display();//will call the other display definition from test
    }
}

//We create two objects
test t(1);
subtest st(2);

//We then call the different methods
t.display(); //display:"In test,1"
st.display();//display:"In subtest,2" and "In test,2"
st.test::display(); //display "In test,2"

```

## Comparison functions

Athamor also provides a way to help define specific comparison functions between different frame elements. These functions have a specific name, even though they will be triggered by the following operators:

">", "<", "==", "!=", "<=", ">=".

Each function has one single parameter which is compared with the current element.

Below is a list of these functions:

- |                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. equal:          | function ==(frame b); |
| 2. different:      | function !=(frame b); |
| 3. inferior:       | function <(frame b);  |
| 4. superior:       | function >(frame b);  |
| 5. inferior equal: | function <=(frame b); |
| 6. superior equal: | function >=(frame b); |

Each of these functions should return *true* or *false* according to their test.

### Example:

```

//implementation of a comparison operator in a frame
frame comp {
    int k;
    //we implement the inferior operator
    function <(autre b) {
        if (k<b)
            return(true);
        return(false);
    }
}

```



```

}

//we create two elements
comp one;
comp two;
//one is 10 and two is 20
one.k=10; two.k=20;
//one is inferior to two and the inferior method above is called
if (one < two)
    println("OK");

```

## Arithmetic functions

Athamor provides also a mechanism to implement specific functions for the different numerical operators. These functions must have two operators, except for ++ and --. They must return an element of the same frame as its arguments.

- |                 |                                |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. plus:        | function +(frame a, frame b);  |
| 2. minus:       | function -(frame a, frame b);  |
| 3. multiply:    | function *(frame a, frame b);  |
| 4. divide:      | function /(frame a, frame b);  |
| 5. power:       | function ^(frame a, frame b);  |
| 6. shift left:  | function <<(frame a, frame b); |
| 7. shift right: | function >>(frame a, frame b); |
| 8. mod:         | function %(frame a, frame b);  |
| 9. or:          | function  (frame a, frame b);  |
| 10. xor:        | function ^^(frame a, frame b); |
| 11. and:        | function &(frame a, frame b);  |
| 12. "++":       | function ++();                 |
| 13. "--":       | function --();                 |

### Example:

```

frame test {
    int k;

    function ++() {
        k++;
    }

    //it is important to create a new value, which is returned by the function
    function +(test a, test b) {
        test res;
        res.k=a.k+b.k;
        return(res);
    }
}
test a,b,c;
c=a+b; //we will then call our plus implementation above.

```

## Interval and index

It is also possible to use a frame object as a vector or a map. It is then possible to access elements through an interval or set a value through an index. To use an object in this way, the developer must implement the following function:

1. `function [](self idx,self value):` *This function inserts an element in a vector at position idx*
2. `function [](self idx):` *This function returns the value at position idx.*
3. `function [:](self left,self right):` *This function returns the values between the position left and right.*

### Example:

```
frame myvect {
    vector kj;

    //This function inserts a value in the vector at position idx
    function [](int idx,self value) {
        kj[idx]=value;
    }

    //This function returns the value at position idx
    function [](int idx) {
        return(kj[idx]);
    }

    //This function returns the value between l and r.
    function [:](int l,int r) {
        return(kj[l:r]);
    }
}

myvect test;
test[0]=10;    //we call function [](...)
test[1]=5;     //we call function [](...)

//we call function [:](...)
println(test[0],test[1],test[0:]);    //Display: 10 5 [10,5]
```

# Extensions

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It is possible to extend some types, such as *map*, *vector*, *int*, *string* and *others* with new methods.

The notion of “extension” is very similar to the one of frame, except that the extension name should be one of the following types:

Valid types: *string*, *automaton*, *date*, *time*, *file*, *integer*, *float*, *vector*, *list*, *map*, *set*.

You define an extension as a frame, in which you declare the new methods you want your system to use.

If you need to refer to the current element, then you use a variable whose name is the type itself with “\_” as a prefix.

For “[extension vector](#)”, then the variable will be: `_vector`.

Be careful, if you add new methods to “map”, then all maps will inherit these new methods. The same applies to vectors.

## Example:

```
//we extend map to return a value, which will be removed from the map.
extension map {
```

```
    //we add this new method, which will be available to all maps...
    function returnanddelete(int key) {
        //we extract the value with our key
        string s=_map[key];
        //we remove it
        _map.pop(key);
        return(s);
    }
}
```

```
map mx={1:2,3:4};
```

```
//returnanddelete is now available to all types of map.
string s=mx.returnanddelete(1);
```

```
imap imx={1:2,3:4};
```

```
int x=imx.returnanddelete(1);
```

# Athamor Contextual

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## Athamor is a contextual programming language.

The way a variable is *handled* depends on its *context* of utilisation. Thus, when two variables are used together through an operator, the result of the operation depends on the type of the *variable on the left*, the one that introduces the operation. In the case of an assignation, the type of the receiving variable decides on the type of the whole group.

### ► Example

If we declare two variables, one *string* and one *integer*, then the “+” operator will act as a concatenation or an arithmetic operation.

**For instance in this case, *i* is the receiving variable, making the whole instruction an arithmetic operation.**

```
int i=10;
string s="12";
i=s+i;    //the s is automatically converted into a number.
print("I="+i+"\n");
```

Run  
I=22

**In this other case, *s* is the receiving variable. The operation is now a concatenation:**

```
int i=10;
string s="12";
s=s+i;    //the i is automatically converted into a string.
print("S="+s+"\n");
```

Run  
S=1210

### ► Implicit conversion

This notion of context is very important as it defines how each variable should be interpreted. Implicit conversions are processed automatically for a certain number of types. For instance, an integer is automatically transformed into a string, with as value its own digits. In the case of a string, the content is transformed into a number if the string only contains digits, otherwise it is 0.

For more specific cases, such as a vector or a map, then the implicit conversions are sometimes a bit more complex. For instance, a vector as an integer will return its size and as a string a representation of this vector. A file as a string returns its filename and as an integer, its size in bytes.

# Predefined Types

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ATANOR provides many different objects, each with a specific set of methods. Each of these objects comes with a list of predefined methods.

## ► Basic methods

All the types below share the same basic methods:

- a) **isa(typename):** *check if a variable has the type: typename (as a string)*
- b) **type():** *return the type of a variable as a string.*
- c) **methods():** *return the list of methods available for a variable according to its type.*
- d) **info(string name):** *return a help about a specific method.*
- e) **json():** *return the JSON representation of the object, when available.*

## Transparent Object: *self* (ou *let*)

*self* is a transparent object, similar to a sort of pointer, which does not require any specific transformation for the parameter, when used in a function.

Note: The keyword *let* behaves as *self*, with one big difference. The first variable, which is stored in a *let* variable defines the type of that variable. In other words, if you store a *string* into a *let* variable, then this variable will always behaves as a string. You can modify this behaviour with the operator “:=”, which in this case forces the *let* variable to a new type.

## ► Example

```
function compare(self x, self y) {
    if (x.type()==y.type())
        print("This is the same sort of objects");
}
```

*//For instance, in this case, the function `compare` receives two parameters, whose types might vary. A `self` declaration removes the necessity to apply any specific conversion to the objects that are passed to that function.*

```
string s1,s2;
compare(s1,s2);
```

```
//we compare two frames
myframe i1;
myframe i2;
compare(i1,i2);
```

► **Example with *let***

```
let l="x=";
```

```
l+=12;
```

```
println(l); //it displays: x=12
```

```
//we force 'l' to be an integer
```

```
l:= 1;
```

```
l+=12;
```

```
println(l); //it displays: 13
```

# ARE: Athanor Regular Expression

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This regular expression formalism is simpler and more concise than the regular expression based on Boost, which is also available.

## ► The meta-characters

An Athanor regular expression is a string where meta-characters are used to introduce a certain freedom in the description of a word. These meta-characters are the following:

%d	stands for any digit
%p	stands for any punctuation belonging to the following set: < > { } [ ] , ; : . &   ! / \ = ~ # @ ^ ? + - * \$ % ' _ ¬ £ € ` “
%c	stands for any lower case letter
%C	stands for any upper case letter
%a	stands for any letter
?	Stands for any character
%?	Stand for the character “?” itself
%%	Stand for the character “%” itself

Example:

dog%c	matches <i>dogs</i> or <i>dogg</i>
m%d	matches <i>m0</i> , <i>m1</i> , ..., <i>m9</i>

## ► The operators \*,+, () , ([ ] )

A regular expression can use the Kleene-star convention to define characters that occurs more than once.

x\*: the character can be repeated 0 or n times

x+: the character must be present at least once

(x): the character is optional

([x,...,x]\*,+): defines a character that can have more than one property

where x is a character or a meta-character. There is one special case with the “\*” and the “+”. If the character that is to be repeated can be any character, then one should use “%+” or “%\*” .

### Important

These two rules are also equivalent to “?\*” or “?+” .

► **Example:**

- |                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| 1) <b>a*ed</b>      | matches aed, aaed, aaaed etc. the a can be present 0 or n times)                  |
| 2) <b>a%*ed</b>     | matches aed, aued, auaed, aubased etc. any characters can occur between a and ed) |
| 3) <b>a%d*</b>      | matches a, a1, a23, a45, a765735 etc.   |
| 4) <b>a[%d,%p]</b>  | matches a1, a/, a etc.  |
| 5) <b>a[bef]</b>    | matches ab, ae or af.   |
| 6) <b>a[%d,bef]</b> | matches a1, ab, ae, af, a0, a9 etc.   |
| 7) <b>a[be]+</b>    | matches ab, ae, abb, abe, abbbe, aeeeb etc.                                       |



## Type *rawstring*, *string*, *ustring*

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The *string* type is used to handle any sorts of string. It provides many different methods to extract a substring, a character or applies any pattern recognition on the top of it.

- The *ustring* type is used to offer a much faster access to very large strings, as the system assumes only one single encoding for the whole string. The “u” stands for “Unicode”. *ustring* is based on the *wstring* implementation in C++.
- The *rawstring* type is quite different. It accepts string but handles them at the byte level. Furthermore, when you create a *rawstring* element, you must provide either its size or an initial string, whose size would be used to bound the variable. The string will not accept characters outside its boundaries, unless you resize it. A *rawstring* does not require specific protection in threads and can be accessed and modified freely. However, you cannot resize a *rawstring* if threads are running in the background. Since, the string is handled at the byte level, the access is very fast, as the system will not try to assess any UTF-8 characters as in the *string* type.

### Example:

```
rawstring rd(100);
rd="toto";
println(rd[0],rd[1],rd[2],rd[3],rd[4],rd[5],rd[6]);

//since, the string is managed at the byte level, UTF-8 characters
are not recognized: c l i c h Ã ©
```

### ► Methods

In the following methods, *rgx* follows the Athanor regular expression formalism or **ARE** (see the chapter dedicated to these expressions).

1. **base(int b):** *return the numerical value corresponding to the string numeric content in base b.*
2. **base(vector chrs):** *Set the encoding for each digit in a given base. The default set is 64 characters: 0-9,A-Z,a-z,#,@. Hence, the maximum representation is base 64. You can replace this default character set with*

*your own. If you supply an empty vector, then the system resets to the default set of characters.*

3. **bytes()**: *return a ivector of bytes matching the string.*
4. **charposition(int pos)**: *convert a byte position into a character position (especially useful in UTF8 strings)*
5. **deaccentuate()**: *Remove the accents from accented characters*
6. **dos()**: *convert a string in DOS encoding*
7. **dostoutf8()**: *convert a DOS string into UTF8 encoding*
8. **emoji()**: *return the textual description (in English) of an emoji.*
9. **evaluate()**: *evaluate the meta-characters within a string and return the evaluated string (see below).*
10. **extract(int pos,string from, string up1,string up2...)**: *return a svector containing all substrings from the current string, starting at position pos, which are composed of from up to one of the next strings up1, up2,... up1..upn.*
11. **fill(int nb,string char)**: *create a string of nb chars.*
12. **find(string sub,int pos)**: *Return the position of substring sub starting at position pos*
13. **format(p1,p2,p3)**: *Create a new string from the current string in which each '%x' is associated to one of the parameters, 'x' being the position of that parameter in the argument list. 'x' starts at 1.*
14. **get()**: *Read a string from keyboard.*
15. **geterr()**: *Catch the current error output. Printerr and printlnerr will be stored in this string variable.*
16. **getstd()**: *Catch the current standard output. Print and println will be stored in this string variable.*
17. **html()**: *Return the string into an HTML compatible string or as a vector of strings*
18. **insert(i,s)**: *insert the string s at i. If i is -1, then insert s between each character in the input string.*
19. **isalpha()**: *Test if a string only contains only alphabetical characters*
20. **isconsonant()**: *Test if a string only contains consonants*
21. **isdigit()**: *Test if a string only contains digits*

- 22. **isemoji()**: Test if a string only contains emojis
- 23. **islower()**: Test if a string only contains lowercase characters
- 24. **ispunctuation()**: Test if the string is composed of punctuation signs.
- 25. **isupper()**: Test if a string only contains uppercase characters
- 26. **isutf8()**: Test if a string contains utf8 characters
- 27. **isvowel()**: Test if a string only contains only vowels
- 28. **last()**: return last character
- 29. **latin()**: convert an UTF8 string in LATIN
- 30. **left(int nb)**: return the first nb characters of a string
- 31. **levenshtein(string s)**: Return the edit distance with s according to Levenshtein algorithm.
- 32. **lisp()**: Convert a parenthetic expression into a vector (see below)
- 33. **lisp(string opening,string closing)**: Convert a recursive expression using opening and closing characters as separators (see below)
- 34. **lower()**: Return the string in lower characters
- 35. **mid(int pos,int nb)**: return the nb characters starting at position pos of a string
- 36. **ngrams(int n)**: return a vector of all ngrams of rank n.
- 37. **ord()**: return the code of a string character. Send either the code of the first character or a list of codes, according to the type of the receiving variable.
- 38. **parse()**: Parse a string as a piece of code and returns the evaluation in a vector.
- 39. **pop()**: remove last character
- 40. **pop(i)**: remove character at position i
- 41. **regex(rgx)**: Return all substrings matching rgx
- 42. **regex(rgx)**: Return the position of the substring matching rgx in the string
- 43. **regex(rgx)**: Return the substring matching rgx in the string
- 44. **regex(rgx)**: Test if the regular expression rgx applies to string
- 45. **gram(rgx)**: Return all substrings matching rgx (according ARE formalism)

- 46. **gram(rgx):** Return the position of the substring matching rgx in the string
- 47. **gram(rgx):** Return the substring matching rgx in the string
- 48. **gram(rgx):** Test if the regular expression rgx applies to string
- 49. **removefirst(int nb):** remove the first nb characters of a string
- 50. **removelast(int nb):** remove the last nb characters of a string
- 51. **replace(sub,str):** Replace the substrings matching sub with str
- 52. **replacegram(rgx,str):** Replace the substrings matching rgx with str (according to ARE formalism)
- 53. **replacergx(rgx,str):** Replace the substrings matching rgx with str
- 54. **reverse():** reverse the string
- 55. **rfind(string sub,int pos):** Return the position of substring sub backward starting at position pos
- 56. **right(int nb):** return the last nb characters of a string
- 57. **size():** return the length of a string
- 58. **split(string splitter):** split a string along splitter and store the results in a svector (string vector). If splitter== "", then the string is split into a vector of characters. If splitter is not provided, then the string is split along space characters...
- 59. **split(string splitter):** split a string the same way as split above, but keep the empty strings in the final result. Thus, if "s='+T1++T2++T3'", then s.split("+") will return ["T1","T2","T3"], while s.split(" ") will return ["","T1","","T2","","T3"].
- 60. **splitrgx(rgx):** Split string with regular expression rgx. Return a svector of substrings. Need regular expression operator (...) to keep substrings.
- 61. **tokenize(map keeps):** Tokenize a string into words and punctuations. Keeps is used to keep together specific strings.
- 62. **tags(string o,string c):** Parse a string as a parenthetic expression, where the opening and closing strings are provided
- 63. **tokenize(bool comma,bool separator,bool keepwithdigit):** Tokenize a string into words and punctuations. If comma is true, then the "," is the decimal separator, otherwise it is the ".". If 'separator' is true, then '.' or ',' can be used as separators as in: "3,000.10". keepwithdigit enables numbers to be concatenated with the strings next to them as in "3G". tokenize returns a svector. Each of these parameters is optional. When one of these parameters is omitted, then its default value is false.

64. **trim()**: remove the trailing characters

65. **trimleft()**: remove the trailing characters on the left

66. **trimright()**: remove the trailing characters on the right

67. **upper()**: Return the string in upper characters

68. **utf8()**: convert a LATIN string into UTF8

69. **utf8(int part)**: convert a Latin string, encoded into ISO 8859 part **part** into utf8. For instance, `s.utf8(5)`, means that the string to be converted in UTF-8, is encoded in ISO 8859 part 5 (Cyrillic). See below for a description of each part.

► **Korean specific methods (only for string and ustring)**

1. **ishangul()**: return true if it is a Hangul character.

2. **isjamo()**: return true if it is a Hangul jamo.

3. **jamo(bool combine)**: if 'combine' is false or absent: split a Korean jamo into its main consonant and vowel components, else combine content into a jamo.

4. **normalizehangul()**: Normalize different UTF8 encoding of Hangul characters

5. **romanization()**: Romanization of Hangul characters.

► **Latin Table**

(from [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO/IEC\\_8859](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO/IEC_8859))

Use the number associated to "Part" in the first column with the utf8 method.

<b><u>Part 1</u></b>	<i>Latin-1 Western European</i>	Perhaps the most widely used part of ISO/IEC 8859, covering most Western European languages: <a href="#">Danish</a> (partial), <sup>[1]</sup> <a href="#">Dutch</a> (partial), <sup>[2]</sup> <a href="#">English</a> , <a href="#">Faeroese</a> , <a href="#">Finnish</a> (partial), <sup>[3]</sup> <a href="#">French</a> (partial), <sup>[3]</sup> <a href="#">German</a> , <a href="#">Icelandic</a> , <a href="#">Irish</a> , <a href="#">Italian</a> , <a href="#">Norwegian</a> , <a href="#">Portuguese</a> , <a href="#">Rhaeto-Romanic</a> , <a href="#">Scottish Gaelic</a> , <a href="#">Spanish</a> , <a href="#">Catalan</a> , and <a href="#">Swedish</a> . Languages from other parts of the world are also covered, including: Eastern European <a href="#">Albanian</a> , Southeast Asian <a href="#">Indonesian</a> , as well as the African languages <a href="#">Afrikaans</a> and <a href="#">Swahili</a> . The missing <a href="#">euro sign</a> and capital <i>Y</i> are in the revised version ISO/IEC 8859-15 (see below). The corresponding IANA character set is ISO-8859-1.
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<a href="#"><u>Part 2</u></a>	<i>Latin-2 Central European</i>	Supports those Central and Eastern European languages that use the Latin alphabet, including <a href="#">Bosnian</a> , <a href="#">Polish</a> , <a href="#">Croatian</a> , <a href="#">Czech</a> , <a href="#">Slovak</a> , <a href="#">Slovene</a> , <a href="#">Serbian</a> , and <a href="#">Hungarian</a> . The missing <a href="#">euro sign</a> can be found in version ISO/IEC 8859-16.
<a href="#"><u>Part 3</u></a>	<i>Latin-3 South European</i>	<a href="#">Turkish</a> , <a href="#">Maltese</a> , and <a href="#">Esperanto</a> . Largely superseded by <a href="#">ISO/IEC 8859-9</a> for Turkish and <a href="#">Unicode</a> for Esperanto.
<a href="#"><u>Part 4</u></a>	<i>Latin-4 North European</i>	<a href="#">Estonian</a> , <a href="#">Latvian</a> , <a href="#">Lithuanian</a> , <a href="#">Greenlandic</a> , and <a href="#">Sami</a> .
<a href="#"><u>Part 5</u></a>	<i>Latin/Cyrillic</i>	Covers mostly Slavic languages that use a <a href="#">Cyrillic alphabet</a> , including <a href="#">Belarusian</a> , <a href="#">Bulgarian</a> , <a href="#">Macedonian</a> , <a href="#">Russian</a> , <a href="#">Serbian</a> , and <a href="#">Ukrainian</a> (partial). <sup>[4]</sup>
<a href="#"><u>Part 6</u></a>	<i>Latin/Arabic</i>	Covers the most common <a href="#">Arabic language</a> characters. Doesn't support other languages using the <a href="#">Arabic script</a> . Needs to be <a href="#">BiDi</a> and <a href="#">cursive joining</a> processed for display.
<a href="#"><u>Part 7</u></a>	<i>Latin/Greek</i>	Covers the modern <a href="#">Greek language</a> ( <a href="#">monotonic orthography</a> ). Can also be used for Ancient <a href="#">Greek</a> written without accents or in monotonic orthography, but lacks the diacritics for <a href="#">polytonic orthography</a> . These were introduced with Unicode.
<a href="#"><u>Part 8</u></a>	<i>Latin/Hebrew</i>	Covers the modern <a href="#">Hebrew alphabet</a> as used in Israel. In practice two different encodings exist, logical order (needs to be <a href="#">BiDi</a> processed for display) and visual (left-to-right) order (in effect, after bidi processing and line breaking).
<a href="#"><u>Part 9</u></a>	<i>Latin-5 Turkish</i>	Largely the same as ISO/IEC 8859-1, replacing the rarely used <a href="#">Icelandic</a> letters with <a href="#">Turkish</a> ones.

<a href="#">Part 10</a>	<i>Latin-6 Nordic</i>	a rearrangement of Latin-4. Considered more useful for Nordic languages. Baltic languages use Latin-4 more.
<a href="#">Part 11</a>	<i>Latin/Thai</i>	Contains characters needed for the <a href="#">Thai language</a> . Virtually identical to <a href="#">TIS 620</a> .
<a href="#">Part 12</a>	<i>Devanagari</i>	The work in making a part of 8859 for <a href="#">Devanagari</a> was officially abandoned in 1997. <a href="#">ISCI</a> and Unicode/ISO/IEC 10646 cover Devanagari.
<a href="#">Part 13</a>	<i>Latin-7 Baltic Rim</i>	Added some characters for Baltic languages which were missing from Latin-4 and Latin-6.
<a href="#">Part 14</a>	<i>Latin-8 Celtic</i>	Covers Celtic languages such as <a href="#">Gaelic</a> and the <a href="#">Breton language</a> .
<a href="#">Part 15</a>	<i>Latin-9</i>	A revision of 8859-1 that removes some little-used symbols, replacing them with the <a href="#">euro sign</a> € and the letters Š, š, Ž, ž, Œ, œ, and Ÿ, which completes the coverage of <a href="#">French</a> , <a href="#">Finnish</a> and <a href="#">Estonian</a> .
<a href="#">Part 16</a>	<i>Latin-10 South-Eastern European</i>	Intended for <a href="#">Albanian</a> , <a href="#">Croatian</a> , <a href="#">Hungarian</a> , <a href="#">Italian</a> , <a href="#">Polish</a> , <a href="#">Romanian</a> and <a href="#">Slovene</a> , but also Finnish, French, German and <a href="#">Irish Gaelic</a> (new orthography). The focus lies more on letters than symbols. The <a href="#">currency sign</a> is replaced with the <a href="#">euro sign</a> .

### ► Meta-characters

If you use strings declared between “”, then Athanor will automatically recognize the following meta-characters:

- \n, \r and \t which are the line feed, the carriage return, and the tabulation respectively.

### ► Function *evaluate*

Athanor also recognizes another large set of meta-characters, which are automatically translated for you when you use the method “*evaluate*”:

- Decimal code: `\ddd`, which is then translated into the Unicode character of that code: `\048` is for instance the character '0'.
- Hexadecimal code: `\xhh`, which is also translated into the corresponding Unicode character: `\x30` is the character '0'.
- Unicode code: `\uhhhh`, which is also translated into the corresponding Unicode character: `\u0030` is the character '0'.
- `&#d(d)(d)(d)`; which is also translated in the corresponding Unicode character: `&#30`; is the character '0'. This coding occurs in XML and HTML texts.
- `&namecode`; for which a long list of equivalence exists (XML and HTML again). For instance: `&eacute`; is the character: é.

Conversely, the method "html" returns a string in which non ASCII character are translated into HTML encoding.

### ► Emojis

Athanor also keeps a track of emojis (V.5 beta Unicode 2017), whose list can be gathered with the procedure: `emojis()`, which returns a *treemap* object, where the key is the emoji Unicode and the value its textual description in English. Furthermore, Athanor provides two methods *isemoji* and *emoji*, which indicates whether a string is composed of emojis or their description.

### ► Operators

**sub in s**: test if *sub* is a substring of *s*

**for (c in s) {...}**: loop among all characters. At each iteration, *c* contains a character from *s*.

**+**: concatenate two strings.

**"..."**: define a string, where meta-characters such as `"\n", "\t", "\r", "\""` are interpreted.

**'...'**: define a string, where meta-characters are not interpreted. This string cannot contain the character `"'"`.

### ► Indexes

**str[i]**: return the *i*<sup>th</sup> character of a string

**str[i:j]**: return the substring between *i* and *j*. *i* and *j* can be substrings, which the system will use to extract the substring.

**str[s..]**: return the substring starting at string *s*.



**str[-s..]:** return the substring starting at string s. In this case, s is searched from the end of the string.

N.B. When i and j are positive integers, they are treated as absolute positions within the string. However, when the values are negative, they are considered as offsets to be counted from each string extremities. However, if the first element of the interval is a substring and the second one is a positive integer, then this second index will be treated as an offset from the rightmost position of where the substring was found.

You can also modify a character range.

### Example:

```
string s="This is a cliché, which contains a 'é'";
```

```
s[10:16]      cliché                //absolute positions
s["cliché":7]  cliché, which        //offset from end of substring
s["cliché":-4] cliché, which contains a //offset from end of string
s["-a":]       a 'é'                //looking for last instance of a
s["-a":]="#"    This is a cliché, which contains # //replacing a substring
```

If an index is out of bounds, then an exception is raised unless the flag *erroronkey* has been set to *false*. In that case, Athanor will return *empty*.

### ► As an integer or a float

If the string contains digits, then it is converted into the equivalent number, otherwise its conversion is 0.

### ► format

A format string contains specific variables, which can be replaced on the fly with some content.

```
string frm="this %1 is a %2 of %1 with %3";

str=frm.format("test",12,14);
println(str); //Result: this test is a 12 of test with 14
```

### ► lisp() or lisp(string opening, string closing)

Athanor also provides a way to decipher parenthetic expressions such as:

```
( (S (NP-SBJ Investors)
    (VP are
        (VP appealing
            (PP-CLR to
                (NP-1 the Securities)))
```

```
(S-CLR (NP-SBJ *-1)
  not
  (VP to
    (VP limit
      (NP (NP their access)
        (PP to
          (NP (NP information)
            (PP about
              (NP (NP stock purchases)
                (PP by
                  (NP "insiders")
                )
              )
            )
          )
        )
      )
    )
  )
)
)))))))))
```

Athamor provides a method: *lisp* which takes as input a structure as the one above and translates it into a *vector*.

**vector** v=s.*lisp*(); //s contains a parenthetic expression as above

The second function enables the use of different opening or reading characters.

#### Example:

Athamor can analyze the structure below:

```
< <S <NP-SBJ They>
  <VP make
    <NP the argument>
      <PP-LOC in
        <NP <NP letters>
          <PP to
            <NP the agency>> > > > > .>
```

with the following instruction:

**vector** v=s.*lisp*(<,>);

#### ► tags(string opening, string closing)

*tags* is similar to the *lisp* method except that instead of characters, it takes strings as input. *You should not use this method to parse XML output, use xmldoc instead.*

**string** s="OPEN This is OPEN a nice OPEN example CLOSE CLOSE CLOSE";  
**vector** v=s.*tags*('OPEN','CLOSE');

Output: v=[[*'this'*, *'is'*, [*'a'*,*'nice'*, [*'example'*]]];

## ► Examples

//Below are some examples on string manipulations

```
string s;
string x;
vector v;
```

//Some basic string manipulations

```
s="12345678a";
x=s[0];           // value=1
x=s[2:3];         // value=3
x=s[2:-2];        //value=34567
x=s[3:];          //value=45678a
x=s[:"56"];       //value=123456
x=s["2":"a"];     //value=2345678a
s[2]="ef";        //value=empty
```

//The 3 last characters

```
x=s.right(3);     //value=78a
```

//A split along a space

```
s="a b c";
v=s.split(" ");   //v=["a","b","c"]
```

//regex, x is a string, we look for the first match of the regular expression

```
x=s.gram("%d%d%c"); //value=78a
```

//We have a pattern, we split our string along that pattern

```
s='12a23s45e';
v=s.gram("%d%d%c"); // value=['12a','23s','45e']
x=s.replacegram("%d%ds","X"); //value=12aX45e
```

//replace also accepts %x variables as in XIP regular expressions

```
x=s.replacegram("%d%1s","%1"); //value=12a2345e
```

//REGULAR REGULAR EXPRESSIONS: Not available on all platforms

```
string rgx='w+day';
string str="Yooo Wesdenesday Saturday";
vector vrgx=str.regex(rgx); //["Wesdenesday','Saturday']
string s=str.regex(rgx); //Wesdenesday
int i=str.regex(rgx); // position is 5
```

//We use (...) to isolate specific tokens that will be stored in the

//vector

```
rgx='(\\d{1,3}):\\d{1,3}):\\d{1,3}):\\d{1,3})';
str='1:22:33:444';
vrgx=str.splitrgx(rgx); // [1,22,33,444]
```

```
str='1:22:33:4444';
vrgx=str.splitrgx(rgx); //[] (4444 contains 4 digits)
```

```
str="A_bcde";
```

```
if (str.regex('[a-zA-Z]_+.')) //Full match required
    println("Yooo"); //Yooo
```

```
str="ab(Atanor12,Atanor14,Atanor15,Atanor16)";
vector v=str.extract(0,"Atanor",",",","); //Result: ['12','14','15','16']
```

```
string frm="this %1 is a %2 of %1 with %3";
```

```
str=frm.format("tst",12,14);
```

*Type rawstring, string, ustring*

```
println(str); //Result: this tst is a 12 of tst with 14
```

## Type: byte, short, int, float, real, long

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Athanas provides different numerical types: *byte*, *short*, *int*, *float*, *real* and *fraction*, which is described in the next section.

N.B. *real* and *float* are an alias of one another. *real* was added because *float* was often misunderstood as was it stood for.

### Note about the C++ implementation:

*int* and *float* (or *real*) have been implemented respectively as a *long* and a *double*. *long* is implemented as a 64 bits integer, respectively a `__int64` on Windows or a “long long” on Unix platforms.

*byte* is implemented as a *unsigned char* and *short* is implemented as *short*.

### ► Methods:

1. **#()**: return the bit complement
2. **abs()**: absolute value.
3. **acos()**: arc cosine.
4. **acosh()**: area hyperbolic cosine.
5. **asin()**: arc sine.
6. **asinh()**: area hyperbolic sine.
7. **atan()**: arc tangent.
8. **atanh()**: area hyperbolic tangent.
9. **base(int b)**: return a string representing a number in base *b*
10. **base(vector chrs)**: Set the encoding for each digit in a given base. The default set is 64 characters: 0-9,A-Z,a-z,#, @. Hence, the maximum representation is base 64. You can replace this default set of characters with your own. If you supply an empty vector, then the system resets to the default set of characters.
11. **bit(int ith)**: return true, if the *ith* bit is 1.
12. **bytes()**: return the underlying byte implementation of a value.
13. **cbrt()**: cubic root.
14. **chr()**: return the ascii character corresponding to this number as a code.
15. **cos()**: cosine.

- 16. **cosh()**: *hyperbolic cosine.*
- 17. **emoji()**: *return the textual description (in English) of an emoji based on its Unicode code.*
- 18. **erf()**: *error function.*
- 19. **erfc()**: *complementary error function.*
- 20. **even()**: *return true if the value is even.*
- 21. **exp()**: *exponential function.*
- 22. **exp2()**: *binary exponential function.*
- 23. **expm1()**: *exponential minus one.*
- 24. **factors()**: *return the prime factor decomposition as an ivector.*
- 25. **floor()**: *down value.*
- 26. **format(string form)**: *return a string formatted according to the pattern in form. (this format is the same as the sprintf format in C++)*
- 27. **fraction()**: *return the value as a fraction.*
- 28. **get()**: *Read a number from keyboard.*
- 29. **isemoji()**: *return true if the code matches an emoji.*
- 30. **lgamma()**: *log-gamma function.*
- 31. **log()**: *natural logarithm.*
- 32. **log1p()**: *logarithm plus one.*
- 33. **log2()**: *binary logarithm.*
- 34. **logb()**: *floating-point base logarithm.*
- 35. **nearbyint()**: *to nearby integral value.*
- 36. **odd()**: *return true if the value is odd.*
- 37. **prime()**: *return true is the value is a prime number.*
- 38. **rint()**: *to integral value.*
- 39. **round()**: *to nearest.*
- 40. **sin()**: *sine.*
- 41. **sinh()**: *hyperbolic sine.*

42. **sqrt()**: *square root*.

43. **tan()**: *tangent*.

44. **tanh()**: *hyperbolic tangent*.

45. **tgamma()**: *gamma function*.

46. **trunc()**: *value*.

### ► Complete list of mathematical functions

Athazor provides the following mathematical functions:

**abs, acos, acosh, asin, asinh, atan, atanh, cbrt, cos, cosh, erf, erfc, exp, exp2, expm1, floor, lgamma, ln, log, log1p, log2, logb, nearbyint, rint, round, sin, sinh, sqrt, tan, tanh, tgamma, trunc.**

### ► Hexadecimal

A hexadecimal number always starts with "0x". It is considered by Athazor as a valid number as long as it is a valid hexadecimal string. A hexadecimal declaration can mix upper or lower characters for the hexadecimal digits: A,B,C,D,E,F.

### ► Operators

<b>+, -, *, /:</b>	<i>mathematical operators</i>
<b>&lt;&lt;, &gt;&gt;, &amp;,  , ^:</b>	<i>bitwise operators</i>
<b>%:</b>	<i>division modulo</i>
<b>^^:</b>	<i>power (2<sup>2</sup>=4)</i>
<b>+=, -= etc:</b>	<i>self operators</i>

### ► Syntactic Sugar

Athazor provides some syntactic sugar notations, which makes operations a little more readable.

- $\times, \div$  can be used instead of  $*$  and  $/$
- $\pi, \varphi, e$ , whose values are 3.14159, 1.61803 and 2.71828
- $^2, ^3$  for square and cubic...
- $\sqrt{\phantom{x}}, \sqrt[3]{\phantom{x}}$  for square root and cubic root.
- You can also write expression such as:  $2a+b$  or  $2(12+a)$
- $a\ b$  (with a space in between) is the same as:  $a*b$  or  $a \times b$

Type: byte, short, int, float, real, long

### ► Example

```
int h = 0xAB45; //Hexadecimal number
int i=10;
float f=i.log(); //value= 1
f+=10;           //value=11
f=i%5;           //value=0
f=2i+10;         //30
f=2×i+10;        //30
f=2π+φ;          //7.90122
f=√(2i);         //4.47214
f=i2;           //100
f=2(i-1);        //18
```



## Type *iloop*, *floop*, *bloop*, *sloop*, *uloop*

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These two types are used to define looping variables. A looping variable is a variable whose value evolves in an interval. They are initialized with a vector definition and each time a “++” is called upon them, they jump to the next value. When they reach the end of the interval, they start all over again at the beginning.

- *iloop* loops among *integer*
- *floop* loops among *float*
- *bloop* loops between *true* and *false*.
- *sloop* loops among *string*
- *uloop* loops among *ustring*

### ► Initialization

You initialize a *loop* with a vector or a range.

```
iloop il=[1,3..10];
```

For instance, in the example above, the variable *il* will loop between the values 1,3,5,7,9.

### With an integer

If you initialize a *loop* with an integer, then this value will be considered as **a new position into the associated vector**.

The value 0 resets the loop to the first element. The value -1 resets the loop to the last element.

```
il=3; //the variable is now 7. The next value will be 9.
```

### ► As a Vector

You can return the vector value of a *loop*, with the method *vector* or by storing its content into a vector.

### ► Function

You can also associate a function to a *loop* variable, which will be called *when the last value of the initial vector is reached before looping again*.

The function exposes the following signature:

```
function callback(loop var,int pos);
```

### Examples:

```
iloop i=[1..4];
```

Type *iloop*, *floop*, *bloop*, *sloop*, *uloop*

```
for (int k in <0,10,1>) {  
  print(i, " ");  
  i++;  
}
```

The system prints: 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2

## Type fraction

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Athanor enables users to handle numbers as fractions, which can be used anywhere in any calculations. All the above mathematical methods for integers and floats are still valid; however this type offers a few other specific methods.

### ► Methods:

1. **d()**: *return the denominator of the fraction*
2. **d(int v)**: *set the denominator of the fraction*
3. **fraction f(int n,int d)**: *a fraction can be created with a numerator and a denominator. By default, the numerator is 0 and the denominator is 1.*
4. **invert()**: *switch the denominator with the numerator of a fraction*
5. **n()**: *return the numerator of the fraction*
6. **n(int v)**: *set the numerator of the fraction*
7. **nd(int n,int d)**: *set the numerator and denominator of a fraction*

### ► As a string, an integer or a float

Athanor automatically creates the appropriate float or integer, through a simple computing of the fraction. This translation results in most of the cases into a loss of information. Furthermore, at each step, Athanor simplifies the fraction in order to keep it as small as possible.

As a string, Athanor returns: "NUM/DEN"

### Examples:

```
//we create two fractions
fraction f(10,3);
fraction g(18,10);
//we add g to f...
f+=g;
println(f); //Display: 77/15
```

## Type vector

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A vector is used to store any objects, whatever their type. It exposes the following methods.

### ► Methods

1. **clear()**: *clear the container.*
2. **editdistance(v)**: *Compute the edit distance with vector 'v'.*
3. **flatten()**: *flatten a vector structure.*
4. **insert(i,v)**: *Insert v at position i.*
5. **join(string sep)**: *Produce a string representation for the container.*
6. **json()**: *return a json compatible string matching the container.*
7. **last()**: *return the last element.*
8. **merge(v)**: *Merge v into the vector.*
9. **pop(i)**: *Erase an element from the vector*
10. **product()**: *return the product of elements.*
11.  $\prod(v,i,j)$  : *multiply the elements from i to j, i,j are optional.*
12. **push(v)**: *Push a value into the vector.*
13. **remove(e)**: *remove 'e' from the vector.*
14. **reserve(int sz)**: *Reserve a size of 'sz' potential element in the vector.*
15. **reverse()**: *reverse a vector.*
16. **shuffle()**: *shuffle the values in the vector.*
17. **sort(bool reverse | function)**: *sort the values in the vector.*
18. **sortfloat(bool reverse)**: *sort the values in the vector as float.*
19. **sortint(bool reverse | function)**: *sort the values in the vector as int.*
20. **sortstring(bool reverse)**: *sort the values in the vector as string.*

21. **sortustring(bool reverse | function)**: sort the values in the vector as *ustring*.

22. **sum()**: return the sum of elements.

23.  **$\Sigma(v,i,j)$** : sum the elements from *i* to *j*, *i,j* are optional.

24. **unique()**: remove duplicate elements.

### ► Initialization

A vector can be initialised with a structure between “[]”.

```
vector v=[1,2,3,4,5];
vector vs=["a","b","v"];
vector vr=range(10,20,2); // vr is initialized with [10,12,14,16,18];
vs=range('a','z',2); //vr is initialized with ['a','c','e','g','i','k','m','o','q','s','u','w','y']
```

### ► Mathematical functions

You can also apply a mathematical function onto the content of a vector.  
See the numerical types (*int*, *float*, *long*) for a list of these functions:

Example:

```
fvector fv=[0,0.1..1];
```

fv is: [0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7,0.8,0.9,1]

fv.cos() is:

[1,0.995004,0.980067,0.955336,0.921061,0.877583,0.825336,0.764842,0.696707,0.62161,0.540302]

### ► Operators

**x in vect**: return true or a list of indexes, according to the receiving variable. If the vector contains strings, then the system will return true or its index, only if the value is the same string as the one tested. A in is not PERFORMED in this case within the local strings.

**for (s in vect) {...}**: loop among all values. At each iteration “s” contains a value from vect.

**+,\*,-/ etc..**: add etc.. a value to each element of a vector or add each element of a vector to another

**&,|**: intersection or union of two vectors

**&&&:** merge a vector with a value

**::** : insert a value in a vector.

10::[1,2,3] → [10,1,2,3]

[1,2,3]::10 → [1,2,3,10]

### ► As an integer or a Float

It returns the size of the vector

### ► As a string

It returns a structure, where each element is separated from the others with a comma, similar to the structure used to initialize a vector.

### ► Indexes

**str[i]:** return the  $i^{th}$  character of a vector

**str[i:j]:** return the sub-vector between i and j.

### ► Extracting variables from a vector

Athamor provides a very peculiar method to benefit from a vector. You can use a vector pattern of the form:  $[a_1, \dots, a_n | \text{tail}]$ , where  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ , tail are variables or values. The tail is the rest of the vector, once each variable has been assigned.

These vector patterns can be used in two ways:

- o In assignment:
  - $[a,b|v]=[1,2,3,4,5]$ , then  $a=1$ ,  $b=2$  and  $v=[3,4,5]$
- o In *for..in* loops
  - for  $([a,b|v] \text{ in } [[1,2,3,4],[3,4,5]])$  etc...

In the first iteration,  $a=1, b=2$  and  $v=[3,4]$

In the second iteration,  $a=3, b=4$  and  $v=[5]$

### ► Example

```
vector vect;  
  
vect=[1,2,3,4,5];  
print(vect[0]);           //display: 1  
print(vect[0:3]);         //display: [1,2,3]  
vect.push(6);  
print(vect);              //display: [1,2,3,4,5,6]  
vect.pop(1);  
print(vect);              //display: [1,3,4,5,6]
```

```

vect=vect.reverse();
print(vect);           //display:[6,5,4,3,1]
vect.pop();
print(vect);           // display:[6,5,4,3]
vect+=10;
print(vect);           // display:[16,15,14,13]

```

### ► Example (sorting out integers in a vector)

//This function should return only true or false  
 //The type of the parameters will determine its behaviour, in this case, we  
 //suppose each element to be a string or converted as a string.

```

function compare(int i,int j) {
    if (i<j)
        return(true);
    return(false);
}

```

```

vector myvect=[10,5,20];
myvect.sort(compare);

```

Result is: [5,10,20]...

### ► Example (sorting out integers in a vector but seen as strings)

```

function compare(string i,string j) {
    if (i<j)
        return(true);
    return(false);
}

```

```

vector myvect=[10,5,20];
myvect.sort(compare);

```

Result is: [10,20,5]...

## Type list

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A list is used to store any objects, whatever their type. It exposes the following methods. It is different from *vector* in the sense that it works as a list in which, elements can added at the front or at the back, and can be removed from the front and from the back, allowing FIFO, LILO, FILO, or LIFO management of lists.

### ► Methods

1. **clear()**: *clear the container.*
2. **first()**: *return the first element.*
3. **flatten()**: *flatten a vector structure.*
4. **insert(i,v)**: *Insert v at position i.*
5. **join(string sep)**: *Produce a string representation for the container.*
6. **json()**: *return a json compatible string matching the container.*
7. **last()**: *return the last element.*
8. **merge(v)**: *Merge v into the list.*
9. **pop(i)**: *Erase an element from the list at position i.*
10. **popfirst(i)**: *Erase the first element.*
11. **poplast(i)**: *Erase the last element.*
12. **product()**: *return the product of elements.*
13. **push(v)**: *Push a value into the list.*
14. **pushfirst(v)**: *Push a value into the list in first position.*
15. **remove(e)**: *remove 'e' from the vector.*
16. **reverse()**: *reverse a vector.*
17. **shuffle()**: *shuffle the values in the list.*
18. **sum()**: *return the sum of elements.*
19. **unique()**: *remove duplicate elements.*

### ► Initialization

A list can be initialised with a structure between “[]”.

```
list v=[1,2,3,4,5];
list vs=["a","b","v"];
```



## ► Operators

**x in vlist:** *return true or a list of indexes, according to the receiving variable. If the list contains strings, then the system will return true or its index, only if the value is the same string as the one tested. A in is not PERFORMED in this case within the local strings.*

**for (s in vlist) {...}:** *loop among all values. At each iteration s contains a value from vlist.*

**+,\*,-/ etc...:** *add etc.. a value to each element of a list or add each element of a list to another*

**&,|:** *intersection or union of two lists*

## ► As an integer or a Float

It returns the size of the list

## ► As a string

It returns a structure, where each element is separated from the others with a comma, similar to the structure used to initialize a vector or a list.

## ► Indexes

You can use indexes with *list* objects, as with vector. However, indexes with lists are rather inefficient, and should be avoided.

## ► Example

```
list vlist=[1,2,3,4,5];

vlist.pushfirst(10);
vlist.pushlast(20); //display: [10,1,2,3,4,5,20]
vlist.popfirst(); //display: [1,2,3,4,5,20]

vector v=vlist; //transform a list into a vector
```

## Type [b|i|f|s|u]vector, table

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### ► Type **bvector**, **ivector**, **lvector**, **fvector**, **svector**, **uvector**

These five types are specialized vector containers for bytes (*bvector*), integers (*ivector*), longs (*lvector*), floats (*fvector*), strings (*svector*), unicode strings (*uvector*).

These containers can only store their specific type of values. They are very useful to keep the memory consumption of these elements in check. Basically, when you store a string in a *vector*, Athanor needs to create a *string* object, which will be stored within your *vector*, since a vector can only store *objects*. In the case of a *svector*, *the system will store the string directly without requesting Athanor to create any specific string object*. The storage is then reduced to only strings and the access is both faster and leaner.

You use these structures exactly in the same way as a vector.

```
svector test;  
test.push("toto");
```

### ► Type **table**

The last type, “table”, is a container whose size must be defined at creation, once for all. It expects integers as indexes...

```
table test(10);  
test[1]="i";
```

This container is extremely fast, as it is based on a C table implementation, however, its limitations are the ones set by its size at creation. However, if the initial size is too small, you still can use “resize” to enlarge or decrease that initial size.

```
table test(10);  
println(test.size()); //10  
  
test.resize(20);  
println(test.size()); //the size is now 20
```

Not only will this method modify the current size of your table, it will also copy all previous elements in their new place. Note, that if you actually decrease the size of the table, elements beyond the new limit will be lost.

**Important:** this table is not protected for *read/write* in threads. If you can ensure that no simultaneous *read/write* will occur on the same elements, then this structure might be very efficient to use as it will reduce the number of internal locks. However, if you predict some potential collisions, it is safer to use locks to avoid crashes.

Furthermore, you cannot *resize* within a threads, as the concurrent access to elements might be disrupted.

## Type map (treemap, binmap and primemap)

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A map is a hash table, which uses as key any string or any element which can be analysed as a string. The map in Athanor converts *any* keys into a string, which basically means that “123” and 123 are one and unique key.

### Note:

*treemap* is similar to *map*, with a difference that keys in a *treemap* are automatically sorted out.

*binmap* is also similar to map, however keys are *short*, whose values are between 0 and 65535. Keys are always sorted out. *Binmap* is also the fastest way to access elements.

*primemap* is novel sort of hash-map, where keys are organized along prime numbers. The advantage of this map is that you can iterate along the order in which the values were stored in the map.

### ► Methods

`clear()`: clear the container.

`find(value)`: test if a value belongs to the map and return 'true' or the corresponding keys.

`invert()`: return a map with key/value inverted.

`items()`: Return a vector of {key:value} pairs.

`join(string sepkey,string sepvalue)`: Produce a string representation for the container.

`json()`: return a json compatible string matching the container.

`keys()`: Return the map container keys as a vector.

`merge(v)`: Merge v into the vector.

`pop(key)`: Erase an element from the map

`product()`: return the product of elements.

`sum()`: return the sum of elements.

`test(key)`: Test if key belongs to the map container.

`values()`: Return the map container values as a vector.

## ► Initialization

A map can be initialised with a description such as: {"k1":v1,"k2":v2...}

```
map toto= {"a":1,"b":2};
```

## ► Operator

**x in amap:** *return true or a list of indexes, according to the receiving variable. If the map contains string values, then the system will return true or its index, only if a value is the same string as the one tested. A in is not PERFORMED in this case within the local strings.*

**Important:**

**x** is tested against the *keys* of the map as for *test*.

**for (s in amap) {...}:** *loop among all keys. At each iteration "s" contains a key from amap.*

**+,\*,-/ etc..:** *add etc.. a value to each element of a map or add each element of a map to another along keys*

**&,|:** *intersection or union of two maps along keys.*

## ► Indexes

**map[key]:** *return the element whose key is key. If key is not a key from map, then return null.*

## ► As an integer or a float

Return the size of the map

## ► As a string

Return a string which mimics the map initialization structure.

## ► Example

```
map vmap;

vmap["toto"]=1;
vmap[10]=27;

print(vmap);           //display: {'10':27,'toto':1}
```

## ► Testing keys

There are different ways to test whether a map possesses a specific key. The first way is to use the *test* operator, which will return *true* or *false*. The other way is to catch the error when a wrong index is provided with the container.

However, it is faster and more efficient to use *test* instead of the above equality.

```
if (m.test("ee"))  
    println("ee is not a key in m ");
```

if you want to avoid an exception whenever a wrong key is used, place *erroronkey(false)* at the beginning of your code. In that case, an *empty* value will be returned instead of an exception.

```
if (m["ee"]==empty)  
    println("ee is not a key in m ");
```

## Specialized maps

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### ▶ **(tree|prime|bin)map[s|i|f|u|l]**

These types are very similar to “map” and to “treemap” with one exception, they use *integer* (*mapi*, *treemapi*, *primemapi*), *float* (*mapf*, *treemapf*, *primemapf*) or *ustring* (*mapu*, *treemapu*, *primemapu*) as keys while “map”, “treemap” and “primemap” use *strings*.

Actually, for consistency reason, *map*, *treemap* or *primemap* can also be named: *maps*, *binmaps*, *treemaps* and *primemaps*.

### ▶ **Specialized value maps.**

These specific maps have a key, which can be a string, an integer or a float and a value which is necessary also a string, an integer or a float. The naming convention in this case is:

**(tree|prime)map[s|i|f|u][s|i|f|u]**

For instance, *treemapif* is a *treemap* whose key is an integer and the value a float.

These specialized maps should be used as much as possible when the values and keys are basic values. They reduce the memory footprint of applications in a rather important way and are much faster to work with.

## Type fmatrix, imatrix

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These types are used to handle matrices. You define the matrix size at creation time and you can store elements with a redefinition of the “.” operator. In this case, this operator is used to define the rows and columns of the value to store. Matrices can only store floats.

$m[r:c]=v$ : we store an element  $v$  at row  $r$  and column  $c$ .

$m[r:]$  returns the row  $r$  as a fvector

$m[:c]$  returns the row  $c$  as a fvector

### ► Methods

1. determinant(): return the matrix determinant
2. dimension(): return the matrix size.
3. dimension(int rowsizeint columnsize): set the matrix size.
4. invert(): Return the inverted matrix.
5. product(): return the product of all elements
6. sum(): return the sum of all elements
7. transpose(): return the transposed matrix

### ► Operators

The different operators: +, \*, /, - are all available. However, note that the multiplication of two matrices multiplies two matrices one with other according to matrix multiplication. The same is true for division.

### Examples

```
//We define the number of rows or columns
fmatrix m(3,3);
fmatrix v(3,1);

//We store elements,
v[0:0]=3;v[1:0]=0;v[2:0]=0;

float angle=56;

function loading(fmatrix mx,float θ) {
    θ=θ.radian();
    mx[0:0]=cos(θ);  mx[0:1]=0;  mx[0:2]=sin(θ);
    mx[1:0]=0;  mx[1:1]=1;  mx[1:2]=0;
    mx[2:0]=-sin(θ);  mx[2:1]=0;  mx[2:2]=cos(θ);
}

loading(m,angle);
```



```
fmatrix vx;  
//Matrix multiplication  
vx=m*v;  
  
m[0:0]=-2;m[0:1]=2;m[0:2]=-3;  
m[1:0]=-1;m[1:1]=1;m[1:2]=3;  
m[2:0]=2;m[2:1]=0;m[2:2]=-1;  
  
//The determinant  
int det=m.determinant();  
println(det);  
  
m[0:0]=1;m[0:1]=2;m[0:2]=-1;  
m[1:0]=-2;m[1:1]=1;m[1:2]=1;  
m[2:0]=0;m[2:1]=3;m[2:2]=-3;  
  
fmatrix inv;  
  
//Matrix inversion  
inv=m.invert();
```

## Logical Operators on value containers: &,|,^

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The value containers are the specific implementation of vectors and maps for strings, floats and integers. If you use logical operators with these containers, then the way they function depends on the values stored in the container.

For strings, the logical operators work as set operators. The & yields the intersection between two string containers, the | yields the union of two string containers, while the ^ yields the non common values between two strings.

```
svector sv=["a","b","c","d",'e','h'];  
svector svv=["e","f","g","h"];
```

```
println("And:",sv&svv);      → ['e','h']  
println("XOR:",sv^svv);     → ['f','g','a','b','c','d']  
println("OR:",sv|svv);      → ['a','b','c','d','e','h','f','g']
```

```
smap sm={"a":1,"b":2,"c":3,"d":4,'e':5,'h':6};  
smap smm={"e":5,"f":2,"g":3,'h':4};
```

```
println("And:",sm&smm);      → {'e':5} 'h' has a different value...  
println("XOR:",sm^smm);     → {'f':2,'g':3,'a':1,'b':2,'c':3,'d':4}  
println("OR:",sm|smm);      → {'a':1,'b':2,'c':3,'d':4,'e':5,'h':6,'f':2,'g':3}
```

For numerical values, the logical operators work as the other operator at the binary level, not at the set level.

```
ivector iv=[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9];  
ivector vi=[2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18];
```

```
println("And:",iv&vi); → [0,0,2,0,0,4,6,0,0]  
println("XOR:",iv^vi); → [3,6,5,12,15,10,9,24,27]  
println("OR:",iv|vi); → [3,6,7,12,15,14,15,24,27]
```

# Type transducer

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This type is focused on storing and handling lexicons in a very compact and efficient way.

This type exposes the following methods:

## ► Methods

1. **add(container,bool norm,int encoding):** *transform a container (vector or map) into a transducer lexicon. If the container is a vector, then it should have an even number of values.*
2. **build(string input,string output,bool norm,int encoding):** *Build a transducer file out of a text file containing on the first line surface form, then on next line lemma+features.*
3. **compilergx(string rgx,svector features,string filename):** *Build a transducer file out of regular expressions. filename is optional, the resulting automaton is stored in a file.*
4. **load(string file):** *load a transducer file.*
5. **lookdown(string lemFeat):** *Searching for a surface form, which matches a lemma plus features.*  
  
***Important:** The lemma should be separated from the features with a tab.*
6. **lookup(string wrd, nombre threshold,flags):** *Lookup of a word using a transducer and a set of potential actions combined with a threshold. These two last arguments can be omitted.*
  - a. **a\_first:** *the automaton can apply actions to the first character. If this action is not set, then all the strings that will be compared against it will start with this character. If this character is not present in the automaton, then the system will switch to this mode.*
  - b. **a\_change:** *the automaton can change a character to another*
  - c. **a\_delete:** *the automaton can delete a character*
  - d. **a\_insert:** *the automaton can insert a character*
  - e. **a\_switch:** *the automaton switches two characters*
  - f. **a\_nocase:** *the automaton takes into account the difference in case with the current character string to only add 0.1 to the score.*
7. **process(string sentence):** *Analyse a sequence of words using a transducer*

8. **store(string output,bool norm,int encoding):** Store a transducer into a file. The last two parameters are optional

► **Format**

The format of files that are compiled into lexicons either through *build* or through *add*, have a similar structure.

In the case of a file, the first line should be a surface form, while the next line should be a lemma with some features, separated with a tab and so on so forth:

```
classes
class +Plural+Noun
class
class +Singular+Noun
etc.
```

The function *build* takes such a file as input and generates a file which contains the corresponding transducer out of these lines. The two other parameters are actually used when processing a word or a text.

- a) Normalization *means that the lexicon can match words without being case sensitive. Hence, this lexicon will recognize CLASS as a word.*
- b) The system has been implemented to recognize words in UTF8 encoding (actually the transducers are stored in Unicode). However, it is possible to tell the system how to take into account Latin encodings. For instance, you can provide the system with 5 as an encoding, which in this case refers to Latin 5, which is used to encode Cyrillic characters. The default value is Latin 1.

**Vector**

In the case of a vector as input to *add*, the structure will be a little different, the even positions in the vector will be the surface form, while the odd position will be the lemmas plus their features, again separated with a tab.

**Map**

For a map, the key will be the surface form, and the value the lemmas with their features. A map might actually prove a problem to store ambiguous words.

► **Processing strings**

We have different ways of processing strings with a transducer.

**lookup**

*lookup* is used to detect if a word belongs to the transducer, and in this case it returns its lemma and its features. The transducer can return more than one solution. The recipient variable should be a vector in the case you want to retrieve all possible solutions.

**Example:**

t.lookup("class") returns: *class* +Singular+Noun

You can constrain the processing of a string with edit distance threshold and actions.

t.lookup("cliss",1,a\_change) returns: *class* +Singular+Noun

**lookdown**

*lookdown* is used to retrieve the correct surface form of a word using its lemma and its features.

**Example:**

t.lookdown("class +Plural+Noun") returns: *classes*

**process**

*process* splits a string into tokens and returns for each token its lemma+features as a vector of all possibilities.

**Example:**

```
transducer t(_current+"english.tra");
string sentence="The lady drinks a glass of milk.";
```

```
vector v=t.process(sentence);
```

```
println(v);
```

yields:

```
['The','The +0+3+0+3+Prop+WordParticle+Sg+NOUN','the
+0+3+0+3+Det+Def+SP+DET']
['lady','lady +4+8+4+8+Noun+Sg+NOUN']
['drinks','drink +9+15+9+15+Verb+Trans+Pres+3sg+VERB','drink
+9+15+9+15+Noun+Pl+NOUN']
['a','a +16+17+16+17+Det+Indef+Sg+DET']
['glass','glass +18+23+18+23+Noun+Sg+NOUN','glass
+18+23+18+23+Verb+Trans+Pres+Non3sg+VERB']
['of','of +24+26+24+26+Prep+PREP']
```

```
['milk','milk    +27+31+27+31+Verb+Trans+Pres+Non3sg+VERB','milk
+27+31+27+31+Noun+Sg+NOUN']
['.',' ' +31+32+31+32+Punct+Sent+SENT']
```

N.B. *process* also returns the position of each word in the initial sentence.

## ► Regular Expressions

The regular expressions processed by transducer are very limited:

1. %c: defines a character, c is a UTF8 character ...
2. \$.. : defines a string
3. c0-cn: defines an interval between two Unicode characters: 0-9
4. [..]: defines a list of characters or character intervals.
5. {...}: defines a list of strings
6. .+: structure should occur at least once.
7. (..): defines an optional structure
8. !n: inserts a features structure along its number in the feature vector (n>=1).

### Examples:

```
transducer t;
```

```
//This expression recognizes Roman Numbers
```

```
t.compilergx("[D M C L X V I]+!1",["t+Rom"]);
```

```
//This expression recognizes any kind of numbers including the decimal separator and
exponential expressions.
```

```
t.compilergx("([ - +])[0-9]+!1(%[0-9]+!2([e E]([ - +])[0-
9]+!3))",["+Card", "+Dec", "+Exp+Dec"]);
```

```
//To recognize ordinal numbers
```

```
t.compilergx("{1st 2nd 3rd}!1",["+Ord"]);
```

```
t.compilergx("[3-9]([0-9]+)$th!1",["+Ord"]);
```

```
//we want to recognize any strings made of the Greek alphabet
```

```
t.compilergx("[α-ω 0-9]+!1",["+Greek"]);
```

```
int i;
```

```
string s;
```

```
for (i in <945,970,1>) s+=i.chr();
```

```
println(t.lookup("MMMDDD")); //MMMDDD    +Rom
println(t.lookup("1234")); //1234    +Card
println(t.lookup("1.234")); //1.234    +Dec
println(t.lookup("1.234e-8")); //1.234e-8    +Exp+Dec
println(t.lookup("1st")); //1st    +Ord
println(t.lookup("2nd")); //2nd    +Ord
println(t.lookup("3rd")); //3rd    +Ord
println(t.lookup("4th")); //4th    +Ord
println(t.lookup(s)); //αβγδεζηθικλμνξοπρςστυφχψω +Greek
```

# Type grammar

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*grammar* is a type that is designed to provide coders with a powerful way to describe complex string structures.

For instance, if you need to detect specific sub-strings in a text, which involves digits, upper case letters, or punctuations in a strict order, then *grammar* will definitely help you.

## ► Methods

There are only two functions that are exposed by this type:

1. **apply(string|vector):** *you can apply a grammar to a text, which will be transformed into a vector of characters, or to a vector of tokens.*
2. **load(rule, int skipblanks):** *you can either load rules as a string or as a vector of rules. You can also load rules when building the grammar object itself. skipblanks is optional, it can have the following values:*

**0:** *then all characters should be taken into account in the grammar. This is the default value, when skipblanks is omitted.*

**1:** *white spaces and tabs are automatically skipped, before applying a target to a sub-strings. Trailing characters at the end of the strings are also skipped.*

**2:** *all spaces including carriage returns are skipped.*

**Note:** *the “in” operator can also be used with a grammar. It is then used as a way to detect if a string is compatible with the grammar.*

## ► Rules

Rules are implemented either as a single text (which is the easiest way) or as a vector of strings, each string is then a rule.

### Rule format

The format of a rule is the following:

*head := (~) element [,] element .*

where element is:

a string	=	between quotes “a” or ‘a’
?	=	any character
%a	=	any alphabetic character
%c	=	any lower case character
%C	=	any Upper case character
%d	=	a digit
%H	=	a Hangul character

%r	=	a carriage return
%s	=	a space character
%S	=	a separator character (space or carriage return)
%p	=	a punctuation
%?	=	the “?” character
%%	=	the “%” character
0,1,2..9	=	any digit, which is actually a character code
\$string	=	a string of any length (same as “string”)
head	=	the head of another rule

- Negation: *All these elements can be negated with “~” except heads.*
- Disjunction: *You use the “;” when you need a disjunction between two elements, a “,” otherwise.*
- Kleene star: *You can use “+” or “\*” to loop for each of these elements.*
  - Longest match: *If you use “++” or “\*\*”, then the loop will consume the string up to the most reachable element.*
- Optional: *You can use “(element)” for optional characters or heads.*
- All rules should end with a “.”.
- When a head name starts with a “\_”, then the string is extracted, but its label is not stored.

### Specific cases:

?_	=	any character, but not stored
%a_	=	any alphabetic character, but not stored
%c_	=	any <i>lower</i> case character, but not stored
%C_	=	any <i>Upper</i> case character, but not stored
%d_	=	a digit, but not stored
%H_	=	a Hangul character, but not stored
%r_	=	a carriage return, but not stored
%s_	=	a space character, but not stored
%S_	=	a separator character, but not stored
%p_	=	a punctuation, but not stored
label_	=	a call to a rule, without storage

The adjunction of a “\_” at the end of these options allows for a recognition of a character or a group of characters, which is, however, not stored in the final result.

### Example

//This grammar recognizes a word or a number, only for one string...  
string r=@

bloc := word;number.  
word := %a+.  
number := %d+.

"@;



```
//we load our grammar
grammar g(r);

//we apply it to the string the
map m=g.apply("the"); //it returns: {'bloc':{'word':['the']}}

m=g.apply("123"); //it returns: {'bloc':{'number':['123']}}
```

However, if we apply this grammar to: “Test 123”, it will fail. We need to add to this grammar two things:

- a) First, it should take into account spaces
- b) Second, it should loop to recognize every token in the string

```
string r=@"

base := bloc+.
bloc  := word;number;%s.
word  := %a+.
number := %d+.

"@;
```

We have added a new disjunction with %s to take into account spaces. Then we have added a “base” rule that loops on bloc.

If we apply our grammar to: “Test 123”, then the system will return:

```
{'base':{'bloc':{'word':['Test']}},{'bloc':[' ']},{'bloc':{'number':['123']}}}
```

N.B. *There is another way to skip the blanks, you can declare your grammar with: `grammar g(r,1);` In that case, the call to “%s” is useless.*

However, the structure might be a bit difficult to assess. We can then use the “\_” operator to remove from this output the unnecessary information, such as “bloc”.

```
string r=@"

base := _bloc+.
_bloc := word;number;%s.
word  := %a+.
number := %d+.

"@;
```

In this grammar, `_bloc` is now a hidden head and if we apply this grammar to our input, the result is:

```
{'base':{'word':['Test'],' ','number':['123']}}
```

We could also decide to enrich our number structure with a more refined set of information with number words such as million, billion or thousand. In this case, we will put number as the first element of the `_bloc` structure to detect these specific strings.

```

string r=@"
base := _bloc+.
_bloc := number;word;%s.
word := %a+.
number := %d+;$billion;$millions;$thousand.

"@;

```

If we apply this grammar to: “Test millions of cows”, we obtain:

```
{'base': [{'word': ['Test']}, ' ', {'number': ['millions']}, ' ', {'word': ['of']}, ' ', {'word': ['cows']}]}
```

If we want to recognize more complex structure, such as a code, which would start with an uppercase and be followed by digits, then we could implement the following grammar:

```

string r=@"
base := _bloc+.
_bloc := code;word;number;%s.
word := %a+.
number := %d+.
code := %C,%d+,%c.

"@;

```

If we apply this grammar to: “Test 123 T234e”, we get:

```
{'base': [{'word': ['Test']}, ' ', {'number': ['123']}, ' ', {'code': ['T234e']}]}
```

## ► Sub-grammars

Sub-grammars are introduced within [...]. In these brackets, it is possible to define a disjunction of character regular expression strings. These expressions are especially useful when you apply a grammar to a vector of strings, in this case, string can be matched at the character level against the expression itself. Each expression should be separated from the following with a “|”.

You cannot call a rule from within brackets, therefore a string such as *dog* will be equivalent to *\$dog*.

### Example:

```

string dico=@"
test := %a, wrd,%a.
 wrd := [%C,("-"),%c+|test|be|dog|cat].

"@;

grammar g(dico);

ustring s="The C-at drinks";

uvector v=s.tokenize();

```

```
vector res=g.apply(v);
println(res);
```

### ► Vector vs. Map

If we replace the recipient variable with a vector, then the output is rather different. The head rule name is inserted into the final structure as the first element. Hence, if we apply the above grammar to the same string, but with a vector as output, we obtain:

```
['base',['word','Test'],' ','[number','123'],' ','[code','T234e']]
```

### ► Input is a string or a vector

If the input is a string, then each detected character is appended to the output string. However, if the input is a vector of characters, we keep the output result as a vector of characters.

#### Example

```
//This grammar recognizes a word or a number
string r=@"

base := _bloc+.
_bloc := code;word;number;%s.
word := %a+.
number := %d+.
code := %C,%d+,%c.

"@;

//we load our grammar
grammar g(r);

//we split a string into a character vector
string s="Test 123 T234e";
svector vs=s.split("");

//we apply the grammar to the character vector
vector v=g.apply(vs);
println(v);
```

The output in this case is:

```
['base',['word','T','e','s','t'],' ','[number','1','2','3'],' ','[code','T','2','3','4','e']]
```

### ► Function

It is also possible to associate a function with a grammar. The signature of the function is the following:

```
function grammarcall(string head, self structure,int pos).
```

This function is called for each new structure computed for a given head. If this function returns *false*, then the analysis of that rule fails. *pos* is the last position in the string up to which parsing did take place.

### Example

```
//This grammar recognizes a word or a number
string r=@"

base := _bloc+.
_bloc := code;word;number;%s.
word := %a+.
number := %d+.
code := %C,%d+,%c.

"@;

//This function is called for each new rule that succeeds
function callgrm(string head,self v,int ps) {
    println(head,v,ps);
    return(true);
}

//we load our grammar
grammar g(r) with callgrm;

//we split a string into a character vector
string s="Test 123 T234e";
//we apply the grammar to the character vector
map m=g.apply(s);
println(m);
```

### Result:

```
word ['Test']
_bloc [{ 'word': ['Test']}]
_bloc [' ']
number ['123']
_bloc [{ 'number': ['123']}]
_bloc [' ']
code ['T234e']
_bloc [{ 'code': ['T234e']}]

{'base':[{ 'word': ['Test']}, ' ', { 'number': ['123']}, ' ', { 'code': ['T234e']}]}
```

### Modification of the structure

You can also modify the structure in this function, but you should be careful of your modifications...

```
function callgrm(string head,self v,int ps) {
    //If the head is a word, we modify the inner string
    if (head=="word") {
        println(head,v);
        v[0]+="_aword";
    }
    return(true);
}
```

```
}
```

Then in this case, the output is:

```
word ['Test']
```

```
{'base':[{'word':['Test_aword']},{'number':['123']},{'code':['T234e']}]}
```

### From within a rule

A function can also be called from within a rule. The signature is the following:

```
function rulecall(self structure,int pos).
```

```
//This function is called from within the code rule...
//If it returns false, then the code rule fails.
```

```
function callcode(self v,int ps) {
    println(head,v);
    return(true);
}
```

```
//This grammar recognizes a word or a number
```

```
string r=@"
base := _bloc+.
_bloc := code;word;number;%s.
word := %a+.
number := %d+.
code := %C,%d+,%c,callcode.
"@;
```

```
//we load our grammar
```

```
grammar g(r);
```

```
//we split a string into a character vector
```

```
string s="Test 123 T234e";
//we apply the grammar to the character vector
map m=g.apply(s);
println(m);
```

### Example: parsing HTML

```
//evaluate is a basic method to replace every HTML entity with its UTF8 counterpart.
```

```
function evalue(self s,int p) {
    s[1]=s[1].evaluate();
    return(true);
}
```

```
//This is our HTML grammar
```

```
//We do not keep space characters between tag, hence: %s_ in object
```

```
string htmlgrm=@"
```

```
html := _object+.
_object := tag;%s_;text.
tag := "<","?+",">".
text := _characters,evalue.
_characters := ~"<"+.
```

```
"@";
```

## Type grammar

```
//We compile our grammar  
grammar ghtml(htmlgrm);  
  
//which we can apply to an html text  
vector rgram=ghtml.apply(html_text);
```

## Type iterator, riterator

---

These iterators are used to **iterate on any objects of type**: *string*, *vector*, *map*, *rule*.

*riterator* is the reverse iterator, which is used to iterate from the end of the collection.

### ► Methods

1. **begin()**: *initialiaze the iterator with the beginning of the collection*
2. **end()**: *return true when the end of the collection is reached*
3. **key()**: *return the key of the current element*
4. **next()**: *next element in the collection*
5. **value()**: *return the value of the current element*

### ► Initialization

An iterator is initialized through a simple affectation.

### ► Example

```
vector v=[1,2,3,4,5];
iterator it=v;
for (it.begin();it.nend();it.next())
    print(it.value()," ");
```

Run  
1,2,3,4,5,

## Type date

---

This type is used to handle dates.

### ► Methods

1. **date()**: *return the date as a string*
2. **day()**: *return the day as an integer*
3. **format(string f)**: *return the format as a string. The format string uses a combination of options. See below for an explanation.*
4. **hour()**: *return the hour as an integer*
5. **min()**: *return the min as an integer*
6. **month()**: *return the month as an integer*
7. **sec()**: *return the sec as an integer*
8. **setdate(year,month,day,hour,min,sec)**: *set a time variable*
9. **year()**: *return the year as an integer*
10. **yearday()**: *return the year day as an integer between 0-365*
11. **weekday()**: *return the week day as an integer between 0-6. 0 is Sunday.*

### ► Operators

**+, -:** *dates can be added or subtracted*

### ► As a string

*return the date as a string*

### ► As an integer or a float

*return the number of seconds elapsed since 00:00 hours, Jan 1, 1970 UTC*

### ► Format

**%a:** The abbreviated weekday name according to the current locale.

**%A:** The full weekday name according to the current locale.

**%b:** The abbreviated month name according to the current locale.



**%B:** The full month name according to the current locale.

**%c:** The preferred date and time representation for the current locale.

**%C:** The century number (year/100) as a 2-digit integer. (SU)

**%d:** The day of the month as a decimal number (range 01 to 31).

**%D:** Equivalent to **%m/%d/%y**. (Yecch-for Americans only. Americans should note that in other countries **%d/%m/%y** is rather common. This means that in international context this format is ambiguous and should not be used.) (SU)

**%e:** Like **%d**, the day of the month as a decimal number, but a leading zero is replaced by a space. (SU)

**%E:** Modifier: use alternative format, see below. (SU)

**%F:** Equivalent to **%Y-%m-%d** (the ISO 8601 date format). (C99)

**%G:** The ISO 8601 week-based year (see NOTES) with century as a decimal number. The 4-digit year corresponding to the ISO week number (see **%V**). This has the same format and value as **%Y**, except that if the ISO week number belongs to the previous or next year, that year is used instead. (TZ)

**%g:** Like **%G**, but without century, that is, with a 2-digit year (00-99). (TZ)

**%h:** Equivalent to **%b**. (SU)

**%H:** The hour as a decimal number using a 24-hour clock (range 00 to 23).

**%I:** The hour as a decimal number using a 12-hour clock (range 01 to 12).

**%j:** The day of the year as a decimal number (range 001 to 366).

**%k:** The hour (24-hour clock) as a decimal number (range 0 to 23); single digits are preceded by a blank. (See also **%H**.) (TZ)

**%l:** The hour (12-hour clock) as a decimal number (range 1 to 12); single digits are preceded by a blank. (See also **%I**.) (TZ)

**%m**: The month as a decimal number (range 01 to 12).

**%M**: The minute as a decimal number (range 00 to 59).

**%n**: A newline character. (SU)

**%O**: Modifier: use alternative format, see below. (SU)

**%p**: Either "AM" or "PM" according to the given time value, or the corresponding strings for the current locale. Noon is treated as "PM" and midnight as "AM".

**%P**: Like **%p** but in lowercase: "am" or "pm" or a corresponding string for the current locale. (GNU)

**%r**: The time in a.m. or p.m. notation. In the POSIX locale this is equivalent to **%I:%M:%S %p**. (SU)

**%R**: The time in 24-hour notation (**%H:%M**). (SU) For a version including the seconds, see **%T** below.

**%s**: The number of seconds since the Epoch, 1970-01-01 00:00:00 +0000 (UTC). (TZ)

**%S**: The second as a decimal number (range 00 to 60). (The range is up to 60 to allow for occasional leap seconds.)

**%t** : A tab character. (SU)

**%T**: The time in 24-hour notation (**%H:%M:%S**). (SU)

**%u**: The day of the week as a decimal, range 1 to 7, Monday being 1. See also **%w**. (SU)

**%U**: The week number of the current year as a decimal number, range 00 to 53, starting with the first Sunday as the first day of week 01. See also **%V** and **%W**.

**%V**: The ISO 8601 week number (see NOTES) of the current year as a decimal number, range 01 to 53, where week 1 is the first week that has at least 4 days in the new year. See also **%U** and **%W**. (SU)

**%w**: The day of the week as a decimal, range 0 to 6, Sunday being 0. See also **%u**.

**%W:** The week number of the current year as a decimal number, range 00 to 53, starting with the first Monday as the first day of week 01.

**%x:** The preferred date representation for the current locale without the time.

**%X:** The preferred time representation for the current locale without the date.

**%y:** The year as a decimal number without a century (range 00 to 99).

**%Y:** The year as a decimal number including the century.

**%z:** The *+hhmm* or *-hhmm* numeric timezone (that is, the hour and minute offset from UTC). (SU)

**%Z:** The timezone or name or abbreviation.

**%+:** The date and time in date format.

**%%:** A literal '%' character.

**Example:**

```
date d;
println(d.format("%Y%m%d")); display date for 2015/12/25 as 20151225
```

### ► Example

```
date mytime;

print(mytime); // display: 2010/07/08 15:19:22
```

## Type time

---

This type is used to compute timeframes or duration.

- ▶ **Methods**

1. **reset ()**: *reinitialize a time variable*

- ▶ **Operators**

**+, -**: *time can be added or subtracted*

- ▶ **As a string**

*return the time in ms*

- ▶ **As an integer or a float**

*return the time in ms*

- ▶ **Example**

```
time mytime;  
  
print(mytime);
```

## Type file, wfile

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This type is used to manage a file in input and output. The type “wfile” is used to handle UTF16 (UCS-2 more precisely) files.

### ► Methods

1. **eof()**: *return true when the end of file is reached*
2. **file f(string filename, string mode\_read)**: *open a file according to moderead. If the file is in read mode, then “moderead” is optional. The possible values for moderead are:*
  - a. “a”: append
  - b. “r”: read
  - c. “w”: write
  - d. “w+”: append
3. **find(string s, bool caseinsensitive)**: *return all positions in the file of the string s.*
4. **get()**: *read one character from the file*
5. **getsignature()**: *return whether the file contains a signature*
6. **openappend(string filename)**: *open a file in append mode*
7. **openread(string filename)**: *open a file in read mode*
8. **openwrite(string filename)**: *open a file in write mode*
9. **read()**: *read the whole file into a variable, which can be:*
  - a. **string**: *the whole document is store in one string*
  - b. **svector**: *the document is split into string along carriage returns, which are each stored into the container.*
  - c. **bvector**: *the document is stored byte by byte into the container.*
  - d. **ivector**: *the document is stored byte by byte into the container.*
10. **read(int nb)**: *like read, but extracts only “nb” characters or bytes from the file.*
11. **readln()**: *read a line from a file*
12. **seek(int p)**: *position the file cursor at p*
13. **setsignature(bool s)**: *set the UTF8 or UTF16 signature (accordingly)*
14. **tell()**: *return the position of the file cursor*

- 15. **unget():** *return one character to the stream*
- 16. **unget(nb):** *return nb character to the stream*
- 17. **write(string s1,string s2,...):** *write strings in the file*
- 18. **writelen(string s1,string s2,...):** *write strings in the file, separating each string with a space, and adding a carriage return at the end of the line.*
- 19. **writebin(int s1,int s2,...):** *write bytes in the file. If the value is a container, then write the list of bytes out of that container.*

#### ► signature

UTF-8 and UTF-16 files might have a signature at the beginning, which consists of three octets to define a UTF-8 file or two octets in the case of a UTF-16 file.

- If you use the type “*file*”, then in order to read the signature out, you must set the signature beforehand. This type can only be used to read UTF-8 or binary files.
- In the case of “*wfile*”, the signature is automatically set when the signature is found at the beginning of the file. You can only read UTF-16 (UCS-2) files with this type.

#### ► Operator

**x in file:** *if x is a string, then it receives a line from the file, if it is a vector, it pushes the line on the top of it. If x is an integer or a float, it gets only one character from the stream.*

#### ► Example

```
file f;
f.openread(path);
string s;
svector words;
string w;
for (s in f) {//Using the in operator
    s=s.trim();
    words=s.split(" ");
    for (w in words)
        print("word:",w,endl);
}
f.close();
```

#### ► Standard input: stdin

Athamor provides the variable *stdin* to handle the standard input. This variable can be quite useful to handle data coming from a piped file for instance.

## Example

```
string s;  
int i=1;  
for (s in stdin) {  
    println(i,s);  
    i++;  
}
```

If you store these lines in a small file say: stdin.Atanor, then the content of the piped strings will be displayed with for each line a specific number:

*echo "The lady is happy" | Athanor stdin.Atanor.*

## Type call

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This object is used to store a function, which can then be executed. The call is done using the variable name as a *function*.

### ► Example

```
function display(int e) {  
    print("DISPLAY:",e,"\n");  
    e+=10;  
    return(e);  
}
```

```
call myfunc;  
myfunc=display;  
int i=myfunc(100);           // display: DISPLAY:TEST  
print("I=",i,"\n");          //display: I=110
```



## Type xmldoc

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This type is used to handle XML documents. It can be used to create a new XML document or to parse one. It is possible to associate a function with an xmldoc variable when parsing a document to have access to each node on the fly.

### ► Methods

1. **close():** *Close the current XML document and clean the memory from all XML values.*
2. **create(string topnode):** *Create a new XML document, whose main node has topnode as name. If topnode is a full XML structure then use it to create the document...*
3. **load(string filename):** *load an XML file*
4. **node():** *Return the top node of the document.*
5. **onclosing(function f,myobject o):** *Function to call when a closing tag is found (see associate function below)*
6. **parse(string buffer):** *load an XML buffer*
7. **save(string filename,string encoding):** *Save an XML document. If encoding is omitted, then encoding is "utf-8"*
8. **serialize(object):** *Serialize as an XML document any Athanor object*
9. **serializestring(object):** *Serialize as an XML document any Athanor object and return the corresponding string. The document is also cleaned in the process...*
10. **xmlstring():** *return an XML document as a string.*
11. **xpath(string myxpath):** *Evaluate an XPath and return a vector of xml nodes.*

### ► Associated function

The associate function must have the following signature:

```
function xmlNode(xml n, object);
```

It must be declared in the following way:

```
xmldoc mydoc(obj) with xmlNode;
```

## Type xml

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The *xml* type exposes methods to handle XML nodes.

### Important

This type is implemented as a placeholder for the *xmlNodePtr* type from the *libxml2* library (see <http://xmlsoft.org/>), hence the *new* method which is necessary to get a new object for the current variable.

### ► Methods

- 12. **child()**: *return the first child node under current node*
- 13. **child(xml)**: *Add an XML node as a child*
- 14. **content()**: *Return the content of a node*
- 15. **content(string n)**: *Change the content of a node.*
- 16. **delete()**: *delete the current internal node.*
- 17. **line()**: *return the line number of the current node*
- 18. **id()**: *return the id of the current node (only with call functions)*
- 19. **name()**: *return the XML node name*
- 20. **name(string n)**: *Change the XML node name*
- 21. **namespace()**: *Return the namespace of the current node as a vector.*
- 22. **new(string n)**: *Create a new internal node.*
- 23. **next()**: *return the next XML node*
- 24. **next(xml)**: *Add an XML node after the current node*
- 25. **parent()**: *return the parent node above current node*
- 26. **previous()**: *return the previous XML node*
- 27. **previous(xml)**: *Add an XML node before the current node*
- 28. **properties()**: *Return the properties of the XML node*
- 29. **properties(map props)**: *Properties are stored in map as attribute/value*
- 30. **root()**: *return the root node of the XML tree*
- 31. **xmlstring()**: *return the XML sub-tree as a string.*

32. **xmltype()** : *return the type of the XML node.*

► **As a string**

Return the XML node name

**Example**

```
function test(xml n, self nn) {
  map m=n.properties();
  println(n.name(),m,n.content());
}
```

```
xmldoc doc with test;
```

```
doc.load("resxip.xml");
```

```
xml nd=doc.node();
```

```
println(nd);
```

```
while (nd!=null) {
  println(nd.content(),nd.namespace());
  nd=nd.child();
}
```

```
xmldoc nouveau;
```

```
nouveau.create("TESTAGE");
xml nd=nouveau.node();
```

```
xml n("toto");
nd.child(n);
```

```
n.new("titi");
```

```
n.content("Toto is happy");
nd.child(n);
```

```
nouveau.save("mynewfile.xml");
```

# Type atanor

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The type *atanor* is used to load a specific Athanor program dynamically.

## ► Methods

1. **atanor var(string Atanorpathname):** *Create and load an Athanor program*

## ► Executing External Functions

The functions available in the Athanor file can be called through a *Atanor* variable.

### Example

In our program test.Atanor, we implement the function: Read

**test.Atanor**

```
function Read(string s) {
    //we then call a function in test.
    _loader.End("From 'call' with love");
    return(s+"_toto");
}
```

**call.Atanor**

In our calling program, we first load **test.Atanor**, then we execute *Read*

```
Atanor kf('c:\test.Atanor'); //we load a grammar implementing Read
string s=kf.Read("xxx"); //we can execute Read in our local program.

//we implement a local function, which will be called from test through _loader...
function End(string s) {
    println("We come back:",s);
}
```

## ► private functions

If you do not want external programs to access specific functions, you can protect them by declaring these functions *private*.

### Example

```
//we implement a function, which will cannot be called from outside
private function Cannotbecalled(string s) {...}
```

## Specific instructions

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Athamor provides all the necessary operations to handle all sorts of algorithms: *if*, *else*, *elif*, *switch*, *for*, *while*.

### if—elif—else

```
if (booleanexpression) {}

elif (booleanexpression) {}

...

else {}
```

### switch (expression) (with function) {...}

The *switch* enables to list a series of tests for one single object:

```
switch(expression) {
    v1 : {...
    }
    v2 : {...
    }
    default: {...    //default is a predefined keyword
    }
}
```

v1,v2,..vn can be either a string or an integer or a float. The expression is evaluated once and compared with v1, v2, vn...

It is also possible to replace the simple comparison between the elements with a call to a function, which should return *true* or *false*.

```
//we test wether one value is larger than the other
function tst(int i,int j) {
    if (j>=i)
        return(true);
    return(false);
}
int s=10;
//We test through test
switch (s) with tst {
    1: println("1");
    2: println("2");
    20: println("20"); //This will be the selected occurrence
}
```

## for operators.

There are different flavours of “for” in Athanor. Here is a presentation of them all.

### ► **for (expression;boolean;next) {...}**

This *for* is composed of three parts, an initialisation, a Boolean expression and a continuation part.

You can use *continue* or *break* to either go to the next element or to break in the middle of a loop.

#### **Example**

```
for (i=0;i<10;i+=1) print("I=",i,"\n");
```

### ► **Multiple initializations and increments**

Expressions, both in the initialization part and in the increment part, can contain more than one element. In that specific case, these elements should be separated by a comma.

#### **Example**

```
int i,j;  
  
//Multiple initializations and multiple increments.  
for (i=10,j=100;i>5;i--,j++)  
    println(i,j);
```

### ► **for (var in container) {...}**

This is a very specific sort of *for*, which is used to loop in a container, a string or a file.

You can use the method “*inkey*” to get the current index value in the loop. “*inkey*” uses as input, the variable in which we are looping.

#### **Example**

```
//we loop in a file  
file f('myfile.txt','r');  
string s;  
  
for (s in f)  
    println(s);  
  
//we loop in a vector of ints...  
vector v=[1,2,3,4,5,6];  
int i;  
  
for (i in v)  
    println(i,inkey(v)); //we also display the current position in the v while looping...
```

### ► **for (i in <start,end,increment>): Fast loop**

This loop is equivalent to: *for (i=start;i<end;i+=increment)...*

Actually, the loop can also be equivalent to: *for (i=start;i>end;i+=increment)* if the increment is negative.

The reason for this loop is that it is implemented as a C++ loop, and is about 30% to 50% faster than its equivalent. Each of the values in the range can be instantiated through variables; however, once the loop has started no element can be modified, including the variable which receives the different values.

#### **Example:**

```
int i,j=1;
int v;

time t1;

//Looping to 100000, with an increment of 1.
for (i in <0,100000,j>)
    v=i;

time t2;
float diff=t2-t1;
println("Elapsed time for fast 'for':",diff);

time t3;
for (i=0;i<100000;i+=j)
    v=i;

time t4;
diff=t4-t3;
println("Elapsed time for regular 'for'",diff);
```

### ► **Local declarations**

You can also declare variables into a “for” statement, which are only to the “for” code.

#### **Example:**

```
for (int i in <0,100000,j>) println(i);
for (int i=0;i<10;i++) println(i);
```

## **while (boolean) {...}**

*while* is composed of a single Boolean expression.

```
while (boolean) {...}
```

You can use *continue* or *break* to either go to the next element or to break in the middle of a loop.

### Example

```
int i=10;
while (i>0) {
    print("I=",i,"\n");
    i-=1;
}
```

## do {...} while (boolean);

This expression is similar to *while*, however, the first iteration is done before the Boolean test.

### Example

```
int i=10;
do {
    print("I=",i,"\n");
    i-=1;
} while (i>0);
```

## Evaluation: eval(string code);

This function can evaluate and run some Athanor *code* on the fly. The result of the evaluation is returned according to what was evaluated.

## print, println, printerr,printlnerr

These instructions are used to display results on the current display port. The “err” versions display the results on the standard error output. The “ln” version add two features to the output, for the values separated with a “,”, an additional space is added. Second, a carriage return is added at the end of the line.

## printj, printjln, printjerr,printjlnerr

These versions are quite different from the previous one. The “j” stands for a join. These instructions are used to display container values, which are “joined” beforehand. They accept either two or three arguments. The first parameter should be a container and the second one a separator string. If the container is a map, then a key separator can also be supplied. If only the container is supplied, then the default separator is the carriage return.

### Example

```
ivector v=[1..10];
printj(v,"-");
```



Result is: 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10

```
map m={1:2,2:3,4:5,6:7};
println(m, "-", ",");
```

Result is: 1-2,2-3,4-5,6-7

## ioredirect and iorestate

These two functions are used to capture the output from *stderr* or *stdout* into a file.

**int ioredirect(string filename,bool err);**

This function redirects either *stderr* (if *err* is *true*) or *stdout* (if *err* is *false*) to *filename*. It returns an *id*, which will be used to set the output back to normal.

**iorestate(int id,err);**

This function brings the output back to normal. The first parameter is the "id" that was returned by **ioredirect**. The file is then closed.

**Example:**

```
int o=ioredirect('C:\xip\test\test.txt',true);
printlnerr("This string is now stored in file: test.txt");
iorestate(o,true); //back to normal
```

## pause and sleep

These two functions are used either to put a thread in pause or in sleep mode. *pause* does not suspend the execution of a thread, while *sleep* does it.

*pause* takes as input a float, whose value is in *seconds*. Pause can take a second Boolean parameter to display a small animation.

*sleep* is based on the OS *sleep* instruction and its behavior depends on its local implementation. It takes as input an integer.

**Example:**

```
pause(0.1); the thread will pause for 10 ms
pause(2,true); the thread will pause for 2s, with a small animation
sleep(1); the thread will sleep for 1s (depending on the platform)
```

## Emojis: emojis()

This procedure returns a *map*/*s* list of all emojis characters according to the norm v5.0 beta.

## Random number: random()

Athanor provides a function to return a random value, which is between 0 and 99. *random()* returns a *long* value. You can also provide a maximum boundary value as an argument.

### Example:

```
float rd=random(); // value between 0 and 99
rd=random(999); //value between 0 and 999
```

## Keystroke: getc()

Athanor also provides a specific function *getc()*, which is used to return a keystroke. *getc()* returns the character code if the input variable is a *int* or a *float* or the character itself if the input variable is a string. To transform a *int* into its encoding character, use *chr()*. Below is an example of a small program that reads a string as *get()*.

### Example

```
int c;
string message;
while (message!=".") {
    print(">");
    c=0;
    message="";
    while (c!=13 && c!=10) {
        c=getc();
        if (c!=13 && c!=10)
            message+=c.chr();
        print(c.chr());
    }
    println();
    println("End:",message);
}
```

### ► use(OS,library)

*use* loads dynamic compatible library in an Athanor program, to add new functionalities, such as graphical interfaces, database management etc. The “OS” flag is optional; it can take one of the following values:

“WINDOWS” , “MACOS”, “UNIX”, “UNIX64” .

This flag is used to load specific libraries according to the platform architecture.

The *library* can be a simple name, which must match a library name stored in the directory whose path is recorded in the ATANORLIBS environment variable. *Library* can also be a full path leading to this same library.

**Library Name convention**

- On Unix platforms, library names are usually of the form: `libmyname.so`. To load such a library, you simply need to call: **`use("myname");`**
- On Windows, library names are usually of the form: `myname.dll`. To load such a library, you simply need to call: **`use("myname")`**.

It is usually more generic to write: `use("myname")`, so that the code will work on all platforms without problems. However, you can use their full pathname, hence limiting the use of this code to only specific platforms. The OS flag can then be used to reinsert a little bit of generalization:

**`use("WINDOWS", "Atanorsqlite");`**

► **Persistent Variables: `ithrough`, `fthrough`, `sthrough`, `vthrough`**

These types of variable only make sense when you are using a Graphical User Interface, in which you can run your programs over and over again.

You can declare a variable with one of these types to keep track of different experiments. These variables are never *reinitialized* between runs.

Example:

```
//This variable will keep track of the number of times this program was run
ithrough icount;
icount+=1;
println(icount);
```

...

## try, catch, raise

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*Try*, *catch* and *raise* are used to handle errors.

*catch* can be associated with a string or an integer parameter. This variable is automatically set to *null* when the *try* bloc is evaluated. A catch without variable is also possible.

```
string s;  
try {...  
}  
catch(s);
```

When an error is detected, then the error string or its number is passed to that specific variable.

### ► Method

1. **raise(string s):** *raise an error with the message s. An error message should always starts with an error number on three characters: 000... this error number should be larger than 200, all of which are kept for internal KF errors. However no verification will be made by the language.*

### ► Example:

```
raise("201 My error");
```

## Operator *in*

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This operator is quite complex to handle, this is why we have a specific section dedicated to it. In the previous description, we have already described some possible utilization of that operator with files, vectors, maps or strings. We will now see how it can be extended to encompass also frames.

### ► Frame

A frame can expose an *in* function, which will then be used when a *in* is applied to a frame. If a *in* is tested against a frame object without any *in* function, then a *false* value is always returned.

### ► Example

This is a first example of the use of *in* with a map.

```
map dico;
vector lst;
dico={'a':1,'b':6,'c':4,'d':6};

//Boolean test, it returns true or false
if (6 in dico)
    print("As expected","\n");

//The receiver is a list, then we return the list of indexes
lst=6 in dico;

string s;
for (s in lst)
    print("LST:",s,"\n");
```

### RUN

```
As expected
LST: b
LST: d
```

As we can see on this example, the system returns some information in relation with the type of receiver.

### ► Example with a frame

```
frame testframe {
    int i;

    //the type of the parameter can be anything
    function in(int j) {
        if (i==j)
            return(true);
        return(false);
    }
}
```

## Functional Language: à la Haskell

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Athamor supplies capabilities that are similar in a quite restrictive way to the Haskell language.

The Haskell Language is a functional language, which provides some very compact and powerful ways to express specific mathematical problems, even though the language is also usually presented as a general-purpose language.

We have added to Athamor some of the expressiveness power of the Haskell language with a specific focus on a selected range of functions.

We do not pretend that Athamor behaves as a full Haskell compiler, but it supplies some of the interesting aspects of this language.

In the rest of this chapter, we will still use “Haskell” as a way to refer to the subset of the language that was integrated into Athamor, even though we are conscious that we did not go far into the very fabric of that language.

### Before starting: some new operators

Before describing the language in more details, we will present some specific operators, which have been introduced to comply with some of the most interesting aspects of Haskell. These operators are also available in Athamor, but their interest really rests in the way they enrich the Haskell world.

#### ► Range declarations: [a..b]

To comply with the Haskell language, we have added a new way to declare a range of elements: the “..” operator.

For instance [1..10] defines the vector: [\[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10\]](#).

#### 1. step

By default the step is 1, but it is possible to set a different step. You can either directly define it with a “:” at the end of the expression:

For instance [1..10:2] defines the vector: [\[1,3,5,7,9\]](#).

You can also define this step by providing the next element in the definition:

For instance [1,3..10] defines the vector: [\[1,3,5,7,9\]](#).

It also works with characters:

For instance ['a','c'..'g'] defines the vector: [\['a','c','e','g'\]](#).

The same vector could also be defined with: ['a'..'g':2]...

## 2. Infinite ranges

Haskell also provides a notion of infinite range of elements. There are two cases: you can either ignore the first element of the set or the last element:

- `[1..]` defines an infinite vector that starts at 1, forward: `[1,2,3,4...`
- `[..1]` defines an infinite vector that starts at 1, backward: `[1,0,-1,-2,-3...`

You can also use different steps:

- `[1...2]` defines an infinite vector that starts at 1, forward: `[1,3,5...`
- `[..1:2]` defines an infinite vector that starts at 1, backward: `[1,-1,-3...`

Or

- `[1,3..]` defines an infinite vector that starts at 1, forward: `[1,3,5...`
- `[..-1,1]` defines an infinite vector that starts at 1, backward: `[1,-1,-3...`

### ► Two new operators: `&&&` and `::`

These two operators are used to concatenate a list of elements together or to add an element to a vector.

#### 1. Merge: `"&&&"`

This operator is used to merge different elements into a vector. If one of the elements is not a list, it is simply merged into the current list:

```
vector v= 7 &&& 8 &&& [1,2];
println(v);
```

```
v=[7,8,1,2]
```

This operator is similar to `"++"` in Haskell. Since this operator was already defined in Athanor, we modified it into `"&&&"`.

#### 2. Add: `"::"`

This operator is similar to the other one, but with a big difference, it merges the element into the current vector.

```
1::v   →   [1,7,8,1,2]   this is the new value of v
v::12  →   [1,7,8,1,2,12] this is the new value of v
```

## Basics

### ► Declaring a Haskell-like instruction

All Haskell instructions in Athanor should be declared between `"<.>"`, which the internal Athanor compiler utilizes to detect a Haskell formula.

**Example:**

```
vector v=<map (+1) [1..10]>;
```

The above instruction adds 1 to each element of the vector.

► **Simplest structure**

The simplest structure for a Haskell program is simply to return a value such as:

➤ `<1>`

You can return a calculus:

➤ `<3+1>;`

In that case, the system will return one single atomic value.

**Example:**

➤ `< 12+3>` returns 15...

► **Utilization of: >, <, |, << and >>**

These operators can cause some issues when used inside a Haskell formula, since they can confuse the compiler with opening or closing Haskell brackets. To avoid this problem, you need to insert these expressions between parentheses:

```
<x | x <- [-5..5], (x > 0) > yields [1,2,3,4,5]
<(x << 1) | x <- [0..5]> yields [0,2,4,6,8,10]
<(12|3)> yields 15
```

► **Iteration**

The Haskell language provides a very convenient and efficient way to represent lists. In Athanor, these lists are implemented into “vectors”, which could then be exchanged between the different structures.

The most basic Haskell instruction has the following form:

➤ `<x | x <- v, Boolean>`

**It returns a list as result...**

Which reads as:

1. *We add x to our current result list.*
2. *We get x by iterating into v ⇔ x <- v*
3. *We put a Boolean constraint, which can be omitted.*

The reason why it returns a list is due to the *iteration* in the expression.



**Example:**

```
<x | x <- [-5..5], x!=0> yields [-5,-4,-3,-2,-1,1,2,3,4,5]
```

▶ **Combining**

You can combine different iterators together. There is two ways to do it, either as if the two iterations were embedded one into the other, or simultaneously.

**1. Embedded**

The different iterators are separated with a “,”

```
➤ <x+y | x <-v, y <- vv, (x+y > 10)>
```

**2. Simultaneous**

The different iterators are combined with a “;”

```
➤ <x+y | x <-v ; y <- vv, (x+y > 10)>
```

**Example:**

```
<x+y | x <- [1..5], y <- [1..5]> //Combined  
yields [2,3,4,5,6,3,4,5,6,7,4,5,6,7,8,5,6,7,8,9,6,7,8,9,10]=25 elements...
```

```
<x+y | x <- [1..5] ; y <- [1..5]> //simultaneous  
yields [2,4,6,8,10]=5 elements...
```

▶ **Vector pattern**

You can also use vector patterns to extract element from the list, if the list is composed of sub-lists.

**Example**

```
vector v=[[1,"P",true],[2,"C",false],[3,"E",true]];  
vector vv=<[y,t] | [y,n,t] <- v, y := 1>;
```

```
yields: [[2,false],[3,true]]
```

▶ **Iterations in maps**

Athamor also provides a specific way to iterate among maps, which in this case is quite different from what is usually available in Haskell implementations.

Athanasios already provides a mechanism to iterate among maps in “for”, with keys and values provided as a recipient to the iteration process:

```
for ({x:y} in m) ...
```

The same mechanism is used here to iterate among values in a map, but also to return specific values to the recipient map.

```
< {x:y} | {y:x} <- m>;
```

**Example:**

```
//we declare our map
map m={"a":1,"b":2,"c":3,"d":4};

//this map is the recipient to the Haskell expression...
//We iterate among key/value in m, and we return the same values inverted...
mapis mr=< {x:y} | {y:x} <- m>;
```

Result is: {1:'a',4:'d',2:'b',3:'c'}

## ► Declaring a local variable

There are different ways to declare local variables in a Haskell expression.

### 1. let operator

You can use the “let” operator, which is used to associate a variable or a vector pattern with an expression:

- <a | let a=10>
- <a+b+c | let [a,b,c] = [1,2,3]>

“let” comes with two flavors. If the return value has been declared with a “<x |...>” then different “let” expressions can be separated one from the others with a “,”:

- <a+b | let a=10,let b=20>

However, it is also possible to return a value through an “in” expression. In that case, the different declarations will share one single “let”.

- <let a=10,b=20 in a+b>

If an iteration is declared in your expression, then the “let” will be reevaluated at each iteration.

- <a | x <- [1..10], let a=x\*2>

## 2. where operator

The “where” operator is used to declare global variables. It is placed at the end of a Haskell expression. Its evaluation is always done once before any other analysis.

➤ `<a | let a=w+10, where w=20>`

There might be as many declarations in a “where” as necessary. Note that each declaration should be separated with “;” or a “,” from the previous.

➤ `<a | let a=w1*w2, where w1=20,w2=30>`

### Note

You can also declare functions in a where, which will be local to that Haskell expression.

➤ `<description(l) : ("Liste="+<what l>) |  
where <what([]) : "empty">;  
      <what([a]) : "one">;  
      <what(xs) : "large">>`

<code>description([])</code>	yields <b>empty</b>
<code>description([1])</code>	yields <b>one</b>
<code>description([1,2,3])</code>	yields <b>large</b>

### ▶ Introducing Athanor code: {...}

You can also introduce some regular Athanor code in the middle of your Haskell expressions. You only need to declare these instructions between {...}.

➤ `<x | x <- [1..10], {println(x);}>`

For instance, in this case, each value of x will be displayed while iterating in the value domain.

## Functions

The Haskell language also provides a way to declare functions. These functions are equivalent to an Athanor function in which all arguments are of type “self”.

### ▶ Declaration

A function is declared in the following way:

➤ `<(monad) name(a1,a2...) : Haskell expression>`

They can be called from an Athanor program with: `name(p1,p2...)`.

### Examples:

`<one(x) : x+1>`

```
int val=one(12);
```

val is: 15

```
<plusone(v) : x+1 | x <- v>
vector vect=plusone([1..10]);
```

vect is: [2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11]

## ► Monads

A monad is a way to describe the types and the return type of a Haskell expression. You declare a monad just before the function name:

```
< (int, int) -> int Myfunc(x,y)... >
```

The elements in parentheses are the arguments types, and the value after the “->” is the return type. The size of the arguments should match the size of the function.

If one of the arguments must be a function, then the type will be: *call*.

Important: If you declare a monad then all latter MyFunc implementations will inherit this same declaration. You only need to declare a monad once with the first function declaration. However, if you supplement a latter function with its own monad, then it will replace the previous monad with the local one.

When an argument in the list does not request a specific type, you can replace it with “\_”.

```
< (int,_) -> vector ...>
```

In this example, the second argument does not request any specific type.

Example:

```
<(int,int,float) -> float Mult(x,y,z) = 3x-y+z>
<(int,int,vector) -> vector Mult(x,y,v) = [2x+y+v[0]]>
```

```
int j= 17+Mult(10,2,3);
```

```
println(j); // result is 48 (first definition of Mult)
```

```
let b= Mult(10,2,[3]);
println(b); // result is [25] (second definition of Mult)
```

## Monads in Haskell expressions

You can also declare monads in Haskell expression, exactly in the same way as function, just before the expression itself. However, in that case the parameter list should be empty.

```
< () -> ivector x | x <- [1..10]> //this expression will return a ivector
```

### ► Without monades

If you declare a Haskell function without a monad, Athanor declares each non atomic element as a “self” variable.

Hence “plusone” declaration is equivalent to:

```
function plusone(self v) {...}
```

However, the arguments of these functions can be either atomic values (integer, float or string) or vector declarations.

### ► Guard

The Haskell language provides a mechanism which is very similar to a switch/case: the “guard”. A guard is a succession of tests associated with an action, each test is introduced with a “|”. The default value is introduced with the keyword “otherwise”.

**Example:**

```
<imb(bmi) : | bmi <= 10 = "small" | bmi<=20 = "medium" | otherwise = "large">
```

imb(12) yields “medium” as a response.

### ► Multiple declarations

It is actually possible to declare a function in more than one Haskell expressions. In that case, the argument list can contain atomic values. When the expression is evaluated, the parameters are tested against the arguments of the function. If there is no match, then the system tries the next declaration.

**Example:**

```
<fibonacci(0) : 0>
```

```
<fibonacci(1) : 1>
```

```
<fibonacci(n) : a | let a=fibonacci(n-1)+fibonacci(n-2)>
```

fibonacci(10) is 55

When “n” is 0 or 1, it matches against the first or second definition, which then returns the adequate value.

### ► break

The “break” can be used to “fail” the current function declaration. For instance, you might want to go to the next declaration if the number of element is more than a certain value.

**Example:**

```
<myloop(v): if (v.size())>10 break else v[0]>
<myloop(v): v[10]>
```

```
<myloop([1..10])> yields 1, the list size is 10
```

```
<myloop([1..20])> yields 11, the list size is 20
```

► **case x of pattern -> result, pattern -> result... otherwise result**

This instruction is very similar to a switch case, but with a big difference, it compares x to patterns and not just values. For instance, you can provide vector patterns in the list as a way to create local variables.

**Example:**

```
//In this case, we test each value against 1,2 and we return 12,24 or 34
```

```
vector v=<case x of 1 -> 12, 2 -> 24 otherwise 34 | x <- [1..10]>;
v is [12,24,34,34,34,34,34,34,34,34]
```

```
//we prepare a vector in which we have: [[1,2,3,4],...,[1,2,3,4]]
```

```
v=<replicate 5 [1..4]>;
v is [[1,2,3,4],[1,2,3,4],[1,2,3,4],[1,2,3,4],[1,2,3,4]]
```

```
//we match the sub-lists against vector patterns
```

```
v=<case x of [a,b] -> (a+b), [a,b,c,4] -> (a+b-c) otherwise <sum x> | x <- v>;
v is [0,0,0,0,0]
```

► **Iteration on list in the arguments...**

Haskell can iterate on lists in a very similar way as Prolog. You can use the same operator “|” as in Prolog or you can use the “.” operator as in Haskell to define how the list should be split.

**Example:**

```
<see([ ]) : "empty">
<see([first:rest]) : [a,first] | let a = see(rest)>
```

```
see(['a'..'e']);
```

```
yields [[['empty','e'],'d'],'c'],'b'],'a']
```

► **Calling a function in a Haskell expression**

You can call any function or method, either Haskell or Athanor in a Haskell expression. For instance, let's implement a simple “trim” on strings...

➤ `<trim1(w) : x | let x=w.trim()> //the simplest one`

➤ `<trim2(w) : x | let x=<trim w>> //pure Haskell call`

```
//We define an Athanor function
```

```
function Trim(string c) {
  return(c.trim());
}
```

- `<trim3(w) : x | let x=Trim(w)> //Through an external function`
- `<trim4(w) : x | let x=<Trim w>> //The same, but with a Haskell flavor`

Note that *any method or function* can be called from within a Haskell expression as long as it matches the element type.

- `<adding(v) : <sum v>>;`

There is no actual difference between calling a function in a Athanor way or using a Haskell expression.

### Example: sorting a list

```
<fastsort([ ]) : [ ]> //if the list is empty, we return an empty "list"
<fastsort([fv:v]) : (mn &&& fv &&& mx) | //we merge the different sublists...
  let mn = fastsort(<a | a <- v, a<=fv>), //we apply our "sort" on the list that
  contains the elements smaller than fv (First Value)
  let mx = fastsort(<a | a <- v, a >fv>)> //we apply our "sort" on the list that contains
  the elements larger than fv
```

## ► Handling functions

Haskell is a functional language, which means, among other things, that Haskell is able to take function as input, but also can return function as result.

### Functions or methods as arguments

Haskell functions accept other functions as arguments. In that case, the type is “call”. In this specific implementation, we do not allow for a refined description of this call as it is possible with actual Haskell implementation.

```
<(call,string) -> string Invert(f,x) : <f x>>
println(Invert(reverse,"test")); //return tset
```

For instance the above function accepts a call as argument and applies this function on x.

### Functions as result

Haskell functions can return functions as result.

```
//This function returns another function that divides x and y
<() -> call fonction() = < (_,_) -> int renvoie(x,y) : x/y>>
//We call this function
call app= fonction();
//And applies it to 201,25
println(1,app(201,25)); //it returns 8, the function monad implies a int
```

A more complex example:

```
function machine(int j, int k) {
    return(3k-j);
}

//Here we return a function according to the value of x
<(int) -> call //The monad, the function accepts an int and returns a function
Choice(x) :
    case x of
        1 -> <(_,_)-> int calculus(x,y) : x-y>, //a local lambda
        2 -> <calculus(x,y) : y/x>,
        4 -> reverse, //it can be a method
        5 -> machine //or another function
        otherwise <calculus(x,y) : x+2y>
    >

call app=Choice(1);
println(2,app(20,25)); // return -5
app=Choice(2);
println(3,app(20,25)); //returns 1.25
app=Choice(3);
println(3,app(20,25)); //returns 70

//Below the function that is applied is returned by Choice
println(4,<Choice 2> 123 456>); // return 3.70732 (it calls calculus)
println(5,<Choice 4> "abcdef">); //return fedcba (it calls reverse)
println(6,<Choice 5> 123 456>); //return 1245 (it calls machine)
```

Note how function monads influence the final value...

## Operations

Haskell provides a set of specific operations, which can only be used in Haskell expressions. These operations are used to apply functions or methods to a list or to filter specific values out. Other operations are used to duplicate or to cycle in a list.

### ► <take nb list>

This function gives you the first n elements of the list. For instance, when you loop in an infinite list, this function can be used to stop the iteration after a certain number of elements have been extracted.



**Example**

`<take 10 [1,5..100]>` yields `[1,5,9,13,17,21,25,29,33,37]`

▶ **<drop nb list>**

This gives you everything back except the first n elements of a list.

**Example**

`<drop 10 [1,5..100]>` yields `[41,45,49,53,57,61,65,69,73,77,81,85,89,93,97]`

▶ **<cycle list>**

This method is used to cycle in a list. It can be combined with a “take” in order to limit the number of cycles.

**Example**

`v=<take 10 <cycle [1,2,3]>>` yields `[1,2,3,1,2,3,1,2,3,1]`

▶ **<repeat value>**

This function creates a list, in which “value” is repeated *ad infinitum*. Again, you can combine it with a “take” to limit the number of iterations.

**Example**

`v=<take 10 <repeat 5>>` yields `[5,5,5,5,5,5,5,5,5,5]`

▶ **<replicate nb value>**

This function duplicates “value” in a list of nb elements.

**Example**

`<replicate 3 [10]>` yields `[[10],[10],[10]]`

▶ **Composition: “.”**

You have certainly noted that when we apply “take” on a list, which is created through another function, we can control the number of elements that this inner function generates: `<take 10 <repeat 5>>`. This operation is called “composition”. It allows for a program to put a limit on what the sub-calls are doing. To simplify the way these compositions are written, you can use the composition operator: “.”

Hence, the formula `<take 10 <repeat 5>>` can also be written as:

`<take 10 .repeat 5>`

▶ **<map (op) list>**

This function is used to apply an operation or a function to each element of a list. If “op” is reduced to an operator, then each element is combined with

itself with this operator. You can also use lambda expressions of the form  $(\lambda x \rightarrow \dots)$

### 1. With one operator

If a single operator is supplied, then it is applied to each element together.

- `<map (+) [1..10]>` yields `[2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20]`  
 $(1+1/2+2/3+3/4+4/5+5/6+6/7+7/8+8/9+9/10+10)$

### 2. With an operator and a value

In that case, we provide both an operator and a value. Note that the position of the value in the expression is important.

- `<map (-1) [1..10]>` yields `[0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]`  
 $(1-1/2-1/3-1/4-1/5-1/6-1/7-1/8-1/9-1/10-1)$

On the other hand:

- `<map (1-) [1..10]>` yields `[0,-1,-2,-3,-4,-5,-6,-7,-8,-9]`  
 $(1-1/1-2/1-3/1-4/1-5/1-6/1-7/1-8/1-9/1-10)$

### 3. With a lambda

A lambda in Haskell is defined as:  $(\lambda x_0 x_1 \dots x_n \rightarrow x_0 + x_1 + \dots + x_n)$ , where  $x_0 x_1 \dots x_n$  are the arguments of the lambda, followed by “ $\rightarrow$ ” and a specific calculus.

In the case of a map, the lambda has only one argument.

- `<map (\x -> (x+4)/3) [1..10]>` yields `[1,2,2,2,3,3,3,4,4,4]`

### 4. With a function

You can also apply a function to each element of the list, with a map.

- `<map (cos) [0,0.1..0.4]>` yields: `[1,0.995004,0.980067,0.955336,0.921061]`

This function can also be defined as an Athanor function or as a Haskell function.

```
function Min(float y) {
  return(y-1);
}
```

```
<map (Min) [1..10]> yields [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
```

### ► <filter (condition) list>

*filter* is used to filter each element from a list corresponding to a specific property. This property can be expressed with a comparison operator, with a lambda or with a function that returns *true* or *false*.

### Examples

1. A very simple example, we only keep values > 3:
  - `<filter (>3) [1..10]>` yields `[4,5,6,7,8,9,10]`
2. In the next example, we use a lambda expression, which is a bit richer than a simple operator. In our example, we only keep the *even* values.
  - `<filter (\x -> (x%2)==0) [1..10]>` yields `[2,4,6,8,10]`
3. The following example returns the list of prime numbers among the 1000 first integers. *factors* returns the list of dividers for a given number.
  - `<filter (\x -> <size <factors x>> ==1) [0..1000]>`
4. We can also use a function to do the comparison:

```
function odd(int x) {
  if (x%2==0)
    return(false);
  return(true);
}
```

- `<filter (odd) [1..10]>` yields `[1,3,5,7,9]`
5. Finally, we can also compose our expression with a “map”
    - `<filter (odd) . map (*3) [1..10]>` yields `[3,9,15,21,27]`

#### ▶ **<and (condition) list>**

This instruction returns *true* if *condition* is verified for each element.

- `<and (odd) [1,3..11]>` yields *true*

#### ▶ **or (condition) list>**

This instruction returns *true* if *condition* is verified for at least one element.

- `<or (odd) [1,2..10]>` yields *true*

#### ▶ **<takeWhile (condition) list>**

*takeWhile* put a condition on each element from the list. When this condition *is not met* then the iteration on the list stops. It works in a similar way as “take”, but instead of counting the elements, it put a condition on them.

### Examples

1. Iterating on an infinite list
  - `<takeWhile (<100) [1,11..]>` yields `[1,11,21,31,41,51,61,71,81,91]`

As we can see on this example, the iteration has stopped when the value returned from the list is above 100...

## 2. Combining with a map and a filter

In this example, we extract all the squares below 500 that are odd.

➤ `<filter (odd) . takeWhile (<500) . map (*) [1..]>`

The result is: [1,9,25,49,81,121,169,225,289,361,441]

### ▶ `<dropWhile (condition) list>`

This function drops all the elements until an element does not match the condition. It then keeps the rest of the list.

#### Example

`<dropWhile (isDigit) "12345ABCD123">` yields `ABCD123`

### ▶ `<zip l1 l2..ln>`

Combine different lists together. Each element from l1,...,ln is stored into a list.

#### Examples

➤ `<zip [0..2] [0..2] [0..2]>`

The result is: [[0,0,0],[1,1,1],[2,2,2]]

### ▶ `<zipWith (f) l1 l2 l3...ln>`

`zipWith` combines different list together thanks to `f`. If `f` is a lambda, then it should have as many arguments as the number of lists in the expression.

#### Examples

## 1. Combining three lists together with "+"

➤ `<zipWith (+) [0..10] [0..10] [0..10]>`

The result is: [0,3,6,9,12,15,18,21,24,27,30]

## 2. With a lambda function

➤ `<zipWith (\x y z -> x*y+z) [0..10] [0..10] [0..10]>`

The result is: [0,2,6,12,20,30,42,56,72,90,110]

## 3. Composing with a takeWhile and infinite lists

➤ `<takeWhile (<100) . zipWith (\x y z -> x*y+z) [0..] [0..] [0..]>`

The result is : `[0,2,6,12,20,30,42,56,72,90]`

► **<foldl|foldr (f) first list>**

These operators apply a function, a lambda or an operation on a list, with “first” as a seed. The lambda function should have two arguments. The difference between “foldl” and “foldr” is the direction of the “fold”. “foldl” starts from the beginning of the list, while foldr starts from the end of the list. foldl then traverses the list in a forward manner, while foldr traverses the list backward.

If you use a lambda expression, then the element from the list should be the first one for foldr and the second one for foldl. The other element is an accumulator, whose final value will be returned as a result of the *fold* expression.

The result of these functions is a value, not a list...

**Examples**

1. Summing elements from a list, with as a first value 100

➤ **<foldl (+) 100 [1..10]> yields 155... (100+1+2+3...+10)**

2. Accumulating values in lambda expression with foldl

➤ **<foldl (\ acc x -> acc+2\*x) 10 [1..10]> yields 120**

Note that the element from the list: “x” is the second element of the lambda expression, while the accumulator is the first one.

3. Accumulating values in lambda expression with foldr

➤ **<foldr (\ x acc -> acc+2\*x) 10 [1..10]> yields 120**

Note that the element from the list: “x” is the first element of the lambda expression.

► **<foldl1|foldr1 (f) list>**

These two functions are similar to foldl and foldr, but they take as a seed the first element of the list.

**Examples**

1. Summing elements from a list, the first value is 1...

➤ **<foldl1 (+) [1..10]> yields 55... (1+2+3...+10)**

2. Accumulating values in lambda expression with foldl1

➤ **<foldl1 (\ acc x -> acc+2\*x) [1..10]> yields 109**

Note that the element from the list: “x” is the second element of the lambda expression.

### 3. Accumulating values in lambda expression with foldr1

➤ **<foldr1** ( $\lambda x \text{ acc} \rightarrow \text{acc} + 2 * x$ ) [1..10]> yields 110

Note that the element from the list: “x” is the first element of the lambda expression.

### ▶ scanl,scanr,scanl1,scanr1

These functions are very similar to the “fold” function, except that they store in a list the intermediary results.

#### Examples

#### 1. Summing elements from a list, the first value is 1...

➤ **<scanl1** (+) [1..10]> yields [3,6,10,15,21,28,36,45,55]

#### 2. Accumulating values in lambda expression with scanl1

➤ **<scanl1** ( $\lambda \text{ acc } x \rightarrow \text{acc} + 2 * x$ ) [1..10]> yields [5,11,19,29,41,55,71,89,109]

Note that the element from the list: “x” is the second element of the lambda expression.

#### 3. Accumulating values in lambda expression with scanr1

➤ **<scanr1** ( $\lambda x \text{ acc} \rightarrow \text{acc} + 2 * x$ ) [1..10]> yields [100,98,94,88,80,70,58,44,28]

Note that the element from the list: “x” is the first element of the lambda expression.

### ▶ Cosine Example

```
string s=@"
55512 70.7107 1 0 1 0 1 1 0 0 0
56836 70.7107 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 0
80803 70.7107 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0
89103 70.7107 1 0 1 0 1 1 0 0 0
7203 68.6406 0 0 1 0 1 3 1 1 0
50244 67.082 1 2 0 0 1 2 0 0 0
23519 66.8153 1 0 0 1 1 2 0 0 0
35862 66.8153 0 0 1 0 1 2 0 1 0
37519 66.8153 0 0 1 0 2 1 1 0 0
42803 66.8153 1 0 0 0 1 2 0 1 0
82234 66.8153 0 0 0 0 1 2 1 1 0
93971 66.8153 0 0 1 0 1 2 0 1 0
2056 61.2372 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0
2161 61.2372 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
2607 61.2372 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0
3083 61.2372 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 0
3749 61.2372 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
3945 61.2372 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 0
4248 61.2372 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 0
4284 61.2372 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 0
```

ok - so what is she attempting to download ?  
ok do you have any data indication in the notification bar ?  
then it appears that this device has no sd card slot.  
well for most. there is no national data roaming charges  
as in if you slide down the status bar to see the notifications  
no it would not work in the s3 as the s3 uses a mini sim card  
hi i have a new htc one ppd and the keyboard no longer?  
if there is an update available , the phone will populate  
in problem state , i dont see any usb related message  
it puts it where ? so you get the icon but no sound ?  
there are notifications in the notification bar  
when the customer gets a new message  
all right . well , there is an sd card slot in the phone  
all right then i would suggest calling in our swap  
alright , in this case , i will have to refer the customer  
alright looks like it 's actually just a setting in this phone  
and , in general the samsung galaxy note 7 appears  
and do you see a data symbol in the notification bar ?  
and in the notification bar do you see a network connection ?  
and is there a sim card in that pphone to save the contacts ?

```

"@;

//The dot product implementation :  $\sum v1 * v2$ 
<dot(v1,v2) : sum . zipWith (*) v1 v2>;
//The norm implementation :  $\sqrt{\sum x^2}$ 
<norm(v1) : sqrt . sum . map (*) v1>;

//norm could also be implemented as: <norm(v1) : sqrt . sum . map (\a -> a*a) v1>;

//The cosine implementation
<cosine(v1,v2) : if (d==0) 0 else (n/d) | let n=<dot v1 v2>, let d=<norm v1>*<norm v2>>;

//We are going to split the above text into its vaue components. First we are only interested in the
//column from 3 to 10...
//The first step is to split along carriage return (\n)
//Then we split each line along white characters:
//such as: ['55512','70.7107','1','0','1','0','1','1','0','0','0','ok','-','so'...]
//we then filter from the third column (first column is 0) to only keep one digit string...
//we get rid of the last column.
vector v;
v=< u[:-1] | line <- < <split . trim x> | x <- <split s "\n">, x.trim()!=">, let u=filter (in ['0'..'9']) line[2:]>;

//uni contains only 1. It has the same size as one element from v.
ivector uni=<replicate <size v[0]> 1>;

ivector iv;
//We traverse our vector, converting each element into a vector of integers...
//And we compute the cosine distance between uni and these elements.
for (iv in v)
  println(iv,cosine(uni,iv));

```

# Synchronization

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Athamor offers a simple way to put threads in a wait state. The process is very simple to put in place. Athamor provides different functions at this effect:

1. **cast(string)**: this instruction releases the execution of all threads *waiting* on *string*.
2. **cast()**: this instruction releases all threads, whatever their *string* state.
3. **lock(string s)**: this instruction put a *lock* on a portion of code to prevent two threads to access the same lines at the same time.
4. **unlock(string s)**: this instruction deletes a *lock* to enable other threads to get access to the content of a function.
5. **waitonfalse(var)**: this function put a thread in a wait state until the value of *var* is set to *false* (or zero, or anything that returns false)
6. **waitonjoined()**: this function waits for threads launched within the current thread to terminate. These threads must be declared with the flag *join*.
7. **wait(string)** : this function put a thread in a *wait* state, using a string as trigger. The *wait* mode is released when a cast is done on that string...

## ► Example:

```
//we use the string "test" as trigger
joined thread waiting() {
    wait("test");
    println("Released");
}

//We do some job and then we release our waiting thread
joined thread counting() {
    int nb=0;

    while (nb<10000)
        nb++;

    cast("test");
    println("End counting");
}
```



```

waiting();
counting();
waitonjoined();
println("Out");

```

### Execution

If we execute the program above, Athanor will display in the following order:

```

End counting
Released
Out

```

### ► Example

```

int nb=1000;

joined thread decomppte() {
    while (nb>1) {
        nb--;
    }
    printlnerr("End counting",nb);
    nb--;
}

joined thread attend() {
    waitonfalse(nb);
    printlnerr("Ok");
}

attend();
decomppte();

waitonjoined();
printlnerr("End");

```

## Mutex: lock and unlock

There are cases when it is necessary to prevent certain threads to have access to the same lines at the same time, for instance, to force two function calls to fully apply before another thread to take control. When a

*lock* is set in a given function, then the next lines of this function are no longer accessible to other threads, until an *unlock* is called.

### Example

If we take the following example:

```
//We implement our thread
thread launch(string n,int m) {
    int i;
    println(n);
    //we display all our values
    for (i=0;i<m;i++)
        print(i, " ");
    println();
}

function principal() {
    //we launch our thread
    launch("Premier",2);
    launch("Second",4);
}
```

If we run it, we obtain a display which is quite random, as threads execute in an undetermined order, only known to the kernel.

```
PremierSecond
00 1 1
2 3
```

This order can be imposed with locks, which will prevent the kernel from executing the same bunch of lines at the same time.

We must add *locks* into the code, to prevent the system from meshing lines in a terrible output:

```
//We re-implement our thread with a lock
thread launch(string n, int m) {
    lock("launch"); //We lock here, no one can pass anymore
    int i;
    println(n);
    //we display all our values
    for (i=0;i<m;i++)
        print(i, " ");
    println();
    unlock("launch"); //We unlock with the same string, to allow passage.
}
```

Then, when we run this piece of code again, we will have a complete different output, which is more on par with what we expect:

```
Premier
0 1
Second
0 1 2 3
```

This time the lines will display according to their order in the code.

### Important:

The lock strings are global to the whole code, which means that a *lock* somewhere can be *unlock* somewhere else. It also means that a *lock* on a given string might block another part of the code that would use the same string to lock its own lines. It is therefore recommended to use very specific strings to differentiate one *lock* from another.

### ► Protected threads

The above example could have been rewritten with exactly the same behavior by a *protected* function.

```
//We re-implement our thread as a protected function
protected thread launch(string n, int m) {
    int i;
    println(n);
    //we display all our values
    for (i=0;i<m;i++)
        print(i, " ");
    println();
}
```

This function will yield exactly the same output as the one above. *Protected* threads implement a *lock* at the very beginning of the execution and release it once the function is terminated. However, the advantage of using *lock* over a *protected* function is the possibility to be much more precise on which lines should be protected.

## Semaphores: waitonfalse

If the above functions are useful in a multi-threaded context, there are not enough in some cases. Athanor provides functions, which are used to synchronize threads on variable values. These functions can only be associated with simple types such as Boolean, integer, float or string. The role of these two functions is for a *thread to wait* for a specific variable to reach a *false* value. *False* is automatically returned when a numerical variable has the value 0, when a string is empty or when a Boolean variable is set to *false*.

### ► waitonfalse(var);

This other function *will put a thread in a wait state* until the variable *var* reaches the value *false*.

### Example

```
//First we declare a variable stopby
//Important: its initial value must be different from 0
```

```

int stopby=1;

//We implement our thread
thread launch(int m) {
    //we reset stopby with the number of loops
    stopby=m;
    int i;
    //we display all our values
    for (i=0;i<m;i++) {
        print(i, " ");
        //we decrement our stopby variable
        stopby--;
    }
}

function principal() {
    //we launch our thread
    launch(10);
    //we wait for stopby to reach 0...
    waitonfalse(stopby);
    println("End ");
}

principal();

```

**RUN**

The execution will delay the display of “END” until every single *i* has been output on screen.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 End

If we remove the *waitonfalse*, the output will be rather different:

End 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

As we can see on this example, Athanor will first display the message “End” before displaying any other values.

The *waitonfalse* synchronizes *principal* and *launch* together.

**Note**

The example above could have been implemented with *wait* and *cast* as below:

```

//We implement our thread
thread launch(int m) {
    int i;
    //we display all our values
    for (i=0;i<m;i++)
        print(i, " ");
    cast("end");
}

function principal() {
    //we launch our thread
    launch(10);
    wait("end");
}

```

```

        println("End");
    }

    principal();

```

However, one should remember that only *one cast* can be performed at a time to release threads. With a *synchronous* variable, the *waitonfalse* can be triggered by different threads, not just the one that would perform a *cast*.

## **waitonjoined() with flag *join***

When a thread must wait for other threads to finish before carrying one, the simplest solution is to declare each of these threads as *join*, and then uses the method: *waitonjoined()*.

Different threads can wait on a different set of joined threads at the same time.

### **Example**

```

//A first thread with a join
join thread jdisplay(string s) {
    print(s+"\r");
}

//which is launched from this thread also "join"
join thread launch(int x) {
    int i;
    for (i=0;i<5000;i++) {
        string s="Thread:"+x+"="+i;
        jdisplay(s);
    }
    //we wait our local threads to finish
    waitonjoined();
    println("End:"+x);
}

//we launch two of them
launch(0);
launch(1);
//and we wait for them to finish...
waitonjoined();
println("Termination");

```

## Inference engine

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Athanor embeds an inference engine, which can be freely mixed with regular Athanor instructions.

This inference engine is very similar to Prolog but with some particularities:

- a) Predicates do not need to be declared beforehand, in order for Athanor to distinguish predicates from normal functions. However, if you need to use a predicate that will be implemented later in the code, you need to declare it beforehand.
- b) You do not need to declare inference variables, however, their names are very different from traditional Prolog names: they must be preceded with a "?".
- c) Each inference clause finishes with a "." and not a ";;"
- d) Terms can be declared beforehand (as term variables). However, if you do not want to declare them, you must precede their name with a "?" as for inference variables.
- e) Probabilities might be attached to predicates, which are used to choose as a first path the one with highest probabilities.

*N.B. For an adequate description of Prolog language, please consults the appropriate documentations.*

## Types

Athanor exposes three specific types for inference objects:

### ► predicate

This type is used to declare predicates, which will be used in inference clauses.

This type exposes the following methods:

1. `name()`: *return the predicate name*
2. `size()`: *return the number of arguments*
3. `_trace(bool)`: *activate or deactivate the trace for this predicate, when it is the calling predicate.*

### ► term

This type is used to declare terms, which will be used in inference clauses (see the NLP example below)

### ► Other inference types: *list and associative map*

- Athanor also provides the traditional lists *à la Prolog*, which can be used with the “|” operator to handle list decomposition (see the NLP example below for a demonstration of this operator).

#### ○ Example

```
predicate alist;

//in this clause, C is the rest of the list...
alist([?A,?B|?C],[?A,?B],?C) :- true.

v=alist([1,2,3,4,5],?X,?Y);

println(v); ➔ [alist([1,2,3,4,5],[1,2],[3,4,5])]
```

- Athanor also provides an associative map, which is implemented as an Athanor map, but in which the argument order is significant.

#### ○ Example:

```
predicate assign, avalue;

avalue(1,1) :- true.
avalue (10,2) :- true.
avalue (100,3) :- true.
avalue ("fin",4) :- true.

assign({?X:?Y,?Z:?V}) :- avalue (?X,1), avalue (?Y,2), avalue (?Z,3), avalue (?V,4).
vector v=assign(?X);

println(v); ➔ [assign({'100':'fin','1':10})]
```

As you can see on this example, both *keys* and *values* can depend on *inference variables*. However, the order in which these associations *key:value* are declared is important. Thus **{?X:?Y,?Z:?V}** is different from **{?Z:?V,?X:?Y}**.

### ► predicatevar

This type is used to handle predicates to explore their names and values. A *predicatevar* can be seen as a function, whose parameters are accessible through their position in the argument list as a vector.

This type exposes the following methods:

1. **map()**: return the predicate as a map: [*'name':name,'0':arg0,'1':arg1...*]
2. **name()**: return the predicate name
3. **query(predicate|name,v1,v2,v3)**: build and evaluate a predicate on the fly.
4. **remove()**: remove the predicate from memory
5. **remove(db)**: remove the predicate from the database db
6. **size()**: return the number of arguments
7. **store()**: store the predicate in memory
8. **store(db)**: store the predicate value into the database db.
9. **vector()**: return the predicate as a vector: [*name,arg0,arg1...*]

It should be noted that the method “predicate”, which exists both for a map and a vector, transforms the content of a vector or a map back into a predicate as long as their content mimics the predicate output of *vector()* and *map()*.

#### Example:

```
vector v=['female','mary'];
predicatevar fem;

fem=v.predicate(); //we transform our vector into a predicate.
fem.store(); //we store it in the fact base.

v=fem.query(female,?X); //We build a predicate query on the fly
v=fem.query(female,'mary'); //We build a predicate query with a string
```

## Clauses

A clause is defined as follow:

predicate (arg1,arg2...,argn) :- pred(arg...),pred(arg,...), etc. ;

#### ► Fact base

A fact can be declared in a program, with the following instruction:

**predicate(val,val) :- true.**

If you replace “true” with “false”, then this instruction is used to remove the fact from the fact base.

*N.B.* It is possible to replace the above expression with:

**predicate(val,val).**



## ► Disjunction

Athamor also accepts disjunctions in clauses, with the operator “;”, which can be used in lieu of “,” between predicates.

### Example:

```
predicate mere,pere;
mere("jeanne","marie").
mere("jeanne","rolande").

pere("bertrand","marie").
pere("bertrand","rolande").

predicate parent;
//We then declare our rule as a disjunction...
parent(?X,?Y) :- mere(?X,?Y);pere(?X,?Y).
parent._trace(true);

vector v=parent(?X,?Y);
println(v);
```

Result:

```
r:0=parent(?X,?Y) --> parent(?X6,?Y7)
e:0=parent(?X8,?Y9) --> mere(?X8,?Y9)
k:1=mere('jeanne','marie').
  success:2=parent('jeanne','marie')
k:1=mere('jeanne','rolande').
  success:2=parent('jeanne','rolande')

[parent('jeanne','marie'),parent('jeanne','rolande')]
```

## ► Cut and fail

Athamor also provides a *cut*, which is expressed with the traditional “!”. It also provides the keyword *fail*, which can be used to force the failure of a clause.

## ► Functions

Athamor also provides some regular functions from the Prolog language such as:

### Function **asserta(pred(...))**

This function asserts (inserts) a predicate at the beginning of the knowledge base. Note that this function *can only be used within a clause declaration*.

### **assertz(pred(...))**

This function asserts (inserts) a predicate at the end of the knowledge base. Note that this function *can only be used within a clause declaration*.

### **retract(pred(...))**

This function removes a predicate from the knowledge base. Note that this function *can only be used within a clause declaration*.

**retractall(pred)**

This function removes all instances of predicate “pred” from the knowledge base. If *retractall* is used without any parameters, then it cleans the whole knowledge base. Note that this function *can only be used within a clause declaration*.

**Function: predicatedump(pred) or findall(pred)**

This function when used without any parameters returns all predicates stored in memory as a vector. If you provide the name of a predicate as a *string*, then it dumps as a vector all the predicates with the specified name.

**Example**

```
//Note that you need to declare "parent" if you want to use it in an assert
predicate parent;

adding(?X,?Y) :- asserta(parent(?X,?Y)).

adding("Pierre","Roland");

println(predicatedump(parent));
```

**► Callback function**

A predicate can be declared with a callback function, whose signature is the following:

```
function OnSuccess(predicatevar p, string s) {
    println(s,p);
    return(true);
}

string s="Parent:";

predicate parent(s) with OnSuccess;

parent("John","Mary") :- true.
parent("John","Peter") :- true.

parent(?X,?Y);
```

This function should be associated with the predicate that will be evaluated. Each time the evaluation on *parent* is successful then this function is called. The second argument in the function corresponds to the parameter given to *parent* in the declaration.

If the function returns *true*, then inference engine tries other solutions, otherwise it stops.

**Result:**

If we run our above example, we obtain:

```
Parent: parent('John','Mary')
Parent: parent('John','Peter')
```

## DCG

Athanor also accepts DCG rules (Definite Clause Grammar), with a few modifications with the original definition. First, Prolog variables should be denoted with ?V as in the other rules. Third, atoms can only be declared as strings.

### Example:

```

predicate sentence,noun_phrase,verb_phrase;

term s,np,vp,d,n,v;

sentence(s(?NP,?VP)) --> noun_phrase(?NP), verb_phrase(?VP).
noun_phrase(np(?D,?N)) --> det(?D), noun(?N).
verb_phrase(vp(?V,?NP)) --> verb(?V), noun_phrase(?NP).
det(d("the")) --> ["the",?X], {?X is "big"}.
det(d("a")) --> ["a"].
noun(n("bat")) --> ["bat"].
noun(n("cat")) --> ["cat"].
verb(v("eats")) --> ["eats"].

//we generate all possible interpretations...
vector vr=sentence(?Y,[],?X);
println(vr);

```

## Launching an evaluation

Evaluations are launched exactly in the same way as a function would. You can of course provide as many inference variables as you want, but you can only launch one predicate at a time, which imposes that your expression, should be first be declared as a clause if you want it to include more than one predicate.

### Important

If the recipient variable is a vector, then all possible analyses will be provided. The evaluation tree will be fully traversed.

If the recipient variable is anything else, then whenever a solution is found, the evaluation is stopped.

### ► Mapping methods to predicates.

Most object methods are mapped into predicates, in a very simple way. For instance, if a string exports the method “trim”, then a “p\_trim” with two variables is created. Each method is mapped to a predicate in this fashion. For each method, we add a prefix: “p\_” to transform this method into a predicate.

The *first* argument of this predicate is the head object of the method, while the *last* parameter is the result of applying this method to that object. Hence, if *s* is a string, *s.trim()* becomes *p\_trim(s,?X)*, where ?X is the

result of applying trim to *s*. If *?X* is unified, then the predicate will check if the *?X* is the same as *s.trim()*.

**Example:**

```
compute(?X,?Y) :- p_log(?X,?Y).
```

► **between(?X,?B,?E), succ(?X,?Y)**

- *between(?X,?B,?E)* checks if the value *?X* is between *?B* and *?E*.
- *succ(?X,?Y)* returns the successor of *?X*. *succ* can also be used as term, but in that case, it only uses one argument.

► **Common mistakes with Athanor variables.**

If you use common variables in predicates, such as strings, integers or any other sorts of variables, you need to remember that these variables are used in predicates as comparison values. An example might clarify a little bit what we mean.

**Example 1**

```
string s="test";
string sx="other";
predicate comp;
comp._trace(true);

comp(s,3) :- println(s).
comp(sx,?X);
```

**Execution:**

```
r:0=comp(s,3) --> comp(other,?X172) --> Fail
```

**This clause has failed, because *s* and *sx* have different values.**

**Example 2**

```
string s="test"; //now they have the same values
string sx="test";
predicate comp;
comp._trace(true);

comp(s,3) :- println(s).
comp(sx,?X);
```

**Execution:**

```
r:0=comp(s,3) --> comp(test,?X173)
e:0=comp(test,3) --> println(s)test
```

```
success:1=comp('test',3)
```

Be careful when you design your clauses, to use external variables as *comparison sources and not as instantiation*. If you want to pass a string value to your predicate, then the placeholder for that string should be a predicate variable.

### Example 3

```
string sx="test";
predicate comp;
comp._trace(true);

comp(?s,3) :- println(?s).
comp(sx,?X);
```

#### Execution:

```
r:0=comp(?s,3) --> comp(test,?X176)
e:0=comp('test',3) --> println(?s177:test)test

success:1=comp('test',3)
```

## Some examples

### ► Hanoi tower

The following program solves the Hanoi tower problem for you.

```
//we declare our predicate
predicate move;

//Note the variable names, which all start with a "?"
move(1,?X,?Y,_) :-
    println('Move the top disk from ',?X,' to ',?Y).

move(?N,?X,?Y,?Z) :-
    ?N>1,
    ?M is ?N-1,
    move(?M,?X,?Z,?Y),
    move(1,?X,?Y,_),
    move(?M,?Z,?Y,?X).

//The result will be assigned to res
predicatevar res;

res=move(3,"left","right","centre");

println(res);
```

If you run this example, you obtain:

```
Move the top disk from left to right
Move the top disk from left to centre
Move the top disk from right to centre
Move the top disk from left to right
Move the top disk from centre to left
Move the top disk from centre to right
Move the top disk from left to right
move(3,'left','right','centre')
```

## ► Ancestor

With this program, you can find the common female ancestor between different people parent relationship.

```
//we declare all our predicates
predicate ancestor,parent,male,female,test;

//Then our clauses
ancestor(?X,?X) :- true.
ancestor(?X,?Z) :- parent(?X,?Y),ancestor(?Y,?Z).

//Our parent relations, which are stored in the fact base
parent("george","sam") :- true.
parent("george","andy") :- true.
parent("andy","mary") :- true.

male("george") :- true.
male("sam") :- true.
male("andy") :- true.

female("mary") :- true.

test(?X,?Q) :- ancestor(?X,?Q), female(?Q).
test._trace(true);

//In this case, since the recipient variable is a vector, we explore all possibilities.
vector v=test("george",?Z);
println(v);
```

### Execution with a trace:

```
r:0=test(?X,?Q) --> test(george,?Z14)
e:0=test('george',?Q16) --> ancestor('george',?Q16),female(?Q16)
r:1=ancestor(?X,?X) --> ancestor('george',?Q16),female(?Q16)
e:1=ancestor('george','george') --> female('george') --> Fail
r:1=ancestor(?X,?Z) --> ancestor('george',?Q16),female(?Q16)
e:1=ancestor('george',?Z19) --> parent('george',?Y20),ancestor(?Y20,?Z19),female(?Z19)
k:2=parent('george','sam') --> ancestor('sam',?Z19),female(?Z19)
r:3=ancestor(?X,?X) --> ancestor('sam',?Z19),female(?Z19)
e:3=ancestor('sam','sam') --> female('sam') --> Fail
r:3=ancestor(?X,?Z) --> ancestor('sam',?Z19),female(?Z19)
e:3=ancestor('sam',?Z23) --> parent('sam',?Y24),ancestor(?Y24,?Z23),female(?Z23)
k:2=parent('george','andy') --> ancestor('andy',?Z19),female(?Z19)
r:3=ancestor(?X,?X) --> ancestor('andy',?Z19),female(?Z19)
e:3=ancestor('andy','andy') --> female('andy') --> Fail
r:3=ancestor(?X,?Z) --> ancestor('andy',?Z19),female(?Z19)
e:3=ancestor('andy',?Z27) --> parent('andy',?Y28),ancestor(?Y28,?Z27),female(?Z27)
k:4=parent('andy','mary') --> ancestor('mary',?Z27),female(?Z27)
r:5=ancestor(?X,?X) --> ancestor('mary',?Z27),female(?Z27)
e:5=ancestor('mary','mary') --> female('mary')
success:6=test('george','mary')
r:5=ancestor(?X,?Z) --> ancestor('mary',?Z27),female(?Z27)
e:5=ancestor('mary',?Z31) --> parent('mary',?Y32),ancestor(?Y32,?Z31),female(?Z31)
[test('george','mary')]
```

## ► Ancestor again but with a database

```
predicate ancestor,parent,female,test,truc;

sqlite db;
```

```

//Our database declaration
db.open('persitent.db');

//We declare our predicates
db.predicate("female",1);
db.predicate("parent",2);

//Transaction mode
db.begin();

//Storing our predicates
female("stephanie") :- store(db).
female("liliane") :- store(db).
female("jeanne") :- store(db).
female("mary") :- store(db).
female("francoise") :- store(db).

parent("george",10.3234) :- store(db).
parent("george",100) :- store(db).
parent("george","sam") :- store(db).
parent("george","andy") :- store(db).
parent("andy","mary") :- store(db).

db.commit();

//Now we tell the system where to look for the predicate values
parent(?X,?Y) :- get(db).
female(?X) :- get(db).

//But here: no change...
ancestor(?X,?X) :- true.
ancestor(?X,?Z) :- parent(?X,?Y),ancestor(?Y,?Z).

test(?X,?Q) :- ancestor(?X,?Q), female(?Q).

vector v=test("george",?Z);

println(v);

db.close();

```

### ► Ancestor (last), with assertdb instead of store

```

predicate ancestor,parent,female,test;

sqlite db;

//Our database declaration
db.open('persitent.db');

string err;

//We declare our predicates in the database, with their arity...
try {
    db.predicate("female",1);
    db.predicate("parent",2);
}
catch(err) {
    println(err);
}

//We need these two instructions to store our values in the database...

```

```

addingfemale(?X) :- assertdb(female(?X),db).
adding(?X,?Y) :- assertdb(parent(?X,?Y),db).

//Now we tell the system where to look for the predicate values
//THESE ARE TWO important lines, since we give here the link between the database and the
predicates...
parent(?X,?Y) :- get(db).
female(?X) :- get(db).

//An ancestor has a parent, who is 'self a parent...
ancestor(?X,?X) :- true.
ancestor(?X,?Z) :- parent(?X,?Y),ancestor(?Y,?Z).

//We are looking for a an ancestor, whose descendant is a female
test(?X,?Q) :- ancestor(?X,?Q), female(?Q).
test._trace(true);

//We add the following siblings to our database...
//Note the “,” at the end of the line, to trigger the evaluation of our predicates.
//Here, the main difference with the previous example is obvious, since we can define
whatever
//values we want on the fly.
db.begin();
addingfemale("stephanie");
addingfemale("liliane");
addingfemale("jeanne");
addingfemale("mary");
addingfemale("francoise");
adding("george","sam");
adding("george","andy");
adding("andy","mary");
db.commit();

//Looking for a female with a specific parent...
vector v=test("george",?Z);
println(v);

//Testing whether "mary" is a female.
println(female("mary"));

//Looking for all parents...
v=parent(?X,?Y);
println(v);

db.close();

```

### ► An NLP example

This example corresponds to the clauses that have been generated out of the previous DCG grammar given as an example.

```

//We declare our predicates
predicate sentence,noun_phrase,det,noun,verb_phrase,verb;

//We also declare our terms...
term P,SN,SV,dét,nom,verbe;
sentence._trace(false);

sentence(?S1,?S3,P(?A,?B)) :- noun_phrase(?S1,?S2,?A), verb_phrase(?S2,?S3,?B).
noun_phrase(?S1,?S3,SN(?A,?B)) :- det(?S1,?S2,?A), noun(?S2,?S3,?B).

```



```

verb_phrase(?S1,?S3,SV(?A,?B)) :- verb(?S1,?S2,?A), noun_phrase(?S2,?S3,?B)

//Note the use of the "!" operator...
det(["the"?X], ?X,dét("the")) :- true.
det(["a"?X], ?X,dét("a")) :- true.

noun(["cat"?X], ?X,nom("cat")) :- true.
noun(["dog"?X], ?X,nom("dog")) :- true.
noun(["bat"?X], ?X,nom("bat")) :- true.

verb(["eats"?X], ?X,verbe("eats")) :- true.

vector v;

v=sentence(?X,[],?A);
println("All the sentences that can be generated:",v);

//we analyze a sentence
v=sentence(["the", "dog", "eats", "a", "bat"],[],?A);
println("The analysis:",v);

```

## Execution:

### All the sentences that can be generated:

```

[sentence(["the','cat','eats','the','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(cat))))),s
entence(["the','cat','eats','the','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(dog))))),se
ntence(["the','cat','eats','the','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(bat))))),sent
ence(["the','cat','eats','a','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(cat))))),sentence(['
the','cat','eats','a','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(dog))))),sentence(['the','
cat','eats','a','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(bat))))),sentence(['the','dog','e
ats','the','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(cat))))),sentence(['the','dog','ea
ts','the','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(dog))))),sentence(['the','dog','e
ats','the','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(bat))))),sentence(['the','dog','e
ats','a','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(cat))))),sentence(['the','dog','eats','
a','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(dog))))),sentence(['the','dog','eats','a','
bat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(bat))))),sentence(['the','bat','eats','the','cat'],
[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(cat))))),sentence(['the','bat','eats','the','dog'],
[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(dog))))),sentence(['the','bat','eats','the','bat'],[]
,P(SN(dét(the),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(cat))))),sentence(['the','bat','eats','a','dog'],[],P(SN(dét
(the),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(dog))))),sentence(['the','bat','eats','a','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),
nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(bat))))),sentence(['a','cat','eats','the','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(cat)
)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(cat))))),sentence(['a','cat','eats','the','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(cat)),SV(
verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(dog))))),sentence(['a','cat','eats','the','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(cat)),SV(verbe
(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(bat))))),sentence(['a','cat','eats','a','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),S
N(dét(a),nom(cat))))),sentence(['a','cat','eats','a','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),n
om(dog))))),sentence(['a','cat','eats','a','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(cat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(bat))))
),sentence(['a','dog','eats','the','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(cat))))),sen
tence(['a','dog','eats','the','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(dog))))),senten
ce(['a','dog','eats','the','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(bat))))),sentence(['
a','dog','eats','a','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(cat))))),sentence(['a','dog','
eats','a','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(dog))))),sentence(['a','dog','eats','a',
'bat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(bat))))),sentence(['a','bat','eats','the','cat'],[]
,P(SN(dét(a),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(cat))))),sentence(['a','bat','eats','the','dog'],[],P(SN
(dét(a),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(dog))))),sentence(['a','bat','eats','the','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(a)
,nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(the),nom(bat))))),sentence(['a','bat','eats','a','cat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(b
at)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(cat))))),sentence(['a','bat','eats','a','dog'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(bat)),SV(ve
rbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(dog))))),sentence(['a','bat','eats','a','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(a),nom(bat)),SV(verbe(eats),
SN(dét(a),nom(bat)))))]

```

### The analysis:

```

[sentence(['the','dog','eats','a','bat'],[],P(SN(dét(the),nom(dog)),SV(verbe(eats),SN(dét(a),nom(bat)))))]

```

## ► Animated Hanoi Tower

The code below displays an animation in which disks are moved from one column to another. It merges both graphics and predicates.

```
//we declare our predicate
predicate move;

//The initial configuration... All disks are on the left column
map columns={'left':[70,50,30],'centre':[],'right':[]};

//we draw a disk according to its position and its column
function disk(window w,int x,int y,int sz,int position) {
    int start=x+100-sz;
    int level=y-50*position;
    w.rectanglefill(start,level,sz*2+20,30,FL_BLUE);
}

function displaying(window w,self o) {

    w.drawcolor(FL_BLACK);
    w.font(FL_HELVETICA,40);

    w.drawtext("Left",180,200);
    w.drawtext("Centre",460,200);
    w.drawtext("Right",760,200);

    w.rectanglefill(200,300,20,460,FL_BLACK);
    w.rectanglefill(100,740,220,20,FL_BLACK);

    w.rectanglefill(500,300,20,460,FL_BLACK);
    w.rectanglefill(400,740,220,20,FL_BLACK);

    w.rectanglefill(800,300,20,460,FL_BLACK);
    w.rectanglefill(700,740,220,20,FL_BLACK);

    //Now we draw our disks
    vector left=columns['left'];
    vector centre=columns['centre'];
    vector right=columns['right'];
    int i;

    for (i=0;i<left;i++)
        disk(w,100,740,left[i],i+1);
    for (i=0;i<centre;i++)
        disk(w,400,740,centre[i],i+1);
    for (i=0;i<right;i++)
        disk(w,700,740,right[i],i+1);

}
window w with displaying;

//----- Inference engine part -----
//we move from column x to y
function moving(string x,string y) {
    columns[y].push(columns[x][-1]);
    columns[x].pop();

    w.redraw();
    //a little pause after redrawing the whole stuff
    pause(0.5);
}
```

```

    return(true); //Important, we return true... or the predicate fails.
}

//Note the variable names, which all start with a "?"
move(1,?X,?Y,_) :- moving(?X,?Y).

move(?N,?X,?Y,?Z) :-
    ?N>1,
    ?M is ?N-1,
    move(?M,?X,?Z,?Y),
    move(1,?X,?Y,_),
    move(?M,?Z,?Y,?X).

//The inference is launched within a thread...
thread hanoi() {
    move(3,"left","right","centre");
}
//-----
function launch(button b,self o) {
    hanoi();
}

//We put a button to launch the inference engine
button b with launch;
w.begin(50,50,1000,800,"HANOI");
b.create(20,20,60,30,FL-Regular,FL-NORMAL_BUTTON,"Launch");
w.end();
w.run();

```

## dependency and synode

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Dependencies are a specific linguistic object, which has become a staple of modern Natural Language Processing. Athanor offers a specific implantation, based on the predicate engine, of these dependencies. The goal of this implementation is to take as input the analysis of a dependency parser (such as the Stanford parser) and implement some further analysis on the basis of this output. Dependencies are then evaluated as predicates, which connect together syntactic nodes.

Our system provides to this effect a second type, the *synode*, which implement a node from a constituent tree.

### synode

A synode is a syntactic node, which is defined through a feature set (implemented here as a *mapss*) and its position in the constituent tree.

A synode exposes the following methods:

1. `_initial(map m)`: Creates a syntactic node with some features.
2. `addchild(synode)`: Add a first child node
3. `addnext(synode)`: Add a next node
4. `addprevious(synode)`: Add a previous node
5. `after(synode)`: Return true if the node is after under the same parent.
6. `attributes()`: Return the feature attributes as a vector.
7. `before(synode)`: Return true if the node is before under the same parent.
8. `child()`: Return the first child node or check it against the parameter.
9. `children()`: Return the list of children for a given node or test if the node is a child.
10. `definitions(mapss)`: Set the valid feature definitions for all 'synodes'.
11. `last()`: Return the last child node or check it against the parameter.
12. `nbchildren()`: Return the number of direct children.

13. `next(synode)`: Return the next node or check it against the parameter.
14. `parent()`: Return the parent node or check it against the parameter.
15. `previous(synode)`: Return the previous node or check it against the parameter.
16. `precede(synode)`: Return true if the node is before (anywhere in the tree)
17. `sibling(synode)`: test if the node is a sibling (either a sister or a descendant).
18. `sisters(synode)`: Return the list of sister nodes or check if the node is a sister node.
19. `succeed(synode)`: Return true if the node is after (anywhere in the tree)
20. `test(string attribute)`: Test if an attribute is part of the feature structure.
21. `values()`: Return the feature values as a vector.

### ► Creating a constituent tree

A constituent is built from the top to the bottom. When you use the function `addchild`, it adds a first child under the current node, then each call to this function, will add a new child after the previous node child.

#### Example

```
//we create our NP node
synode np({"pos":"np"});

//Then three lexical nodes
synode det({"pos":"det","surface":"the"});
synode adj({"pos":"adj","surface":"big"});
synode noun({"pos":"noun","surface":"dog"});

//We add them under np, one after the other.
np.addchild(det);
np.addchild(adj);
```

```
np.addchild(noun);

//We display the nodes in an indented way
function Display(synode x, int i) {
    if (x==null)
        return;
    string sp;
    sp.fill(i, " ");
    println(sp,x);
    Display(x.child(),i+4);
    Display(x.next(),i);
}
Display(np,0);
```

### Result:

```
#0['pos':'np']
  #0['pos':'det','surface':'the']
    #0['pos':'adj','surface':'big']
      #0['pos':'noun','surface':'dog']
```

Note the “#0”, which indicates that the synode is not a dependency variable.

## Dependencies

A dependency is a relation between two synodes. You can create dependencies either directly through the type *dependency*, which can then be stored in the knowledge base with *assertz* or with a dependency rule.

### ► Type dependency

A dependency is composed of a name, a feature set and a list of arguments.

It exposes the following methods:

- `_initial([name,features,arg1,arg2..])`: Create a dependency with a name (string), a feature set (a mapss) and a list of arguments, each of type synode.
- `features()`: Return the dependency features.
- `name()`: Return the dependency name.
- `rule()`: Return the rule id that created this dependency

### Example:

```
//We create two lexical nodes
synode det({"pos":"det","surface":"the"});
synode noun({"pos":"noun","surface":"dog"});

dependency d(["DET",{"direct":"+"},det,noun]);

//We add it to the knowledge base
assertz(d);
println(d);
```

Result: `DET[direct: '+']({"pos": "det", "surface": "the"}, {"pos": "noun", "surface": "dog"})`

### ► Dependency Rule

A dependency rule matches the following pattern:

```
If ([^|~]dep[features](#x[features],#y) and/or dep(#w,#z)...)  
    depres(#n,#nn), ..., depres(#n,#nn) / ~ / #x[..],#x[..].
```

Where x,y,w,z,n,nn are integers.

- Each of the “#x” are actually *synodes* that will be matched against the actual synodes in the knowledge base dependencies.
- A dependency can be preceded by “^” or “~”.
- A dependency name can also be replaced with “\_n”, where n is an integer. You can either compare dependencies together or compare their name. If you use one of these variables in a dependency result, then the name of the dependency recorded in the variable will be used to create this new dependency. “\_n” can match any dependencies in memory as long as their arity matches.

- See below for a description of the feature structure.

NOTE: the *If* that starts such a rule should always start with a capital “I”, otherwise, the system will try to parse the rule as an ordinary “if” Boolean expression.

#### The rule reads:

*If we have dependencies in the knowledge base that match against the one stored in the knowledge base, then we store some new dependencies using the same variable.*

The rule can actually mix function calls and predicates together with the dependencies.

The “^” means that this dependency will be modified. Only one dependency, can be modified at a time in a rule.

The “~” is the negation. Before a dependency, it means that the dependency should not be present in the knowledge base.

If you replace the output of the rule with “~”, then the rule will apply, but no dependencies will be created.

#### Fact

The simplest way to add a dependency to the knowledge base, is to insert it as a fact.

dep[features](#1,#2).

### ► Features

The feature structure in a dependency rule obeys some specific rules:

First, the quotes are optional around attributes and values.

Second, the “+” is the default value of any attributes with one value.

#### Operators

- |                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| • attribute          | We check the existence of the attribute              |
| • attribute : value  | The attribute is compared against value              |
| • attribute : ~      | The attribute should not have any value              |
| • attribute ~: value | The attribute should not have the value <i>value</i> |
| • attribute = value  | We give the attribute the value <i>value</i>         |



- attribute = ~ We remove the attribute from the feature set.
- attribute -: gram We compare the attribute against a ARE (Athanor Regular Expression)
- attribute ~-: gram We compare the attribute against a ARE, which should fail.

### ► **\_dependencies()**

This method is used to trigger a dependency analysis, applying rules against the knowledge base.

### ► **\_setvalidfeatures(mapss features)**

This method is used to put some constraints on the valid features that can be used both for synodes and dependencies.

A feature is an attribute/value, which is mapped over a key/value structure in the map. If an attribute can take anything as a value, such as the lemma of a word, then the value should be the empty strings. The default value is "+".

### **Example**

```
mapss feats={'Obl':+', 'lemma':', 'c_person':+', 'CR4':+', 'Punct':+', 'surface':'};
_setvalidefeatures(feats);
```

## **Example**

```
//We display the nodes in an indented way
function Display(synode x, int i) {
  if (x==null)
    return;
  string sp;
  sp.fill(i, " ");
  println(sp,x);
  Display(x.child(),i+5);
  if (i) //when i==0, then it is the root of our tree, we do not want to display its sisters
    Display(x.next(),i);
}

//-----
//we prepare our constituent tree
```

```
synode np1={"bar":2};
synode np2({"bar":2});
synode vp({"bar":2});
synode s({"bar":3});

synode v({"word":"eats","pers":3,"pres":"+","verb":"+"});
synode d1({"word":"the","det":"+"});
synode n1({"word":"dog","noun":"+"});
synode d2({"word":"a","det":"+"});
synode n2({"word":"bone","noun":"+"});

s.addchild(np1);
s.addchild(vp);

vp.addchild(v,np2);

np1.addchild(d1,n1);
np2.addchild(d2,n2);

//It is actually possible to add or modify existing features, as if a synode was a map
vp["pos"]="verb";
np1["pos"]="noun";
np2["pos"]="noun";

//-----
//Our initial dependencies...

subj(v,n1).
obj(v,n2).
det(n1,d1).
det(n2,d2).

//-----
//this function is called from a rule below. The #x becomes a synode.
//The function returns true, to avoid the rule to fail.
function DTree(synode n) {
    Display(n,0);
    println("-----");
    return(true);
}

//-----
```

```

//A simple rule that inverts the nodes
If (subj(#1,#2)) inverted(#2,#1).

//A rule that uses constraints on nodes.
If (subj(#1[pres,pers:3],#2) and obj(#1,#3)) arguments(#2,#1,#3).

//We add features to a dependency
If (^subj(#1,#2)) subj[direct=+](#1,#2).

//We use _ to browse among all dependencies with two arguments, with a constraint that two
nodes are different
If (_(#1,#2) && obj(#1,#3) && #2 != #3) link(#2,#3).

//We use dependency variables _1, and _2 to avoid creating a dependency between the same
arguments.
If (_1(#1,#2) && obj_2(#1,#3) && _1!=_2) other(#2,#3).

//we mark a node through a dependency rule, we can use some constraints into the structure as
well
If (subj(#1,#2) and obj(#1,#3) and #2[noun:+, subject=+]) ~.

//We can also write this rule, note that you need to use quotes in this case:
If (subj(#1,#2) and obj(#1,#3) and #3["object"]="+") ~.

//In this case, we access the parent of the node #1, note that parent is a synode method,
//which is available as a p_parent predicate (as for most Athanor objects).
//We then call DTree to display it... DTree must return true, otherwise the rule will fail.
//The #3 is automatically transformed into a synode object when the function is called...
If (det(#1,#2) and p_parent(#1,#3) and DTree(#3)) ~.

//we use here a ARE as constraint in our rule
If (obj(#1[word -: "e%a+"],#2)) Verb(#1).

//-----
//we launch our dependency parser...
_dependencies();

//we gather all the dependencies in the knowledge base.
vector res=predicatedump();

```

```
//-----
Display(s,0);
println("-----");
printjln(res);
```

## ► Results

```
#0['bar':2,'pos':noun]
  #0['word':the,'det':+]
  #0['word':dog,'noun':+,'subject':+]
-----
#0['bar':2,'pos':noun]
  #0['word':a,'det':+]
  #0['object':+,'word':bone,'noun':+]
-----
#0['bar':3]
  #0['bar':2,'pos':noun]
    #0['word':the,'det':+]
    #0['word':dog,'noun':+,'subject':+]
  #0['bar':2,'pos':verb]
    #0['word':eats,'pers':3,'pres':+,'verb':+]
    #0['bar':2,'pos':noun]
      #0['word':a,'det':+]
      #0['object':+,'word':bone,'noun':+]
-----
other({"word":dog,"noun":+,"subject":+},{object":+,"word":bone,"noun":+})
subj[direct':+]({"word":eats,"pers":3,"pres":+,"verb":+},
  {"word":dog,"noun":+,"subject":+})

inverted({"word":dog,"noun":+,"subject":+},
  {"word":eats,"pers":3,"pres":+,"verb":+})

obj({"word":eats,"pers":3,"pres":+,"verb":+},{object":+,"word":bone,"noun":+})
det({"word":dog,"noun":+,"subject":+},{word":the,"det":+})
det({"object":+,"word":bone,"noun":+},{word":a,"det":+})
arguments({"word":dog,"noun":+,"subject":+},
  {"word":eats,"pers":3,"pres":+,"verb":+},
  {"object":+,"word":bone,"noun":+})
link({"word":dog,"noun":+,"subject":+},{object":+,"word":bone,"noun":+})
Verb({"word":eats,"pers":3,"pres":+,"verb":+})
```



# Atanorsys

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Athanor provides a library, which offers some system functionalities such as, reading the content of a directory into a vector or executing a system command. It exposes the variable: `_sys`, which should be used to access the following methods:

## ► Methods

1. **command(string s,string outputfile):** *execute<sup>1</sup> the system command s. outputfile is optional and is used to redirect the command output (stdout). If outputfile is supplied, command also returns the content of this file as a string.*
2. **createdirectory(string path):** *create a directory for the given path. Return false, if the directory already exists or cannot be created.*
3. **env(string var):** *return the value of the environment variable: var*
4. **env(string var,string value):** *set the value of the environment variable: var*
5. **listdirectory(string path):** *return the files in a directory as a svector*
6. **ls(string path):** *return the files in a directory as a svector*
7. **mkdir(string path):** *create a directory for the given path Return false, if the directory already exists or cannot be created.*
8. **fileinfo(string path):** *return a map with the following information for a given file:*
  - a. *info["size"]:* size of the file
  - b. *info["date"]:* date of the file
  - c. *info["change"]:* date of the last change
  - d. *info["access"]:* date of the last access
  - e. *info["directory"]:* true if the path is a directory
  - f. *info["pathname"]:* the real pathname
9. **realpath(string path):** *return the actual path for a given relative path.*

## ► Example

*//This function copies all the files from a given directory to another, if they are more recent than a given date*

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<sup>1</sup>

```

function cp(string thepath,string topath) {
    //We read the content of the source directory
    vector v=_sys.listdirirectory(thepath);

    iterator it;
    string path;
    string cmd;
    map m;
    date t;

    //we set today's date starting at 9A.M.
    t.setdate(t.year(),t.month(),t.day(),9,0,0);

    it=v;
    for (it.begin();it.nend();it.next()) {
        path=thepath+"\'+it.value();
        //if the file if of the right type
        if (".cxx" in path || ".h" in path || ".c" in path) {
            m=_sys.fileinfo(path);
            //if the date is more recent than our current date
            if (m["date"]>t) {
                //we copy it
                cmd="copy "+path+' '+topath;
                println(cmd);

                //We execute our command
                _sys.command(cmd);
            }
        }
    }
}

//We call this function to copy from one directory to another
cp('C:\src','W:\src');
```

# Atanorsocket

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Atanorsocket is a specific library which exports the type `socket` to handle socket interactions between a client and a server.

## ► Methods

### Client Side

1. **close():** *close the socket*
2. **close(clientid):** *close the communication with clientid.*
3. **connect(string hostname,int port):** *connect a client to a specific host on a specific port.*
4. **createserver(int port,int nbclients):** *create a server on the local host with a specific port.*
5. **createserver(string hostname,int port,int nbclients):** *create a server on a host with a specific port.*
6. **get() :** *get one character from a socket*
7. **get(int clientid) :** *get one character from a socket with clientid.*
8. **getframe(string name):** *return a frame object remote handle of name name.*
9. **getfunction(string name):** *return a function remote handle of name name.*
10. **gethostname():** *return the current host name. The socket does not need to be activated to get this information.*
11. **read():** *read an Athanor object on the socket*
12. **read(clientid):** *read an Athanor object on the socket with clientid*
13. **receive(int nb):** *read nb characters from a socket*
14. **receive(int clientid,int nb):** *read nb characters from the socket with clientid*
15. **run(int client,string stopstring):** *put the server in run mode. Server can now accept Remote Method Invocation (RMI) mode.*
16. **send(int clientid,string s):** *write a simple string on the socket with clientid*
17. **send(string s):** *write a simple string on the socket*



## Server Side

18. **settimeout(int i):** set the timeout in seconds for both writing and reading on the socket. Use this instruction to avoid blocking on a read or on a write. A value of **-1** cancels the timeout.
19. **wait():** the server wait for a client to connect. It returns the client identifier, which will be used to communicate with the client.
20. **write(clientid,o1,o2...):** write Athanor objects on the socket with clientid.
21. **write(o1,o2...):** write Athanor objects on the socket

### ► Example: server side

```
//Server side
int clientid;
socket s; //we create a socket
string name=s.gethostname();
println("Local server:",name);
//We create our server on the socket 2020, with at most 5 connections...
s.createserver(2020,5);
//we wait for a client connection
while (true) {
    //we can accept up to 5 connections...
    clientid=s.wait();
    //we read a message from the client, it should be done in a //thread to handle more
    connections.
    string message=s.read(clientid);
    message+=" and returned";
    //we write a message to the client
    s.write(clientid);
    //we close the connection
    s.close(clientid);
}
//We kill the server
s.close();
```

### ► Example: client side

```
//Client side
socket s; //we create a socket
string name=s.gethostname();
println("Local server:",name);
//We create our server on the socket 2020
s.connect(name,2020);
//we write a message to the server
string message="Hello";
s.write(message);
//we read a message from the server

message=s.read();
println(message);
//we close the connection
s.close();
```

# Atanorsqlite

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Athanor also provides a simple library to handle a SQLite database. SQLite is a very popular database system which uses simple files to handle SQL commands. If you want more information on SQLite, you will find plenty of it on the web. *Atanorsqlite* exports the type: `sqlite`

## ► Methods

1. **begin()**: *to enter the commit mode with DEFERRED mode.*
2. **begin(string mode)**: *mode = DEFERRED|EXCLUSIVE|IMMEDIATE.*
3. **close()**: *close a database*
4. **commit()**: *the SQL command are then processed. It should finish a series of commands initiated with a begin.*
5. **create(x1,x2,x3)**: *create a table in a database, with the arguments x1,x2...*
6. **execute(string sqlcommand)**: *execute a sql command, without callback.*
7. **insert(table,column,value,...)**: *insert a line in a table.*
8. **open(string pathname)**: *open a database*
9. **run(string sqlcommand)**: *execute a sql command with callback to store results. If the input variable is a vector, then all possible values will be stored in it. If the input variable is an iterator, then it is possible to iterate on the results of the sql command. Each result is a map, where each key is a column name.*

## ► Example

```
//we declare a new sqlite variable
sqlite mydb;

//we open a database. If it does not exist, it creates it...
mydb.open("test.db");

try {
    //we insert a new table in the current database
    mydb.create("table1","nom TEXT PRIMARY KEY","age INTEGER");
    println("table1 est cree");
}
catch() {
    //This database already exists
    println("Deja cree");
}

int i;
string nm;
//We insert values in the database, using a commit mode (which is much faster)
mydb.begin();
```

```

//We insert 5000 elements
for(i=0;i<5000;i+=1) {
    nm="tiia_" + i;
    try {
        //we insert in table1 two values, one for 'nom' the other for 'age'.
        //Notice the alternation between column names and values
        mydb.insert("table1", "nom", nm, "age", i);
        println(i);
    }
    catch() {
        println("Deja inseree");
    }
}
//we then commit our commands.
mydb.commit();

//we iterate among our values for a given SQL command
iterator it=mydb.run("select * from table1 where age>10;");
for (it.begin();it.nend();it.next())
    println("Value: ",it.value());

//We could have obtained the same result with:
//vector v=mydb.execute("select * from table1 where age>10;");
//However the risk to overflow our vector is pretty dangerous.

mydb.close();

```

## Fast Light ToolKit library (GUI)

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FLTK (<http://www.fltk.org/>) is a graphical C++ library, which has been implemented for many different platforms, ranging from Windows to Mac Os. We have embedded FLTK into an Athanor library, in order to enrich the language with some GUI capabilities. The full range of features from FLTK has only been partially implemented into the Athanor library. However, the available methods are enough to build simple but powerful interfaces.

### Note

- a) We have linked Athanor with FLTK 1.3.0.
- b) The associate function methodology has been extended to most graphical objects.

## Common methods

Most of the objects which are described in the next section share the following methods, which are used to handle the label associated to a window, a box, an input etc...

*These methods, when used without any parameters, return their current value.*

### ► Methods

1. **align(int a):** *define the label alignment (see below)*
2. **backgroundcolor(int color):** *set or return the background color*
3. **coords():** *return a vector of the widget coordinates*
4. **coords(int x,int y,int w,int h):** *set the widget coordinates. It also accepts a vector instead of the four values.*
5. **created():** *return true if the object has been correctly created*
6. **hide():** *hide a widget*
7. **label(string txt):** *set the label with a new text*
8. **labelcolor(int c):** *set or return the font color of the label*
9. **labelfont(int f):** *set or return the font of the label*
10. **labelsize(int i):** *set or return the font size of the label*
11. **labeltype(int i):** *set or return the font type of the label (see below for a description of the different types)*
12. **selectioncolor(int color):** *set or return the widget selected color*
13. **show():** *show a widget*
14. **timeout(float f):** *set the timeout of an object within a thread.*
15. **tooltip(string txt):** *associate a widget with a tooltip*

## ► Label types

```
FL_NORMAL_LABEL
FL_NO_LABEL
FL_SHADOW_LABEL
FL_ENGRAVED_LABEL
FL_EMBOSSED_LABEL
```

## ► Alignment

```
FL_ALIGN_CENTER
FL_ALIGN_TOP
FL_ALIGN_BOTTOM
FL_ALIGN_LEFT
FL_ALIGN_RIGHT
FL_ALIGN_INSIDE
FL_ALIGN_TEXT_OVER_IMAGE
FL_ALIGN_IMAGE_OVER_TEXT
FL_ALIGN_CLIP
FL_ALIGN_WRAP
FL_ALIGN_IMAGE_NEXT_TO_TEXT
FL_ALIGN_TEXT_NEXT_TO_IMAGE
FL_ALIGN_IMAGE_BACKDROP
FL_ALIGN_TOP_LEFT
FL_ALIGN_TOP_RIGHT
FL_ALIGN_BOTTOM_LEFT
FL_ALIGN_BOTTOM_RIGHT
FL_ALIGN_LEFT_TOP
FL_ALIGN_RIGHT_TOP
FL_ALIGN_LEFT_BOTTOM
FL_ALIGN_RIGHT_BOTTOM
FL_ALIGN_NOWRAP
FL_ALIGN_POSITION_MASK
FL_ALIGN_IMAGE_MASK
```

## bitmap

This type is used to define a bitmap image that can be displayed in a window or a button. It exposes only one specific method:

## ► Methods

1. **load (ivector bm,int w,in h):** *load a bitmap image from a ivector, whose dimensions are w,h.*

### Example

```
ivector sorceress = [
    0xfc, 0x7e, 0x40, 0x20, 0x90, 0x00, 0x07, 0x80, 0x23, 0x00, 0x00, 0xc6,
    0xc1, 0x41, 0x98, 0xb8, 0x01, 0x07, 0x66, 0x00, 0x15, 0x9f, 0x03, 0x47,
    0x8c, 0xc6, 0xdc, 0x7b, 0xcc, 0x00, 0xb0, 0x71, 0x0e, 0x4d, 0x06, 0x66,
    0x73, 0x8e, 0x8f, 0x01, 0x18, 0xc4, 0x39, 0x4b, 0x02, 0x23, 0x0c, 0x04,
    0x1e, 0x03, 0x0c, 0x08, 0xc7, 0xef, 0x08, 0x30, 0x06, 0x07, 0x1c, 0x02,
    0x06, 0x30, 0x18, 0xae, 0xc8, 0x98, 0x3f, 0x78, 0x20, 0x06, 0x02, 0x20,
    0x60, 0xa0, 0xc4, 0x1d, 0xc0, 0xff, 0x41, 0x04, 0xfa, 0x63, 0x80, 0xa1,
    0xa4, 0x3d, 0x00, 0x84, 0xbf, 0x04, 0x0f, 0x06, 0xfc, 0xa1, 0x34, 0x6b,
    0x01, 0x1c, 0xc9, 0x05, 0x06, 0xc7, 0x06, 0xbe, 0x11, 0x1e, 0x43, 0x30,
    0x91, 0x05, 0xc3, 0x61, 0x02, 0x30, 0x1b, 0x30, 0xcc, 0x20, 0x11, 0x00,
```

```

0xc1, 0x3c, 0x03, 0x20, 0x0a, 0x00, 0xe8, 0x60, 0x21, 0x00, 0x61, 0x1b,
0xc1, 0x63, 0x08, 0xf0, 0xc6, 0xc7, 0x21, 0x03, 0xf8, 0x08, 0xe1, 0xcf,
0x0a, 0xfc, 0x4d, 0x99, 0x43, 0x07, 0x3c, 0x0c, 0xf1, 0x9f, 0x0b, 0xfc,
0x5b, 0x81, 0x47, 0x02, 0x16, 0x04, 0x31, 0x1c, 0x0b, 0x1f, 0x17, 0x89,
0x4d, 0x06, 0x1a, 0x04, 0x31, 0x38, 0x02, 0x07, 0x56, 0x89, 0x49, 0x04,
0x0b, 0x04, 0xb1, 0x72, 0x82, 0xa1, 0x54, 0x9a, 0x49, 0x04, 0x1d, 0x66,
0x50, 0xe7, 0xc2, 0xf0, 0x54, 0x9a, 0x58, 0x04, 0x0d, 0x62, 0xc1, 0x1f,
0x44, 0xfc, 0x51, 0x90, 0x90, 0x04, 0x86, 0x63, 0xe0, 0x74, 0x04, 0xef,
0x31, 0x1a, 0x91, 0x00, 0x02, 0xe2, 0xc1, 0xfd, 0x84, 0xf9, 0x30, 0x0a,
0x91, 0x00, 0x82, 0xa9, 0xc0, 0xb9, 0x84, 0xf9, 0x31, 0x16, 0x81, 0x00,
0x42, 0xa9, 0xdb, 0x7f, 0x0c, 0xff, 0x1c, 0x16, 0x11, 0x00, 0x02, 0x28,
0x0b, 0x07, 0x08, 0x60, 0x1c, 0x02, 0x91, 0x00, 0x46, 0x29, 0x0e, 0x00,
0x00, 0x00, 0x10, 0x16, 0x11, 0x02, 0x06, 0x29, 0x04, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
0x10, 0x16, 0x91, 0x06, 0xa6, 0x2a, 0x04, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x18, 0x24,
0x91, 0x04, 0x86, 0x2a, 0x04, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x18, 0x27, 0x93, 0x04,
0x96, 0x4a, 0x04, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x04, 0x02, 0x91, 0x04, 0x86, 0x4a,
0x0c, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x1e, 0x23, 0x93, 0x04, 0x56, 0x88, 0x08, 0x00,
0x00, 0x00, 0x90, 0x21, 0x93, 0x04, 0x52, 0x0a, 0x09, 0x80, 0x01, 0x00,
0xd0, 0x21, 0x95, 0x04, 0x57, 0x0a, 0x0f, 0x80, 0x27, 0x00, 0xd8, 0x20,
0x9d, 0x04, 0x5d, 0x08, 0x1c, 0x80, 0x67, 0x00, 0xe4, 0x01, 0x85, 0x04,
0x79, 0x8a, 0x3f, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0xf4, 0x11, 0x85, 0x06, 0x39, 0x08,
0x7d, 0x00, 0x00, 0x18, 0xb7, 0x10, 0x81, 0x03, 0x29, 0x12, 0xcb, 0x00,
0x7e, 0x30, 0x28, 0x00, 0x85, 0x03, 0x29, 0x10, 0xbe, 0x81, 0xff, 0x27,
0x0c, 0x10, 0x85, 0x03, 0x29, 0x32, 0xfa, 0xc1, 0xff, 0x27, 0x94, 0x11,
0x85, 0x03, 0x28, 0x20, 0x6c, 0xe1, 0xff, 0x07, 0x0c, 0x01, 0x85, 0x01,
0x28, 0x62, 0x5c, 0xe3, 0x8f, 0x03, 0x4e, 0x91, 0x80, 0x05, 0x39, 0x40,
0xf4, 0xc2, 0xff, 0x00, 0x9f, 0x91, 0x84, 0x05, 0x31, 0xc6, 0xe8, 0x07,
0x7f, 0x80, 0xcd, 0x00, 0xc4, 0x04, 0x31, 0x06, 0xc9, 0x0e, 0x00, 0xc0,
0x48, 0x88, 0xe0, 0x04, 0x79, 0x04, 0xdb, 0x12, 0x00, 0x30, 0x0c, 0xc8,
0xe4, 0x04, 0x6d, 0x06, 0xb6, 0x23, 0x00, 0x18, 0x1c, 0xc0, 0x84, 0x04,
0x25, 0x0c, 0xff, 0xc2, 0x00, 0x4e, 0x06, 0xb0, 0x80, 0x04, 0x3f, 0x8a,
0xb3, 0x83, 0xff, 0xc3, 0x03, 0x91, 0x84, 0x04, 0x2e, 0xd8, 0x0f, 0x3f,
0x00, 0x00, 0x5f, 0x83, 0x84, 0x04, 0x2a, 0x70, 0xfd, 0x7f, 0x00, 0x00,
0xc8, 0xc0, 0x84, 0x04, 0x4b, 0xe2, 0x2f, 0x01, 0x00, 0x08, 0x58, 0x60,
0x80, 0x04, 0x5b, 0x82, 0xff, 0x01, 0x00, 0x08, 0xd0, 0xa0, 0x84, 0x04,
0x72, 0x80, 0xe5, 0x00, 0x00, 0x08, 0xd2, 0x20, 0x44, 0x04, 0xca, 0x02,
0xff, 0x00, 0x00, 0x08, 0xde, 0xa0, 0x44, 0x04, 0x82, 0x02, 0x6d, 0x00,
0x00, 0x08, 0xf6, 0xb0, 0x40, 0x02, 0x82, 0x07, 0x3f, 0x00, 0x00, 0x08,
0x44, 0x58, 0x44, 0x02, 0x93, 0x3f, 0x1f, 0x00, 0x00, 0x30, 0x88, 0x4f,
0x44, 0x03, 0x83, 0x23, 0x3e, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x18, 0x60, 0xe0, 0x07,
0xe3, 0x0f, 0xfe, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x70, 0x70, 0xe4, 0x07, 0xc7, 0x1b,
0xfe, 0x01, 0x00, 0x00, 0xe0, 0x3c, 0xe4, 0x07, 0xc7, 0xe3, 0xfe, 0x1f,
0x00, 0x00, 0xff, 0x1f, 0xfc, 0x07, 0xc7, 0x03, 0xf8, 0x33, 0x00, 0xc0,
0xf0, 0x07, 0xff, 0x07, 0x87, 0x02, 0xfc, 0x43, 0x00, 0x60, 0xf0, 0xff,
0xff, 0x07, 0x8f, 0x06, 0xbe, 0x87, 0x00, 0x30, 0xf8, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07,
0x8f, 0x14, 0x9c, 0x8f, 0x00, 0x00, 0xfc, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07, 0x9f, 0x8d,
0x8a, 0x0f, 0x00, 0x00, 0xfe, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07, 0xbf, 0x0b, 0x80, 0x1f,
0x00, 0x00, 0xff, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07, 0x7f, 0x3a, 0x80, 0x3f, 0x00, 0x80,
0xff, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07, 0xff, 0x20, 0xc0, 0x3f, 0x00, 0x80, 0xff, 0xff,
0xff, 0x07, 0xff, 0x01, 0xe0, 0x7f, 0x00, 0xc0, 0xff, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07,
0xff, 0x0f, 0xf8, 0xff, 0x40, 0xe0, 0xff, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07, 0xff, 0xff,
0xff, 0x40, 0xf0, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07, 0xff, 0xff, 0xff, 0xff,
0x41, 0xf0, 0xff, 0xff, 0xff, 0x07];

```

bitmap b;

b.load(sorceress,75,75);

```

function affiche(window w,self e) {
    println("ICI");
    w.bitmap(b,FL_RED,50,50,275,275);
}

```

```

window w;

w.begin(30,30,500,500,"Test");
w.bitmap(b,FL_RED,50,50,75,75);
w.end();
w.run();

```

## image

This object is used to load an image from a GIF or a JPEG file, which can then be used with a window object or a button object, through the method *image*.

### ► Methods

1. **loadjpeg(string filename):** *load a JPEG image*
2. **loadgif(string filename):** *load a GIF image*

### ► Utilization

Once an *image* object has been declared, you can load your file and use this object in the different *image methods* when available.

## window

The *window* type is the entry point of this graphical library. It exposes many methods, which can be used to display boxes, buttons, sliders etc.

### ► Methods

1. **alert(string msg):** *Pop up window to display an alert*
2. **arc(float x,float y,float rad,float a1,float a2):** *Draw an arc*
3. **arc(int x,int y,int x1, int y1, float a1, float a2):** *Draw an arc*
4. **ask(string msg,string buttonmsg2,string buttonmsg1,...):** *Pop up window to pose a question, return 0,1,2 according to which button was pressed up to 4 buttons.*
5. **begin(int x,int y,int w, int h,string title):** *Create a window and begin initialisation, w and h are optional*
6. **bitmap(bitmap image,int color,int x, int y):** *Display a bitmap at position x,y.*
7. **bitmap(bitmap image,int color,int x, int y, int w, int h):** *Display a bitmap: x,y,w,h define the including box*
8. **border(bool b):** *If true add or remove borders. With no parameter return if the window has borders*
9. **circle(int x,int y,int r,int color):** *Draw a circle. 'color' is optional. It defines which color will be used to fill the circle up.*
10. **close():** *close the window*

11. **create(int x,int y,int w, int h,string title)**: Create a window without widgets, *w* and *h* are optional
12. **cursor(int cursortype,int color1, int color2)**: Set the cursor shape. See below for a list of cursor shapes.
13. **drawcolor(int c)**: set the color for the next drawings
14. **drawtext(string l,int x,int y)**: Put a text at position *x,y*
15. **end()**: end creation
16. **flush()**: force a redraw of all windows.
17. **font(int f,int sz)**: Set the font name and its size
18. **fontnumber()**: return the number of available fonts.
19. **get(string msg)**: display a window to get a value
20. **getfont(int num)**: get font name.
21. **getfontsizes(int num)**: return a vector of available font sizes.
22. **hide(bool v)**: hide the window if *v* is true, show it otherwise
23. **image(image image,int x, int y, int w, int h)**: Display an image
24. **initializefonts()**: load fonts from system. Return the number of available fonts (see below for an example)
25. **line(int x,int y,int x1, int y1,int x2, int y2)**: Draw a line between points, *x2* and *y2* are optional
26. **lineshape(int type,int width)**: Select the line shape and its thickness
27. **lock()**: FLTK lock
28. **menu(vector,int x,int y,int w, int h)**: initialize a menu with its callback functions
29. **modal(bool b)**: If true make the window modal, with no parameter, it returns if the window is modal.
30. **onclose(function,object)**: define a callback function to be called when the window is closed (see below)
31. **onkey(int action, function,object)**: Set the callback function on a keyboard action with a given object as parameter
32. **onmouse(int action, function,object)**: Set the callback function on a mouse action with a given object as parameter
33. **ontime(function,float t,object o)**: define a callback function to be called every *t* second (see below)
34. **password(string msg)**: Display a window to type in a password
35. **pie(int x,int y,int x1, int y1, float a1, float a2)**: Draw a pie
36. **plot(fvector xy,int thickness,fvector landmark)**: Plot a graph from a table of successive *x,y* points according to window size. If *thickness*==0 then points are continuously plotted, else it defines the diameter of the point. Return a float vector which is used with *plotcoords*. The landmark vector is optional, it has the following structure:  
*[XminWindow, YminWindow, XmaxWindow, YmaxWindow, XminValue, YminValue, XmaxValue, YmaxValue, incX, incY, thickness]*. Only the two first values are mandatory, however the vector can only have the following size: 4,8,10,11.



- 37. **plotcoords(fvector landmark, float x, float y)**: *Compute the coordinates of a point(x,y) according to the previous scale computed with plot. Returns a vector of two elements [xs,ys] corresponding to the screen coordinates in the current window.*
- 38. **point(int x, int y)**: *Draw a pixel*
- 39. **polygon(int x, int y, int x1, int y1, int x2, int y2, int x3, int y3)**: *Draw a polygon, x3 and y3 are optional*
- 40. **popclip()**: *Release a clip region*
- 41. **position()**: *return a vector of the x,y position of the window*
- 42. **position(int x, int y)**: *position the window at the coordinates x,y*
- 43. **pushclip(int x, int y, int w, int h)**: *Insert a clip region, with the following coordinates*
- 44. **rectangle(int x, int y, int w, int h, int c)**: *Draw a rectangle with optional color c*
- 45. **rectanglefill(int x, int y, int w, int h, int c)**: *Fill a rectangle with optional color c*
- 46. **redraw()**: *Redraw the window*
- 47. **redrawing(float t)**: *Redraw a window every t time lapse*
- 48. **resizable(object)**: *make the object resizable*
- 49. **rgbcolor(int color)**: *return a vector of the color decomposition of into RGB components*
- 50. **rgbcolor(int r, int g, int b)**: *return the int corresponding to the combination of RGB components.*
- 51. **rgbcolor(vector rgb)**: *return the int corresponding to the combination of RGB components, which are stored in a vector.*
- 52. **rotation(float x, float y, float distance, float angle, bool draw)**: *Compute the coordinate of a rotated point from point x,y, using a distance and an angle. Return a vector of floats with the new coordinates. If draw is true then the line is actually drawn.*
- 53. **run()**: *Launch the GUI*
- 54. **scrollbar(int x, int y, int wscroll, int hscroll, int vwscroll, int vhscroll)**: *Creates a scrollbar zone, of actual dimension x,y,wscroll,hscroll, but within a virtual zone up to vwscroll, vhscroll. Requires a window callback function to draw within this zone.*
- 55. **size()**: *return a 4 values vector of the window size*
- 56. **size(int x, int y, int w, int h)**: *resize the window*
- 57. **sizerange(int minw, int minh, int maxw, int maxh)**: *define range in which the size of the window can evolve*
- 58. **textsize(string l)**: *Return a map with w and h as key to denote width and height of the string in pixels*
- 59. **unlock()**: *FLTK unlock*

### ► onclose

It is possible to intercept the closing of a window with a special *callback* function, which should return *true*, if the action of closing the window is to be processed.

The function should have the following form:

```
function closing(window w,myobject o);
```

If this function returns *false* then the action of closing the window is stopped.

### Example

```
function closing(window w, bool close) {  
    if (close==false) {  
        println("We cannot close this window");  
        return(false);  
    }  
    return(true);  
}
```

```
//We first declare our window object  
window w;  
bool closed=false;  
//We then begin our window instantiation  
w.begin(300,200,1300,150,"Modification");  
w.onclose(closing,closed);
```

### ► ontime

It is possible to define a function that is called every  $t^{\text{th}}$  second. This function must have the following parameters:

```
function timeout_callback(window w, object o);
```

### Important:

If this function returns 0, then the clock is stopped. However, if this function returns any other float value, then the clock is reset and a new call is scheduled.

### Example

```
//the callback function  
function temps(window w,self n) {  
    println("Ok");  
    return(0.1);  
}  
  
window w;
```

```
w.begin(40,40,400,500,"Browsing");
w.ontime(temps,0.1,null);
w.end();
w.run();
```

## ► Colors

Atanorltk library implements a few simple ways to select colors. Colors are implemented as *int*.

The predefined colors are the following:

```
FL_GRAY0
FL_DARK3
FL_DARK2
FL_DARK1
FL_LIGHT1
FL_LIGHT2
FL_LIGHT3
FL_BLACK
FL_RED
FL_GREEN
FL_YELLOW
FL_BLUE
FL_MAGENTA
FL_CYAN
FL_DARK_RED
FL_DARK_GREEN
FL_DARK_YELLOW
FL_DARK_BLUE
FL_DARK_MAGENTA
FL_DARK_CYAN
FL_WHITE
```

### How to define your own colors...

It is also possible to define your own colors with an RGB encoding. RGB stands for Red Blue Green.

Athanor provides the following method at this effect: **rgbcolor**.

- a) **vector rgb=rgbcolor(int c)**: this method returns a vector containing the decomposition of that color *c* into its RGB components.
- b) **int c=rgbcolor(vector rgb)**: this method takes as input a vector containing the RGB encoding and returns the equivalent color.
- c) **int c=rgbcolor(int r,int g,int b)**: same as above, but takes the three components individually.

Each component is a value in: [0..255]...

## ► Fonts

Atanorltk provides the following font codes:

```
FL_HELVETICA
FL_HELVETICA_BOLD
```

```
FL_HELVETICA_ITALIC
FL_HELVETICA_BOLD_ITALIC
FL_COURIER
FL_COURIER_BOLD
FL_COURIER_ITALIC
FL_COURIER_BOLD_ITALIC
FL_TIMES
FL_TIMES_BOLD
FL_TIMES_ITALIC
FL_TIMES_BOLD_ITALIC
FL_SYMBOL
FL_SCREEN
FL_SCREEN_BOLD
FL_ZAPF_DINGBATS
FL_FREE_FONT
FL_BOLD
FL_ITALIC
FL_BOLD_ITALIC
```

## Example

The following example shows how all available fonts can be loaded from the current system to enrich the list above.

```
window w;
map styles;
editor wo;
int ifont=0;

//we modify the current style of the editor to reflect the selected font
function fontchoice(int idfont) {
    //we create a new default style, whose font id is i
    styles["#"]=[FL_BLACK,idfont,16];
    wo.addstyle(styles);
    //we modify the title of the editor label to reflect the current font name
    wo.label(w.getfont(idfont)+":"+idfont);
    //to be sure that the label will be correctly we re-display the whole window
    w.redraw();
}

//Whenever the "next" button is pressed we change our current font
function change(button b,int i) {
    fontchoice(ifont);
    ifont++;
}

button b(ifont) with change;

w.begin(50,50,800,500,"Font Display");
w.sizerange(10,10,0,0);

int i;
//First we load our font from the system, to see which fonts are available
int nb=w.initializefonts();

wo.create(70,30,730,460,"Fonts");
//we use a default and available anywhere font
styles["#"]=[FL_BLACK,FL_HELVETICA,16];
wo.addstyle(styles);
```

```

//we loop among all available fonts to display both their name
//and their available sizes. [0] means that every size is available
string s,fonts;
vector v;
for (i=0;i<nb;i++) {
    if (fonts!="")
        fonts+="\r";
    s=w.getfont(i);
    v=w.getfontsizes(i);
    fonts+=i+"."+s+"="+v;
}

//we store these names as the content of the editor
wo.value(fonts);

//the next button
b.create(10,10,40,30,FL_Regular,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON,"Next");
w.end();
w.resizable(wo);

w.run();

```

## ► Line shapes

AtanorlTk provides the following values as line shapes:

```

FL_SOLID;
FL_DASH;
FL_DOT
FL_DASHDOT
FL_DASHDOTDOT
FL_CAP_FLAT
FL_CAP_ROUND
FL_CAP_SQUARE
FL_JOIN_MITER
FL_JOIN_ROUND
FL_JOIN_BEVEL

```

## ► Cursor Shapes

```

FL_CURSOR_DEFAULT: the default cursor, usually an arrow.
FL_CURSOR_ARROW: an arrow pointer.
FL_CURSOR_CROSS: crosshair.
FL_CURSOR_WAIT: watch or hourglass.
FL_CURSOR_INSERT: I-beam.
FL_CURSOR_HAND: hand (up arrow on MSWindows).
FL_CURSOR_HELP: question mark.
FL_CURSOR_MOVE: 4-pointed arrow.
FL_CURSOR_NS: up/down arrow.
FL_CURSOR_WE: left/right arrow.
FL_CURSOR_NWSE: diagonal arrow.
FL_CURSOR_NESW: diagonal arrow.
FL_CURSOR_NONE: invisible.
FL_CURSOR_N: for back compatibility.
FL_CURSOR_NE: for back compatibility.
FL_CURSOR_E: for back compatibility.
FL_CURSOR_SE: for back compatibility.
FL_CURSOR_S: for back compatibility.

```

FL\_CURSOR\_SW: *for back compatibility.*  
FL\_CURSOR\_W: *for back compatibility.*  
FL\_CURSOR\_NW: *for back compatibility.*

### ► Simple window

The philosophy in FLTK is to open a window object, to fill it with as many widgets as you wish and then to close it. Once, the window is ready, you simply *run* it to launch it.

```
//We first declare our window object
window w;
//We then begin our window instantiation
w.begin(300,200,1300,150,"Modification");
//We want our window to be resizable
w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);
//we create our winput, which is placed within the current window
txt.create(200,20,1000,50,true,"Selection");
//no more object, we end the session
w.end();

//we then launch our window
w.run();
```

If we do not want to store any widgets in our window, we can replace a call to *begin* with a final *end*, with *create*.

### ► Drawing window

If you need to draw things, such as lines or circles, then in that case, you must provide the window with a new drawing function.

In Athanor, this function is provided through a simple *with* keyword, together with the object, which will be passed to the drawing function.

*window wnd(object) with callback\_window;*

This declaration requires some explanations. First, the “*with*” introduces the new *display* function, which the window will use for its drawings. If a *redraw* is applied to this *window*, then this function will be automatically called. Second, *object* is the variable that will be automatically passed to the associate function, when this function is called.

The associate function must expose the following signature:

function callback\_window(window w, type o) {...}

*w* is our current window, while *o* is the object, which was declared with the window. This function should be a sequence of drawing methods, as the one described above.

### Example

```
//A small frame to record our data
```

```

frame mycoord {

    int color;
    int x,y;

    function _initial() {
        color=FL_RED;
        x=10;
        y=10;
    }
}

//we declare our object, which will record our data
mycoord coords;

//our new display...
//Every time the window will be modified, this function will be called with a mycood object
function display(window w,mycoord o) {
    //we select our color, which will be apply to all objects that follow
    w.drawcolor(o.color);
    //a different line shape
    w.lineshape(FL_DASH,10);
    //we draw a rectangle
    w.rectangle(o.x,o.y,250,250);
    //with some text...
    w.drawtext("TEST",100,100);
}

//we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object
coords
window wnd(coords) with display;

//We do not need any widgets
wnd.create(100,100,300,300,"Drawing");
wnd.run();

```

## ► Mouse

It is also possible to track the different mouse actions through a callback function. The method *mouse* has been provided at this effect. It associates a mouse action with a call to a specific callback function:

```
onmouse(action,callback,myobject);
```

1) *action* must be one of the following values:

FL\_PUSH: *when a button has been pushed*  
 FL\_RELEASE: *when a button has been released*  
 FL\_MOVE: *when the mouse moves*  
 FL\_DRAG: *when the mouse is dragged*  
 FL\_MOUSEWHEEL: *when the mouse wheel is moved*

2) The callback function must have the following signature:

```
function callback_mouse(window w, map coords, type myobject);
```

The first parameter is the window itself. The second parameter is a map with the following keys:

coords["button"]	the value of the last button that was pushed (1,2 or 3)
coords["x"]	the X coordinate within the window of the mouse
coords["y"]	the Y coordinate within the window of the mouse
coords["xroot"]	the mouse absolute X coordinate
coords["yroot"]	the mouse absolute Y coordinate
coords["wheelx"]	the mouse wheel increment on X
coords["weely"]	the mouse wheel increment on Y

3) *myobject* is the object that will be passed to the callback function

### Example

```
//we declare our object, which will record our data
mycoord coords;

//our new display...
//Every time the window will be modified, this function will be called with a mycood object
function display(window w,mycoord o) {
    //we select our color, which will be apply to all objects that follow
    w.drawcolor(o.color);
    //a different line shape
    w.lineshape(FL_DASH,10);
    //we draw a rectangle
    w.rectangle(o.x,o.y,250,250);
    //with some text...
    w.drawtext("TEST",100,100);
}

//This function will be called for every single move the mouse, the mycoord object
//is the same as the one that is associated with our window
function move(window w,map mousecoord,mycoord o) {
    //we then use the mouse coordinates to position our rectangle
    o.x=mousecoord["x"];
    o.y=mousecoord["y"];
    //we then redraw our window...
    w.redraw();
}

//we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object
coord
window wnd(coords) with display;

//We need to instanciate the mouse callback
wnd.begin(100,100,300,300,"Drawing");
//the window will be resizable
wnd.sizerange(10,10,0,0);
//we add a mouse callback, every MOVE of the mouse will
//trigger a call to "move". We share the same object coords with the window
wnd.onmouse(FL_MOVE,move,coords);
//the end...
wnd.end();

wnd.run();
```



**Example: Plot a Graph**

```

fvector fxy;

//first we compute a graph and we store the values in fxy.
//even positions correspond to x values
//odd positions correspond to y values
function mypoints() {
    float x,y;
    for (x in <-20,20,0.1>) {
        y=x*x*x-10;
        fxy.push(x);
        fxy.push(y);
    }
}

//This function will plot our graph
function graph(window w,self o) {
    w.drawcolor(FL_BLACK);

    //We plot our graph, which returns some values, with the following
    //interpretation: [maxWindowX,maxWindowY,minxValue,minyValue,
    //maxXValue,maxYValue,incrementX,incrementY]
    fvector landmarks=w.plot(fxy,0);

    //We then compute the 0,0 coordinates in this new dimension
    fvector axes=w.plotcoords(landmarks,0,0);

    //We draw the axes
    w.line(axes[0],0,axes[0],landmarks[3]);
    w.line(0,axes[1],landmarks[2],axes[1]);
}

mypoints();
window w with graph;

w.begin(30,30,1000,800,"Graph");
w.sizerange(30,30,2000,2000);
w.end();
w.run();

```

**► Keyboard**

It is also possible to associate a keyboard action with a callback function.  
The function to be used in this case is:

```
onkey(action,callback,myobject);
```

1) *action* must be one of the following values:

```

FL_KEYUP: when a key is pushed
FL_KEYDOWN: when a key is released

```

2) The callback function must have the following signature:

```
function callback_key(window w, string skey,int ikey,int combine, myobject
object);
```

The first parameter is the window itself. The second parameter is the text matching the key that was pressed, the third parameter is the key code, the fourth one is a combination of all command keys that were pressed together with the current key and the last one the object that was provided with the *key function*.

3) *object* is the object that will be passed to the callback function

### Combination

The combination value is a binary coded integer with the following possible values:

- 1=the ctrl-key was pressed
- 2=the alt-key was pressed
- 4=the command-key was pressed
- 8=the shift-key was pressed

### Example

```
//we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object
function pushed(window w,string skey,int ikey,int comb,mycoord o) {
//If the key which is pushed is "J", then we move our rectangle by 10 pixels up and down
    if (skey=="J") {
        o.x+=10;
        o.y+=10;
        //we redraw the whole stuff, so that the coordinates are
        //taken into account
        w.redraw();
    }
}
```

window wnd(coords) with display;

```
//We need to instanciate the mouse callback
wnd.begin(100,100,300,300,"Drawing");
//the window will be resizable
wnd.sizerange(10,10,0,0);
//we add a mouse callback, every MOVE of the mouse will
//trigger a call to "move". We share the same object coords with the window
wnd.onkey(FL_PUSH,pushed,coords);
//the end...
wnd.end();
wnd.run();
```

### ► How to add a menu

Adding a menu to a window requires a little more work than for the other elements of the interface. A menu is composed of a series of top menu items, and for each of these top menu items, you must provide a specific description of the sub-menus. Each sub-menu is also associated with a callback function, whose signature must match the following:

```
function callback_menu(window w,myobj obj);
```

where *obj* is an object provided by the user, within the sub-menu description.

A menu item is described through a vector, where the first element is the menu item name, followed with a series of vectors, where each element is a sub-menu.

```
vector menu;
menu.push(["&File",["&New File",[FL_COMMAND,"o"],cmenu1,obj,true],
          ["&Open File",[FL_COMMAND,"i"],cmenu2,obj,false]]);

menu.push(["&Edit",["Cu&t",[FL_COMMAND,"x"],cmenu4,obj,true],
          ["&Copy",[FL_COMMAND,"c"],cmenu3,obj,false]]);
```

In the example above, we add two menu items, whose name are *File* and *Edit*, with for each two sub-menus.

A sub-menu item comprises the following fields:

- Its name: "&New File"
- Then a combination of keys, which might trigger the sub-menu base either on the key code or associated with one of the following values:

FL_SHIFT	SHIFT
FL_CAPS_LOCK	CAPS Lock
FL_CTRL	CONTROL (see FL_CONTROL)
FL_ALT	ALT key
FL_NUM_LOCK	NUM LOCK
FL_SCROLL_LOCK	SCROLL Lock
FL_COMMAND	COMMAND (see Mac OS)
FL_CONTROL	Equivalent to FL_CTRL

- The callback function itself
- The associated object, which is passed to the callback
- A Boolean value to add a sub-menu separator.

Once this vector has been described, you can use the *menu* method in window to load it: `w.menu(menu,5,5,100,20);`

### ► Moving rectangle

Since FLTK is event-based, animation can be done with a proper function. The only way is to use a thread, which will run on its own, independently from the window environment.

```
//A small frame to record our data
frame mycoord {
    int x,y;
```

```

        function _initial() {
            x=0;
            y=0;
        }
    }

    //we declare our object, which will record our data
    mycoord coords;

    bool first=true;
    //our new display...
    //Every time the window will be modified, this function will be called with a mycoord object
    function display(window w,mycoord o) {
        if (first) {
            w.drawcolor(FL_RED);
            w.drawtext("Press T",20,20);
        }
        else {
            //we select our color, which will be apply to all objects that follow
            w.cursorstyle(FL_CURSOR_CROSS,FL_BLACK,FL_WHITE);
            w.drawcolor(FL_RED);
            w.rectangle(o.x,o.y,60,60);
            //with some text...
            w.drawtext("TEST",o.x+20,o.y+20);
        }
    }

    //Once triggered, this thread will increment the coordinates and forces a redraw of the window for
    //each new value.
    thread bouge(window wnd) {
        while (true) {
            coords.x++;
            coords.y++;
            wnd.redraw();
        }
    }

    function pressed(window w,string skey,int ikey,int comb,mycoord o) {
        //If you press T then the rectangle will start moving...
        if (skey=="T") {
            first=false;
            bouge(w);
        }
    }

    //we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object coord
    window wnd(coords) with display;

    //We need to instantiate the mouse call back
    wnd.begin(100,100,1300,900,"Drawing");
    wnd.sizerange(10,10,0,0);
    //we add a mouse call back
    wnd.onkey(FL_KEYUP,pressed,coords);
    wnd.end();

    wnd.run();

```

### Thread: moving balls

```

int nb=0;
frame mycoord {

```

```

    int color;
    int x,y,ix,iy;
    //common means that these values are common to all objects
    common int maxx,maxy;
    int idx;

    function _initial(int xx,int yy) {
        color=FL_RED;
        x=xx;
        y=yy;
        ix=1;
        iy=1;
        idx=nb;
        nb++;
    }

    function ldx() {
        return(idx);
    }

    function increment() {
        x+=ix;
        if (x>=maxx)
            ix=-1;
        else
            if (x<=0)
                ix=1;
        y+=iy;
        if (y>=maxy)
            iy=-1;
        else
            if (y<=0)
                iy=1;
    }

    function raz() {
        x=10;
        y=10;
    }

    function X() {
        return(x);
    }

    function Y() {
        return(y);
    }

    function string() {
        string s=x+", "+y;
        return(s);
    }
}

//This thread increments the coordinates of the ball
thread move(window w,mycoord ballecoords) {
    while (true) {
        ballecoords.increment();
        //we redraw our window to take these new coordinates into account
        try {
            w.redraw();
        }
        catch() {
            return;
        }
    }
}

```

```

}

//We create a base object to handle the window size
mycoord basecoords(0,0);
basecoords.maxx=500;
basecoords.maxy=300;
int debx,deby;

vector balles;

function clicked(button b>window w) {
    //the initial positions of the ball are random
    debx=random()*500;
    deby=random()*300;
    //we create our new ball
    mycoord ballecoords(debx,deby);
    //we keep a track of these coordinates in a vector
    balles.push(ballecoords);
    move(w,ballecoords);
}

function display(window w,vector bs) {
    //we select our color, which will be apply to all objects that follow
    self o;
    int i;
    //for each ball, we draw a simple circle with its number in the middle
    for (o in bs) {
        w.circle(o.X(),o.Y(),10);
        w.drawtext(o.Idx(),o.X()-5,o.Y()+2);
    }
    //if the dimensions of the windows have changed, we use them as new constraints...
    basecoords.maxx=w.coords()[2];
    basecoords.maxy=w.coords()[3];
}

//we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object coord
window wnd(balles) with display;
//We need to instantiate the mouse call back
wnd.begin(100,50,500,300,"Drawing");

wnd.sizerange(10,10,0,0);

button b(wnd) with clicked;
b.create(10,10,20,20,FL_Regular,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON,"Ok");

wnd.end();
wnd.run();

```

### ► Creating windows in a thread

It is possible to create windows within a thread but with some specific precautions. FLTK does not allow the creation of windows within a thread per se, however a message mechanism is available which can be used to post window creation or enrichment requests.

First, a lock should be set around the window creation itself to avoid problems.

Second, a timeout should also be defined to avoid any inner locking when the creation of a window fails.

Third, if any problem occurs during the widget creation, then the *window under scope must be closed*.

Finally, whenever a window is moved or modified by a user, this might result into a momentary freeze of other thread display, since the display and update of windows can only be done within the main thread.

### Example

```
int px=300;
int py=400;
int nb=1;

//This thread will display a counter
thread bouge() {
    int i=0;
    window wx;
    woutput wo;
    string err;

    //We initialize our main window with a timeout that will be shared by all sub-objects
    wx.timeout(0.1);
    //Our main lock, so that only one thread can create a window at a time
    lock("creation");
    try {
        wx.begin(px,py,250,100,"ICI:"+nb);
        wo.create(50,20,120,30,true,"Valeur");
        wx.end();
        px+=300;
        nb++;
        if (px>=1800) {
            px=300;
            py+=150;
        }
    }
    catch(err) {
        //Any errors, we stop. VERY IMPORTANT, we close the window
        if (wx.created())
            wx.close();
        unlock("creation");
        return;
    }
    //We release our lock, so other windows can also be created
    unlock("creation");
    //We set a different time out for the counter display
    wo.timeout(1);

    while (true) {
        i++;
        try {
            wo.value(i);
        }
        catch(err) {
            //If it is a time out we carry on
            if ("Time out" in err)
                continue;
            //Else we clean our slate back
            if (wx.created())
                wx.close();
            return;
        }
    }
}
```

```
function pressed(button b,self n) {
    bouge();
}

//we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object coord
window wnd;
//We need to instanciate the mouse call back
wnd.begin(100,50,500,300,"Drawing");
button b with pressed;
b.create(430,20,60,60,FL-Regular,FL-NORMAL-BUTTON,"Ok");
wnd.sizerange(10,10,0,0);
//we add a mouse call back
wnd.end();

wnd.run();
```

## browser (browsing strings)

The *browser* object defines a box in which strings can be displayed and if necessary selected as a list.

### ► Methods

1. **add(label)**: Add a string to the browser
2. **clear()**: Clear the browser from all values
3. **columnchar()**: Return the column char separator.
4. **columnchar(string)**: Set the column char separator
5. **create(x,y,w,h,label)**: Create a browser
6. **deselect()**: Deselect all items
7. **deselect(int i)**: Deselect item *i*;
8. **formatchar()**: Return the format char.
9. **formatchar(string)**: Set the format char
10. **insert(l,label)**: Insert a label before line *l*
11. **load(filename)**: Load a file into the browser
12. **select()**: Return selected string.
13. **select(int i)**: Return string at position *i*.
14. **size()**: Return the number of values within the browser
15. **value()**: return the current selected value as an index

### ► Selection

The only way to use browser in selection mode is to associate it with a callback function whose signature must match the following:

```
function browser_callback(browser b,myobject o);
```

A callback function is declared with “with”.



## Example

```
//the callback function
function avec(browser b,self n) {
    println("Selection:",b.select(),b.value());
}

window w;

w.begin(40,40,400,500,"Browsing");

browser b with avec;
b.create(10,10,100,150,"Test");
b.add("first");
b.add("second");
b.add("third");
b.add("fourth");

w.end();
w.run();
```

## wtree and wtreeitem

These two objects are used to handle a tree, which is clickable. The first object is the tree object itself, which is composed of a set of *wtreeitem*. The object which is displayed is a hierarchy of nodes, which can each be selected through a callback function.

### ► wtree Methods

1. **add(string path):** Add a tree item and return the new *wtreeitem*
2. **add(wtreeitem e,string n):** Add a tree item after e and return the new *wtreeitem*.
3. **clear():** Delete the tree items
4. **clicked():** Return the element that was clicked.
5. **close(string path):** Close the element.
6. **close(wtreeitem e):** Close the element.
7. **connectorcolor(int c):** Set or return the connector color.
8. **connectorstyle(int s):** Set or return the connector style (see below)
9. **connectorwidth(int s):** Set or return the connector width.
10. **create(int x,int y,int h,int w,string label):** Create a tree
11. **find(string path):** Return the element matching the path.
12. **first():** Return the first element.
13. **insert(wtreeitem e,string label,int pos):** Insert an element after e with label at position pos in the children list.
14. **insertabove(wtreeitem e,string label):** Insert an element above e with label.
15. **isclosed(string path):** Return true if element is closed.
16. **isclosed(wtreeitem e):** Return true if element is closed.
17. **itembgcolor(int c):** Set or return the item background color.

18. **itemfgcolor(int c):** Set or return the foreground color.
19. **itemfont(int c):** Set or return the item font.
20. **itemsiz(int c):** Set or return the item font size.
21. **last():** Return the last element as a *wtreeitem*
22. **marginleft(int s):** Set or Get the amount of white space (in pixels) that should appear between the widget's left border and the tree's contents.
23. **margintop(int s):** Set or Get the amount of white space (in pixels) that should appear between the widget's top border and the top of the tree's contents.
24. **next(wtreeitem e):** Return the next element after e as a *wtreeitem*.
25. **open(string path):** Open the element.
26. **open(wtreeitem e):** Open the element.
27. **previous(wtreeitem e):** Return the previous element before e as a *wtreeitem*.
28. **remove(wtreeitem e):** Remove the element e from the tree.
29. **root():** Return the root element as a *wtreeitem*.
30. **rootlabel(string r):** Set the root label.
31. **selectmode(int s):** Set or return the selection mode (see below)
32. **sortorder(int s):** Set or return the sort order (see below)

#### ► **wtreeitem Methods**

1. **activate():** Activate the current element.
2. **bgcolor(int c):** Set or return the item background color.
3. **child(int i):** Return the child element at position i.
4. **children():** Return number of children.
5. **clean():** Remove the object associated through value.
6. **deactivate():** Deactivate the current element.
7. **depth():** Return the depth of the item.
8. **fgcolor(int c):** Set or return the foreground color.
9. **font(int c):** Set or return the item font.
10. **fontsize(int c):** Set or return the item font size.
11. **isactive():** Return true if element is active.
12. **isclosed():** Return true if element is closed.
13. **isopen():** Return true if element is open.
14. **isroot():** Return true if element is root.
15. **isselected():** Return true if element is selected.
16. **label():** Return the item label.
17. **next():** Return the next element.
18. **parent():** Return the last element.
19. **previous():** Return the previous element.
20. **value():** Return the value associated with the object.
21. **value(object):** Associate the item with a value.

## ► Callback

It is possible to associate a *wtree* object with a callback. This callback must have the following signature:

```
function wtree_callback(wtree t,wtreeitem i,int reason,myobject o);
```

This function will be called each time an item will be selected from the tree. *Reason* is one of the following values:

```
FL_TREE_REASON_NONE : unknown reason
FL_TREE_REASON_SELECTED : an item was selected
FL_TREE_REASON_DESELECTED :an item was de-selected
FL_TREE_REASON_OPENED : an item was opened
FL_TREE_REASON_CLOSED :an item was closed
```

## ► Iterator

The *wtree* object is iterable.

## ► Path

Certain functions such as *add* or *find* requires a path. A path is similar to a *unix path* and defines a path from the root to the leaf:

Example: **“/Root/Top/subnode”**

## ► Connector style

The style of connectors between nodes is controlled by the following flags:

FL_TREE_CONNECTOR_NONE	no lines connecting items.
FL_TREE_CONNECTOR_DOTTED	dotted lines connecting items (it)
FL_TREE_CONNECTOR_SOLID	solid lines connecting items.

## ► Selection mode

The way nodes are selected in the tree is controlled by the following flags:

FL_TREE_SELECT_NONE	nothing selected when items are clicked.
FL_TREE_SELECT_SINGLE	one item selected when item is clicked (it)
FL_TREE_SELECT_MULTI	multiple items can be selected by clicking with.

## ► Sort order

Items can be added to the tree in an ordered manner controlled with the following flags:

FL_TREE_SORT_NONE	Items are added in the order they are specified (default).
FL_TREE_SORT_ASCENDING	Items are added in ascending sort order.
FL_TREE_SORT_DESCENDING	Items are added in descending sort order.

## Example

```
//this function is called whenever an item is selected or deselected
function avec(wtree t,wtreeitem i,int reason,self n) {
    //we change the size of the selected element
    if (reason==FL_TREE_REASON_SELECTED)
        i.fontsize(20);
    else //the deselected element gets its previous size
        if (reason==FL_TREE_REASON_DESELECTED)
            i.fontsize(FL_NORMAL_SIZE);
}

window w;
wtree mytree with avec;
wtreeitem ei;

w.begin(40,40,400,500,"Browsing");
mytree.create(20,20,150,250,"Tree");

mytree.rootlabel("Root");
ei=mytree.add("Subroot");
mytree.add(ei,"Test");
mytree.add(ei,"Other");
//we add a new element as path
mytree.add("/Subroot/New item");
w.end();

//we modify the font for each element afterward
//This is equivalent to mytree.itemfont(FL_TIMES_BOLD), before adding elements
iterator it=mytree;
for (it.begin();it.nend();it.next())
    it.value().font(FL_TIMES_BOLD);

w.run();
```

## Example from a tree object

```
tree atree={ 'a':{ 'b':{ 'c':1}, 'd':3}};

function traversetree(tree t,wtree wt,wtreeitem e) {
    if (t==null)
        return;

    wt.add(e);
    wtreeitem x;
```

```

//First element is null
if (e==null)
    x=wt.add(t);
else
    x=wt.add(e,t);

if (t.childnode()!=null)
    traversetree(t.childnode(),wt,x);
traversetree(t.nextnode(),wt,e);
}

window w;
wtree mytree;

w.begin(40,40,1000,900,"Display tree");
mytree.create(20,20,950,850,"my tree");

//The root of tree becomes the root of its representation
mytree.rootlabel(atree);

//we traverse our tree to build the representation out of it...
traversetree(atree.childnode(),mytree,null);
w.end();
w.run();

```

## wininput (input zone)

The *wininput* object defines an input area in a window, which can be used in conjunction with a callback function, which will be called when the zone is dismissed.

### ► Methods

1. **i[a]**: Extract character from the input at position *a*
2. **i[a:b]**: Extract characters between *a* and *b*
3. **color(int c)**: set or return the text color
4. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,boolean multiline,string label)**: Create an input area with multiline if this parameter is true
5. **font(string s)**: set or return the text font
6. **fontsize(int c)**: set or return the text font size
7. **insert(string s,int p)**: insert *s* at position *p* in the input
8. **selection()**: return the selected text in the input
9. **value()|(string v)**: return the input buffer or set the initial buffer
10. **word(int pos)**: return the word at position *pos*

### Example

```

frame block {
    //We first declare our window object
    window w;
    string final;

```

```

function result(wininput txt,block bb) {
    //we store the content of that field in a variable for further use
    final=txt.value();
}

//We first declare our wininput associated with result
wininput txt(this) with result;

function launch() {
    //We then begin our window instanciation
    w.begin(300,200,1300,150,"Modification");
    //We want our window to be resizable
    w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);
    //we create our multiline wininput, which is placed within the current
    //window
    txt.create(200,20,1000,50,true,"Selection");
    //We initialize our input with some text
    txt.value("Some Input Text");
    //The text will be in BLUE
    txt.color(FL_BLUE);
    //no more object, we end the session
    w.end();
    //we want our text to follow the size of the main window
    w.resizable(txt);
    //we then launch our window
    w.run();
}

//We open a block
block b;
//which will display our input
b.launch();
//b.final contains the string that was keyed in
println("Result:",b.final);

```

## woutput (Output area)

This type is used to create a specific output in a window. It exposes the following methods:

### ► Methods

1. **color(int c):** set or return the text color
2. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,boolean multiline,string label):** Create an output area with multiline if this parameter is true
3. **font(string s):** set or return the text font
4. **fontsize(int c):** set or return the text font size
5. **value(string v):** initialize the buffer

## box (box definition)

This type is used to draw a box in the main window with some texts. It exposes the following methods:

## ► Methods

1. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h, string label):** *Create a box with a label*
2. **type(int boxtype):** *modify the box type (see below for a list of box types)*

## ► Box types

```

FL_NO_BOX
FL_FLAT_BOX
FL_UP_BOX
FL_DOWN_BOX
FL_UP_FRAME
FL_DOWN_FRAME
FL_THIN_UP_BOX
FL_THIN_DOWN_BOX
FL_THIN_UP_FRAME
FL_THIN_DOWN_FRAME
FL_ENGRAVED_BOX
FL_EMBOSSSED_BOX
FL_ENGRAVED_FRAME
FL_EMBOSSSED_FRAME
FL_BORDER_BOX
FL_SHADOW_BOX
FL_BORDER_FRAME
FL_SHADOW_FRAME
FL_ROUNDED_BOX
FL_RSHADOW_BOX
FL_ROUNDED_FRAME
FL_RFLAT_BOX
FL_ROUND_UP_BOX
FL_ROUND_DOWN_BOX
FL_DIAMOND_UP_BOX
FL_DIAMOND_DOWN_BOX
FL_OVAL_BOX
FL_OSHADOW_BOX
FL_OVAL_FRAME
FL_OFLAT_BOX
FL_PLASTIC_UP_BOX
FL_PLASTIC_DOWN_BOX
FL_PLASTIC_UP_FRAME
FL_PLASTIC_DOWN_FRAME
FL_PLASTIC_THIN_UP_BOX
FL_PLASTIC_THIN_DOWN_BOX
FL_PLASTIC_ROUND_UP_BOX
FL_PLASTIC_ROUND_DOWN_BOX
FL_GTK_UP_BOX
FL_GTK_DOWN_BOX
FL_GTK_UP_FRAME
FL_GTK_DOWN_FRAME
FL_GTK_THIN_UP_BOX
FL_GTK_THIN_DOWN_BOX
FL_GTK_THIN_UP_FRAME
FL_GTK_THIN_DOWN_FRAME
FL_GTK_ROUND_UP_BOX
FL_GTK_ROUND_DOWN_BOX
FL_FREE_BOXTYPE

```

## button

The button object is of course very important as it allows users to communicate with the GUI. A button must be created in connection with a callback whose signature is the following:

```
function callback_button(button b, myobj obj) {...}
```

```
button b(obj) with callback_button;
```

It exposes the following methods:

### ► Methods

1. **align(int)**: *define the button label alignment*
2. **bitmap(bitmap im,int color,string label,int labelalign)**: *Use the bitmap as a button image*
3. **color(int code)**: *Set the color of the button*
4. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,string type,int shape,string label)**: *Create a button, see below for a list of types and shapes*
5. **image(image im,string label,int labelalign)**: *Use the image as a button image*
6. **shortcut(string keycode)**: *Set a shortcut to activate the button from the keyboard (see below for a list of shortcuts code)*
7. **value()**: *return the value of the current button*
8. **when(int when1, int when2,...)**: *Type of event for a button which triggers the callback (see events below)*

### ► Button types

```
FL_Check
FL_Light
FL_Repeat
FL_Return
FL_Round
FL_Regular
FL_Image
```

### ► Button shapes

```
FL_NORMAL_BUTTON
FL_TOGGLE_BUTTON
FL_RADIO_BUTTON
FL_HIDDEN_BUTTON
```

### ► Events (when)

Below is a list of events, which can be associated with the callback function.

```
FL_WHEN_NEVER
```



```

FL_WHEN_CHANGED
FL_WHEN_RELEASE
FL_WHEN_RELEASE_ALWAYS
FL_WHEN_ENTER_KEY
FL_WHEN_ENTER_KEY_ALWAYS

```

## ► Shortcuts

Below is the list of shortcuts that can be associated with a button:

```

FL_Button
FL_BackSpace
FL_Tab
FL_Enter
FL_Pause
FL_Scroll_Lock
FL_Escape
FL_Home
FL_Left
FL_Up
FL_Right
FL_Down
FL_Page_Up
FL_Page_Down
FL_End
FL_Print
FL_Insert
FL_Menu
FL_Help
FL_Num_Lock
FL_KP
FL_KP_Enter
FL_KP_Last
FL_F_Last
FL_Shift_L
FL_Shift_R
FL_Control_L
FL_Control_R
FL_Caps_Lock
FL_Meta_L
FL_Meta_R
FL_Alt_L
FL_Alt_R
FL_Delete
FL_Delete

```

## Example

```

frame block {
    //We first declare our window object
    window w;
    winput txt;
    string final;

    //When the button is pressed, this function is called
    function gettext(button b,block bb) {
        final=txt.value();
        w.close();
    }
}

```

```

        function launch(string ph) {
            final=ph;
            //We then begin our window instantiation
            w.begin(300,200,1300,150,"Modification");
            //We want our window to be resizable
            w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);
            //we create our winput, which is placed within the current window
            txt.create(200,20,1000,50,true,"Selection");
            txt.value(ph);
            //We associate our button with the method gettext
            button b(this) with gettext;
            b.create(1230,20,30,30,FL_Regular,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON , "Ok");
            //no more object, we end the session
            w.end();
            w.resizable(txt);
            //we then launch our window
            w.run();
        }
    }

    block b;
    b.launch("My sentence");

```

## ► Image

First, we need to load an image, then we create a button with the flag: FL\_Image.

```

image myimage;
//We load a GIF image
image.loadgif('c:\...');
//We associate our button with the method gettext
button b(this) with gettext;
//We create pour image button
b.create(1230,20,30,30,FL_Image,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON , "Ok");
//which we associate with our button, with an inside label within the image...
b.image(myimage,"Inside", FL_ALIGN_CENTER);

```

## wchoice

AtanorlTk provides a specific type to propose selections in list. This element must be initialized with a specific menu, which we will describe later on.

It exposes the following methods.

## ► Methods

1. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,string label):** Create an choice
2. **font(string s):** set or return the text font
3. **fontsize(int c):** set or return the text font size
4. **menu(vector s):** Initialize the menu. This should be the last operation in a wchoice creation.
5. **value(int s):** set the choice initialization value

## ► Menu

A menu description is a vector of vectors, each containing three elements.

```
vmenu=[["First",callback,"1"],["Second",callback,"2"],["Third",callback,"3"]];
```

A menu item contains, first its name, then the callback function it is associated with then the object that will be passed to this callback function.

Menu Item: *[name,callback,object]*

The callback function must have the following signature:

```
function callback_menu(wchoice c, myobject obj);
```

This function is called for each selection from the list.

### Example

```
window w;
```

```
function callback_menu(wchoice c, string s) {
    println(s);
}
```

```
vector vmenu;
```

```
//Our menu description
```

```
vmenu=[["Premier",callback_menu,"RRRR"],["second",callback_menu,"OOOOOO"],["third",callback_menu,"BBBBBB"]];
```

```
wchoice wch;
```

```
//we create our window
```

```
w.begin(300,200,1300,500,"Fenetre");
```

```
//we create our choice widget
```

```
wch.create(20,420,100,50,"Choix");
```

```
wch.fontsize(20);
```

```
//This should be the last operation on the selection list...
```

```
wch.menu(vmenu);
```

```
w.end();
```

```
w.run();
```

## wtable

AtanorlTk provides a specific type to display values in a table and select some elements. This element table must be created with a callback function (as most widgets), whose signature is the following:

```
function callback_table(table x,map values,myobject obj);
```

```
table t(obj) with callback_table;
```

The *values* is a map, which contains the following keys:

**“top”**: *the top row*  
**“bottom”**: *the bottom row*  
**“left”**: *the left column*  
**“right”**: *the right column*  
**“values”**: *a map, whose key is a string: “r:c”, with r as row and c as the column.*

This object exposes the following methods:

#### ► **Methods**

1. **add(int R,int C,string v)**: Add a value on row R and column C. The size of the table depends on the number of values added.
2. **boxtype(int boxtype)**: box type
3. **cell(int R,int C)**: Return the value at row R and column C
4. **cellalign(align)**: Set the alignment in a cell
5. **cellalignheaderrow(align)**: Set the alignment in a row header cell
6. **cellalignheadercol(align)**: Set the alignment in a column header cell
7. **clear()**: Clear the table
8. **colorbg(int c)**: set or return the cell color background
9. **colorfg(int c)**: set or return the cell color foreground
10. **column()**: return the number of columns
11. **column(int nb)**: Define the number of columns
12. **columnheader(int C,string label)**: set the label of the column header for column C
13. **columnheaderwidth(int sz)**: the size in pixel of the column header
14. **columnwidth(int width)**: Define the column width in pixel
15. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,string label)**: Create a table of objects, and starts adding
16. **font(int s)**: set or return the text font
17. **fontsize(int c)**: set or return the text font size
18. **row()**: return the number of rows
19. **row(int nb,int height)**: Define the number of rows
20. **rowheader(int R,string label)**: set the label of the row header for row R.
21. **rowheaderheight(int sz)**: the size in pixel of the row header
22. **rowheight(int height)**: Define the row height in pixel
23. **selectioncolor(int color)**: Color for the selected elements
24. **when(string when)**: Type of event to trigger the callback

#### **Example**

window w;

```
function callback_table(wtable x,map V>window w) {
    println(V);
}
```

wtable t(w) with callback\_table;

**int** i,j;

```

//we create our window
w.begin(300,200,1300,500,"Fenetre");
//we create our table
t.create(20,20,500,400,"table");
//with a certain font size
t.fontsize(12);
//the selected element will be in blue
t.selectioncolor(FL_BLUE);
//we populate our table
for (i=0;i<10;i++) {
    //including the headers
    t.rowheader(i,"R"+i);
    t.columnheader(i,"C"+i);
    for (j=0;j<10;j++)
        //we populate our table with string of the form: R0C9
        t.add(i,j,"R"+i+"C"+j);
}
//we define the size of rows, with their height in pixels,
//after we populated the table
t.rowheight(20);
//we define the size of columns, with their width in pixels
t.columnwidth(60);
w.end();
w.run();

```

## editor

AtanorlTk provides also a specific type to provide users with an editor, which can be used to handle text.

A callback can be associated with an editor, which has a distinctive set of arguments. This callback is triggered whenever the inside text is modified.

```
function editorcallback(editor e,int pos, int ninserted,int ndeleted,int restyled,string del,myobj obj);
```

This function is associated with an editor object through a *with* instruction.

```
editor e(obj) with editorcallback;
```

The arguments are the following:

*editor e: the editor itself*

*pos: the current cursor position in the document*

*ninserted: the number of characters which have been inserted*

*ndeleted: the number of deleted characters*

*rstyled: the number of characters whose style has been modified*

*del: the characters which have been deleted*

*obj: the object which has been associated in the with instruction.*

This method exposes the following methods:

## ► Methods

1. **addstyle(map styles):** Initialize the styles for text chunks (see below for more details)
2. **annotate(string s,string keystore,bool matchcase):** Each occurrence of *s* in the text is assigned the style *keystore*. *matchcase* is optional.
3. **annotategram(string reg,string keystore):** Each string matching the *xip* regular expression *reg* is assigned the style *keystore*.
4. **append(string s):** append a string at the end of the editor text
5. **byteposition(int pos):** convert a character position into a byte position (especially useful in UTF8 strings)
6. **charposition(int pos):** convert a byte position into a character position (especially useful in UTF8 strings)
7. **color(int c):** set or return the text color
8. **copy():** copy selected text to clipboard
9. **copy(string s):** copy string *s* to clipboard
10. **count(string s,int bg,int mx):** count the number of occurrences of *s*, between *bg* and *mx*.
11. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,string label):** Create an editor
12. **cursor():** return the current position of the cursor in byte increments.
13. **cursor(int i):** move the cursor to the *i*<sup>th</sup> bytes.
14. **cursorchar():** return the current position of the cursor in character increments.
15. **cursorstyle(int style):** set the cursor shape (see below)
16. **cut():** cut selected text to clipboard
17. **delete():** delete selected text
18. **e[a:b]:** Extract characters between *a* and *b*
19. **e[a]:** Extract character from the editor at position *a*
20. **find(string s,int i):** find a string in the editor text, starting at position *i*.
21. **font(string s):** set or return the text font
22. **fontsize(int c):** set or return the text font size
23. **getstyle(int start,int end):** Return the style for each character of a chunk of text as a vector.
24. **gotoline(int l,bool highlight):** goto line *l* and highlight it if true.
25. **highlight():** return 1 or 0 if there is highlighted text in the editor. In the context of a string, returns the highlighted string
26. **highlight(int start,int end):** highlight the characters between *start* and *end*.
27. **insert(string s,int pos):** insert a string at position *pos*
28. **line():** return the current line number or the line text itself
29. **line(int pos):** Return the line corresponding to *pos* or the line text itself. This line should be visible.
30. **linebounds():** return a vector with the start position and end position of the current line in bytes increments.

- 31. linebounds(int pos):** *return a vector with the start position and end position of the line at pos in bytes increments.*
- 32. lineboundschar():** *return a vector with the start position and end position of the current line in character increments.*
- 33. lineboundschar(int pos):** *return a vector with the start position and end position of the line at pos in bytes increments.*
- 34. load(string filename):** *load the content of a file into the editor.*
- 35. onhscroll(function f, object o):** *set the callback when scrolling horizontally (see below for an example)*
- 36. onkey(int action,function f, object o):** *set the callback when scrolling vertically (see below for an example)*
- 37. onmouse(int action,function f, object o):** *set the callback when handling the mouse*
- 38. onvscroll(function f, object o):** *set the callback when scrolling vertically (see below for an example)*
- 39. paste():** *paste selected text to clipboard*
- 40. rfind(string s,int i):** *find a string in the editor text, starting at position i, backward.*
- 41. save(string filename):** *save the content of the editor into a file.*
- 42. selection():** *return the selected text in the editor*
- 43. setstyle(int start,int end, string keystyle):** *Set a text chunk with a given style from the style table instatiated with addstyle. (see below for more details)*
- 44. unhighlight():** *remove highlighting*
- 45. value(string v):** *return the text in the editor or initialize the editor*
- 46. word(int pos):** *return the word at position pos*
- 47. wrap(boolean w):** *wrap the text within the editor window if w is true.*

### ► **Cursor shape**

Athamor provides different cursor styles:

```
FL_NORMAL_CURSOR
FL_CARET_CURSOR
FL_DIM_CURSOR
FL_BLOCK_CURSOR
FL_HEAVY_CURSOR
```

Use *cursorstyle* to set it to the proper value.

### ► **Adding styles**

In the editor, it is possible to display specific sections of a text with a specific set of fonts, colors and size. However, in order to achieve this

display, FLTK requires the description of these styles beforehand. Each item is a vector of three elements: *[color, font, size]* associated with a key, which will be used to refer to that style item.

```
//A map describing the styles available within the editor
map m={'#': [FL_BLACK,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'A': [ FL_BLUE,FL_COURIER_BOLD,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'B': [ FL_DARK_GREEN,FL_COURIER_ITALIC,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'C': [ FL_DARK_GREEN, FL_COURIER_ITALIC,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'D': [ FL_BLUE,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'E': [ FL_DARK_RED,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'F': [ FL_DARK_RED,FL_COURIER_BOLD,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      };
```

### Important: key “#”

The map should always have a “#” key which is used to define the default style. If this key is not provided, an exception will be raised.

Once this map has been designed, you should pass it to the system with the instruction: *addstyle(m)*.

To use this style on a section of text, use *setstyle* with one the above keys as a way to select the correct style.

### Example

```
//A map describing the styles available within the editor
map m={'#': [FL_BLACK,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'A': [ FL_BLUE,FL_COURIER_BOLD,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ]};
      'B': [ FL_DARK_GREEN,FL_COURIER_ITALIC,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'C': [ FL_DARK_GREEN, FL_COURIER_ITALIC,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'D': [ FL_BLUE,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'E': [ FL_DARK_RED,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'F': [ FL_DARK_RED,FL_COURIER_BOLD,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],

window w;
editor e;

w.begin(300,200,1300,700,"Modification");
w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);

e.create(200,220,1000,200,"Editor");
e.addstyle(m);

e.value("This is an interesting style");
//We use the style of key C on interesting
e.setstyle(10,22,'C');
e.annotate("a", 'E'); //each a is assigned the E style
w.end();
w.run();
```

### ► Modifying style

It is actually possible to redefine a style for a given editor. The function *addstyle* must be called again.



```
//A map describing the styles available within the editor
map m={'#':[FL_BLACK,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'truc':[ FL_DARK_RED,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ]};

//we modify one item in our map... We keep the same key...
//The section in the text based on 'truc' will be all modified...
function test(button b, editor e) {
    m["truc"]=[ FL_DARK_GREEN,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ];
    e.addstyle(m);
}

window w;
editor e;
button b(e) with test;

w.begin(300,200,1300,700,"Modification");
w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);

e.create(200,220,1000,200,"Editor");
e.addstyle(m);
e.value("This is an interesting style");
e.setstyle(10,22,'truc');

b.create(1230,20,30,30,FL_Regular,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON,"Ok");

w.end();
w.run();
```

## ► Style Messages

It is also possible to associate a style with a specific message. This message will be displayed when the mouse will hover above an element having that style. The only modification necessary is to add one or two more elements to each item from the style description.

A style description is composed of: **[itemcolor,font,fontsize]**.

We can add a message to that item:  
**[itemcolor,font,fontsize,"Message"]**.

And even a color which will be used as a background color for that message:

**[itemcolor,font,fontsize,"Message",backgroundcolor]**.

If the background color is not provided, then the defined color *itemcolor* from the style will be used.

### Example

```
map m={'#':[FL_BLACK,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
      'truc':[ FL_DARK_RED,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE,
               "THIS IS A TRUC",FL_YELLOW]};
```

When the mouse will hover above a piece of text with the style *truc*, it will display a yellow box with the message: *THIS IS A TRUC*.

## ► Callbacks: scrolling, mouse and keyboard

The callback must have the following signature

### Scrolling callback

*function vhscroll(editor e, object n);*

### Mouse callback

*function mouse\_callback(editor e, map coords, object n);*

The second parameter is a map with the following keys:

coords["button"]	the value of the last button that was pushed (1,2 or 3)
coords["x"]	the X coordinate within the window of the mouse
coords["y"]	the Y coordinate within the window of the mouse
coords["xroot"]	the mouse absolute X coordinate
coords["yroot"]	the mouse absolute Y coordinate
coords["wheelx"]	the mouse wheel increment on X
coords["weely"]	the mouse wheel increment on Y
coords["cursor"]	the mouse cursor position within the editor as a character position

### Keyboard callback

*function key(editor e, string k, int ikey object n);*

In this example, we set three different callbacks with the vertical scrolling, the mouse and the keyboard. Each manipulation will update the line number in an output field.

```
function cvscroll(editor e,woutput num) {
    num.value(e.line());
}

function cmouse(editor e,map coords,woutput num) {
    num.value(e.line());
}

function ckey(editor e, string k, int i,woutput num) {
    num.value(e.line());
}

window w;
editor e;
woutput num;

w.begin(300,200,1300,700,"Window");
w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);
num.create(100,100,30,40,"Line");

e.create(200,220,1000,200,"Editor");
e.onmouse(FL_RELEASE,cmouse,num);
e.onvscroll(cvscroll,num);
e.onkey(FL_KEYUP,ckey,num);

w.end();
w.run();
```

## ► Sticky notes

The following example shows how to display on words with a specific style in your editor a little sticky note.

```
//A map describing the styles available within the editor
map m={ '#':[FL_BLACK,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ],
'movement':[ FL_RED,FL_COURIER,FL_NORMAL_SIZE ]};

//We define the words that we want to recognize in the text
vector mvt=["move", "run", "stride", "walk", "drive"];

//whenever the text is modified, we check for our above words
function modified(editor e,int pos, int ninserted,int ndeleted,int restyled,string del,self obj) {
    //we unmark everything first
    e.setstyle(0,e.size(), "#");
    //then, we mark all our movement words
    e.annotate(mvt, "movement");
}

//we need our message window to be displayed at the precise location of our mouse
window wmessage;
//This method is called whenever the mouse cursor is on a non default style
function infostyle(int x,int y,map sz,string style) {
    //If there is already a sticky note we do nothing
    if (wmessage!=null)
        return;

    //we create a borderless window, with a yellow background
    //sz contains the string dimension in pixels
    wmessage.begin(x,y,sz["w"]+20,sz["h"]+20,style);
    wmessage.backgroundColor(FL_YELLOW);
    wmessage.border(false);
    box b;
    //we display our style, which is a string
    b.create(5,5,sz["w"]+5,sz["h"]+5,style);
    wmessage.end();
}

//This function is called when the mouse is moved in the editor
function vmouse(editor e,map infos,self n) {
    //we get the style at the cursor position which matches a position in the text
    string style=e.getstyle(infos["cursor"],infos["cursor"]+1);
    //If it is not a standard style
    if (style!='#' && style!="")
        //we create our sticky note
        infostyle(infos["xroot"],infos["yroot"],e.textsize(style),style);
    else
        //if it is the standard style or no style at all, we close our window...
        if (wmessage!=null)
            wmessage.close();
}

window w;
editor e with modified;
//we create our window
w.begin(300,200,1300,700, "Marking movement words");
w.sizerange(10,20,0,0);
```

```
//then our editor
e.create(200,220,1000,200,"Editor");
//we add the style
e.addstyle(m);
//and we also need a mouse callback
e.onmouse(vmouse,null);

w.end();
w.run();
```

## scroll

It is possible to define a scrolling region within a window. The type scroll can be used at this effect.

It exposes the following methods:

### ► Methods

1. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,string label):** Create a scrolling region
2. **resize(object):** make the object resizable

## wprogress

AtanorlTk offers a progress bar widget, which can display a progression from a minimum to a maximum value.

A *wprogress* can be attached to a callback function in order to catch the value modifications.

The function must have the following signature:

```
function callback_progress(wprogress s,myobj obj) {
    //the progress value is returned with value()
    println(s.value());
}
```

```
progress s(obj) with callback_progress;
```

The progress object exposes the following functions:

### ► Methods

1. **backgroundcolor(int color):** set or return the background color
2. **barcolor(string code|int code):** Set the bar color
3. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,int alignment, string label):** Create a progress bar
4. **minimum(float x):** defines or return the progress bar minimum
5. **maximum(float x):** defines or return the progress bar maximum
6. **value(float):** define the value for the progress or return its value

**Example:**

```

window w;

wprogress c;

thread progressing () {
    for (int i in <0,100,1>) {
        for (int j in <0,100000,1>) {}
        c.value(i);
    }
    printlnerr("End");
}

function launch(button b,self e) {
    progressing();
}

button b with lance;

w.begin(50,50,500,500,"test");
c.create(30,30,300,30,"progression");
b.create(100,100,50,50,"Ok");
c.minimum(0);
c.maximum(100);
c.barcolor(FL_BLUE);
w.end();
w.run();

```

**wcounter**

AtanorlTk offers two sorts of counters. One which displays two steps of progression, the other which displays only one.

A *wcounter* must be attached with a callback function in order to catch the value modifications.

The function must have the following signature:

```

function callback_counter(wcounter s,myobj obj) {
    //the counter value is returned with value()
    println(s.value());
}

counter s(obj) with callback_counter;

```

The counter object exposes the following functions:

► **Methods**

7. **bounds(float x,float y):** *defines the counter boundary*

8. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,int alignment, string label):** Create a counter
9. **font(int s):** set or return the text font
10. **lstep(double):** define the large counter step
11. **step(double):** define the counter step
12. **steps(double):** define the counter steps, normal and large.
13. **textcolor(string code|int code):** Set the color of the text
14. **textsize(string l):** Return a map with w and h as key to denote width and height of the string in pixels
15. **type(bool normal):** if 'true' then normal counter or simple counter
16. **value(float):** define the value for the counter or return its value

### Example:

```
window w;  
  
function tst(wcounter e,self i) {  
    printlnerr(e.value());  
}  
  
wcounter c with tst;  
  
w.begin(50,50,500,500,"test");  
c.create(30,30,300,100,"Counter");  
c.steps(0.01,0.1);  
c.textsize(20);  
c.textcolor(FL_RED);  
w.end();  
w.run();
```

## slider

AtanorlTk offers two sorts of slider. One of these sliders displays a value with the slide bar itself.

The slider must be attached with a callback function in order to catch any modifications. The function must have the following signature:

```
function callback_slider(slider s,myobj obj) {  
    //the slider value is returned with value()  
    println(s.value());  
}
```

```
slider s(obj) with callback_slider;
```

The slider exposes the following methods:

## ► Methods

- 17. **align(int align)**: *define the slider alignment*
- 18. **bounds(int x,int y)**: *defines the slider boundaries*
- 19. **create(int x,int y,int w,int h,int align,bool valueslider,string label)**:  
*Create a slider or a valueslider (see below for a list of alignment values)*
- 20. **resize(object)**: *make the object resizable*
- 21. **step(int)**: *define the slider step*
- 22. **type(int x)**: *Value slider type (see below for the list of slider types)*
- 23. **value()**: *return the slider value*
- 24. **value(int i)**: *define the initial value for the slider*

## ► Slider types

```
FL_VERT_SLIDER
FL_HOR_SLIDER
FL_VERT_FILL_SLIDER
FL_HOR_FILL_SLIDER
FL_VERT_NICE_SLIDER
FL_HOR_NICE_SLIDER
```

## Example

This example shows how a slider can control the movement of a rectangle in another window.

```
//A small frame to record our data
frame mycoord {

    int color;
    int x,y;

    function _initial() {
        color=FL_RED;
        x=0;
        y=0;
    }
}

//we declare our object, which will record our data
mycoord coords;
//we declare our window together with its associated drawing function and the object
coord
window wnd(coords) with display;

//We cheat a little bit as we use the global variable wnd to
//access our window...
function slidercall(slider s,mycoord o) {
    //we position our window X according to the slider value
    o.x=s.value();
    wnd.redraw();
}

slider vs(coords) with slidercall;
```

```

//We need to instanciate the mouse callback
wnd.begin(100,100,300,300,"Drawing");
wnd.sizerange(10,10,0,0);
//we create our value slider
vs.create(10,10,180,20,FL_ALIGN_LEFT,true,"Position");
//the values will be between 0 and 300
vs.bounds(0,300);
//with the initial value 100
vs.value(100);

wnd.end();

wnd.run();

```

## tabs and group

The object *tabs* exposes everything that is necessary to create tabs in a window. This object is associated with the object *group*, which is used to group widgets together in a single block.

### ► Tabs methods

The *tabs* object exposes the following methods:

1. **add(wgroup g):** *dynamically add a new tab.*
2. **begin(int x,int y,int w, int h,string title):** *Create a tab window and begin initialization*
3. **current():** *return the current active tab*
4. **current(wgroup t):** *activate this tab*
5. **end():** *end the tabs construction*
6. **remove(wgroup g):** *remove the group g from the tabs*

### ► Group methods

The *group* object exposes the following methods:

1. **activate():** *activate the tab*
2. **begin(int x,int y,int w, int h,string title):** *Create a widget group and begin initialization*
3. **end():** *end the group construction*

#### Important

- The creation of a *tabs* section is quite simple. You create a *tabs* box, in which all the different elements will be stowed.
- For each tab, you need to create a specific widget group.
- The dimension of a group should be inferior in height to the *original tabs box*.
- *Each group should have the same dimension.*
- *The second group should always be hidden.*



## Call back

It is also possible to associate a group with a callback as with *window*. When a group is declared with an associate callback, this callback is called each time the window must be redrawn. See *window* for more information. Most of the functions available for drawing in the object *window* are also available for *wgroup*.

## Simple example

In this example, we build a simple window with two tabs.

```
window wnd;
//We create our main window
wnd.begin(100,100,500,500,"TABS");
//then a tab section
wtabs tabs;
//which we define as a box
tabs.begin(10,55,300,325,"Onglets");

//the first group is a list of widget
wgroup g1;
//we begin loading our widget
//The size is 80=55+25 and the height is 300=325-25
g1.begin(10,80,300,300,"Label&1");
//there will be only one
winput i1;
i1.create(60,90,240,40,true,"Input 1");
//our group 1 is now finished
g1.end();

//then we create our second tab section as a group again
wgroup g2;
//the size of this group is exactly the same as g1
g2.begin(10,80,300,300,"Label&2");
//IMPORTANT: we hide it
g2.hide();
//We add our new widgets
winput i2;
i2.create(60,90,240,40,true,"Input 2");
//our group 2 is now finished
g2.end();
//so are our tabs
tabs.end();

wnd.end();
wnd.run();
```

## A more complex example

In this new example, we show how tabs can be dynamically added to an existing tab window. We implement a button, which when pressed, triggers the creation of a new tab. A second button shows how a tab can be removed from the list of tabs.

```
int nb=0;
```

```
//This function will delete the current active tab
function removetab(button b, wtabs t) {
    //we get the current active tab in a self since we do not want to have
    //a copy of that element but the actual pointer to this element
    self x=t.current();
    t.remove(x);
}

//this function creates a new tab which is appended to the existing tab structure
function addtab(button b, wtabs x) {
    wgroup g;
    //same size fits all
    g.begin(10,80,300,300,"Label&"+nb);
    //IMPORTANT: we hide it unless it is the first one
    if (nb!=0)
        g.hide();
    //We add our new widgets
    winput i;
    i.create(60,90,240,40,true,"Input "+nb);
    //our group is now finished
    g.end();
    nb++;
    //we add it to our existing tab structure...
    x.add(g);
}

window wnd;
//We create our main window
wnd.begin(100,100,500,500,"TABS");
//then a tab section
wtabs tabs;
//which we define as a box
tabs.begin(10,55,300,325,"Onglelets");
//The tabs section is of course empty
tabs.end();

//we add a button to trigger the creation of a new tab...
button b(tabs) with addtab;
b.create(400,100,50,30,FL_Regular,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON,"Add");

//This button will delete the current tab
button br(tabs) with removetab;
br.create(400,140,50,30,FL_Regular,FL_NORMAL_BUTTON,"Remove");

wnd.end();
wnd.run();
```

### Callback example

```
//Our redrawn function
function drawing(wgroup w,self n) {
    w.drawcolor(FL_BLACK);
    w.circle(100,100,100);
}

//we create a group that is linked with a redrawn function
wgroup fen with drawing;
fen.begin(10,80,300,300,"Infos");
fen.end();
```

```
//We then associate it as a tab
tabs.add(fen);
```

## filebrowser

This object is used to display a window to browse your disks to fetch a file or a directory. The object can be created with a callback function, whose signature is the following:

```
function callback_filebrowser(filebrowser f,myobject object);
```

However, if you do not declare any callback function, the function *create* returns the selected file pathname.

It exposes the following methods.

### ► Methods

1. **close()**: *Close the file browser*
2. **create(string initialdirectory,string filter,int method,string label)**: *Open a file browser, according to method (see below). If no callback function is declared, then it returns the selected pathname.*
3. **ok()**: *return true if ok was pressed*
4. **value()**: *Return the selected file*

### ► Method

There are different ways to open a filebrowser, each with a different action. The possible values are the following:

- FL\_DIR\_SINGLE: to open a single file at a time
- FI\_DIR\_MULTl: to open multiple files at a time
- FL\_DIR\_CREATE: to create a new file
- FL\_DIR\_DIRECTORY: to select a directory

### Example

```
//we check wether the element was chosen
//then we close our window
function choose(filebrowser f,self b) {
    if (f.ok()) {
        println("Ok:",f.value());
        b=true;
        f.close();
    }
}

bool b=false;
```

```
filebrowser fb(b) with choose;  
fb.create('C:\\XIP', "**", FL_DIR_SINGLE, "Choose your file");
```

A simpler solution is:

```
filebrowser f;  
string value=f.create(".", "*.*", FL_DIR_SINGLE, "Open");  
println("Value:", value);
```

## sound

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Athamor also provides a way to play any types of sound files (WAV, MP3, FLAC, OGG etc.).

You simply load a file and you can play it anywhere in your code. It provides at this effect the type: "sound".

N.B. Athamor relies on *libao4*, *libsndfile-1* and *libmpg123* for decoding and playing.

### ► Methods

The API exposes the following methods:

1. **close()**: *close a sound channel*
2. **decode(ivector soundbuffer)**: *decode the sound file and returns the content buffer by buffer into soundbuffer. Return false when the end of the file is reached.*
3. **encode(ivector soundbuffer)**: *play a soundbuffer returned by decode.*
4. **load(string pathname)**: *Load the sound pathname.*
5. **open(map params)**: *open a sound channel with the parameters of the current sound file (see parameters)*
6. **parameters()**: *return the parameters of the current sound file as a map.*
7. **parameters(map modifs)**: *Only "rate" and "channels" can be modified.*
8. **play()**: *play the sound.*
9. **play(bool beg)**: *play the sound from the beginning*
10. **play(ivector soundbuffer)**: *play the sound buffer (see encode)*
11. **reset()**: *reset the sound file to the beginning.*
12. **stop()**: *stop the sound. It is necessary to play the sound file in a thread in order to use this instruction.*

### Example

```
sound s;

s.load('C:\XIP\XIP7\sound\Kalimba.mp3');
s.play();
```

You can also load a sound with the following declaration:

```
sound s('C:\XIP\XIP7\sound\Kalimba.mp3');
```

### Decoding example

```
//we open a sound file
sound s('C:\XIP\XIP7\sound\Kalimba.mp3');
```

```
//we open a second sound channel
sound c;

//we get the sound parameters
map params=s.parameters();

//which we use to open a channel
c.open(params);

//we loop with decode in the sound file
//and for each new buffer, we play our sound
//we could use "play" instead of "encode",
//but it is little bit slower

ivector snd;
while (s.decode(snd))
    c.encode(snd);

//then we close our channel...
c.close();
```

## type curl (WEB Page loading)

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The *curl* type is used to load HTML page from the internet. It is based on the cURL (<http://curl.haxx.se/>) library and offers some basic tools to handle HTML pages.

### ► Methods

1. **execute()**: to execute a curl query. Options should have been provided.
2. **execute(string filename)**: to execute a curl query. Options should have been provided. When filename is supplied, then the output is stored in a file.
3. **options(string option,string|int parameter)**: to supply options to curl before either calling execute or url. See below for a list of all available options.
4. **password(string user,string psswr)**: to provide a site with a user and a password
5. **proxy(string proxy)**: to set a proxy connection
6. **url(string uri)**: to load a url. This command executes a options("CURLOPT\_URL",uri) before executing the command itself.
7. **url(string uri,string filename)**: to load a url and store the result in a file.

### ► Options

```
CURLOPT_ACCEPTTIMEOUT_MS,CURLOPT_ACCEPT_ENCODING,CURLOPT_ADDRESS_SCOPE,
CURLOPT_APPEND,CURLOPT_AUTOREFERER,CURLOPT_BUFFERSIZE,
CURLOPT_CAINFO,CURLOPT_CAPATH,CURLOPT_CERTINFO,
CURLOPT_CHUNK_BGN_FUNCTION,CURLOPT_CHUNK_DATA,CURLOPT_CHUNK_END_FUNCTION,
CURLOPT_CLOSESOCKETDATA,CURLOPT_CLOSESOCKETFUNCTION,CURLOPT_CONNECTTIMEOUT,
CURLOPT_CONNECTTIMEOUT_MS,CURLOPT_CONNECT_ONLY,CURLOPT_CONV_FROM_NETWORK_FUNCTION,
CURLOPT_CONV_FROM_UTF8_FUNCTION,CURLOPT_CONV_TO_NETWORK_FUNCTION,CURLOPT_COOKIE,
CURLOPT_COOKIEFILE,CURLOPT_COOKIEJAR,CURLOPT_COOKIELIST,
CURLOPT_COOKIESESSION,CURLOPT_COPYPOSTFIELDS,CURLOPT_CRLF,
CURLOPT_CRLF,CURLOPT_CUSTOMREQUEST,CURLOPT_DEBUGDATA,
CURLOPT_DEBUGFUNCTION,CURLOPT_DIRLISTONLY,CURLOPT_DNS_CACHE_TIMEOUT,
CURLOPT_DNS_SERVERS,CURLOPT_DNS_USE_GLOBAL_CACHE,CURLOPT_EGDSOCKET,
CURLOPT_ERRORBUFFER,CURLOPT_FAILONERROR,CURLOPT_FILETIME,
CURLOPT_FNMATCH_DATA,CURLOPT_FNMATCH_FUNCTION,CURLOPT_FOLLOWLOCATION,
CURLOPT_FORBID_REUSE,CURLOPT_FRESH_CONNECT,CURLOPT_FTPPORT,
CURLOPT_FTPSSLAUTH,CURLOPT_FTP_ACCOUNT,CURLOPT_FTP_ALTERNATIVE_TO_USER,
CURLOPT_FTP_CREATE_MISSING_DIRS,CURLOPT_FTP_FILEMETHOD,CURLOPT_FTP_RESPONSE_TIMEOUT,
CURLOPT_FTP_SKIP_PASV_IP,CURLOPT_FTP_SSL_CCC,CURLOPT_FTP_USE_EPRT,
CURLOPT_FTP_USE_EPSV,CURLOPT_FTP_USE_PRET,CURLOPT_GSSAPI_DELEGATION,
CURLOPT_HEADER,CURLOPT_HEADERDATA,CURLOPT_HEADERFUNCTION,
CURLOPT_HTTP200ALIASES,CURLOPT_HTTPAUTH,CURLOPT_HTTPGET,
CURLOPT_HTTPHEADER,CURLOPT_HTTPPOST,CURLOPT_HTTPPROXYTUNNEL,
CURLOPT_HTTP_CONTENT_DECODING,CURLOPT_HTTP_TRANSFER_DECODING,CURLOPT_HTTP_VERSION,
CURLOPT_IGNORE_CONTENT_LENGTH,CURLOPT_INFILESIZE,CURLOPT_INFILESIZE_LARGE,
CURLOPT_INTERLEAVEDATA,CURLOPT_INTERLEAVEFUNCTION,CURLOPT_IOCTLDATA,
CURLOPT_IOCTLFUNCTION,CURLOPT_IPRESOLVE,CURLOPT_ISSUERCERT,
CURLOPT_KEYPASSWD,CURLOPT_KRBLEVEL,CURLOPT_LOCALPORT,
CURLOPT_LOCALPORTRANGE,CURLOPT_LOW_SPEED_LIMIT,CURLOPT_LOW_SPEED_TIME,
CURLOPT_MAIL_FROM,CURLOPT_MAIL_RCPT,CURLOPT_MAXCONNECTS,
CURLOPT_MAXFILESIZE,CURLOPT_MAXFILESIZE_LARGE,CURLOPT_MAXREDIRS,
CURLOPT_MAX_RECV_SPEED_LARGE,CURLOPT_MAX_SEND_SPEED_LARGE,CURLOPT_NETRC,
CURLOPT_NETRC_FILE,CURLOPT_NEW_DIRECTORY_PERMS,CURLOPT_NEW_FILE_PERMS,
CURLOPT_NOBODY,CURLOPT_NOPROGRESS,CURLOPT_NOPROXY,
CURLOPT_NOSIGNAL,CURLOPT_OPENSOCKETDATA,CURLOPT_OPENSOCKETFUNCTION,
CURLOPT_PASSWORD,CURLOPT_PORT,CURLOPT_POST,
CURLOPT_POSTFIELDS,CURLOPT_POSTFIELDSIZE,CURLOPT_POSTFIELDSIZE_LARGE,
CURLOPT_POSTQUOTE,CURLOPT_POSTREDIR,CURLOPT_PREQUOTE,
CURLOPT_PRIVATE,CURLOPT_PROGRESSDATA,CURLOPT_PROGRESSFUNCTION,
CURLOPT_PROTOCOLS,CURLOPT_PROXY,CURLOPT_PROXYAUTH,
CURLOPT_PROXYPASSWORD,CURLOPT_PROXYPORT,CURLOPT_PROXYTYPE,
CURLOPT_PROXYUSERNAME,CURLOPT_PROXYUSERPWD,CURLOPT_PROXY_TRANSFER_MODE,
CURLOPT_PUT,CURLOPT_QUOTE,CURLOPT_RANDOM_FILE,
```

type curl (WEB Page loading)

```
CURLOPT_RANGE,CURLOPT_READDATA,CURLOPT_READFUNCTION,
CURLOPT_REDIR_PROTOCOLS,CURLOPT_REFERER,CURLOPT_RESOLVE,
CURLOPT_RESUME_FROM,CURLOPT_RESUME_FROM_LARGE,CURLOPT_RTSP_CLIENT_CSEQ,
CURLOPT_RTSP_REQUEST,CURLOPT_RTSP_SERVER_CSEQ,CURLOPT_RTSP_SESSION_ID,
CURLOPT_RTSP_STREAM_URI,CURLOPT_RTSP_TRANSPORT,CURLOPT_SEEKDATA,
CURLOPT_SEEKFUNCTION,CURLOPT_SHARE,CURLOPT_SOCKOPTDATA,
CURLOPT_SOCKOPTFUNCTION,CURLOPT_SOCKS5_GSSAPI_NEC,CURLOPT_SOCKS5_GSSAPI_SERVICE,
CURLOPT_SSH_AUTH_TYPES,CURLOPT_SSH_HOST_PUBLIC_KEY_MD5,CURLOPT_SSH_KEYDATA,
CURLOPT_SSH_KEYFUNCTION,CURLOPT_SSH_KNOWNHOSTS,CURLOPT_SSH_PRIVATE_KEYFILE,
CURLOPT_SSH_PUBLIC_KEYFILE,CURLOPT_SSLCERT,CURLOPT_SSLCERTTYPE,
CURLOPT_SSLENGINE,CURLOPT_SSLENGINE_DEFAULT,CURLOPT_SSLKEY,
CURLOPT_SSLKEYTYPE,CURLOPT_SSLVERSION,CURLOPT_SSL_CIPHER_LIST,
CURLOPT_SSL_CTX_DATA,CURLOPT_SSL_CTX_FUNCTION,CURLOPT_SSL_SESSIONID_CACHE,
CURLOPT_SSL_VERIFYHOST,CURLOPT_SSL_VERIFYPEER,CURLOPT_STDERR,
CURLOPT_TELNETOPTIONS,CURLOPT_TFTP_BLKSIZE,CURLOPT_TIMECONDITION,
CURLOPT_TIMEOUT,CURLOPT_TIMEOUT_MS,CURLOPT_TIMEVALUE,
CURLOPT_TLSAUTH_PASSWORD,CURLOPT_TLSAUTH_TYPE,CURLOPT_TLSAUTH_USERNAME,
CURLOPT_TRANSFERTEXT,CURLOPT_TRANSFER_ENCODING,CURLOPT_UNRESTRICTED_AUTH,
CURLOPT_UPLOAD,CURLOPT_URL,CURLOPT_USERAGENT,
CURLOPT_USERNAME,CURLOPT_USERPWD,CURLOPT_USE_SSL,
CURLOPT_VERBOSE,CURLOPT_WILDCARDMATCH,CURLOPT_WRITEDATA,
CURLOPT_WRITEFUNCTION,CURLOPT_UNIX_SOCKET_PATH,CURLOPT_XFERINFODATA,
CURLOPT_XFERINFOFUNCTION,CURLOPT_XOAUTH2_BEARER,CURLOPT_SSL_ENABLE_ALPN,
CURLOPT_SSL_ENABLE_NPN,CURLOPT_SSL_FALSESTART,CURLOPT_SSL_OPTIONS,
CURLOPT_SASL_IR,CURLOPT_SERVICE_NAME,CURLOPT_PROXYHEADER,
CURLOPT_PATH_AS_IS,CURLOPT_PINNEDPUBLICKEY,CURLOPT_PIPEWAIT,
CURLOPT_LOGIN_OPTIONS,CURLOPT_INTERFACE,CURLOPT_HEADEROPT,
CURLOPT_DNS_INTERFACE,CURLOPT_DNS_LOCAL_IP4,CURLOPT_DNS_LOCAL_IP6,
CURLOPT_EXPECT_100_TIMEOUT_MS,CURLOPT_MAIL_AUTH,CURLOPT_PROXY_SERVICE_NAME,
CURLOPT_TCP_KEEPALIVE,CURLOPT_TCP_KEEPIIDLE,CURLOPT_TCP_KEEPIIDLE,
CURLOPT_TCP_NODELAY,CURLOPT_SSL_VERIFYSTATUS,
```

Please visit: <http://curl.haxx.se/> to see a documentation about these options.

### ► Handling Web pages.

There are two different ways to load an HTML page: either through a callback function or with a filename.

#### Callback

The first possibility is to associate your *url* object with a callback function, whose signature should be the following:

*function url\_callback(string content,myobject o);*

The function will be associated with the following declaration:

*url u(o) with url\_callback.*

In that case, you should use: *url(string html)* as method in order to have each block of texts loaded from your web page. For each block, your *url\_callback* will be called with the block content as value.

#### Example:

```
use('Atanorcurl');
```

```
function fonc(string content,self o) {
    println(content);
}
```

```
curl c with fonc;
```

```
//we set a proxy, which will be used as a way to load your web pages through
```



```
c.proxy("http://myproxy.mycompany:5050");
//we load our web page. For each block, func will be called...
c.url("http://www.liberation.fr/");
```

## File

The other possibility is to provide the *url* method with a filename, which will be used to store the content of your web page. In that case, do not declare your variable with a callback function.

### Example:

```
use('Atanorcurl');

curl c;
//we set a proxy, which will be used as a way to load your web pages through
c.proxy("http://myproxy.mycompany:5050");
//we load our web page. For each block, func will be called...
c.url("http://www.liberation.fr/", "c:\\temp\\myfile.html");
```

### Example:

```
//This example shows how to query a search site (the URL provided here does not exist at the
time when this manual was written)
string mytxt;
function requester(string s,self e) {
    mytxt+=s;
}

curl querying with requester;
//we set a proxy
querying.proxy("my.proxy.com:8080");
//we set some options, which are necessary to proceed with our command
querying.options("CURLOPT_HEADER", 0);
querying.options("CURLOPT_VERBOSE", 0);
querying.options("CURLOPT_AUTOREFERER", 1);
querying.options("CURLOPT_FOLLOWLOCATION", 1);
querying.options("CURLOPT_COOKIEFILE", "");
querying.options("CURLOPT_COOKIEJAR", "");
querying.options("CURLOPT_USERAGENT", "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible;)");

function request(svector words) {
    //we build ou query
    string query="http://my.any.search.engine.com/html?q=";
    mytxt="";
    string thequery=query+words.join("+");
    querying.url(thequery);
    println(mytxt);
}

request(["test", "word"]);
```

## Python library (pyatan)

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The *pyatan* library is a dual library. It is both a Python and an Athanor library. You can either execute Python code from within an Athanor program, or execute an Athanor program from within Python code.

### ► As an Athanor library

It exposes a new type: *python*.

The base Athanor types: *boolean*, *int*, *long*, *float*, *fraction*, *string*, *vector* *containers* and *map containers* are automatically mapped onto the corresponding Python types.

The *python* type exposes the following methods:

1. **close():** Close the current Python session.
2. **execute(string funcname,p1,p2...):** execute a python function with *p1,p2* as parameters
3. **import(string python):** import a python file
4. **run(string code):** Execute python code
5. **setpath(string path1,string path2 etc...):** Add system paths to *python*

The *setpath* method is crucial to use the *import* method, which works exactly as the *import* keyword in Python. If you want to import a Python program at a specific location, which has not been referenced through PYTHONPATH, you need to add it with *setpath* first.

### Example

First we implement a small Python program, which we call: *testpy.py*

```
val="here"

#The input variables are automatically translated from Athanor into Python variables
def lteste(s,v):
    v.append(s)
    v.append(val)
    return v
```

Then we implement our own Athanor program, which will call this file (which we suppose to be in the same directory as our Athanor program)

```
//We need to use Pyatan for our own sake
use("pyatan");

//we need a variable to handle the Python handling
python p;

//we suppose that our Python program is in the same directory as our Athanor program
```

```

p.setpath(_paths[1]);
//We then import our program
p.import("testpy");

vector v;
string s="kkk";

//We execute the Python function /test, which takes as input a string and a vector,
//which will be converted into Python objects on the fly.
//The output is automatically re-converted into an Athanor vector (from the Python vector)
vector vv=p.execute("/test",s,v);

println(vv); //output is: ['kkk','here']

p.close(); //we close the session

```

### ► As a Python library

You can import the pyatan library, which then will expose two methods.

- load(file,arguments,mapping)
  - *file* is the filename of the Athanor file to load
  - *arguments* is a string, which provides arguments to the Athanor file separated with a space.
  - If mapping is one, then a python method is created for each function in the Athanor file, with the same name as the Athanor functions.
  - This method returns a handle
- execute(handle, function\_name,[arg1,arg2...argn])
  - *handle* is the handle of the file, which contains the function we want to execute.
  - *function\_name* is the name of the function in the Athanor file.
  - *[arg1...argn]* is the list of arguments that will be provided to the Athanor program as a vector of strings.

If you use the mapping option, the execute method is optional. The values returned by the Athanor program are automatically translated into Python object, the same applies to the arguments transmitted to the Athanor program.

Note: Athanor always returns Python Unicode strings.

### Example:

### Athamor Program

```
vector v=[1..10];  
  
function rappel(string s, int j) {  
    j+=10;  
    v.push(j);  
    v.push(s);  
    return(v);  
}
```

### Python Program

```
import pyatan  
  
h0=pyatan.load("rappel.kif", "",1)  
  
# we use the mapping to a Python function  
v=rappel("Test",10)  
  
for i in v:  
    print i  
  
# This is equivalent to  
v = pytan.execute(h0, "rappel", ["Test",10])
```

# Type transducer

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The “transducer” type is a finite-state transducer implementation, which enables the implementation of large lexicons. It supplies some methods to create and test these lexicons.

## ► Methods

1. **build(string input,string output):** *Build a transducer file out of a text file containing on the first line surface form, then on next line lemma+features.*
2. **compilergx(string rgx,svector features):** *Build a transducer file out of regular expressions. See below for a description of these very basic expressions.*
3. **compilergx(string rgx,svector features,string name):** *Build a transducer file out of regular expressions. See below for a description of these very basic expressions. It Stores the automaton in a filename.*
4. **load(string file):** *load a transducer file.*
5. **lookup(string wrd):** *Lookup of a token using a transducer automaton.*
6. **lookup(string wrd,int threshold,int flags):** *Lookup of a token using a transducer automaton, with a threshold and flags.*
  - **a\_first:** *the automaton can apply actions to the first character. If this action is not set, then all the strings that will be compared against it will start with this character. If this character is not present in the automaton, then the system will switch to this mode.*
  - **a\_change:** *the automaton can change a character to another*
  - **a\_delete:** *the automaton can delete a character*
  - **a\_insert:** *the automaton can insert a character*
  - **a\_switch:** *the automaton switches two characters*
  - **a\_nocase:** *the automaton takes into account the difference in case with the current character string.*
7. **parse(string sentence):** *Lookup of a token using a transducer automaton.*

## ► Building

A file should be organized in the following way:

- a) The first line is the surface form of your word. This line may contain spaces, which will be part of the string itself.

- b) The second line is the lemma, a tab and a list of features, each starting with a “+”. The lemma should not contain any spaced.

Examples:

best	
best	+int_adj
best	
best	+Verb+Trans+Pres+Non3sg+VERB
best	
best	+Noun+Sg+NOUN
best	
good	+Adj+Sup+ADJSUP
best	
well	+Adv+Sup+ADVSUP
best known	
best_known	+Adj+ADJ
best of breed	
best_of_breed	+Noun+Sg+NOUN
best-known	
best-known	+Adj+ADJ

### ► Regular expressions

transducer compiles a regular expression, with on the one hand a regular expression and on the other hand a vector of features.

A regular expression accepts the following structure:

- \$ccc is a string
- [c c c]: is a disjunction of characters
- [c c c]+ is a disjunction of characters repeated at least once
- [x-y] is a range of values between x and y
- [x-y]+ is a range of values between x and y at least once
- {s s s} is a disjunction of strings
- {s s s}+ is a disjunction of strings repeated at least once
- %c: is one character
- (..) is an optional list of structures.
- !d is a reference to one of the features in the vector of features.

**Example:**

```
//We declare a transducer object
transducer tr;
```

```
//Our regular expression to recognize numbers.  
string rgx="([- +])[0-9]+!1(%. [0-9]+!2";  
//two features, +Num matches !1 and +Dec matches !2 in the above expression  
svector vfeats=["+Num", "+Dec"];  
tr.compilergx(rgx,vfeats);  
  
svector vs=tr.lookup("1.234"); //yields 1.234      +Dec  
vs=tr.lookup("1234"); //yields 1234      +Num
```

# LIBLINEAR

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Athamor provides also an encapsulation of the *liblinear* library (see <http://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/liblinear/> for more information). This library is used to implement classifiers and exposes the following methods.

## ► Methods

1. **cleandata()**: *clean internal data*
2. **crossvalidation()**: *Relaunch the cross validation with new parameters. The result is a fmap.*
3. **loadmodel(string filename)**: *Load your model. A model can also automatically be loaded with a constructor.*
4. **options(smap actions)**: *Set the training options (see below)*
5. **predict(fvector labels, vector data, bool predict\_probability, bool infos)**: *Predict from a vector of treemapif. labels is optional. When it is provided, it is used to test the predicted label against the target label stored in labels. If infos is true, the first element of this vector is an info map.*
6. **predictfromfile(string input, bool predict\_probability, bool infos)**: *Predict from a file input. The result is a vector. If infos is true, the first element of this vector is an info map.*
7. **savemodel(string outputfilename)**: *save your model in a file*
8. **trainingset(fvector labels, vector data)**: *create your training set out of a treemapif vector.*
9. **train(string inputdata, smap options, string outputfilename)**: *train your training data with some options. outputfilename is optional. It will be used to store the final model if provided (the method can also be called with the name load).*

## ► Training options

The training options should be provided as a smap, with the following keys: *s, e, c, p, B, w, i, M and v.*

1. **'s'** type : set type of solver (default 1)
  - a. for multiclass classification
    - 0 -- L2-regularized logistic regression (primal)
    - 1 -- L2-regularized L2-loss support vector classification (dual)
    - 2 -- L2-regularized L2-loss support vector classification (primal)



- 3 -- L2-regularized L1-loss support vector classification (dual)
- 4 -- support vector classification by Crammer and Singer
- 5 -- L1-regularized L2-loss support vector classification
- 6 -- L1-regularized logistic regression
- 7 -- L2-regularized logistic regression (dual)
- b. for regression
  - 11 -- L2-regularized L2-loss support vector regression (primal)
  - 12 -- L2-regularized L2-loss support vector regression (dual)
  - 13 -- L2-regularized L1-loss support vector regression (dual)
- 2. '**c**' cost : set the parameter C (default 1)
- 3. '**p**' epsilon : set the epsilon in loss function of SVR (default 0.1)
- 4. '**e**' epsilon : set tolerance of termination criterion
  - a. '**s**' 0 and 2
 

$|f'(w)|_2 \leq \text{eps} * \min(\text{pos}, \text{neg}) / |f'(w_0)|_2$ , where  $f$  is the primal function and pos/neg are # of positive/negative data (default 0.01)
  - b. '**s**' 11
 

$|f'(w)|_2 \leq \text{eps} * |f'(w_0)|_2$  (default 0.001)
  - c. '**s**' 1, 3, 4, and 7
 

Dual maximal violation  $\leq \text{eps}$ ; similar to libsvm (default 0.1)
  - d. '**s**' 5 and 6
 

$|f'(w)|_1 \leq \text{eps} * \min(\text{pos}, \text{neg}) / |f'(w_0)|_1$ , where  $f$  is the primal function (default 0.01)
  - e. '**s**' 12 and 13
 

$|f'(\alpha)|_1 \leq \text{eps} |f'(\alpha_0)|$ , where  $f$  is the dual function (default 0.1)
- 5. '**B**' bias : if bias  $\geq 0$ , instance  $x$  becomes  $[x; \text{bias}]$ ; if  $< 0$ , no bias term added (default -1)
- 6. '**wi**' weight: weights adjust the parameter C of different classes. '**i**' stands here for an index. A key might look like "w10" for instance.
- 7.
- 8. '**M**' type: type of multiclass classification (default 0)
  - a. '**M**' 0: one-versus-all
  - b. '**M**' 1: one-versus-one
- 9. '**v**' n: n-fold cross validation mode

Note that it is possible to use the following strings instead of integers for the solver:

- "L2R\_LR" is 0
- "L2R\_L2LOSS\_SVC\_DUAL" is 1
- "L2R\_L2LOSS\_SVC" is 2
- "L2R\_L1LOSS\_SVC\_DUAL" is 3
- "MCSVM\_CS" is 4
- "L1R\_L2LOSS\_SVC" is 5
- "L1R\_LR" is 6
- "L2R\_LR\_DUAL" is 7
- "L2R\_L2LOSS\_SVR = 11" is 8
- "L2R\_L2LOSS\_SVR\_DUAL" is 9
- "L2R\_L1LOSS\_SVR\_DUAL" is 10

Example:

```
maps s={'s':'L1R_LR','B':1,'v':9};
```

► **The input structure to both *predict* and *trainingset***

These two methods accept as input two structures. The first one is a *fvector*, which will contain the so-called labels (float elements), the second one is a vector of *treemapif*. The two structures should have exactly the same size.

Each element in the second parameter vector is a *ifreemap*, where the key is the index and the value the associated probability. This structure has been chosen to store sparse vectors.

► **The predict methods output**

The two predict methods output is a vector of maps. The first element is an *info* smap, which contains some measures over the whole analysis (such as the “accuracy”). The next elements depending on the flag: *predict\_probability* are either the predicted label or a map containing for each line from the input structure the label with the associated list of probabilities.

**With predict probability**

```
{'1':[0.999725,3.66243e-05,4.85055e-06,4.49336e-07,6.43783e-05]}
```

The key is the chosen label, with the list of its probabilities.

**Without predict probability**

It is simply the chosen label.

► **Training example**

```
//we load the library
use("liblinear");
```

```
string trainFile = "output.dat";
```

```
//we declare a liblinear variable
liblinear train;

//We set the options
map options ={"c":100, "s":"'L2R_LR'", "B":1, "e":0.01};

//we load our model, whose training output will be stored in the model_test file
train.load(trainFile, options, "model_test");
```

#### ► Predict example

```
use("liblinear");

//The input file
string testFile = "trainData.dat";

//a liblinear variable, which is declared with its model (we could use loadmodel
instead)
liblinear predict("model_test");

//The prediction is done from a file
vector result = predict.predictfromfile(testFile,true);
```

# libcrfsuite

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libcrfsuite is an encapsulation of the crfsuite (see [www.chokkan.org/software/crfsuite/](http://www.chokkan.org/software/crfsuite/) for more details) library.

crfsuite provides an implementation of the CRF method, to do tagging or entity extraction. If you need any information on the system please refer to the manual on:

[www.chokkan.org/software/crfsuite/manual.html](http://www.chokkan.org/software/crfsuite/manual.html)

libcrfsuite exposes the following methods:

## ► Methods

1. **close():** *close a model.*
2. **learn(svector args):** *Learn a model from an input file. The list of arguments should match the arguments as described in the crfsuite documentation.*
3. **load(svector args):** *Load a model that will be used for tagging. The options should match the list of options described in the crfsuite manual.*
4. **separators(string separator,string endoftagging):** *setting how the fields will be separated. By default, separator is “#” and endoftagging is “\$”.*
5. **tag(svector tokens):** *apply the model to a vector of tokens. The result is a vector of tokens.*
6. **tagfile(string filename,string outputfile):** *apply the model to an input file and store the results in an outputfile. If outputfile is not provided, then the result is return as a vector.*

## ► File Formats

For a better description of the file formats, see the documentation. Basically, a CRF file is composed (both for training and prediction) of different columns separated with tab characters. The first column is the tag that will be learnt our output by our model. The other columns contains rules, which define how the different features for each tag will be produced.

### Example:

VERB	w[0]=Judging	w[1]=from	pos[0]=VERB	__BOS__		
PREP	w[-1]=Judging	w[0]=from	w[1]=previous	pos[-1]=VERB	pos[0]=PREP	pos[1]=ADJ
ADJ	w[-1]=from	w[0]=previous	w[1]=posts	pos[-1]=PREP	pos[0]=ADJ	pos[1]=NOUN
NOUN	w[-1]=previous	w[0]=posts	w[1]=this	pos[-1]=ADJ	pos[0]=NOUN	pos[1]=PRON
PRON	w[-1]=posts	w[0]=this	w[1]=used	pos[-1]=NOUN	pos[0]=PRON	pos[1]=VERB
VERB	w[-1]=this	w[0]=used	w[1]=to	pos[-1]=PRON	pos[0]=VERB	pos[1]=PREP

```

PREP  w[-1]=used      w[0]=to  w[1]=be  pos[-1]=VERB  pos[0]=PREP  pos[1]=VERB
VERB  w[-1]=to  w[0]=be  w[1]=a  pos[-1]=PREP  pos[0]=VERB  pos[1]=DET
DET   w[-1]=be      w[0]=a  w[1]=good  pos[-1]=VERB  pos[0]=DET    pos[1]=NADJ
NADJ  w[-1]=a  w[0]=good  w[1]=place  pos[-1]=DET  pos[0]=NADJ  pos[1]=NOUN
NOUN  w[-1]=good  w[0]=place  w[1]=,  pos[-1]=NADJ  pos[0]=NOUN  pos[1]=PUNCT
PUNCT w[-1]=place  w[0]=,  w[1]=but  pos[-1]=NOUN  pos[0]=PUNCT  pos[1]=CONJ
CONJ  w[-1]=,  w[0]=but  w[1]=not  pos[-1]=PUNCT  pos[0]=CONJ  pos[1]=ADV
ADV   w[-1]=but  w[0]=not  w[1]=any  pos[-1]=CONJ  pos[0]=ADV  pos[1]=ADV
ADV   w[-1]=not  w[0]=any  w[1]=longer  pos[-1]=ADV  pos[0]=ADV  pos[1]=ADV
ADV   w[-1]=any  w[0]=longer  w[1]=.  pos[-1]=ADV  pos[0]=ADV  pos[1]=PUNCT
PUNCT w[-1]=longer  w[0]=.  pos[-1]=ADV  pos[0]=PUNCT  __EOS__

```

## ► Examples

### Training

```

use("libcrfsuite");
crfsuite c;

//Our options: we apply a 10 fold cross-validation, the result is stored in CRF.model
//the training file is training.crf
string options="-g10 -x "+"-m "+_current+"CRF.model "+_current+"training.crf";
svector voptions=options.split();

//we apply our training...
c.learn(voptions);

```

### Applying

```

use("libcrfsuite");
crfsuite c;
string options="-i -p -m "+_current+"CRF.model";
svector voptions=options.split();
//we load our model...
c.load(voptions);
//we apply the our model to a file
vector v=c.tagfile(_current+"example.crf");
//here the output is in a file
c.tagfile(_current+" example.crf",_current+"output.txt");
//In this case, we load the file and store its content as a vector.
file f(_current+"example.crf","r");
svector vs=f.read();
vs=<x.trim() | x <- vs>;
f.close();
//we apply our model to this vector of tokens.
v=c.tag(vs);
println(v);
c.close();

```

# libwapiti

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*libwapiti* is an encapsulation of the wapiti library, which is available on:

<http://wapiti.limsi.fr>.

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*wapiti* provides an efficient implementation of the CRF method, to do tagging or entity extraction. If you need any information on the system please refer to the manual on:

<http://wapiti.limsi.fr/manual.html>

*libwapiti* exposes the following methods.

## ► Methods

1. **loadmodel(string crfmodel):** Loading a CRF model.
2. **options(svector options):** Setting options. See below for the available options. Options should be place in the svector as used on the command line of wapiti.
3. **train():** Launch training. Requires options to have been set in advance.
4. **label(vector words):** Launch labelling for a vector of tokens. Returns a vector of labels for each token.
5. **lasterror():** Return the last error, that did occur.

## ► Options

Wapiti exposes some options to deal with all the possibilities engrained in the system. Below is a list of these options, which should be supplied as a *svector*, exactly as these options would be provided with the command line version of wapiti.

- Train mode:
  - train [options] [input data] [model file]
    - **-me** force maxent mode
    - **-T | --type** STRING type of model to train
    - **-a | --algo** STRING training algorithm to use
    - **-p | --pattern** FILE patterns for extracting features
    - **-m | --model** FILE model file to preload
    - **-d | --devel** FILE development dataset
    - **-rstate** FILE optimizer state to restore
    - **-sstate** FILE optimizer state to save
    - **-c | --compact** compact model after training
    - **-t | --nthread** INT number of worker threads

- **-j | --jobs** INT job size for worker threads
- **-s | --sparse** enable sparse
- **forward/backward**
- **-l | --maxiter** INT maximum number of iterations
- **-1 | --rho1** FLOAT l1 penalty parameter
- **-2 | --rho2** FLOAT l2 penalty parameter
- **-o | --objwin** INT convergence window size
- **-w | --stopwin** INT stop window size
- **-e | --stopeps** FLOAT stop epsilon value
- **-clip** (l-bfgs) clip gradient
- **-histsz** INT (l-bfgs) history size
- **-maxls** INT (l-bfgs) max linesearch iters
- **--eta0** FLOAT (sgd-l1) learning rate
- **-alpha** FLOAT (sgd-l1) exp decay parameter
- **-kappa** FLOAT (bcd) stability parameter
- **-stpmin** FLOAT (rprop) minimum step size
- **-stpmax** FLOAT (rprop) maximum step size
- **-stpinc** FLOAT (rprop) step increment factor
- **-stpdec** FLOAT (rprop) step decrement factor
- **-cutoff** (rprop) alternate projection

▪ **Label mode:**

- **label [options] [input data] [output data]**
  - **--me** force maxent mode
  - **-m | --model** FILE model file to load
  - **-l | --label** output only labels
  - **-c | --check** input is already labeled
  - **-s | --score** add scores to output
  - **-p | --post** label using posteriors
  - **-n | --nbest** INT output n-best list
  - **--force** use forced decoding

## Training

To train a CRF, you need a text file with annotations, where each line is a token with its tags separated with a tab.

**Example:**

```
UNITED STATES NOUN LOCATION_b
SECURITIES NOUN ORGANISATION_i
AND CONJ ORGANISATION_i
EXCHANGE NOUN ORGANISATION_i
COMMISSION NOUN ORGANISATION_i
Washington NOUN ORGANISATION_i
, PUNCT ORGANISATION_i
D.C. NOUN LOCATION_b
20549 DIG NUMBER_b
FORM VERB null
N NOUN null
```

In this example, we have a token for each line associated with two different tags.

N.B. The tag “null” in this example is a simple string that does not have a specific interpretation except for this specific example.

### ► Pattern file

You also need a “pattern” file, which would be implemented according to the manual either of CRF++ (on which it is based, see <http://taku910.github.io/crfpp/> for more information) or as described in <http://wapiti.limsi.fr/manual.html>.

#### Example:

```
# Unigram
U00:%x[-2,0]
U01:%x[-1,0]
U02:%x[0,0]
U03:%x[1,0]
U04:%x[2,0]
U05:%x[-2,1]
U06:%x[-1,1]
U07:%x[0,1]
U08:%x[1,1]
U09:%x[2,1]
U10:%x[-2,0]/%x[0,0]
U11:%x[-1,0]/%x[0,0]
U12:%x[0,0]/%x[1,0]
U13:%x[0,0]/%x[2,0]
U14:%x[-2,1]/%x[0,1]
U15:%x[-1,1]/%x[0,1]
U16:%x[0,1]/%x[1,1]
U17:%x[0,1]/%x[2,1]

# Bigram
B
```

### ► Program

Here is a small program, which takes as input a training file and a pattern file to produce the model that will be used to label entities.

```
use('libwapiti');

wapiti tst;

//we are going to produce our model, based on the pattern file and the
training file
svector v=["train", "-p", "pattern", "-1", "5", "training", "model"];

tst.options(v);

tst.train();
```

## Labeling

The labeling is processed through the method: “*label*”. In order to use this method, you must first load the model that you produce through training. The process consists in sending a list of tokens



and receiving as output a vector, with the same size, containing the corresponding labels. Actually, you need to provide the system with a list of tokens, each associated to their specific tag (here a POS). The system will then try to evaluate the final tag for each of them according to the training set.

### Example

```
use('libwapiti');
```

```
//Our input...
```

```
svector words=['Growth NOUN','& CONJ','Income NOUN',  
'Fund NOUN','( PUNCT','Exact ADJ',  
'name NOUN','of PREP','registrant NOUN',  
'as PREP','specified ADJ','in PREP','charter NOUN'];
```

```
wapiti tst;
```

```
//We then load our model...
```

```
tst.loadmodel("model");
```

```
//We then label our vector of tokens
```

```
svector res=tst.label(words);
```

```
//Which returns as output a list of tags...
```

```
println(res);
```

The result is :

```
['ORGANISATION_b','ORGANISATION_i','ORGANISATION_i','ORGANISATIO  
N_i','null','null','null','null','null','null','null','null']
```

## word2vec

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Athamor provides an encapsulation of word2vec. See <https://code.google.com/p/word2vec/> for more information.

With this library you can both train the system on corpora and use the result through *distance* or *analogy*.

### ► Methods

1. **accuracy(vector words,int threshold):** *Finding accuracies for a vector of many times 4 words. Return a fmap. If threshold is not supplied then its value is 30000*
2. **analogy(svector words):** *Finding analogies for a group of words. Return a fmap*
3. **distance(svector words):** *Finding the distance in a vector of words. Return a fmap.*
4. **features():** *Return a map of the vocabulary with their feature values.*
5. **initialization(map m):** *Initialization of a word2vec training set*
6. **loadmodel(string filename,bool normalize):** *Loading a model*
7. **trainmodel(vector v):** *Launching the training. If v is not supplied, then the system utilizes the input file given in the initialisation options*
8. **vocabulary():** *Return a itreemap of the vocabulary covered by the training.*

### ► Options

The options are supplied as a map to the library. These options are exactly the same as the one expected by the library.

```
map options={"train":input.txt,"output":output.txt,"cbow":1,
"size": 200,"window":5,"negative":25,"hs":0,
"sample":1e-4,"threads":20,"binary":1,"iter":15};
```

For a better explanation of these options, please read the appropriate information on Word2Vec site. The most important options are:

- “train”: this option should be associated with the file that will be used as training material.
- “output”: the value for that key is the output file, in which the final training model will be stored.

- “window”: this value defines the number of words taken into account as a proper context for a given token.
- “threads”: word2vec utilizes threads to speed up the process. You can define the number of threads the system can use.
- “size”: this value defines the size of the vector that is associated to each token.
- “iter”: this value defines the number of iterations to build the model.

Once, these options have been supplied, call *initialisation* to set them in.

### Example:

```
//We will train our system on input.txt, the result will be stored in output.bin
use("word2vec");
```

```
word2vec wrd;
```

```
//Window will be 5 words around the main word.
//Vector size for each word will be 200
//The system will use 20 threads to compute the final model
//with 15 iterations.
```

```
map options={"train":input.txt,"output":output.bin,"cbow":1,
             "size": 200,"window":5,"negative":25,"hs":0,
             "sample":1e-4,"threads":20,"binary":1,"iter":15};
```

```
wrd.initialization(options);
wrd.trainmodel();
```

### ► Usage

To use a model, once it has been created, you simply use *loadmodel*, then you can use either distance, analogy or accuracy. All these methods returns a list of words with their distance to the words in the input vectors. The vocabulary against which the words are compared is the one extracted from the input document. You can have access to all these words with the function *vocabulary*.

### Example:

```
use("word2vec");
```

```
word2vec wrd;
```

```
//we load the model that was obtained through training
wrd.loadmodel("output.bin");
svector v=["word"];
```

```
fmap res=wrd.distance(v);
```

## Type w2vector

Each word extracted from the input document is associated with a specific vector whose size is supplied at training time with the option: “size”. In our example, this size is set to 200.

It is actually possible to extract a specific vector from the training vocabulary and store it into a specific object: *w2vector*.

### ► Methods

1. **dot(element)**: *Return the dot product between two words. Element is either a string or a w2vector.*
2. **cosine(element)**: *Return the cosine distance between two words. Element is either a string or a w2vector.*
3. **distance(element)**: *Return the distance between two words. Element is either a string or a w2vector.*
4. **threshold(element)**: *Return or set the threshold.*
5. **norm(element)**: *Return the vector norm.*

### ► Creation

The initialization of a w2vector object is done requires first that a model has been loaded, then you need to provide both the token string and a threshold.

#### Example:

```
use("word2vec");

word2vec wrd;

//we load the model that was obtained through training
wrd.loadmodel("output.bin");

w2vector w=wrd["tsunami":0.5];
w2vector ww=wrd["earthquake":0.5];

println(w.distance(ww));
```

The threshold is not mandatory. It is actually used when you compare two w2vector elements together to see whether they are close. The threshold is then used to detect whether the distance between the two elements is superior to that threshold.

In other words:

***if (w==ww)...*** is equivalent to ***if (w.distance(ww)>=w.threshold())***

#### Example:

```
if (w==ww)
    println("ok");

if (w=="earthquake") //we can compare against a simple string...
    println("ok");
```

► fvector

It is also possible to retrieve the inner float vector from a w2vector...

```
fvector vv=w;
```

vv is:

```
[0.049775,-0.0498451,-0.0722533,0.0536649,-0.000515156,-
0.0947062,0.0294775,-0.0146792,-0.100351,0.0480318,0.071128,0.0268629...]
```