CS 240 Project 2

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Overview

In Project 1, we wrote a *REPL* (read eval print loop) for a stack-based language. In this project, we will develop another REPL for a language based on linked lists—essentially, building a simple Lisp interpreter.

The "read" part of the REPL has been taken care of for us by Homework 3, which showed code that could parse a parenthetical syntax for linked lists. The "print" and "loop" parts are straightforward (they don't really change much from Project 1), so we'll just focus on interesting things we can do with "eval".

To that end, your task is to complete the partial implementation of a Lisp REPL given to you at http://www.csupomona.edu/~ajvondrak/cs/240/11/fall/lecture/prj2.java.

Eval

Lisp expressions (Exprs) are composed of either Atoms or Lists. For our purposes, Atoms represent either integers or the standard arithmetic operators. Lists represent the application of an operator to zero or more operands (using *prefix* notation), thus also eventually evaluating to an integer. The basic syntax is

```
( operator operand_expr1 operand_expr2 ... )
```

For instance,

- the Atom 2 evaluates to the int 2.
- the Atom -2 evaluates to the int -2.
- the Atom 15 evaluates to the int 15.
- the List (+ 2 2) evaluates to 4.
- the List (* 2 5) evaluates to 10.
- the List (\ast (+ 1 2) 5) evaluates to 15.

More examples can be seen in the Examples section at the end of the project description.

Since we eventually get an integer out of any expression, we add an eval method to the Expr interface from Homework 3. Its job is to return the int that the Expr represents, as in the below excerpt from prj2.java.

```
class EvalException extends Exception {
    public EvalException(String msg) { super(msg); }
}
interface Expr {
    public int eval() throws EvalException;
}
```

In prj2.java, you'll see several method "stubs" with IMPLEMENT ME comments inside of them. It is your job to do what those methods say to do:

- You must provide an eval method for the Atom class, in the case that the Atom is not some operator at the beginning of a List.
- The List<E> class also has an eval method, which must use the provided helper method (evalArgs) to first evaluate each operand of the list, then pass the results to the proper method based on the (presumed) Atom at the front of the list—either add for "+", sub for "-", mul for "*", or div for "/".

Note: The descriptions of the add, mul, sub, and div methods give you *specific* ways to implement them—ways that give you practice with different forms of recursion and iteration. Pay attention to the instructions in prj2.java.

Examples

Here is a sample interaction with the Lisp REPL. Lines beginning with lisp> are what the user inputs at the prompt.

```
$ java Lisp
lisp> ( )
EvalException: Empty list.
lisp> 1 2 3
1
2
3
lisp> ( + ) ( + 1 ) ( + 1 2 ) ( + 1 2 3 )
0
1
3
6
lisp> ( - ) ( - 1 ) ( - 1 2 ) ( - 1 2 3 )
0
-1
-1
-4
lisp> ( * ) ( * 1 ) ( * 1 2 ) ( * 1 2 3 )
1
1
2
6
lisp> ( / ) ( / 20 ) ( / 20 10 ) ( / 20 10 2 )
EvalException: / expects at least 2 arguments
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2
1
lisp> ( - 96 23 )
73
lisp> ( - 96 20 1 1 1 )
73
lisp> ( / 200 10 )
20
lisp> ( / 200 5 2 )
20
lisp> ( / 200 ( * 5 2 ) )
20
lisp> ( + 8 ( * 5 ( - 10 ) ) )
-42
lisp> +
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: +
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lisp> ( + a b )
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: a
lisp> (
Parsing error.
lisp> )
Parsing error.
lisp> Won't you take me to funky town?
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: Won't
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: you
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: take
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: me
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: to
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: funky
EvalException: Could not eval atom to an int: town?
lisp> ( 1 2 3 )
EvalException: Unknown oeprator: 1
lisp> ( + ( * 100 6 ) ( * 10 6 ) ( * 1 6 ) )
666
lisp> ( / 1 2 )
0
lisp> ( / 2 1 )
2
lisp>
```