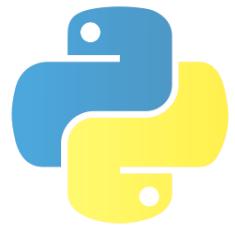


Syntax Revisited

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Python Features

- Eager
- Lazier

```
(let ([x null])
      (set! x 3))
```

res
- ```
(let ([x null])
 (set! x 4)
 x)
```

ations!
- ```
x)
```
- Array/Table-centric library and syntax

Python Syntax

Anonymous closure creation:

lambda [id (, id)*] : exp

Procedure declaration:

def id ([id (, id)*]):
exp⁺

Application:

exp (exp*)

Iteration:

for exp **in** exp :
exp⁺

Spaces and newlines indicate block and expression extent.

Special syntax for constructing arrays, strings, tuples, and tables.

Conditional:

if exp :
exp⁺
[else]:
exp⁺]

Assignment:

id = exp

[exp .]* id = exp

Return (*only in procedure*):

return exp

Case Study: a[i]

Java

$$\frac{exp_a \Rightarrow Array\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle \quad exp_i \Rightarrow i \in \{0\dots n-1\}}{exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow v_i}$$

C++

$exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow exp_a.\text{operator}[](exp_i)$

$\text{array}[5] = \text{true}$ $\text{table}[\text{"course"}] = 334$

$$\frac{exp_a \Rightarrow \text{Array}\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle \quad exp_i \Rightarrow i \in \{0 \dots n-1\}}{exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow v_i}$$

$$\frac{exp_a \Rightarrow \text{Array}\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle \quad exp_i \Rightarrow i \notin \{0 \dots n-1\}}{exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow \text{unspecified}}$$

(The Array behavior here is for std::vector, which is in the standard library but not part of the C++ language specification. Many programmers use their own array classes, like G3D::Array, that ascribe semantics closer to Java's)

Python

$$\frac{\neg(exp_a \Rightarrow \text{Array}\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle)}{exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow exp_a.\text{get}(exp_i)}$$

$$\frac{exp_a \Rightarrow \text{Array}\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle \quad exp_i \Rightarrow i \in \{-n\dots n-1\}}{exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow v_i \mod n}$$

if a[-1] = “~”: print a + “is a temp file”

$$\frac{exp_a \Rightarrow \text{Array}\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} \rangle \quad exp_L \Rightarrow i \in \{-n\dots n-1\} \quad exp_H \Rightarrow i \in \{-n\dots n\}}{exp_a[exp_L:exp_H] \Rightarrow \text{Array}\langle v_{L \mod n} \dots v_{(H-1) \mod n} \rangle}$$

if a[-3:0] = “.jpg”: print a + “is an image file”

(Array is called List in Python)

C

$$\frac{exp_a \Rightarrow a \in \tau \quad exp_i \Rightarrow i}{exp_a[exp_i] \Rightarrow \text{Read sizeof}(\tau) \text{ bytes from memory location } a + \text{sizeof}(\tau)*i \text{ and interpret them as a value of type } \tau.}$$