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Preliminary specification of BALMSETL conventions. D. Shields

BALMSETL - Preliminary representation of SETL operations

All SETL infix operators have corresponding BALMSETL infix operator; except that following short forms should be avoided

Each infix operator will have a procedural form.

The procedure name is just the name of the operator with a suffixed P. Thus, one can write ANDP(A,B) for A AND B, UNIONP(A,B) for A UNION B, etc.

The following table gives correspondence for SETL special symbols and BALM SETL representation

SETL	BALMSETL INFIX	BALMSETL PROCEDURAL
a + b	A + B	PLP(A,B)
a - b	A - B	MIP(A,B)
a * b	A * B	MUP(A,B)
a / b	A / B	DIP(A,B)
a//b	M MOD B	MODP(A,B)
aεb	A EL B	ELP(A,B)
за	ARB A	ARBP (A)
#a	SIZ A	SIZP(A)
a = b	A = B	EQUALP(A,B)

The SETL booleans \underline{t} \underline{f} are to be written in BALMSETL as TRUE, FALSE, respectively; Ω , ϕ are represented in BALMSETL by UNDEF, NL, respectively.

Sets and tuples may be defined by enumeration:

SETL	BALMSETL
{a,b,c}	MAKSET (A,B,C)
<a,b,c></a,b,c>	MAKTUP(A,B,C)

The following is a preliminary list of SETL constants and the corresponding BALMSETL form.

SETL	BALMSETL INFIX	BALMSETL PROCEDURAL
f(x)	F OF X	OFP(F,X)
f{x}	F SOF X	SOFP (F,X)
f[x]	F UOF X	UOFP(F,X)
$(\exists x \in a \mid p(x))$	A EXIST P	EXISTP(A,P)
(∀xεa p(x))	A UNIV P	UNIVP(A,P)
$(\exists [x] \in a \mid p(x))$		AEXISTP(X,A,P)

to be specified:

- 1. Set-former
- 2. Form of set-theoretic iteration
- 3. Form of while-iteration
- 4. I/O conventions
- 5. Conventions to executed BALMSETL code using BALM systembatch and INTERCOM (teletype).