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BALMSETL User's Guide (in brief)

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In this newsletter we discuss the current BALMSETL implementation and how to run BALMSETL programs. We also mention a few features of the BALM system of interest to BALMSETL users.

The implementation is available on two permanent files:

BIA4293 - which contains the procedure definitions for the basic SETL operations; and

BIB4293 - which provides for the use of SETL operators in infix form.

Both files should be input using the EXECUTE procedure (details below). After "executing" BIA4293, one may write:

1) $A=\operatorname{MAKSET}(10,20,30) ; B=\operatorname{WITHP}(A, 40) ; C=\operatorname{ARBP}(A) ;$ etc. After "executing" BIB4293, one could write 1) as
$A=\operatorname{MAKSET}(10,20,30) ; B=A$ WITH 40; $C=A R B A ;$ etc.
Note that the operator precedence established by BIB4293 is as follows (in decreasing order):
a) monadic operators giving boolean values from non-boolean arguments: ATOM, PAIR.
b) infix operators giving boolean values: EQ, LT, EL, etc.
c) monadic operators except as in a)
d) infix operators except as in b). Note that the functional application operators are in this group, so that G OF X LT 1

## is interpreted as

$G O F$ (XLT1).

Operator precedences may be specified by users (for details, see Dave Shields).

Note the following limitations in the current implementation:
a) Function application is defined for only one argument; thus, $G$ OF $X$, or $\operatorname{OFP}(G, X)$ is legal, while $G O F(X, Y)$ is not.
b) Character strings are available. The SETL string 'ABC' is written $\langle A B C\rangle$; the null string " is $\rangle$. All character string operations except OCT are available. Bit strings are not available; for the present, use BALM octal constants;
c) No indication of error is given if an attempt is made to add UNDEF $(\Omega)$ to a set; the value of $S$ with UNDEF is $S$.
d) Avoid operations which treat a set as an ordered pair, and vice versa. Note that if the BALM $T L$ (CDR) is used instead of the BALMSETL TL (TLP), then TL MAKTUP(A, B) is (B), (the list containing $B)$, and not $B$.
e) Assignments to arguments of a procedure (PROC) will be in effect only during the execution of the procedure. For this reason, the functions IS, FROM, and IN are not available. Note that after executing

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\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{ISP} & =\operatorname{PROC}(X, Y), \quad X=Y \text { END } ; A=10 ; B=20 ; C=30 ; \\
& A=\operatorname{ISP}(B, C) ;
\end{aligned}
$$

A will have the value 30 ; $B$ will have value 20 , (not 30 ) and $C$ will have value 30. However, one may define IS as an infix function associating to the right, executing

INFIX ( $=I S, 2002,2003,=S E T Q$ )
f) The implementation is very inefficient; don't worry about optimizing your BALMSETL programs.

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$C R$ indicates "Return" Key.

LOGIN.

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TYPE VALID USER NAME-SHLIA13
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    03/08/71 LOGGED IN AT 13.20.34.
COMMAND - CONNECT (INPUT,OUTPUT) CR
COMMAND - EFL,60000. CR
COMMAND - ATTACH(BIA,BIA4293) CR
ATTACH(BIA,BIA4293)
COMMAND - BALM,TTY. CR
BALM 3.2 - 1JUN70
FREESPACE LENGTH 13424B
STACK LENGTH 3616B
BLOCKSPAGE LENGTH 2752B
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$B I A=F I L E(\& B I A \&) ; E R R S=F I L E(\& E R R S \&) ; \operatorname{EXECUTE}(B I A, E R R S) ; C R$
< BUGS IN HD, TL, EQL,FIRST, LAST FIXED >
< UOF, NEWAT, INCS ADDED 8 MARCH (D S) >
<IMPLEMENTATION ROUTINES INPUT>
$U=\operatorname{MAKSET}(10,20,30): V=\operatorname{MAKSET}(10,30): \operatorname{PRINT}(\operatorname{INCSP}(U, V)) ; \quad C R$
TRUE $\quad(V$ is subset of $U)$
EXIT () $\quad$ (R
BALM DONE
COMMAND - LOGOUT. CR
YOU NO LONGER OWN ANY PRIVATE FILES.
CP TIME 6.673
PP TIME 28.0 © 1
03/08/71 OFF AT 13.23.53.

Running BALMSETL programs under SCOPE (batch).
Here is a recommended dec': for submettit running
BALMSETL programs:
JOB1234, T¥O, CM 60000. *your name *
ATHACII (BIA, BIA 4293)
ATTACH (BIB, BIB 4293)
BALM.
E-0-R
BIA * $\operatorname{FILE}(\neq \mathrm{BIA} \neq)$; EXECUTE( BIA, OUTPUT) $)$;
$\mathrm{BIB}=\mathrm{FILE}(\neq \mathrm{BIB} \neq)$; P : $B C U T E(B I B, O U T P U T)$;
(insert program here)
EXIT(); (used to exit from BALM)
E-O-F

- Codes For Balm Special Symbols-


