Craft - Language Reference Manual

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1. Lexical elements

a. Identifiers

An identifier, or name, is a sequence of letters, digits, and underscores (_). The first character cannot be a digit. Uppercase and lowercase letters are distinct (case-sensitive). Name length is unlimited. The terms identifier and name are used interchangeably.

element	int	color	key_up
world	float	!!	key_down
event	bool		key_id
start	pair		events
reset	if	new	pos
def	else	delete	this
return	while	speed	
conditio n	action	angle	bounce
health	lives	directio n	import

b. Reserved Keywords and Symbols

c. Constants (as per C LRM)

i. Integer Constants

- 1. A sequence of digits is assumed to be a base 10 decimal number.
- 2. Digits 0 to 9 can be used
- 3. Ex. 654

ii. Real Number Constants

- 1. These are used to represent fractional (floating point) numbers.
- 2. Represented by a sequence of digits which represent the integer, a decimal point, and a sequence of digits to represent the fractional part.
- 3. Ex. 5.7

iii. String Constants

- 1. A string constant is a sequence of zero or more characters, digits, and escape characters.
- 2. Ex. "I am a string"
- 3. Ex. "\"I am a string with quotation marks\""

d. Operators

+, -	add, subtract	
*, /, %	multiplication, division, modulo	
=	assignment	
>, >=, <, <=	inequality operators	
==, !=	equal to, not equal to	
&&, , !	not, and, or	
	access	

e. Delimiters

- i. **Parentheses:** Used to show precedence in operational and expression evaluation, to enclose parameters within function calls, and as inseparable parts of our pair types.
- **ii. Commas:** Used to separate arguments in function calls and to separate values in pair data types.
- iii. Semicolon: Used to end statements.
- iv. Curly Brackets: Used to mark the start and end scope of functions, loops, conditionals, and world definitions.

f. Whitespace

i. Only used to separate specific words/tokens.

g. Comments

i.

i. Only one line comments allowed using "#" (hashtag symbol).

2. Data types

a. Primitive Data Types

Integer Types

- 1. Numbers of Integer type will be declared int
- 2. Syntax: int <name> = <integer number>;
- 3. Ex: int a = 123;

ii. Floating Point Types

- 1. Fractional numbers will be declared as *float*
- 2. Syntax: float <name> = <fractional number>;
- 3. Ex: float a = 5.7;

iii. Boolean Types

- 1. Boolean values will be declared as *bool*
- 2. A boolean value can be either *true* or *false*
- 3. Syntax: bool <name> = <boolean value>;
- 4. Ex: bool alive = false;

b. Non-primitive Data Types

i. Pair Types

- 1. *pair* is defined by two integer values, separated by a comma, and enclosed by parentheses.
- 2. Anything except natural numbers (nonnegative) will be rejected as well as any pair values that exceed the game grid size.

- 3. Syntax: pair <name> = (int,int);
- 4. Ex: pair object = (100,100);
- 5. Operations on Pair Types

a. Addition

- i. Syntax: pair <name> = <pair type> + <pair type>;
- ii. Ex:

```
pair pair_1 = (10,10);
pair pair_2 = (20,20);
pair new_pair = pair_1 +
pair_2;
# new_pair == (30,30)
```

b. Subtraction

- i. Syntax: pair <name> = <pair type> <pair type>;
- ii. Ex:

```
pair pair_1 = (10,10);
pair pair_2 = (20,20);
pair new_pair = pair_2 -
pair_1;
# new_pair == (10,10)
```

c. Multiplication

- i. Syntax: pair <name> = <pair type> * <pair type>;
- ii. Ex:

```
pair pair_1 = (10,10);
pair pair_2 = (20,20);
pair new_pair = pair_2 *
pair_1;
# new_pair == (200,200)
```

d. Division

- i. Syntax: pair <name> = <pair type> / <pair type>;
- ii. Ex:

```
pair pair_1 = (10,10);
pair pair_2 = (20,20);
pair new_pair = pair_2 /
pair_1;
# new_pair == (2,2)
```

e. For operations it is only allowed to calculate results which are natural numbers.

ii. Element Types

- 1. *element* is an object which is a part of the game's world.
 - a. Rectangular shape
 - Required attributes
 size, direction, speed, color, position(can also be passed as an argument at the time of object creation).
 - c. Additional attributes are optional
 - d. Size is described by a tuple, (x,y), supporting rectangular shapes
 - e. Direction is the direction of the element
 - i. Direction can be any number of degrees.
 - ii. Initial support will be for 0, 90, 180, 270 degrees
 - Placement of the element on the grid will be bound to position of the element and it will rotate accordingly based on direction.
 - iv. Examples below. The block, size==(1,2), is attached at position==(2,2) in a 4x4 world. The element is is placed at position (2,2) and situated on the grid based on direction.



2. Syntax:

```
element <name> {
    size = (x,y)
    direction = <int>;
    color = <hex>;
    speed = <int>;
}
```

3. Example:

a.

```
element square_block {
    size = (2,2);
    direction = 0;
    color = ffffff; # Black
    speed = 0;
}
#This will create a black square block
#size 2x2 (4 pixels)
#direction == 0, pointing at 0 degrees
#speed == 0, element not moving
```

3. Functions

a. Built-in functions:

Syntax	Description
delete(element)	Removes element from the world
restart()	Call the destructor (deletes/frees all memory and resets the world)
add_event(event)	The function adds the event passed into the parameter to the global event loop that runs in the global loop at every clock tick.

b. User-defined functions

i. Defining a function:

```
def function_name(args) {
    return
    return_element;
}
```

ii. Calling a function:

```
function_name(args);
```

4. Event blocks

- a. Define events in the game with event
- b. Syntax:

```
event (<element>) {
    condition {
        <some condition>
        } action {
            <some action that will happen if
        condition == true>
    }
}
```

c. Example:

```
event die(player p) {
    condition {
        p.health == 0;
    } action {
        p.lives = p.lives - 1;
        world.reset();
}
```

5. Control Flow Statements

a. Conditional statements

i. if/else statement:

```
if (<condition>)
{
     <statements>;
}
else {
     <statements>;
}
```

b. While loops

```
while(<condition>) {
        <statements>;
}
```

6. Program Structure and Scope

In order to run a program, the program file must contain a main 'world' function. Standard files/libraries can be imported using 'import'. The world function is the starting point of execution.

Each function/event/element within the file must be enclosed by curly brackets to determine its scope. It can be created/defined in the main file before the 'world' function and then called within 'world' in order to implement/use the function/event/element within the game world.

Furthermore any new instance of an element defined within the world function, is automatically added to the game world.

7. Sample Program

```
event die(player p) {
     condition {
           p.health == 0;
     } action {
           p.lives = p.lives - 1;
           world.reset();
}
event win(player p, treasure t) {
     condition {
          p !! t; # collision
     } action {
           world.end();
     }
}
event moveUp(player p) {
           condition {
                key down(upArrow);
           } action {
                p.direction = 90;
           }
event moveDown(player p) {
           condition {
                key down(downArrow);
           } action {
                p.direction = 270;
           }
element wall {
     size = (2, 1);
     direction = 0;
     color = ffffff; # Black
     speed = 0;
}
```

```
element player {
     size = (1, 1);
     direction = 0;
     color = f2333f; # Blue
     health = 100;
     lives = 3;
     speed = 1;
}
element treasure {
     size = (1,1);
     speed = 0;
     direction = 90;
     color = 00ffff; # Yellow
}
world() {
     size = (100, 100);
     player p1 = new player((0,0));
     treasure t = new treasure((9, 9));
     wall w1= new wall (2,3);
     # add events to the game events loop, and bind them to specific
     # elements
     add_event(win(p,t));
     add event(die(p));
     add event(moveUp(p))
     add event(moveDown(p));
     }
}
```