Parsing

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An Add-Only Calculator

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```
S = 0
do {
  get next token
  if (token is not a number) error
  add token to S
  get next token
} while (token is "+")
if (token is not "=") error
return S
```

Adding and Multiplying

$$12 + 57 * 8 + 10 * 5 * 3 + 2 =$$

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```
12 + 57 * 8 + 10 * 5 * 3 + 2 =
```

```
S = 0
do {
   P = 1
   do {
      get next token
      if (token is not a number) error
      multiply P by token
      get next token
   } while (token is "*")
   add P to S
} while (token is +)
if (token is not "=") error
return S
```

Parentheses

12 + 57 * (8 + 3 * 2) + 10 * 5 * 3 + 2 =

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```
12 + 57 * (8 + 3 * 2) + 10 * 5 * 3 + 2 =
int expr() {
  S = sop()
  if (token is not "=") error
  return S
int sop() {
  S = 0
  do {
    P = 1
    do {
      get next token
      if (token is "(") {
        N = sop()
        if (token is not ")") error
      } else if (token is a number)
        N = token
      else if (token is not a number) error
      multiply P by N
      get next token
    } while (token is "*")
    add P to S
  } while (token is +)
  return S
```

Context-Free Grammars

```
sum \rightarrow number

sum \rightarrow sum + number
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```
sum → number
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sum → product
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product → number
product → product * number
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product → term
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  term → number
  term \rightarrow (sum)
```