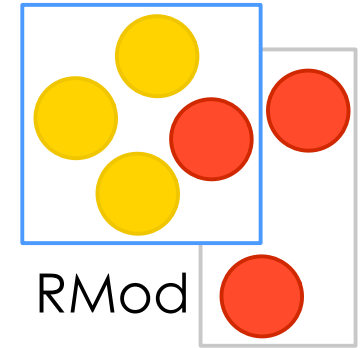




A Little Journey in the Smalltalk Syntax

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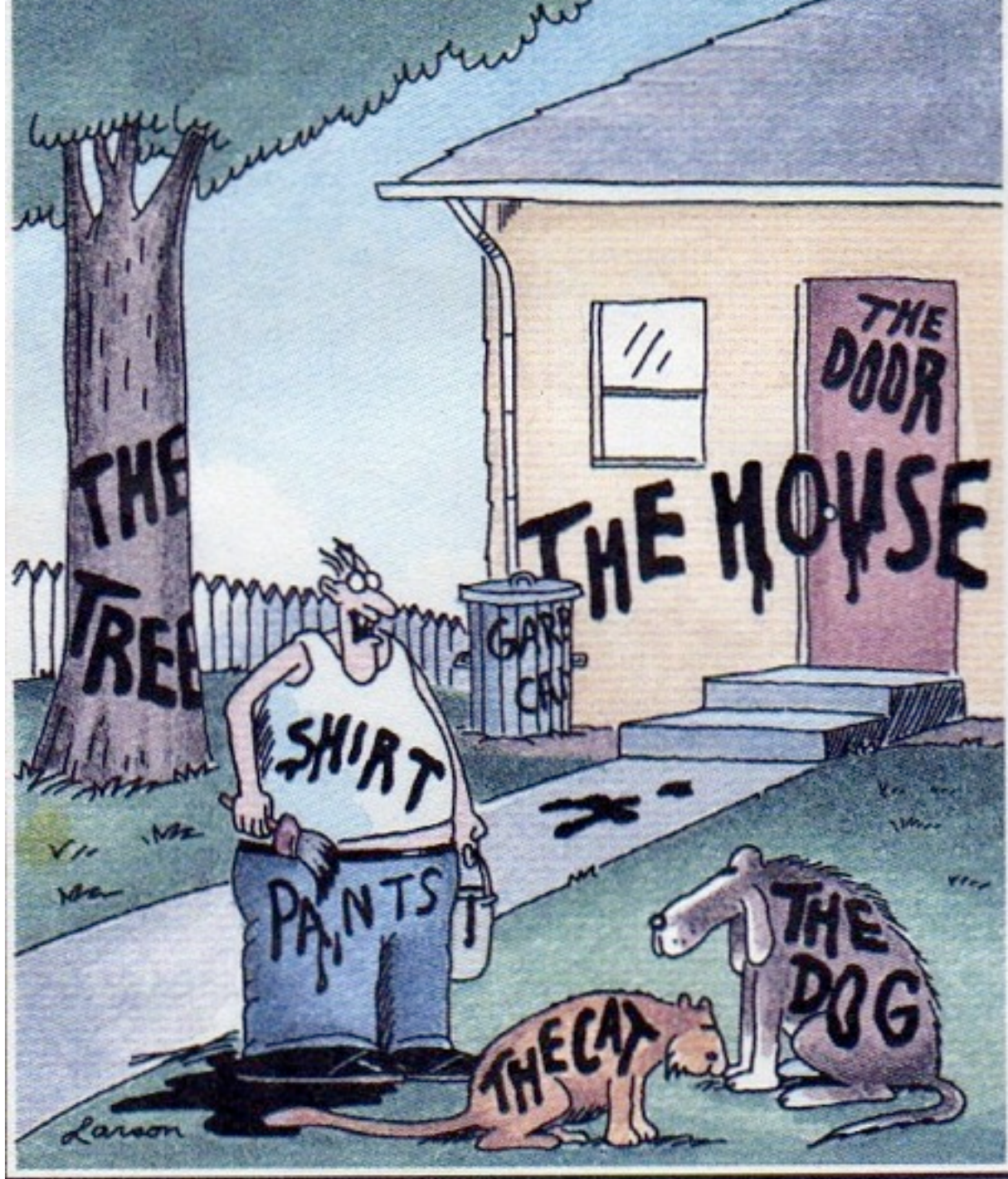
Goal

Lower your stress :)
Show you that this is simple



Appetizer!





"Now! ... *That* should clear up
a few things around here!"

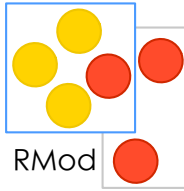
Yeah!

Smalltalk is a dynamically typed language

```
ArrayList<String> strings  
    = new ArrayList<String>();
```

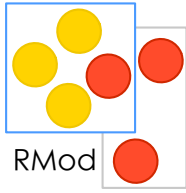
strings := ArrayList new.

Shorter



```
Thread regThread = new Thread(  
    new Runnable() {  
        public void run() {  
            this.doSomething();  
        }  
    });  
regThread.start();
```

[self doSomething] fork.

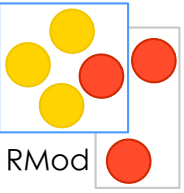


Smalltalk = Objects + Messages + (...)

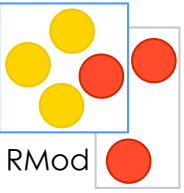
Roadmap

Fun with numbers



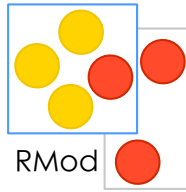


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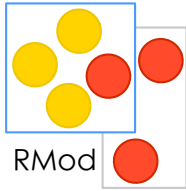


1 class

>SmallInteger

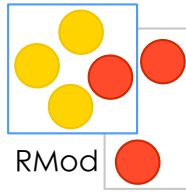


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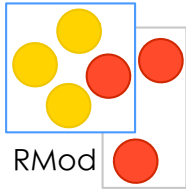


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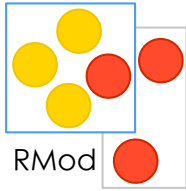
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1 class maxVal + 1



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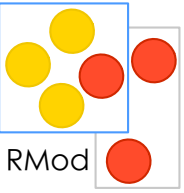


$(1 \text{ class maxVal} + 1) \text{ class}$

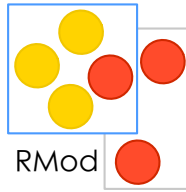
(1 class maxVal + 1) class

>LargePositiveInteger



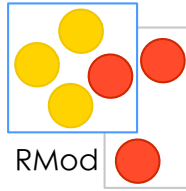


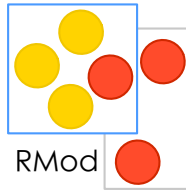
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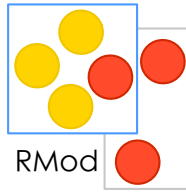
$$(1/3) + (2/3) \\ > 1$$

$$2/3 + 1$$





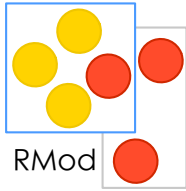
$$\frac{2}{3} + 1$$
$$> \frac{5}{3}$$



1 000 factorial

1000 factorial

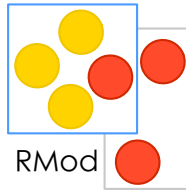
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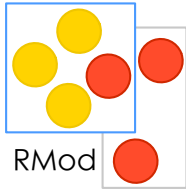
1000 factorial / 999 factorial

1000 factorial / 999 factorial
> 1000



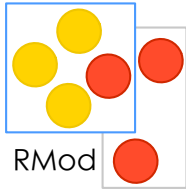


10 @ 100



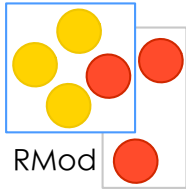
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(10 @ 100) x



10 @ 100

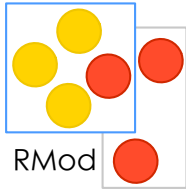
(10 @ 100) x
> 10



10 @ 100

(10 @ 100) x
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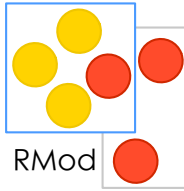
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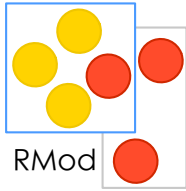
(10 @ 100) x
> 10

(10 @ 100) y
> 100



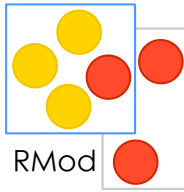
Points!

Points are created using @



Puzzle

$$(10@100) + (20@100)$$



Puzzle

$$(10@100) + (20@100) \\ >30@200$$

Puzzle

$$(10@100) + (20@100) \\ > 30@200$$

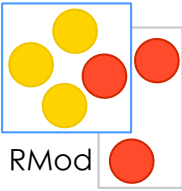


Roadmap

Fun with characters, strings, arrays



\$C \$h \$a \$r \$a \$c \$t \$e \$r



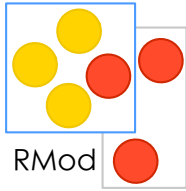
\$F \$Q \$U \$E \$N \$T \$i \$N

space? tab?

Character space
Character tab
Character cr

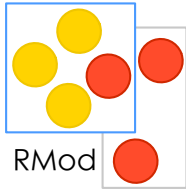


'Strings'



'Tiramisu'

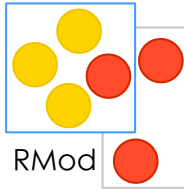
Characters



```
1 2 printString
```

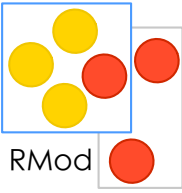
```
> '12'
```

Strings are collections of chars



'Tiramisu' at: 1

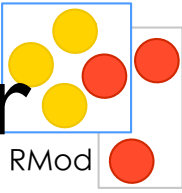
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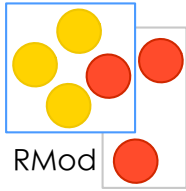
'Tiramisu' at: 1

> \$T

A program — Finding the last character

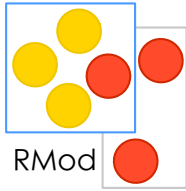


A program!



| str |

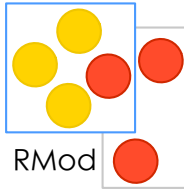
A program!



| str |

local variable

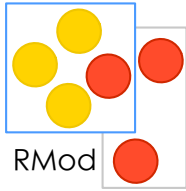
A program!



```
| str |  
str := 'Tiramisu'.
```

local variable

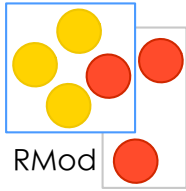
A program!



```
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```

local variable
assignment

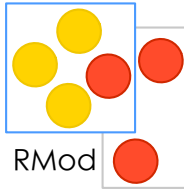
A program!



```
| str |  
str := 'Tiramisu'.  
str at: str size
```

local variable
assignment

A program!



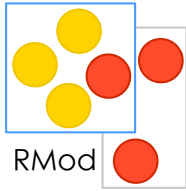
```
| str |  
str := 'Tiramisu'.  
str at: str size
```

```
> $u
```

local variable
assignment
message send



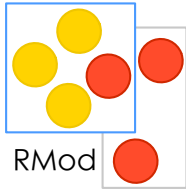
double ' to get one



'L"Idiot'

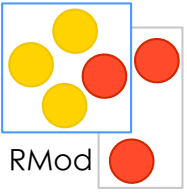
> one string, containing a single apostrophe

For concatenation use ,



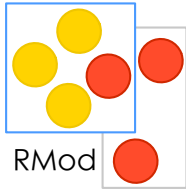
'Calvin' , ' & ' , 'Hobbes'

For concatenation use ,



'Calvin' , ' & ' , 'Hobbes'
> 'Clavin & Hobbes'

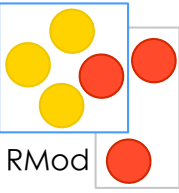
For concatenation use ,



'Calvin' , ' & ' , 'Hobbes'
> 'Calvin & Hobbes'



Symbols: #Pharo

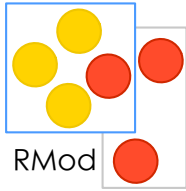


#Something is a symbol

Symbol is a unique string in the system

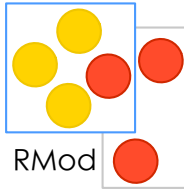
```
#Something == #Something  
> true
```

“Comment”



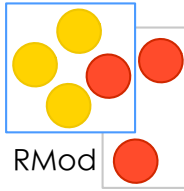
“what a fun language lecture.
I really liked the desserts”

#(Array)



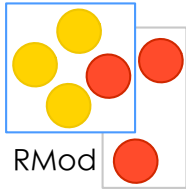
#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie')

#(Array)



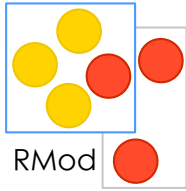
#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') size

#(Array)



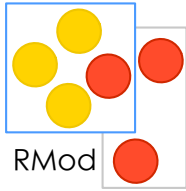
#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') size
> 3

First element starts at 1



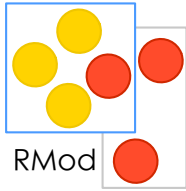
`#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') at: 2`

First element starts at 1



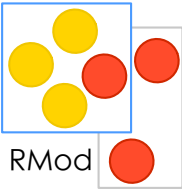
```
#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') at: 2  
> 'hates'
```

at: to access, at:put: to set



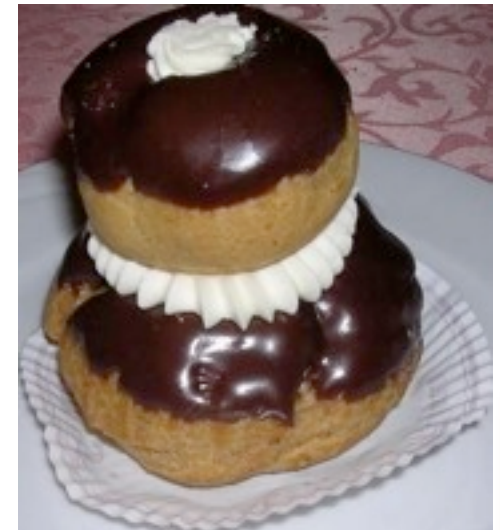
```
#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') at: 2 put: 'loves'
```

#(Array)



`#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') at: 2 put: 'loves'`

`> #('Calvin' 'loves' 'Suzie')`



Syntax Summary

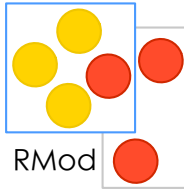
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character:	\$c \$h \$a \$r \$a \$c \$t \$e \$r \$s \$# \$@
string:	'a nice string' 'lulu' 'l"idiot'
symbol:	#mac #+
array:	\$(1 2 3 (1 3) \$a 4)
byte array:	#[1 2 3]
integer:	1 2r101
real:	1.5 6.03e-34 4.0 2.4e7
fraction:	1/33
boolean:	true false
point:	10@120

Roadmap

Fun with keywords-based messages

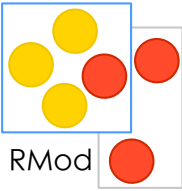


Keyword-based messages



arr **at:** 2 **put:** 'loves'

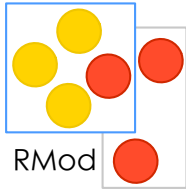
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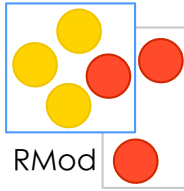
somehow like arr.atput(2,'loves')

From Java to Smalltalk



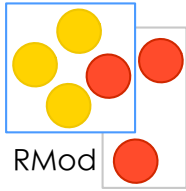
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postman.send(mail,recipient);
```

Removing



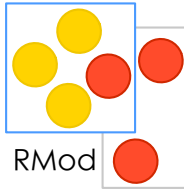
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postman.send(mail,recipient);
```

Removing unnecessary



postman send mail recipient

But without losing information



postman send mail to recipient

postman **send: mail **to:** recipient**

postman.send(mail,recipient);

postman **send: mail **to:** recipient**

postman.send(mail,recipient);

The message is send:to:

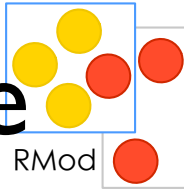


Roadmap

Fun with variables



Shared or Global starts with Uppercase

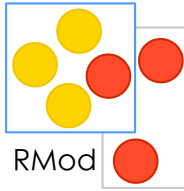


Transcript cr .

Transcript show: 'hello world'.

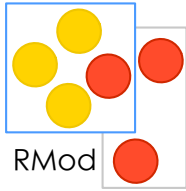
Transcript cr .

local or temps starts with lowercase



```
| str |  
str := 'Tiramisu'
```

self, super, true, false, nil



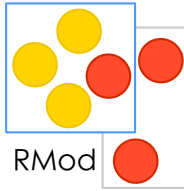
self = this

super

true, false are for Booleans

nil is UndefinedObject instance

self, super, true, false, nil



self = this in Java
super

true, false are for Booleans

nil is UndefinedObject instance

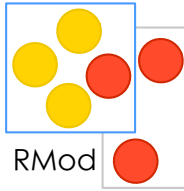


Roadmap

Fun with classes



A class definition!



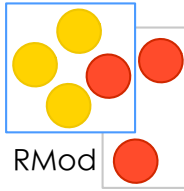
Superclass subclass: **#Class**

instanceVariableNames: '**a b c**'

...

category: 'Package name'

A class definition!



Object subclass: #Point

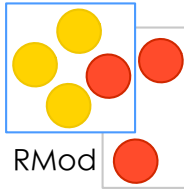
instanceVariableNames: 'x y'

classVariableNames: "

poolDictionaries: "

category: 'Graphics-Primitives'

A class definition!



Object subclass: #Point

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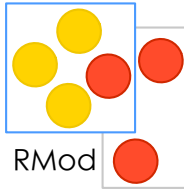


Roadmap

Fun with methods



On Integer

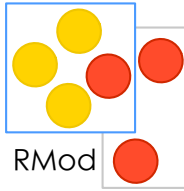


asComplex

"Answer a Complex number that represents value of the the receiver."

^ Complex real: self imaginary: 0

On Boolean

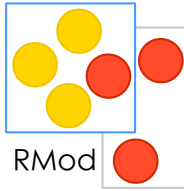


xor: **aBoolean**

"Exclusive OR. Answer true if the receiver is not equivalent to aBoolean."

$\wedge(\text{self} == \text{aBoolean})$ not

Summary



self, super

can access instance variables

can define local variable | ... |

Do not need to define argument types

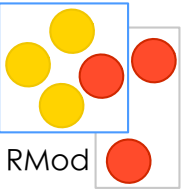
^ to return



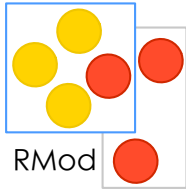
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Fun with unary messages

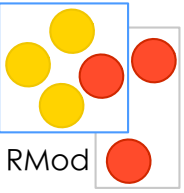




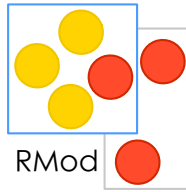
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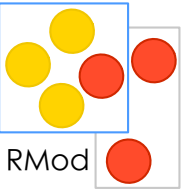
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1 class
  > SmallInteger
```



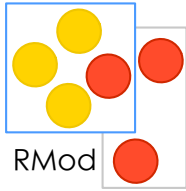
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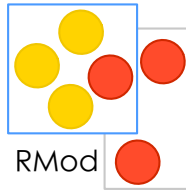
false not
> true



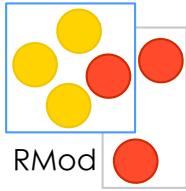
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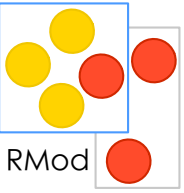
Date today
> 24 May 2009



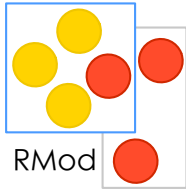
Time now



Time now
> 6:50:03 pm



Float pi



Float pi
> 3.141592653589793

We send messages to both objects and to classes!

1 class

Date today

We sent messages to objects or classes!

1 class

Date today

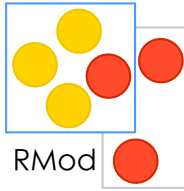


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Fun with binary messages



aReceiver aSelector anArgument

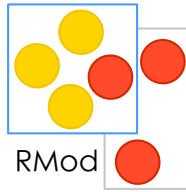


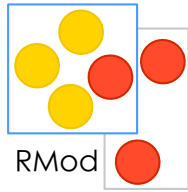
Used for arithmetic, comparison and logical operations

One or two characters taken from:

+ - / \ * ~ < > = @ % | & ! ? ,

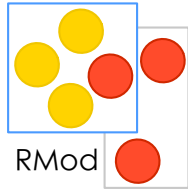
$$1 + 2$$

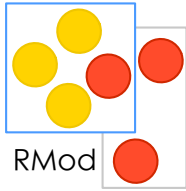




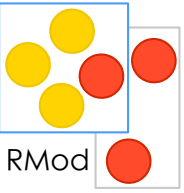
$$1 + 2 \\ > 3$$

$$2 \Rightarrow 3$$

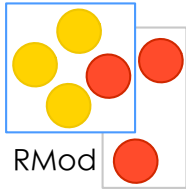




$2 \Rightarrow 3$
 $> \text{false}$



10 @ 200

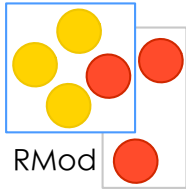


'Black chocolate' , ' is good'

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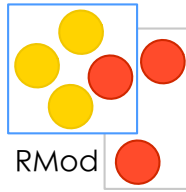
Fun with keyword-based messages



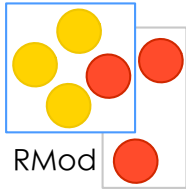


`#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') at: 2 put: 'loves'`

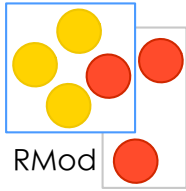
```
#('Calvin' 'hates' 'Suzie') at: 2 put: 'loves'  
> #('Calvin' 'loves' 'Suzie')
```



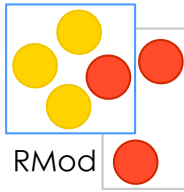
10@20 setX: 2



10@20 setX: 2
> 2@20



12 between: 10 and: 20



12 between: 10 and: 20
> true

receiver

keyword1: argument1

keyword2: argument2

equivalent to

receiver.keyword1keyword2(argument1, argument2)

receiver

keyword1: argument1

keyword2: argument2

equivalent to

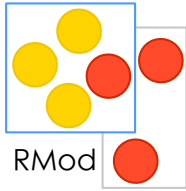
`receiver.keyword1keyword2(argument1, argument2)`



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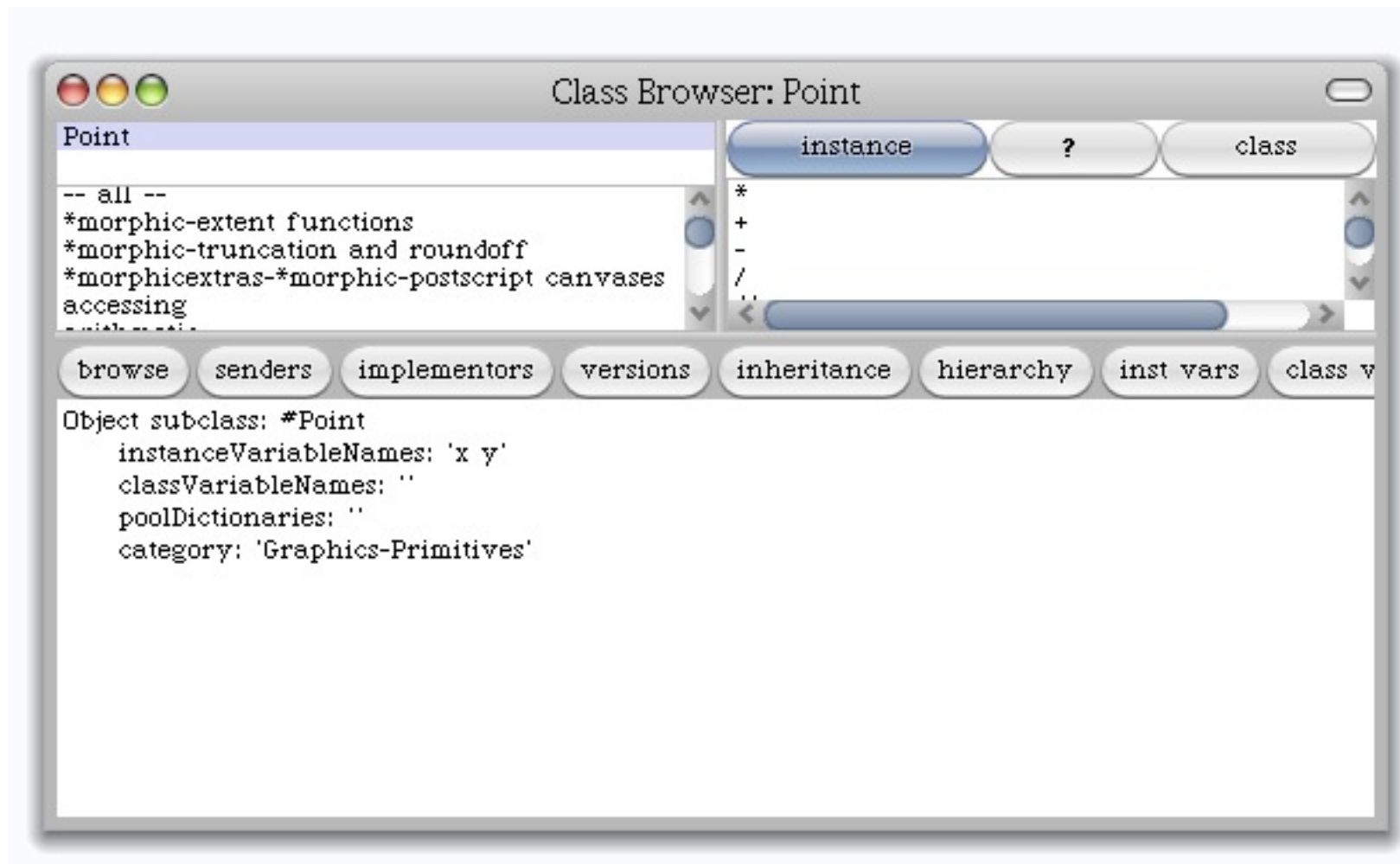
Browser newOnClass: Point





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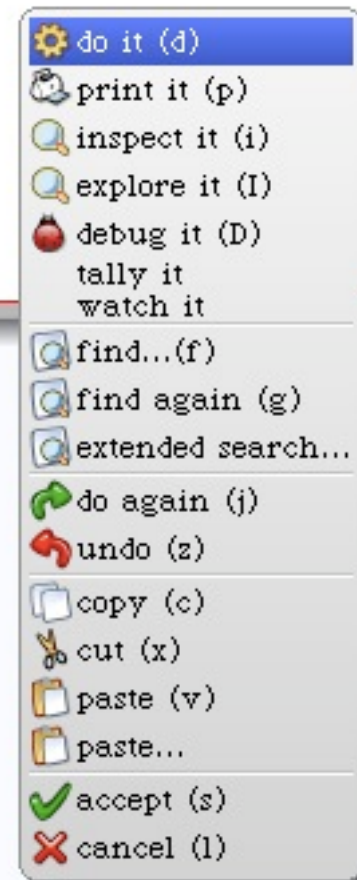


Yes there is a difference between
doing (side effect)
and returning an object

Browser newOnClass: Point
> a Browser

Doing when you do not care about the answer:

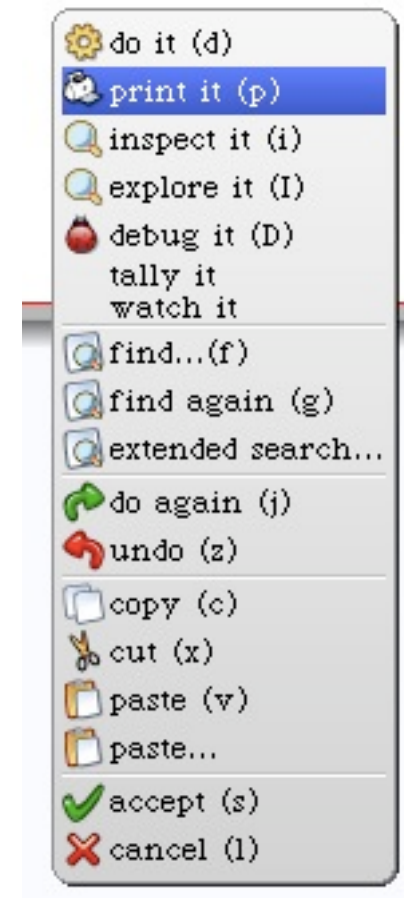
Browser newOnClass: Point



Doing when you really want to see the answer:

```
10@20 setX: 2  
> 2@20
```

This is called *printing*



`dolt` (do some Smalltalk code)

vs

`printlt` (`dolt` + printing
the answer)

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vs

`printlt` (`dolt` + printing
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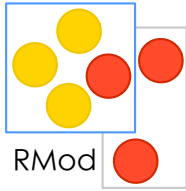
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Messages messages
messages
again messages
....



Yes, there are only messages
unary
binary
keywords

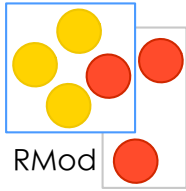
Composition: from left to right!



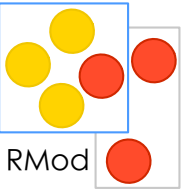
69 class inspect

69 class superclass superclass inspect

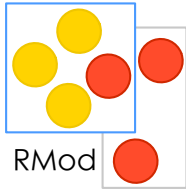
Precedence



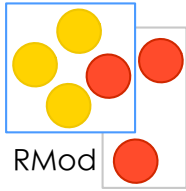
Unary > Binary > Keywords



2 + 3 squared



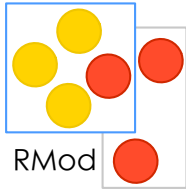
$$2 + 3 \text{ squared} \\ > 2 + 9$$



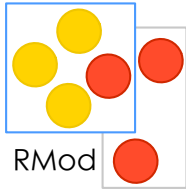
$2 + 3 \text{ squared}$

$> 2 + 9$

> 11



Color gray - Color white = Color black

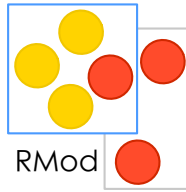


Color gray - Color white = Color black
> aColor = Color black

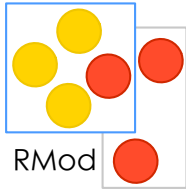
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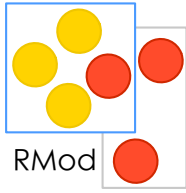
> true



2 raisedTo: 3 + 2

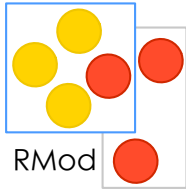


$2^{\text{raisedTo: } 3} + 2$
 $> 2^{\text{raisedTo: } 5}$



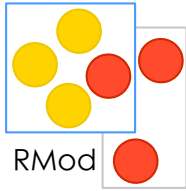
2 raisedTo: 3 + 2
> 2 raisedTo: 5
> 32

No mathematical precedence



$$1/3 + 2/3$$

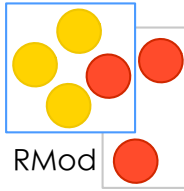
No mathematical precedence



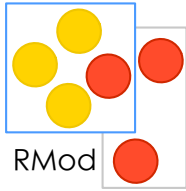
$1/3 + 2/3$

$> 7/3 / 3$

(Msg) > Unary > Binary > Keywords



Parenthesized takes precedence!

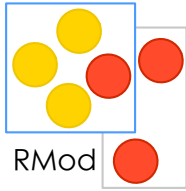


(0@0 extent: 100@100) bottomRight

(0@0 extent: 100@100) bottomRight
> (aPoint extent: anotherPoint)
bottomRight

```
(0@0 extent: 100@100) bottomRight  
> (aPoint extent: anotherPoint)  
bottomRight  
> aRectangle bottomRight
```

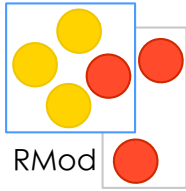
```
(0@0 extent: 100@100) bottomRight  
> (aPoint extent: anotherPoint)  
bottomRight  
> aRectangle bottomRight  
> 100@100
```



0@0 extent: 100@100 bottomRight

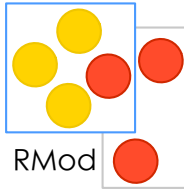
0@0 extent: 100@100 bottomRight
> Message not understood
> 100 does not understand bottomRight

No mathematical precedence



$$3 + 2 * 10$$

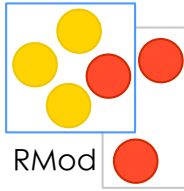
No mathematical precedence



$3 + 2 * 10$

$> 5 * 10$

No mathematical precedence



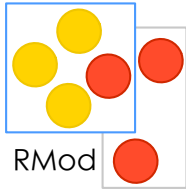
$3 + 2 * 10$

$> 5 * 10$

> 50

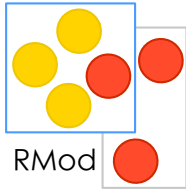
argh!

No mathematical precedence



$$3 + (2 * 10)$$

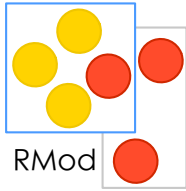
No mathematical precedence



$$3 + (2 * 10)$$

$$> 3 + 20$$

No mathematical precedence

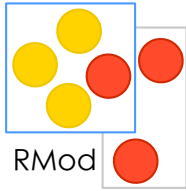


$3 + (2 * 10)$

$> 3 + 20$

> 23

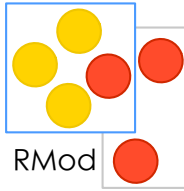
No mathematical precedence



$1/3 + 2/3$

$> 7/3 / 3$

No mathematical precedence

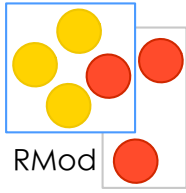


$$1/3 + 2/3$$

$$> (7/3) / 3$$

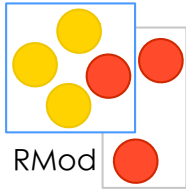
$$> 7/9$$

No mathematical precedence



$$(1/3) + (2/3)$$

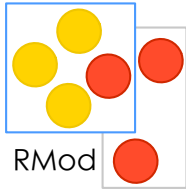
No mathematical precedence



$$(1/3) + (2/3)$$

> 1

Only Messages



(Msg) > Unary > Binary > Keywords
from left to right
No mathematical precedence

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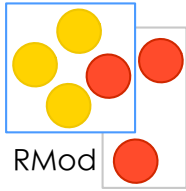


Roadmap

Fun with blocks

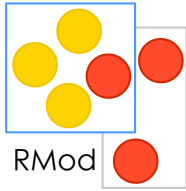


Function definition



$$\text{fct}(x) = x * x + x$$

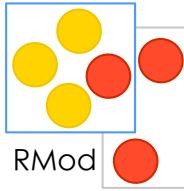
Function Application



$$\text{fct}(2) = 6$$

$$\text{fct}(20) = 420$$

Function definition

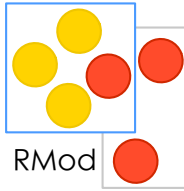


$$\text{fct}(x) = x * x + x$$

|fct|

fct:= [**:x** | $x * x + x$].

Function Application



fct (2) = 6

fct (20) = 420

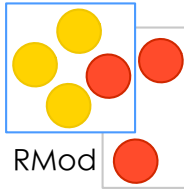
fct value: 2

> 6

fct value: 20

> 420

Other examples

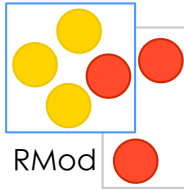


$[2 + 3 + 4 + 5]$ value

$[:x \mid x + 3 + 4 + 5]$ value: 2

$[:x :y \mid x + y + 4 + 5]$ value: 2 value: 3

Block



anonymous function

```
[ :variable1 :variable2 |  
  | tmp |  
  expression1.  
  ...variable1 ... ]
```

To execute the function, use the

value: ... value: ...

message

Block

anonymous function — represented as an object

Really really cool!

Can be passed to methods, stored in instance variables ...

```
[ :variable1 :variable2 |  
  | tmp |  
  expression1.  
  ...variable1 ... ]
```

value: ... value: ...

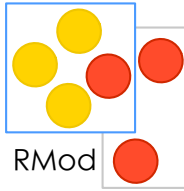


Roadmap

Fun with conditional



Example

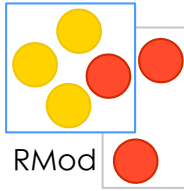


$3 > 0$

if True:['positive']

if False:['negative']

Example



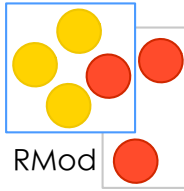
$3 > 0$

ifTrue:['positive']

ifFalse:['negative']

$>$ 'positive'

Yes ifTrue:ifFalse: is a message!



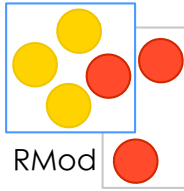
Weather isRaining

ifTrue: [self takeMyUmbrella]

ifFalse: [self takeMySunglasses]

ifTrue:ifFalse is sent to an object: a boolean!

Booleans

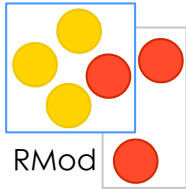


& | not
or: and: (lazy)
xor:
ifTrue:ifFalse:
ifFalse:ifTrue:
...

Yes! `ifTrue:ifFalse:` is a message send to a Boolean.

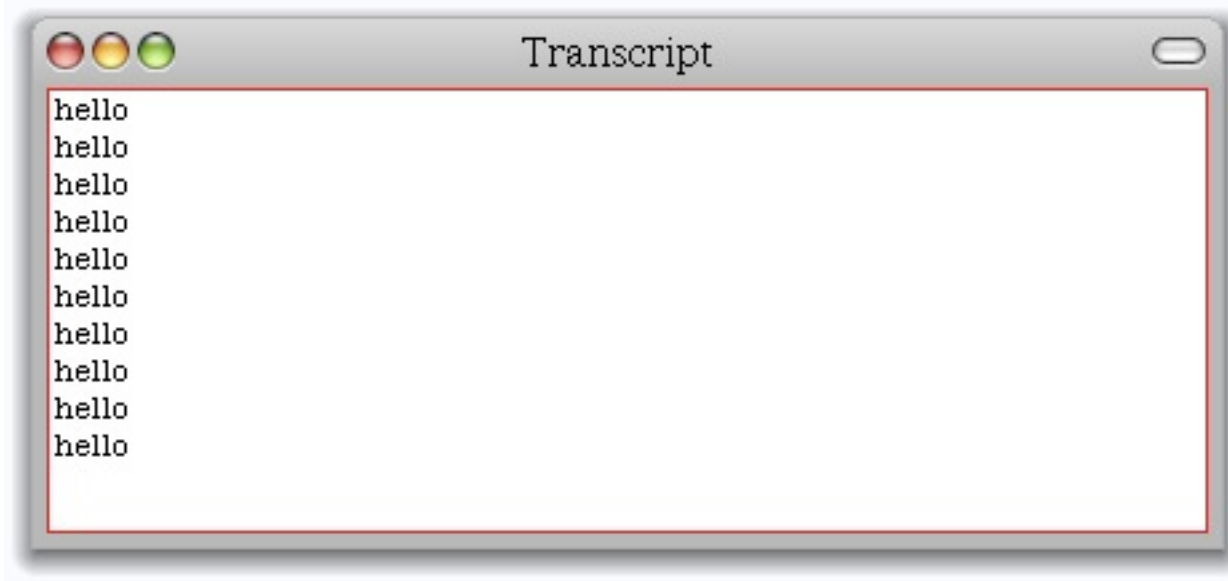
But optimized by the compiler :)

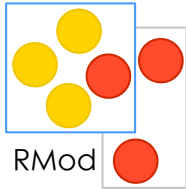




10 timesRepeat: [Transcript show: 'hello'; cr]

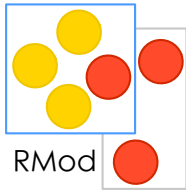
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$[x < y]$ while True: $[x := x + 3]$

aBlockTest whileTrue
aBlockTest whileFalse
aBlockTest whileTrue: *aBlockBody*
aBlockTest whileFalse: *aBlockBody*
anInteger timesRepeat: *aBlockBody*



Confused about () and [] ?

Use [] when you do not know the number of times something may be executed

`(x isBlue) ifTrue: [ x schroumph ]`

`n timesRepeat: [ self shout ]`

Control statement of other languages are replaced by messages sent to booleans:

`(x isBlue) ifTrue: [ ]`



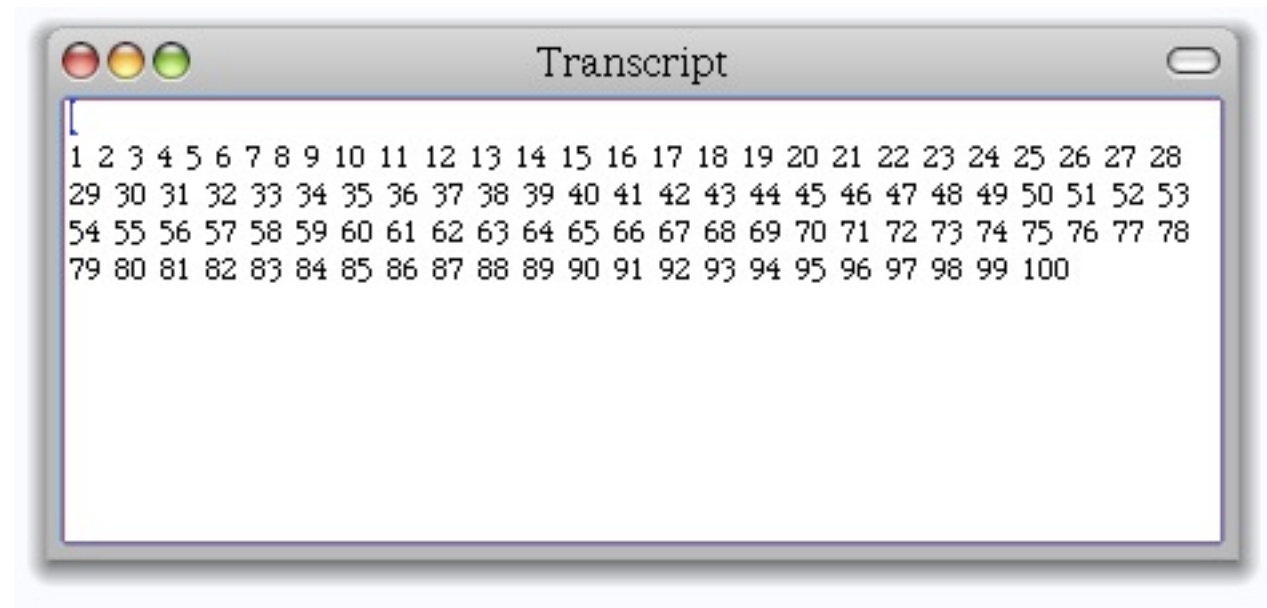
Roadmap

Fun with loops



```
I to: 100 do:  
  [ :i | Transcript show: i ; space]
```

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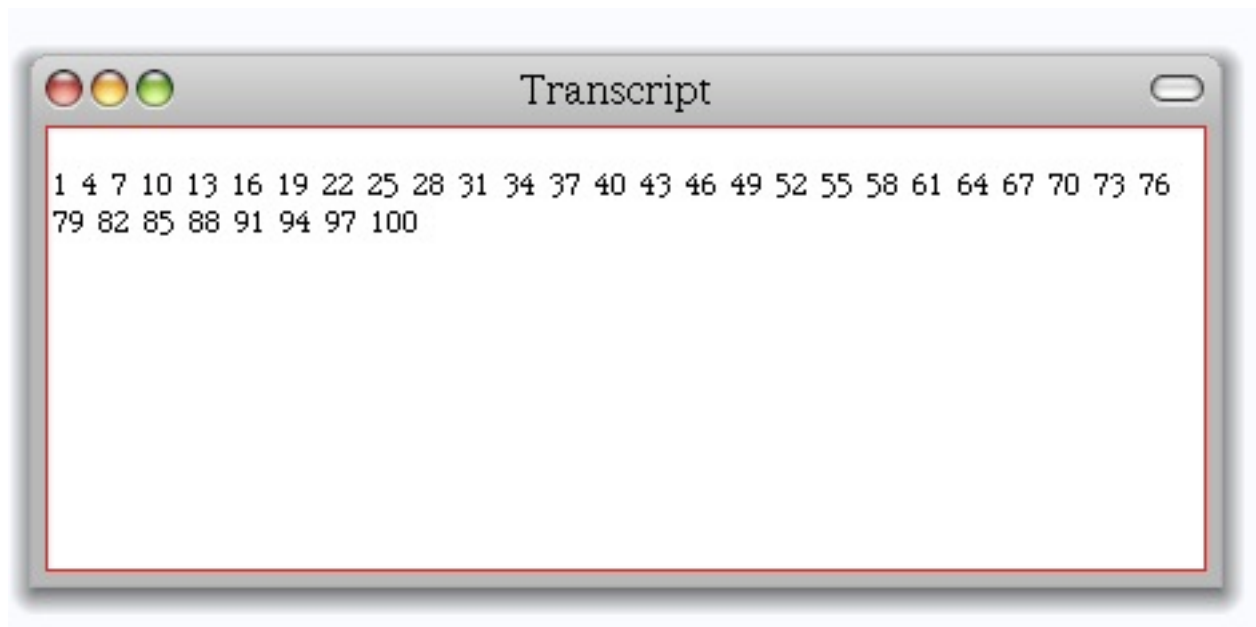
A screenshot of a window titled "Transcript" showing the output of the code. The window has a standard macOS-style title bar with red, yellow, and green buttons. The text inside is a list of numbers from 1 to 100, arranged in four rows of 28 numbers each, with a space after each number.

```
Transcript
```

```
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28  
29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53  
54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78  
79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100
```

```
I to: 100 by: 3 do:  
  [ :i | Transcript show: i ; space]
```

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```



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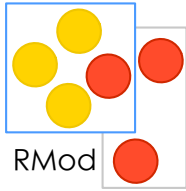
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Fun with iterators



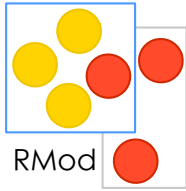
```
ArrayList<String> strings  
    = new ArrayList<String>();  
for(Person person: persons)  
    strings.add(person.name());
```

```
strings :=  
persons collect [:person | person name].
```



#(2 -3 4 -35 4) collect: [:each| each abs]

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> #(2 3 4 35 4)
```



`#(15 10 19 68) collect: [:i | i odd ]`

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> #(true false true false)
```

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We can also do it this way:

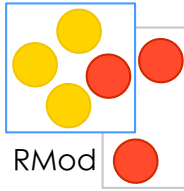
```
|result|  
aCol := #( 2 -3 4 -35 4).  
result := aCol species new: aCol size.  
| to: aCollection size do:  
    [ :each | result at: each put: (aCol at: each) odd].  
result
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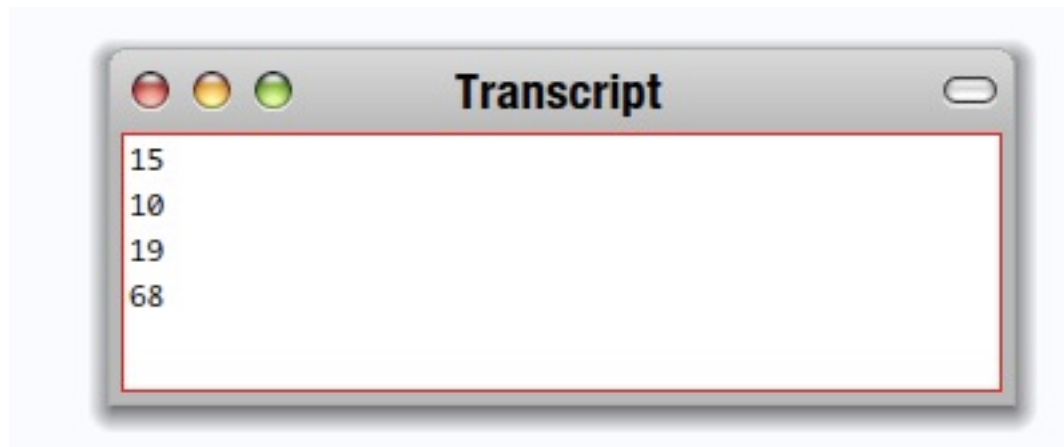
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But don't!



```
#(15 10 19 68) do:  
[:i | Transcript show: i ; cr ]
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#(1 2 3)

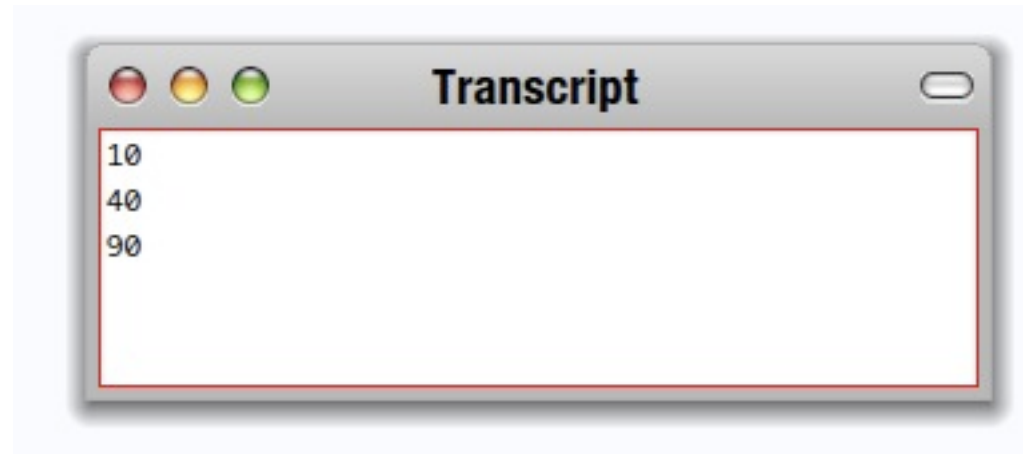
with: #(10 20 30)

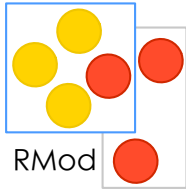
do: [:x :y| Transcript show: (y * x) ; cr]

```
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```

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How is do: implemented?

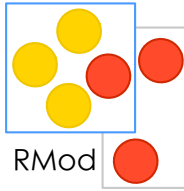
How do: is implemented?

SequenceableCollection >> do: aBlock

"Evaluate aBlock with each of the receiver's elements as the argument."

```
| to: self size do: [:i | aBlock value: (self at: i)]
```

Some others... make them your friends



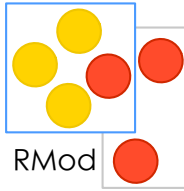
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```

```
#(15 10 19 68) reject: [:i|i odd]
```

```
#(12 10 19 68 21) detect: [:i|i odd]
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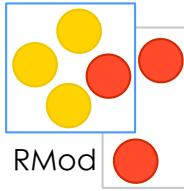
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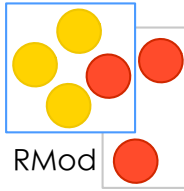
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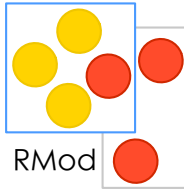
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```

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#(12 10 19 68 21) detect: [:i|i odd]  
> 19
```

```
#(12 10 12 68) detect: [:i|i odd] ifNone:[1]  
> 1
```

Iterators are your best friends

compact

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puts the code with the data structure

Just messages sent to collections

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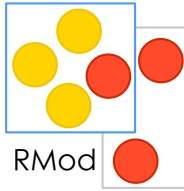
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A simple exercise



How do you write a method that does this?

$\#() \mapsto$

(nothing)

$\#(a) \mapsto a$

$\#(a\ b\ c) \mapsto a, b, c$

`#(a b c)`

`do: [:each | Transcript show: each]
separatedBy: [Transcript show: ', ']`

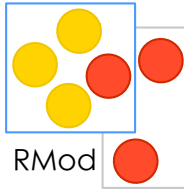
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#(a b c)  
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separatedBy: [Transcript show: ', ']
```



More fun with Messages



Messages Sequence



message1 .

message2 .

message3

. is a separator, not a terminator

```
| macNode pcNode node1 printerNode |  
macNode := Workstation withName: #mac.
```

```
Transcript cr.
```

```
Transcript show: 1 printString.
```

```
Transcript cr.
```

```
Transcript show: 2 printString
```

Multiple messages to one object ;

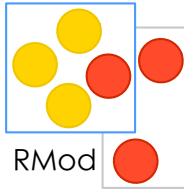
To send multiple messages to the same object, use ;

Transcript show: 3 printString; cr

is equivalent to:

Transcript show: 3 printString.
Transcript cr

Hints ...

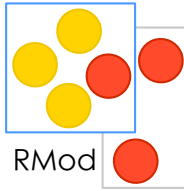


`x isNil ifTrue: [...]`

better:

`x ifNil: [...]`

Hints ...



`x includes: 3 ifTrue: [...]`

is read as sending the message **includes:ifTrue:**

So: use parenthesis

`(x includes: 3) ifTrue: [...]`



Smalltalk is fun

Pure, simple, powerful

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