

SPL

SPL: Lexical Analysis and Parsing

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- Standardized parser errors. This means you can set it as `buildprg` in `vim` and you can then use the quickfix window!

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YARD Combinators

```
instance Functor (Parser a)
instance Applicative (Parser a)
instance Monad (Parser a)
instance Alternative (Parser a)

runParser :: (Parser a b) [a] -> (Either Error b, [a])
(<?>) :: (Parser a b) Error -> Parser a b
fail :: Parser a b
top :: Parser a a
peek :: Parser a a
satisfy :: (a -> Bool) -> Parser a a
check :: (a -> Bool) -> Parser a a
(until) infix 2 :: (Parser a b) (Parser a c) -> Parser
  a [b]
item :: a -> Parser a a | Eq a
list :: [a] -> Parser a [a] | Eq a
eof :: Parser a Void
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- Show grammar now...

Two-phase design

Lexing

Also done with YARD because

- Multiline comments
- Alternatives
- Positions

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Parsing

Added some handy primitives

```
parseSColon :: (Parser Token a) -> Parser Token a
parseBlock  :: Parser Token [Stmt]
parseOpR    :: (Parser Token Op2) (Parser Token Expr) ->
  Parser Token Expr
parseOpL    :: (Parser Token Op2) (Parser Token Expr) ->
  Parser Token Expr
parseBBraces :: (Parser Token a) -> Parser Token a
parseBCBraces :: (Parser Token a) -> Parser Token a
parseBSqBraces :: (Parser Token a) -> Parser Token a
trans :: TokenValue (TokenValue -> a) -> Parser Token
  (Pos, a)
trans2 :: TokenValue (TokenValue -> a) -> Parser Token
  a
trans1 :: TokenValue a -> Parser Token a
peekPos :: Parser Token Pos
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