How to build language processors in a pure functional programming language

Recognizers – for terminals

```
term wd (tok:toks) = [toks], if tok = wd
                    = [], otherwise
term x [] = []
e.g.
term "one" ["one", "two", "three"]
                         => [["two","three"]]
term "two" ["one", "two", "three"] => []
Now one = term "one"
    two = term "two"
    plus = term "+" etc
```

Recognizers – alternatives

```
(p $orelse q) toks = p toks ++ q toks
e.g.
one $orelse two ["one","four"] => [["four"]]
one $orelse two ["two","six"] => [["six"]]
one $orelse two ["three","six"] => []
num = one $orelse two $orelse three ...
```

Recognizers – sequence

```
(p $then q) toks = concat (map p (q toks))
e.g.

(one $then two) ["one","two","three"] => [["three"]]

(one $then two) ["one","six","four"] => []

num $then num ["one","two","three"] => [["three"]]
```

Recognizers – complex

Interpreters – for terminals

```
term (wd, val) (tok:toks) = [(val,toks)], if tok = wd
                        = [], otherwise
              []
                        = []
term x
e.g.
term ("one",1) ["one","two","three"]
                          => [(1,["two","three"]])
Now one = term ("one", 1)
     two = term ("two",2)
    plus = term ("+", (+)) etc
```

Interpreters – alternatives

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(p $orelse q) toks = p toks ++ q toks
e.g.
one $orelse two ["one","four"] => [(1,["four"])]
one sorelse two ["two", "six"] => [(2, ["six"])]
one $orelse two ["three","six"] => []
num = one $orelse two $orelse three ...
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Interpreters – sequence

Interpreters – complex