

GLL parsing for embedded languages

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Problem statement

- Errors are detected in runtime
- IDEs do not provide support (highlighting, brace matching and etc.)
- It is necessary to get structure which merges all parse trees SPPF

Generalised algorithms for embedded languages

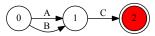
- Ambiguous grammars are parsed by generalised algorithm (GLL, GLR)
- New type of conflict ambiguities in the input
- Regular approximation of the input is represented as deterministic FSA with tokens on edges

GLL for embedded languages

- Table-based GLL parsing
- Descriptors specify parser state and allow to handle
 - Recursions
 - Ambiguities
 - Non-linear input
 - ★ Vertex index is used as input position in descriptors
 - Branching in the input are handled in the same manner as grammar conflicts: the set of descriptors is created
 - Cycles in input
 - Uniqueness of descriptors allows to handle cycles without parsing process changes
- No changes in the process of GSS and SPPF construction

Branching in the input

- For each outgoing edge
 - Construct the set of descriptors (as in GLL)
- Union all the constructed sets
- Example
 - ▶ Grammar: start ::= A C | B C
 - ► Input:



- Current vertex index is "0"
- Construct two descriptors
 - ★ For the edge labeled with "A" and grammar rule start ::= A C
 - \star For the edge labeled with "B" and grammar rule start ::= B C
- During parsing process choose the edge which correspond to rule specified in current descriptor

Static analysis of string-embedded code: the scheme

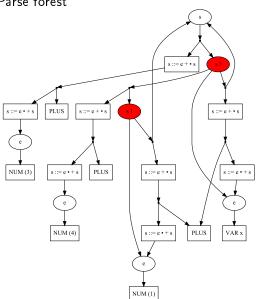
Input



Grammar

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \textit{start} & ::= & e + \textit{start} \\ & | & e \\ & e & ::= & \texttt{NUM} \\ & | & \texttt{VAR} \end{array}$$

Parse forest



Conclusion

- Algorithm based on GLL for parsing of regular approximation of string-embedded code is proposed
- Correctness and completeness of the algorithm are proved
- The algorithm is implemented and tested in open source project
 - https://github.com/YaccConstructor