

Introduction to Flexc++ and Bisonc++

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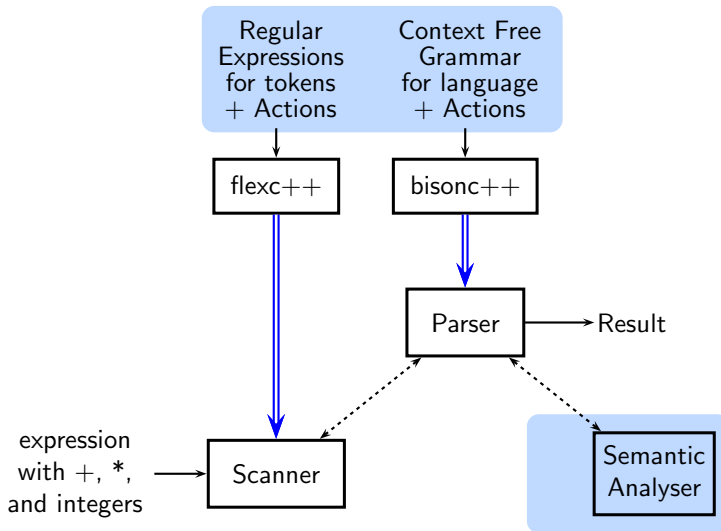
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simCalc: A Simple Calculator



Introduction to Lex and Yacc

- lex script num.l to show token identification
- exp1.y to show a simple expression. Use the lex script exp.l
- exp2.y to show construction of a PLUS expression

Interesting input: $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6$

- exp3.y fixes the problem by making + left associative
- exp4.y includes + and *

Interesting inputs: $1 + 2 * 3$ and $1 * 2 + 3$

- exp5.y fixes the above problem



The Interaction Between Scanner and Parser

- Grammar

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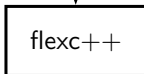
- Terminals and non-terminals get defined by the grammar
- Scanner identifies the tokens and communicates the details to the parser

Token Name	Token Lexemes	Token Value	Token Code
Number	"10"	10	NUM
	"345"	345	
	"03"	3	
+ operator	"+"		'+'
* operator	"*"		'*'

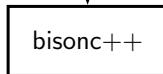


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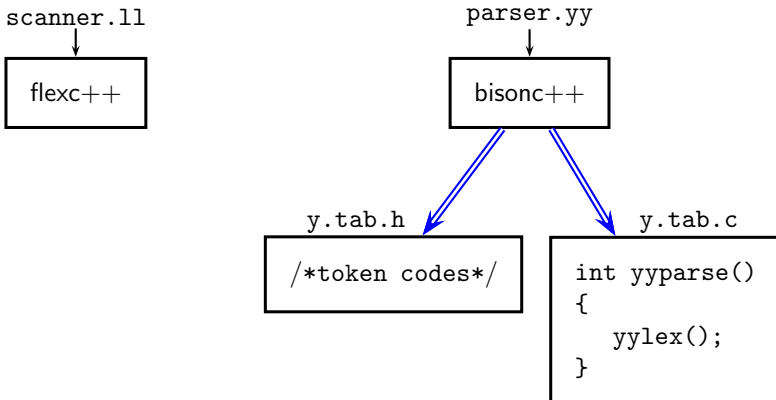
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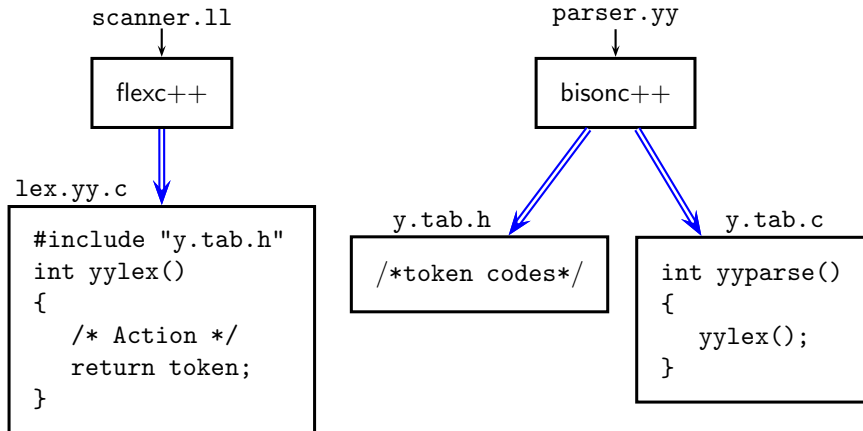
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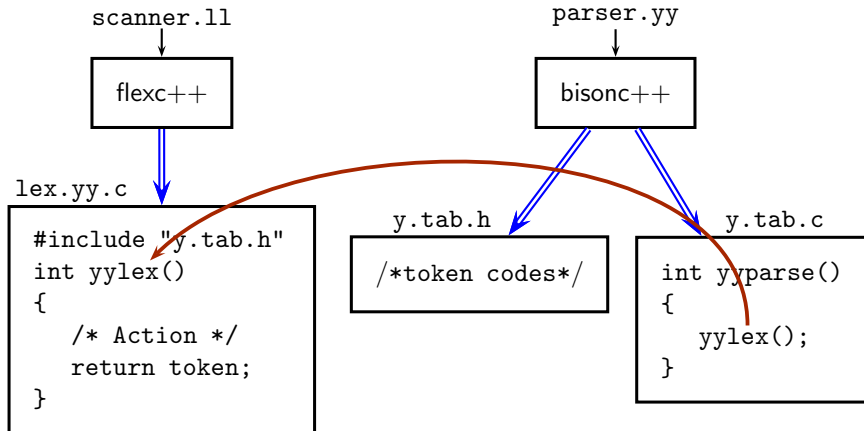
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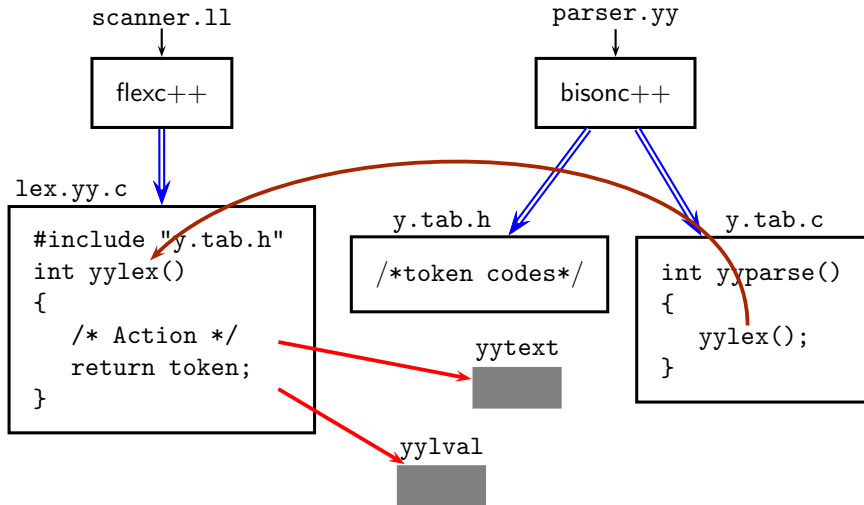
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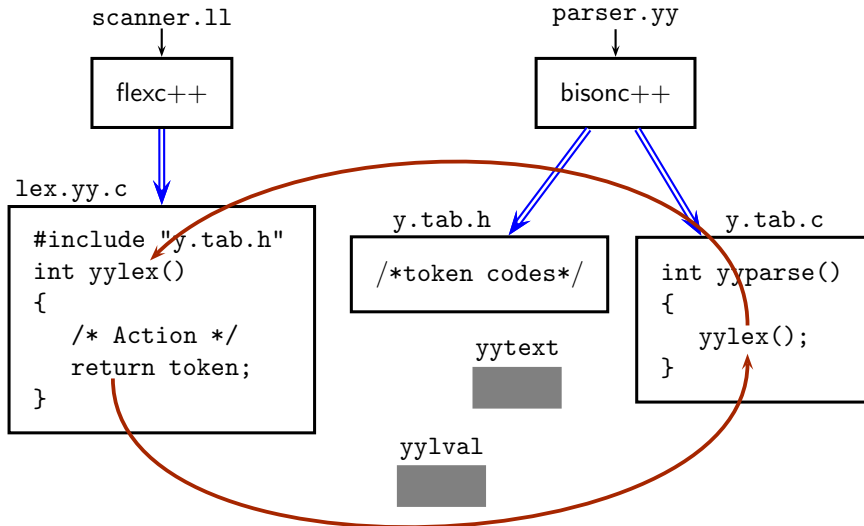
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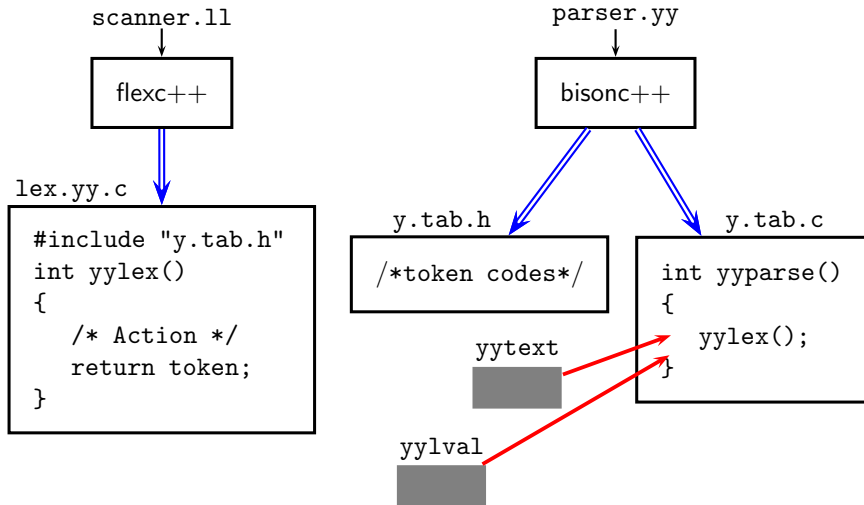
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Some Issues in the Simple Calculator

- Syntax: Precedences and associativities
- Semantics: Values of
 - ▶ Terminals (from scanner)
 - ▶ Non-terminals (in the parser)
- Unit testing:
Use of `#if SCANTEST` to test the scanner



Notes

- Sample inputs

a 20 + b 3

- Use of “.”

- ▶ If a string can match two patterns, the first is chosen.
- ▶ If a string can match a pattern and its prefix can also match a pattern, the prefix matching is ignored in favour of the longer string.

- The Lex and Yacc Page

<http://dinosaur.compilertools.net/>



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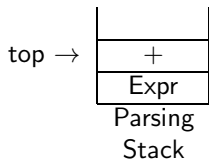
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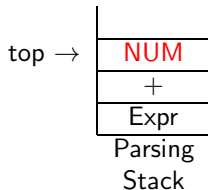
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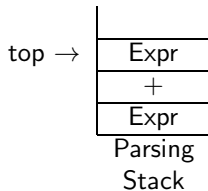
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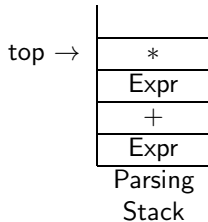
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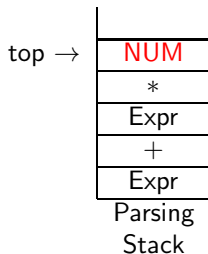
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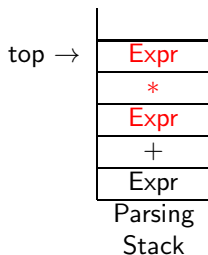
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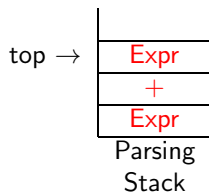
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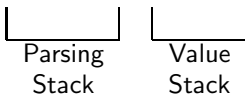
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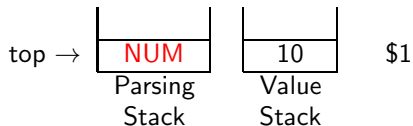
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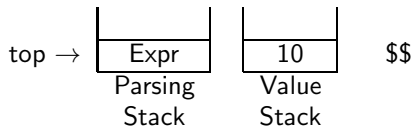
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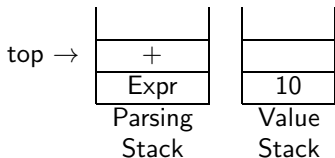
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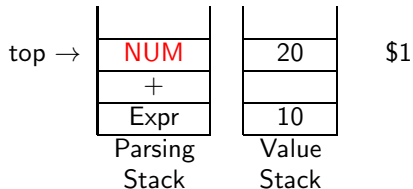
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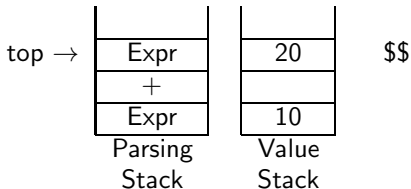
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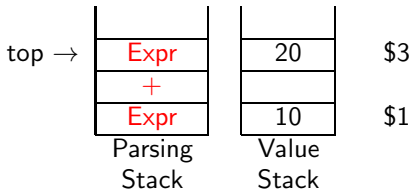
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