Compiler Design 19CSE401

Experiment 1E

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Aim:

To write a Lex program that identifies relational operators (==, !=, <, <=, >, >=) from the input.

Procedure:

- Open a terminal in your Linux environment (e.g., Ubuntu).
- Create a new Lex source file using a text editor like gedit, nano, or vim. gedit relational_ops.l
- In the Lex file, define the patterns for relational operators using regular expressions.
- In the %% section, match each operator (==, !=,
 <=, >=, <, >) and print a descriptive message when matched.

- Define a main() function after the second %% that calls yylex() to start the lexical analysis.
- Compile the Lex program using lex and gcc.
- Run the executable program.
- Type or paste an expression with relational operators (e.g., a <= b && a != b) and press Ctrl + D to end input (EOF).
- Observe the output showing which relational operators were detected and their descriptions.

Program Code:

```
%%
"=="{
printf("Equal to operator: %s\n", yytext);
}
"!="{
printf("Not equal to operator: %s\n", yytext); } "<="
{ printf("Less than or equal to operator: %s\n", yytext); } ">=" {
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printf("Greater than or equal to operator: %s\n",
yytext); } "<" {</pre>
printf("Less than operator: %s\n", yytext);
} ">" {
printf("Greater than operator: %s\n", yytext);
}.|\n
{ /* Ignore other characters */
%%
int main() {
yylex();
return 0;
```

Output:

```
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ lex content_remover.l
lex: can't open content_remover.l
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ lex content remove.l
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ gcc lex.yy.c -o content remove -ll
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ ./content_remove input.c output.c
File open error: No such file or directory
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ ls input.c
ls: cannot access 'input.c': No such file or directory
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ ./content remove your real input file.c output.c
File open error: No such file or directory
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ ./content remove input.c output.c
Total comment lines removed: 4
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ lex relational ops.l
lex: can't open relational_ops.l
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ lex relational op.l
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ gcc lex.yy.c -o relational op -ll
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ ./relational_ops
bash: ./relational_ops: No such file or directory
vboxuser@Ubuntu:~$ ./relational op
5+6-7 == 4 - 0
Equal to operator: ==
ess than or equal to operator: <=
```

Result:

We had found out the relational operators present in the given expression using lex program.