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System Software and Compiler

Course Objective & Course Outcomes

- **Course Objectives:**

By participating in and understanding all facets of this Course a student will be able:

1. To learn and understand different component of system software and fundamentals language processing activity.
2. To understand the process of converting assembly language program to machine language
3. To understand linking and loading concepts
4. Understand the basic concept of compiler design, and its different phases and tools.

- **Course Outcomes:**

After successful completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Acquire knowledge in different component of systems software and fundamentals of language processing activity.
2. Design two pass assembler and Direct Linking Loaders.
3. Acquire knowledge in different phases and passes of Compiler.
4. Design different types of compiler tools to meet the requirements of the realistic constraints of compilers using LEX and YACC tools.

Text Books & Reference Books

- **Text Books**

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2. A V Aho, R Sethi, J D Ullman, \Compilers: Principles, Techniques, and Tools",Pearson Edition, ISBN 81-7758-590-8.
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- **Reference Books**

1. John. R. Levine, Tony Mason and Doug Brown, “Lex and Yacc”, O'Reilly, 1998, ISBN: 1-56592-000-7.
2. Leland L. Beck, “System Software An Introduction to Systems Programming” 3rd Edition,Person Education, ISBN 81-7808-036-2.
3. Adam Hoover, “System Programming with C and Unix”, Pearson,2010

Unit III

- **Introduction to compilers:** passes, phases, symbol table.
- **Lexical Analyzer:** Role of LEX Analyzer, Specification of tokens, Recognition of tokens, input buffering.
- **LEX:** Specification and generation using LEX tool, Lexical errors.

Introduction to Compilers

- A compiler is a program that can read a program in one language – the *source* language – and translate it into an equivalent program in another language – the *target* language.

Passes

- A pass is a complete traversal of the source program, or a complete traversal of some internal representation of the source program.
- Sometimes a single “pass” corresponds to several phases that are interleaved in time.
- What and how many passes a compiler does over the source program is an important design decision.

Passes

- In an implementation of compiler ,portions of one or more phases are combined into a module called a **pass.**
- A **pass** in compiler design is the group of several phases of compiler to perform analysis or synthesis of source program.

- Two types of pass:-
  1:-one pass
  2:-two pass

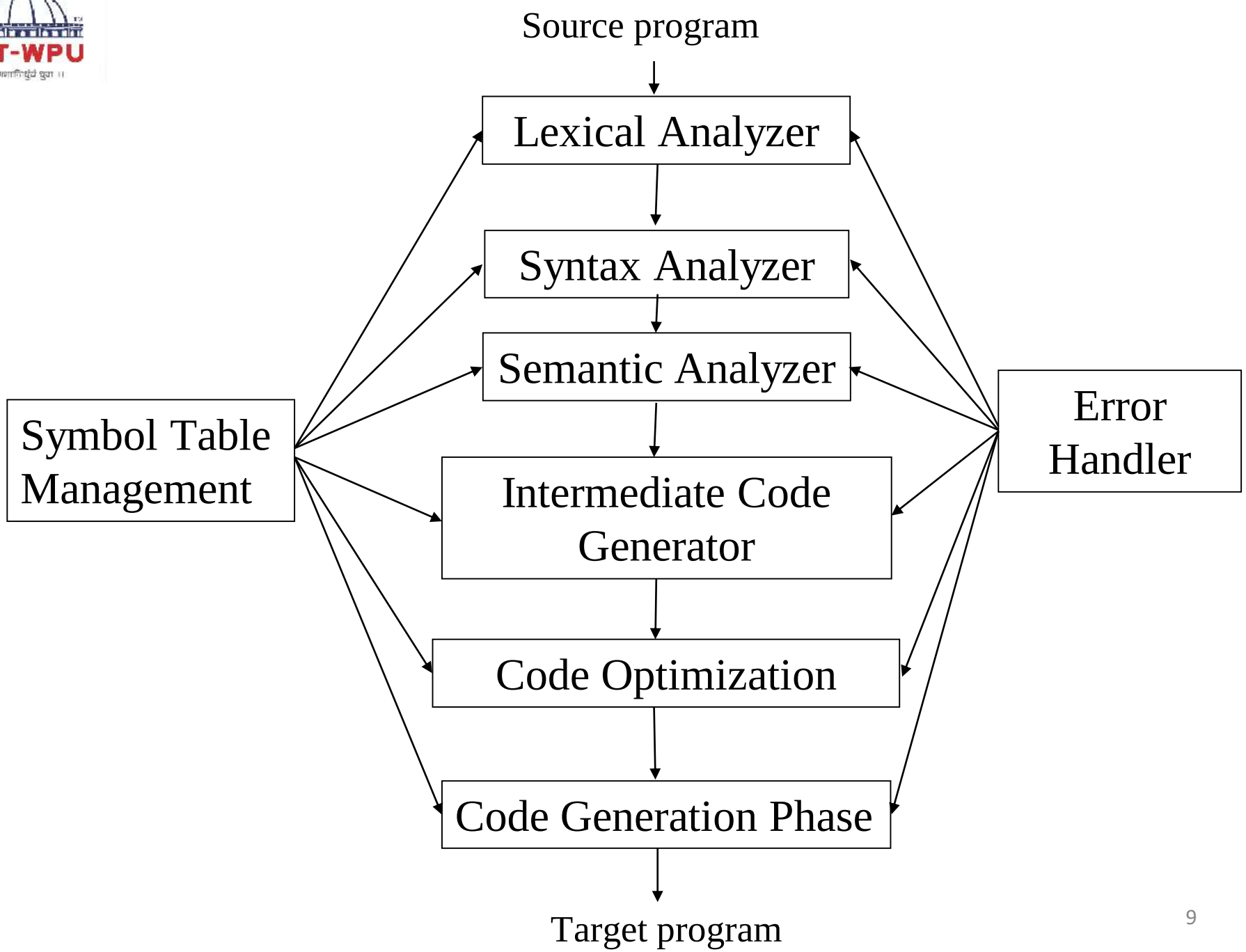
- In one pass structure:
  both analysis and synthesis of source program is done in the flow from beginning to end of program.
- In two pass structure:

analysis of source program is done in first pass

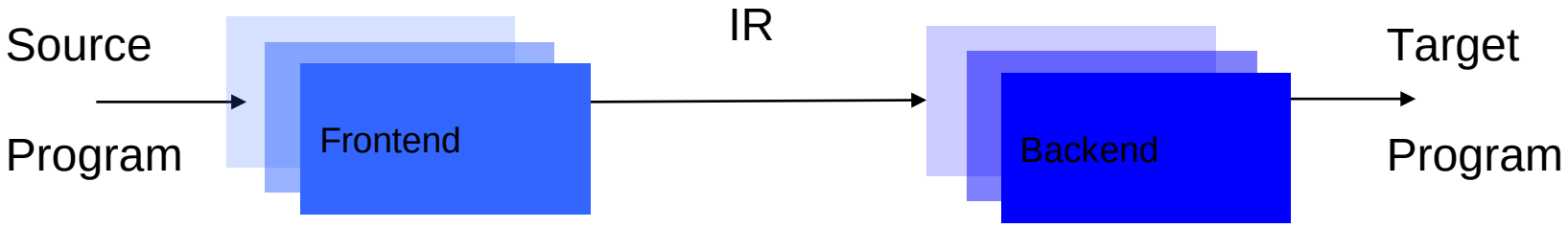
synthesis of source program is done in second pass

Phases of a Compiler

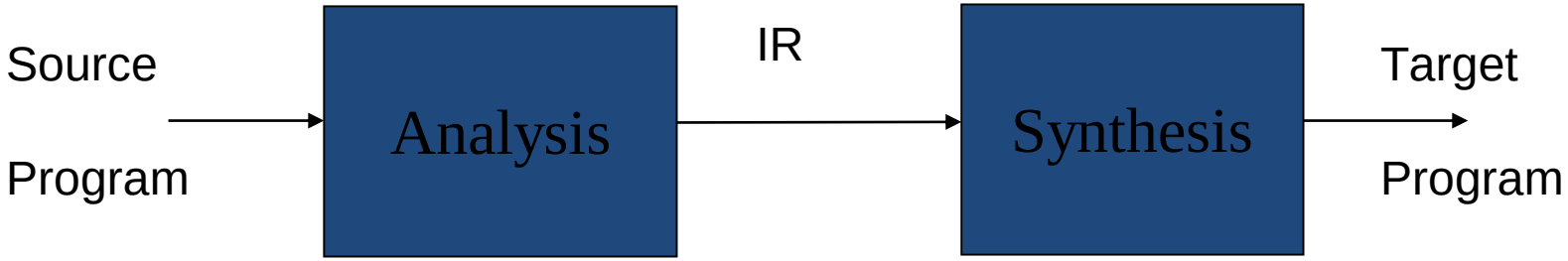
- Lexical analysis
- Syntax analysis
- Semantic analysis
- Intermediate (machine-independent) code generation
- code optimization
- Target (machine-dependent) code generation


Source program
Lexical Analyzer
Syntax Analyzer
Semantic Analyzer
Intermediate Code Generator
Code Optimization
Code Generation Phase
Target program
Symbol Table Management
Error Handler

Front End and Back End Model of Compiler



- Analysis and Synthesis Phase of Compiler



Symbol table

- **Symbol table**
- It is an important data structure created and maintained by compilers.
- It is used by compiler to keep track of scope/binding information about names.
- These names are used in the source program to identify various program elements like variables names, function names, objects, classes, interfaces, etc.
- Symbol table is used by both the analysis and the synthesis parts of a compiler.

Symbol table

- A symbol table purposes are :

1. To store the names of all entities in a structured form at one place.
2. To verify if a variable has been declared.
3. To implement type checking, by verifying assignments and expressions in the source code are semantically correct.
4. To determine the scope of a name (scope resolution).
5. A symbol table is simply a table which can be either linear or a hash table.

- It maintains an entry for each name in the following format:

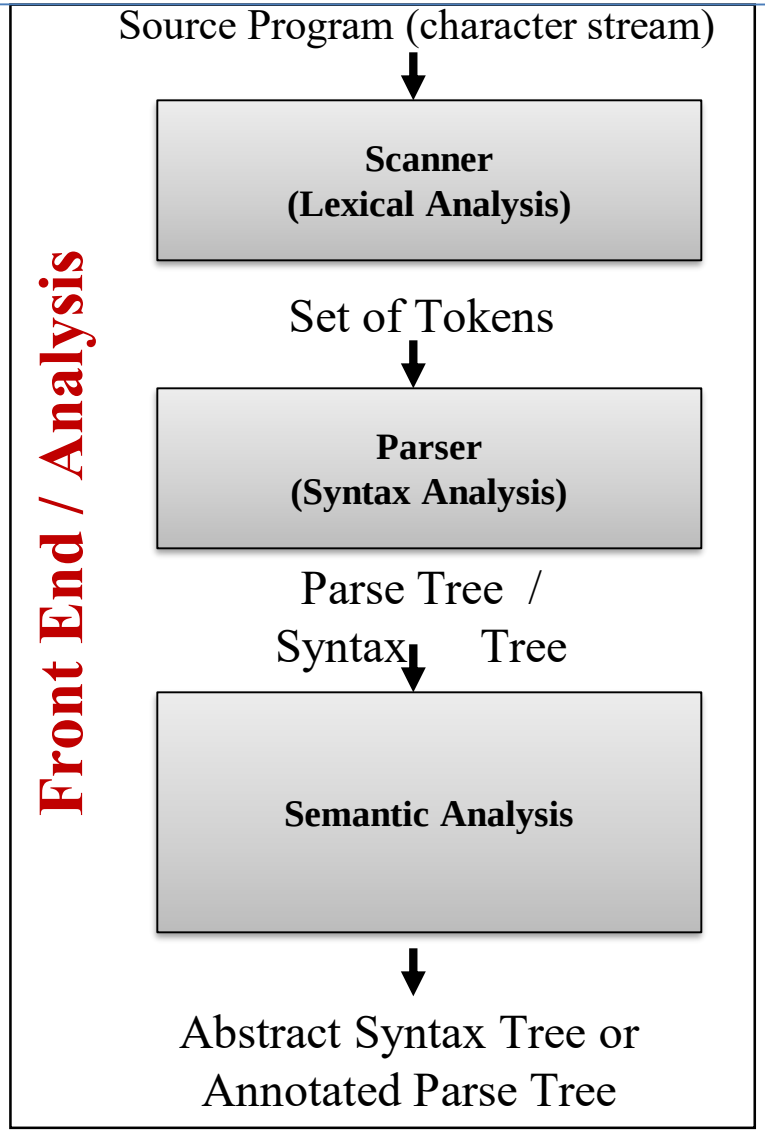
  <symbol name,type,attribute>

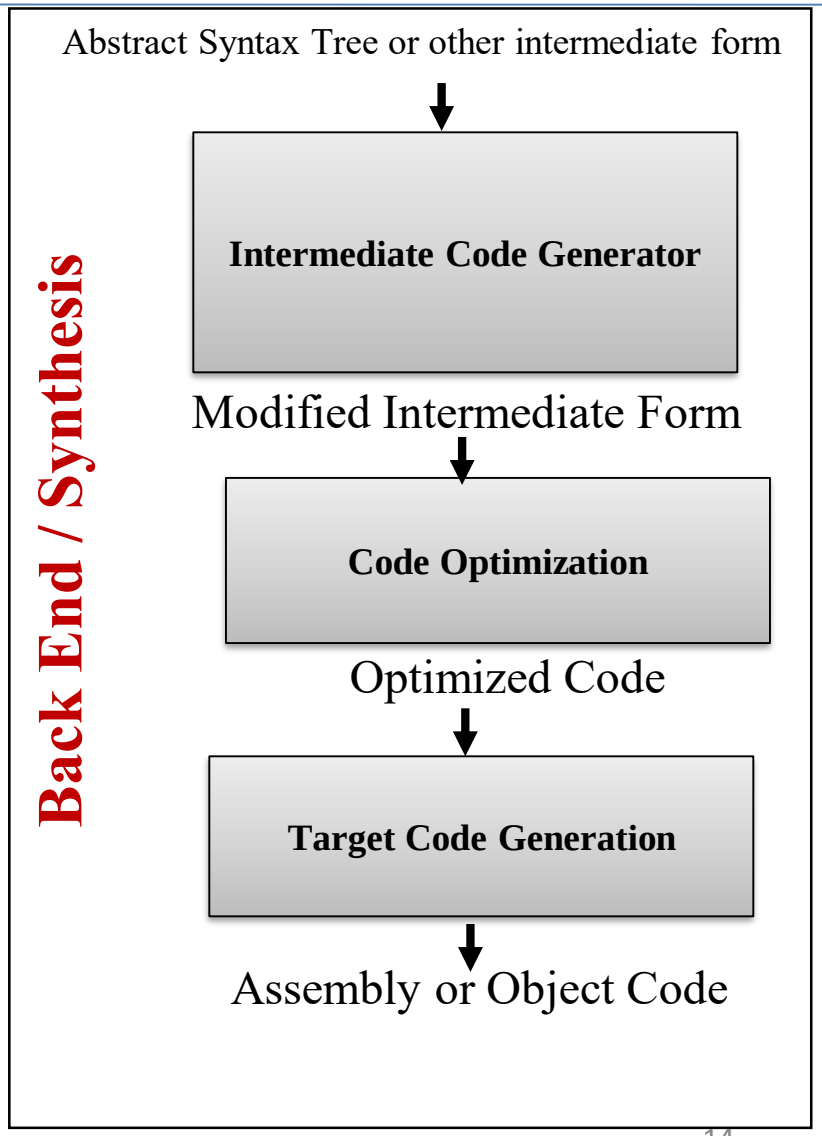
Symbol tables

- Data structures used for symbol table:

1. List
2. Linked list
3. Binary trees
4. Hash tables

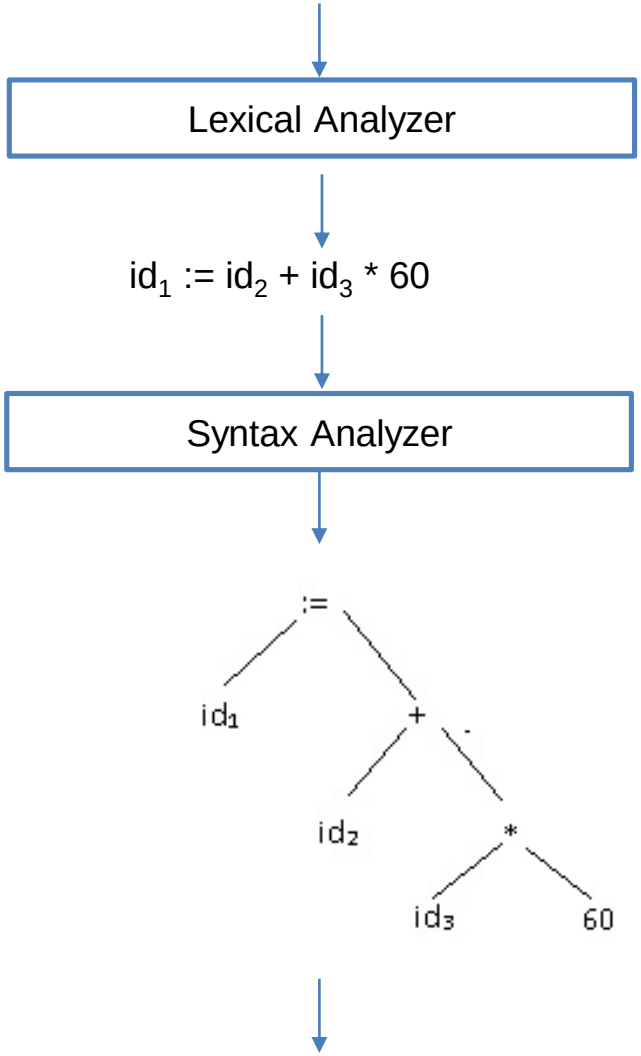
Compiler Front End – Back End / Analysis –Synthesis Phase





Assignment Statement Translation

position := initial + rate * 60



Symbol Table

1	position	…
2	initial	…
3	rate	…
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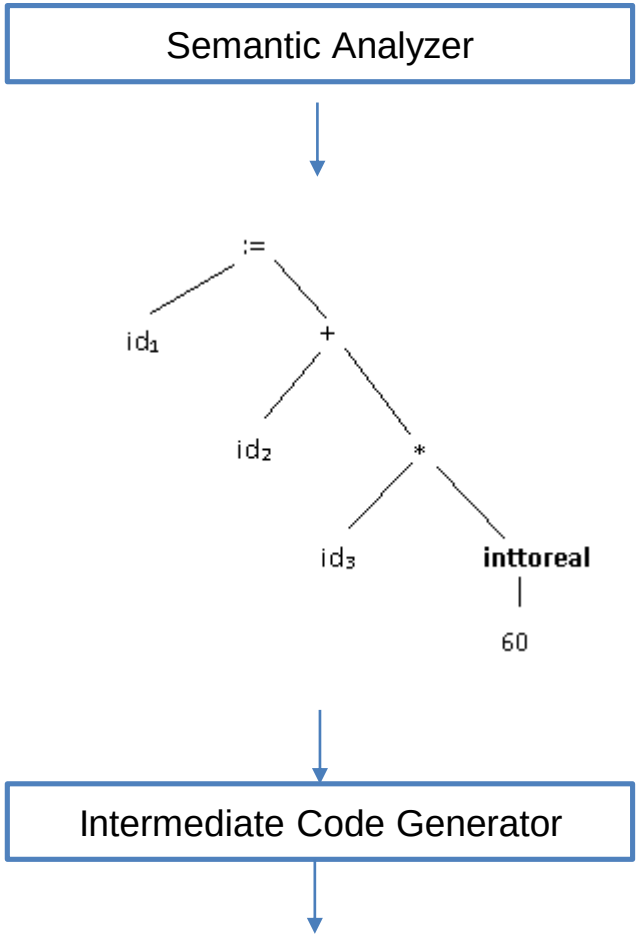

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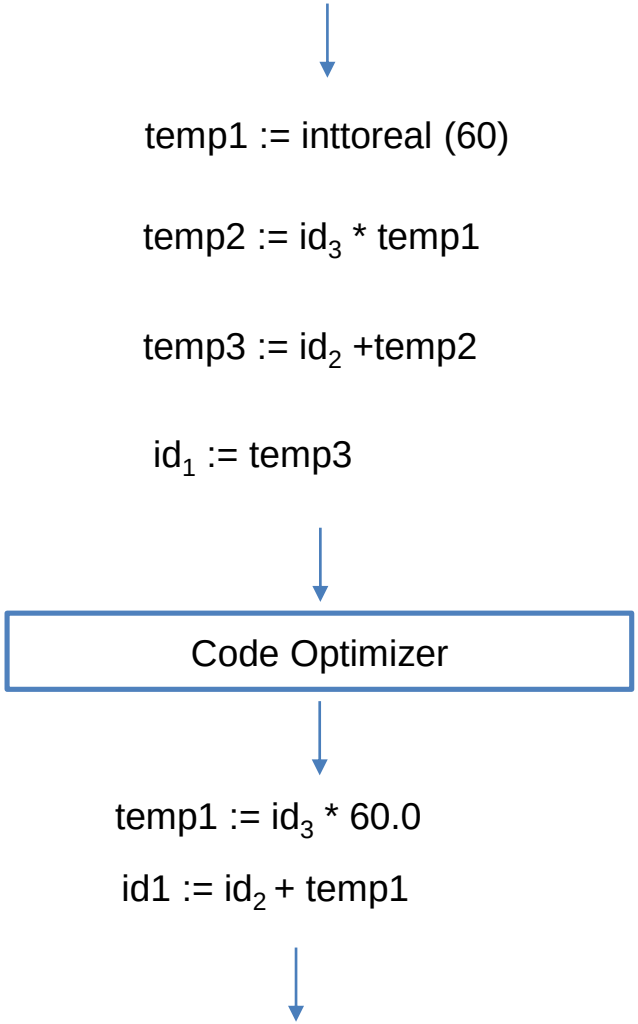

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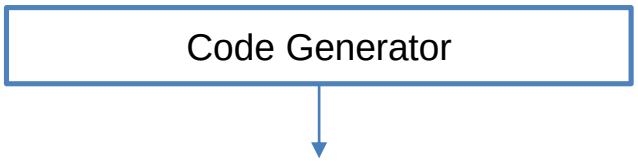

MOVF id_3, R2

MULF #60.0, R2

MOVF id_2, R1

ADDF R2, R1

MOVF R1, id_1

Regular Expression

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3. Suppose r & s are RE s denoting the languages L(r) & L(s) then

a.(r) | (s) is a RE denoting L(r) U L(s)

b. (r)(s) is a RE denoting L(r) . L(s)

c. $(r)^*$ is a RE denoting $(L(r))^*$

d. . (r) is a RE denoting L(r)

Contd…

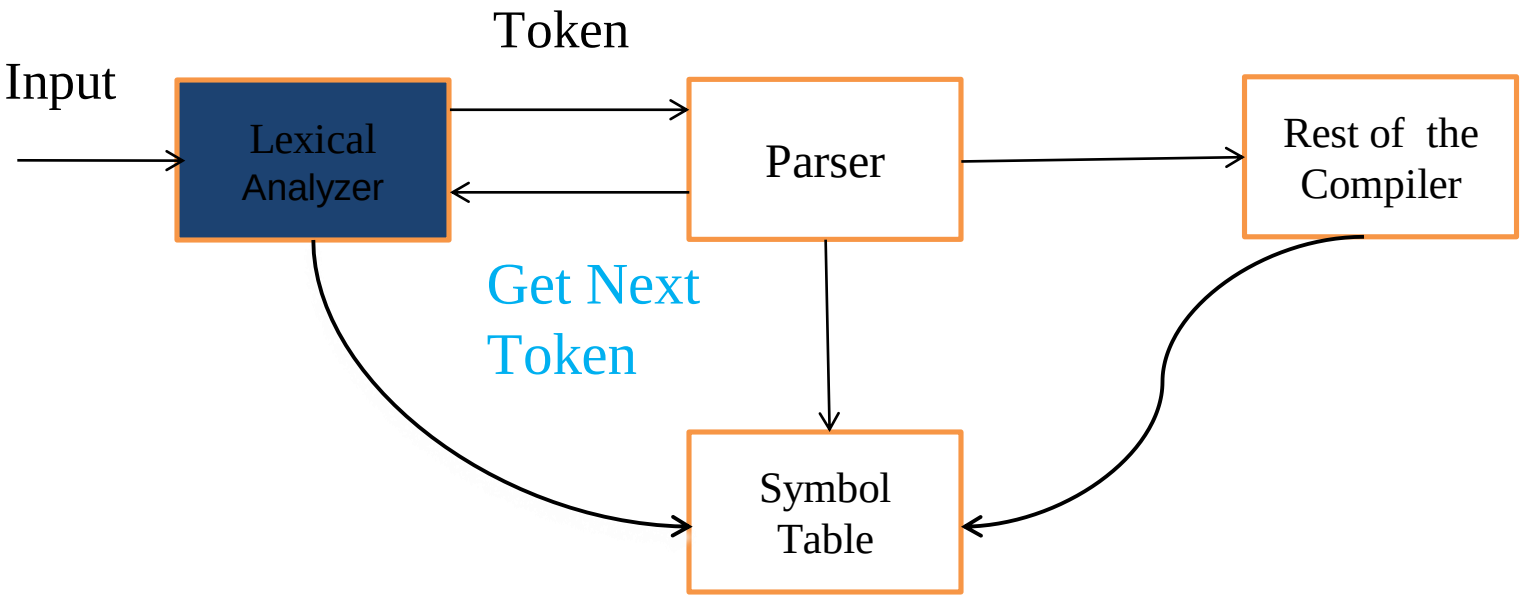
Axioms

- r|s = s|r
- r| (s|t) = (r|s)|t
- (rs)t = r(st)
- r|s|t = rs|rt
- (s|t)r = sr|tr
- Є r = r
- r Є = r
- $r^* = (r| Є)^*$
- $r^* {}^* = r^*$

Description

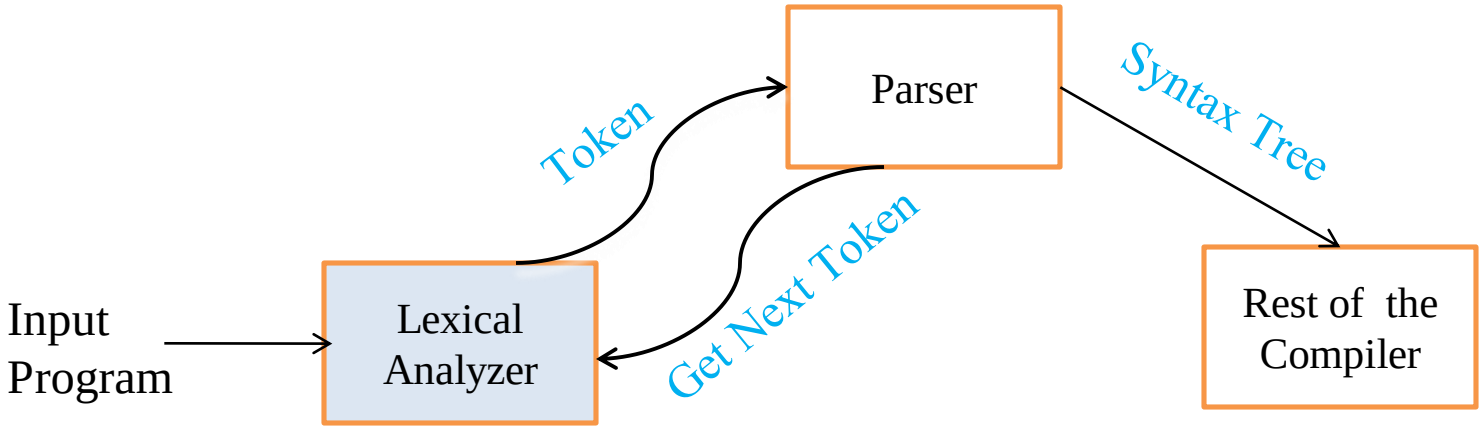
- | is commutative
- | is associaltive
- Concat is associative
- Concat is distributes over
- same as above
- Є is the identity element For concatenation
- Relation between * and Є
- * is idempotent

Lexical Analyzer



Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

- Where does the Lexical Analyzer fits into the rest of Compiler?
  - The front end of most compilers is Parser Driven.
  - When the parser needs the next Token, it involves the Lexical Analyzer.
  - Instead of analyzing the entire input string, the lexical analyzer sees enough of the input string to return a single Token.



Lexical Analyzer acts as a **Sub-routine.**

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- Issues in lexical analysis

1. Simple design
2. Compiler efficiency is improved
3. Compiler portability is enhanced

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

- **Terms used in Lexical Analyzer:**

  - LEXEME-Smallest Logical Unit (Word) of Program.
    e.g.{ I, sum, buffer, for,10,+ …}

  - TOKEN –Set of Similar Lexemes.
    e.g.
    Identifier - { I, sum, buffer …}
    Keyword – { for, ….}
    Number – { 0, 23, ….}

  - PATTERN- as good as Regular Expression
    e.g. DIGIT [0-9]

Example

Token	Sample Lexemes	Informal Description of Pattern
const	const	const
if	if	if
relation	<,<=,=,<>,>,>=	< or <= or = or <> or > or >=
id	pi,count,D2	Letter followed by letters and digits
num	3.14,0,6.02	Any numerical constant
literal	“core dumped”	Any characters bet “ and “ except “

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

- **Lexemes not passed to the parser:**

  - White Spaces (WS) – Tab, Blanks, New Lines
  - Comments

  These too have to be detected and Ignored.

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

- **Tasks of a Lexical Analyzer:**
  1. Scans the input program,identifies valid words of the language.
  2. Removes extra white spaces,blanks,tabs,new lines ,comments etc
  3. Expands user defined macros

     (done at the compile time by lexical analyser)

     e.g. #define Max 5

     #include<stdio.h>
  4. Report presence of foreign words
  5. May perform case conversion
  6. It generates tokens and pass to syntax analysis phase.
  7. Lexical Analyzer is implemented as Finite automata.

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

- **Basic Tasks of a Lexical Analyzer:**
  - Recognizing Basic Elements.
  - Removal of White Spaces and Comments.
  - Recognizing Constants and Literals.
  - Recognizing Keywords and Identifiers.

< token, token value>

Pointer to Symbol Table Entry

Ex: < id, .>

< no, 9>

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

- **Token:**
- Token stream: Each significant lexical chunk of the program is represented by a token
  - Operators & Punctuation: {}[]!+-=*;: …
  - Keywords: if while return goto
  - Identifiers: id & actual name
  - Constants: kind & value; int, floating-point character, string, …

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)

Example:

position = initial + rate * 60

Tokenized to:

position : The identifier

= : The Assignment Operator

initial : The identifier

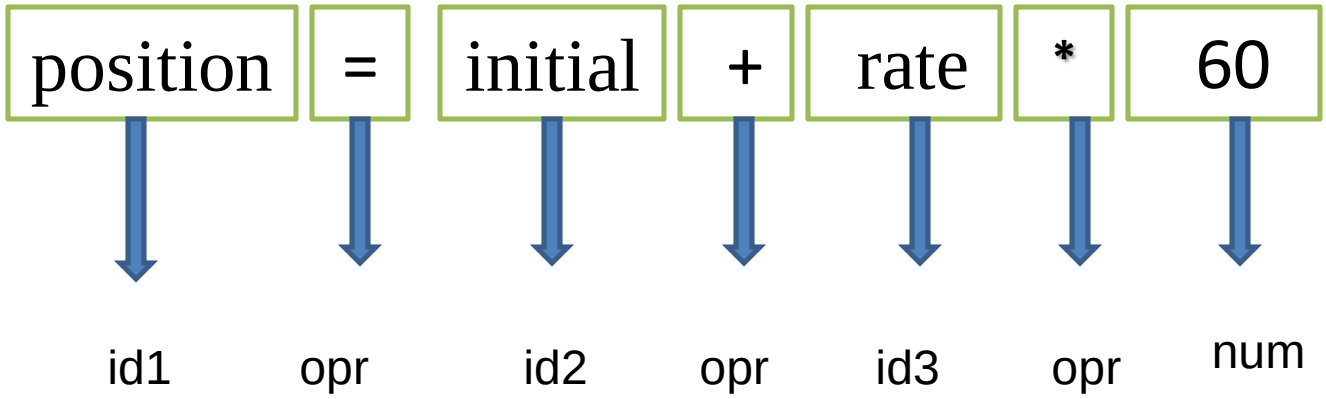
+ : The Plus Operator

rate : The identifier

* : The Multiplication Operator

60 : The Number/ Constant

Lexical Analyzer (cont…)



id1 = id2 + id3 * 60

Design of Lexical Analyzer

- Every action is implemented by Transition Diagram

- TG for Identifiers, Keywords, Operators…
- Regular Expression.
- Finite Automata.

Two Approaches

1. Hand Code : This is only of historical interest now.
   (possibly more efficient)

2. Use Generator : To generate the lexical analyzer from a format description.
   - The generation process is faster.
   - Less prone to Errors.

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- Lexical analyzer generator consists of two parts:

1. Specification of tokens – done through RE
2. Specification of actions

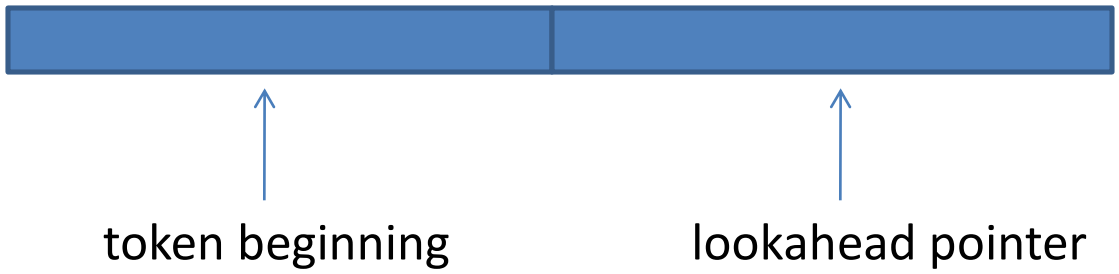
The lexical analyzer generator

- Processes RE s & forms a graph DFA
- Copies the action routines without any change
- Adds a driver routine

these 3 things put together constitutes the lexical analyzer.

Input buffering

- The lexical analyzer scans the characters of the source program one at a time to discover tokens.
- many characters beyond the next token may have to be examined before the next token itself can be determined.
- For this and other reasons, it is desirable for the lexical analyzer to read its input from an input buffer
- Figure shows a buffer divided into two halves of, say 100 characters each.



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- E.g. DECLARE(arg1,arg2,…,argn)

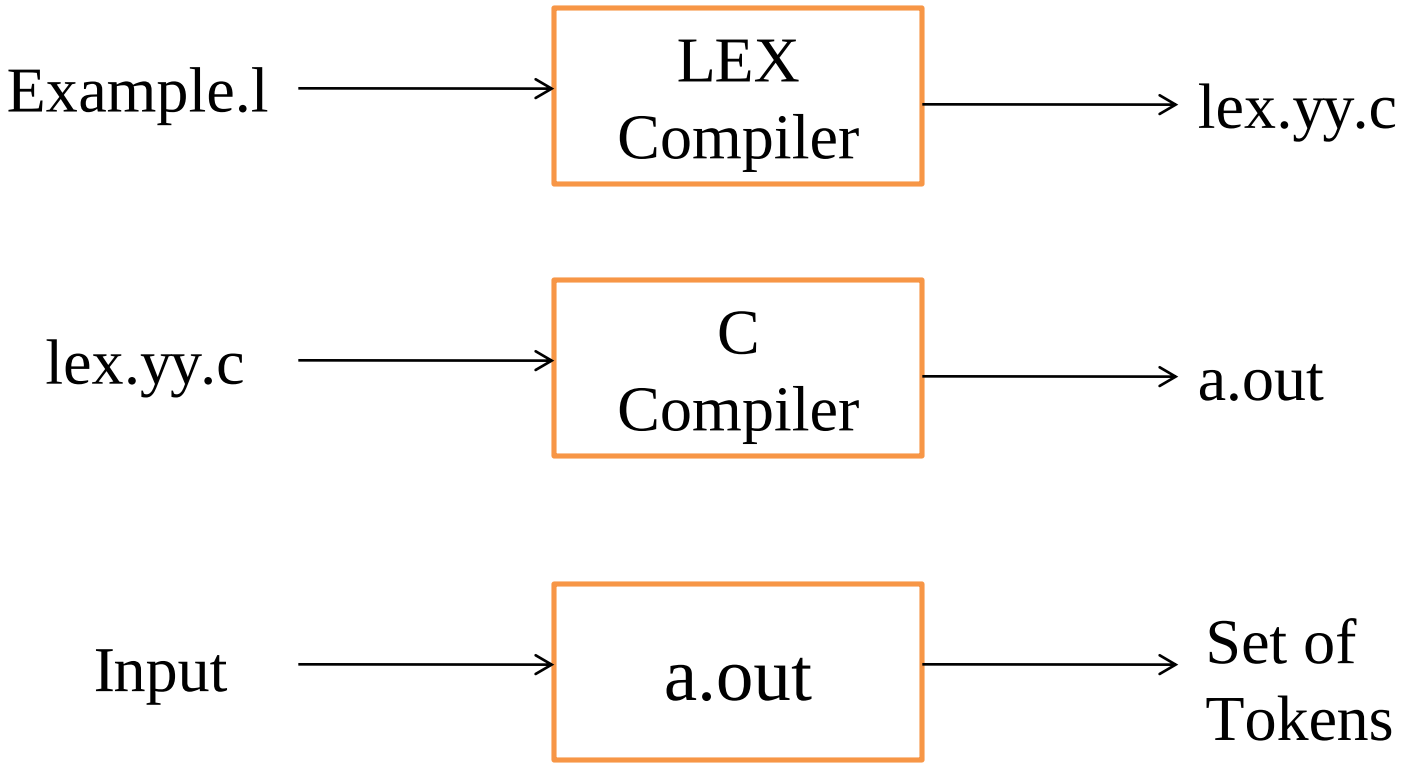
Without knowing whether DECLARE is a keyword or an array name until we see the character that follows the right parenthesis.

If the look ahead pointer travels beyond the buffer half in which it began, the other half must be loaded with the next characters from the source file.

Lexical Errors

- Matched but ambiguous:
  - left to the other phases(e.g., parser)
  - e.g., fi (a == f(x)) … : fi => identifier ?? misspelling of “if”
- d=2r ,no symbol can start with 2(digit)
- Unmatched:
  - Panic mode recovery: delete successive characters from the remaining input until a well-formed token is found
  - Repair input (single error):
    - deleting an extraneous character
    - inserting a missing character
    - replacing with a correct character
    - transposing two adjacent character

LEX


Example.l
LEX Compiler
lex.yy.c
lex.yy.c
C Compiler
a.out
Input
a.out
Set of Tokens

LEX Specification

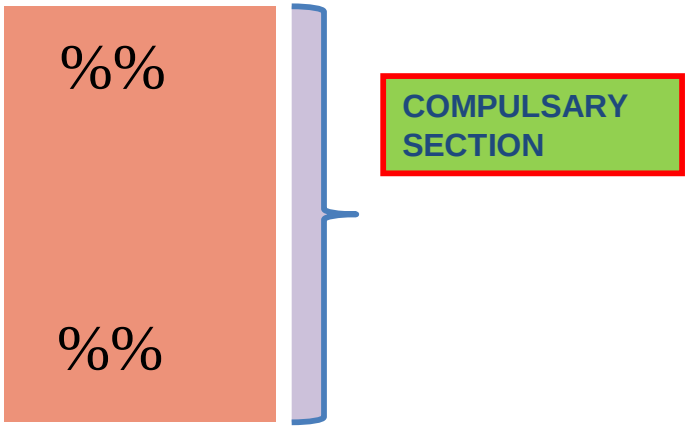
- Declaration Section : Variable, Manifest Constant, Regular Definition.

%{

%}

- Translation Rules Section

P1 ……. { action1}
P2 ……. { action2}
P3 ……. { action3}
P4 ……. { action4}

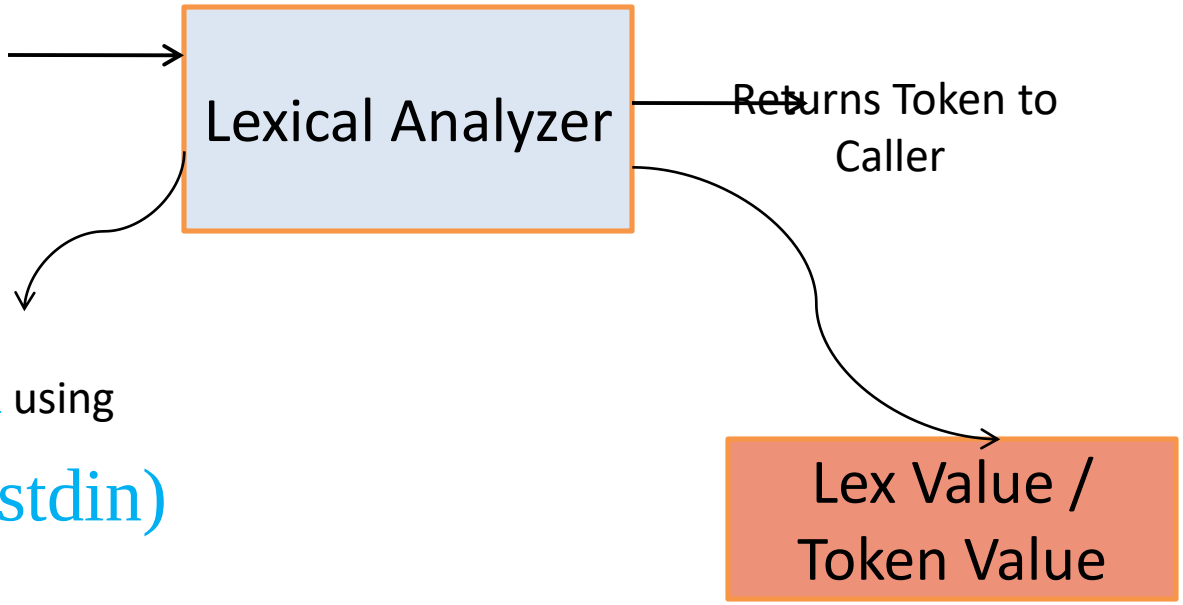


- Subroutine Section/Auxiliary Procedures

LEX (cont_...)

Implementing the Interactions

Uses getchar() In C to read a Character



Sets a global variable to attribute value (yylval)

LEX (cont_...)

- Commands Used:

```
# lex filename.l
# cc lex.yy.c –ll
# ./a.out
```

Sample program

```
%{
    #include<stdio.h>
    int wcnt=0, lcnt=0, char_cnt=0;
%}
   charac     [^\n\t]
   eol        \n
  word         “   "
%%
    {eol}      {lcnt++; wcnt++;}
    {word}     {wcnt++;}
   {charac}   {char_cnt++;}
%%
```

Definition section

Regular definition section

Declaration section

Rules section

Contd….

```
main()
{
        yyin=fopen("sample.txt","r");
        yylex();
    printf("\n\nNumber of lines: %d",lcnt);
    printf("\nNumber of words: %d",wcnt);
    printf("\nNo. ofcharacters:%d",char_cnt);
}
int yywrap()
{
return 1;
}
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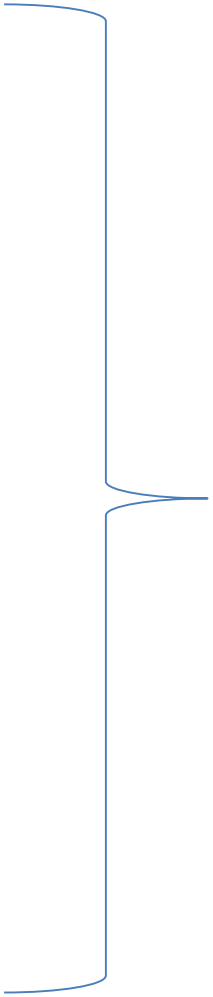

Auxiliary procedure section

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yylex()

- Entry point
- Call yylex() to start or resume scanning
- If a lex action does a return to pass a value to the calling program, the next call to yylex() will continue from the point where it left off
- All code in the rules section is copied into yylex()

yywrap()

- When EOF is found it calls routine yywrap() to find out what to do next.
- Returns 0 –scanner continues scanning
- Returns 1 – the scanner returns zero token to report the EOF

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yytext

- Whenever a lexer matches a token the text of the token is stored in the null terminated string yytext
- When flex finds a match, yytext points to the first character of the match in the input buffer
- The value of yytext will be overwritten the next time yylex() is called.
- The value of yytext is only valid from within the matched rule's action

Regular Expression

.	Matches any single character except new line character
*	Matches 0 or more copies of the preceding expression
[]	char class which matches any char within the bracket
^	Matches the beginning of the line as 1st char of RE
$	Matches the end of line as the last char of a RE
{}	Indicates how many times the previous pattern is allowed to match when containing one or two nos.
\	Used to escape metacharacters & as part of the usual c escape sequences e.g. “\n”
+	Matches one or more occurrence of the preceding RE
?	matches zero or one occurrence of the preceding RE
	e.g. -?[0-9]+

Contd…

|	Matches either the preceding RE or the following RE e.g. is|am|are
"…"	Interprets everything within the quotation marks literally
/	Matches the preceding RE but only if the followed by the following RE
()	Groups series of RE together into a new RE

Lex Program

```
%{
    /* definitions of manifest constants
        LT, LE, EQ, NE, GT, GE,
        IF, THEN, ELSE, ID, Number, RELOP */
%}

/* regular definitions */
delim                [ \t\n]
ws                   {delim}+
letter               [A-Za-z]
digit                [0-9]
Id                   {letter} ({letter}|{digit})*
number               {digit}+(\. {digit}+)?(E+-]?{digit}+)?
```

Lex Program (cont…)

```
%%
{ws}          {/* no action and no return */}
If            {return (IF);}
then          {return (THEN);}
else          {return (ELSE);}
{id}          {yylval = (int) installID(); return (ID);}
{number}      {yylval = (int) installNum(); return (NUMBER);}
"<"           {yyval = LT; return (RELOP);}
"<="          {yyval = LE; return (RELOP);}
"="           {yyval = EQ; return (RELOP);}
"<>"          {yyval = NE; return (RELOP);}
">"           {yyval = GT; return (RELOP);}
">="          {yyval = GE; return (RELOP);}
%%
```

Lex Program (cont…)

int installID() {/* function to install the lexeme, whose first character is pointed to by yytext, and whose length is yyleng, into the symbol table and return a pointer thereto */

int installNum {/* similar to installID, but puts numerical constants into a separate table */

Scanner: Lexical Analysis

– What kind of **ERRORS** can be reported by **LA**?

- Issues an Appropriate Error Message
- Errors:

1. The Entire Lexeme is read and then truncated to the Specified Length.
2. Error of the Second Type-

   a. Skip Illegal Character.

   b. Pass the Character to the parser which has better knowledge of the context in which Error has occurred.
3. Wait till end of File and issue Error Message.

Like Misspelling of Keywords.