## Compiler Construction

**BPDC** 

Lab - 08 (Weightage 0%)

## I/O Functions

Incorporate read(scanf) and write(printf) functions to your compiler.

- 1. The template of scanf function is: scanf("formatstring", var1, var2, ...); where the format string should contain the right sequence of format specifiers ,%d(int),%c(char),%f(float), %lf(double) or  $\%s(character\ array)$  that exactly matches the data types of those associated variables (this has to be verified by referring to the symbol table). If the user declares a variable as a character array (say,  $char\ str[30]$ ;), and refers to it using the format specifier %s, then this should be treated as an exceptional case and the user should be permitted to refer to the character array using the name alone (say, scanf("%s", str); is valid), and otherwise should be forced to refer using indexing (say, scanf("%c", &a[i]).
- 2. Further, for all those format specifiers other than %s, scanf requires to be provided with the address of the variable (scanf(``%c%d'', &str[i], &x); and scanf(``%s'', str); are valid expressions while scanf(``%d'', x); is an invalid expression assuming x to be of type int and str to be a  $char \ array$ ).
- 3. With reference to Lab 06, in general, the parameters (other than the first which is format specifier string) to scanf should have pointer depth 1 and should be of the appropriate type.