

Comprehensive Minishell Lexer & Builtin Test Cases

LEXER TEST CASES

1. Basic Tokenization

Simple words

```
bash
echo
ls
cat
pwd
hello
test123
```

Words with special characters

```
bash
file.txt
file_name
file-name
/path/to/file
./relative/path
../parent/path
~/.bashrc
file123.txt
test_file-2.sh
```

2. Operators

Single character operators

```
bash
|
>
<
&
:
```

Multi-character operators

```
bash  
>>  
<<  
&&  
||
```

Operators with spacing variations

```
bash  
echo hello|cat  
echo hello | cat  
echo hello |cat  
echo hello| cat  
echo>file.txt  
echo >file.txt  
echo> file.txt  
echo > file.txt  
cat<input.txt  
cat <input.txt  
cat< input.txt  
cat < input.txt
```

3. Quote Handling

Single quotes - no expansion

```
bash  
echo 'hello world'  
echo '$USER'  
echo '$HOME/test'  
echo 'single"double'  
echo """  
echo 'a"b"c'  
echo 'test | pipe'  
echo 'test > redirect'
```

Double quotes - with expansion

```
bash
```

```
echo "hello world"
echo "$USER"
echo "$HOME/test"
echo "double'single"
echo "'''''"
echo "a""b""c"
echo "test $USER test"
echo "$USER$HOME"
echo "test | pipe"
echo "test > redirect"
```

Mixed quotes

```
bash

echo "hello"world"
echo 'single"double"
echo "test"$USER"more"
echo '$USER'"$HOME"
echo "test'nested'test"
echo 'test"nested"test'
```

Unclosed quotes (should error or wait for closing)

```
bash

echo "hello
echo 'world
echo "test'mixed
echo 'test"mixed
```

Empty quotes

```
bash

echo """
echo "
echo """"
echo """
echo """
echo """
echo """
```

Quotes in middle of words

```
bash

echo hel"lo"world
echo test'123'end
echo start"middle"end'final'
echo $USER"test"$HOME
```

4. Variable Expansion

Basic expansion

```
bash

echo $USER
echo $HOME
echo $PATH
echo $PWD
echo $OLDPWD
echo $?
echo $_
```

Expansion with text

```
bash

echo prefix$USERsuffix
echo $USER$HOME
echo test$USERtest
echo $USER/$HOME/test
```

Non-existent variables

```
bash

echo $NONEXISTENT
echo $DOES_NOT_EXIST
echo $
echo test$test
```

Special cases

```
bash

echo $$  
echo $?  
echo $0  
echo $1  
echo $@  
echo $*  
echo $#
```

Variables in quotes

```
bash

echo "$USER"  
echo '$USER'  
echo "$USER$HOME"  
echo '$USER$HOME'  
echo "test $USER test"  
echo 'test $USER test'
```

Edge cases

```
bash

echo $  
echo $ test  
echo test$  
echo $123  
echo $123test  
echo $test123  
echo ${USER}  
echo ${}
```

5. Whitespace Handling

Multiple spaces

```
bash

echo hello world
ls -l -a
cat file.txt
```

Tabs

```
bash
echo hello world
ls -l -a
```

Mixed whitespace

```
bash
echo    hello  world
ls -l -a
```

Leading/trailing whitespace

```
bash
echo hello
echo hello
ls -la
echo test
```

No whitespace

```
bash
echo"hello"
cat<file.txt>output.txt
ls|grep test|wc -l
```

6. Special Characters

Backslash (if supported)

```
bash
echo hello\ world
echo test\$USER
echo \\
echo \"test\"
echo \'test\'
```

Wildcards (if supported)

```
bash

echo *
echo *.txt
echo test*
echo *test
echo test*.txt
ls *.c
```

Parentheses (if subshells supported)

```
bash

(echo hello)
( echo hello )
((echo nested))
(echo one; echo two)
```

7. Comments (if supported)

```
bash

echo hello # this is a comment
# this is a full line comment
echo test # comment | not a pipe
# echo this should not run
```

8. Complex Tokenization

Multiple operators

```
bash

echo hello | cat | cat | wc -l
cat < input.txt | grep test > output.txt
echo test && echo success || echo fail
```

Quotes with operators

```
bash
```

```
echo "hello | world"
echo 'test > file'
echo "test && success"
cat "file > name.txt"
```

Variables with operators

```
bash

echo $USER | cat
cat $HOME/.bashrc | grep alias
echo $? && echo success
```

9. Edge Cases in Lexing

Empty input

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Only spaces/tabs

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Only operators

```
bash

|
|
&&
><
```

Malformed operators

```
bash

|||
&&&
>>>
<<<
```

Consecutive quotes

```
bash

echo "****"test"*****"
echo ""test"""
echo *****
```

Quote combinations

```
bash

echo "test'test"test
echo 'test"test'test
echo *****
```

BUILTIN TEST CASES

1. echo

Basic echo

```
bash

echo
echo hello
echo hello world
echo "hello world"
echo 'hello world'
```

-n flag (no newline)

```
bash

echo -n hello
echo -n "hello world"
echo -n hello world
echo -n -n hello
echo -nnnn hello
echo -n -n -n hello world
```

Invalid flags (should print as text)

```
bash
```

```
echo -a hello  
echo -x test  
echo -N hello  
echo -n hello
```

With variables

```
bash
```

```
echo $USER  
echo $HOME  
echo $PATH  
echo $?  
echo "$USER is logged in"  
echo '$USER is logged in'
```

Special characters

```
bash
```

```
echo \$USER  
echo \\  
echo \"test\"  
echo \n\t\r
```

Multiple arguments

```
bash
```

```
echo one two three four five  
echo "arg1" "arg2" "arg3"  
echo arg1 'arg2' "arg3"
```

Edge cases

```
bash
```

```
echo ""  
echo "  
echo -n  
echo -n ""  
echo -n -n  
echo $NONEXISTENT
```

2. cd

Basic cd

```
bash  
  
cd /tmp  
cd ~  
cd  
cd /  
cd /usr/local/bin
```

Relative paths

```
bash  
  
cd ..  
cd ../../..  
cd ./test  
cd test/subdir
```

Special directories

```
bash  
  
cd ~  
cd ~/Documents  
cd -  
cd $HOME  
cd "$HOME/test"
```

Error cases

```
bash
```

```
cd /nonexistent  
cd /root  
cd file.txt  
cd ""  
cd " "
```

Multiple arguments (should error)

```
bash  
  
cd /tmp /var  
cd ~ /tmp  
cd one two three
```

With quotes

```
bash  
  
cd "test dir"  
cd 'test dir'  
cd "/tmp"  
cd '/tmp'
```

Complex paths

```
bash  
  
cd ../../test/../tmp  
cd /tmp./test  
cd ~/./Documents
```

Edge cases

```
bash  
  
cd .  
cd ..  
cd /  
cd //  
cd ///
```

PWD updates

```
bash  
  
cd /tmp  
echo $PWD  
echo $OLDPWD  
cd -  
echo $PWD  
echo $OLDPWD
```

3. pwd

Basic pwd

```
bash  
  
pwd  
cd /tmp && pwd  
cd ~ && pwd
```

With options (might not be supported)

```
bash  
  
pwd -L  
pwd -P  
pwd --help
```

After directory changes

```
bash  
  
pwd  
cd /tmp  
pwd  
cd ..  
pwd  
cd ~  
pwd
```

After directory deletion

```
bash
```

```
# Setup in another terminal: mkdir -p /tmp/test && cd /tmp/test  
pwd  
# Delete /tmp/test in another terminal  
pwd
```

Edge cases

```
bash  
  
pwd extra arguments  
pwd | cat  
pwd > output.txt
```

4. export

Basic export

```
bash  
  
export VAR=value  
export VAR="value"  
export VAR='value'  
export PATH=/bin:/usr/bin
```

Multiple exports

```
bash  
  
export VAR1=value1 VAR2=value2  
export VAR1=val1 VAR2=val2 VAR3=val3
```

Export without value (declare as exported)

```
bash  
  
export VAR  
export PATH  
export USER
```

No arguments (print all exported vars)

```
bash
```

```
export
```

Complex values

```
bash
```

```
export VAR="value with spaces"
export PATH=$PATH:/new/path
export TEST="$USER:$HOME"
export VAR='$USER'
export MULTI="line1
line2"
```

Invalid variable names

```
bash
```

```
export 123VAR=value
export VAR-NAME=value
export VAR NAME=value
export =value
export "INVALID VAR"=value
```

Empty values

```
bash
```

```
export VAR=
export VAR=""
export VAR=""
```

Overwriting variables

```
bash
```

```
export VAR=old
export VAR=new
echo $VAR
```

Special characters in values

```
bash
```

```
export VAR="test|pipe"
export VAR="test>redirect"
export VAR="test;semicolon"
export VAR="test\$dollar"
```

Edge cases

```
bash

export VAR=value1 VAR=value2
export ""
export "
export VAR
export NONEXISTENT
```

5. unset

Basic unset

```
bash

export VAR=value
unset VAR
echo $VAR
```

Multiple unsets

```
bash

export A=1 B=2 C=3
unset A B C
echo $A $B $C
```

Unset special variables

```
bash

unset PATH
unset HOME
unset USER
unset PWD
```

Non-existent variables

```
bash  
unset NONEXISTENT  
unset FAKE_VAR
```

No arguments (should do nothing or error)

```
bash  
unset
```

Invalid variable names

```
bash  
unset 123VAR  
unset VAR-NAME  
unset "INVALID VAR"
```

Edge cases

```
bash  
unset ""  
unset "  
unset VAR1 VAR2 VAR3 NONEXISTENT VAR4
```

After unset

```
bash  
export TEST=value  
echo $TEST  
unset TEST  
echo $TEST  
export TEST=newvalue  
echo $TEST
```

6. env

Basic env

```
bash
```

env

With arguments (might not be supported)

```
bash
```

```
env | grep USER  
env | sort
```

After modifications

```
bash
```

```
export TEST=123  
env | grep TEST  
unset TEST  
env | grep TEST
```

Empty environment (edge case)

```
bash
```

```
# This is more for testing, not typical usage  
env -i ./minishell  
env
```

Redirection

```
bash
```

```
env > env_output.txt  
env | cat
```

7. exit

Basic exit

```
bash
```

```
exit  
exit 0  
exit 1  
exit 42
```

Edge cases

```
bash  
exit 255  
exit 256  
exit -1  
exit 999999
```

Invalid arguments

```
bash  
exit hello  
exit 123abc  
exit abc123  
exit "42"  
exit '42'
```

Multiple arguments (should error)

```
bash  
exit 1 2 3  
exit 0 extra
```

Exit with expressions

```
bash  
exit $?  
exit $(echo 42)
```

Exit status propagation

```
bash
```

```
false  
exit  
# Check exit status in parent shell
```

In subshells

```
bash  
(exit 42)  
echo $?
```

COMBINED LEXER + BUILTIN TESTS

1. Builtins with Complex Quoting

```
bash  
echo "USER is $USER"  
echo 'USER is $USER'  
export VAR="test"  
export VAR='test'  
cd "test dir"  
cd 'test dir'
```

2. Builtins with Operators

```
bash  
echo hello | cat  
pwd | cat  
env | grep USER  
export TEST=123 && echo $TEST  
cd /tmp && pwd  
cd /fake || echo "failed"
```

3. Builtins with Redirections

```
bash
```

```
echo hello > output.txt
pwd > pwd_output.txt
env > env_output.txt
export TEST=123 > /dev/null
cd /tmp > /dev/null
```

4. Multiple Builtins

```
bash

export TEST=hello; echo $TEST
cd /tmp; pwd; cd -; pwd
export A=1; export B=2; echo $A $B
unset A; unset B; echo $A $B
```

5. Builtins with Variables

```
bash

echo $HOME
cd $HOME
export PATH=$PATH:/new/path
cd "$HOME/Documents"
unset HOME
cd $HOME
```

6. Edge Case Combinations

```
bash

echo "" | cat
export VAR= | cat
cd ""
pwd || cat
exit | cat
```

7. Whitespace Madness

```
bash
```

```
echo "hello" | cat  
export VAR=test  
cd /tmp  
pwd
```

8. Quote Escaping in Builtins

```
bash  
  
echo "test\"quote"  
echo 'test\'quote'  
export VAR="value\"with\"quotes"  
cd "dir\"name"
```

9. Variable Expansion in Builtins

```
bash  
  
echo $USER$HOME  
export NEW=$OLD  
cd $HOME/$USER  
echo "$USER is at $HOME"
```

10. Stress Tests

```
bash  
  
echo "test" | cat | cat | cat | grep test | cat | wc -l  
export A=1 && export B=2 && export C=3 && echo $A $B $C  
cd /tmp && pwd && cd ~ && pwd && cd - && pwd  
export VAR="very long value with many words and spaces and special chars !@#$%^&*()!"
```

SYSTEMATIC TEST SCRIPT

```
bash
```

```
#!/bin/bash

# Test script to compare bash vs minishell

TESTS=(  
    "echo hello"  
    "echo 'hello world'"  
    'echo "hello world"'  
    "echo \$USER"  
    "pwd"  
    "cd /tmp && pwd"  
    "export TEST=value && echo \$TEST"  
    "unset PATH && echo \$PATH"  
    "exit 42"  
)  
  
for test in "${TESTS[@]}"; do  
    echo "Testing: $test"  
  
    # Run in bash  
    bash -c "$test" > bash.out 2>&1  
    bash_exit=$?  
  
    # Run in minishell  
    ./minishell -c "$test" > mini.out 2>&1  
    mini_exit=$?  
  
    # Compare outputs  
    if diff bash.out mini.out > /dev/null && [ $bash_exit -eq $mini_exit ]; then  
        echo "✓ PASS"  
    else  
        echo "✗ FAIL"  
        echo "Bash output:"  
        cat bash.out  
        echo "Bash exit: $bash_exit"  
        echo "Minishell output:"  
        cat mini.out  
        echo "Minishell exit: $mini_exit"  
    fi  
    echo "___"  
done
```

```
rm bash.out mini.out
```

LEXER-SPECIFIC EDGE CASES

Token Boundary Detection

```
bash

echo"test"
echo'test'
cat<file.txt
cat>file.txt
ls|grep
echo&&pwd
cd||ls
```

Maximum Token Length

```
bash

echo verylongtokenwithoutspacesverylongtokenwithoutspacesverylongtokenwithoutspaces...
```

Unicode and Special Characters (if supported)

```
bash

echo "日本語"
echo "emoji: 🚀"
echo "special: àéîôù"
```

Null Bytes (should handle gracefully)

```
bash

# Test with files containing null bytes
```

Maximum Argument Count

```
bash

echo 1 2 3 4 5 ... 1000
```

This comprehensive test suite will thoroughly exercise your lexer and builtin implementations!