University of Toronto

CSC 488S / CSC2107S Compilers and Interpreters

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Assignment Schedule

All assignments, except where other instructions are given, are to be submitted electronically by 13:00 on the due date. Instructions on how to submit electronically will be provided later. In addition, paper printouts of your assignment code and accompanying documentation are due at 13:00 in the drop-off box labelled "CSC488" in BA 2220. Make sure your T-card opens this room. Otherwise, please send admin@cdf your T-card number, and they will enroll you. Assignments handed in after the due date will be penalized 5% per day. Exception: late Assignment 2s will not be accepted after a solution has been posted.

Assignments will be done by teams of 5 students. All students on a team will get the same mark for the assignment they hand in unless they all request a different division in writing.

The teaching assistants will discuss testing of your compiler components and the format for handing in assignments. For every assignment you should hand in:

- a) a description of which member of your team was responsible for each part of the work.
- b) well written documentation for the work you did on the assignment.

Documentation will be worth at least 20% of the mark for every assignment. This percentage may be increased for some assignments.

Version Control

The use of some version control system (e.g. RCS, Subversion, Mercurial, git) is MANDATORY for this project. Use of a version control system is a really, really good idea for managing changing source code in a project of this scope. We will be totally unsympathetic about disasters arising from failure to use a version control system.

Project Testing

For each assignment in which you modify the project compiler, you must hand in test runs to demonstrate that you have implemented the features required for the particular assignment. As a minimum, these tests should illustrate:

- a) Correct handling of normal cases
- b) Correct handling of tricky or difficult cases
- c) Any error handling that you have implemented.

It is your responsibility to hand in sufficient information to convince the person marking the assignment that you have done a complete and correct solution to the assignment. You should always provide an index or manifest for the information you submit to make it easier for the teaching assistant to locate relevant information.

We expect each team to **thoroughly** test their software. The quality of each teams testing will be a significant component of the mark for each assignment.

The Assignments

Assignment 0, due January 14 [0%] Notify the TA by email of the composition of your project team. Include the CDF user name for each team member. We will use this information to setup separate Linux course groups for each team to facilitate file sharing and communication.

It is important to form your team as soon as possible. The teaching assistant will assist students in forming teams.

Assignment 1, due January 23 [3%]. The purpose of this assignment is to allow you to gain familiarity with the project language. Write each of the following programs in the CSC488S Source Language. Store them electronically. Submit a tarball containing these programs and hand in a printed copy.

These programs will be useful later for testing your compiler so you may want to think ahead, not only about syntax but about semantics as well. Try to use all of the features of the language in your programs. Small simple programs are better compiler test cases. These programs do not need to compute anything useful.

- a) a program that uses all arithmetic, logical and comparison operators
- b) a program using arrays including both forms of array declaration, positive and negative bounds.
- c) a program using all forms of loop building and loop exit constructs.
- d) a program using non-recursive functions and procedures with and without parameters
- e) a program using recursive functions and procedures with and without parameters include at least one nested procedure and one nested function declaration

The course project compiler uses the convention that source files in the project language end in the suffix .488 e.g. MyCleverProgram.488

Assignment 2, due February 6 [8%] Using jflex and jcup build a parser for the language based on the definition provided. This parser should include the proper operator precedence and associativity so that it is LALR(1). Your parser can stop at the first syntax error, after reporting it (the default action). If the program is parsed successfully, your parser should not write anything. No semantic actions are required in the jcup file.

A set of files containing a skeleton compiler including an empty parser will be provided. Do NOT modify the lexical analyzer. Write your parser using the skeleton provided. Submit and hand in a copy of csc488.cup and some test runs as described above. Also hand in document describing the design of your parser. A correct parser should not have any shift/reduce or reduce/reduce conflicts. You MAY NOT use precedence and associativity features of <code>jcup</code>. You may **not** change the programming language.

A solution to the assignment (i.e., a correctly working parser) will be made available on February 10.

Late Assignment 2s will not be accepted after the solution has been handed out.

Tutorial documents on using jflex and jcup will be made available.

Assignment 3, due February 27 [13%]. Documentation will be provided on the recommended structure of an **Abstract Syntax Tree** (AST) for the project language. and on the semantic analysis checking required for the project language.

A complete skeleton compiler including a working scanner and parser will be made available on February 10. Also included in this software will be skeleton software for building the AST Using this skeleton compiler you are to do the following:

- a) Modify the parser to generate a complete AST.
- b) Construct a symbol table module and a semantics module that implement all language constructs These modules should not interface with the parser directly but should process the abstract syntax tree produced by the parser. NOTE that you will have to extend the AST data structures provided to do semantic analysis.

Add your modules to the skeleton compiler, and test them. Submit and hand in a (well-documented!) copy of each module you modified, additional documentation if necessary, and some test runs with the option to print the symbol table turned on. Note that this assignment is very thinking and programming intensive, so budget your time accordingly.

Assignment 4, due March 13 [8%]. Documentation will be provided that describes the recommended code generation actions for the project language. Design code generation templates for the statements in the CSC488S Source Language. (A code generation template is a generic description of the machine code that will be generated for a language construct). Hand in a written description of these templates including a description of any decisions you have made about how programs should be represented. Organize your code generation templates by source language constructs not by code generation action. The format of code generation templates will be discussed in the tutorial. The instructor will provide a small set of sample programs in the project language. Using your code templates show how each of these programs would be translated into the CSC488S Machine Language.

Assignment 5, due April 4 [13%]. Construct a code generator. Add it to the compiler and test it. You may **not** change the pseudo machine interpreter. Submit and hand in a copy of the code generator (all files that you have modified, with necessary documentation), and tests that demonstrate its correct operation.

WARNING: Assignments 3, 4 and 5 are **very** design and programming intensive. Do **not** wait to start these assignments until just before they are due or you will **not** finish them. Thinking hard about code generation templates in Assignment 4 will make Assignment 5 much easier.

Notice: the instructor reserves the right to modify these assignments if exceptional circumstances occur.