COMPILER DESIGN PROJECT PROPOSAL – OPERATOR PRECEDENCE PARSER

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OVERVIEW

1. Project Description

An operator-precedence parser is a simple shift-reduce parser that is capable of parsing a subset of LR (1) grammars or in simple words an operator precedence parser is a bottom-up parser that interprets an operator-precedence grammar.

For example, most calculators use operator precedence parsers to convert from the human-readable infix notation relying on order of operations to a format that is optimized. More precisely, the operator-precedence parser can parse all LR (1) grammars where two consecutive nonterminal and epsilon never appear in the right-hand side of any rule.

Operator precedence grammar is kinds of shift reduce parsing method. It is applied to a small class of operator grammars.

A grammar is said to be operator precedence grammar if it has two properties:

- No R.H.S. of any production has a ∈.
- No two non-terminals are adjacent.

Operator precedence can only be established between the terminals of the grammar. It ignores the non-terminal.

2. Project Scope

Operator-precedence parsers are not used often in practice - however, they do have some properties that make them useful within a larger design.

First, they are simple enough to write by hand, which is not generally the case with more sophisticated right shift-reduce parsers.

Second, they can be written to consult an operator table at run time, which makes them suitable for languages that can add to or change their operators while parsing.

3. Deliverables

Implementation includes, (Acceptance and Rejection of the Input)

The parser will identify the following:

- If the input keeps in step with the grammar.
- If two operators are given together in an input.
- · If the input has an operator at the very end.