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## **ABSTRACT**

This report contains the details of how one can develop the simple compiler for given language using Lex (Lexical Analyzer Generator) and YACC (Yet Another Compiler-Compiler). Lex tool helps write programs whose control flow is directed by instances of regular expressions in the input stream. Lex tool source is the table of regular expressions and corresponding program fragments. The table is translated to a program which reads an input stream, copying it to an output stream and partitioning the input into strings which match the given expressions. On the other hand, YACC tool receives input of the user grammar. Starting from this grammar it generates the C source code for the parser. YACC invokes Lex to scan the source code and uses the tokens returned by Lex to build a syntax tree. With the help of YACC and Lex tool one can write their own compiler.

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# INTRODUCTION

## COMPILER

A compiler is a software that takes a program written in a high-level language and translates it into an equivalent program in a target language. Most specifically a compiler takes a computer program and translates it into an object program. Some other tools associated with the compiler are responsible for making an object program into executable form

**Source program** – It is normally written in a high-level programming language. It contains a set of rules, symbols and special words used to construct a computer program.

**Target program** – It is normally the equivalent program in machine code. It contains the binary representation of the instructions that the hardware of computer can perform.

**Error Message** – A message issued by the compiler due to detection of syntax errors in the source program.

Compilation is a large process. It is often broken into stages. Many phases of the compiler try and optimize by translating one form into a better (more efficient) form. Most of compiling is about “pattern matching” languages and tools that support pattern matching, are very useful. An efficient compiler must preserve semantics of the source program and it should create an efficient version of the target language.

## PHASES OF COMPILERS

Typically, a compiler includes several functional parts. For example, a conventional compiler may include a lexical analyser that looks at the source program and identifies successive “tokens” in the source program. A conventional compiler also includes a parser or syntactical analyser, which takes as an input a grammar defining the language being compiled and a series of actions associated with the grammar.

The syntactical analyser builds a “parse tree” for the statements in the source program in accordance with the grammar productions and actions.

For each statement in the input source program, the syntactical analyser generates a parse tree of the source input in a recursive, “bottom-up” manner in accordance with relevant productions and actions in the grammar. Generation of the parse tree allows the syntactical analyser to determine whether the parts of the source program comply with the grammar. If not, the syntactical analyser generates an error.

## **CLASSIFICATION OF COMPILER PHASES**

There are two major parts of a compiler phases: Analysis and Synthesis. In analysis phase, an intermediate representation is created from the given source program that contains:

- Lexical Analyser
- Syntax Analyser
- Semantic Analyser

In synthesis phase, the equivalent target program is created from this intermediate representation. This contains:

- Intermediate code Generator
- Code Optimisation
- Code Generation

### **LEXICAL ANALYZER**

Lexical analyzer takes the source program as an input and produces a string of tokens or lexemes. Lexical Analyzer reads the source program character by character and returns the tokens of the source program. The process of generation and returning the tokens is called lexical analysis. Representation of lexemes in the form of tokens as:

<token-name, attribute-value>

### **SYNTAX ANALYSER**

A Syntax Analyzer creates the syntactic structure (generally a parse tree) of the given program. In other words, a Syntax Analyzer takes output of lexical analyser (list of tokens) and produces a parse tree. A syntax analyser is also called as a parser. The parser checks if the expression made by the tokens is syntactically correct.

### **SEMANTIC ANALYSER**

Semantic analyser takes the output of syntax analyser. Semantic analyser checks a source program for semantic consistency with the language definition. It also gathers type information for use in intermediate-code generation.

### **INTERMEDIATE CODE GENERATION**

After semantic analysis, the compiler generates an intermediate code of the source code for the target machine. It represents a program for some abstract machine. It is in between the high-level language and the machine language.

### **CODE OPTIMISER**

The code optimizer takes the code produced by the intermediate code generator. The code optimizer reduces the code (if the code is not already optimized) without changing the meaning of the code. The optimization of code is in terms of time and space.

## **CODE GENERATION**

This produces the target language in a specific architecture. The target program is normally an object file containing the machine codes. Memory locations are selected for each of the variables used by the program.

## **SYMBOL TABLE**

It is a data-structure maintained throughout all the phases of a compiler. All the identifiers' names along with their types are stored here. The symbol table makes it easier for the compiler to quickly search the identifier record and retrieve it. The symbol table is also used for scope management.

## **LEXICAL ANALYSIS**

Lexical analysis is the first phase of a compiler. It takes the modified source code from language pre-processors that are written in the form of sentences. The lexical analyzer breaks these syntaxes into a series of tokens, by removing any whitespace or comments in the source code. If the lexical analyzer finds a token invalid, it generates an error. The lexical analyzer works closely with the syntax analyzer. It reads character streams from the source code, checks for legal tokens, and passes the data to the syntax analyzer when it demands. The main purpose of lexical analysis is to make life easier for the subsequent syntax analysis phase.

### **Token:**

Token is a sequence of characters that can be treated as a single logical entity. Typical tokens are,

- 1) Identifiers
- 2) keywords
- 3) operators
- 4) special symbols
- 5) constants

### **Pattern:**

A set of strings in the input for which the same token is produced as output. This set of strings is described by a rule called a pattern associated with the token.

### **Lexeme:**

A lexeme is a sequence of characters in the source program that is matched by the pattern for a token.

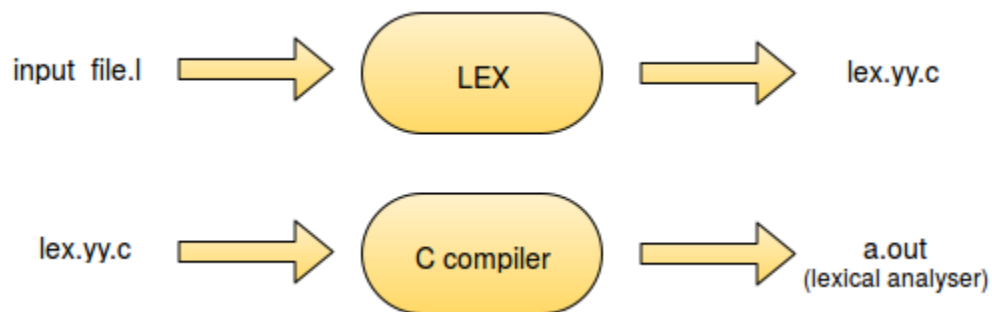
We can implement lexical analyser using lex tools.



# IMPLEMENTATION

## LEX

**LEX** is a tool used to generate a lexical analyzer. Technically, LEX translates a set of regular expression specifications (given as input in `inputfile.l`) into a C implementation of a corresponding finite state machine (`lex.yy.c`). This C program, when compiled, yields an executable lexical analyzer.

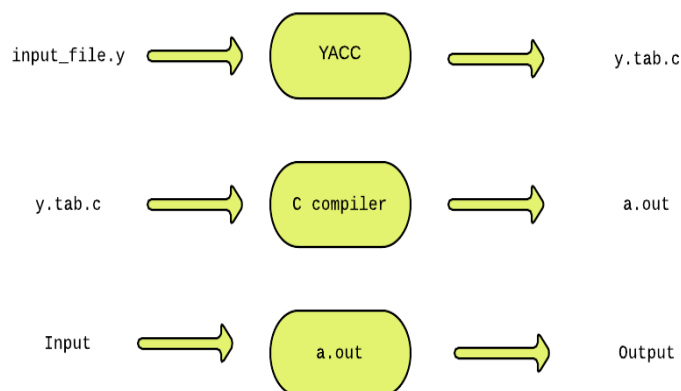


The source program is fed as the input to the lexical analyzer which produces a sequence of tokens as output. Conceptually, a lexical analyzer scans a given source program and produces an output of tokens.

Each token is specified by a token name. The token name is an abstract symbol representing the kind of lexical unit, e.g., a particular keyword, or a sequence of input characters denoting an identifier. The token names are the input symbols that the parser processes.

## YACC

**YACC** (Yet Another Compiler Compiler) is a tool used to generate a parser. YACC translates a given Context Free Grammar (CFG) specifications (input in `inputfile.y`) into a C implementation (`y.tab.c`) of a corresponding push down automaton (i.e., a finite state machine with a stack). This C program when compiled, yields an executable parser.



The source program is fed as the input to the generated parser (`a.out`). The parser checks whether the program satisfies the syntax specification given in the `inputfile.y` file.

## PARSER

A parser is a program that checks whether its input (viewed as a stream of tokens) meets a given grammar specification

### YYPARSE()

The y.tab.c file contains a function yyparse() which is an implementation (in C) of a push down automaton. yyparse() is responsible for parsing the given input file.

## STRUCTURE OF YACC PROGRAM

A YACC program consists of three sections: Declarations, Rules and Auxiliary functions

### DECLARATION

The declarations section consists of two parts: (i) C declarations and (ii) YACC declarations . The C Declarations are delimited by %{ and %}. This part consists of all the declarations required for the C code written in the *Actions* section and the *Auxiliary functions* section. The YACC declarations part comprises of declarations of tokens

### RULES

In this section we will write the rules require for our program.

### AUXILIARY FUNCTION

The Auxiliary functions section contains the definitions of three mandatory functions main(), yylex() and yyerror(). You may wish to add your own functions (depending on the the requirement for the application) in the y.tab.c file. Such functions are written in the auxiliary functions section. The main() function must invoke yyparse() to parse the input.

## STEPS INVOLVED TO WRITE LEX AND YACC PROGRAM

**Step1:** A YACC source program has three parts as follows:

Declarations %% translation rules %% supporting C routines

**Step2:** Declarations Section: This section contains entries that:

- i. Include standard I/O header file.
- ii. Define global variables.
- iii. Define the list rule as the place to start processing.
- iv. Define the tokens used by the parser.
- v. Define the operators and their precedence.

**Step3:** Rules Section: The rules section defines the rules that parse the input stream. Each rule of a grammar production and the associated semantic action.

**Step4:** Programs Section: The programs section contains the following subroutines. Because these subroutines are included in this file, it is not necessary to use the YACC library when processing this file.

**Step5:** Main- The required main program that calls the yyparse subroutine to start the program.

**Step6:** yyerror(s) -This error-handling subroutine only prints a syntax error message.

**Step7:** yywrap -The wrap-up subroutine that returns a value of 1 when the end of input occurs. The project.lex file contains include statements for standard input and output, as programmer file information if we use the -d flag with the yacc command. The y.tab.h file contains definitions for the tokens that the parser program uses.

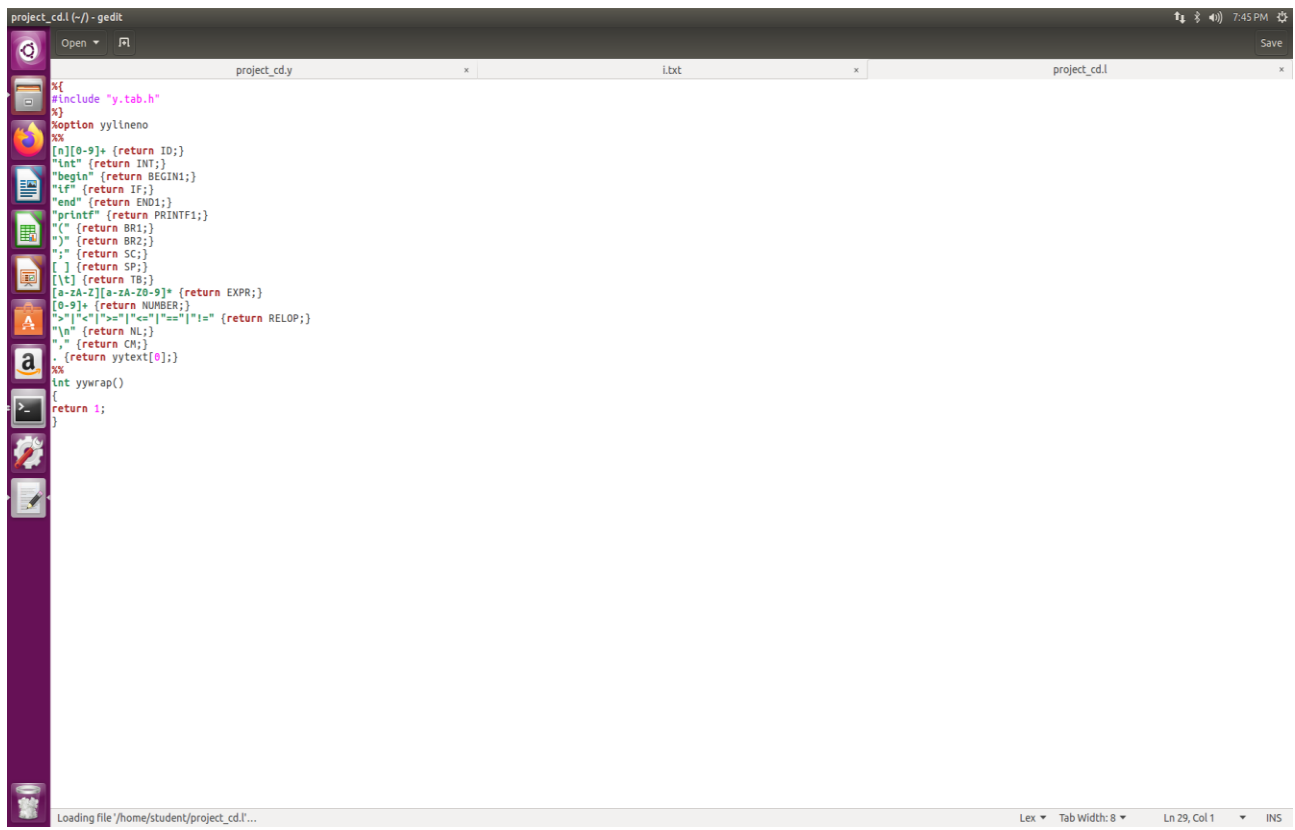
**Step8:** project.lex contains the rules to generate these tokens from the input stream.

## PROGRAM CODE

**question**

```
int main()
begin
    int n1, n2, n3;
    if( expr relop expr )
    begin
        printf( n1);
    end
    if ( expr relop expr )
    begin
        printf( n2);
    end
    if( expr relop expr )
    begin
        printf( n3);
    end
end
```

## Lex part

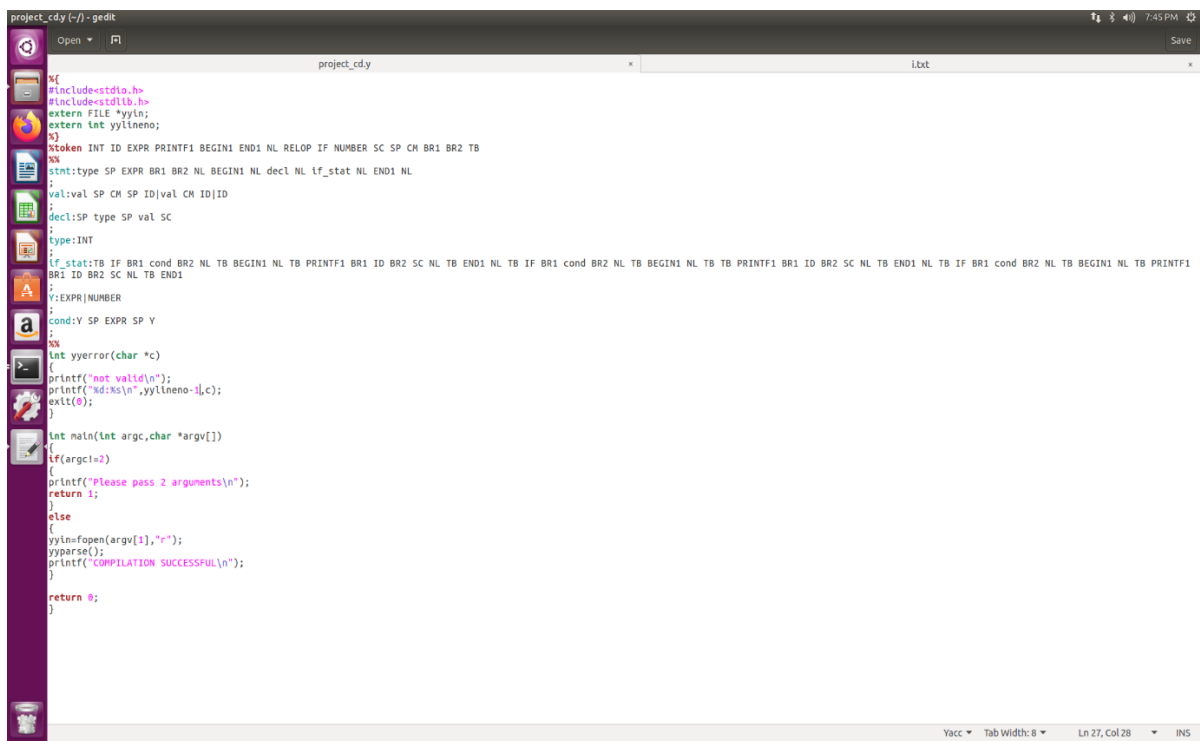


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project_cd.l (~/) - gedit
Open Save
project_cd.y x l.txt x project_cd.l x

%{
#include "y.tab.h"
%}
%option yylineno
%%
[n][0-9]+ {return ID;}
"int" {return INT;}
"begin" {return BEGIN1;}
"if" {return IF;}
"end" {return END1;}
"printf" {return PRINTF1;}
"(" {return BR1;}
")" {return BR2;}
";" {return SC;}
"[" {return SP;}
"\[" {return TB;}
[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]* {return EXPR;}
[0-9]+ {return NUMBER;}
">"|"<"|">="|"<="|"=="|"!=" {return RELOP;}
"\n" {return NL;}
"." {return CH;}
{return yytext[0];}
%%
int yywrap()
{
return 1;
}

Loading file '/home/student/project_cd.l'...
Lex Tab Width: 8 Ln 29, Col 1 INS
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## Yacc part



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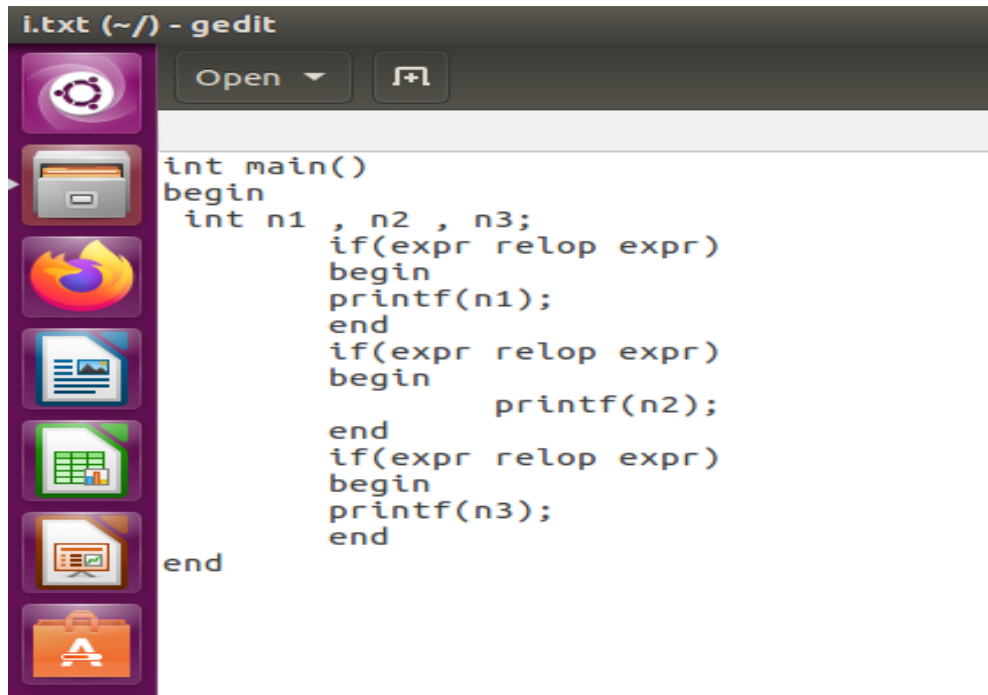
%{
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
extern FILE *yyin;
extern int yylineno;
%}
%token INT ID EXPR PRINTF1 BEGIN1 END1 NL RELOP IF NUMBER SC SP CH BR1 BR2 TB
%union
{
type: type SP EXPR BR1 BR2 NL BEGIN1 NL decl NL if_stat NL END1 NL
val: val SP CH SP ID|val CH ID|ID
decl: SP type SP val SC
type: INT
if_stat: TB IF BR1 cond BR2 NL TB BEGIN1 NL TB PRINTF1 BR1 ID BR2 SC NL TB END1 NL TB IF BR1 cond BR2 NL TB BEGIN1 NL TB PRINTF1 BR1 ID BR2 SC NL TB END1 NL TB IF BR1 cond BR2 NL TB BEGIN1 NL TB PRINTF1
BR1 ID BR2 SC NL TB END1
};
%<EXPR|NUMBER
cond: Y SP EXPR SP Y
%}
int yyerror(char *c)
{
printf("not valid\n");
printf("%d:%s\n", yylineno, c);
exit(0);
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
if(argc != 2)
{
printf("Please pass 2 arguments\n");
return 1;
}
else
{
yyin = fopen(argv[1], "r");
yyparse();
printf("COMPILE SUCCESSFUL\n");
}
return 0;
}

Yacc Tab Width: 8 Ln 27, Col 28 INS
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## RESULT

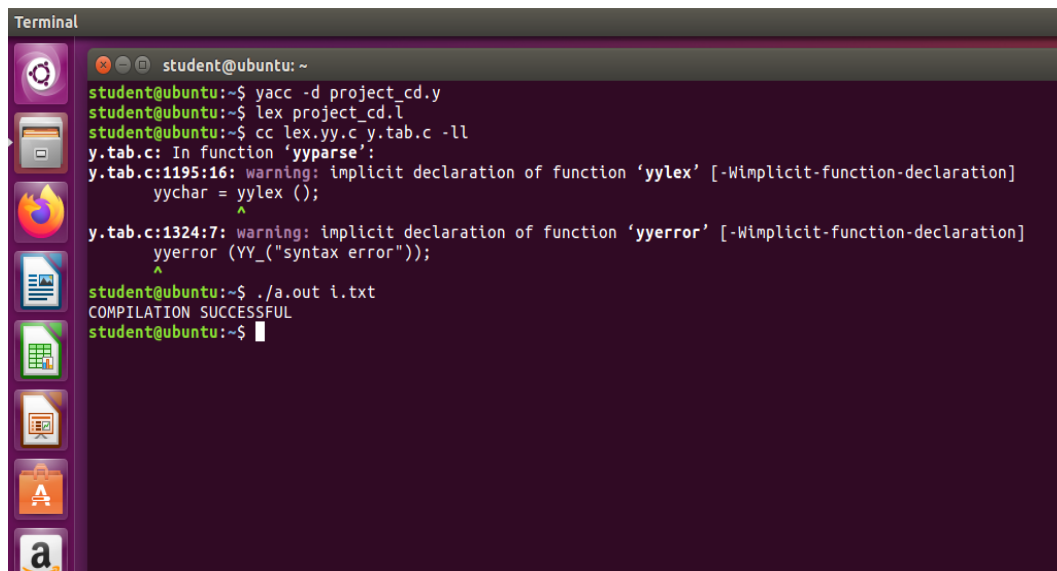
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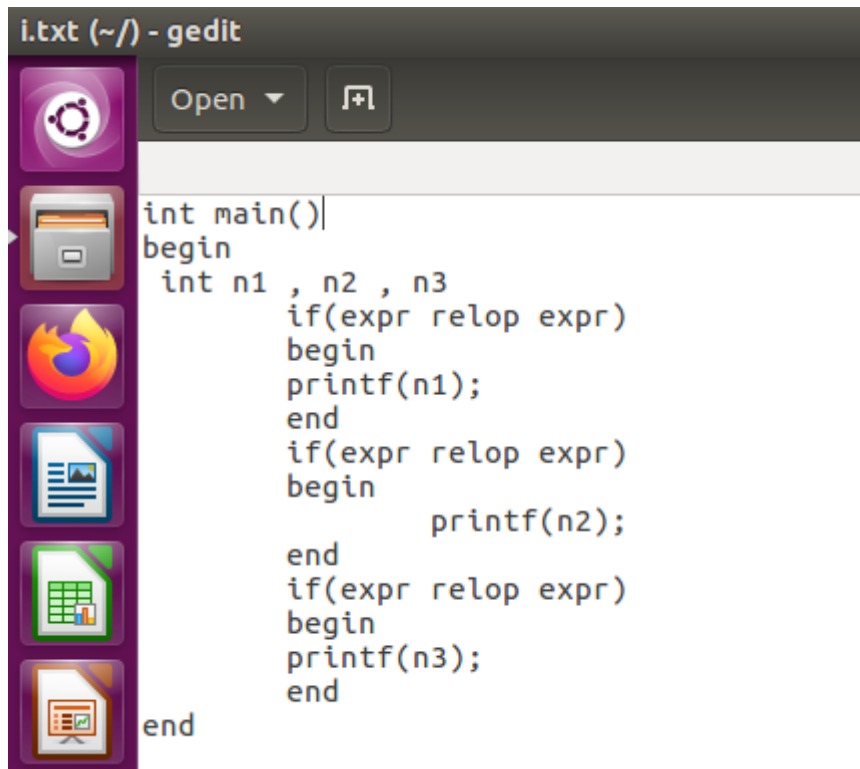
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### OUTPUT



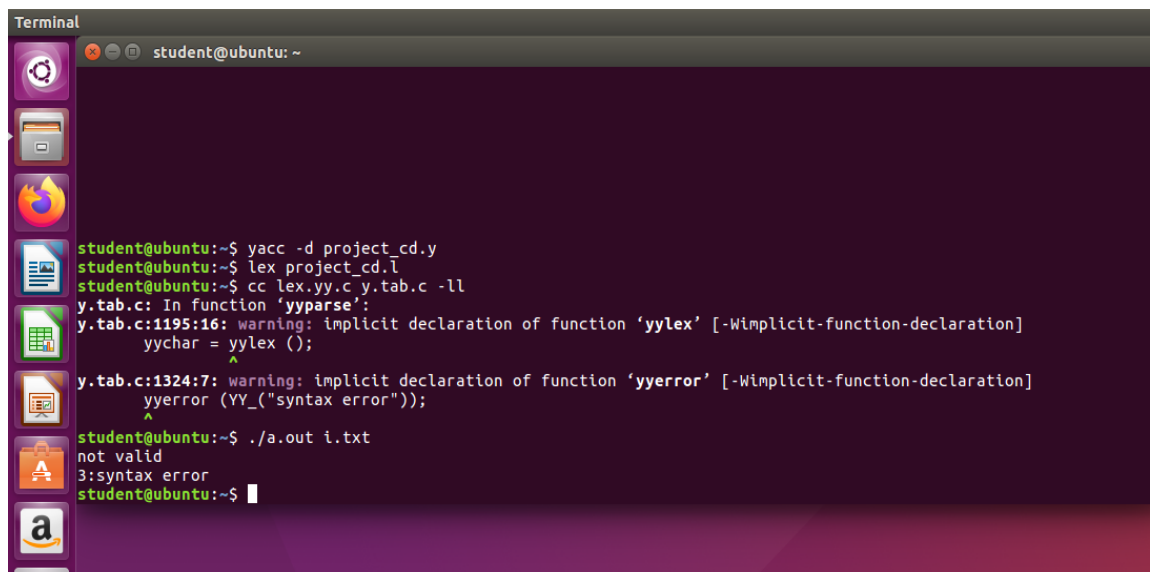
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    yychar = yylex ();
                  ^
y.tab.c:1324:7: warning: implicit declaration of function 'yyerror' [-Wimplicit-function-declaration]
    yyerror (YY_("syntax error"));
          ^
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COMPILATION SUCCESSFUL
student@ubuntu:~$
```

## INPUT



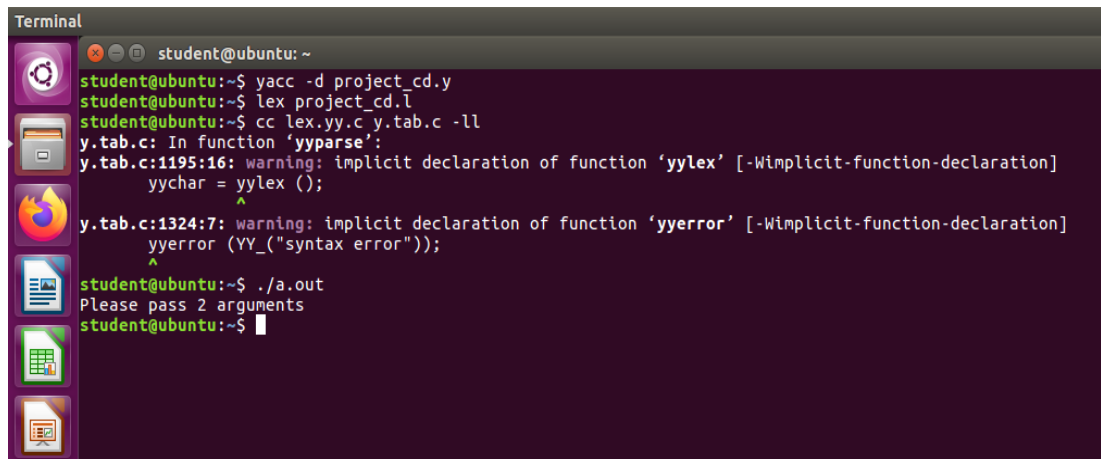
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not valid
3:syntax error
student@ubuntu:~$
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Please pass 2 arguments
student@ubuntu:~$
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## CONCLUSION

In lexical analyses ,when we give a program statement as input ,the input is parsed .If it is parsed successfully, the success message is displayed in the output .Otherwise the error message is displayed.