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ABSTRACT

A compiler is a computer program that transforms source code written in a programming language (the source language) into another computer language (the target language). with the latter often having a binary form known as object code. When executing, the compiler first parses all of the language statements syntactically one after the other and then, in one or more successive stages or passes, builds the output code, making sure that statements that refer to other statements are referred to correctly in the final code. Syntax analysis or parsing is the second phase of a compiler. A lexical analyzer can identify tokens with the help of regular expressions and pattern rules. But a lexical analyzer cannot check the syntax of a given sentence due to the limitations of the regular expressions. Regular expressions cannot check balancing tokens, such as parenthesis. Therefore, this phase uses context-free grammar (CFG), which is recognized by pushdown automata. A syntax analyzer or parser takes the input from a lexical analyzer in the form of token streams. The parser analyzes the source code (token stream) against the production rules to detect any errors in the code. Parsing, syntax analysis or syntactic analysis is the process of analysing a string of symbols, either in natural language or in computer languages, conforming to the rules of a formal grammar. Syntactic analysis, or parsing, is needed to determine if the series of tokens given are appropriate in a language - that is, whether or not the sentence has the right shape/form. However, not all syntactically valid sentences are meaningful, further semantic analysis has to be applied for this. For syntactic analysis, context-free grammars and the associated parsing techniques are powerful enough to be used - this overall process is called parsing. There are many techniques for parsing algorithms, and the two main classes of algorithm are top-down and bottom-up parsing. The top-down parsing uses leftmost derivation, and the bottom-up parsing uses rightmost derivation.

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INTRODUCTION

Syntax Analysis

In computer science, syntax analysis is the process of checking that the code is syntactically correct. The purpose of syntax analysis or parsing is to check that we have a valid sequence of tokens. Tokens are valid sequence of symbols, keywords, identifiers etc. The parser needs to be able to handle the infinite number of possible valid programs that may be presented to it. The usual way to define the language is to specify a grammar. A grammar is a set of rules (or productions) that specifies the syntax of the language (i.e. what is a valid sentence in the language). There can be more than one grammar for a given language. The parser analyzes the source code (token stream) against the production rules to detect any errors in the code. The output of this phase is a parse tree.

The syntax analyser for the C language by writing two scripts, one that acts as a lexical analyzer (lexer) and outputs a stream of tokens, and the other one that acts as a parser.

The lexer is known as the lex program. Lex reads an input stream specifying the lexical analyzer and outputs source code implementing the lexer in the C programming language.

Structure of Lex Program

The structure of the lex program consists of three sections:

{definition section}

%%

{rules section}

%%

{C code section}

The definition section defines macros and imports header files written in C. It is also possible to write any C code here, which will be copied verbatim into the generated source file.

The rules section associates regular expression patterns with C statements. When the lexer sees text in the input matching a given pattern, it will execute the associated C code. The C code section contains C statements and functions that are copied verbatim to generated source file. These statements presumably contain code called by the rules in the rules section.

Structure of Yacc Program

The parser written is known as the Yacc program. The structure of the Yacc file is similar to that of the lexer, consisting of three sections:

```
{declarations}
%%
{rules}
%%
{routines}
```

The **declarations section** of a yacc file may consist of the following:

- %token identifies the token names that the yacc file accepts
- %start identifies a nonterminal name for the start symbol
- %right identifies tokens that are right-associative with other tokens
- %left identifies tokens that are left-associative with other tokens
- %nonassoc identifies tokens that are not associative with other tokens

The **rules section** consists of the context free grammar used to generate the parse tree. A general rule has the following structure:

```
nonterminal
: sentential form
| sentential form
......
| sentential form
```

Actions may be associated with rules and are executed when the associated sentential form is matched.

The **routines section** may include the C program that specifies the input file, action routines and other user defined functions

CODES

Lex Program: (parser.l file)

```
alpha
                      [A-Za-z_]
fl
              (f|F|I|L)
              (u|U|I|L)^*
ul
digit
              [0-9]
space
                      []
              [a-fA-F0-9]
hex
              [Ee][+-]?{digit}+
exp
%{
//int yylineno = 1;
char datatype[100] = "dummy";
int tl;
char next;
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
%}
%%
\n { yylineno++; }
"/*"
                             { multicomment(); }
"//"
                             { singlecomment(); }
"#include<"({alpha})*".h>" {}
"#define"({space})""({alpha})""({alpha}|{digit})*""({space})""({digit})+""
                                                                                           {
return DEFINE;}
"#define"((space})""((alpha}((alpha}|(digit})*)""((space})""(((digit}+)\.((digit}+))""
                                                                                            {
return DEFINE;}
"#define"({space})""({alpha}({alpha}|{digit})*)""({space})""({alpha}({alpha}|{digit})*)""
return DEFINE;}
                                    { insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "INT"); return
{digit}+
CONSTANT; }
```

```
({digit}+) \setminus ({digit}+)
                                      insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT");
return CONSTANT; }
                            { insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT"); return
0[xX]{hex}+{ul}?
CONSTANT; }
{digit}+{ul}?
                               insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT"); return
CONSTANT; }
'(\\./[^\\'])+'
                               insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT"); return
CONSTANT; }
{digit}+{exp}{fl}?
                               insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT"); return
CONSTANT; }
{digit}*"."{digit}+({exp})?{fl}?
                              { insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT"); return
CONSTANT; }
{digit}+"."{digit}*({exp})?{fl}?
                              { insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "FLOAT"); return
CONSTANT; }
{alpha}?\"(\\.|[^\\"])*\"
                            { insertToConstTable(yytext, yylineno, "STRING"); return
STRING LITERAL; }
              { return PTR OP; }
              { return INC OP; }
              { return DEC OP; }
              { return LEFT_OP; }
"<<"
              { return RIGHT OP; }
              { return LE_OP; }
"<="
              { return GE OP; }
              { return EQ OP; }
"!<del>=</del>"
              { return NE OP; }
"&&"
              { return AND OP; }
"||"
              { return OR_OP; }
"*<del>=</del>"
              { return MUL ASSIGN; }
"/="
              { return DIV_ASSIGN; }
"%="
                     { return MOD_ASSIGN; }
              { return ADD_ASSIGN; }
              { return SUB ASSIGN; }
                    { return LEFT ASSIGN; }
                     { return RIGHT ASSIGN; }
              { return AND_ASSIGN; }
              { return XOR ASSIGN; }
"l="
              { return OR_ASSIGN; }
```

```
"auto"
                     { return AUTO; }
"break"
                     { return BREAK; }
"case"
                     { return CASE; }
"char"
                     { return CHAR; }
"const"
                     { return CONST; }
"continue"
              { return CONTINUE; }
"default"
              { return DEFAULT; }
"do"
              { return DO; }
"double"
              { return DOUBLE; }
"else"
                     { return ELSE; }
"enum"
                     { return ENUM; }
"extern"
              { return EXTERN; }
"float"
                     { strcpy(datatype, "FLOAT"); tl = yylineno; return FLOAT; }
"for"
              { return FOR; }
                     { return GOTO; }
"goto"
"if"
              { return IF; }
"int"
              { strcpy(datatype, "INT"); tl = yylineno; return INT; }
"long"
                     { return LONG; }
              { return REGISTER; }
"register"
"return"
              { return RETURN; }
"short"
                     { return SHORT; }
"signed"
              { return SIGNED; }
"sizeof"
              { return SIZEOF; }
"static"
              { return STATIC; }
"struct"
              { return STRUCT; }
"switch"
              { return SWITCH; }
              { return TYPEDEF; }
"typedef"
"union"
                     { return UNION; }
"unsigned"
              { return UNSIGNED; }
"void"
                     { return VOID; }
              { return VOLATILE; }
"volatile"
"while"
                     { return WHILE; }
"."
              { strcpy(datatype, "dummy"); return(';'); }
("{"|"<%")
              { return('{'); }
("}"|"%>")
              { return('}'); }
              { return(','); }
```

```
{ return(':'); }
"="
               { return('='); }
"("
               { return('('); }
")"
               { return(')'); }
("["|"<:")
               { return('['); }
("]"|":>")
               { return(']'); }
"."
               { return('.'); }
"&"
               { return('&'); }
"!"
               { return('!'); }
"~"
               { return('~'); }
"_"
               { return('-'); }
               { return('+'); }
               { return('*'); }
"/"
               { return('/'); }
"%"
               { return('%'); }
"<"
               { return('<'); }
">"
               { return('>'); }
"\\"
               { return('^'); }
               { return('|'); }
"?"
               { return('?'); }
                 { insertToHash(yytext,"PROCEDURE",yylineno); return IDENTIFIER; }
"printf"|"scanf"
"main"
                                 insertToHash(yytext,"PROCEDURE",yylineno);
                                                                                          return
IDENTIFIER; }
{alpha}({alpha}|{digit})*
                                      {
                                     if(strcmp(datatype, "dummy")==0)
                                             return IDENTIFIER;
                                      else
                                      {
                                             insertToHash(yytext,datatype,yylineno);
                                             return IDENTIFIER;
                                      }
                              }
[ \t\v\n\f]
               {}
               { /* ignore bad characters */ }
%%
struct cnode
{
```

char num[50];

```
//int Ino;
  char type[20];
};
struct cnode ctable[100];
int ccount = 0;
void insertToConstTable(char *num, int I, char *type)
{
  strcpy(ctable[ccount].num, num);
  strcpy(ctable[ccount].type, type);
  //ctable[ccount].lno = I;
  ccount++;
}
void disp()
  int i;
  printf("\n\n-----\n");
  printf(" -----\n");
  printf("Value \t\t|\tData Type\t\t\n");
  printf(" ------\n");
  for(i=0;i<ccount;i++)</pre>
  {
      printf("%s\t\t\t", ctable[i].num);
      printf("%s\t\t\n", ctable[i].type);
      //printf("\t%d\t\n", ctable[i].lno);
  }
  printf("\n\n");
struct node
  char token[100];
      char attr[100];
      //int line[100];
      int line_count;
  struct node *next;
};
```

```
struct hash
  struct node *head;
  int hash_count;
};
struct hash hashTable[1000];
int eleCount = 1000;
struct node * createNode(char *token, char *attr, int I)
  struct node *newnode;
  newnode = (struct node *) malloc(sizeof(struct node));
  strcpy(newnode->token, token);
  strcpy(newnode->attr, attr);
  //newnode->line[0] = I;
  newnode->line_count = 1;
  newnode->next = NULL;
  return newnode;
}
int hashIndex(char *token)
  int hi=0;
  int I,i;
  for(i=0;token[i]!='\0';i++)
       hi = hi + (int)token[i];
  hi = hi%eleCount;
  return hi;
}
void insertToHash(char *token, char *attr, int I)
  int flag=0;
  int hi;
  hi = hashIndex(token);
  struct node *newnode = createNode(token, attr, I);
```

```
/* head of list for the bucket with index "hashIndex" */
  if (hashTable[hi].head==NULL)
  {
       hashTable[hi].head = newnode;
      hashTable[hi].hash_count = 1;
      return;
  }
  struct node *myNode;
       myNode = hashTable[hi].head;
  while (myNode != NULL)
              if (strcmp(myNode->token, token)==0)
              {
                    flag = 1;
                    //myNode->line[(myNode->line_count)++] = I;
                    if(strcmp(myNode->attr, attr)!=0)
                    {
                           strcpy(myNode->attr, attr);
                    break;
             }
              myNode = myNode->next;
  if(!flag)
  {
       //adding new node to the list
       newnode->next = (hashTable[hi].head);
       //update the head of the list and no of nodes in the current bucket
       hashTable[hi].head = newnode;
       hashTable[hi].hash_count++;
  }
  return;
void display()
       struct node *myNode;
       int i,j, k=1;
```

```
printf("\n-----Symbol
printf("------"):
     printf("------\n"):
     for (i = 0; i < eleCount; i++)
         if (hashTable[i].hash_count == 0)
              continue;
         myNode = hashTable[i].head;
         if (!myNode)
              continue;
         while (myNode != NULL)
              //printf("%d\t\t", k++);
              printf("%s\t\t", myNode->token);
              printf("%s\t\t", myNode->attr);
              /*for(j=0;j<(myNode->line_count);j++)
                   printf("%d ",myNode->line[j]);*/
              printf("\n");
              myNode = myNode->next;
         }
 }
 printf(" ------\n");
     return;
}
yywrap()
 return(1);
multicomment()
{
 char c, c1;
 while ((c = input()) != '*' && c != 0);
 c1=input();
 if(c=='*' && c1=='/')
```

```
{
      c=0;
  }
  if (c != 0)
      putchar(c1);
singlecomment()
  char c;
  while(c=input()!='\n');
  if(c=='\n')
      c=0;
  if(c!=0)
      putchar(c);
}
Yacc Program: (parser.y file)
%{
  int yylineno;
  char data_type[200];
%}
%expect 19
%name parse
%nonassoc NO_ELSE
%nonassoc ELSE
%left '<' '>' '=' GE_OP LE_OP EQ_OP NE_OP
%left '+' '-'
%left '*' '/' '%'
%left '|'
%left '&'
%token IDENTIFIER CONSTANT STRING_LITERAL SIZEOF
%token PTR_OP INC_OP DEC_OP LEFT_OP RIGHT_OP LE_OP GE_OP EQ_OP
NE_OP
%token AND_OP OR_OP MUL_ASSIGN DIV_ASSIGN MOD_ASSIGN ADD_ASSIGN
```

```
%token SUB_ASSIGN LEFT_ASSIGN RIGHT_ASSIGN AND_ASSIGN
%token XOR ASSIGN OR ASSIGN DEFINE
%token TYPEDEF EXTERN STATIC AUTO REGISTER
%token CHAR SHORT INT LONG SIGNED UNSIGNED FLOAT DOUBLE CONST
VOLATILE VOID
%token STRUCT UNION ENUM
%token CASE DEFAULT IF ELSE SWITCH WHILE DO FOR GOTO CONTINUE
BREAK RETURN
%start begin
%union{
  char str[1000];
%%
begin
  : external declaration
  | begin external_declaration
  | Define begin
primary_expression
  : IDENTIFIER { insertToHash($<str>1, data_type , yylineno); }
  I CONSTANT
  | STRING LITERAL
  | '(' expression ')'
Define
  : DEFINE
postfix_expression
  : primary_expression
  | postfix_expression '[' expression ']'
  | postfix_expression '(' ')'
  | postfix_expression '(' argument_expression_list ')'
  | postfix_expression '.' IDENTIFIER
```

```
| postfix_expression PTR_OP IDENTIFIER
  | postfix_expression INC_OP
  | postfix_expression DEC_OP
argument_expression_list
  : assignment_expression
  | argument_expression_list ',' assignment_expression
unary_expression
  : postfix_expression
  | INC_OP unary_expression
  | DEC_OP unary_expression
  | unary_operator cast_expression
  | SIZEOF unary_expression
  | SIZEOF '(' type_name ')'
unary_operator
  : '&'
  | '*'
  / '+'
  1'-'
  1 '~'
  | '!'
cast_expression
  : unary_expression
  | '(' type_name ')' cast_expression
multiplicative_expression
  : cast_expression
  | multiplicative_expression '*' cast_expression
  | multiplicative_expression '/' cast_expression
  | multiplicative_expression '%' cast_expression
```

```
additive_expression
  : multiplicative_expression
  | additive_expression '+' multiplicative_expression
  | additive_expression '-' multiplicative_expression
shift_expression
  : additive_expression
  | shift_expression LEFT_OP additive_expression
  | shift_expression RIGHT_OP additive_expression
relational_expression
  : shift_expression
  | relational_expression '<' shift_expression
  | relational_expression '>' shift_expression
  | relational_expression LE_OP shift_expression
  | relational_expression GE_OP shift_expression
equality_expression
  : relational_expression
  | equality_expression EQ_OP relational_expression
  | equality_expression NE_OP relational_expression
and_expression
  : equality_expression
  | and_expression '&' equality_expression
exclusive_or_expression
  : and_expression
  | exclusive_or_expression '^' and_expression
inclusive_or_expression
  : exclusive_or_expression
```

```
| inclusive_or_expression '|' exclusive_or_expression
logical_and_expression
  : inclusive_or_expression
  | logical_and_expression AND_OP inclusive_or_expression
logical_or_expression
  : logical_and_expression
  | logical_or_expression OR_OP logical_and_expression
conditional_expression
  : logical_or_expression
  | logical_or_expression '?' expression ':' conditional_expression
assignment_expression
  : conditional_expression
  | unary_expression assignment_operator assignment_expression
assignment_operator
  : '='
  | MUL_ASSIGN
  | DIV_ASSIGN
  | MOD_ASSIGN
  | ADD_ASSIGN
  | SUB_ASSIGN
  | LEFT_ASSIGN
  | RIGHT_ASSIGN
  | AND_ASSIGN
  | XOR_ASSIGN
  | OR_ASSIGN
expression
  : assignment_expression
```

```
| expression ',' assignment_expression
constant_expression
  : conditional_expression
declaration
  : declaration_specifiers ';'
  | declaration_specifiers init_declarator_list ';'
declaration_specifiers
  : storage_class_specifier
  | storage_class_specifier declaration_specifiers
  | type_specifier { strcpy(data_type, $<str>1); }
  | type_specifier declaration_specifiers
init_declarator_list
  : init_declarator
  | init_declarator_list ',' init_declarator
init declarator
  : declarator
  | declarator '=' initializer
storage_class_specifier
  : TYPEDEF
  | EXTERN
  | STATIC
  | AUTO
  | REGISTER
type_specifier
  : VOID
```

```
| CHAR
  | SHORT
  | INT
  ILONG
  | FLOAT
  | DOUBLE
  | SIGNED
  | UNSIGNED
  | struct_or_union_specifier
specifier_qualifier_list
  : type_specifier specifier_qualifier_list
  | type_specifier
  | CONST specifier_qualifier_list
  I CONST
struct_or_union_specifier
  : struct_or_union IDENTIFIER '{' struct_declaration_list '}' ';'
  | struct_or_union '{' struct_declaration_list '}' ';'
  | struct_or_union IDENTIFIER ';'
struct_or_union
  : STRUCT
  | UNION
struct_declaration_list
  : struct_declaration
  | struct_declaration_list struct_declaration
struct declaration
  : specifier_qualifier_list struct_declarator_list ';'
```

```
struct_declarator_list
  : declarator
  | struct_declarator_list ',' declarator
declarator
  : pointer direct_declarator
  | direct_declarator
direct declarator
  : IDENTIFIER
  | '(' declarator ')'
  | direct_declarator '[' constant_expression ']'
  | direct_declarator '[' ']'
  | direct_declarator '(' parameter_list ')'
  | direct_declarator '(' identifier_list ')'
  | direct_declarator '(' ')'
pointer
  . /*/
  | '*' pointer
parameter_list
  : parameter_declaration
  | parameter_list ',' parameter_declaration
parameter_declaration
  : declaration_specifiers declarator
  | declaration_specifiers
identifier list
  : IDENTIFIER
  | identifier_list ',' IDENTIFIER
```

```
type_name
  : specifier_qualifier_list
  | specifier_qualifier_list declarator
initializer
  : assignment_expression
  | '{' initializer_list '}'
  | '{' initializer_list ',' '}'
initializer_list
  : initializer
  | initializer_list ',' initializer
statement
  : compound_statement
  | expression_statement
  | selection_statement
  | iteration_statement
  | jump_statement
compound_statement
  : '{' }'
  | '{' statement_list '}'
  | '{' declaration_list '}'
  | '{' declaration_list statement_list '}'
declaration_list
  : declaration
  | declaration_list declaration
statement_list
  : statement
```

```
| statement_list statement
expression_statement
  | expression ';'
selection_statement
  : IF '(' expression ')' statement %prec NO_ELSE
  | IF '(' expression ')' statement ELSE statement
iteration_statement
  : WHILE '(' expression ')' statement
  | DO statement WHILE '(' expression ')' ';'
  | FOR '(' expression_statement expression_statement ')' statement
  | FOR '(' expression_statement expression_statement expression ')' statement
jump_statement
  : CONTINUE ';'
  | BREAK ';'
  | RETURN ';'
  | RETURN expression ';'
external_declaration
  : function_definition
  | declaration
function_definition
  : declaration_specifiers declarator declaration_list compound_statement
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%%
```

```
#include "lex.yy.c"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
  yyin = fopen(argv[1], "r");
  if(!yyparse())
        printf("\nParsing complete\n");
  else
        printf("\nParsing failed\n");
  fclose(yyin);
  display();
  disp();
  return 0;
//extern int lineno;
extern char *yytext;
yyerror(char *s) {
  printf("\nLine %d : %s\n", (yylineno), s);
```

IMPLEMENTATION

The Yacc program specifies productions for the following:

- Looping construct: while, for, do-while
- Data types: (signed/unsigned) int, float
- Arithmetic and Relational Operators
- Data structure: Arrays
- User defined functions
- Keywords of C language
- Single and Multi-line comments
- Identifiers and Constant errors
- Selection statement: (nested) if-else

The productions for most of them are straight-forward. A few important ones are:

```
compound_statement
    : '{' '}'
    | '{' statement_list '}'
```

```
| '{' declaration_list '}'
  | '{' declaration_list statement_list '}'
selection statement
  : IF '(' expression ')' statement %prec NO_ELSE
  | IF '(' expression ')' statement ELSE statement
iteration statement
  : WHILE '(' expression ')' statement
  | DO statement WHILE '(' expression ')' ';'
  | FOR '(' expression_statement expression_statement ')' statement
  | FOR '(' expression_statement expression_statement expression ')' statement
jump_statement
  : CONTINUE ';'
  | BREAK ';'
  | RETURN ';'
  | RETURN expression ';'
statement
  : compound_statement
  | expression_statement
  | selection_statement
  | iteration_statement
  | jump_statement
```

After parsing, if there are errors then the line numbers of those errors are displayed along with a 'parsing failed' message on the terminal. Otherwise, a 'parsing complete' message is displayed on the console.

When a grammar is not carefully thought out, the parser generated from the grammar may face two kinds of dilemmas.

Shift-Reduce Conflict:

Enough terms have been read and a grammar rule can be recognized according to the accumulated terms. In this situation, the parser can make a reduction. If, however, there is also another grammar rule which calls for more terms to be accumulated and the look ahead token is just what the second grammar rule expected. In this situation, the parser may also make a shift operation. This dilemma faced by the parser is called the Shift/Reduce Conflict.

Reduce-Reduce Conflict:

Enough terms have been read and two grammar rules are recognized based on the accumulated terms. If the parser then decides to make a reduction, should it reduces the accumulated terms according to the first or second grammar rules? This type of difficulty faced by the parser is called the Reduce/Reduce Conflict.

Handling Shift-Reduce and Reduce-Reduce Conflicts

The yacc command is built with two internal rules for resolving these two ambiguities, sometimes called the disambiguating rules.

- 1. yacc resolves the Shift/Reduce Conflict in favor of shift operation. In plain English, this just means that it matches the longest input possible.
- 2. yacc resolves the Reduce/Reduce Conflict in favor of the first grammar rule.

In general, whenever it is possible to apply disambiguating rules to produce a correct parser, it is also possible to rewrite the grammar rules so that the same inputs are read but there are no conflicts. For this reason, it is important to write unambiguous grammar with no conflicts.

Solving Dangling Else Problem

Whenever it is not possible to associate an 'else' to a closest 'if' in if-else statements, it gives rise to dangling else problem. In this case, the problem of dangling else occurs here, represented by #:

IF '(' expression ')' statement # ELSE statement

The question the parser must answer is "should I shift, or should I reduce". Usually, you want to bind the else to the closest if, which means you want to shift the else token now. Reducing now would mean that you want the else to wait to be bound to an older if.

We should specify the parser generator that "when there is a shift/reduce conflict between the token ELSE and the rule "selection_statement -> IF (expression)

statement", then the token must win". To do so, a name is given to the precedence of your rule (e.g., NO_ELSE), and specify that NO_ELSE has less precedence than ELSE.

```
//Precedences go increasing, So, NO_ELSE < ELSE %nonassoc NO_ELSE 
%nonassoc ELSE 
%% 
selection_statement 
: IF '(' expression ')' statement %prec NO_ELSE 
| IF '(' expression ')' statement ELSE statement 
; 
%%
```

TEST CASES

Without Errors

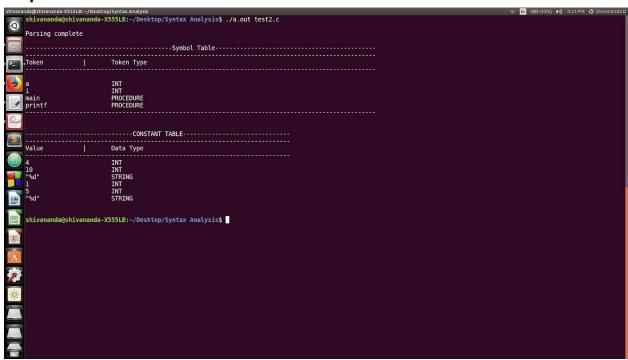
1. test1.c

```
//without error - nested if-else
#include<stdio.h>
#define x 3
int main()
{
    int a=4;
    if(a<10)
    {
        a = a + 1;
    }
    else
    {
        a = a + 2;
    }
    return;
}</pre>
```

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2. test2.c

```
//without error - while and for loop
#include<stdio.h>
#define x 3
int main()
{
  int a=4;
  int i;
  while(a<10)
```

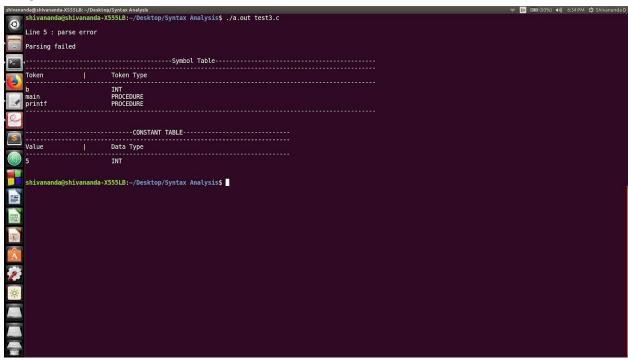


With Errors

1. test3.c (missing multiple semicolon)

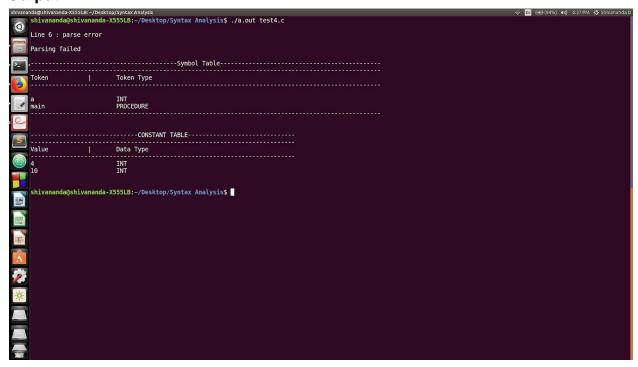
```
#include<stdio.h>
#define x 3
int main()
{
  int b=5
```

```
printf("%d",b);
  while(b<10)
  {
          printf("%d", b)
          b++;
    }
}</pre>
```



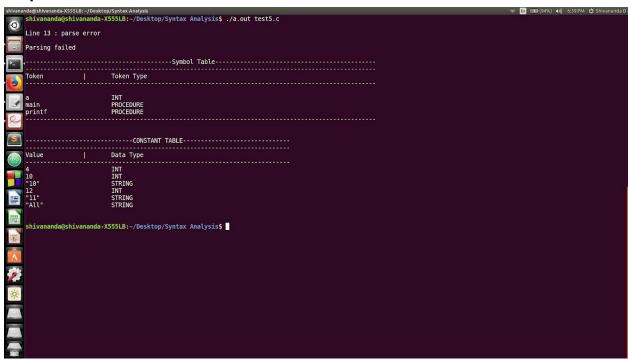
2. test4.c (misspelled keyword 'while' and unmatched parentheses)

```
#include<stdio.h>
#define x 3
int main()
{
   int a=4;
   whle(a<10)
   {
      printf("%d",a);
      j=1;</pre>
```



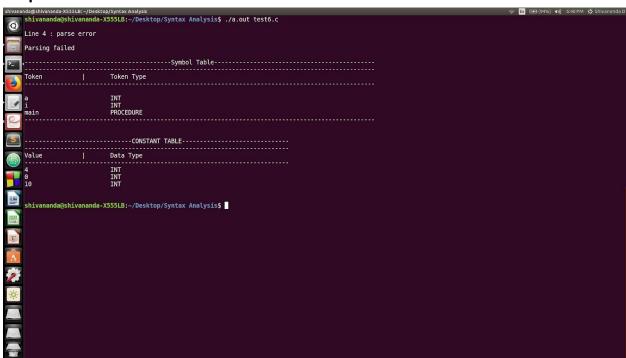
3. test5.c (dangling else problem)

```
#include<stdio.h>
#define x 3
int main()
{
   int a=4;
   if(a<10)
        printf("10");
   else
   {</pre>
```



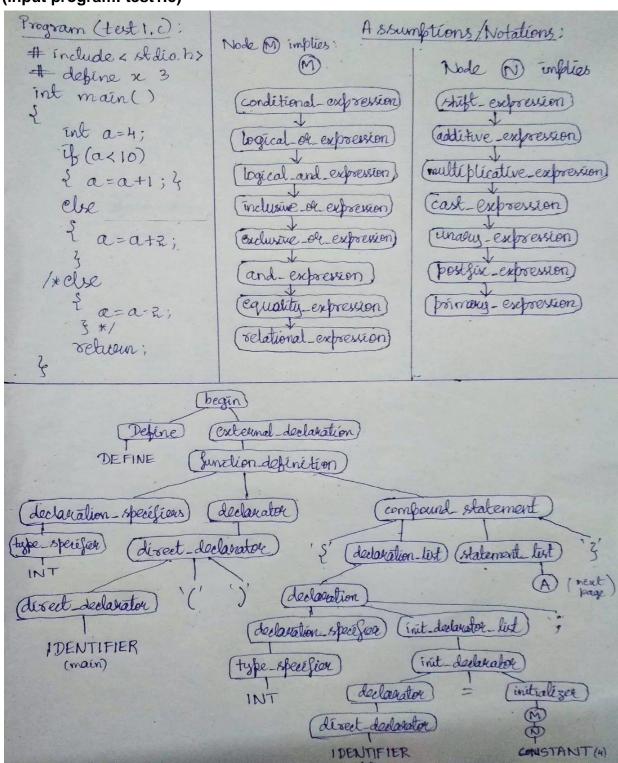
4. Test6.c (for loop syntax error)

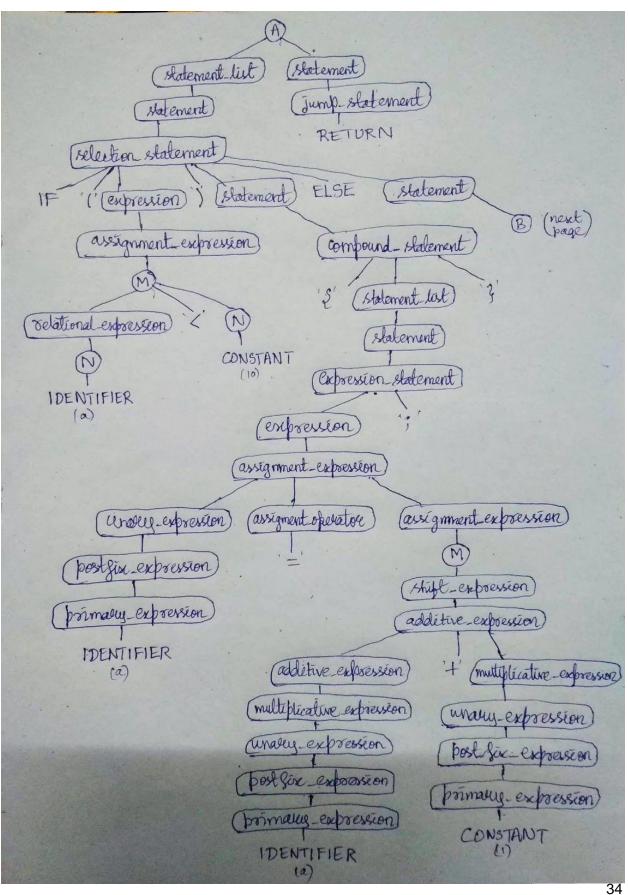
```
#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a=4, i;
    for(i=0;i<10)
    {
        printf("%d",i);
    }
}</pre>
```

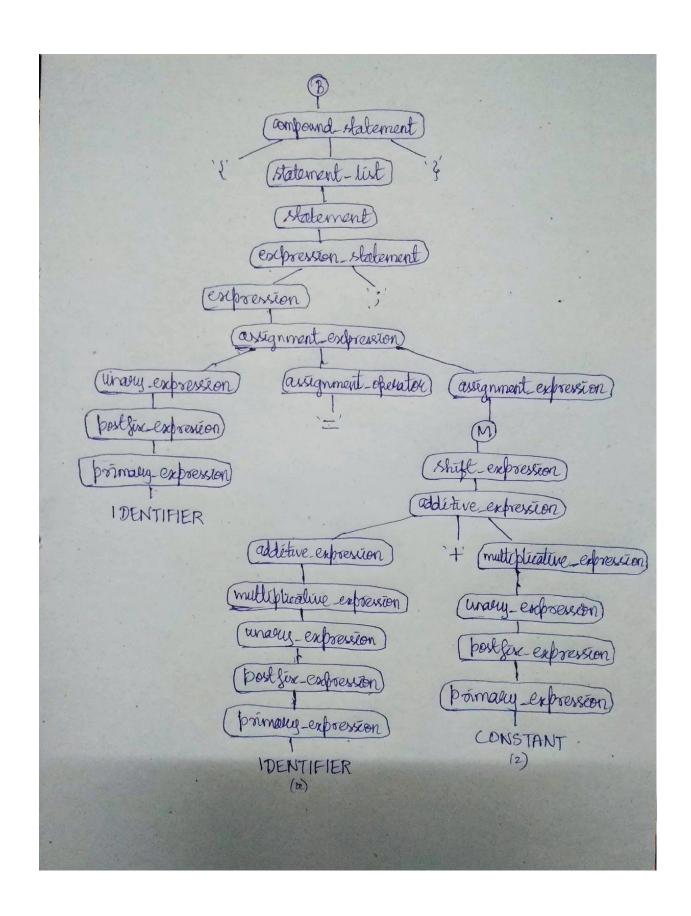


PARSE TREE

(input program: test1.c)







CONCLUSION

The lexical analyzer and the syntax analyzer for a subset of C language, which include selection statements, compound statements, iteration statements, jumping statements, user defined functions and primary expressions is generated. It is important to note that conflicts (shift-reduce and reduce-reduce) may occur in case of syntax analyzer if proper care is not taken while specifying the context-free grammar for the language. We should always specify unambiguous grammar for the parser to work properly.

FUTURE WORK

We have implemented the parser for only a subset of C language. The future work may include specifying the grammar for more pre-defined functions in C (like string functions, file read and write functions), goto jump statements and enumerations.

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