Assignment No 3

Aim: Implementation of LALR parser to evaluate given expression using Lex and Yacc.

Objective:

- 1. To understand the basic syntax of YACC specifications, built-in functions and variables.
- 2. To understand the construction of LALR Parser.
- 3. To design LALR parser to evaluate given expression.

Software Requirement:

- 1. Linux Operating System
- 2. Lex compiler
- 3. Yacc compiler

Mathematical Model:

Consider a set S consisting of all the elements related to a program. The mathematical model is given as below,

S=s,e,X,Y,Fme,DD,NDD,Mem shared Where, s = Initial State e = End State

X = Input data. Here it is Expression. Example of expressions: sum=20,count=10,sum+count

Y = Output.Here output is value of the expression.

Fme = Algorithm/Function used in program.for eg.int insert(char tok[10])

DD = Deterministic Data

NDD = Non deterministic Data

Mem shared = Memory shared by processor.

Theory:

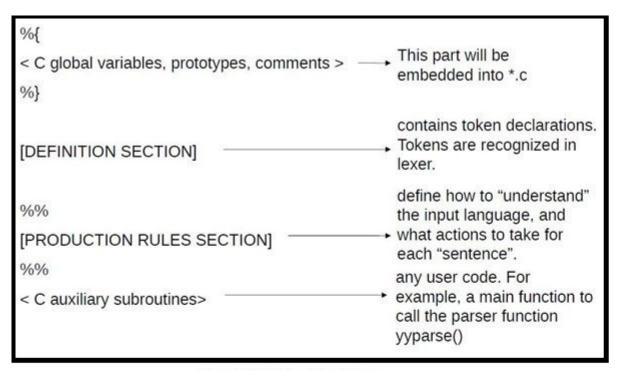


Fig: YACC Specification

YACC: What it is?

Yacc is a tool for automatically generating a parser given a grammar written in a yacc specification (.y file).

Why Yacc?

It is possible to create a simple parser using Lex alone. by making extensive use of the user-defined states (i.e start-conditions).

However, such a parser quickly becomes unmaintainable, as the number of user-defined states tends to explode.

Once our input file syntax contains complex structures, such as balanced brackets, or contain s elements which are context-sensitive, we should be considering yacc.

Precedence and Associativity:

Bison allows you to specify operator precedence.

1. Left Associativity:

The

2. Right Associativity:

The

3. Non Associativity:

The third alternative is

Simple Rule:

Yacc rules define what is a legal sequence of tokens in our specification language. In our case, lets look at the rule for a simple expression form:

$$E: E + E$$

$$|E - E|$$

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This rule defines a non-terminal symbol, E in terms of the two tokens + or $\overline{}$

In any case, yacc provides a formal method for dealing with the semanitic value of tokens. It begins with the lexer. Every time the lexer returns a value, it should also set the external variable yylval to the value of the token. Yacc will then retain the association between the token and the corresonding value of yylval.

In order to accommodate a variety of different token-types, yylval is declared as a union of different types.

Token Types:

Token types are declared in yacc using the yacc declaration "%union"

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%union int v; char s[10];
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This defines yylval as being a union of the types (char) and (int). This is a classical C program union, so any number of types may be defined, and the union may even contain struct types, etc.

We also need to tell yacc which type is associated with which token. This is done by modifying our %token declarations to include a type, like this:

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%token < s > ID
%token < v > NUM
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Yacc provides a simple yet elegant solution, by extending the concept of the value of a token to non-terminal symbols, like E.

First, we have to declare the E in our Yacc Declarations section, like this:

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\%type < v > E
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Yacc Actions:
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Actions within yacc rules take the form: production: symbol1 symbol2 action1 — symbol3 symbol4 action2 .

Using Token Types in Yacc Actions:

Now that we have the token value, we want to make use of it. Yacc lets us refer to the value of a given token using a syntax similar to that of awk and perl. \$1 is the value of the 1st token, \$2 is the 2nd, and so on. Here is a typical example of an action:

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E: E+E $\$=\$1+\$3; \\ --E-E $\$=\$1-\$3; \\ :
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We assign the value of the left-hand-side of the rule by assigning a value to \$\$.

The storage space for our \$\$ is just another value attached to a token, and this is handled automatically by yacc. So no crash. And weve removed the unwanted duplication of code in our actions.

The Yacc Default Action

In the absence of explicit action, yacc applies a default action of: \$\$=\$1:

Or, put simply, the left-hand-side inherets the value from the 1st symbol on the right-hand-side.

Built in Functions:

1. yyparse():

Yacc generates a single function called yyparse(). This function requires no parameters. and returns either a 0 on success, and 1 on failure. Failure in the case of the parser means if it encounters a syntax error.

2. yyerror():

The yyerror() function is called when yacc encounters an invalid syntax. The yyerror() is passed a single string (char*) argument. This string usually just says parse error, so on its own.

Syntax of basic yyerror() function like this:

yyerror(char *err)

fprintf(stderr, %s,err);

Debugging the Prototype

Sometimes YACC may generate a couple of messages/warnings.Both of these warnings mean that there is an ambiguity in our ruleset.

A Shift operation is what the parser does when it saves a token for later use. (Actually, it pushes the token onto a stack).

A Reduce operation is what the parser does when resolves a set of tokens into a single, complete rule.

Types of Conflicts:

1. Shift/Reduce Conflicts:

shift/reduce conflict occurs when there would be enough tokensshifted (saved) to make up a complete rule, but the next token may allow a longer rule to be applied. In the event of a shift/reduce conflict, the

parser will opt for the shift operation, and hence try to build the longer rule. If your grammar has optional structures, such as an optional else following an if statement, then it may not be possible to eliminate all shift/reduce conflicts from the grammar rules.

2. Reduce/Reduce Conflicts:

reduce/reduce conflict occurs when the same set of tokens can be used to form two different rules. In the event of a reduce/reduce conflict, the parser will use the first rule that appears in the grammar. You can think of this as being analogous to lexs first match rule. Reduce/reduce conflicts are usually an indication of an error in the way the grammar rules have been defined, as the whole point of having a grammar is to avoid such blatant ambiguities. It is usually possible (and desirable) to eliminate all reduce/reduce conflicts from your grammar rules, either by rewriting some rules, or redefining the grammar (if possible).

Resolving Shift/Reduce and Reduce/Reduce Conflicts:

In order to find out which rules are affected by these conflicts, you will need to refer to the *.output file generated by running yacc with the -v flag, for example: bison -v olmenu-proto1.y This will generate the usual *.tab.c file, plus an additional LALR.output file. This file will tell you which rules are causing the conflicts mentioned.

Note that there are some incompatibilities at this level between yacc and bison. Yacc likes to call its output files y.tab.c for the parser and y.tab.h for the token definitions. Bison prefers to use basename.tab.c and basename.tab.h (respectively). Bison will generate y.tab.c and y.tab.h if it is invoked with the -y flag.

LALR Parser(Lookahead-LR Parser):

Generally, the LALR parser refers to the LALR(1) parser. The (1) denotes one-token lookahead, to resolve differences between rule patterns during parsing. The LALR parser is based on the LR(0) parser, so it can also be denoted LALR(1)= LA(1)LR(0) (1 token of lookahead, LR(0)) or more generally LALR(k) = LA(k)LR(0) (k tokens of lookahead, LR(0)).

LALR parsers offer many of the advantages of SLR and Canonical-LR parsers, by combining the states that have the same kernels (sets of items, ignoring the associated lookahead sets). Thus, the number of states is the

same as that of the SLR parser, but some parsing-action conflicts present in the SLR parser may be removed in the LALR parser. LALR parsers have become the method of choice in practice.

Construction of LALR Parsing Table :

- 1. Obtain the canonical collection of sets of LR(1) items.
- 2. If more than one set of LR(1) item exists in the canonical collection obtained that have identical cores or LR(0)s, but which have different lookaheads then combine these sets of LR(1) items to obtain a reduced collection or of sets of LR(1) items.
- 3. Construct the parsing table by using this reduced collection as follows: for action table:
 - (a) For each state Ii in C1 do for every terminal symbol a do ifgoto(Ii,a)=Ij then make action [Ii,a]=Sj //for shift
 - (b) For every state Ii in C1 whose underlying sets of items contains an items of the form A-; alpha., a do make action[Ii,a]=Rr
 - (c) Make [Ii,\$]=accept if ii contains an item S1-¿S.,\$. For goto table: For every Ii in C1 do For every nonterminal A do if goto(Ii,A)=Ij then make goto (Ii,A)=Ij.

Example:

Consider the following augmented grammer.

$$S->S$$

$$S - > CC$$

$$C -> cC - d$$

Solution:

We begin with computing closure-set.

Io:
$$S - > .S$$
, $S - > .CC$,

$$C- > .cC, c/d$$

$$C- > .d, c/d$$

I1:
$$S - > S.$$
\$

I2:
$$S - > C.C,$$
\$

$$C - > .cC, \$$$

$$C->.d, \$$$

I3:
$$C - > c.C, c/d$$

$$C- > .cC, c/d$$

$$C- > .d, c/d$$

I4:
$$C - > d., c/d$$

I5:
$$S - > CC., \$$$

I6:
$$C - > c.C,$$
\$

$$C - > .cC,$$
\$

$$C- > .d, \$$$

I7:
$$C - > d., \$$$

I8:
$$C - > cC., c/d$$

I9:
$$C - > cC.$$
, \$

There are three pairs of sets of items that can be merged. I3 and I6 are replaced by their union:

I36:
$$C - > c.C, c/d/$$
\$

$$C - > .cC, c/d/$$
\$

$$C - > d, c/d/$$
\$

I4 and I7 are replaced by their union: I47: C
$$->$$
d., c/d/\$

and I8 and I9 are replaced by their union: I89: C ->cC., c/d/\$

LALR parsing table for the above grammer can be constructed as follows:

	c	d	\$	S	C
0	s36	s47		1	2
1			Accept		
2	s36	s47			5
36	s36	s47			89
47	r3	r3	r3		
5			r1		
89	r2	r2	r2		

Advantage:

LALR parser is quite efficient at finding the single correct bottom-up parse in a single left-to-right scan over the input stream, because it does not need to use backtracking

Command:

\$./a.out

Conclusion:

Thus, we have constructed LALR Parser to evaluate given expression using Lex and Yacc. $\,$

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If input symbol is non terminal then a call to the procedure corresponding to the non terminal is ma

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