

On Building
Abstract Syntax Tree







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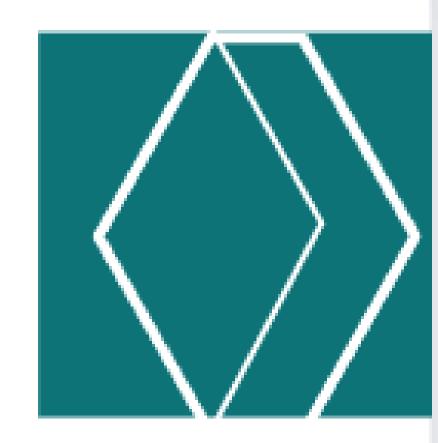
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What is Abstract Syntax Tree?

- An Abstract Syntax Tree (AST) is a data structure that represents the syntactic structure of a program.
- To put it simply, an AST is like a blueprint of a program's syntax. It provides a more structured and organized way of representing the code than the raw source code itself.



About My Project:

My Project is to build Abstract Syntax Tree for C source code.

Steps:

- 1. Lexical Analysis
- 2. Parse Tree
- 3. Abstract Syntax Tree

```
Program
                    → decl_list main_func
decl list
                   → decl_list decl | E
decl
                   → var decl
var_decl
                   → type-spec IDENT; | type-spec IDENT[];
                   → VOID | BOOL | INT | FLOAT
type_spec
main func
                   → int main () { stmt_list } | int main () compound_stmt
                  → stmt list stmt | E
stmt_list
                  → if_stmt | while_stmt | return_stmt | expr_stmt |
stmt
                    for stmt | break stmt | print stmt | var_decl
expr_stmt
                  → expr; |;
while stmt
                  → WHILE ( expr ) { st_list }
st list
                  → st list st | E
                  → if_stmt | break_stmt | expr_stmt | print_stmt | var_decl
st
for_stmt
                  → FOR (for_expr; for_expr; for_expr) { st_list }
for_expr
                  → expr | E
compound_stmt → { local_decls stmt_list }
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local_decls
                  → local decls local decl | E
                 → type-spec IDENT; | type-spec IDENT[];
local decl
print stmt
                 printf (STRING_LIT);
if stmt
                 → IF (expr) { st_list }
                 → BREAK;
break stmt
                 → RETURN ; | RETURN expr ;
return_stmt
The following expressions are listed in order of increasing precedence:
              → IDENT = expr
expr
              → expr EQ expr | expr NE expr
              → expr LE expr | expr<expr | expr GE expr | expr>expr
              → expr + expr | expr - expr
              → (expr)
              → IDENT
              → BOOL_LIT | INT_LIT | FLOAT_LIT | STRING_LIT
```

Data Structures:

- Array of Structure
- 2. Linked List

Algorithms:

- 1. LL (Left-to-Right, Leftmost derivation)
- 2. Depth first

Techniques:

- 1. Top-down parsing
- 2. Tree Representation: Left-Child Right-Sibling

Lines of code:

```
1. Lexical Analysis -- 589
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2. Parse Tree -- 1702

3. Abstract Syntax Tree -- 187

4. Main -- 23

Total = 2501 *lines*

Challenges:

- 1. Handling code with more than 2000 lines is difficult for me
- 2. Grammar Handling
- 3. Parsing Complexity
- 4. Handling Nested "if" Statements

Thank you