Compiler Design Lab Project Report

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Abstract

This document provides an overview of constructing a parser for C Programming Language using Bison. We explore token definitions, grammar rules, and the generation of intermediate code. Special emphasis is given to handling language constructs such as conditionals, loops, arithmetic expressions, and error detection.

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1 Introduction

A **compiler** is a specialized program that translates source code written in one programming language into another, usually lower-level language such as assembly, object code, or machine code, enabling the creation of executable programs from high-level code. In this document, we describe the use of Lex and Yacc (or Bison) in building a compiler that performs the lexical analysis, syntax analysis, and code generation phases of the compilation process.

The compilation process can be broken down into several stages, each handled by Lex and Yacc:

- **Lexical Analysis (Scanning):** The first phase is handled by *Lex*, which reads the source code and divides it into tokens. These tokens are the smallest units of meaning, such as keywords, operators, identifiers, and literals. Lex uses regular expressions to identify these tokens, grouping the characters of the source program into meaningful lexemes. Each lexeme is then translated into a corresponding **token**, which is passed to the next phase of the compiler: syntax analysis.
- **Syntax Analysis (Parsing):** The second phase is managed by *Yacc* (or *Bison*), which takes the tokens produced by Lex and arranges them into a hierarchical structure known as a *parse tree* or *abstract syntax tree*. This tree represents the grammatical structure of the source program, based on a set of grammar rules defined by the user. Yacc checks whether the token stream adheres to the syntax of the programming language and produces an intermediate representation of the program, which is easier to manipulate in subsequent stages.
- **Semantic Analysis:** The semantic analyzer uses the syntax tree and the information in the symbol table to check the source program for semantic consistency with the language definition. An important part of semantic analysis is type checking, where the compiler checks that each operator has matching operands.

  The parser is an executable program generated by compiling and linking the output of two components: the **Lexical Analyzer** and the **Syntax Analyzer**.

1.1 Lexical Analyzer (Lex)

The lexical analyzer, generated by the `lex` tool from the `*.l` file, reads the source code and breaks it down into tokens. These tokens are the basic building blocks that the parser will use to understand the structure and meaning of the source code.

1.2 Syntax Analyzer (Yacc)

The syntax analyzer, generated by the `yacc` tool from the `*.y` file, processes the tokens produced by the lexical analyzer according to the grammar rules defined in the `*.y` file. This step checks whether the input code adheres to the specified grammar and builds a parse tree or abstract syntax tree (AST) that reflects the syntactical structure of the input program.

1.3 Executable Parser

Once the `*.y` and `*.l` files are processed by Yacc and Lex, the resulting code (`y.tab.c` and `lex.yy.c`) is compiled and linked together to produce the `parser` executable. This parser can then be executed to process and analyze source code, performing syntax and semantic analysis based on the defined rules.

1.4 Makefile Workflow

- The `lex` command processes the `*.l` file to generate `lex.yy.c`, which contains the lexical analyzer.
- The `yacc` command processes the `*.y` file to generate `y.tab.c` and `y.tab.h`, which contain the syntax parser and its associated header.
- These generated files are then compiled and linked together using `gcc` to create the final `parser` executable.
- The `clean` rule in the Makefile ensures that intermediate files are removed after the build process.

The generated `parser` executable can be used to read source code files, tokenize the content, parse the tokens based on the grammar, and perform further analysis or translation as defined by the project.

By using Lex and Yacc, this process is streamlined, with Lex handling the identification of tokens and Yacc focusing on parsing and building the intermediate code structure. Together, these tools simplify the creation of a compiler by automating the generation of lexical and syntactic components of the compiler.

2 Language and Tool Choices for Implementation

- **Lex:** We used the *flex* tool (version 2.6.4) for lexical analysis (scanning). Lex is responsible for transforming the input source code into a sequence of tokens. These tokens are the smallest units of meaning in the source code and are passed on to the next phase of the compiler, handled by *Yacc*.
- **Yacc:** We used the *Yacc* tool (or *Bison++ version 1.21.9-1* as its GNU counterpart) for syntax analysis, semantic analysis, and assembly code generation. Yacc processes the tokens produced by Lex, checks the syntax of the source code, performs semantic analysis, and generates intermediate assembly code as output.
- **Language:** The compiler is implemented in *C*. All actions in the parser and lexer are written in C language, enabling efficient handling of low-level operations and seamless integration with Lex and Yacc.

3 Lexical Analysis

Lexical Analysis is the first phase of our compiler. It converts the input program into a sequence of tokens, which are essential for further processing in the compilation pipeline. We used the *Lex* tool to perform lexical analysis, which identifies and categorizes different elements of the source code based on predefined regular expressions.

The Lex file is structured into several sections:

- **Definition Section:** This section includes necessary header files and macro definitions. It imports standard libraries such as `stdio.h` and `stdlib.h`, along with the `y.tab.h` header file generated by *Yacc*.
- **Rules Section:** This section associates regular expressions with corresponding actions. When the lexer encounters a pattern in the source code, it executes the associated action.
- **C Code Section:** This section contains C code, which is copied verbatim into the generated lexer source. It includes necessary functions like `yywrap()`.

The following tokens are identified by our lexical analyzer:

- **Keywords:** `if`, `while`, `else`, `for`.
- **Data Types:** `int`, `float`, `char`.
- **Operators:** `+, -, *, /, %, &, |, ^`.
- **Assignment:** `=, +=, -=, *=, /=`.
- **Increment/Decrement:** `++, --`.
- **Relational Operators:** `==, !=, <, >, <=, >=`.

- **Boolean Operators:** `&&` , `||` .
- **Delimiters:** ‘;‘, ‘(‘, ‘)‘, ‘{‘, ‘}‘, ‘[‘, ‘]‘, ‘,‘.
- **Identifiers and Variables:** Any alphanumeric sequence starting with a letter or underscore is considered a variable.
- **Floating-Point Numbers:** Any number with or without an exponent.

The following Lex regular expressions are used to match various language constructs:

```
variable     [a-zA-Z_][a-zA-Z_0-9]*
operators    [+\-/*%\&\|\^]
floats      -?([0-9]+)?\.[0-9]+(E[-]?[0-9]+)?|[0-9]+
SC          ";"
Assign      "="|"+="|"-="|"/="|"*="
In          [-]?\+\+
Dc          \-\-
leftParen   "("
rightParen  \)
curlLeft    \{
curlRight    \}
arrayBrackRight    "]"
arrayBrackLeft    "["
IF          "if"
WHILE          "while"
ELSE        "else"
RELOP       \<|\>|">="|"<="|"!="|"=="
Booland     "&&"
Boolor     "||"
DtypeFlt       "float"
DtypeInt       "int"
DtypeChar      "char"
Comma          ","
FOR         "for"
Comments    "//"[^\n]*|\/\*([^"*]*|\".*\")*\*\/
```

Each regular expression is associated with an action. When the lexer matches a pattern, it performs an action such as storing the token or printing it. For example: - `Comma` is matched by the regular expression `,`, and the action stores the token in `yylval.str`. - `IF` is matched by the regular expression `if`, and the lexer returns the `If` token.

Here’s an example of token matching for the keyword `if`:

```
{IF}  {
    yylval.str = strdup(yytext);
    return If;
}
```

Similarly, relational operators such as `<`, `>`, and `==` are matched by the `RELOP` pattern, and the appropriate token is returned.

Additional tokens like floating-point numbers, variables, and operators are processed in a similar fashion. Here's an example for matching floating-point numbers:

```
{floats}
{
    yylval.str = strdup(yytext);
    return Floats;
}
```

Whitespace characters (spaces and tabs) are ignored, while newline characters are handled by printing a newline:

```
[\t ]+    ;
[\n]      {
    printf("\n");
}
```

Finally, unrecognized characters are reported as errors:

```
{
    fprintf(stderr, "Unrecognized character: %s \n", yytext);
    return yytext[0];
}
```

The `yywrap()` function, which indicates the end of input, is defined as follows:

```
int yywrap() {
    return 1;
}
```

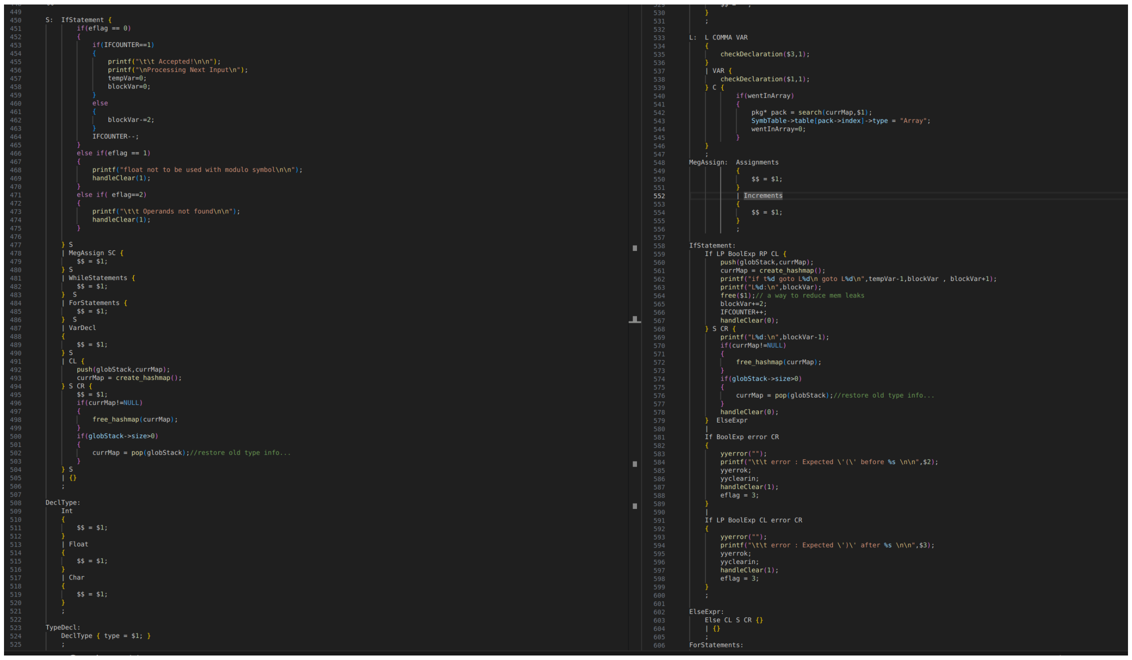
This lexical analyzer provides the foundational step for tokenizing the source code into recognizable elements, which are then used in the syntax analysis phase.

4 Token Definitions and Data Structures

In Bison, tokens are defined to represent the keywords, operators, and symbols in our language. These tokens are declared using the `%token` directive.

5 Grammar Rules and Explanations

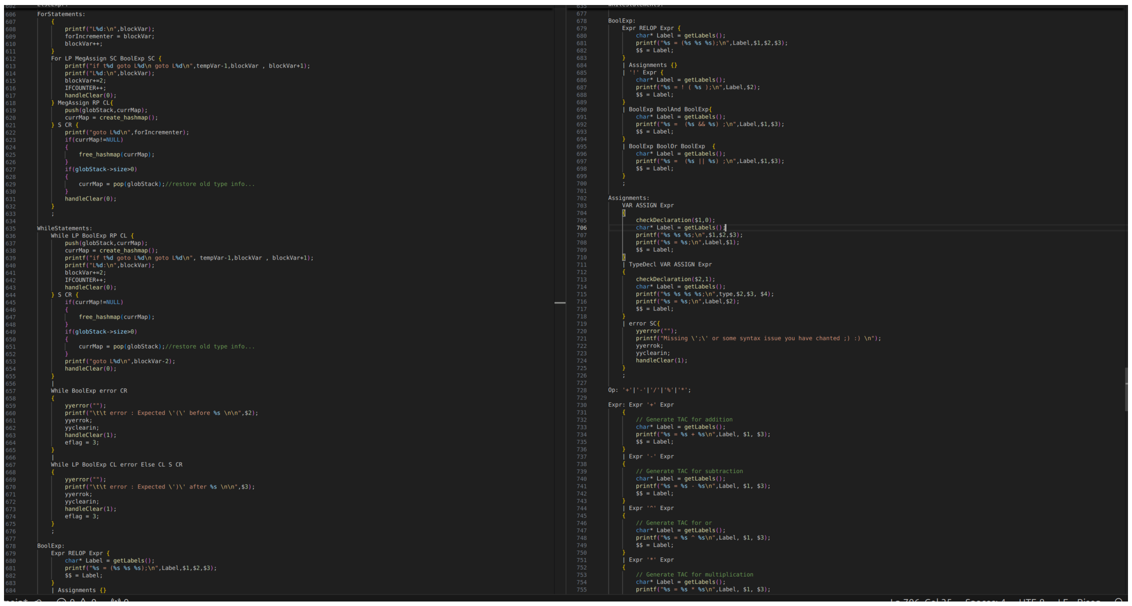
This section describes the grammar rules for our language, including statements, expressions, and control flow structures. The non-terminal symbols are defined with associated semantic actions that guide intermediate code generation.



```
S:  IfStatement {
        if(eflag == 0)
        {
            if(IFCOUNTER==1)
            {
                printf("\t\t Accepted!\n\n");
                printf("\nProcessing Next Input\n");
                tempVar=0;
                blockVar=0;
            }
            else
            {
                blockVar-=2;
            }
            IFCOUNTER--;
        }
        else if(eflag == 1)
        {
            printf("float not to be used with modulo symbol\n\n");
            handleClear(1);
        }
        else if( eflag==2)
        {
            printf("\t\t Operands not found\n\n");
            handleClear(1);
        }

    } S
    | MegAssign SC {
        $$ = $1;
    } S
    | WhileStatements {
        $$ = $1;
    }  S
    | ForStatements {
        $$ = $1;
    }  S
    | VarDecl
    {
        $$ = $1;
    } S
    | CL {
        push(globStack,currMap);
        currMap = create_hashmap();
    } S CR {
        $$ = $1;
        if(currMap!=NULL)
        {
            free_hashmap(currMap);
        }
        if(globStack->size>0)
        {
            currMap = pop(globStack);//restore old type info...
        }
    } S
    | {}
    ;

DeclType:
    Int
    {
        $$ = $1;
    }
    | Float
    {
        $$ = $1;
    }
    | Char
    {
        $$ = $1;
    }
    ;

TypeDecl:
    DeclType { type = $1; }
    ;
```

```
    }
    ;

L:  L COMMA VAR
    {
        checkDeclaration($3,1);
    }
    | VAR {
        checkDeclaration($1,1);
    } C {
            if(wentInArray)
            {
                pkg* pack = search(currMap,$1);
                SymbTable->table[pack->index]->type = "Array";
                wentInArray=0;
            }
    }
    ;
MegAssign:  Assignments
            {
                $$ = $1;
            }
            | Increments
            {
                $$ = $1;
            }
            ;

IfStatement:
    If LP BoolExp RP CL {
        push(globStack,currMap);
        currMap = create_hashmap();
        printf("if t%d goto L%d\n goto L%d\n",tempVar-1,blockVar , blockVar+1);
        printf("L%d:\n",blockVar);
        free($1);// a way to reduce mem leaks
        blockVar+=2;
        IFCOUNTER++;
        handleClear(0);
    } S CR {
        printf("L%d:\n",blockVar-1);
        if(currMap!=NULL)
        {
            free_hashmap(currMap);
        }
        if(globStack->size>0)
        {
            currMap = pop(globStack);//restore old type info...
        }
        handleClear(0);
    }  ElseExpr
    |
    If BoolExp error CR
    {
        yyerror("");
        printf("\t\t error : Expected \'(\' before %s \n\n",$2);
        yyerrok;
        yyclearin;
        handleClear(1);
        eflag = 3;
    }
    |
    If LP BoolExp CL error CR
    {
        yyerror("");
        printf("\t\t error : Expected \')\' after %s \n\n",$3);
        yyerrok;
        yyclearin;
        handleClear(1);
        eflag = 3;
    }
    ;

ElseExpr:
    Else CL S CR {}
    | {}
    ;
ForStatements:
```

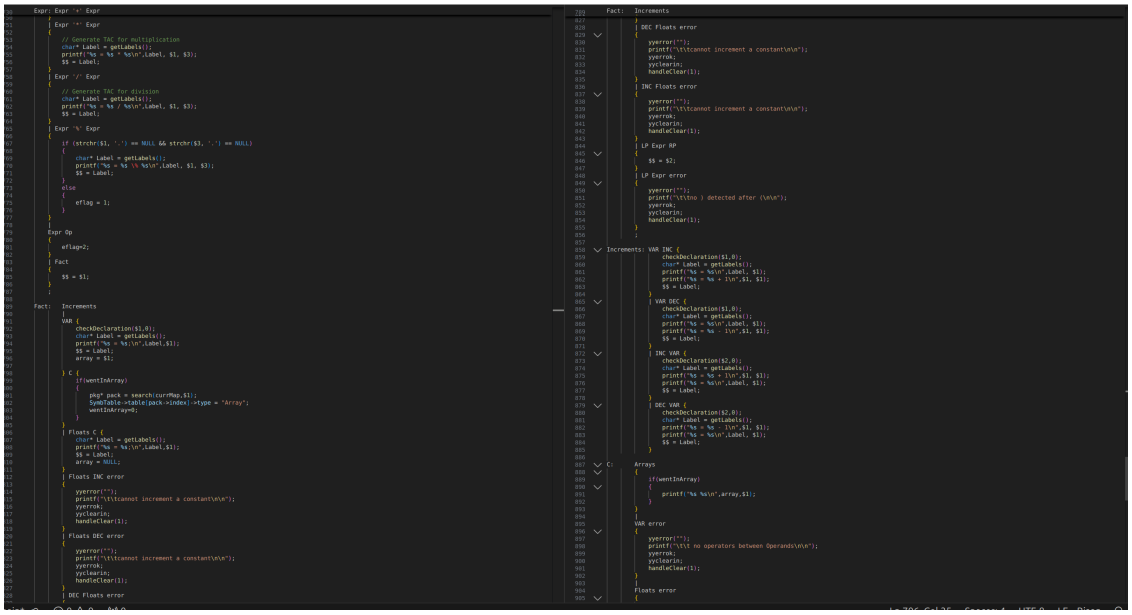
Figure 1: First Portion of Grammar



```
ForStatements:
    {
        printf("L%d:\n",blockVar);
        forIncrementer = blockVar;
        blockVar++;
    }
    For LP MegAssign SC BoolExp SC {
        printf("if t%d goto L%d\n goto L%d\n",tempVar-1,blockVar , blockVar+1);
        printf("L%d:\n",blockVar);
        blockVar+=2;
        IFCOUNTER++;
        handleClear(0);
    } MegAssign RP CL{
        push(globStack,currMap);
        currMap = create_hashmap();
    } S CR {
        printf("goto L%d\n",forIncrementer);
        if(currMap!=NULL)
        {
            free_hashmap(currMap);
        }
        if(globStack->size>0)
        {
            currMap = pop(globStack);//restore old type info...
        }
        handleClear(0);
    }
    ;

WhileStatements:
    While LP BoolExp RP CL {
        push(globStack,currMap);
        currMap = create_hashmap();
        printf("if t%d goto L%d\n goto L%d\n", tempVar-1,blockVar , blockVar+1);
        printf("L%d:\n",blockVar);
        blockVar+=2;
        IFCOUNTER++;
        handleClear(0);
    } S CR {
        if(currMap!=NULL)
        {
            free_hashmap(currMap);
        }
        if(globStack->size>0)
        {
            currMap = pop(globStack);//restore old type info...
        }
        printf("goto L%d\n",blockVar-2);
        handleClear(0);
    }
    |
    While BoolExp error CR
    {
        yyerror("");
        printf("\t\t error : Expected \'(\' before %s \n\n",$2);
        yyerrok;
        yyclearin;
        handleClear(1);
        eflag = 3;
    }
    |
    While LP BoolExp CL error Else CL S CR
    {
        yyerror("");
        printf("\t\t error : Expected \')\' after %s \n\n",$3);
        yyerrok;
        yyclearin;
        handleClear(1);
        eflag = 3;
    }
    ;

BoolExp:
    Expr RELOP Expr {
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = (%s %s %s);\n",Label,$1,$2,$3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Assignments {}
```

```

BoolExp:
    Expr RELOP Expr {
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = (%s %s %s);\n",Label,$1,$2,$3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Assignments {}
    | '!' Expr {
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = ! ( %s );\n",Label,$2);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | BoolExp BoolAnd BoolExp{
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s =  (%s && %s) ;\n",Label,$1,$3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | BoolExp BoolOr BoolExp  {
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s =  (%s || %s) ;\n",Label,$1,$3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    ;

Assignments:
    VAR ASSIGN Expr
    {
        checkDeclaration($1,0);
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s %s %s;\n",$1,$2,$3);
        printf("%s = %s;\n",Label,$1);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | TypeDecl VAR ASSIGN Expr
    {
        checkDeclaration($2,1);
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s %s %s %s;\n",type,$2,$3, $4);
        printf("%s = %s;\n",Label,$2);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | error SC{
        yyerror("");
        printf("Missing \';\' or some syntax issue you have chanted ;) :) \n");
        yyerrok;
        yyclearin;
        handleClear(1);
    }
    ;

Op: '+'|'-'|'/'|'%'|'*';

Expr: Expr '+' Expr
    {
        // Generate TAC for addition
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = %s + %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Expr '-' Expr
    {
        // Generate TAC for subtraction
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = %s - %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Expr '^' Expr
    {
        // Generate TAC for or
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = %s ^ %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Expr '*' Expr
    {
        // Generate TAC for multiplication
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = %s * %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
```

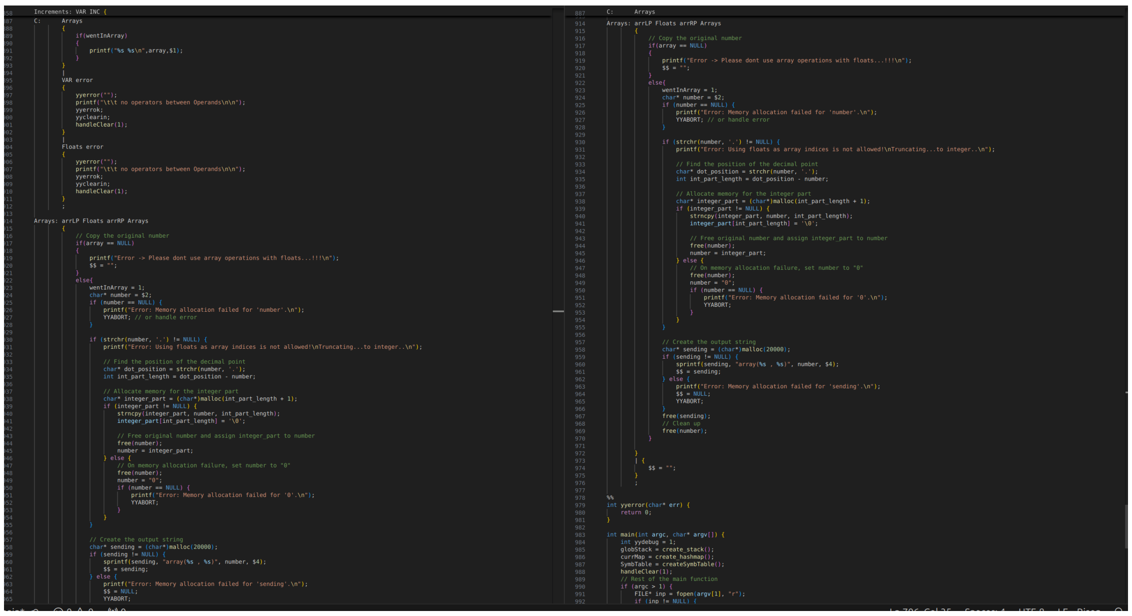
Figure 2: Second Portion of Grammar



```
Expr: Expr '+' Expr
    }
    | Expr '*' Expr
    {
        // Generate TAC for multiplication
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = %s * %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Expr '/' Expr
    {
        // Generate TAC for division
        char* Label = getLabels();
        printf("%s = %s / %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
        $$ = Label;
    }
    | Expr '%' Expr
    {
        if (strchr($1, '.') == NULL && strchr($3, '.') == NULL)
        {
            char* Label = getLabels();
            printf("%s = %s \% %s\n",Label, $1, $3);
            $$ = Label;
        }
        else
        {
            eflag = 1;
        }
    }
    |
    Expr Op
    {
        eflag=2;
    }
    | Fact
    {
        $$ = $1;
    }
    ;

Fact:   Increments
        |
        VAR {
            checkDeclaration($1,0);
            char* Label = getLabels();
            printf("%s = %s;\n",Label,$1);
            $$ = Label;
            array = $1;

        } C {
            if(wentInArray)
            {
                pkg* pack = search(currMap,$1);
                SymbTable->table[pack->index]->type = "Array";
                wentInArray=0;
            }
        }
        | Floats C {
            char* Label = getLabels();
            printf("%s = %s;\n",Label,$1);
            $$ = Label;
            array = NULL;
        }
        | Floats INC error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\tcannot increment a constant\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        | Floats DEC error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\tcannot increment a constant\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        | DEC Floats error
```

```
Fact:   Increments
        }
        | DEC Floats error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\tcannot increment a constant\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        | INC Floats error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\tcannot increment a constant\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        | LP Expr RP
        {
            $$ = $2;
        }
        | LP Expr error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\tno ) detected after (\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        ;

Increments: VAR INC {
                checkDeclaration($1,0);
                char* Label = getLabels();
                printf("%s = %s\n",Label, $1);
                printf("%s = %s + 1\n",$1, $1);
                $$ = Label;
            }
            | VAR DEC {
                checkDeclaration($1,0);
                char* Label = getLabels();
                printf("%s = %s\n",Label, $1);
                printf("%s = %s - 1\n",$1, $1);
                $$ = Label;
            }
            | INC VAR {
                checkDeclaration($2,0);
                char* Label = getLabels();
                printf("%s = %s + 1\n",$1, $1);
                printf("%s = %s\n",Label, $1);
                $$ = Label;
            }
            | DEC VAR {
                checkDeclaration($2,0);
                char* Label = getLabels();
                printf("%s = %s - 1\n",$1, $1);
                printf("%s = %s\n",Label, $1);
                $$ = Label;
            }

C:      Arrays
        {
            if(wentInArray)
            {
                printf("%s %s\n",array,$1);
            }
        }
        |
        VAR error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\t no operators between Operands\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        |
        Floats error
        {
```

Figure 3: Third Portion of Grammar



```
Increments: VAR INC {
C:      Arrays
        {
            if(wentInArray)
            {
                printf("%s %s\n",array,$1);
            }
        }
        |
        VAR error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\t no operators between Operands\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        |
        Floats error
        {
            yyerror("");
            printf("\t\t no operators between Operands\n\n");
            yyerrok;
            yyclearin;
            handleClear(1);
        }
        ;

Arrays: arrLP Floats arrRP Arrays
        {
            // Copy the original number
            if(array == NULL)
            {
                printf("Error -> Please dont use array operations with floats...!!!\n");
                $$ = "";
            }
            else{
                wentInArray = 1;
                char* number = $2;
                if (number == NULL) {
                    printf("Error: Memory allocation failed for 'number'.\n");
                    YYABORT; // or handle error
                }

                if (strchr(number, '.') != NULL) {
                    printf("Error: Using floats as array indices is not allowed!\nTruncating...to integer..\n");

                    // Find the position of the decimal point
                    char* dot_position = strchr(number, '.');
                    int int_part_length = dot_position - number;

                    // Allocate memory for the integer part
                    char* integer_part = (char*)malloc(int_part_length + 1);
                    if (integer_part != NULL) {
                        strncpy(integer_part, number, int_part_length);
                        integer_part[int_part_length] = '\0';

                        // Free original number and assign integer_part to number
                        free(number);
                        number = integer_part;
                    } else {
                        // On memory allocation failure, set number to "0"
                        free(number);
                        number = "0";
                        if (number == NULL) {
                            printf("Error: Memory allocation failed for '0'.\n");
                            YYABORT;
                        }
                    }
                }

                // Create the output string
                char* sending = (char*)malloc(20000);
                if (sending != NULL) {
                    sprintf(sending, "array(%s , %s)", number, $4);
                    $$ = sending;
                } else {
                    printf("Error: Memory allocation failed for 'sending'.\n");
                    $$ = NULL;
                    YYABORT;
```

```
C:      Arrays
Arrays: arrLP Floats arrRP Arrays
        {
            // Copy the original number
            if(array == NULL)
            {
                printf("Error -> Please dont use array operations with floats...!!!\n");
                $$ = "";
            }
            else{
                wentInArray = 1;
                char* number = $2;
                if (number == NULL) {
                    printf("Error: Memory allocation failed for 'number'.\n");
                    YYABORT; // or handle error
                }

                if (strchr(number, '.') != NULL) {
                    printf("Error: Using floats as array indices is not allowed!\nTruncating...to integer..\n");

                    // Find the position of the decimal point
                    char* dot_position = strchr(number, '.');
                    int int_part_length = dot_position - number;

                    // Allocate memory for the integer part
                    char* integer_part = (char*)malloc(int_part_length + 1);
                    if (integer_part != NULL) {
                        strncpy(integer_part, number, int_part_length);
                        integer_part[int_part_length] = '\0';

                        // Free original number and assign integer_part to number
                        free(number);
                        number = integer_part;
                    } else {
                        // On memory allocation failure, set number to "0"
                        free(number);
                        number = "0";
                        if (number == NULL) {
                            printf("Error: Memory allocation failed for '0'.\n");
                            YYABORT;
                        }
                    }
                }

                // Create the output string
                char* sending = (char*)malloc(20000);
                if (sending != NULL) {
                    sprintf(sending, "array(%s , %s)", number, $4);
                    $$ = sending;
                } else {
                    printf("Error: Memory allocation failed for 'sending'.\n");
                    $$ = NULL;
                    YYABORT;
                }
                free(sending);
                // Clean up
                free(number);
            }

        }
        | {
            $$ = "";
        }
        ;

%%
int yyerror(char* err) {
    return 0;
}

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    int yydebug = 1;
    globStack = create_stack();
    currMap = create_hashmap();
    SymbTable = createSymbTable();
    handleClear(1);
    // Rest of the main function
    if (argc > 1) {
        FILE* inp = fopen(argv[1], "r");
        if (inp != NULL) {
```

Figure 4: Last Portion of Grammar

5.1 Statements

The main non-terminal symbol, S, represents statements in the language. It includes conditionals, loops, and assignments.

Listing 1: Statement Grammar in Bison

```
S:   IfStatement {
         if(eflag == 0)
```

```
        {
            if(IFCOUNTER==1)
            {
                printf("\t\t Accepted!\n\n");
                printf("\nProcessing Next Input\n");
                tempVar=0;
                blockVar=0;
            }
            else
            {
                blockVar-=2;
            }
            IFCOUNTER--;
        }
        // Additional statements and error handling here
    } S
    | MegAssign SC { $$ = $1; } S
    | WhileStatements { $$ = $1; } S
    | ForStatements { $$ = $1; } S
    | VarDecl { $$ = $1; } S
    | CL { push(globStack,currMap); currMap = create_hashmap(); } S CR { $$ =
    ;
```

5.2 Control Flow: `If` Statements

The `IfStatement` rule allows conditional execution. The semantic actions ensure correct scope handling and provide output for conditional branches.

Listing 2: If Statement Grammar

```
IfStatement:
    If LP BoolExp RP CL {
        push(globStack, currMap);
        currMap = create_hashmap();
        printf("if t%d goto L%d\n goto L%d\n",tempVar-1, blockVar, blockVar+
        printf("L%d:\n", blockVar);
        blockVar += 2;
        IFCOUNTER++;
        handleClear(0);
    } S CR {
        printf("L%d:\n", blockVar-1);
        currMap = pop(globStack);
        handleClear(0);
    } ElseExpr
    ;
```

Symbol Table Overview

In this implementation, we create a symbol table in C to manage variable identifiers, types, and sizes. Each variable is represented as a node (‘SymbolNode‘) with the following attributes:

- **token**: The name of the variable.
- **type**: The data type of the variable (e.g., `int`, `float`, or `char`).
- **size**: The memory size of the variable's data type.

The symbol table is defined as a hash map (‘SymbolTable‘) that holds a fixed-size array of nodes, enabling efficient storage and lookup. Our implementation covers all essential data types and their respective sizes, as outlined below:

$$\begin{aligned} \texttt{int} &\rightarrow 4 \text{ bytes} \\ \texttt{float} &\rightarrow 8 \text{ bytes} \\ \texttt{char} &\rightarrow 1 \text{ byte} \end{aligned}$$

6 Scope Management

We support separate variable scopes using a stack-based approach. Each scope is represented by a ‘HashMap‘, which holds symbol table entries for that scope, and is managed by a stack (‘Stack‘). New scopes push a new hash map onto the stack, and closing a scope removes the top map. While we allow scoped variables, the symbol table is printed as a unified table, rather than showing each scope separately.

Code Example

```
int global_var = 100;
int common_var = 50;
int counter;
{
    int level1_var = 10;
    counter = level1_var;

    if (global_var > level1_var) {
        int common_var = 20;
        {
            int level2_var = 5;
            float temp = common_var + level2_var;

            while (temp < global_var) {
                temp += 15;
                level2_var++;

                if (temp > 75) {
                    int level3_var = level1_var + temp;
                    level2_var = level3_var - level2_var;
                    {
                        float level4_var = 2 * level3_var;
                        temp += level4_var;

                        if (level4_var > 0) {
                            common_var += 1;
                            undeclared_var = 5;
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }

        level2_var = 30;
    }

    while (counter < 5) {
        int loop_var = 3 * counter;
        counter++;

        if (loop_var > level1_var) {
            undeclared_var2 = loop_var;

            {
                int inner_scope_var = 10;

                while (inner_scope_var > 0) {
                    inner_scope_var--;

                    if (counter > 2) {
                        int common_var = 5;
                        counter += common_var;
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Symbol Table

Below is the symbol table generated for the code above, showing each variable's memory address, token, and type. By default the error handler assumes "int" type for undeclared variables.

Address	Token	Type
0	global_var	int
4	common_var	int
8	counter	int
12	level1_var	int
16	common_var	int
20	level2_var	int
24	temp	float
32	level3_var	int
36	level4_var	float
44	undeclared_var	float
52	level2_var	float
60	loop_var	int
64	undeclared_var2	int
68	inner_scope_var	int
72	common_var	int

7 Semantic Analysis

After syntax analysis, semantic analysis is responsible for ensuring that the declarations and statements in a program are semantically correct, i.e., their meaning aligns with the intended behavior of the program. This process checks that control structures and data types are used consistently and meaningfully. The semantics of a language provide meaning to its constructs, such as tokens, grammar rules, and their relationships with each other.

Expansion and Reduction

- **Expansion:** When a non-terminal is expanded into terminals according to a grammatical rule.
- **Reduction:** When a terminal is reduced back to its corresponding non-terminal, following grammar rules. The syntax trees are parsed top-down and left to right. During reductions, corresponding semantic actions are applied.

Semantic Analysis with SDDs and Intermediate Code Generation

In our parser, semantic analysis is carried out using Syntax Directed Definitions (SDDs), where semantic actions are associated with each grammar rule. These actions are executed during the reduction of grammar rules to ensure that the program's meaning is correct in terms of types, values, and relationships between program components.

Each semantic action is embedded directly in the grammar rules, and the actions typically involve manipulating labels, generating intermediate code, or checking types.

Example Semantic Actions

Below are some examples of the semantic actions defined for certain grammar rules:

- **Relational Operations:** When a relational expression is parsed, a unique label is generated, and the corresponding code is printed for the relational operation:

```
Expr RELOP Expr {
    char* Label = getLabels();                // Generate a new label
    printf("%s = (%s %s %s);\n", Label, $1, $2, $3);  // Print intermediate cod
    $$ = Label;                               // Set the resulting label
}
```

  The action prints the intermediate code for a relational operation like $a > b$, where the operands and operator are substituted into the printed expression.

- **Logical NOT:** For the logical NOT operation, a new label is generated, and the negation is printed in the form of an intermediate code:

```
| '!' Expr {
    char* Label = getLabels();
    printf("%s = ! ( %s );\n", Label, $2);    // Print intermediate code for ne
    $$ = Label;                               // Set the resulting label
}
```

  This action handles expressions like $!a$, where the operand is negated and the result is assigned to a new label.

- **Logical AND:** For the logical AND operation, a new label is generated, and the expression is printed as an intermediate code for the logical AND:

```
| BoolExp BoolAnd BoolExp {
    char* Label = getLabels();
    printf("%s = (%s && %s);\n", Label, $1, $3); // Print intermediate code for
    $$ = Label;                                   // Set the resulting label
}
```

  The semantic action here processes a logical AND operation like $a\&\&b$.

- **Logical OR:** Similarly, for the logical OR operation, a new label is generated and the intermediate code for logical OR is printed:

  ```
  | BoolExp BoolOr BoolExp {
      char* Label = getLabels();
      printf("%s = (%s || %s);\n", Label, $1, $3);   // Print intermediate code f
      $$ = Label;                                     // Set the resulting label
  }
  ```

  This rule handles expressions like $a||b$, where the two operands are logically ORed.

Explanation of the Actions

- **Label Generation:** Each semantic action starts by generating a unique label for the result of the expression. The function `getLabels()` ensures that every new expression gets a unique identifier, which is used to track the result of the operation.
- **Printing Intermediate Code:** The semantic actions print the corresponding intermediate code in the form of a C-like expression, such as `label = operand1 operator operand2`. This helps in representing the evaluation of the expressions in a form that can later be used for code generation or further analysis.
- **Assigning the Label:** After generating and printing the intermediate code, the resulting label (which represents the evaluated result of the expression) is assigned to the current node in the parse tree using the `$$` symbol. This allows the result of the current operation to be used in subsequent operations.

Code Example: Logical AND Operation

For the logical AND operation, the semantic action works as follows:

```
| BoolExp BoolAnd BoolExp {
    char* Label = getLabels();                // Generate a unique label for the result
    printf("%s = (%s && %s);\n", Label, $1, $3);  // Print the intermediate code
    $$ = Label;                               // Set the resulting label
}
```

Here, `$1` and `$3` refer to the left and right operands of the logical AND, respectively. The intermediate code `Label = (operand1 && operand2);` is printed, and the result is assigned to the newly generated label.

Type Checking in Semantic Analysis

In semantic analysis, the task of type checking ensures that variables are correctly declared and used in accordance with their types across different scopes. This helps in identifying issues such as undeclared variables or type mismatches during variable re-declarations. The function `checkDeclaration` plays a crucial role in handling these checks during the analysis phase.

Type Checking Function: `checkDeclaration`

```
void checkDeclaration(char* var, int newDecl)
{
    Stack* tempStack = create_stack();
    if(newDecl && search(currMap, var) == NULL)
    {
        printf("%s type -> %s\n", var, type);
        array = var;
        insert(currMap, var, type);
        free_stack(tempStack);
        return;
    }

    while(!is_empty(globStack) && (search(currMap, var) == NULL))
    {
        push(tempStack, currMap);
        currMap = pop(globStack);
    }

    if(search(currMap, var) == NULL)
    {
        if(newDecl == 0)
        {
            printf("Variable [‘%s‘] not declared in all scopes\n", var);
            printf("I will add it anyways... sob sob weep weep\n");
        }
    }
    else if(newDecl)
    {
        char* val = search(currMap, var);
        printf("Error -> Redeclaration of variable [‘%s‘] !!\n", var);
        if(strcmp(val, type) != 0)
        {
            printf("Error -> Change of Type of variable [‘%s‘] !!\n", var);
            printf("I am a good compiler so I will change its type just like Python\n");
            delete_key(currMap, var);
        }
    }

    push(globStack, currMap);  // put the currMap back...
    while(!is_empty(tempStack))
    {
        push(globStack, pop(tempStack));
    }

    currMap = pop(globStack);  // push in currMap...
    printf("%s type -> %s\n", var, type);
    array = var;
    insert(currMap, var, type);
    free_stack(tempStack);
}
```

Explanation of Function `checkDeclaration`

The function `checkDeclaration` handles the type checking and scope management of variables during semantic analysis. The steps are as follows:

- **Initial Declaration Check**: If the variable is a new declaration (`newDecl`) and not found in the current scope (`currMap`), the variable is declared with the specified type and inserted into the symbol table.
- **Scope Traversal**: If the variable is not found in the current scope, the function traverses the global stack to check in outer scopes for the variable's declaration.
- **Undeclared Variable Handling**: If the variable is still not found and it is not a new declaration, an error is printed, indicating that the variable is undeclared in all scopes.
- **Redeclaration and Type Mismatch**: If the variable is found and the declaration is new (`newDecl`), the function checks if the variable's type matches its previous declaration. If a type mismatch is found, an error is displayed and the variable's type is updated in the symbol table.
- **Finalizing Declaration**: The function then restores the scope and updates the symbol table by inserting the variable with its type.

Error Handling and Debugging

The function provides detailed error messages and debug information to assist in tracking type checking and scope validation. The output includes:

- The final determined type of variables, including adjustments when type mismatches are detected.

- Error messages for redeclared variables, highlighting when a variable is redeclared with a different type within the same scope.
- Warnings for variables that are used without being declared.
- The handling of type changes, where variables like a and c are dynamically adjusted to the correct type, similar to how dynamic languages (e.g., Python) handle such cases.
- The maintenance of a symbol table, which tracks variable types and their memory locations across different scopes, allowing easy identification of scope and redeclaration issues.

Conclusion

The `checkDeclaration` function is a vital component of the semantic analysis phase. It ensures type correctness, proper variable declarations, and scope management, all of which are critical for the subsequent code generation and optimization stages in the compiler.

8 Code Generation

Already covered in Symantic analysis..

9 Memory Leak Detection and Fixing

Memory management is a critical aspect of compiler development, especially when managing dynamic memory allocations for symbol tables, stacks, and other runtime data structures. In our project, memory leaks were a concern due to improper allocation and deallocation of memory. To address these issues, we used Valgrind, a powerful tool that helps identify memory leaks, uninitialized memory access, and other memory-related errors in programs.

Memory Leak Fixing with Valgrind

Valgrind was used to detect and resolve memory leaks in the semantic analysis and symbol table management parts of our code. Specifically, the following steps were undertaken:

- **Running Valgrind**: The code was run under Valgrind to analyze memory usage and detect any memory leaks. Valgrind reports the locations where memory is allocated and freed, and identifies any allocations that were not freed.
- **Identifying Leaks**: The output from Valgrind was carefully examined to identify areas in the code where memory was allocated but not properly freed, particularly in data structures like stacks, symbol tables, and linked lists.
- **Memory Deallocation**: After identifying the problematic areas, proper memory deallocation was added. This included:

  - Freeing memory used by symbol tables after they are no longer needed.
  - Ensuring that all dynamically allocated objects, such as the stack used for scope management, were properly freed at the end of their scope.
  - Adding calls to `free()` where necessary to deallocate memory, especially in functions handling dynamic memory.

- **Re-testing with Valgrind**: After making the necessary changes to fix memory leaks, the code was re-tested using Valgrind to ensure that all memory was being properly managed and no leaks remained.

Valgrind Output Example

Here is an example of Valgrind output before and after fixing the memory leaks:

Before:

```
==233121== LEAK SUMMARY:
==233121==    definitely lost: 120618 bytes in 746 blocks
==233121==    indirectly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==233121==      possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==233121==    still reachable: 98,099 bytes in 183 blocks
==233121==         suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==233121== Reachable blocks (those to which a pointer was found) are not shown.
==233121== To see them, rerun with: --leak-check=full --show-leak-kinds=all
```

After:

```
==233121== LEAK SUMMARY:
==233121==    definitely lost: 648 bytes in 144 blocks
==233121==    indirectly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==233121==      possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==233121==    still reachable: 18,099 bytes in 83 blocks
==233121==         suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==233121== Reachable blocks (those to which a pointer was found) are not shown.
==233121== To see them, rerun with: --leak-check=full --show-leak-kinds=all
```

Those 648byte leaks were caused by lexer when we copied the tokens from yylval.str inside lexer, which means to fix this we need to free each and every token used in grammar in each and every rule.. which is unfeasable... however it is taken care by the OS.
After addressing the memory leaks, the output shows that all memory is either deallocated or marked as reachable.

Conclusion

By using Valgrind, we were able to identify and fix memory leaks in the semantic analysis and symbol table handling sections of the compiler. Ensuring proper memory management not only prevents memory leaks but also improves the overall stability and performance of the compiler. The use of Valgrind helped us automate the detection of potential issues, ensuring that the program runs efficiently without consuming unnecessary memory.

10 Test Cases

The following test case demonstrates various aspects of variable declarations, scope handling, and type checking, as well as the generation of intermediate code.

10.1 Test Case Code

The test case involves a series of nested scopes with variables of different types. It also includes conditions, loops, and the usage of undeclared variables to test the semantic analysis and error handling of the parser.

```
int global_var = 100;
int common_var = 50;
int counter;
{
    int level1_var = 10;
    counter = level1_var;

    if (global_var > level1_var) {
        int common_var = 20;
        {
            int level2_var = 5;
            float temp = common_var + level2_var;

            while (temp < global_var) {
                temp += 15;
                level2_var++;

                if (temp > 75) {
                    int level3_var = level1_var + temp;
                    level2_var = level3_var - level2_var;
                    {
                        float level4_var = 2 * level3_var;
                        temp += level4_var;

                        if (level4_var > 0) {
                            common_var += 1;
                            undeclared_var = 5;
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }

        level2_var = 30;
    }
    while (counter < 5) {
        int loop_var = 3 * counter;
        counter++;

        if (loop_var > level1_var) {
            undeclared_var2 = loop_var;

            {
                int inner_scope_var = 10;

                while (inner_scope_var > 0) {
                    inner_scope_var--;

                    if (counter > 2) {
                        int common_var = 5;
                        counter += common_var;
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

10.2 Test Case Output

The output generated from running the test case is the intermediate code, along with the type information for each variable, and the symbol table.

```
t0 = 100;
global_var type -> int
int global_var = t0;
t1 = global_var;

t2 = 50;
common_var type -> int
int common_var = t2;
t3 = common_var;

counter type -> int

t4 = 10;
level1_var type -> int
int level1_var = t4;
t5 = level1_var;
```

```
level1_var type -> int
t6 = level1_var;
counter type -> int
counter = level1_var;
t7 = counter;

...

t73 = 5;
common_var type -> int
int common_var = t73;
t74 = common_var;

common_var type -> int
t75 = common_var;
counter type -> int
counter += common_var;
t76 = counter;

/////////////////////////// SYMBOL TABLE ///////////////////////////
Addr    Token               Type
0       global_var          int
4       common_var          int
8       counter             int
12      level1_var          int
16      common_var          int
20      level2_var          int
24      temp                float
32      level3_var          int
36      level4_var          float
44      undeclared_var      float
52      level2_var          float
60      loop_var            int
64      undeclared_var2     int
68      inner_scope_var     int
72      common_var          int
///////////////////////////// END SYMBOL TABLE /////////////////////////
```

10.3 Explanation of Output

The generated output includes intermediate code and a symbol table that tracks all variables, their types, and their values during execution:

- `global_var`, `common_var`, `counter`, and other variables are declared with appropriate types and initial values.

- Intermediate code shows operations, assignments, and type conversions.
- The symbol table is updated with the variables' memory addresses and types, providing insight into the variables used throughout the code and their scope handling.
- The parser detects undeclared variables, such as `undeclared_var` and `undeclared_var2`, and includes them in the symbol table with error messages for undeclared usage.

10.4 Test Case 2:

```
int a;
char a;
int z = 19;
{
    int y = 5;
    if( z > y){
        z = z -5;
    }
    else {
        y = y + 1;
    }

    while (y < 10) {
        y = 2;
        if (y == 2){
            a += 2;
        }
    }

    {
        int c = 3;
        int c = 4;
        z = a + c;

        if (c > y) {

            z = a;
        } else {
            int temp = 0;
            while (temp < y) {
                temp++;
                if (temp == (y - 1)) {
                    z -= temp;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
int a;
char a;
int z = 19;
{
    int y = 5;
    if( z > y){
        z = z -5;
    }
    else {
        y = y + 1;
    }

    while (y < 10) {
        y = 2;
        if (y == 9) {

        }
    }

    {
        int c = 3;
        float c = 4;

        if (c > y) {

        } else {
            int temp = 0;
            while (temp < y) {
                temp++;
                if (temp == (y-1) ) {
                    z -= temp;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Output

```
a type -> int

Error -> Redeclartion of variable ['a'] !!
Error -> Change of Type of variable ['a'] !!
I am a good compiler so I will change its type just like python
a type -> char

t0 = 19;
z type -> int
int z = t0;
t1 = z;


t2 = 5;
y type -> int
int y = t2;
t3 = y;

z type -> int
t4 = z;
y type -> int
t5 = y;
t6 = (z > y);
if t6 goto L0
 goto L1
L0:

z type -> int
t7 = z;
t8 = 5;
t9 = z - t8
z type -> int
z = t9;
t10 = z;

L1:


y type -> int
t11 = y;
t12 = 1;
t13 = y + t12
y type -> int
y = t13;
t14 = y;
```

```
                Accepted!


....

t54 = 2;
y type -> int
y = t54;
t55 = y;

y type -> int
t56 = y;
t57 = 9;
t58 = (y == t57);
if t58 goto L6
 goto L7
L6:


L7:

goto L4




t59 = 3;
c type -> int
int c = t59;
t60 = c;

t61 = 4;
Error -> Redeclartion of variable ['c'] !!
Error -> Change of Type of variable ['c'] !!
I am a good compiler so I will change its type just like python
c type -> float
float c = t61;
t62 = c;


temp type -> int
t77 = temp;
z type -> int
z -= temp;
t78 = z;
```

```
L11:
goto L8

////////////////////////// SYMBOL TABLE //////////////////////////
Addr      Token                 Type
0         a                     char
4         z                     int
8         y                     int
12        c                     int
16        temp                  int
20        y                     int
24        c                     float
28        temp                  int
/////////////////////////// END SYMBOL TABLE ///////////////////////
```

Explanation of Output

The program declares and redeclares variables with type changes:

- The variable `a` is initially declared as `int`, but later redeclared as `char`, causing an error. The type is changed as if it were a dynamically-typed language like Python.
- The variable `z` is initialized to 19 and modified through conditional operations.
- The while loop modifies `y` and increments `a` based on conditions.
- The inner block redeclares `c`, resulting in a redeclaration error. The type is updated to `float` as per the program's logic.
- The program performs arithmetic and conditional checks, updating `z` within a nested loop.
- Finally, multiple redeclarations of `a` and `c` are detected and flagged as errors.

The symbol table at the end contains:

```
Addr    Token               Type
0       a                   char
4       z                   int
8       y                   int
12      c                   int
16      temp                int
20      y                   int
24      c                   float
28      temp                int
```

Like this we tested our code on 7 test cases.. all of which were giving promising results.

References

- Bison Documentation: `https://www.gnu.org/software/bison/manual/`