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Q) What is the role of Lexical Analyzer? And explain about the lex tool with an example program.

A) Role of Lexical analyser:

1) Lexical analyser functions.

2) Separation of Lexical Analyser from syntax analyser.

3) Tokens, lexemes and patterns.

4) Lexical forms.

Lexical analyser:

→ It produces a stream of tokens and removes comments from the source program.

→ It provides error messages with corresponding line no's and column no's.

→ Interaction b/w lexical analyser and syntax analyser.

Separation of Lexical analyser from syntax Analyser:

→ To simplify the design of a compiler.

→ To increase the efficiency of a compiler.

→ To enhance the portability of a computer.

Tokens, lexemes and patterns:

→ Tokens is a pair of which is represented in the form of <tokenname, attributevalue>

→ Token.name may be an identifier, keyword, operator or constant.

→ Patterns are mainly useful to define regular expression.

Lexical Errors:

→ These are generated during lexical analyser process.

→ Spelling errors (Ex: id in place of do).

→ Appearance of illegal characters (Ex: printf("hai"); @#)

→ Exceeding length of (the length of variable in c is 32).

Program:

/*

/*lex program for recognise the tokens */

*/

letter [a-zA-Z]

digit [0-9]

id {letter} ({letter/digit})*

numbers {digit}+ ({digit}+)? ([E [-+])? {digit}+)?

/* /*

{id} {printf ("%.s is an identifier", yytext);}

if {printf ("%.s is a keyword", yytext);}

else {printf ("%.s is a keyword", yytext);}

"<" {printf ("%.s is less than operator", yytext);}

">" {printf ("%.s is greater than operator", yytext);}

"==" {printf ("%.s is double equal operator", yytext);}

">=" {printf ("%.s is greater than or equal operator", yytext);}

"<=" {printf ("%.s is less than or equal operator", yytext);}

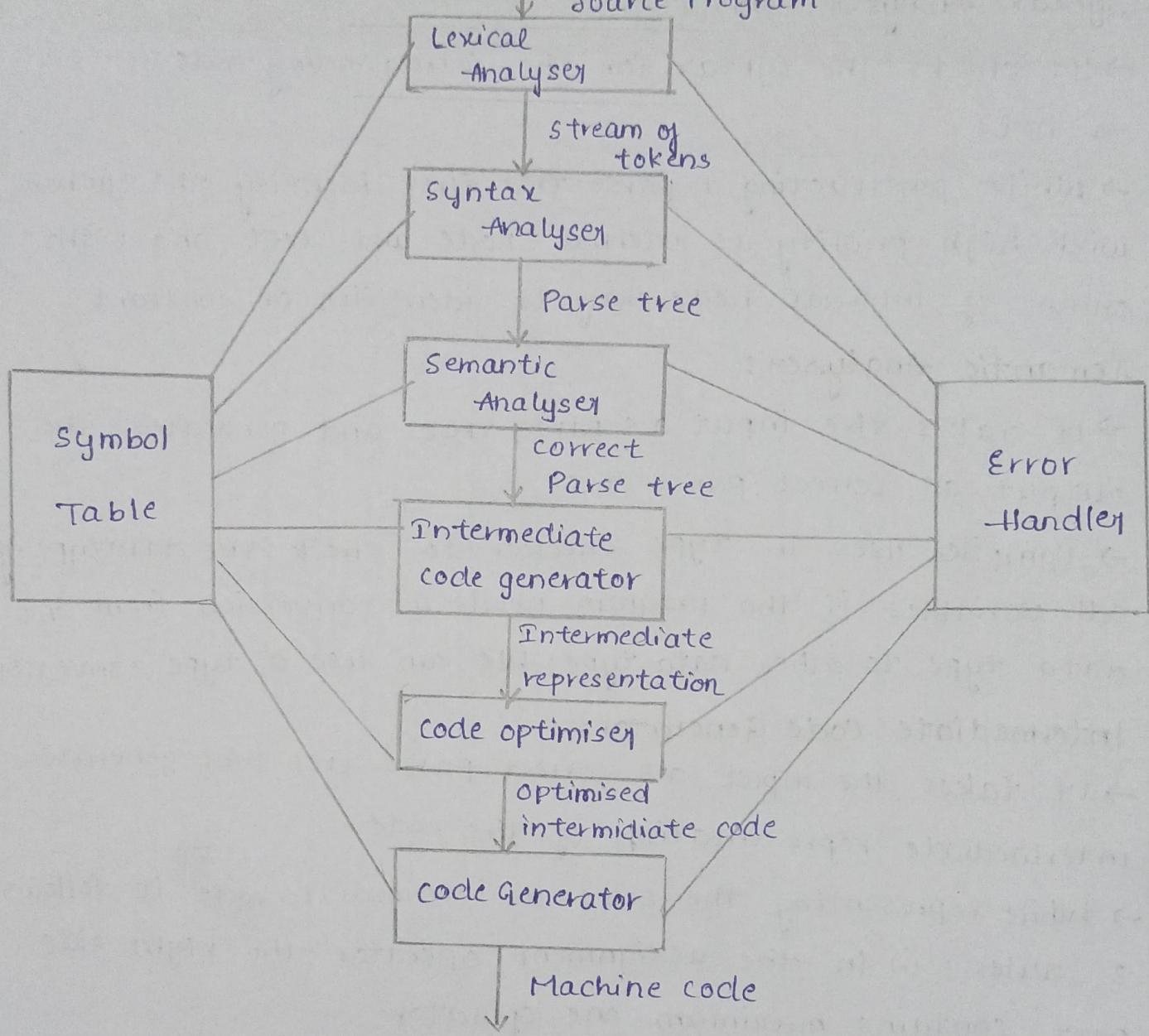
"!=" {printf ("%.s is not equal operator", yytext);}

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{number} {printf("i's is a number", yytext);}
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'i', 'i'.

2) Explain the structure of a compiler with an example.

A)



Lexical analyser/Scanner:

→ It reads the program character by character and converts it into meaningful schemes.

Lexeme is a sequence of characters.

Each lexeme is represented in the form of token i-e identifier, keyword, operator and constant.

Each token is represented in the form of

<tokenname,attribute value>

→ Transition diagram is used to recognise the tokens.

Syntax Analyser / Parser:

→ It checks the syntax for the corresponding code is correct or not.

→ While constructing a parse tree first identify the symbol with high priority as internal node and left and right chains of internal node may be identifier or constant.

Semantic Analyser:

→ It takes the input as parse tree and generates the output as correct parse tree.

→ Compiler uses a type checker to check the datatype of all variables if the program needs a conversion from one data type to other data type we can use a type converter.

Intermediate Code Generators:

→ It takes the input as correct parse tree and generates intermediate representation of the code.

→ While representing the code as intermediate code it follows 3 rules: (i) In the assignment operator the right side part contains maximum one operator.

(ii) Compiler uses a temporary variable for storing temporary result for further calculation.

(iii) Fewer than the operands / addresses we can use.

Code optimiser:

→ Some of the stmts which are not necessary to get the output to remove or eliminate those stmts by code optimiser.

Code Generator :

→ It uses some mnemonics like LD, ST, ADD, MUL.

→ LD AC/R, MM

ST HH,R

ADD RI,R₁,R₂

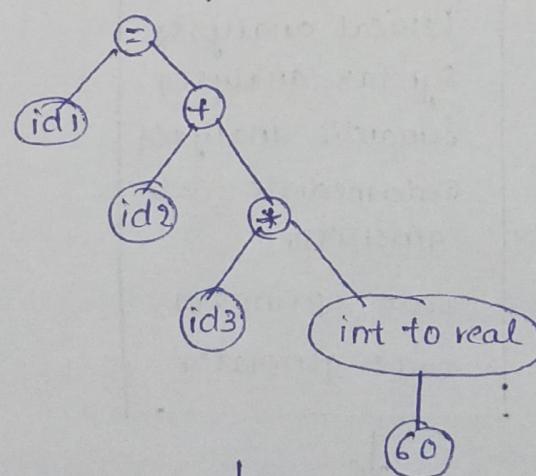
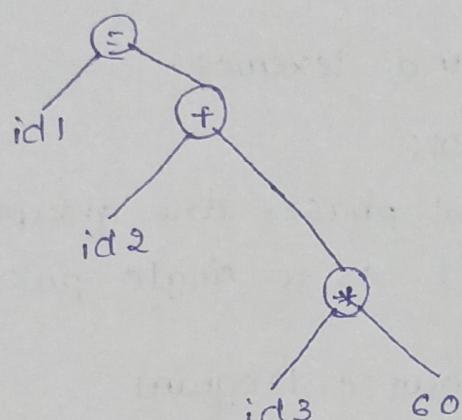
MUL R₃,R₃,R₄

Example: $xc = y + z * 60$

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$$id1 = id2 + id3 * 60$$



$t1 = \text{int to real}(60)$

$t2 = id3 * t1$

$t3 = id2 + t2$

$id1 = t3$

\downarrow
 t1 = id3 * 60.0
 id1 = id2 + t1
 \downarrow
 LDF R1, id3
 MULF R1, R1, #60.0
 LDF R2, id2
 ADDF R1, R1, R2
 STF id1, R1.

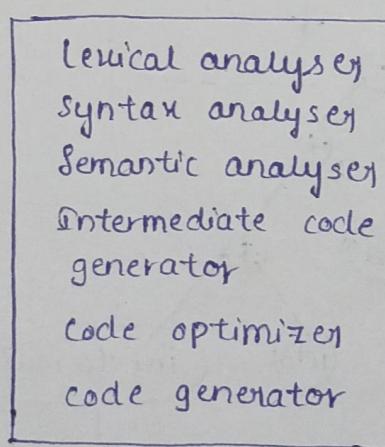
8) Write a short note on:

- (i) Single Pass compiler
- (ii) Multi pass compiler
- (iii) Lex compiler
- (iv) Tokens, patterns and lexemes.

A) (i) Single Pass compiler;

If all the phases are grouping into one path then you can call it as a single pass compiler.

Source Program



Target Program

Multipass compiler:

If we divide all the 6 phases into 2 parts then we can call it as multipass compiler. There are two parts:

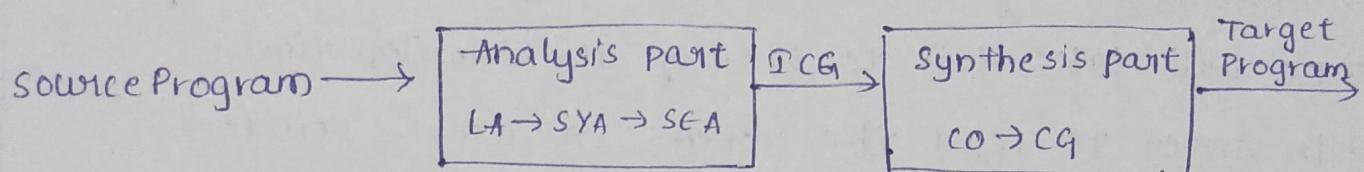
- 1) Analysis part / front end of the compiler.
- 2) Synthesis part / Back end of the compiler.

Analysis part:

- It depends on source program of the code but not depends on target program.
- This part contains the phases of lexical analyser, syntax analyser and semantic analyser.

Synthesis part:

- It depends on the target program and independent on source program.
- This part contains two phases of the compiler i.e., code optimiser and code generator.



Lex compiler:

Lex helps in generating lexical analyzers, which are used to break input text into a sequence of tokens for further processing. Lex reads an input file that specifies regular expressions along with corresponding actions, and generates a C program as output. The generated C program can then be compiled to create a custom lexer for a particular language or application. Lex is often used in combination with the Yacc parser generator to create complete compilers or interpreters for programming languages.

(iv) Tokens, patterns and lexeme:

- Tokens is a pair of which is represented in the form of $\langle \text{token name}, \text{attribute value} \rangle$
- Token name may be an identifier, keyword, operator or constant.
- Attribute value is a pointer which points to an entry of the symbol table for token information.
- lexeme is a sequence of characters.
- Patterns are mainly useful to define regular expression.

4) Explain input buffering in detail.

A) Input Buffering:

- lexical Analyser scans the input from left to right one character at a time and produces tokens.
- Input buffering will read the program character by character.
- LA will take 25% to 30% of the compiler time.
- In order to read the tokens, LA uses 2 pointers:
 - * Lexeme Begin Pointer (LBP)
 - * Forward pointer (FP)

Lexeme Begin Pointer; It points to the beginning character of the current lexeme.

Forward Pointer; It placed at the beginning point of the lexeme. It reads the first character and moves ahead right in order to read next character.

→ The use of buffering is block of characters are to be read into the buffer using only one system call.

→ Buffering can be implemented in 2 ways:

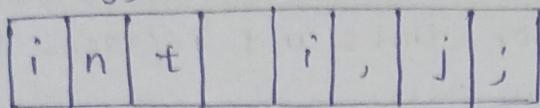
1. One Buffer Scheme

2. Two Buffer Scheme

One Buffer scheme:

→ It uses only one buffer to read the input string.

→ Ex: int i, j;



→ If the input string size is larger than the capacity of the buffer size then the buffer has to be overridden in order to store the remaining input string.

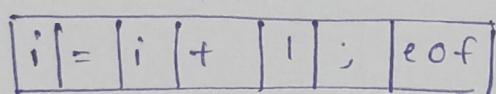
→ We can overcome this problem with the help of 2 buffer scheme.

Two Buffer Scheme:

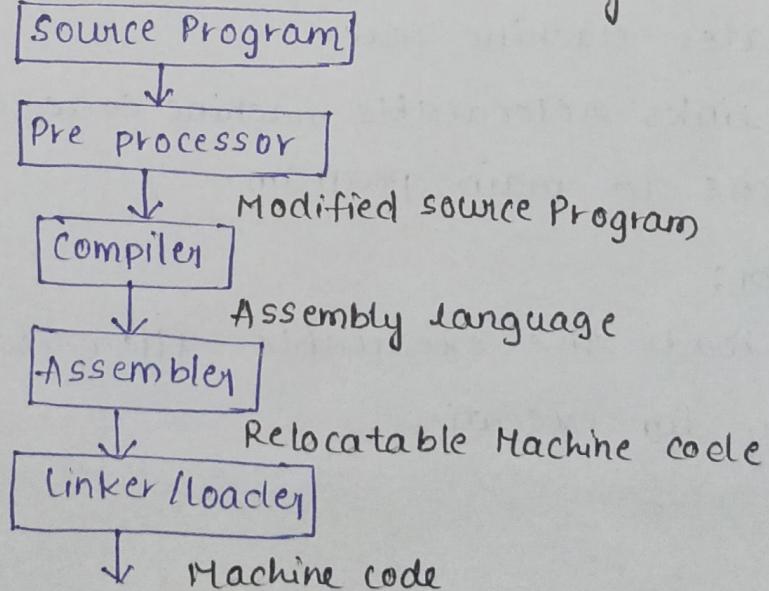
→ It uses 2 buffers to read input string and both the buffers are scanned alternatively.

→ When the end of the current buffer is reached then the other buffer is to be filled.

Ex: int i, j; eof



5) Briefly explain about the steps for executing a program?



Source Program: Initially we can write the program in high-level languages (HLL) i.e., C, C++, Java --- etc.

Pre Processor:

- It takes source program as input and generates modified source code.
- It removes the preprocessor stmts and replaces the definition of those which are available in the corresponding file inclusion of preprocessor stmts.

Compiler:

- It takes modified source program as input and generates target program in assembly language.
- It checks whether the given program follows the language syntax rules or not.

Assembler:

- It takes assembly language as input and generates relocatable Machine code.
- It uses different types of addresses for storing the program in main memory.

Linker:

- It takes the relocatable Machine code as input and generates Machine code.
- It links relocatable machine code of various library functions to main program.

Loader:

- It loads the executable file (c.exe) into the main memory for execution.