## CMPS 258 – Programming Languages ASSIGNMENT 5

Due: Wednesday, April 22 @ 10:00pm

In this assignment, you will implement a parser for a small language similar to SML using a parser generator. The parser will generate a tree that represents the code. Typically, the tree will be passed onto a semantic analyzer, but for the purpose of this assignment, the tree will simply be printed to a file.

The grammar you will implement as the following production rules:

```
program
             ::=
                  binding_list
binding_list
            ::=
                  binding_list binding
                  binding
   binding
                  val id = expr
             ::=
                  fun id id = expr
             ::=
                  if expr then expr else expr
      expr
                   op expr
   op_expr
             ::=
                  op_expr + op_expr
                   op_expr - op_expr
                   op_expr * op_expr
                   op_expr / op_expr
                   op_expr > op_expr
                  op_expr < op_expr
                   op_expr andalso op_expr
                   op_expr orelse op_expr
                   call_expr
  call expr
             ::=
                  call expr basic expr
                   basic expr
basic expr
             ::=
                  (expr)
                  id
                   int_const
                   true
                   false
```

All operators are left associative. The order of operator precedence from lowest to highest is:

- 1. orelse
- 2. andalso
- 3. >,<
- 4. +, -
- 5. \*,/

The syntax rules for terminals are:

- Keywords (val, fun, andalso, orelse, if, then, else, true, false): are as written
- Identifiers (id): may start with any alphabetical character or underscore, and may contain any number of alphabetical characters, numeric characters, or underscore.
- Integer literals (int\_const): may contain an arbitrary number of numeric characters
- Operators and separators (=, +, -, \*, /, >, <, (, )) are as written</li>
- Whitespace: space, tab (\t), new line (\n), and carriage return (\r) should be ignored

To implement your parser, follow the following steps:

- 1. Download and install *flex*, a free and open source lexer generator, and *bison*, a free and open source parser generator.
  - a. If you are using Windows, you can download flex at the following link: <a href="http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/flex.htm">http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/flex.htm</a>
  - b. If you are using Windows, you can download bison at the following link: <a href="http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/bison.htm">http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/packages/bison.htm</a>
- 2. Edit the file assignment5.y to implement your parser. In the actions for most production rules, you should call the corresponding functions declared in tree.h to build the tree. Some examples are provided for you.
- 3. When you are done editing assignment5.y, use bison to generate the parser code by executing the following command in the command line:

```
bison -d assignment5.y
```

This command will generate a C file called assignment5.tab.c that contains the implementation of your parser. It will also generate a header file called assignment5.tab.h that is included in the corresponding flex file to allow the lexer to pass tokens to the parser.

- 4. Edit the file assignment5.flex to implement your lexer. In the actions for most regular expressions, you should pass a token to the parser, and possibly a value associated with the token. Some examples are provided for you.
- 5. When you are done editing assignment5.flex, use flex to generate the lexer code by executing the following command in the command line:

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flex assignment5.flex
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This command will generate a C file called lex.yy.c that contains the implementation of your lexer.

- 6. Compile assignment5.tab.c and lex.yy.c and tree.c using any C compiler of your choice. The generated binary is your parser.
- 7. Test your program. The generated binary takes the input file name as the first argument (test.sml by default) and the output file name as the second argument (test.dot by default). The output file can then be passed to the graph visualization software dot to draw the tree (you can also find online dot to PDF converters). You are provided with the following reference files to help test your tool: test.sml, test-reference.dot, test-reference.pdf. Executing your tool with test.sml as input should generate a file identical to test-reference.dot which, when drawn, should generate a drawing similar to test-reference.pdf.

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## **Submission Instructions**

Submit your modified assignment5.y and assignment5.flex files via Moodle. Do not submit any other files or compressed folders.