

CS 424: Compiler Construction Assignment#1 Report

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Design Decisions:

Use of Regular Expressions: Regular expressions are still used for tokenizing MiniLang, ensuring an efficient and concise approach to recognizing different token patterns.

Class-Based Design: The MiniLangScanner remains implemented as a class to encapsulate the scanning functionality, offering better code organization and reuse.

Token Representation: The representation of tokens as tuples (token type, lexeme) remains unchanged, providing a standardized way to represent tokens.

Error Handling: Lexical errors continue to be handled by printing an error message with details about the line number and the problematic token.

Reading Source Code from a File: The source code is read from a text file specified as a command-line argument, enhancing flexibility for users.

Scanner Structure:

The scanner follows a simple structure:

Initialization: The scanner is initialized with the MiniLang source code and sets up data structures.

Tokenization: The scan method reads the source code line by line, ignores comments, and uses regular expressions to find and categorize tokens. Tokens are appended to the tokens list.

Token Types: Token types are determined based on the regular expression matches and the defined MiniLang specifications.

Error Handling: Lexical errors are handled by printing an error message when an unrecognized token is encountered.

How to Run the Program:

Copy the updated MiniLangScanner code into a Python file (e.g. scanner.py).

Run the program from the command line, providing the MiniLang source code file as an argument:

python scanner.py source_code.txt

The program will tokenize the source code and print the resulting tokens.

Test Cases:

Here are some test cases:

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1 if x == 5
2 | print true
3 else
4 | print false

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PS C:\Users\arago\OneOrive\Desktop\MiniLang> python scanner.py source_code_l.txt tokens:
tokens:
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TOWNORD: if
DEMITTER: X
OPERATOR: =
INTEGER_LITERAL: 5
EVANORD: true
EVANORD: true
EVANORD: true
EVANORD: clse
EVANORD: true
EVANORD: true
EVANORD: true
EVANORD: clse
EVANORD: print
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