

Chapter 6

Semantic Analysis

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Overview



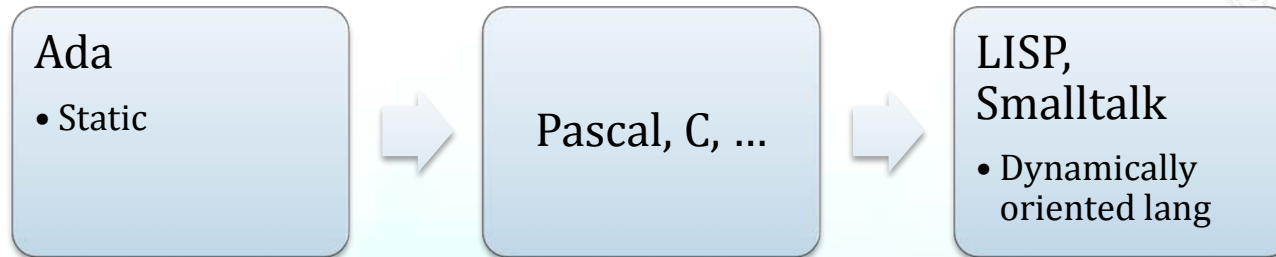
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- also called “**static semantic analysis**”
- involves
 - building a symbol table
 - To keep track of the meanings of names
 - performing type inference and type checking



Semantic Analysis

- Can be divided into two categories
 - ◉ Analysis of a program required by the rules of the PLs
 - To establish correctness
 - To guarantee proper execution



- ◉ Analysis performed by a compiler
 - To enhance the efficiency of execution
 - A.K.A. “optimization”

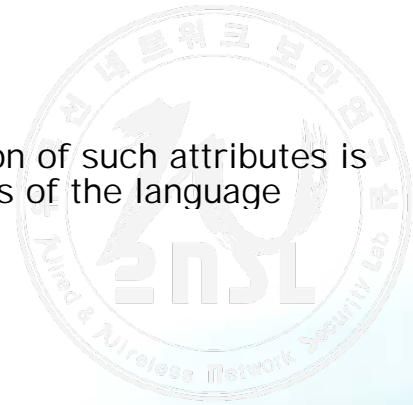
Static semantic analysis



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- description of the analyses
 - identify attributes
 - write attribute equations, or semantic rules
- implementation of the analyses
 - not clearly expressible
 - like BNF for parsing

semantic rules
express how the computation of such attributes is
related to the grammar rules of the language



Attributes

- any property of a programming language construct
 - data type of a variable → static or dynamic
 - value of an expression → usually dynamic
 - location of a variable in memory → static or dynamic
 - obj code of a procedure → static
 - the number of significant digits in a number → static
- **binding** of the attribute
 - Process of computing an attribute and associating its computed value

static - execution attribute bind가
dynamic - execution bind가

Dependency graph
edge from xm.ak to xi.aj (dependency of xi.aj on xm.ak)
xi.aj <- xm.ak

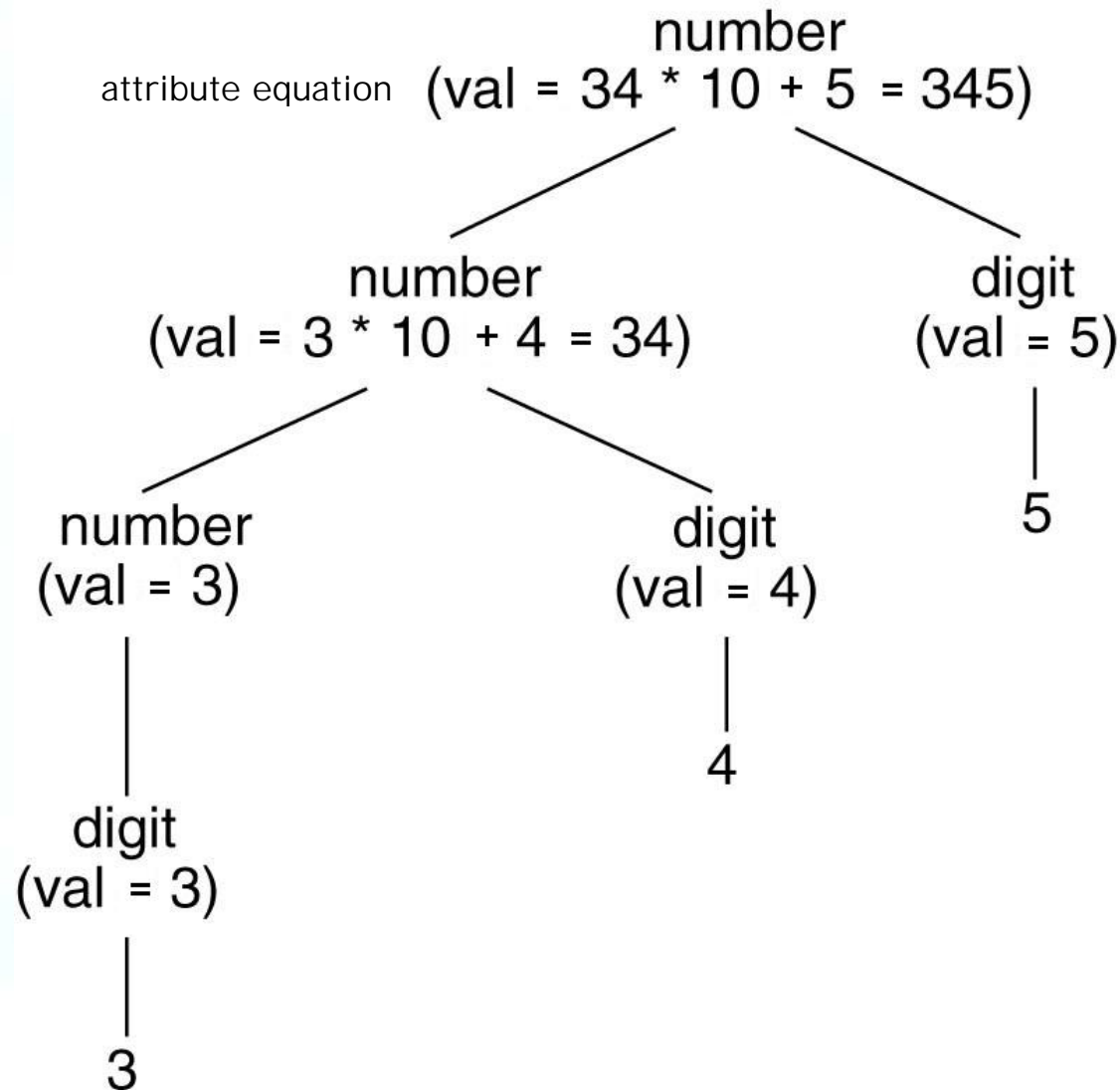
Example 6.1

- Grammar

$number \rightarrow number\ digit \mid digit$

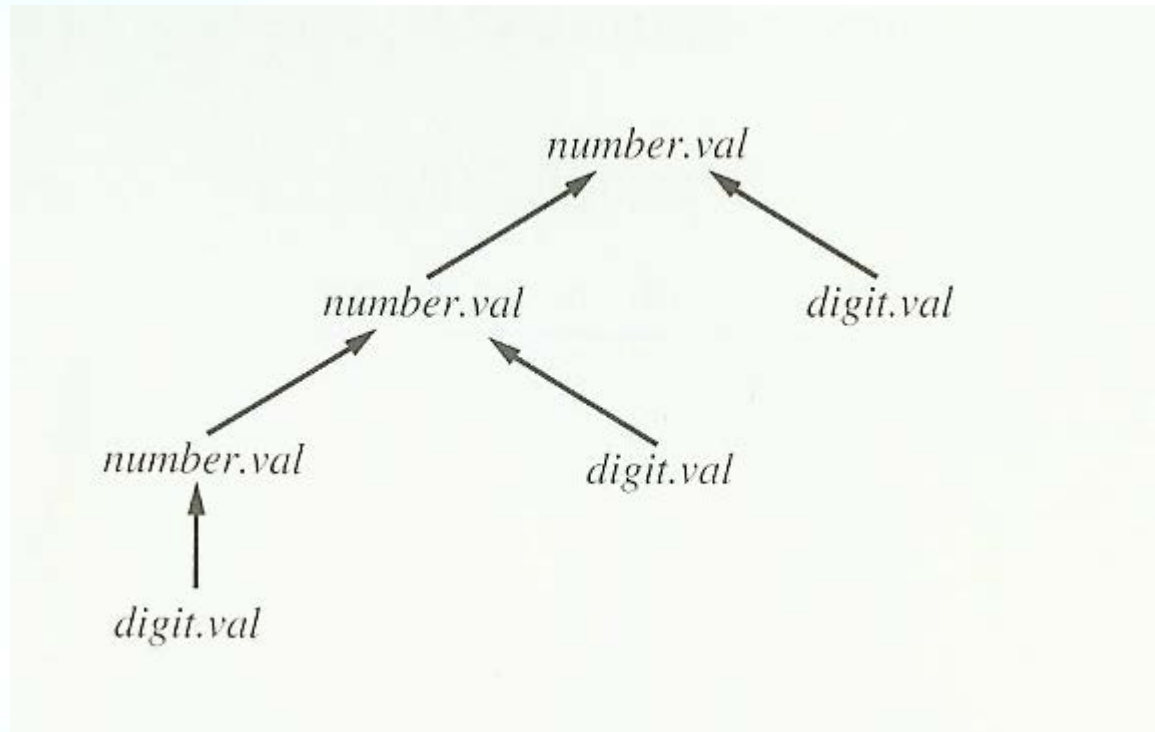
$digit \rightarrow 0 \mid 1 \mid 2 \mid 3 \mid 4 \mid 5 \mid 6 \mid 7 \mid 8 \mid 9$

Example 6.1



Example 6.1

- Synthesized attribute



Example 6.1

attribute grammar



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Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$number_1 \rightarrow$ $number_2 digit$	$number_1.val =$ $number_2.val * 10 + digit.val$
$number \rightarrow digit$	$number.val = digit.val$
$digit \rightarrow 0$	$digit.val = 0$
$digit \rightarrow 1$	$digit.val = 1$
$digit \rightarrow 2$	$digit.val = 2$
$digit \rightarrow 3$	$digit.val = 3$
$digit \rightarrow 4$	$digit.val = 4$
$digit \rightarrow 5$	$digit.val = 5$
$digit \rightarrow 6$	$digit.val = 6$
$digit \rightarrow 7$	$digit.val = 7$
$digit \rightarrow 8$	$digit.val = 8$
$digit \rightarrow 9$	$digit.val = 9$



Example 6.2

- Grammar

$exp \rightarrow exp + term \mid exp - term \mid term$

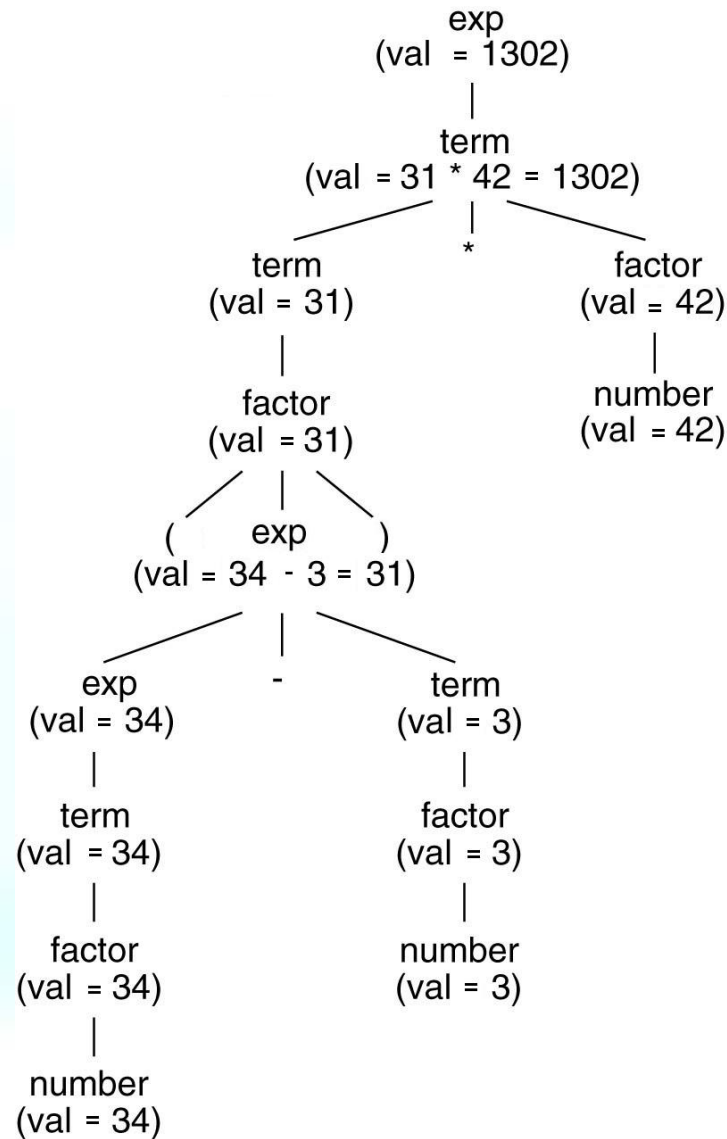
$term \rightarrow term * factor \mid factor$

$factor \rightarrow (exp) \mid number$



Example 6.2

$(34 - 3) * 42$



Example 6.2



Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 + term$	$exp_1.val = exp_2.val + term.val$
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 - term$	$exp_1.val = exp_2.val - term.val$
$exp \rightarrow term$	$exp.val = term.val$
$term_1 \rightarrow term_2 * factor$	$term_1.val = term_2.val * factor.val$
$term \rightarrow factor$	$term.val = factor.val$
$factor \rightarrow (exp)$	$factor.val = exp.val$
$factor \rightarrow \textit{number}$	$factor.val = \textit{number.val}$

Example 6.3

- Grammar

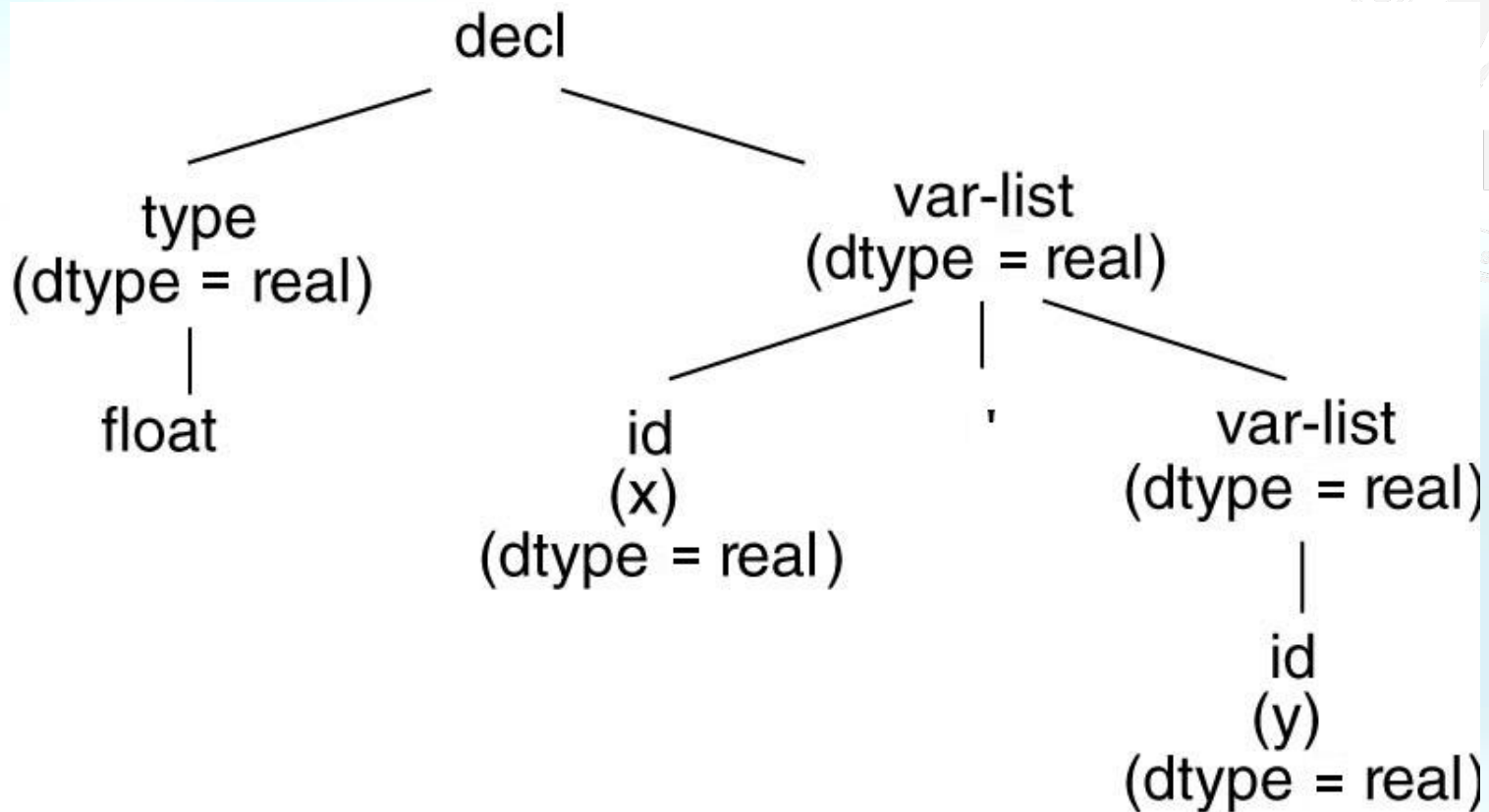
$decl \rightarrow type\ var-list$

$type \rightarrow \mathbf{int} \mid \mathbf{float}$

$var-list \rightarrow id, var-list \mid id$

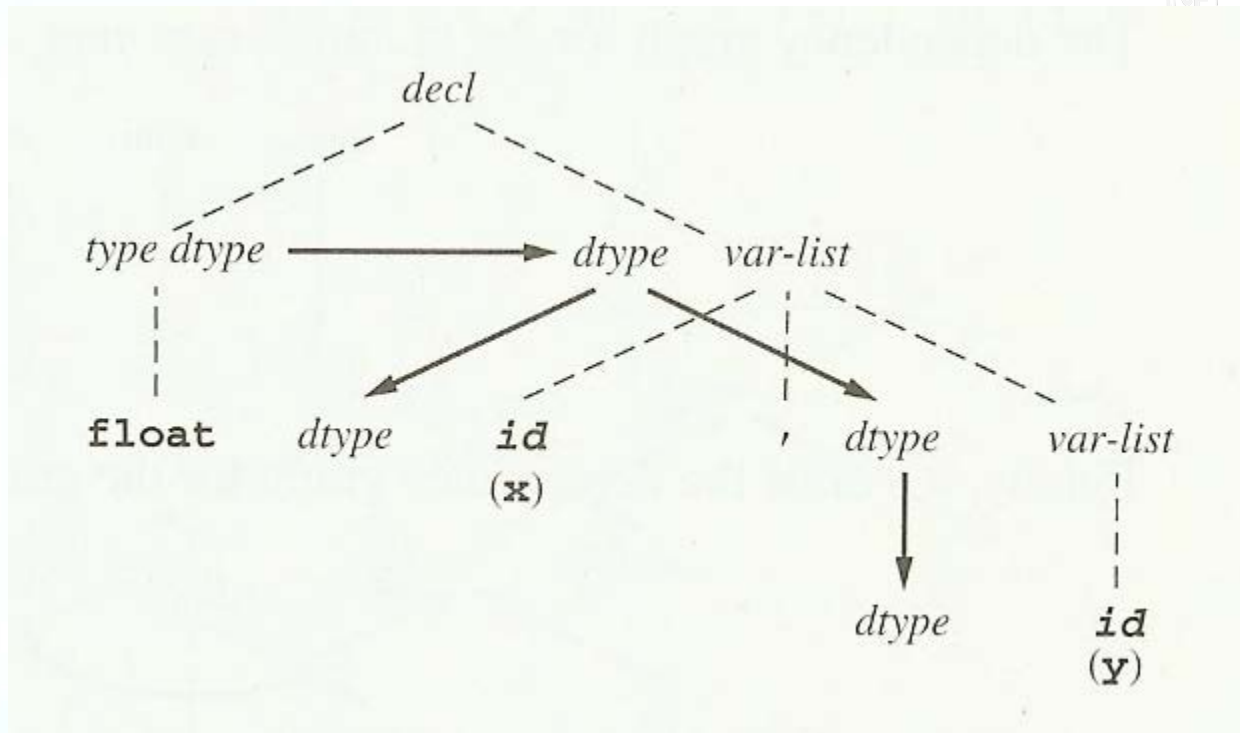


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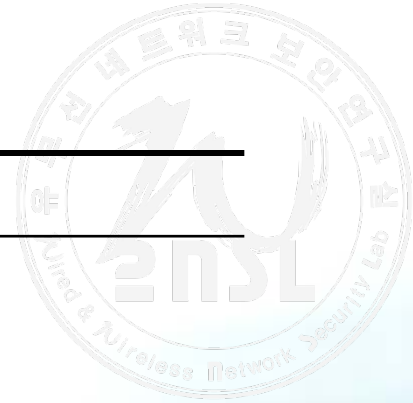


Example 6.3

● Inherited attribute



Example 6.3



Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$decl \rightarrow type\ val\text{-}list$	$var\text{-}list.dtype = type.dtype$
$type \rightarrow \mathbf{int}$	$type.dtype = integer$
$type \rightarrow \mathbf{float}$	$type.dtype = real$
$var\text{-}list_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{id}, var\text{-}list_2$	$\mathbf{id}.dtype = var\text{-}list_1.dtype$
	$var\text{-}list_2.dtype = var\text{-}list_1.dtype$
$var\text{-}list \rightarrow \mathbf{id}$	$\mathbf{id}.dtype = var\text{-}list.dtype$

Example 6.4

- Grammar

based-num \rightarrow *num basechar*

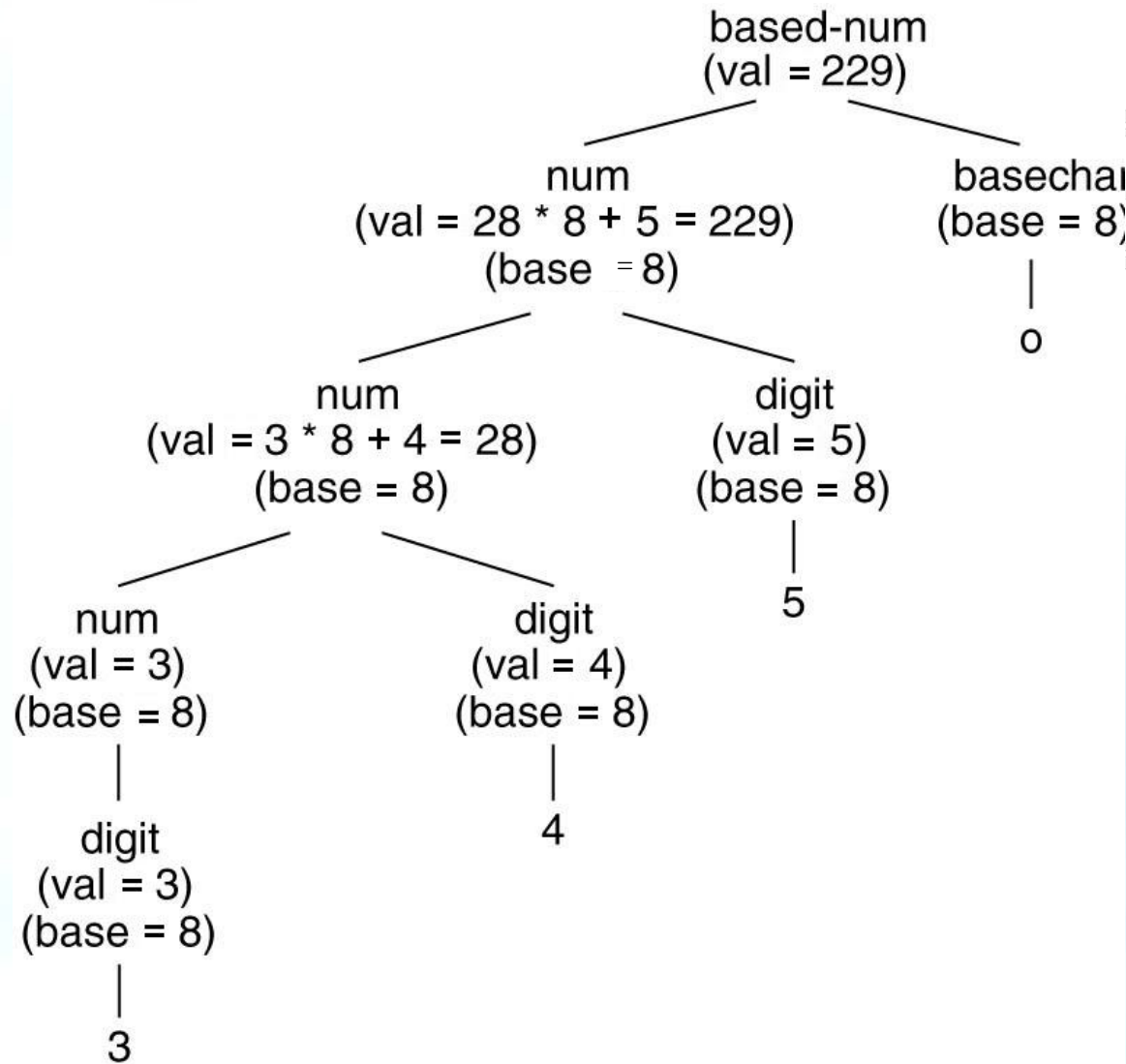
basechar \rightarrow **o** | **d**

num \rightarrow *num digit* | *digit*

digit \rightarrow **0** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8** | **9**



Example 6.4

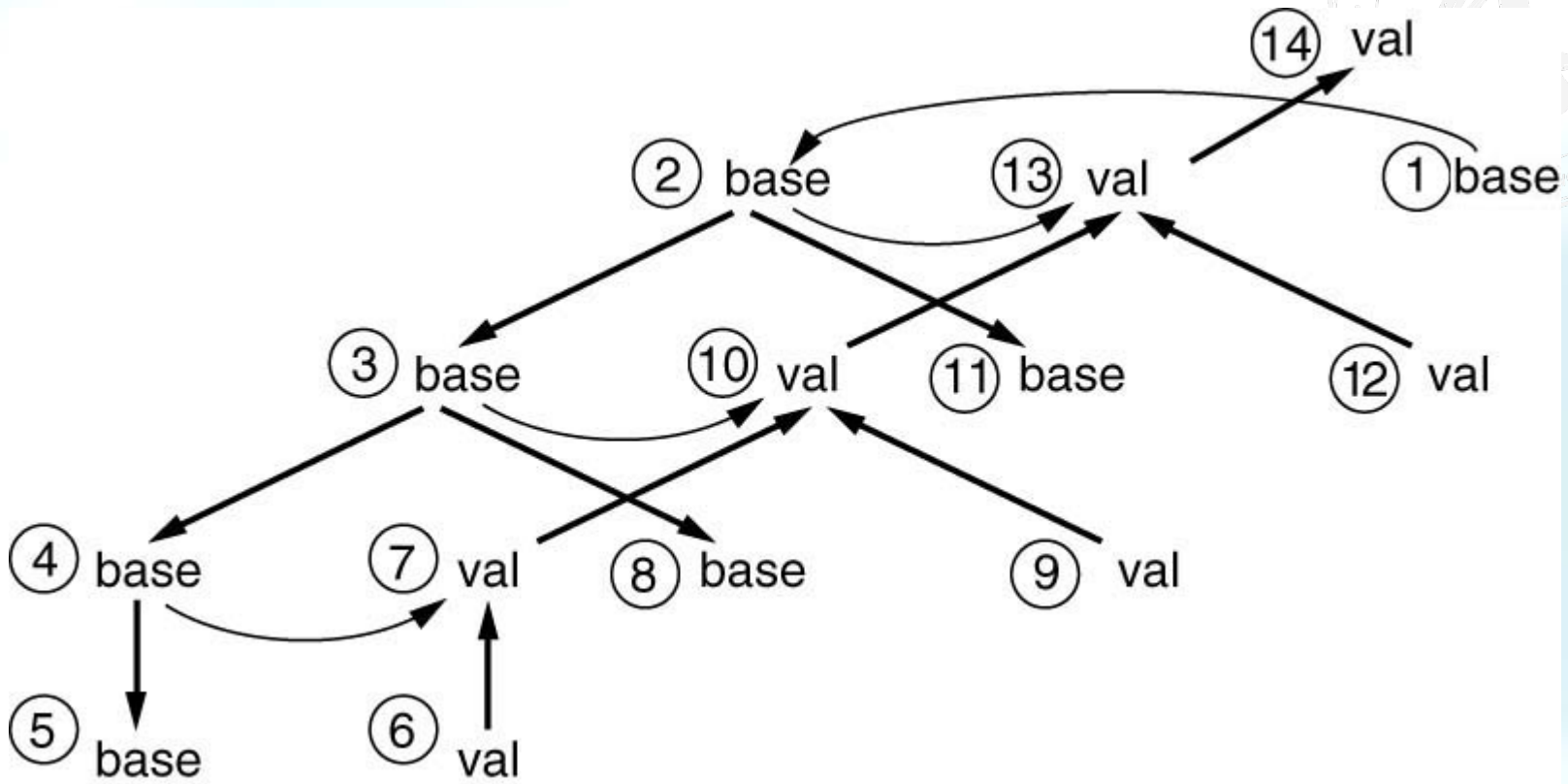


sechar base

Example 6.4

traversal order of the dependency graph = topological sort (DAGs(directed acyclic graphs))

root(predecessor가 node) (attribute) attribute가
가 . (ex 1,6,9,12 - root)



Example 6.4

Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$based_num \rightarrow num\ basechar$	$based_num.val = num.val$ $num.base = basechar.base$
$basechar \rightarrow o$	$basechar.base = 8$
$basechar \rightarrow d$	$basechar.base = 10$
$num_1 \rightarrow num_2\ digit$	$num_1.val =$ if $digit.val = error$ or $num_2.val = error$ then $error$ else $num_2.val * num_1.base + digit.val$ $num_2.base = num_1.base$ $digit.base = num_1.base$
$num \rightarrow digit$	$num.val = digit.val$ $digit.base = num.base$
$digit \rightarrow 0$	$digit.val = 0$
$digit \rightarrow 1$	$digit.val = 1$
\dots	\dots
$digit \rightarrow 7$	$digit.val = 7$
$digit \rightarrow 8$	$digit.val =$ if $digit.base = 8$ then $error$ else 8
$digit \rightarrow 9$	$digit.val =$ if $digit.base = 8$ then $error$ else 9

metalanguage
 → - the collection of expressions allowable in an attribute equation

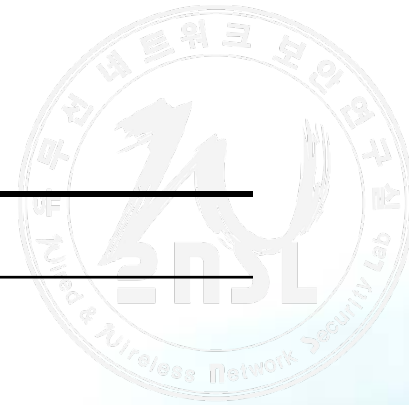
Use of ambiguous grammar

parse

ambiguous가

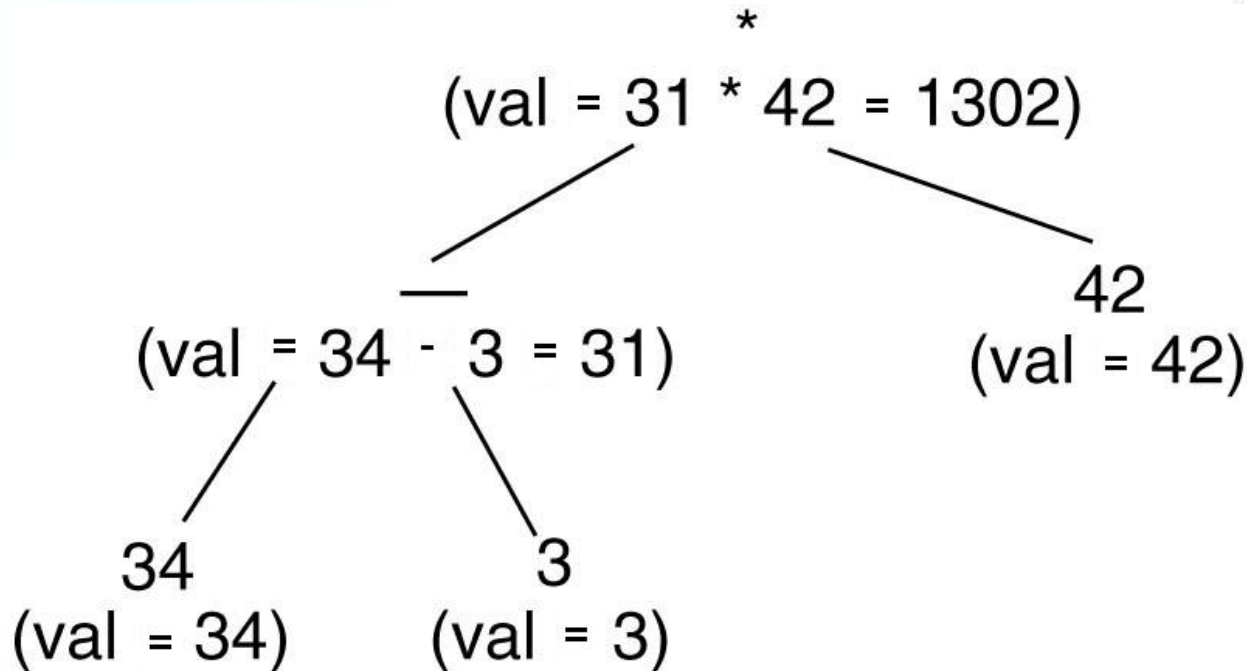
semantic(attribute grammar)

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Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 + exp_3$	$exp_1.val = exp_2.val + exp_3.val$
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 - exp_3$	$exp_1.val = exp_2.val - exp_3.val$
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 * exp_3$	$exp_1.val = exp_2.val * exp_3.val$
$exp_1 \rightarrow (exp_2)$	$exp_1.val = exp_2.val$
$exp \rightarrow \textit{number}$	$exp.val = \textit{number}.val$

Displaying attributes on a syntax tree



Syntax tree as an attribute

Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 + term$	$exp_1.tree =$ $mkOpNode(+, exp_2.tree, term.tree)$ use of function
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 - term$	$exp_1.tree =$ $mkOpNode(-, exp_2.tree, term.tree)$
$exp \rightarrow term$	$exp.tree = term.tree$
$term_1 \rightarrow term_2 * factor$	$term_1.tree =$ $mkOpNode(*, term_2.tree, factor.tree)$
$term \rightarrow factor$	$term.tree = factor.tree$
$factor \rightarrow (exp)$	$factor.tree = exp.tree$
$factor \rightarrow \textbf{number}$	$factor.tree =$ $mkNumNode(\textbf{number.lexval})$

extensions to attribute grammar

1. metalanguage
2. function

Synthesized and Inherited Attributes

- **synthesized** attributes $A \rightarrow x_1x_2...x_n$
 $A.a = f(x_1.a_1, ..., x_1.a_k, ..., x_n.a_1, ..., x_n.a_k)$
 - An attribute is **synthesized** if all its dependencies point from child to parent in the parse tree.

S-attributed grammar - all attributes are synthesized

```
procedure PostEval (T : treenode);  
begin  
    for each child C of T do  
        PostEval (C);  
    compute all synthesized attributes of T ;  
end;
```

attribute rules of an S-attributed grammar can be computed by a single bottom-up or postorder traversal of the tree

- **inherited** attributes
 - An attribute that is not synthesized is called an **inherited** attribute
can be computed by a preorder or combined preorder/inorder

Example 6.11

- Structure

```
typedef enum {Plus, Minus, Times} OpKind;
typedef enum {OpKind, ConstKind} ExpKind;
typedef struct streenode
{
    ExpKind kind;
    OpKind op;
    struct streenode *lchild, *rchild;
    int val;
} STreeNode;
typedef STreeNode *SyntaxTree;
```

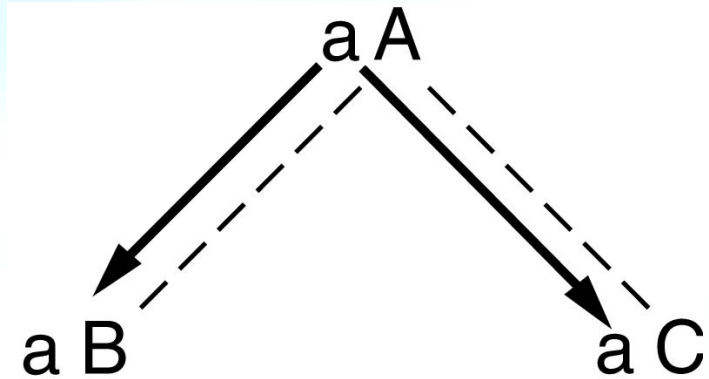


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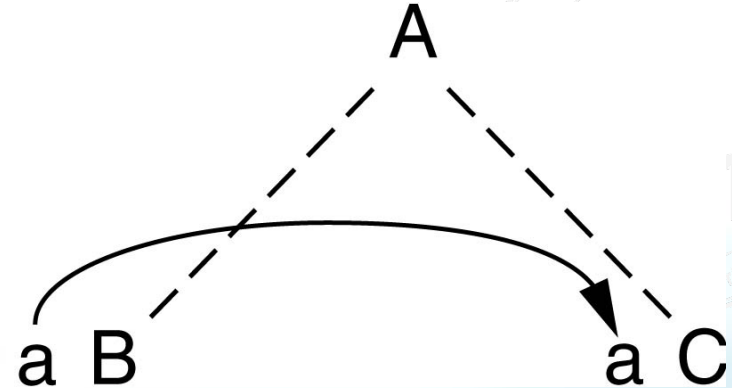
```
void postEval (SyntaxTree t)
{ int temp;
  if (t->kind == OpKind)
  { postEval(t->lchild);
    postEval(t->rchild);
    switch (t->op)
    { case Plus:
      t->val = t->lchild->val + t->rchild->val;
      break;
      case Minus:
      t->val = t->lchild->val - t->rchild->val;
      break;
      case Times:
      t->val = t->lchild->val * t->rchild->val;
      break;
    } /* end switch */
  } /* end if */
} /* end postEval */
```



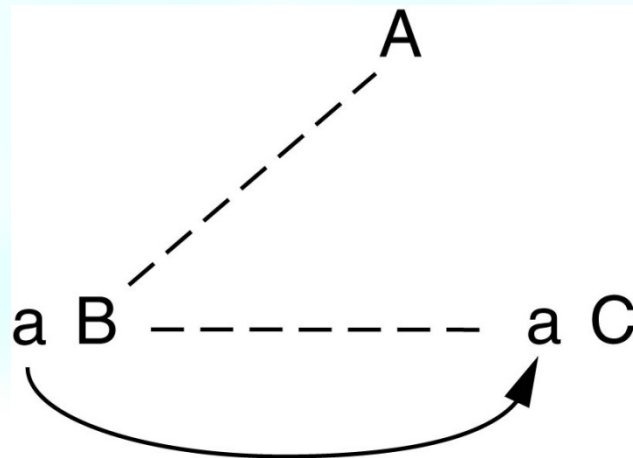
Figure 6.9



(a) Inheritance from parent to siblings



(b) Inheritance from sibling to sibling



(c) sibling inheritance via sibling pointers



```
procedure preEval (T : treenode);  
begin  
  for each child C of T do  
    compute all inherited attributes of C ;  
    PreEval (C );  
end;
```

Example 6.12

- Grammar

$decl \rightarrow type\ var-list$

$type \rightarrow \mathbf{int} \mid \mathbf{float}$

$var-list \rightarrow id, var-list \mid id$



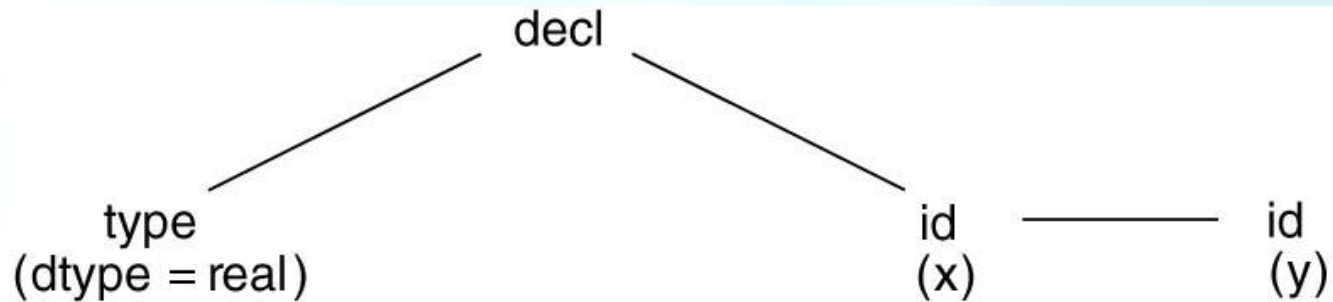
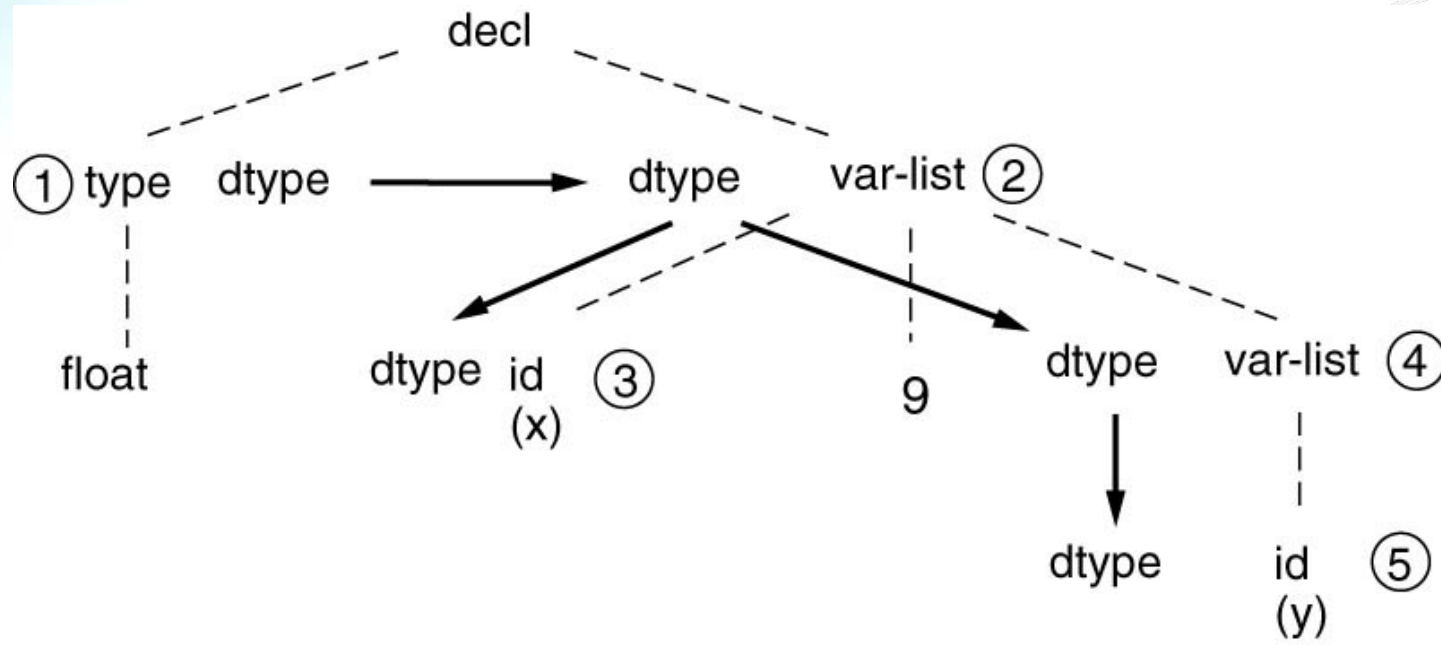
Example 6.12

● Pseudocode

```
procedure EvalType ( T: treenode );  
begin  
  case nodekind of T of  
    decl:  
      EvalType(type child of T);  
      Assign dtype of type child of T to var-list child of T;   inorder process  
      EvalType(var-list child of T);  
    type:  
      if child of T = int then T.dtype := integer  
      else T.dtype := real;  
    var-list:  
      assign T.dtype to first child of T;  
      if third child of T is not nil then  
        assign T.dtype to third child;  
        EvalType(third child of T);   preorder process  
      end case;  
end EvalType;
```



Figure 6.10



C code of Example 6.12



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```
typedef enum {decl, type, id} nodekind;
typedef enum {integer, real} typekind;
typedef struct treeNode
{
    nodekind kind;
    struct treeNode
        *lchild, *rchild, *sibling;
    typekind dtype;
    /* for type and id nodes */
    char *name;
    /* for id nodes only */
} *SyntaxTree;
```

C code of Example 6.12



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```
void evalType (SyntaxTree t)
{ switch (t->kind)
  { case decl:
    t->rchild->dtype = t->lchild->dtype;
    evalType(t->rchild);
    break;
  case id:
    if (t->sibling != NULL)
    { t->sibling->dtype = t->dtype;
      evalType(t->sibling);
    }
    break;
  } /* end switch */
} /* end evalType */
```

C code of Example 6.12



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```
void evalType (SyntaxTree t)
{ if (t->kind == decl)
  { SyntaxTree p = t->rchild;
    p->dtype = t->lchild->dtype;
    while (p->sibling != NULL)
      { p->sibling->dtype = p->dtype;
        p = p->sibling;
      }
  } /* end if */
} /* end evalType */
```

Example 6.13

- Grammar

val - synthesized attribute
base - inherited attribute

based-num \rightarrow *num basechar*

basechar \rightarrow **o** | **d**

num \rightarrow *num digit* | *digit*

digit \rightarrow **o** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8** | **9**



Example 6.13

● Pseudocode

```
procedure EvalWithBase ( T: treenode );  
begin  
  case nodekind of T of  
    based-num:  
      EvalWithBase(right child of T);  
      assign base of right child of T to base of left child;  
      EvalWithBase(left child of T);  
      assign val of left child of T to T.val;  
    num:  
      assign T.base to base of left child of T;  
      EvalWithBase(left child of T);  
      if right child of T is not nil then  
        assign T.base to base of right child of T;  
        EvalWithBase(right child of T);  
        if vals of left and right children  $\neq$  error then  
           $T.val := T.base * (val \text{ of left child}) + val \text{ of right child}$   
        else  $T.val := error$ ;  
      else  $T.val := val \text{ of left child}$ ;
```

```
    basechar:  
      if child of T = 0 then  $T.base := 8$   
      else  $T.base := 10$ ;  
    digit:  
      if  $T.base = 8$  and child of T = 8 or 9 then  $T.val := error$   
      else  $T.val := numval(child \text{ of } T)$ ;  
  end case;  
end EvalWithBase;
```





<combinations of synthesized and inherited attribute>
if the synthesized attributes depend on the inherited attributed but the inherited attributes do not depend on any synthesized attribute

```
procedure CombineEval ( $T$  : treenode);  
begin  
  for each child C of T do  
    compute all inherited attributes of C ;  
    CombineEval ( $C$  );  
    compute all synthesized attributes of T;  
end;
```

example 6.14

- Grammar

inherited attribute depends on synthesized attribute

$$exp \rightarrow exp / exp \mid \underset{\text{integer}}{num} \mid \underset{\text{floating-point}}{num.num}$$

- Operations may be interpreted differently

- Three attributes

- A synthesized Boolean attribute *isFloat* indicates if any part of an expression has a floating-point value
 - An inherited attribute *etype* int or float
 - A synthesized attribute *val*
- depend on
- exp float float



table 6.7

Grammar Rule	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow exp$	$exp.etype =$ if $exp.isFloat$ then $float$ else int $S.val = exp.val$
$exp_1 \rightarrow exp_2 / exp_3$	$exp_1.isFloat =$ $exp_2.isFloat$ or $exp_3.isFloat$ $exp_2.etype = exp_1.etype$ $exp_3.etype = exp_1.etype$ $exp_1.val =$ if $exp_1.etype = int$ then $exp_2.val \text{ div } exp_3.val$ div - integer division else $exp_2.val / exp_3.val$ / - floating division
$exp \rightarrow num$	$exp.isFloat = \text{false}$ $exp.val =$ if $exp.etype = int$ then $num.val$ converts the integer value num into else $Float(num.val)$ floating-point value
$exp \rightarrow num.num$	$exp.isFloat = \text{true}$ $exp.val = num.num.val$

- The attributes in this example can be computed by two passes
 - First pass: computes the synthesized attribute *isFloat* by a postorder traversal
 - Second pass: computes both the inherited attributed *etype* and the synthesized attribute *val* in a combined preorder/posorder traversal