CS480
Translators

Introduction to Lexical Analysis

Chap. 2

Odds and Ends

- Assignment #2 is posted
  - Please email me your teams, if not working alone
- Demo your Assignment #1

Quiz #2

Question 1

- What is the language of the following CFG:

  $S \rightarrow bSbb \mid A$

  $A \rightarrow aA \mid \varepsilon$

- Provide the parse tree for bbaaabbbb.

Question 2

- Provide the abstract syntax tree for the following:

  -1 + 2 * 3.0 ^ 4.7 / 6

- What is the post-order traversal of the tree.
- Explain how you would implement this in gforth.

Lexical Analysis

- What is its purpose?
- What is the difference in a token vs. lexeme?
- Example:
  - The Brown Fox
  - if (i !=32) then j := 12
- Are spaces important?

The Role of the Scanner…

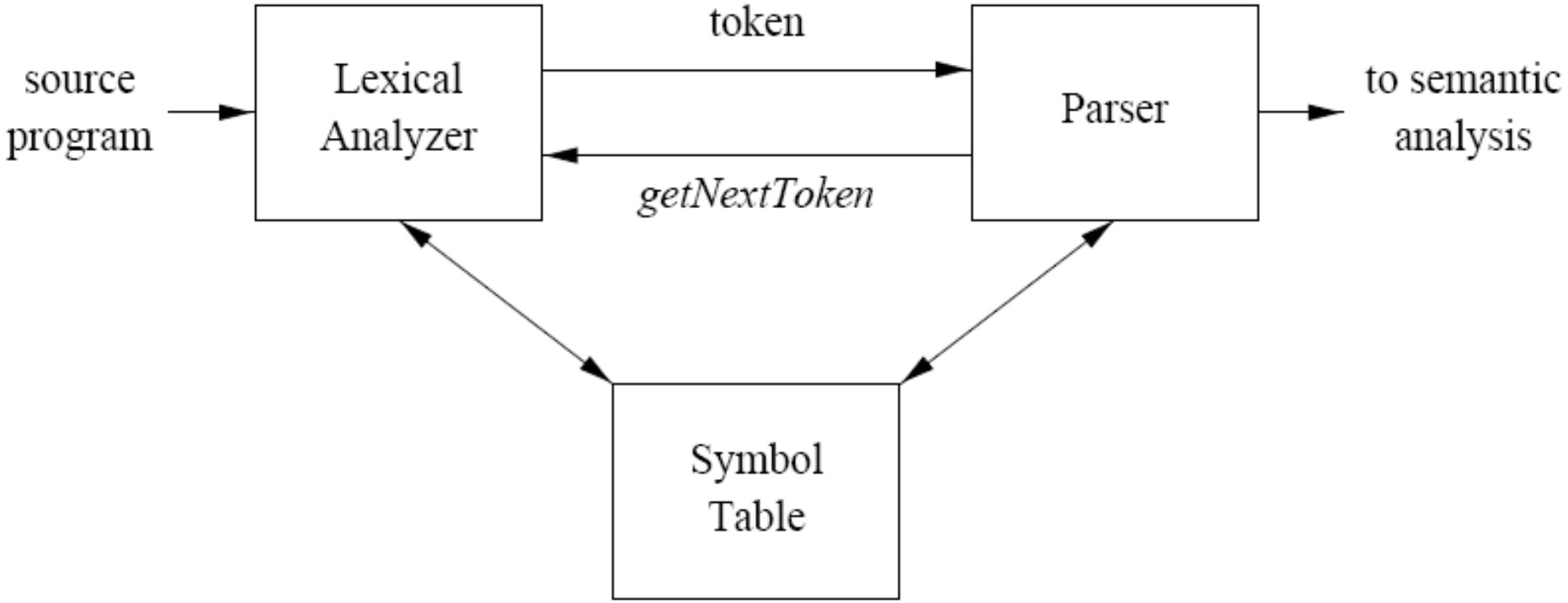

Figure 3.1: Interactions between the lexical analyzer and the parser

Mini-Translator

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while (i > 0)
  i = i - 2;
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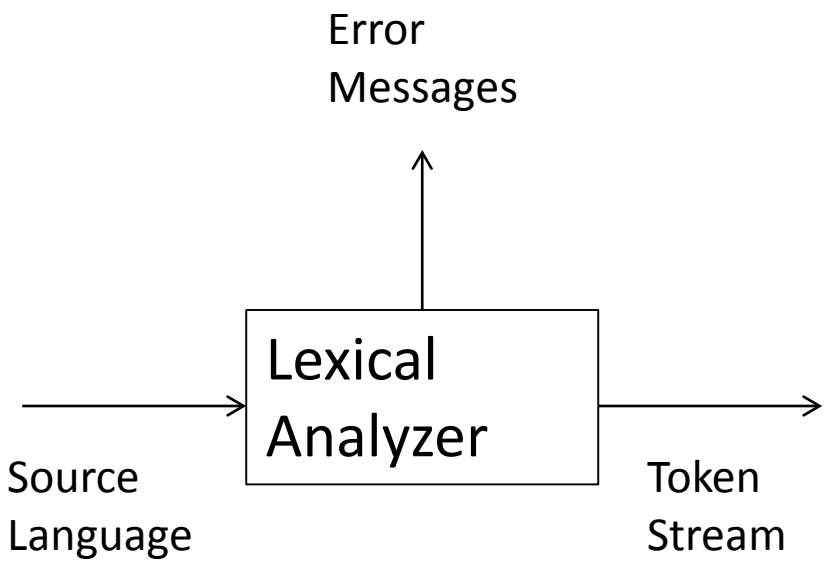

T_WHILE
T_LPAREN
T_IDENTIFIER
T_LESSTHAN
T_INTCONSTANT
T_RPAREN
T_IDENTIFIER
T_EQUALS
T_MINUS
T_INTCONSTANT
T_SEMICOLON

What's new in this grammar?

expr	→	*expr* + *term*	{ print('+') }
	|	*expr* − *term*	{ print('−') }
	|	*term*	
term	→	*term* * *factor*	{ print('*') }
	|	*term* / *factor*	{ print('/') }
	|	*factor*	
factor	→	(*expr*)	
	|	**num**	{ print(**num**.*value*) }
	|	**id**	{ print(**id**.*lexeme*) }

Figure 2.28: Actions for translating into postfix notation

The Scanner

```
for ( ; ; peek = next input character ) {
        if ( peek is a blank or a tab ) do nothing;
        else if ( peek is a newline ) line = line+1;
        else break;
}
```

Figure 2.29: Skipping white space

- What is the purpose of line?
- What is the purpose of peek?

Reading Ahead

- Read the next char, it is an “i”
- Could be int, if, or an identifier, so read next char, “f”
- Could be if, could still be an identifier, so read next char, “(”
- Oops, we’ve gone too far, push back “(”

Buffers

- Why is this important?
- Ways to implement:
  - Two pointers into buffer (start_char, look_ahead)
  - Push back buffer (peek)

The Lexical Analyzer

```
if ( peek holds a digit ) {
        v = 0;
        do {
                v = v * 10 + integer value of digit peek;
                peek = next input character;
        } while ( peek holds a digit );
        return token ⟨num, v⟩;
}
```

Figure 2.30: Grouping digits into integers

Keywords vs. Identifiers

- count = count + increment;

  <id, “count”> <=> <id, “count”> <+> <id, “increment”> <;>

- How do we know count is an id vs. keyword?
- Why use a hash table?
- What is in the hash table?

How to distinguish words?

```
if ( peek holds a letter ) {
        collect letters or digits into a buffer b;
        s = string formed from the characters in b;
        w = token returned by words.get(s);
        if ( w is not null ) return w;
        else {
                Enter the key-value pair (s, ⟨id, s⟩) into words
                return token ⟨id, s⟩;
        }
}
```

Figure 2.31: Distinguishing keywords from identifiers

Reading/Assignment

- Milestone 2
- Read Chap. 2.6 - 2.7 and Chap. 3