# CISC/CMPE 458 Course Project Winter 2023 Phase 2. Parser

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In this phase you will undertake the modifications to the Parser phase of the PT Pascal compiler to turn it into a Parser for Quby. These changes will be a little more extensive than those of phase 1. The following suggestions are provided to guide you in this phase.

# **Suggestions for implementing Phase 2**

# **General Strategy**

In general, the strategy will be to have the Quby parser output, as much as possible, the same semantic token stream that would be output by the PT parser for the equivalent features of PT Pascal. (In that way, we will have fewer things to change in the semantic phase.)

#### **Token Definitions**

Modify the parser input token list to correspond to the new set of output tokens emitted by your Quby Scanner/Screener. Remove the unused old input tokens and add the new Quby input tokens. Make sure the two sets match exactly - this is the usual source of problems!

Remove the old PT parser output tokens *sRepeatStmt* and *sRepeatEnd* and add the new Quby parser output tokens *sPublic*, *sModule*, *sDoStmt*, *sBreakIf*, *sSubstring*, *sLength* and *sIndex*.

## **Programs**

Modify the parsing of programs (the Program rule) to meet the Quby language specification. Quby main programs are different from PT, in that Quby makes no distinction between declarations and statements. So you will have to change the main loop of the Block rule to accept a sequence of any number of declarations or statements in any order. I suggest that you merge the alternatives in the existing Statement rule into the alternatives in the Block rule to do this.

In order to make the differences in Quby less visible to the semantic phase, we will always output a Quby sequence of declarations and statements as if it were a PT Pascal **begin**...**end** statement.

- that is, emit an *sBegin* token before the sequence (i.e., at the beginning of the Block rule) and and *sEnd* after it (at the end of the rule). In this way, it will look to the semantic phase like not much about main programs has changed.

For example, the Quby main program:

```
using output
DeclarationsAndStatements
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sProgram
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'output'>
sParmEnd
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements
sEnd
```

Exactly like the equivalent PT main program.

## Declarations

Modify the parsing of constant, type and variable declarations to meet the Quby language spec. The output token streams for these declarations should be the same as for the equivalent PT declarations, in order to minimize the changes we'll have to make to the semantic phase.

For example, the Quby declarations:

```
val c = 27
var v : string
type t : integer
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sConst
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'c'>
sInteger 27
sVar
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'v'>
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'v'>
sType
```

```
sIdentifier <identifier index for 't'>
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'integer'>
```

To assist the semantic phase, if there is more than one identifier declared in a single Quby **var** declaration, then each one should be output with an *sVar* token, for example:

```
var a, b, c : integer
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sVar
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'a'>
sVar
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'b'>
sVar
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'c'>
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'c'>
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'integer'>
```

# Routines (Procedures)

Modify the parsing of routines (PT procedures, Quby functions) to meet the Quby language specification. The output token stream for the function should be the same as for the equivalent PT procedure, in order to minimize the changes we'll have to make to the semantic phase. In particular, the procedure's statements should be output preceded by an *sBegin* token and ended by an *sEnd* token as if **begin**...**end** were still in the language – that's it, you can re-use your Block rule. For example, the procedure declaration:

```
def P ()
     DeclarationsAndStatements
end
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sProcedure
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'P'>
sParmEnd
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements
sEnd
```

For the Quby \* that indicates a public function, output the *sPublic* semantic token, but following the function's identifier, for example, this Quby empty public function:

```
def * P () end
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sProcedure
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'P'>
sPublic
sParmEnd
sBegin
sEnd
```

#### Modules

Add parsing of modules as specified in the Quby language specification. The output stream should use the token *sModule* to mark the beginning of the module. The statements part of the module should be preceded by an *sBegin* token and ended by an *sEnd* token as if **begin**..**end** were still in the language. You can re-use your Block rule, once again!

For example, the Quby module declaration:

```
 \begin{array}{c} \textbf{module} \quad \textbf{M} \\ & \textbf{\textit{DeclarationsAndStatements}} \\ \textbf{end} \end{array}
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sModule
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'M'>
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements
sEnd
```

#### Statements

Modify the parsing of **if**, **case**, **while**, **repeat** and **begin** statements to meet the language specification for Quby's **if**, **unless**, **case** and **do** statements. For **if** and **case**, the goal is to have the output token stream for the Quby

parser be, as much as possible, identical to the output token stream for the corresponding statements in the PT parser. In this way, we will minimize the changes necessary in the semantic phase.

For example, the Quby if statement:

```
if x == y then z=w else z=1 end
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sIfStmt
sIdentifier
                    <identifier index for 'x'>
                    <identifier index for 'v'>
sIdentifier
sEa
sExpnEnd
sThen
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
sIdentifier
                    <identifier index for 'z'>
                    <identifier index for 'w'>
sIdentifier
sExpnEnd
sEnd
sElse
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
sIdentifier
                    <identifier index for 'z'>
sInteger 1
sExpnEnd
sEnd
```

## **Unless Statements**

Quby **unless** statements are simply syntactic sugar for "**if not**". If we simply output the parser output token stream for "**unless** Expression **then**" as "**if not** Expression **then**", then we won't have to implement **unless** in the semantic phase at all.

For example, the Quby unless statement:

```
unless x == y then z = w end
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sIfStmt
                       <identifier index for 'x'>
sIdentifier
sIdentifier
                       <identifier index for 'v'>
sEa
sNot
sExpnEnd
sThen
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
sIdentifier
                       <identifier index for 'z'>
                       <identifier index for 'w'>
sIdentifier
sExpnEnd
sEnd
```

## **Case Statements**

The output for Quby **case** statements should also be the same as the corresponding **case** statements of PT Pascal, using the old *sCase*, *sLabelEnd* and *sCaseEnd* semantic tokens. Even though they look different, except for the addition of the Quby **else** clause, the meaning of the Quby **case** statement and the PT **case** statement is identical - so the semantic token stream can be the same.

A tricky part of this translation is the fact that PT case statements take only one statement in each alternative - usually a begin...end statement. In Quby, any sequence of declarations and statements can appear in each alternative, not just one statement. So how do we keep the output token stream for case alternatives the same as it was in PT? The answer is simple: re-use your Block rule, which will once again emit an *sBegin* semantic token at the beginning of an alternative, and an *sEnd* at the end. The resulting output stream looks to the semantic phase as if there were one begin .. end statement in the alternative, just like in PT.

The Quby **else** clause on **case** statements is new, and we must handle it specially. But what we will do is simple - just check for an **else** following the alternatives in the case statement, and output *sElse* followed by the statements of the **else** clause (enclosing the body of the else clause with *sBegin* .. *sEnd* as usual) before outputting the *sCaseEnd* semantic token.

For example, the Quby case statement:

```
case i
   when 42 then
        DeclarationsAndStatements1
   when 43 then
        DeclarationsAndStatements2
   else
        DeclarationsAndStatements3
end
```

Should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sCaseStmt
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for i>
sExpnEnd
sInteger
                42
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements1
sEnd
sInteger
                43
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements2
sEnd
sElse
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements3
sEnd
sCaseEnd
```

#### **Elsif Clauses**

The handling of **elsif** in the Quby **if** statement presents us with a choice. We can either: (a) use a new semantic token *sElsif* to represent **elsif**, and modify the semantic phase of the compiler to handle it in the next phase,

or: (b) not use any new semantic tokens, and output the token stream corresponding to the equivalent PT Pascal nested **if** statements, so that the semantic phase will not have to be modified to handle **elsif** at all.

If you decide on the first alternative, then you will have to add an *sElsIf* semantic token and the output token stream for the **if** statement:

```
if x == 1 then
   y = 2
elsif z == 2 then
   y = 3
else
   y = 4
end
```

#### Will be:

```
sIfStmt
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for 'x'>
sInteger
sEq
sExpnEnd
sThen
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for 'y'>
sInteger
sExpnEnd
sEnd
sElsif
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for 'z'>
sInteger
sEq
sExpnEnd
sThen
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for 'y'>
sInteger
sExpnEnd
sEnd
sElse
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
```

```
sIdentifier <identifier index for 'y'>
sInteger 4
sExpnEnd
sEnd
```

However, if you decide on the second alternative, then the parser output token stream for the example should be the same as the output stream for the equivalent nested if statement:

```
if x == 1 then
    y = 2
else
    if z == 2 then
        y = 3
    else
        y = 4
    end
end
```

# That is to say:

```
sIfStmt
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for 'x'>
sInteger
                1
sEq
sExpnEnd
sThen
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
sIdentifier
                <identifier index for 'y'>
sInteger
sExpnEnd
sEnd
sElse
sBegin
sIfStmt
                 <identifier index for 'z'>
sIdentifier
                 2
sInteger
sEq
sExpnEnd
sThen
sBegin
sAssignmentStmt
```

If you choose this way, you won't have to implement **elsif** in the semantic phase at all, because it will never see it. This is typical of decisions made by compiler writers - many language features can be implemented either in one phase or in the next. In this case, we can either implement **elsif** in the parser (this phase) or in the semantic analyzer (next phase).

Neither decision is strictly the right one, and neither is wrong. The amount of work to implement the feature is about the same either way. It will be up to you to decide which you want to do, but whichever decision you make, make it clear to your TA when you hand in your phases!

## Do Statements

Remove handling of the PT **repeat** statement, and add handling of the Quby **do** statement. The output stream should use the token *sDo* to mark the beginning and end of the statement, and the *sBreakIf* token for **break if** clauses. The end of the conditional expression following a **break if** should be marked with the *sExpnEnd* token. As always, you can use the Block rule to output an *sBegin* .. *sEnd* tokens around declarations and statements.

For example, the (silly example) **do** loop:

```
do
    DeclarationsAndStatements1
    break if true
    DeclarationsAndStatements2
end
```

should yield the parser output token stream:

```
sDo
sBegin

DeclarationsAndStatements1
sEnd
sBreakIf
sIdentifier <predefined identifier index for 'true'>
sExpnEnd
sBegin
DeclarationsAndStatements2
sEnd
```

Note that we can't pull the same trick of making the Semantic phase think we still have PT for the **do** statement - there is no PT **while** or **repeat** statement equivalent to a Quby **do** loop, so we'll just have to leave it until the Semantic phase.

# The string Type

Remove handling of the old PT **char** data type and char literals, and add handling of the **string** data type and string literals. Add handling of the new Quby operators \$, ? and #. The precedence of of the \$ operator (including the .. portion) should be higher (more tightly binding) than \*, **div** and **mod** and lower than **not**, the precedence of the ? operator is the same as that of \*, **div** and **mod**, and the precedence of # is the same as the precedence of **not**.

Hint: Adding? to be the same precedence as \*, **div** and **mod**, and # to be the same precedence as **not**, is straight forward. Adding \$ involves introducing a new precedence level.

All three of the new operators should be converted to postfix by your parser, using the postfix operator output tokens *sSubstring*, *sIndex* and *sLength*.

The operator \$ is somewhat unusual in that it takes three operands, but this does not affect the form of the postfix output, which should consist of the three operands followed by the operator.

For example, the substring operation:

```
"Hi there" $ 1..2
```

Should yield the parser output stream:

```
sLiteral "Hi there" sInteger 1 sInteger 2 sSubstring
```

## Other Syntactic Details

Watch out for other minor syntactic differences between PT Pascal and Quby - for example, the assignment operator is := in PT but = in Quby, the equality operator is = in PT but == in Quby, the inequality operator is <> in PT but != in Quby, and the not operator is not in PT but ! in Quby.