

1. The reference manual for a MiniJava-like programming language contains the following grammar for a for-statement:

$$Statement \rightarrow \mathbf{for} (id = Exp ; Exp ; id = Exp) Statement$$

- (a) Sketch a possible abstract syntax for the for-statement. [15]
- (b) Show how semantic actions in a grammar for a parser-generator such as JavaCC can be used to produce abstract syntax trees for the for-statement. [25]
- (c) Informally describe an appropriate typecheck for the for-statement. [10]
- (d) Suppose a compiler for a MiniJava-like language that includes a for-statement translates all statements and expressions into intermediate code (eg intermediate representation (IR) trees).

- i. Draw or write down the intermediate representation required to access a local variable declared in a method. Explain your answer. [15]

- ii. Outline the intermediate code that might be generated in translation of the for-statement. You may wish to use a simple example to explain your translation, eg:

```
for (i = j; i < k; i=i+1)
  { x = i*i; System.out.println (x); }
```

You can assume that the expression tree for any variable v is simply `TEMP v`. Do not show translations for the body of the example for-statement (in braces in this example `{ . . . }`). [35]

2. (a) The following regular expression recognises certain strings consisting of the letters a , b and c :

$$a((ab)|c)^*c$$

Indicate which of these five strings are recognised by the above regular expression:

$acc, abac, ac, ababababacac, aabcc$

Also, show three more strings that are recognised by the above expression. Finally, show two more strings consisting of the letters a , b and c that are *not* recognised by the above regular expression. [30]

- (b) Explain what it means for a context-free grammar to be ambiguous. Write down an ambiguous grammar and show why it is ambiguous. [20]

- (c) Consider the following grammar:

$$\begin{array}{ll} E & \rightarrow E B E \\ E & \rightarrow \text{num} \\ E & \rightarrow (E) \\ B & \rightarrow + \\ B & \rightarrow - \\ B & \rightarrow * \\ B & \rightarrow / \end{array}$$

- i. Explain why this grammar is not suitable to form the basis for a recursive descent parser. [10]

- ii. Rewrite the rules to obtain an equivalent grammar which can be used as the basis for a recursive descent parser. [20]

- (d) Consider the following Java method:

```

1  class A {
2    String a; String c;
3    public void f(int b, int c) {
4      System.out.println(b+c);
5      String d = "hi";
6      int a = b;
7      System.out.println(a); System.out.println(b);
8      System.out.println(c); System.out.println(d);
9    }
10 }
```

Given an initial environment σ_0 , derive the type binding environments for the method at each use of an identifier and indicate where type lookups will occur. [20]

3. (a) Choose a programming language you know well and describe how run-time storage is organised and managed during program execution. Clearly associate any storage structures you mention with the implementation of particular language features. [25]
- (b) What is a stack frame? Outline a typical layout for a stack frame and describe each element of a frame and how it is pushed to the stack during program execution. Comment on how local variables, arguments and non-local variables are addressed by the code generated for a procedure or method. [25]
- (c) Explain why registers might be used for parameter passing and suggest situations where passing in registers is particularly appropriate. Outline situations where it is necessary for the code generated for a procedure or method to write registers to the stack. [30]
- (d) Explain the difference between *caller-save* and *callee-save* registers. Why might caller-save registers sometimes not be saved?

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