P2

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1 JLex

The crux of this project is to come up a way to distinguish the 4 scenarios of string literals. When set a state called OKSTR when JLex sees a " to indicate that the JLex is currently looking at a legal string literal. We let JLex to match one character at a time. If JLex sees another ", then this string is terminated. If JLex sees a \, we enter a state called BACKSLASH. Now, there are two cases. If JLex sees one of $\{n,t,?,\setminus,"\}$, then it is a valid escape, so we go back to state OKSTR. On the other hand, if the character after \ is not one of the valid escape character, the JLex enters BAD_ESCAPED state, indicating that this string literal now is bad. JLex check if a string literal in BAD_ESCAPED is terminated or not using a similar logic as OKSTR.

2 Testing

We have created 3 directories to store the testing files. inputs stores all the inputs. outputs stores the standard outputs. expects stores the expected standard outputs. The correctness of standard errors, i.e. the message produced by the ErrMsg are checked in the main of P2, instead of using diff to compare the expected outputs and the actual outputs.

To standard error (error messages), we redirect 'System.Err' to a customized stream. And compare the expected String with the String of the stream.