

COM241 PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Tutorial #1 & 2: “Lexical Analysis and Parsing”

Deadline: 27 November 2018

Objective:

To learn the lexical and syntax analysis of context-free grammars using lex&yacc and to design a syntax analyzer for your own programming language.

Background Information:

Read “lexyacc.pdf” in the course homepage.

Implementation:

You will design a lexical and syntax analyzer for your own programming language. Give some rules for your programming language and call it as **MPL (My Programming Language)**.

For example, your rules may be as;

- all programs must start with “begin” and end with “end”
- all commands must be ended by “;”
- all variables must be declared just after “begin” in the following format;
 int: i num;
 float: fl;
- three types exist; “int”, “float”, “char”
- variables names may be any alphanumeric string, but they must start with a letter
- statements between “begin” and “end” can be either a variable declaration or an assignment
- an assignment includes four type of operators; +, -, *, /.
- the number of variables or constants in an expression is unlimited
- the precedence of operators given as.....
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- .etc

The minimum requirements are: a well defined regular grammar for variable names, rules for variable declarations, at least 4 arithmetic, 2 logical and 2 comparison operators with their precedence and associativity rules, at least one conditional statement (like if, switch) and at least one loop structure (like for, while, do-while, repeat-until...). Instead of using the grammar for C language, try to bring new ideas for your language.

After writing CFG rules for your language, design and implement a syntax analyzer for it. This analyser will include a lex source (e.g ***mpl.l***), a yacc source (e.g ***mpl.y***) and example inputs (source codes written in your language, e.g ***myprog.mpl***).

To test your analyser, follow the steps below;

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$ lex mpl.l
$ yacc mpl.y
$ gcc -o mpl y.tab.c -lfl
$ mpl < myprog.mpl
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In the last step, if there is no syntax error in ***myprog.mpl***, the program should give an “OK” message, otherwise, a “syntax error” message. Check your program for correct and wrong inputs.

Note: Do not deal with any semantic rule, just give syntax rules!

Report:

Your report should include; ⁽¹⁾ description of the rules which you designed (in your own words) ⁽²⁾ details of your grammar in BNF or EBNF notation, ⁽³⁾ code descriptions, ⁽⁴⁾ the

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content of ***mpl.l***, ***mpl.y*** files and an example ***myprog.mpl*** file, ⁽⁵⁾any explanation which clarifies that you made your assignment with your own effort.

UBUNTU INSTALLATION

sudo-apt get install flex

sudo-apt get install bison