

# RW745 Software Language Engineering Assignment 2 Due on Mar 18, 2024, 17:00

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#### Question 1.

Consider the grammar G defined by the following rules:

$$S \rightarrow A \#$$

$$A \rightarrow (A) \mid B$$

$$B \rightarrow B 0 \mid B 1 \mid C$$

$$C \rightarrow 2 \mid \varepsilon$$

where S is the start symbol.

- 1. List any non-terminal symbols which are nullable. For each non-terminal symbol X in the grammar G list the elements of FIRST(X) and FOLLOW(X).

  3 marks.
- 2. Create a parsing table for a predictive parser for the grammar G. Explain why this grammar is not LL(1). Is this grammar LL(k) for any k? Justify your answer.

  4 marks.
- 3. Transform the grammar G into a grammar G' that accepts the same language but can be parsed by an LL(1) parser. Explain why your grammar G' accepts the same language, and construct the parsing table for G' that shows that G' is indeed LL(1).

  8 marks.

### Question 2.

Use the ANTLR system to write a lexer and parser for the Draco language; more details of the language are contained in the Draco documentation folder on the sunlearn course page. You must implement the language as specified in Sections VII to XII, XIV, and XV.

Note that the informal language description may be incomplete or even inconsistent, and may not be consistent with the examples provided by the language designer; resolve any conflicts in a consistent manner, and document your choices.

Your grammar must have the name draco so it can work with the our driver program. You must submit all ANTLR grammar files, and all auxiliary sources (if any). Marks will be given for performance over a test suite and the general quality of the submission. Document your grammar.

### Notes:

- 1. For this assignment, you may use generative AI tools such as ChatGPT. If you do so, you must outline and discuss your prompting strategy in a short write-up, and you must submit all interactions with the applied tool (i.e., your prompts, and the system's answers). You must also explain how you manually improved the generated grammar, if applicable, or why you abandoned your attempts.
- 2. See the notes from Assignment 1 for more details.

#### **Submission:**

- 1. Submission deadline is Mar 18, 2024, 17:00.
- 2. Please submit all files on your Gitlab repository. Please create a directory assignment2 for this submission.
- 3. Please submit a pdf or jpeg image of your signed declaration statement.
- 4. For Question 1, you can submit a pdf scan or jpeg image of a handwritten solution.
- 5. For Question 2, please submit all *source* files that are required to build a running version; please don't submit any ANTLR jars. If you used a generative AI tool, you must submit the system interactions and explanations, as outlined above.
- 6. We will be using ANTLR v4.13.1 and Java 17 for marking.