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Parser Analysis: Calculator Project

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I. Introduction

The objective of this project is to create a calculator app capable of performing addition and multiplication operations on integer inputs. It is imperative that addition takes precedence over multiplication in the operations. The application meets all the specified requirements for calculator functionality, ensuring that each input involving both operators yields three outputs: the result of the calculation, an equivalent expression in prefix notation, and an expression in postfix notation.

Furthermore, this report will delve into the grammar employed by the calculator, the types of parsers utilized, and the translation methodology.

II. Language Grammar

The grammar for the calculator language used in this project is as follows:

Rule 0:
$$E' \rightarrow E$$

Rule 1:
$$E \rightarrow E * T$$

Rule 2:
$$E \rightarrow T$$

Rule 3:
$$T \rightarrow T + F$$

Rule 4:
$$T \rightarrow F$$

Rule 5:
$$F \rightarrow N$$

Canonical LR(0) items

| state 0: | | state 4: | |
|----------|-------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| 0: | E' → . E | 5: | $F \rightarrow N$. |
| 1: | $E \rightarrow .E * T$ | | |
| 2: | $E \rightarrow . T$ | state 5: | |
| 3: | $T \rightarrow . T + F$ | 1: | $E \rightarrow E * . T$ |
| 4: | $T \rightarrow . F$ | 3: | $T \rightarrow . T + F$ |
| 5: | $F \rightarrow . N$ | 4: | $T \rightarrow . F$ |
| | | 5: | $F \rightarrow . N$ |
| state 1: | | | |
| 0: | $E' \rightarrow E$. | state 6: | |
| 1: | $E \rightarrow E . * T$ | 3: | $T \rightarrow T + . F$ |
| | | 5: | $F \rightarrow . N$ |
| state 2: | | | |
| 2: | $E \rightarrow T$. | state 7: | |
| 3: | $T \rightarrow T . + F$ | 1: | $E \rightarrow E * T$. |
| | | 3: | $T \rightarrow T . + F$ |
| state 3: | | | |
| 4: | $T \rightarrow F$. | state 8: | |
| | | 3: | $T \rightarrow T + F$. |

III. Parser

The type of parser used for this project is a Bottom-up SLR(1) parser. Implementing a bottom-up SLR(1) parser for the calculator project offers efficiency, simplicity, and powerful parsing capabilities. SLR(1) parsing provides linear time complexity, making it suitable for real-time parsing of user input. Its ease of implementation and table-driven approach

simplify the development and maintenance of the parser code. While not as powerful as LR(1) parsers, SLR(1) parsers handle a wide range of grammars, making them sufficient for the calculator's simple arithmetic expressions. Additionally, SLR(1) parsers include built-in error handling mechanisms, ensuring graceful handling of syntax errors in user input.

Parsing Table

| | Action | | | goto | | | |
|-------|--------|----|----|------|---|---|---|
| State | * | + | N | \$ | Е | Т | F |
| 0 | | | s4 | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | s5 | | | acc | | | |
| 2 | r2 | s6 | | r2 | | | |
| 3 | r4 | r4 | | r4 | | | |
| 4 | r5 | r5 | | r5 | | | |
| 5 | | | s4 | | | 7 | 3 |
| 6 | | | s4 | | | | 8 |
| 7 | r1 | s6 | | r1 | | | |
| 8 | r3 | r3 | | r3 | | | |

IV. Method of Translation

The compiler translation method for the parser that outputs three outputs (value evaluation, prefix notation, and postfix notation) involves incorporating semantic rules to ensure correct evaluation and notation generation. Here's a summary with additional detail on semantic rules:

- a. Lexical Analysis (Tokenization): The input expression is tokenized into a sequence of tokens representing operands, operators, and other elements. Semantic rules may be applied during tokenization to handle special cases or validate the input format.
- b. Parsing: The token sequence is parsed according to the defined grammar rules. In this case, the semantic rule specifies the precedence whereby '+' operator is to be prioritized before '*' operator.
- c. Semantic Analysis (Evaluation): Once the parse tree is constructed, semantic rules are applied during tree traversal to evaluate the expression. These rules ensure that arithmetic operations are performed correctly and that any special cases, such as division by zero or overflow, are handled appropriately. For example, division by zero may result in an error message, while overflow may trigger a warning or require special handling.
 - Prefix and Postfix Notation Generation: While parsing and evaluating the expression, semantic rules are applied to generate the prefix and postfix notations.

ii. Rules for value evaluation

| Production | Semantic Rules |
|---|---|
| $E \rightarrow E_1 * T$ $E \rightarrow T$ $T \rightarrow T_1 + F$ $T \rightarrow F$ $F \rightarrow N$ | $E.val := E_1.val * T.val$ $E.val := T.val$ $T.val := T_1.val + F.val$ $T.val := F.val$ $F.val := N.lexval$ |

iii. Rules for prefix notation

| Production | Semantic Rules |
|---|--|
| $E \rightarrow E_1 * T$ $E \rightarrow T$ $T \rightarrow T_1 + F$ $T \rightarrow F$ $F \rightarrow N$ | E.pf := '*' E ₁ .pf T.pf E.pf := T.pf T.pf := '+' T ₁ .pf F.pf T.pf := F.pf F.pf := N.pf |

iv. Rules for postfix notation

| Production | Semantic Rules |
|---|--|
| $E \rightarrow E_1 * T$ $E \rightarrow T$ $T \rightarrow T_1 + F$ $T \rightarrow F$ $F \rightarrow N$ | $E.pf := E_1.pf T.pf '*'$ $E.pf := T.pf$ $T.pf := T_1.pf F.pf '+'$ $T.pf := F.pf$ $F.pf := N.pf$ |

V. Conclusion

In conclusion, the calculator project employs a bottom-up LR(1) parser augmented with semantic actions to transform input expressions into their respective values, prefix notation, and postfix notation. This approach harnesses the power of LR(1) parsing and semantic analysis, enabling the calculator to offer strong parsing capabilities and precise expression evaluation. Additionally, the integration of semantic actions enhances the parser's ability to handle complex expressions while ensuring accurate representation and evaluation of arithmetic operations.