CD LAB PROJECT REPORT

Development of a compiler for a new programming language

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As part of our Compiler design Laboratory Course we have developed a fully functional Compiler which takes .txt file as input and gives assembly(.s) file as output.In this project We have developed a new programming language and then we have designed a compiler for it in different phases.

Firstly we have designed a new toy programming language which has basic functionalities. And then we have created a compiler for our new programming language in different phases. In the first phase we have captured different tokens in source language then we have parsed all those tokens and found out if they follow the grammar of our source language in syntax analyzer. Then in the semantic analyzer we have inserted identifiers inside the symbol table and we have also type checked all those identifiers wherever needed. Then in the Intermediate code generation phase we have taken syntax trees as input and converted them to equivalent intermediate code. Then in

the last phase we took ICG as input and converted it into MIPS assembly language.

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Language and Tool Choices -

We have created a toy programming language which is easy to learn and use. Although it has very few functionalities but it is adequate for writing normal programs such as simple sorting algorithm, factorial, sum of n numbers. So our main goal for creating a source language was to have a simple programming language which is easy to understand through its keywords. We wanted our language to have such keywords which speak about its functionalities. So that is why certain keywords of our language like call, input, output, integer etc. have been used instead and we can see these keywords describe fully what these keywords do in the programming language. So for creating other basic functionalities and syntax we have used C language as reference.

Tools Used

- 1. **Lex** Lex is a tool used to generate a lexical analyzer.this tool is easy to use and it has very simple syntax and fulfills all the requirements of our project.
- 2. **Yacc** It is a tool used to generate a parser. Yacc is a common tool which most of the developers also use and it has a massive community because of that it is easy to find solutions for different queries and also it is very easy to use.
- 3. **Language used** C is used for integration of different parts of the compiler. C is a very popular language for designing programming languages and as our other tools like lex and yacc also use it so it is very easy to use one programming language throughout the project.
- 4. **Target language** As we knew the basics of MIPS assembly

- language so it was very easy for us to convert our intermediate code to mips assembly language that is why we chose it over other languages.
- 5. **QTSpim** We have used QTSpim before while compiling different MIPS assembly code so that is why we knew how easy it was to use and it is really simple to run mips code inside it.

Major components of the project -

Scanner -

As we have used lexer as a scanner, we need to provide regular expressions so it can make meaningful tokens from a stream of characters coming from source code. We need to differentiate between different lexemes in this phase - they can be keywords, identifiers, operators etc.

We can understand regular expressions from this example -

- Letter a | b | z | A | B | | Z
- Digit 1 | 2 | 3 | 9
- Identifiers letter (letter | digit | _)
- Integer digit (digit)*

Parser -

As we have used yacc as a parser, we need to provide some production rules in the form of context free grammar, so it can check the syntax of the statements in the source code. Parser will make the

syntax tree by the tokens produced by the lexer. Our language syntax should be followed by the programmers. If the programmer had made any mistake in the code then the programmer will be notified that he had syntax error in his code, if not then there will be an error at the time of execution.

We can understand production rules in parser from this example -

- Program: declarations VOID MAIN statements
- statements statements assignexpr

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| statements IF logicalexpr statements | statements WHILE logicalexpr statements |;
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logicalexpr : logicalexpr '<' logicalexpr
logicalexpr '>' logicalexpr
ID
NUM

declarations : type id| declaration id

• type:integer | float

Symbol Table -

So there are different scope's inside our code and corresponding to each scope there is a symbol table. Scope's are defined as a tree data

structure where we have linked every node of scope to its parent . as we know that if some identifier is not present in the particular Scope then it might be possible that it is present in its parent scope that was the reason for having this sort of data structure for scope and then we have implemented our symbol table in hash table as it is fast to look for identifiers and find out that it is present inside symbol table or not. We have used a struct data type which accommodates the name , data-type , value ,etc. of Identifier So that we can use them later throughout our project. We have a root node that corresponds to global scope, then child nodes are for different functions, and their child nodes for loop, and if-else blocks likewise.

Semantic analyzer -

Till this phase we have all the production rules for our syntax(if-else, for, while, expression, logical expressions, assignment and variable declaration) and we need to write semantic rules to check whether

- 1. Both the types in the assignment expressions are the same or not.
- 2. Variables used in the other expression are already declared in that scope or not.
- 3. Variables used in arithmetic expressions should have the ability to perform the task.
- 4. Function's return data type should match with the return data type in function declaration .
- 5. Parameters given in function call should be equal and have the same data type as defined in the declaration of function.
 - So these were some of tasks accomplished in the semantic analyzer phase.

Type checker -

So we have implemented a type checker in semantic analyzer and it first looks for the identifier inside the symbol table and then checks the data type of the identifier and performs appropriate tasks accordingly.

Intermediate Code Generator -

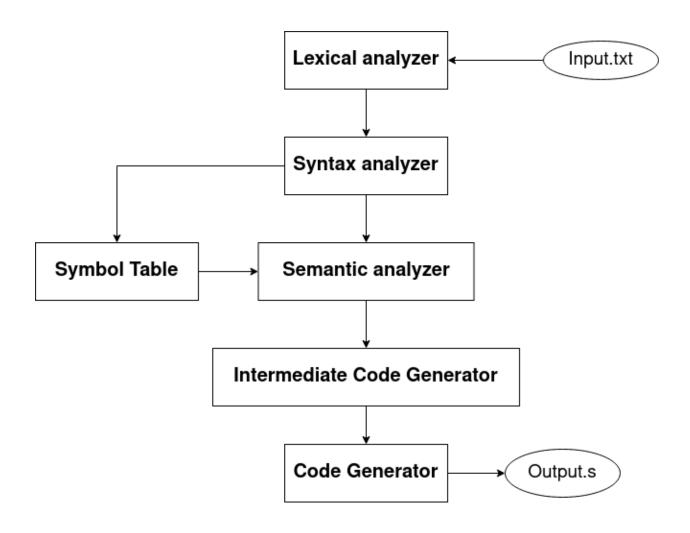
We have used **three address code** in the **quadruplets** form for the purpose of storing intermediate code. We have made a struct data type which stores four data variables (result, argument1, argument2, operation). This struct data type successfully stores one instruction in ICG equivalent to the corresponding syntax tree. Then we have created an array of that struct data type to store all instructions of ICG. we have converted ICG using a syntax tree which we have got in parser.

Code Generator -

Since we are having all the code and three address code with us at this stage. We need to just convert this three address code which we got from Intermediate code generation phase into mips assembly language. By using equivalent operations of different ICG instructions.like - add, sub, mul, div, beq, bne, la, li, lw, sw, j(jump) etc. are some of the basic mips operations which we have used as

equivalent to different ICG instructions.

Flow Diagram -



Source Code Organization -

- 1. Source file should be of .txt extension and should be written in source language taking reference from language manual.
- 2. There is no need to add any header files inside source code.
- 3. For building the project Anyone can download project from the given link https://github.com/r-shakya/compiler
- 4. Go inside MIPS directory Run make file in the terminal

Using "make" command.

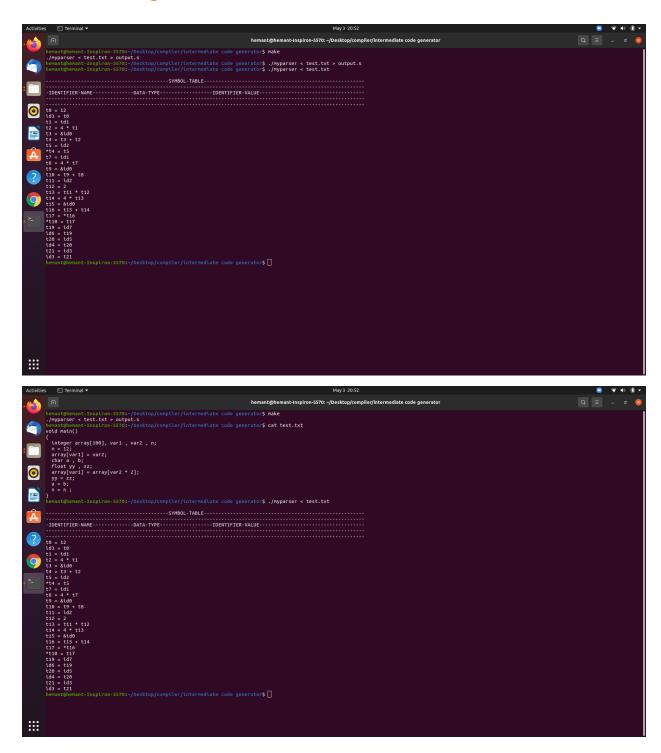
Now give the input file to myparser and store output inside output.s using following command

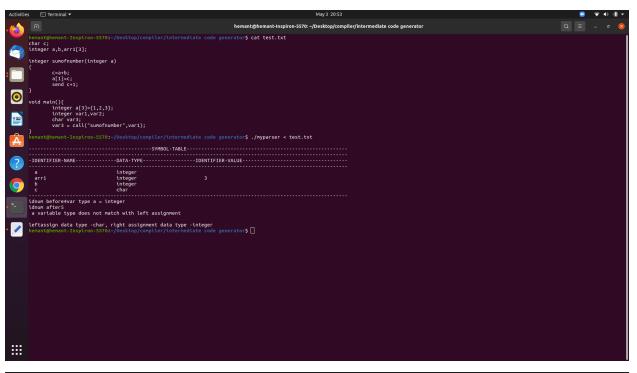
./myparser < input_file > output_file.s

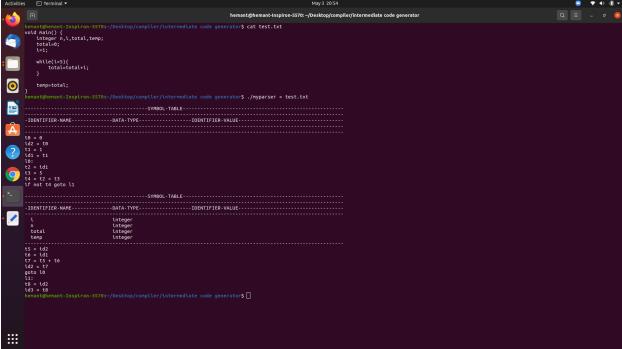
5. Now for running Given **output.s** file we have to download QTSpim from http://spimsimulator.sourceforge.net/

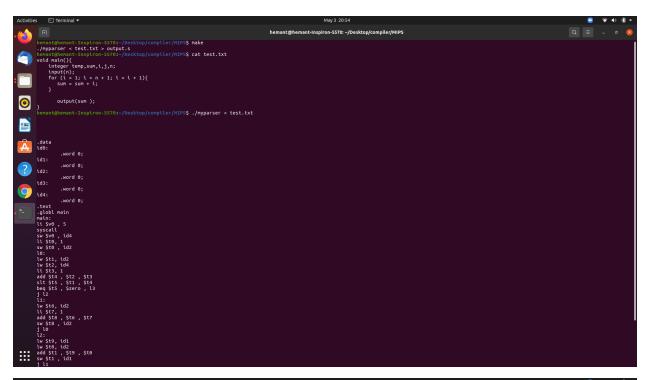
And now we can open **output.s** file inside QTSpim and Run.

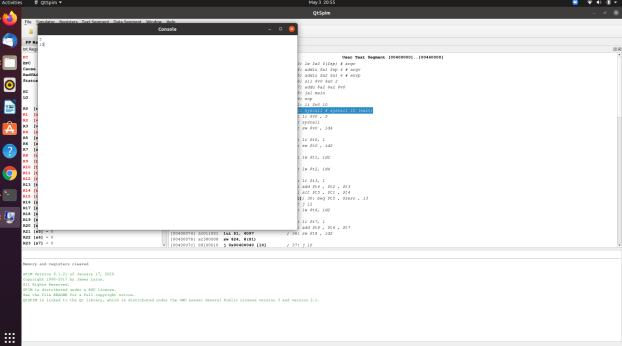
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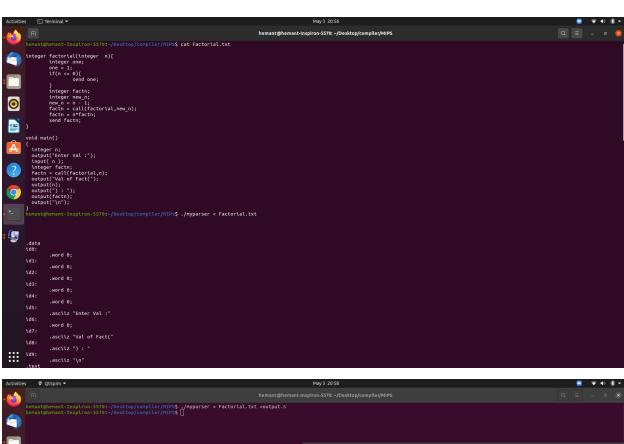


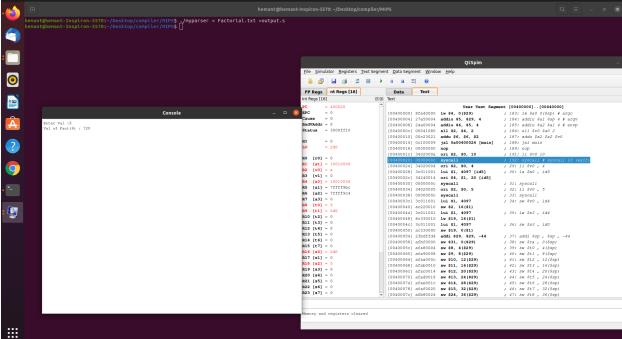


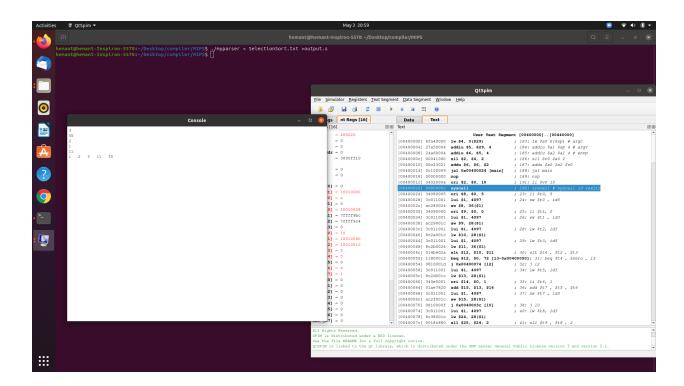












Limitations-

These are most of the limitations of our source language and compiler

- 1. Only integers are provided as data-type though they will not throw any syntax error .
- 2. 1-d array can only be used.
- 3. Dynamic memory allocation is not supported.
- 4. Pointers are not allowed
- 5. Type conversion is not possible.
- 6. User defined variables are not allowed.
- 7. Recursion can only be used with integers as parameters inside the function.
- 8. Function can only have four parameters at max.

9. In any expression there should be the same data type variable should be present.

Conclusion-

As we were designing our language everyone in the team participated in brainstorming and they came up with the different ideas of how they want their programming language to have syntax, semantics. Everyone was asking themselves different question regarding what it is that they feel should be appended in our programming language. We came up with different ideas and then integrated all those ideas into one programming language.

Before this project we had vague ideas about different phases which are involved in designing a compiler while building one we understood different trade offs of it. We also used different tools to make our project easier to implement. Now we have some ideas which involve building a compiler .

By doing this project in a team we got better understanding of version control as we have used git.

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