Final Project on

Compiler Design Lab

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Project Overview

Title: Design and Implementation of a Mini Compiler for Arithmetic Expressions, Control Statements (If-Else, For, While), Using Flex and Yacc.

Languages Used: C, Flex, Yacc

Input: a set of statements that includes (If-Else, For, While)

Expected Output: Validity of the input expression, evaluate the expression if it is arithmetic statement, Show intermediate Code Generation.

Components and Their Functionality

1. lexer.l

•**Purpose**: Performs **lexical analysis** by tokenizing the input source code.

•**How It Works**:

–Uses regular expressions to identify tokens such as keywords (`for`, `printf`), identifiers, operators (`+`, `-`, `*`, `/`), and literals (numbers, strings).

–Outputs a stream of tokens to the parser.

•**Example**: Input: for `(i = 0; i < 10; i++)`

•Output: Tokens: `FOR`, `IDENTIFIER`, `ASSIGN`, `NUMBER`, `SEMICOLON`, `IDENTIFIER`, `LESS_THAN`, `NUMBER`, etc.

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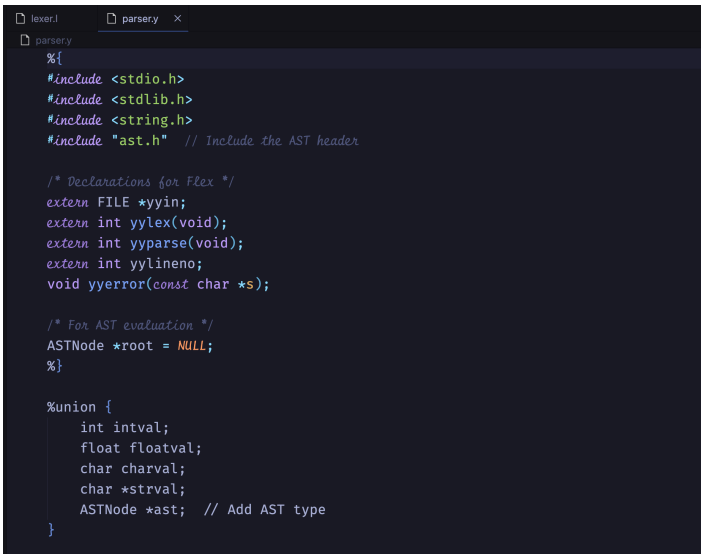
2. parser.y



```
%{
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "ast.h"  // Include the AST header

/* Declarations for Flex */
extern FILE *yyin;
extern int yylex(void);
extern int yyparse(void);
extern int yylineno;
void yyerror(const char *s);

/* For AST evaluation */
ASTNode *root = NULL;
%}

%union {
    int intval;
    float floatval;
    char charval;
    char *strval;
    ASTNode *ast;  // Add AST type
}
```

•**Purpose**: Performs **syntax analysis** by parsing the token stream into an **Abstract Syntax Tree (AST)**.

•**How It Works**:

–Defines the grammar of the language using BNF (Backus-Naur Form).

–Constructs AST nodes for constructs like loops, expressions, and function calls.

•**Example**: Input: Tokens from the lexer. Output: AST for `for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) { printf("%d\n", i); }`.

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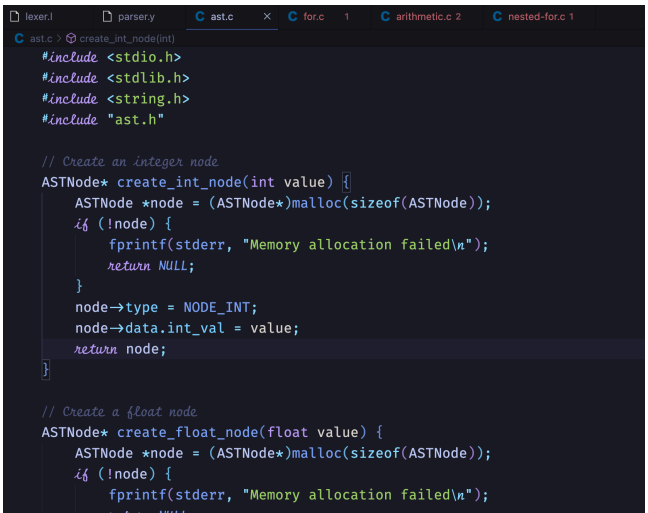
3. ast.c



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "ast.h"

// Create an integer node
ASTNode* create_int_node(int value) {
    ASTNode *node = (ASTNode*)malloc(sizeof(ASTNode));
    if (!node) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Memory allocation failed\n");
        return NULL;
    }
    node->type = NODE_INT;
    node->data.int_val = value;
    return node;
}

// Create a float node
ASTNode* create_float_node(float value) {
    ASTNode *node = (ASTNode*)malloc(sizeof(ASTNode));
    if (!node) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Memory allocation failed\n");
```

•**Purpose**: Implements the **Abstract Syntax Tree (AST)** and its evaluation.

•**How It Works**:

–Defines functions to create and manage AST nodes for different constructs:

•`create_int_node`: Creates an integer node.

- `create_binop_node`: Creates a binary operation node.
- `create_unaryop_node`: Creates a unary operation node.
- `create_assign_node`: Creates an assignment node.
- `create_funcall_node`: Creates a function call node.
- `create_argument_list_node`: Creates an argument list node.

– Implements evaluate_ast to recursively evaluate the AST and execute the program.

- **Example**: Input: AST for `for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) { printf("%d\n", i); }`. Output: Executes the loop and prints: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

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4. for.c

- **Purpose**: Contains test code for the for loop functionality.
- **How It Works**:
- Provides a sample program written in the custom language:

```
for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    printf("%d\n", i);
}
```

- This file is passed as input to the compiler for testing.

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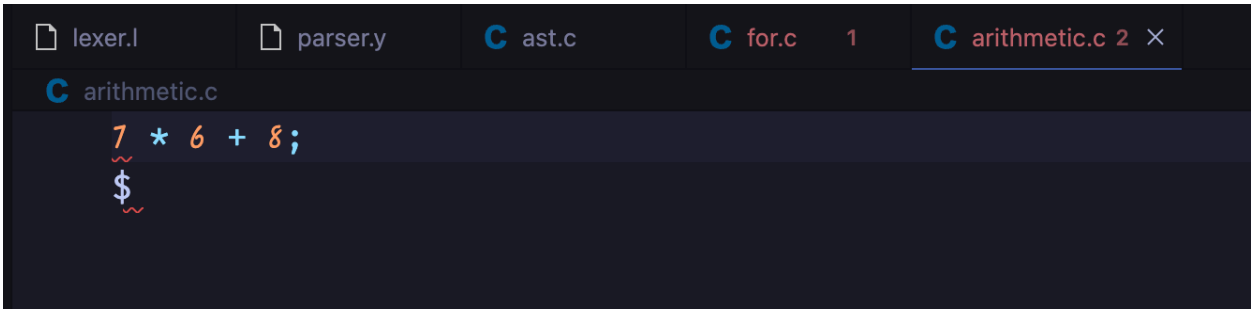
5. arithmetic.c



- **Purpose**: Handles arithmetic expressions in the custom language.
- **How It Works**:
- Implements evaluation of arithmetic expressions like `7 * 6 + 8`.
- Uses AST nodes for binary operations (`+`, `-`, `*`, `/`) to compute results.
- **Example**: Input: `7 * 6 + 8` Output: `50`

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6. nested-for.c

- **Purpose**: Tests nested for loops in the custom language.
- **How It Works**:
- Provides a sample program with nested loops:

```
for (i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
    for (j = 0; j < 2; j++) {
        printf("%d %d\n", i, j);
    }
}
```

- This file is passed to the compiler to test nested loop functionality.

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7. free_ast Function

- **Purpose**: Frees memory allocated for AST nodes.
- **How It Works**:
- Recursively traverses the AST and frees all nodes and their associated data.
- **Example**: Input: AST for a program. Output: Frees all memory used by the AST.

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8. Symbol Table

- **Purpose**: Stores variable names and their values.
- **How It Works**:
- Maintains a simple array-based symbol table.
- Functions:
  - get_var_value: Retrieves the value of a variable.
  - set_var_value: Sets the value of a variable.
- **Example**: Input: `int x = 5; x = x + 2;` Output: Symbol table entry: `x = 7`.

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9. compiler

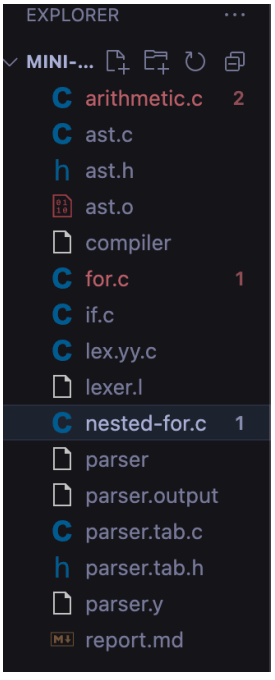
- **Purpose**: The main entry point of the compiler.
- **How It Works**:
- Integrates the lexer, parser, and AST evaluator.

- Reads the input source code file (e.g., for.c), tokenizes it, parses it into an AST, and evaluates the AST.
- **Example**: Command: `./compiler for.c`
- Output: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

How the Compiler Works

1. **Lexical Analysis**:
- The lexer (lexer.l) tokenizes the input source code into a stream of tokens.
2. **Syntax Analysis**:
- The parser (parser.y) parses the tokens into an AST based on the grammar rules.
3. **Semantic Analysis**:
- The AST is analyzed for semantic correctness (e.g., variable declarations, type checking).
4. **Execution**:
- The AST is evaluated using evaluate_ast, which executes the program and produces output.

Project Structure



Example Workflow

```
neon@Shakibs-MacBook-Air mini-compiler-dev % ./compiler arithmetic.c
TOKEN: INT_VAL (7)
INT: 7
TOKEN: MULT
TOKEN: INT_VAL (6)
INT: 6
MULTIPLY
TOKEN: PLUS
TOKEN: INT_VAL (8)
INT: 8
TOKEN: SEMICOLON
ADD
TOKEN: END

Program is syntactically correct!
Program evaluation result: 50
neon@Shakibs-MacBook-Air mini-compiler-dev %
```

Which will evaluate the arimathic expression in arithmetic.c (7 * 6 + 8; $).