

CMPSC471 Programming Project: Mini Interactive Calculator

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Description:

Implement an interactive calculator using lex and yacc.

Details:

- The calculator *accepts* one expression at a time, *evaluates* the expression, and *prints* the result value in the next line. The input line starts with “->” and the result line starts with “=>”.
- The input expression is represented in infix notation. An expression (*expression*) consists of variables (*variable*), expressions, numbers and ops (supported *ops* listed as below).
- A user can define variables. A declared variable is set to 0 if not initialized. A variable begins with a letter followed by any number of letters (lower-case).
- Numbers (*number*) are represented in decimals using *digit*.
- If an expression has syntax error, it simply prints “error”, and waits for the next input.
- Precedence and associativity are defined as below.

Submission Guideline:

You need to submit a lex and a yacc file, with your .c files. You need to provide a Makefile to build the calculator executable. A manual of usage is needed for describing the usage.

Grammar Description:

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expression : variable | number | '(' expression ')'  
           | '-' expression | expression '+' expression  
           | expression '-' expression | expression MUL_OP expression  
           | expression '^' expression | variable ASSIGN_OP expression  
           | expression REL_OP expression  
variable   : letter[letter]*  
letter     : [a-z]  
number     : integer | '.' integer | integer '.' integer  
integer    : digit | integer digit  
digit      : [0-9]  
op         : MUL_OP | ASSIGN_OP | REL_OP  
MUL_OP     : * /  
ASSIGN_OP  : =  
REL_OP     : == <= >= != < >
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Precedence and Associativity (lowest to highest):

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REL_OP, left associative  
ASSIGN_OP, right associative  
+ and - operators, left associative  
MUL_OP, left associative  
^ operator, right associative  
unary - operator, nonassociative
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Examples:

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-> a = 5  
=> 5  
-> b = a + 7 * 3.1  
=> 26.7  
-> (b - a)* 0.2  
=> 4.34
```

References:

lex and yacc. <http://dinosaur.compilertools.net/>

bc - arbitrary-precision arithmetic language

1. bc Command Manual, https://www.gnu.org/software/bc/manual/html_mono/bc.html
2. bc, <http://pubs.opengroup.org/onlinepubs/000095399/utilities/bc.html>