yacc parser for pascal

1. **lex / yacc version:** flex 2.6.4, bison (GNU Bison) 3.8.2
2. **OS:** Ubuntn 22.04 server installed on VM in MacOS Sonoma
3. **Implementation method:**
   - Creating a makefile to compile a lex file and the final executable file.

   ```
   all: clean y.tab.c lex.yy.c
       gcc lex.yy.c y.tab.c -lfl -o b096060041.out
   y.tab.c:
       bison -y -d -Wcounterexamples b096060041.y
   lex.yy.c:
       flex b096060041.l
   clean:
       rm -rf b096060041.out lex.yy.c y.tab.c y.tab.h
   ```

   note: You should install 'flex', 'bison' and 'gcc' in your OS before execute make. Here is a simple example install package and execute makefile on ubuntu 22.04.

   ```
   $ sudo apt update
   $ sudo apt upgrade
   $ sudo apt install flex bison gcc
   $ make all
   $ make clean
   ```

4. **How do you sovle the error you may occured which is mentioned in the specification?**
   1. Using undefined variables (or functions), or mismatch between declaration type and assignment type (declared as integer, assigned a string).
      creating a "symbol table" to record the variable's name and its type, to compare whether the type of variable is matched with the value or not.

      ```
      typedef struct {
          char *name;
          char *type;
      } symbol;
      unsigned int symbolCount = 0;
      symbol symbolTable[MAX_SYMBOLS];
      ```

   2. Structural errors, such as missing parentheses, missing 'if' before 'then', etc.
      defining the correct grammar in the parser, and using error to pair the lost token, such as the program structure:

```
prog:
PROGRAM prog_name SEMI
VAR
dec_list SEMI
BEGIN_
stmt_list SEMI
END_ DOT
| PROGRAM prog_name SEMI
VAR
dec_list SEMI
BEGIN_
stmt_list SEMI
END_ error { sprintf(lines_error[lineCount] +
strlen(lines_error[lineCount]), "Line %d: missing dot \".\" at
the end.\n", lineCount); }
;
```

the above parser code show that if the pascal missing the dot at the end after the end (END_ is
the term returning from lex.), the error will recognize it. Then, it will record the "line" where
the error is.
for another example of if statement:

```
ifstmt:
    IF LP exp RP THEN body %prec LOWER_THAN_ELSE
    | IF LP exp RP THEN body ELSE body
    | IF LP exp RP error body { sprintf(lines_error[lineCount] +
strlen(lines_error[lineCount]), "Line %d: at char %d, \"then\"
expected but \"%s\" found.\n", lineCount, errorCharCount,
errorToken); }
    ;
```

if missing THEN after IF, it will use the same method (using error to recognize it) and print
the error code at the error line.
3. Missing necessary symbols (such as semicolons, periods) or using incorrect symbols.
   the method like mentioned above, using the defining grammar to recognize the missing token
   and print the error message.
4. Adding variables of different types together, such as: int + string.
   dealing with adding variables of different types, we use getSymbolType(const char
   *name) function to return the type of variables and use strcmp(const char *s1, const
   char *s2) to compare the type is. If strcmp return 0 means they are same data type, which
   could be operated; on the contrart, will not.

```
simpexp:
    term { $$ = $1; }
    | simpexp PLUS term{
        char *type1 = getSymbolType($1), *type2 =
getSymbolType($3);
```

```
            if (type1 && type2 && strcmp(type1, type2) != 0)
                sprintf(lines_error[lineCount] +
    strlen(lines_error[lineCount]), "Line %d: type mismatch: cannot
    add \"%s\" (%s) to \"%s\" (%s)\n", lineCount, $1, type1, $3,
    type2);
            $$ = $1 ? strdup($1) : strdup($3); // same data type
        }
        | simpexp MINUS term{
            char *type1 = getSymbolType($1), *type2 =
    getSymbolType($3);
            if (type1 && type2 && strcmp(type1, type2) != 0)
                sprintf(lines_error[lineCount] +
    strlen(lines_error[lineCount]), "Line %d: type mismatch: cannot
    substract \"%s\" (%s) to \"%s\" (%s)\n", lineCount, $1, type1,
    $3, type2);
            $$ = $1 ? strdup($1) : strdup($3); // same data type
        }
        | PLUS term
        | MINUS term
        ;

    term:
        factor { $$ = $1; }
        | term MUL factor
        | term DIV factor
        | term MOD factor
        ;

    factor:
        varid { $$ = $1; }
        | INT { $$ = $1; }
        | REAL { $$ = $1; }
        | STR { $$ = $1; }
        | LP simpexp RP
        ;
```

5. **What problems did you encounter when working on the assignment?**
    1. How to print each line: There are two ways to print each line of the source code: one in lex and the other one in yacc. I chose to handle all the code separation based on newline characters in lex, share the entire string array with the yacc file (as an external variable), and then in yacc, only record error output. Specifically, print out the lines by their number, prioritize printing if there is an error message, otherwise print the original content of the line.
    2. Class determination issue: Since native C language does not support hash maps (which means we must be manually implemented), I constructed a symbol table using `struct` consisting of an ID and its category as pairs, stored all pairs in an array. When determining if a definition exists, perform a linear search based on the ID (string), and use the same linear search for pairs when checking if categories are the same. This allows access to the category corresponding to the ID
6. **The result of test:**
    - correct.pas

```
program test;
var
(* one line comment *)
  i, j: integer;
  ans: array[0 .. 81] of integer;
begin
    i := -1+3;
    j := +7*8;
    ans[0] := 7;
    (*
    multiple lines comments
    do not show comments
    *)
    for i:=1 to 9 do
    begin
        for j:=1 to i do
            ans[i*9+j] := i*j;
    end;

    for i:=1 to 9 do
    begin
        for j:=1 to i do
            if ( ans[i*9+j] mod 2 = 0) then
                write(i, '*', j, '=', ans[i*9+j], ' ');
        writeln;
    end;
end.
```

```
yen@yenubuntu:~/yacc$ ./b096060041.out <
testfile_lab2_2022/yacc_testfile/testfile/correct.pas
Line 1: program test;
Line 2: var
Line 4:   i, j: integer;
Line 5:   ans: array[0 .. 81] of integer;
Line 6: begin
Line 7:     i := -1+3;
Line 8:     j := +7*8;
Line 9:     ans[0] := 7;
Line 14:    for i:=1 to 9 do
Line 15:    begin
Line 16:        for j:=1 to i do
Line 17:            ans[i*9+j] := i*j;
Line 18:    end;
Line 19:
Line 20:    for i:=1 to 9 do
Line 21:    begin
Line 22:        for j:=1 to i do
Line 23:            if ( ans[i*9+j] mod 2 = 0) then
Line 24:                write(i, '*', j, '=', ans[i*9+j], ' ');
Line 25:        writeln;
```

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Line 26:      end;
Line 27: end.
```

- error1.pas

```
program test;
var
  i : integer;
begin
  i = 3;
  j = 4;
  if (i > j) then
    Write('ok');
end.
```

```
yen@yenubuntu:~/yacc$ ./b096060041.out <
testfile_lab2_2022/yacc_testfile/testfile/error1.pas
Line 1: program test;
Line 2: var
Line 3:    i : integer;
Line 4: begin
Line 5: at char 5, ":=" expected but "=" found.
Line 6: "j" is an undeclared variable
Line 6: at char 5, ":=" expected but "=" found.
Line 7: "j" is an undeclared variable
Line 8:    Write('ok');
Line 9: end.
```

- error2.pas

```
program test;
var
  i, j : integer;
begin
  i := 5*2;
  j := 9;
  if (i > j) then
    Write('ok');
end.
```

actually, there does not have an error.

```
main.pas
 1  program test;
 2  var
 3    i, j : integer;
 4  begin
 5    i := 5*2;
 6    j := 9;
 7    if (i > j) then
 8      Write('ok');
 9  end.
```

```
Free Pascal Compiler version 3.2.2+dfsg-9ubuntu1 [2022/04/11] for x86_64
Copyright (c) 1993-2021 by Florian Klaempfl and others
Target OS: Linux for x86-64
Compiling main.pas
Linking a.out
8 lines compiled, 0.1 sec
ok

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.
```

```
yen@yenubuntu:~/yacc$ ./b096060041.out <
testfile_lab2_2022/yacc_testfile/testfile/error2.pas
Line 1: program test;
Line 2: var
Line 3:   i, j : integer;
Line 4: begin
Line 5:   i := 5*2;
Line 6:   j := 9;
Line 7:   if (i > j) then
Line 8:     Write('ok');
Line 9: end.
```

- error3.pas

```
program test;
var
  i, j := integer;
begin
  i := 5;
end
```

```
yen@yenubuntu:~/yacc$ ./b096060041.out <
testfile_lab2_2022/yacc_testfile/testfile/error3.pas
Line 1: program test;
Line 2: var
Line 3: at char 8, ":" expected but ":=" found.
Line 4: begin
```

```
Line 5: "i" is an undeclared variable
Line 6: missing dot "." at the end.
```

- error4.pas

```
program test;
var
  i, j : integer;
  c : string;
begin
  i := 5;
  c := 'aa';
  i = i+c;
end.
```

```
yen@yenubuntu:~/yacc$ ./b096060041.out <
testfile_lab2_2022/yacc_testfile/testfile/error4.pas
Line 1: program test;
Line 2: var
Line 3:    i, j : integer;
Line 4:    c : string;
Line 5: begin
Line 6:    i := 5;
Line 7:    c := 'aa';
Line 8: type mismatch: cannot add "i" (integer) to "c" (string)
Line 8: at char 5, ":=" expected but "=" found.
Line 9: end.
```

*note: this assignment only follow the rule of the course in NSYSU, Compiler Spring 24'. That is, the parser may not cover all the grammar of the PASCAL, which only could be a reference for learning coding the lex and the yacc. If you want to compile a real and applicable parser for PASCAL, please refer the documents throught the internet and the website of PASCAL or the onlineGDB compiler of pascal.