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International Journal for Research in Applied Science & Engineering Technology (IJRASET) Generic Parser

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Abstract - This paper shows how to implement generic parsers as a family of streams. This allows for very readable, maintainable and flexible parsers. The method is illustrated with a parser for simple arithmetic expressions, but can easily be extended to a parser for a full-fledged programming language. Moreover, the same technique can be applied to the entire process from lexing to execution, since actions can be associated with each sub-parser. The parsing of input is a very important problem appearing in many different parts of software development - parsing user input in the form of command-line options, the parsing of arithmetic expressions in a calculator, parsing values in a user-defined configuration file or compiling some programming language. This makes it important to have different approaches. What we will present here in this project, is a method of parsing inspired by what is done in functional programming (FP). The paper is not about functional programming in C++. Moreover, the presence of too many parentheses makes the code harder to read and is hence also more error prone, rather it is about how to implement a particularly elegant idea from FP in an object oriented context.

Keywords— Generic Parser, Integer Point Parser, Floating Point Parser

I. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we will concentrate on the parsing step, but in such a way that the remaining steps of the process could be implemented in a similar fashion. In fact, we will see how to make a simple modification to our parser and turn it into an expression calculator. For concreteness, we will consider a particular example, which is simple enough not to introduce unnecessary complications yet complex enough to be non-trivial.

The chosen example is the parsing of arithmetic expressions like $1 + (2-3)*4$. We will only consider integers. Furthermore, we will not worry about the precedence levels of the standard arithmetic operators - this could be done by slightly modifying the grammar as shown in for instance. It will be shown later how to accommodate this with very few changes to our framework.

The parsing of input is a very important problem appearing in many different parts of software development - parsing user input in the form of command-line options, the parsing of arithmetic expressions in a calculator, parsing values in a user-defined configuration file or compiling some programming language. The aim of this approach is flexibility: it is easy to omit or modify individual steps, which is important for playing around with different approaches in language design or compiler construction.

II. MODULES

A. Graphical Module

This module contains the basic instruction about the using the parser. In this module we have displayed the name of developers. Some basic information displayed on screen as for the use of Parser.

B. Start Module

User has to enter an expression. If any variable is not defined previously, then parser would automatically consider its value to be zero. Give statement must be syntactically correct expression, otherwise it return an error which may cause garbage value as answer.

C. Evaluation Module

In this module, the result will be displayed in the form of answer of given algebraic expression. By entering a period (.) you can exit from the default parser. For exiting from the program again hit hash button.

III. WORKING OF THE PROJECT

The Generic Parser is basically takes an input of an expression and tokenizes it like every parser does inside the compiler or the other application. It classifies the whole strings characters into the delimiters, variables and numbers. Initially it assigns the value of every variable as zero. To exit from the floating point pointer. And after that you will be inside the Integer point parser. This parser will only be able to proceed with the integer value. Even if you give a floating point value it will assume it as simple integer and

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takes the first digit of the number. In the end it displays the execution time of your program.

IV. REQUIREMENTS

A. Hardware requirements

TABLE I: HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

Hardware	Minimum	Recommended
CPU	1.6 GHz	2.2GHz or Higher
RAM	385MB	512MB or more
Hard disk	60GB	80 GB

B. Software Requirements

TABLE II: SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

Operating System	Microsoft XP/7/VISTA/8/8.1
Software Platform	Turbo C

V. OUTPUT

A. Start module

```
A GENERIC PARSER
IT IS FLOATING POINT INTERGER PARSER BY DEFAULT

ENTER A PERIOD(i.e. '.') TO EXIT
INTEGER PARSER

ENTER A PERIOD TO STOP
Press Any Key To Continue
Please wait! Loading ..
Please wait! Loading ..
Please wait! Loading ...
```

B. Read instruction before parser

```
Floating-point parser.
Enter a # symbol period to stop
Enter expression:
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C. Test gets started

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Floating-point parser.
Enter a # symbol period to stop
Enter expression: a=23
Answer is: 23

Enter expression: b=2
Answer is: 2

Enter expression: c=a^b
Answer is: 529

Enter expression: a+b+a*c^2/9
Answer is: 31141.44444

Enter expression: #

Integer parser. Enter a # symbol to stop
Enter expression: a=12.99
Answer is: 12

Enter expression: b=a+9.9785
Answer is: 21

Enter expression: #
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D. Result

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Answer is: 21
Enter expression: #
Execution Time:139.175824
Program terminates
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VI. APPLICATION

The parsing of input is a very important problem appearing in many different parts of software development - parsing user input in the form of command-line options, the parsing of arithmetic expressions in a calculator, parsing values in a user-defined configuration file or compiling some programming language. Applications of parsing include everything from simple phrase finding e.g. for proper name recognition to full semantic analysis of text.

VII. CONCLUSION

We can make your own grammar rules and implement in this Parser. It can be used for the learning of Compiler/Interpreter construction. It can be customized with different types of Interpreter/Compilers.

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