

NAME

Yacc – an LALR(1) parser generator

SYNOPSIS

yacc [**-dlrtv**] [**-b** *prefix*] [**-S** *skeleton file*] *filename*

DESCRIPTION

Yacc reads the grammar specification in the file *filename* and generates an LR(1) parser for it. The parsers consist of a set of LALR(1) parsing tables and a driver routine written in the C programming language. *Yacc* normally writes the parse tables and the driver routine to the file *y.tab.c*.

The following options are available:

-b *prefix*

The **-b** option changes the prefix prepended to the output file names to the string denoted by *prefix*. The default prefix is derived from the input filename.

-d

The **-d** option causes the header file *y.tab.h* to be written.

-l

If the **-l** option is not specified, *yacc* will insert **#line** directives in the generated code. The **#line** directives let the C compiler relate errors in the generated code to the user's original code. If the **-l** option is specified, *yacc* will not insert the **#line** directives. **#line** directives specified by the user will be retained.

-r

The **-r** option causes *yacc* to produce separate files for code and tables. The code file is named *y.code.c*, and the tables file is named *y.tab.c*.

-t

The **-t** option changes the preprocessor directives generated by *yacc* so that debugging statements will be incorporated in the compiled code.

-v

The **-v** option causes a human-readable description of the generated parser to be written to the file *y.output*.

-S *skeleton file*

The **-S** option causes a different skeleton file to be used. The default skeleton file is built in to *yacc* when it is built.

If the environment variable TMPDIR is set, the string denoted by TMPDIR will be used as the name of the directory where the temporary files are created.

FILES

filename.code.c

filename.tab.c

filename.tab.h

filename.output

/tmp/yacc.aXXXXXX

/tmp/yacc.tXXXXXX

/tmp/yacc.uXXXXXX

DIAGNOSTICS

If there are rules that are never reduced, the number of such rules is reported on standard error. If there are any LALR(1) conflicts, the number of conflicts is reported on standard error.