

Daily Question

(due October 28, 2005)

Consider the grammar below for a simple fragment of C:

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| <i>S</i> | → | <i>statement-list</i> |
| <i>statement-list</i> | → | <i>statement</i> |
| | | <i>statement-list statement</i> |
| <i>statement</i> | → | <i>assignment</i> |
| | | <i>if-statement</i> |
| | | <i>compound-statement</i> |
| <i>assignment</i> | → | id = expr ; |
| <i>if-statement</i> | → | if (cond) statement |
| | | if (cond) statement else statement |
| <i>compound-statement</i> | → | { <i>statement-list</i> } |
| <i>expr</i> | → | id + id |
| <i>cond</i> | → | id < id |

I used **bold** font for terminals, and *italics* for non-terminals. The terminal **id** matches any C identifier (e.g. **a**, **b**, **c**, and **foo**). The other non-terminals are exactly the corresponding strings, (e.g. **if** matches the string 'i' 'f', and so on). Show that this grammar is ambiguous. In particular, give two parsings for the program:

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if(a < b)
  if(b < c) foo = a+b;
  else foo = b+c;
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