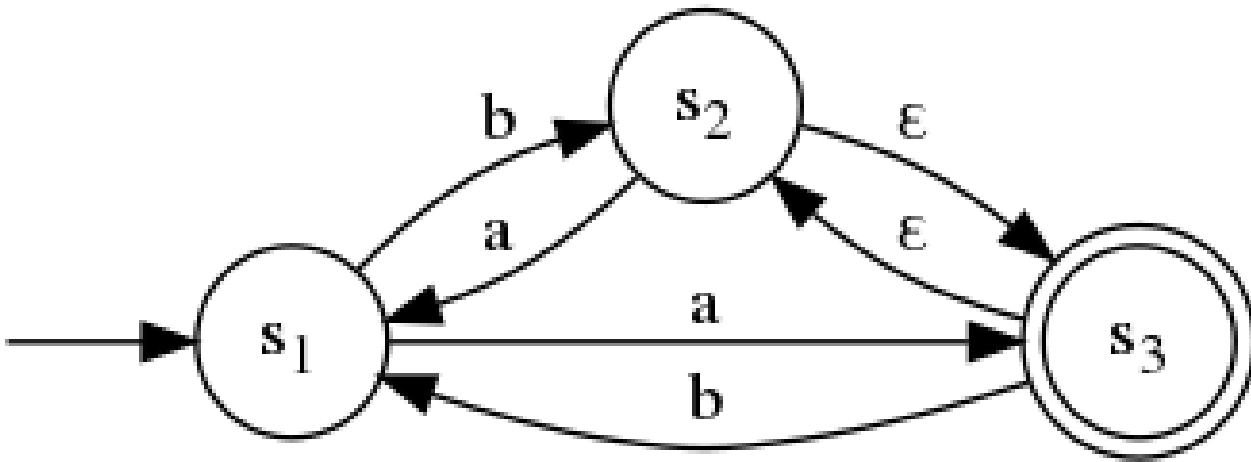


# Check-In C4

Review: Syntactic Ambiguity



1. Draw out an equivalent finite automaton to the given one after applying the  $\epsilon$ -elimination technique described in class.
2. Is the state machine an NFA (non-deterministic finite automaton) or DFA (deterministic finite automaton)?
3. If the machine is a DFA, create an NFA that recognizes the same language. If the machine is an NFA, create a DFA that recognizes the same language

# ○ Administrivia

On Written Work...

If you attend class when a written work is due, you DO NOT have to turn it in

(but you should still do it to make sure you're keeping up)



# ○ Administrivia

Office Hours TBA

- Will be posted on <https://compilers.cool> and posted on the class website
- However, Drew does have an “open door” policy – if available, you’re free to come ask a question



*How will I know when Drew is available?  
- You, maybe*



# ○ Administrivia

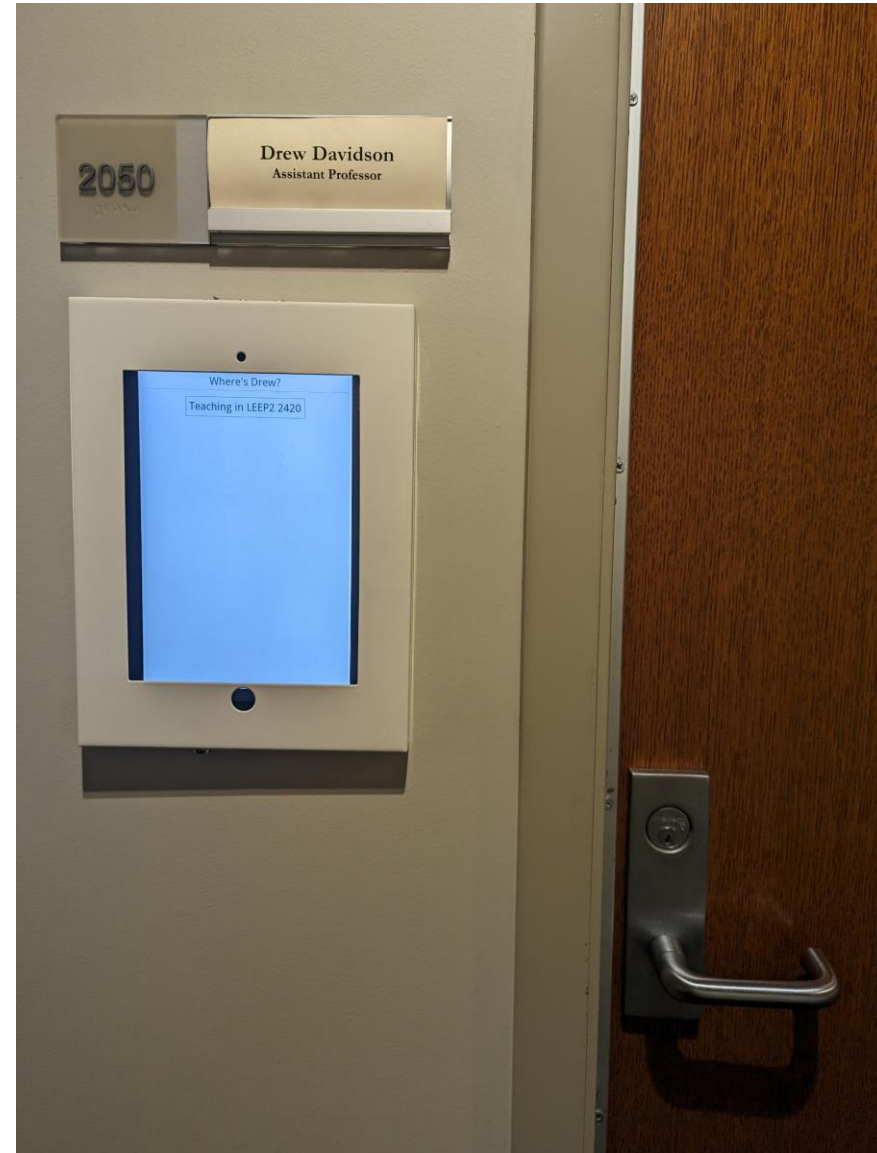
The Drew Positioning System

<https://drew.davidson.cool/where>

also displayed outside Drew's office

If the sign (or website) says  
“available in Eaton Hall”, feel free to  
stop by with a question

Corrolary: if the sign says **not  
available** please don't disturb (even  
if the door is open)



# ○ Administrivia

Behold: The Project Oracle!

<https://compilers.cool/oracles/o1>

**What's the format of output  $\langle x \rangle$  ?**

- Submit input to the Oracle

**What's the token for character  $\langle y \rangle$  ?**

- Submit  $y$  to the Oracle



# ○ Administrivia

Behold: The Dragon Trials!

<https://compilers.cool/trials/t1>

## Trial 1

Due on February 6<sup>th</sup> 11:59 PM (Not accepted late).

## Updates

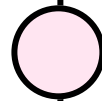
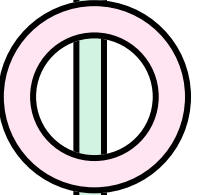
None yet!

## Overview

In Project 1, you *used* a scanner-generator (e.g., Flex). In this assignment, you will *create* a scanner-generator. Your scanner-generator should work much like Flex, though it will use a decidedly stripped down format.



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# ○ Written Work #1

## **Topics:**

- Compiler Overview





# Written Work #1: Question 1

What is the purpose of the lexer component of a compiler? Give an example of an input that GCC would flag for a lexical error.

Purpose of the lexer: character string to a token string

Lexer error: ☺ \$ @

Non-lexer-error:       



# ○ Written Work #1: Question 2

What is the purpose of the syntactic analysis component of a compiler? Give an example of an input that GCC would flag for a syntactic error.

*sentences and paragraphs*

*purpose: makes sure that tokens are arranged in a valid way  
to make program constructs*

*syntax error:  $a = 3$   
                                └  
                                missing  
                                semicolon*



# Written Work #1: Question 3

What is the purpose of name analysis in a compiler? Give an example of an input that GCC would flag for failing name analysis.

purpose: bind identifiers to symbols

error: use of undeclared variable

```
int main() {
```

```
    a = 3;
```

```
}
```

↑  
did not declare a



# Written Work #1: Question 4

What is the purpose of type analysis in a compiler? Give an example of an input that GCC would flag for failing type analysis.

compatible data types

purpose: 1, determine the type of data

2, ensure that valid operations are performed for that type

error: `int a = 4 + 0.125;`  
          ↑

type error: tried to store float into int variable

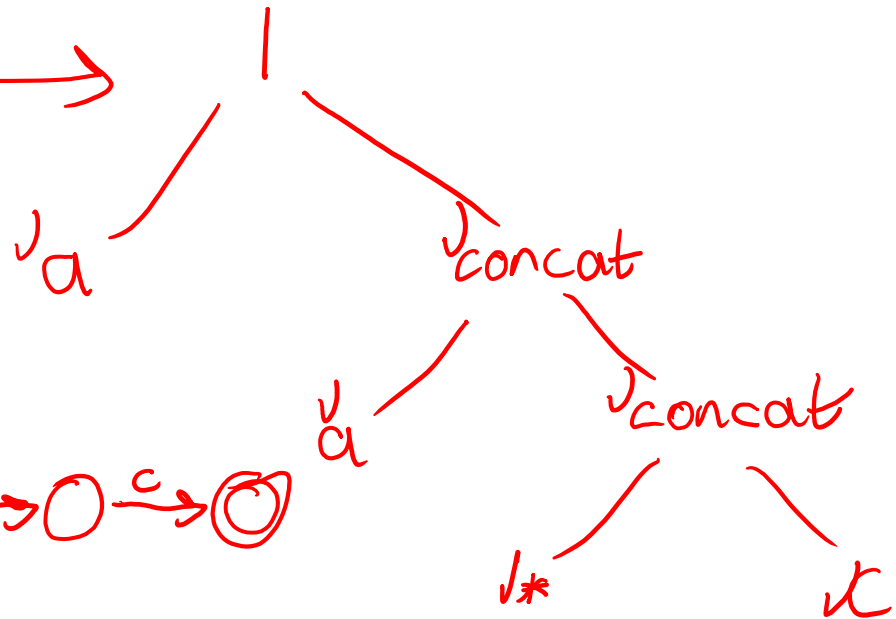
`"1" + 3 = "13"`



# Bonus: Time Permitting

Convert the following regular expression to a DFA using the transformations discussed in class  
(RegEx to  $\epsilon$ -NFA,  $\epsilon$ -NFA to  $\epsilon$ -free-NFA,  $\epsilon$ -free-NFA to DFA)

$a \mid (ab^*c)$  1. Expression tree



2. convert tree to an NFA

