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(ABSTRACT)

A frontend for new meta model Cyrano was designed and developed. Frontend development concentrated on the query language specification and the translation of SQL query to Cyrano representation.

The data models considered in the design included two relational, one object oriented, one hierarchical and one network model. A sample SQL query was translated into derived Cyrano classes to resolve the heterogeneity in database names and attribute names.

The prototype implementation included a lexical analyzer which recognized the SQL tokens, a parser which validated the SQL grammar and a translator which translated a SQL query into an equivalent Cyrano representation.

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CHAPTER 1.

INTRODUCTION

A database system consists of a database management system (DBMS) and databases built according to the DBMS's data model. A Federated database system is defined as a collection of cooperating but autonomous component database systems. In federated database systems, the component database management systems are integrated to various degrees. The federated database management system (FDBMS) integrates the component databases by controlling and coordinating the manipulation of these components.

A meta model for FDBMS is an integrating model that is capable of embracing the essence of all underlying data models in the federation. Cyrano is a meta model for federated database systems based on ideas from rule based and object oriented models. Cyrano sees the world full of objects in external databases and groups them into classes of similar objects. Cyrano resolves database heterogeneity by means of derived classes.

Roxanne is the core implementation of the Cyrano meta model which resolves the heterogeneity. Roxanne can be considered as backend of Cyrano which processes the actual query. Roxanne is being developed by another student working on his PhD. dissertation.

The purpose of this project was to suggest a suitable frontend for the Cyrano meta model. A good frontend user interface with flexible query language, is a necessary component of any database management system. This project primarily concentrates on the data access component of frontend which involves mapping of the SQL queries into appropriate Cyrano classes. The SQL is relational data language and Cyrano is object oriented and rule based model, so a smooth translation from relational to object oriented and rule based model is a key problem area of this project. This project also makes an attempt to show that heterogeneity in names and attributes can be resolved more efficienty at the frontend than at the backend.

This report describes the design and implementation of the frontend to the Cyrano meta model. The method adopted to translate the query into Cyrano classes, the rationale behind the translation and the problems encountered are discussed in detail. Due to space constraint only the relevant features of the Cyrano meta model are described here. The code for the prototype is listed in the appendix A and is documented using the guidelines suggested in [FRAKES].

CHAPTER 2.

CYRANO META MODEL

The various aspects of the Cyrano meta model that are relevant to the design and development of frontend are described here.

2.1. Federated Database Systems and Meta Model.

A federated database system is a collection of different database systems. A federated system may have various databases systems with different database models, languages, and services. Each database system in a federation can have a different data model. A meta model is defined as a model behind the existing data models.

A meta model must be capable of encompassing the essence of all underlying data models in the federation. Thus, it should be able to provide a mechanism for the temporary storage of incompatible data and its associated semantics. Once these incompatible data sets are retrieved, they are mapped into a common representation provided by the meta model. Ideally, the meta model should be based on a theory that contains the theory of all the underlying data models. In practice, most of the meta models for federated database systems are either extended relational or object oriented.

2.2. Cyrano Architecture.

Cyrano is a new meta model that can be roughly classified as an object oriented data model. It uses classes as a primary method of structuring the data and resolving heterogeneity. It differs from the object oriented models in that objects of a class must satisfy rules, as opposed to having same attributes. Like object oriented models, Cyrano

encapsulates the implementation of data items within objects. Like rule based models, it allows data items to be derived from other data items.

Cyrano has adopted an objected oriented architecture composed of multiple databases arranged in hierarchy. Each of the databases in the hierarchy represents a degree of federation. Figure 1 shows the architecture of Cyrano. Each database in Cyrano is differentiated based on the transactions it processes and emphasizes the behavior instead of the structure. The various databases are described next.

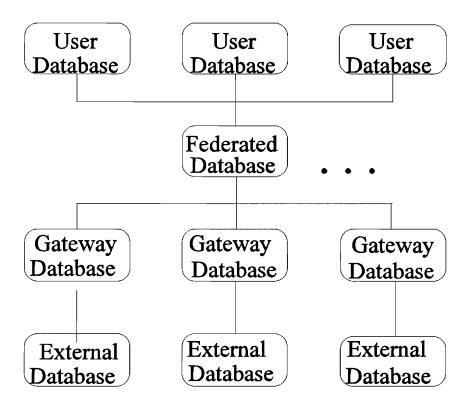


Figure 1. Cyrano Architecture

2.2.1. External Database.

An External database is the real database with its own DBMS. An External database could be a DBMS based on relational or object oriented or any other model. From the External database's point of view, the FDBMS is seen as an application requesting the data access.

2.2.2. Gateway Database.

The objective of the gateway database is to translate the external database representation into an equivalent representation using the meta model constructs. It serves as a gateway between FDBMS and external database. It maps the FDBMS transactions to the external database's own language and forwards them to external database. It also maps the results of transaction back to the FDBMS format. Thus, gateway database provides translations across all possible data models.

2.2.3. Federated Database.

A federated database is a federation of a set of multiple gateway databases. It breaks the transactions into sub-transactions and sends them to appropriate gateway database. It also combines the results of sub-transactions to make one result.

2.2.4. User Database.

A user database is a user's view of a database. The user database is not specific to the Cyrano architecture and is analogous to views in relational model.

The different databases, arranged in a hierarchy, provide a mechanism for translation across the architectural layers which is a central problem in FDBMS.

2.3. Cyrano Classes

In object oriented models, classes are the primary mechanism of structuring data. The class defines the attributes of objects. The objects are created by instantiating classes. Thus, class precedes the object. The schema of object oriented database is formed by the collection of classes and their inter-relation.

Cyrano presupposes a universe containing all possible objects with all possible combinations of attributes. Cyrano classes group the similar objects by a set of defining rules. All the objects that satisfy the rules become members of the class. Thus in Cyrano, object precedes the class, a major departure from traditional notion of class and objects. Cyrano supports three types of classes.

2.3.1. Built-in Class.

A Cyrano built-in object is one that is built into the implementation of Cyrano. A built-in object is a member of built-in class. Examples of built in class are Integer and String.

2.3.2. Gateway Class.

An external object is one that is stored in the external database. A gateway class is a gateway to the data stored in the external database. A gateway class provides the translation of external database structure into the Cyrano model and is used by Cyrano backend Roxanne.

2.3.3 Derived Class.

A Cyrano derived object is one derived from other objects. A derived class groups the derived objects. The derived class can also represent classification of known objects. Derived classes is the mechanism by which Cyrano resolves the database heterogeneity. The rules of the derived class can perform the necessary mapping between different data items.

In traditional object oriented models, the derived class inherits the attributes of the parent class. In Cyrano, the class is a parent to a subclass only if the rules of the subclass imply membership to the parent class. Derived classes are of importance to this project, because they are used in query translation. The Cyrano query is an ad hoc class definition which lists the rules that must be satisfied by external objects to match the query. The original BNF for the derived class is shown in figure 2. This BNF is extended in the sample query translation to accommodate different types of systems. An example of the derived class "OVERSIZED_BOX" is shown below.

```
/* FIRST DERIVATION */
CLASS BOX IS DERIVED WITH
     /* SUPERCLASS */
     SHAPES S:
     WITH
                /* METHODS */
           INT
                HEIGHT
                           = S.HEIGHT;
                BASE AREA = S.BASE AREA;
           INT
     END;
END CLASS.
/* SECOND DERIVED CLASS DEFINITION */
CLASS OVERSIZED BOX IS DERIVED WITH
     /* BASE OBJECT */
     BOX B:
           /* GUARD CONDITION */
           B.HEIGHT > 36
     WITH
                              PAGE 7
```

/* DERIVED METHOD */ INT BOX_VOLUME = B.HEIGHT * B.BASE_AREA; END;

END, END, ENDCLASS.

A derived class definition consists of one or more sets of derivation rules. Each derivation rule starts with a list of objects and classes to which objects belong. These are the base objects of derived class. In the example for "OVERSIZED_BOX," the base object "B" is the object of the class "BOX."

The second part of the derivation rule is the guard. The guard contains the rule that must be satisfied by base objects before they can be used. In the rule, the name of the base object can appear as free variables. The guard rule evaluates as true or false. If guard evaluates as true, then all combinations of base objects matching the rules belong to the derived class. In the above example, BOXES with "HEIGHT" greater that 36 inches can serve as objects for the "OVERSIZED BOX" class.

The third part of the derivation is a derived method. A derived method is used to satisfy a message to a derived object. The OVERSIZED_BOX has a method "BOX_VOLUME" defined in terms of the BOX's "BASE_AREA" and "HEIGHT" attributes.

```
<CLASS>
:: = "CLASS" <NAME>
             "IS" "DERIVED" "WITH" <DERIVATION> ";"
             "END" "CLASS" "."
<DERIVATION>
:: = <VARIABLE> {"," <VARIABLE>} ":" {<GUARD_VALUE>}
   "WITH" {<DERIVED METHOD>";" }
    "END"
<VARIABLE>
                    :: = <CLASS_NAME> <VAR_NAME>
<CLASS_NAME> :: = <NAME>
                :: = <NAME>
<VAR NAME>
<GUARD_VALUE> :: = <COMPLEX_VALUE>
<COMPLEX VALUE>
::= <VAR_NAME> "." <NAME> <COMP_OPERATOR> <VAR_NAME>"." <NAME>
<VAR_NAME> "." <NAME>{ <COMP_OPERATOR> <CONSTANT_VALUE>}
<COMP OPERATOR> ::= "=" | ">" | "<" | "IN" | "<>" | ">=" | "<=" |"LIKE"</pre>
<DERIVED_METHOD> :: = <CLASS_NAME> <VAR_NAME> "=" <VALUE>
<VALUE>
::= <VAR_NAME> "." <NAME> {<OPERATOR> <VAR_NAME>"." <NAME>}
  <CONSTANT VALUE>
<CONSTANT_VALUE> :: = <Quated_String> | <Integer> | <Character>
<OPERATOR>
                    ::= "+" | "-" | "*" | "/"
```

Figure 2. Original BNF for Derived Cyrano Class

CHAPTER 3.

FRONTEND FOR CYRANO

Frontend subsystems are defined by [DATE] as families of subsystems that reside on top of DBMS and assist users in solving the problems of information management like storing, accessing, manipulating, and presenting data. They are as important as the core of DBMS because the user interacts with DBMS using these subsystems. Based on the type of functions performed, frontend subsystems are primarily classified into four categories. The four categories are:

- Data access components.
- Data presentation components.
- Application generation components.
- Other components

The data access component deals with the process of locating and retrieving the data. Data presentation refers to the process of displaying data. Application generator allows users to create applications without programming in the traditional sense. Other components include the statistical packages, word processors etc. This project primarily concentrates on the data access component of frontend systems and in particular on the query language. This section first describes a problem definition for a Cyrano frontend and then discusses the approach to solve the problem.

3.1 Problem Definition

The scope of Cyrano frontend development considered in this project is limited to

the two key problems. The two problems are:

- Defining a query language and a user interface.
- Translating the query into Cyrano classes

These two problems are discussed in following sections.

3.2 Query Language and User Interface

The query language is a key component of any database management system. It provides the mechanism for accessing and updating the underlying databases. The literature search for various implementations of federated databases, clearly indicated two popular choices for user interface.

- Query by forms.
- SQL language.

Query by forms though easy for the user to perform, has limitation as far as complex queries are concerned. Also the forms have to be designed first before they can be used to access data.

The SQL language has become the de facto standard for the relational DBMS world. The ANSI standard for SQL 92 is already available and SQL3 work group is in progress. It was felt that SQL, being the more accepted interface language between the two, should be the query language of the Cyrano frontend.

3.3 Translation of Query to Cyrano Classes.

The query translation problem was addressed step by step by noting the various features of Cyrano. The key points in this process and the reasoning behind them are described below.

- The Cyrano derived classes are used for accessing the external objects and for resolving the heterogeneity of underlying databases. So the query translation primarily involves the creation of derived Cyrano classes corresponding to the SQL query.
- The derived Cyrano class is created by specifying the base objects and guard rule.
- The base objects are objects that already exist in external databases. A base class is
 an external class name that is referenced in the SQL query. So the database names
 following the "FROM" keyword in SQL query can be used as base classes.
- The Cyrano guard rule is used to select the objects belonging to derived class. Thus, the guard rule defines the query conditions. The query condition in SQL is listed in the "WHERE" clause, so the rule should match the "WHERE" clause. The guard definition uses the messages from base classes.
- Cyrano allows the creation of a derivation hierarchy which can be used for matching
 the sub-queries. Many of the SQL queries can be written in nested sub-query form.
 The example described in the next chapter uses this mechanism to create a hierarchy
 of classes matching the query.

 The set of derived query classes are passed to the Cyrano backend Roxanne for actual processing of queries. The results of queries are returned to the frontend which displays them.

Thus, the key component of the frontend development is the translation of the SQL query into one or more derived Cyrano classes.

3.4 Problem Approach

Once the high level translation approach was clear, the next step was to create a sample query and perform the manual translation of the query. A set of database schemata was created by Professor Egyhazy for this purpose which was generic enough to accommodate most of the existing data models supported by Cyrano. All the schemata were for the same type of application and stored similar information in different formats.

Next step was to define a set of moderately complex queries. From this set, a query which used all the databases was selected as a sample query. The query in simple English text was transformed into SQL format. Then, one system was considered at a time and the sample query was translated to correspond to that system's model. This involved a trial and error type of a approach. Once all the models were translated, whole process was repeated to resolve the problems encountered. The final translation revealed that the Cyrano class structure needs to be extended to accommodate different systems.

The database schemata for various types of systems and the translation of sample query are discussed in next chapter.

CHAPTER 4.

SAMPLE QUERY TRANSLATION

The Database schemata are listed in figures 3 to figure 7. This set consists of two relational schemata, one object oriented schema, one hierarchical schema, and one network schema. Cyrano is able to support all the above mentioned data models. This section describes the heterogeneity in the various schemata, the sample query, the sample query translation and the rationale for the translation.

4.1 Heterogeneity in the Schemata.

The database considered in above schemata is STUDENT-COURSE type of database which is used to keep track of courses taken by students and grade received.

Schema 1 shown in figure 3 is relational schema (hereafter referred as Schema 1 Relational) and has three databases. STUDENTS, COURSES, and STUDENT TAKE COURSES. The primary keys are indicated at the bottom of each database. Schema 2 shown in figure 4 is also relational (Schema 2 Relational) and is different from Schema 1 Relational in database names and attribute names. For example, social security number is referred to as "SS#" in Schema 1 Relational and "STUD ID" in Schema 2 Relational. The attribute "NAME" is duplicate in STUDENTS and CLASSES databases in Schema 2 Relational. In STUDENTS database it refers to student's name and in CLASSES database it refers to course title.

These examples show that even if two databases are based on the same model they could be heterogeneous because of difference in attribute and database names. Another kind of heterogeneity present in these two databases is due to the difference in attribute types. For example, GRADE attribute in Schema 1 Relational is NUMERIC while GRADE in Schema

2 Relational is CHAR. The attribute type heterogeneity is resolved at the federated database level. This falls outside the scope of this project.

The heterogeneity arising due to the difference in names is resolved in the frontend translation as attributes and database names are specified in the query. It is more appropriate to resolve it at the frontend level because the frontend can establish a dialog with the user in case of doubt. For example, if user enters "SELECT NAME" and does not specify the FROM clause, then query is ambiguous because the attribute" NAME" exists in two databases (STUDENT and CLASSES) in Schema 2 Relational. In such a case the frontend prompts the user saying that attribute name is ambiguous and the user needs to give more information. Another advantage is that the frontend can validate the query before passing to the backend.

Figure 5 shows the partial schema for STUDENT-COURSES databases in object oriented format (Schema 3 Object Oriented). The three class definitions represent the object oriented representation of schemata. The class COURSE_STUDENT is derived from COURSE class and STUDENT class. Figure 6 shows the hierarchical structure (Schema 4 Hierarchical) in IMS format and figure 7 shows the network structure(Schema 5 Network) in IDMS format. The individual schemata are not discussed here as their syntax are not relevant to this project.

TABLE:STUDENTS			
ATTRIBUTES NAME	TYPE	LENGTH	EXIST COND.
NAME	ITPE	LENGIH	EXIST COND.
SS#	NUMERIC	9	NOT NULL
NAME	CHAR	25	NOT NULL
BIRTHDATE	NUMERIC	6	NULL
SEX	CHAR	1	NULL
PHONE	NUMERIC	10	NULL
PRIMARY KEY (SS#)			
TABLE:COURSES ATTRIBUTES NAME	ТҮРЕ	LENGTH	EXIST COND.
INDEX	NUMERIC	7	NOT NULL
NUMBER	ALPHANUM		NOT NULL
TITLE	CHAR	25	NULL
PRIMARY KEY (INDEX)			
TABLE:STUDENT_TAKE	_COURSES		
NAME	TYPE	LENGTH	EXIST COND.
SS#	NUMERIC	9	NOT NULL
INDEX	NUMERIC	7	NOT NULL
GRADE	NUMERIC	3	NOT NULL
PRIMARY KEY (SS#, INI	DEX)		

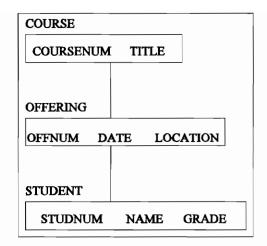
Figure 3. Schema 1 Relational System

TABLE:STUDENTS ATTRIBUTES				
NAME	TYPE	LENGTH	EXIST COND.	
STUD_ID	NUMERIC	11	NOT NULL	
NAME	CHAR	30	NOT NULL	
BIRTHDATE	NUMERIC	4	NULL	
SEX	CHAR	6	NULL	
ADDRESS	ALPHANUM	35	NOT NULL	
PRIMARY KEY (STUD_II	D)			
· –				
TABLE:CLASSES				
ATTRIBUTES				
NAME	TYPE	LENGTH	EXIST COND.	
INDEX	NUMERIC	7	NOT NULL	
COURSES	ALPHANUM		NOT NULL	
NAME	ALPHANUM		NULL	
PRIMARY KEY (INDEX)		23	NOLL	
TRIMART RET (INDEX)				
TABLE:CLASS ENROLLN	MENTS			
ATTRIBUTES				
NAME	TYPE	LENGTH	EXIST COND.	
STUD_ID	NUMERIC	11	NOT NULL	
\overline{INDEX}	NUMERIC	7	NOT NULL	
GRADE	CHAR	1	NULL	
PRIMARY KEY (STUD ID, INDEX)				
- ' '				

Figure 4. Schema 2 Relational System

```
define Type COURSE
      attributes = {
                   INDEX : Identifier
                   NAME: optional String
      methods = {
                   display: COURSE info
                 }
define Type STUDENT
      attributes = {
                                : Identifier
                   STUD_ID
                   NAME
                                : optional String
                   BIRTHDATE: optional String
                               : optional Character
                   SEX
                   ADDRESS : required String
      methods = {
                   display: STUDENT info
                 }
define Type COURSE STUDENTS
                   {STUDENTS}
      supertype =
      supertype =
                   {COURSE}
      attributes = {
                   GRADE : required Character
                }
      methods = {
                   list: STUDENT'S in COURSE
                }
```

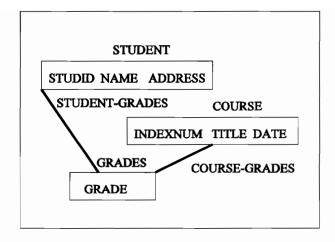
Figure 5. Schema 3 Object Oriented System



HIERARCHICAL STRUCTURE SCHEMA

1.	DBD	NAME=EDUCDDB
2.	SEG	NAME=COURSE, BYTES=39
3	FIELD	NAME=(COURSENUM,SEQ), BYTES=6,START=1
4.	FIELD	NAME=TITLE,BYTES 33,START 7
5.	SEG	NAME=OFFERING,PARENT=COURSE, BYTES=25
6.	FIELD	NAME=(OFFNUM,SEQ), BYTES=7, START=1
7.	FIELD	NAME=DATE,BYTES=6,START=8
8.	FIELD	NAME=LOCATION,BYTES=12,START=14
9.	SEG	NAME=STUDENT,PARENT=OFFERING,BYTES=37
10.	FIELD	NAME=(STUDNUM,SEQ),BYTES=6,START=1
11.	FIELD	NAME=NAME, BYTES=30,START=7
12.	FIELD	NAME=GRADE,BYTES=1,START=37

Figure 6. Schema 4 Hierarchical System



SCHEMA NAME IS GRADEEREPORT 1 2. RECORD NAME IS STUDENT LOCATION MODE IS CALC USING STUDID DUPLICATES NOT ALLOWED 3. 02 PIC 4. STUDID X(9)5. 02 NAME PIC X(25)6. 02 **ADDRESS** PIC X(35)RECORD NAME IS COURSE 7. LOCATION MODE IS CALC USING INDEXNUM 8. **DUPLICATES NOT ALLOWED** 9. 02 INDEXNUM PIC X(7)10. 02 X(25)TITLE PIC 11. 02 **DATE** PIC X(6)RECORD NAME IS GRADES 12. LOCATION MODE IS VIA STUDENT-GRADES SET 13. PIC 14. 02 GRADE X(1)SET NAME IS STUDENT-GRADES 15. 16. **ORDER IS LAST OWNER IS STUDENT** 17. MEMBER IS GRADES MANDATORY AUTOMATIC 18. SET NAME IS COURSE-GRADES 19. 20. ORDER IS SORTED 21. OWNER IS COURSE 22. MEMBER IS GRADES OPTIONAL MANUAL

Figure 7. Schema 5 Network System

4.2 Sample SQL Query

The sample query is for Schema 1 Relational and it accesses all the three databases. The query in English language and SQL form are shown below.

QUERY

List social security number and name of all the students that are in course that has "DATABASE" as one of the words in the title.

• SQL QUERY

```
SELECT SS#, NAME
FROM STUDENTS
WHERE SS# IN

(SELECT SS#
FROM STUDENTS_TAKE_COURSES
WHERE INDEX IN

(SELECT INDEX
FROM COURSES
WHERE TITLE LIKE '%DATABASE%')))
```

The query was arranged in sub-query format as it leads to easier translation as discussed in section 3.3.

4.3 Translation of Sample Query to Cyrano Classes

```
/* Corresponds to the innermost sub-query. */
CLASS INNER_1 IS DERIVED WITH

/* Base objects. Resolve database name heterogeneity */
COURSES A OR /*Schema 1 Relational */

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```

```
/*Schema 2 Relational */
            CLASSES B
                              OR
            COURSE C
                               OR
                                     /*Schema 3 Object oriented */
            COURSE D
                                     /*Schema 4 Hierarchical */
                               OR
                                     /*Schema 5 Network */
            COURSE E
            /* Guard Rule. Resolve attribute name heterogeneity. */
                               OR
            A.TITLE
            B.NAME
                               OR
            C.NAME
                               OR
            D.TITLE
                               OR
            E.TITLE
      /* The query condition in WHERE clause. */
      LIKE "%DATABASE%"
      WITH
            /* Derived method. */
                                                 OR
            INT INDEX =
                               A.INDEX
                                                 OR
                              B.INDEX
                              C.INDEX
                                                 OR
                              D.COURSENUM
                                                 OR
                               E.INDEXNUM
      END;
ENDCLASS.
/* Corresponds to second innermost sub-query. */
CLASS INNER_2 IS DERIVED WITH
            /* First derivation */
            STUDENT TAKE COURSES
                                           Α
                                                 OR
            CLASS ENROLLMENTS
                                           \mathbf{B}
                                                 OR
            COURSE-STUDENTS
                                           C
                                                 OR
            OFFERING
                                           D
                                                 OR
            GRADES
                                           E
                                               /* Derivation from INNER 1 */
                                           F
            INNER 1
                                           OR
            A.INDEX
            B.INDEX
                                           OR
            C.COURSE.INDEX
                                           OR
            D.NIL
                                           OR /* Hierarchical system needs no
                                                 further mapping. */
                                               /*Network Schema */
            E.MEMBER(COURSE)
                                PAGE 22
```

```
IN
           F.INDEX
      WITH
            /* Derived Method. */
            INT SS# =
                       A.SS#
                                               OR
                                               OR
                       B.STUD ID
                       C.STUDENT.STUD ID
                                               OR
                       D.NIL
                                               OR
                       E.OWNER(GRADE)
      END;
ENDCLASS.
/* The outermost sub-query translation. */
CLASS OUTER IS DERIVED WITH
            /* First derivation */
                                         OR
            STUDENTS A
            STUDENTS B
                                         OR
                                         OR
            STUDENT C
                                         OR
            STUDENT D
            STUDENT E
                                         /* Derivation from INNER 2 */
            INNER 2
                      F
            A.SS#
                                         OR
            B.STUD ID
                                         OR
            C.STUD ID
                                         OR
            D.NIL
                                         OR
            E.MEMBER(STUDENT)
     ΙN
            F.SS#
      WITH
            /* Derived methods corresponding to SELECT clause */
            INT SS# =
                       A.SS#
                                         OR
                                         OR
                       B.STUD_ID
                       C.STUD ID
                                         OR
                       D.STUDNUM
                                        OR
                       E.STUDID
            STRING NAME =
                               PAGE 23
```

A.NAME	OR
B.NAME	OR
C.NAME	OR
D.NAME	OR
E.NAME	

END;

ENDCLASS.

4.4 Rationale for Sample Query Translation

In the sample query translation, each derived class corresponds to the sub-query specified in the SQL format. The translation starts from the innermost query and proceeds outward till the outermost sub-query is translated. The class derived in the inner sub-query is used in the derivation of the outer query. The set of classes generated during this process is the Cyrano representation of the query.

The first class INNER_1 translates innermost sub-query. The base object is the COURSES database with the rule matching condition specified in the "WHERE" part. The COURSES database has different names in different schemata so an "OR" clause is used to resolve the difference in names of base object. Here the key assumption is that the query translator has access to the federated schema mapping. Such a schema mapping would indicate that names such as COURSES, CLASSES, COURSE are synonyms as far as FDBMS is concerned as they correspond to similar databases in underlying DBMSs. A similar mapping is assumed for attribute names which shows that TITLE in Schema 1 Relational is same as NAME in Schema 3 Object Oriented. Such interface is assumed to exist.

The class INNER_2 is an example of multiple derivation and is derived from class INNER_1 and STUDENT_TAKE_COURSES database. This class corresponds to the second innermost sub-query in SQL format. The guard rule for this class joins a base class and the class INNER_1 derived earlier. The method part of this class defines the variable SS# which is used to store the social security number for the objects that belong to this class. The type "INT" for the SS# variable is assumed to be known. The rule in INNER_2 has "NIL"

offering records are accessible in the hierarchical database. Similarly, the rule for Schema 5 Network has term MEMBER(COURSE). This indicates a link corresponding to MEMBER for this record. The member can be located by accessing the COURSE_GRADE set. Cyrano backend will have to be intelligent enough to infer such meanings. The method part for Schema 5 Network shows a similar OWNER term which indicates the owner link corresponding to the GRADE record. This part of the translation is not easy enough and needs to be redesigned based on backend implementation. This shows that the translation for non relational or non object oriented system is not easy. The primary reason for this is that, Cyrano is object oriented and the query interface is relational.

The class OUTER is derived from class INNER_2 and the STUDENTS base class. The class OUTER corresponds to the outermost SQL sub-query. The guard rule performs the join of two classes. The derived method defines two variables corresponding to the "SELECT" clause. These two variables specify the expected output (SS# and NAME) of the query.

CHAPTER 5.

FRONTEND PROTOTYPE

The prototype primarily concentrated on the query translation part of frontend, rather than user interface. To provide the proof of concept, the prototype development limited itself to the query described in the previous section. The prototype design is divided into three parts.

- Parser.
- Lexical Analyzer.
- Cyrano Translator.

Each of these parts is discussed next.

5.1 Parser

The grammar for the SQL supported by the prototype is as shown below:

```
1.
      expression
                   sel term from term where term
2.
      sel term ----> SELECT s term sel term'
      sel_term'
                  ----> , s_term sel_term'
| \epsilon
3.
4.
     from term ----> FROM s term
5.
      where term ----> WHERE s term comp_term where_term'
      where_term' ----> (expression) s_term
6.
      s term ----> VALID TERM
7.
8.
      comp term ----> VALID_COMP_TERM
```

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The production 1 shows the basic SQL expression of SELECT-FROM-WHERE type. This basic expression is the core of the sub-query. Production 2 and 3 show the format of SELECT clause. Select clause has keyword SELECT followed by attribute s_term. Multiple attributes can be specified in select clause each separated by comma. Production 4 describes the FROM clause. For simplicity the FROM clause accepts only one database name but it can be easily extended. Production 5 and 6 show the WHERE clause. The WHERE clause has two formats. One format allows the comparison of two terms. The second format allows to write nested sub-queries. A sub-query is similar to the query and is an expression of type SELECT-FROM-WHERE. The grammar described here is sufficient to evaluate the sample query described earlier.

5.2 Lexical Analyzer

The lexical analyzer for the prototype recognizes the tokens shown in table 1.

TABLE 1. Lexical Analyzer Tokens

Tokens	Lexemes	Description
S_TERM	[a-zA-Z0-9], "_", "'", """,	A word with valid letters
	"#", "%"	
COMP_TERM	<,>,=, IN, LIKE	A comparison term
SEP_TERM	II II ,	A Comma separator
LFT_PAR_TERM	(Left parenthesis
RGT_PAR_TERM)	Right parenthesis
SELECT_TERM	SELECT	Key word
FROM_TERM	FROM	Key word
WHERE_TERM	WHERE	Key word
EOI	NULL	End of input

The "SPACE" is used as white space character. The input string is scanned till a valid token is detected or a white space is encountered. The term collected is classified into appropriate token.

5.3 Cyrano Translator

The Cyrano translator translates the sample query into Cyrano classes which are saved in text format in a output file. The translator is divided into various functions that use the terms gathered by the parser. It then generates the various parts of derived Cyrano class. The translator does not have the data dictionary interface, so it does not validate the database names. The translator has a built-in table which stores the data type of attributes specified in the sample query. For example, the data type of attribute TITLE is "STRING" and is stored in the built-in table.

CHAPTER 6. FRONTEND IMPLEMENTATION

This section discusses some of the key implementation details at a higher level. The code is listed in the appendix. The Cyrano backend Roxanne is being developed in Borland C++. In order to facilitate easy merging, it was decided to use Borland C++ for the frontend. The Borland C++ version 3.0 compiler running under DOS was used to build the prototype. The code for the lexical analyzer and the parser for the prototype were reused from the [HOLUB]. It was modified to suit the frontend design. The code was documented using the guidelines from [FRAKES].

6.1 Parser Implementation

The parser is a primitive recursive descent expression parser and is listed in the CYR_GRA.C file. Each subroutine in the parser code corresponds to the left hand side of the grammar specified in last section. For example, the production

```
from_term ----> FROM s_term
is implemented as
    void from_term(char * fr_term)
{
    if (match(FROM_TERM) {
        advance();
        sterm(fr_term);
    }
}
```

Some of the functions in the parser, such as where_term are recursive and allow the nested sub-queries to be processed. In order to support the recursion, the variables used in these functions are automatic variables so that they are allocated on the stack. The parser validates the input and if the input does not match the grammar then it rejects the query.

In addition to validating the input, the parser acts as a term collector. The various terms in SQL clauses such as database names are collected by the parser. The *expression* is the highest level parser function and it has arrays to collect the terms. The *expression* being recursive, the local arrays are allocated each time a nested expression is encountered. The pointers to the term collecting arrays are passed as function arguments to lower level parser functions. These arrays are used by the Cyrano translator to generate the derived classes.

6.2 Lexical Analyzer Implementation

The lexical analyzer is listed in the CYR_LEX.C file. The token identification is performed at two levels. First a single character is analyzed to see if it is a valid token. The example of single character token is " = " or ">" character. If the character is not a token then input is processed until a white space is encountered and the complete term is collected. The term collected is then compared with valid keywords and if matched, the corresponding token is returned. The lexical analyzer is implemented in a single function.

6.3 Cyrano Translator

The Cyrano translator uses the terms collected by parser to create the Cyrano classes. The Cyrano translator is a collection of functions which generate the derived Cyrano classes. The translator is invoked only if the parser does not detect an error. The prototype translator generates Cyrano classes in ASCII text format and writes the complete set of classes into a file "OUT FILE". The classes generated can be viewed by displaying output file.

The translator generates the derived class names automatically. The first class generated is named "CL_0", and second class generated is named "CL_1" etc. The internal counter "class_no" is used to generate the names and is incremented after each class generation. The translator also uses an internal character array to generate the base object names. The base object names are single character and increase in alphabetical order. For example, the first base object corresponding to the COURSES database is named as 'A'.

The built-in data dictionary in the prototype stores the data types for the attributes. The prototype does not have any mapping of the databases under different systems. As a result the prototype generates the output for only one type of database. The output generated by prototype for the sample query is shown below.

CLASS CL 0 IS DERIVED WITH

COURSES A: A.TITLE LIKE "%DATABASE%"

WITH

INT INDEX = A.INDEX

END

ENDCLASS

CLASS CL 1 IS DERIVED WITH

STUDENTS TAKE COURSES B, CL 0 C: B.INDEX = C.INDEX

WITH

INT SS# = B.SS#

END

ENDCLASS

CLASS CL_2 IS DERIVED WITH

STUDENTS D, CL_1 E : D.SS# = E.SS#

WITH

INT SS# = D.SS#

END

ENDCLASS

CHAPTER 7. CONCLUSIONS

A good user interface with a strong query language is a necessary component of any database management system. The SQL is standard for commercial relational databases and has a large following of users. So the choice of SQL as the query language for Cyrano appears to be quite appropriate.

Cyrano supports relational, network, hierarchical, object oriented and rule based families of data models. For relational or object oriented systems the query translation is simple. However, the query translation for hierarchical or network system is complex, as shown in the sample query translation in this paper. More research is required to refine the translation. Also more complex queries involving multiple databases should be translated.

The sample query translation gives a proof of concept to map relational queries into object oriented and rule based Cyrano representations. The prototype can be looked as a demonstration of the feasibility of the concept. The heterogeneity in database and attribute names can be efficiently resolved at the frontend level by use of an "OR" clause. This project demonstrates that, a user interface based on SQL is a feasible option for specifying a derived class (i.e. a query) in the Cyarno.

The prototype implementation can be extended in many ways. The lexical analyzer can be replaced with the lex and the parser with the yacc. The grammar can be extended to provide full support to the SQL data manipulation language. The user interface can be upgraded to WINDOWS platform. Finally, the output of the Cyrano frontend can be linked to the backend Roxanne, so that a user can execute real queries.

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APPENDIX A - SOURCE CODE

/************	Cyrano.h	*********	
Purpose :	To define the const	ants used in Cyrano Frontend.	
History :			
Date	Name	Comment	
10/15/94	NSamant	Created the header file.	

/***************		nition ************************************	,
#define FALSE	0		
#define TRUE	1		
/**************	** Enumeration	constants for tokens *********	/
enum token_type {			
_,,	EOI,	/* End of input *	١/
	S_TERM,	/* A valid term *	١/
	SELECT_TERM,	/* SELECT keyword *	۱,
	FROM_TERM,	/* FROM keyword *	۱,
	WHERE_TERM,	/* WHERE keyword *	۱/
	COMP_TERM,	, r ,	۱,
	LFT_PAR_TERM,		١/
	RGT_PAR_TERM	,	١/
	SEP_TERM	/* A separator term "," *	۱,
} ;			
/*************************************			
typedef struct {			
char * attrib_n	ame;	/* Attribute name */	
char * attrib_t	ype;	/* Attribute Structure */	
} DATA_DIC	T_REC;		
/*************	* End of Cyran	o.h ************************************	
	Pi	AGE 35	

```
/*************
                          cyr lex.c
             Parse the input and match the terms to token.
  Purpose:
             This module contains a lexical analyzer. The lexical
  Notes:
             analyzer scans the input string for valid tokens.
             The token is returned to parser. The term is stored
             in global variable cur_lexme.
  History:
                                              Comment
  Date
             Name
                                              Created the file.
  10/15/94
             NSamant
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <ctype.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "cyrano.h"
                          /* Frontend specific definitions */
/**************
                                                  ***************
                          Private variables
                                 /* Keeps track of current lexeme */
static char *yytext = "";
static int yylength =0;
                                 /* No of characters in lexeme
                                                                   */
/**************
                                                  ****************
                          Private functions
static int is valid char(int c);
/**************
                          Public variables
extern char input buffer[256];
                                 /* Input buffer
                                                            */
                                 /* The current valid term
                                                            */
char cur lexeme[32];
                                                  *****************
/**************
                          Public functions
int cyr lex(void);
/*****
                          Private functions
             *******************
             is_valid_char(int c)
                                   PAGE 36
```

```
Returns:
             int
             Check if c is valid character.
Purpose:
             C is valid if ('_', '\"', '#', '%', '\")
Plan
             or a alphanumeric character.
             None
Notes:
static int is valid char(int c)
if (c == '_' || c == '\"' || c == '#' || c == '\")
      return(TRUE);
else
      return(isalnum(c));
}
/*************
                           Public functions
cyr lex(void)
Returns:
             int
             To classify the terms into different tokens.
Purpose:
             Also copies the term into global variable cur_lexeme.
Plan:
             Skip all the blanks.
             Check the next character.
             If it is token character then return token.
             If not, get the full term.
             Match the term and return the token.
             None
Notes:
int cyr lex(void)
{
                /* Pointer to the current character */
char * current;
static first time = 1; /* Flag to indicate first time function is called */
                                    PAGE 37
```

```
/* Initialize current to current location in input buffer. */
current = yytext + yylength;
memset(cur lexeme, 0, 32);
/*If first time set current to input buffer and set flag false. */
if(first time) {
       current = input_buffer;
       first time = 0;
/* If end of input */
if(!*current)
       return(EOI);
while(isspace(*current)) /* Skip spaces. */
       ++current;
for(;*current;++current) {
       yytext = current;
       yylength = 1;
       /* Copy the character into cur lexeme. */
       cur lexeme[0] = *current;
       cur lexeme[1] = \0;
       switch(*current) { /* First check character. */
               case '\0': return EOI;
               case '=' : return COMP TERM;
               case '>': return COMP TERM;
               case '<': return COMP TERM;
               case '(': return LFT PAR TERM;
               case ')': return RGT PAR TERM;
               case ',': return SEP TERM;
               case '\n': return EOI;
               case '\t':
               case ' ': break;
               default: /* Not a character token. */
                      /* Check if valid characters in term */
                      if(!is_valid_char(*current))
                                        PAGE 38
```

```
printf("Ignoring invalid characters\n");
                      else {
                             /* Collect the term till valid character. */
                             while(is_valid_char(*current))
                                    ++current;
                             yylength = current - yytext;
                             /* Copy the term into cur lexeme. */
                             strncpy(cur lexeme, yytext, yylength);
                             /* Check if term is a keyword.
                             * If yes then return the token.
                             if(!strcmp(cur_lexeme, "SELECT"))
                                    return(SELECT_TERM);
                             else if (!strcmp(cur lexeme, "FROM"))
                                    return(FROM_TERM);
                             else if(!strcmp(cur_lexeme,"WHERE"))
                                    return(WHERE TERM);
                             else if(!strcmp(cur lexeme, "IN"))
                                    return(COMP TERM);
                             else if(!strcmp(cur lexeme,"LIKE"))
                                    return(COMP TERM);
                             else
                                    /* Otherwise a regular term. */
                                    return(S_TERM);
                      }
              break;
/* If we reach here then its end of input. */
return(EOI);
}
                                      PAGE 39
```

```
cyr cls.c
              This module contains routines for Cyrano translator.
  Purpose:
  Notes:
              The set of routines create derived Cyrano classes and
              write them to a text file named OUT FILE.
  History:
              Name
                                                   Comment
  Date
  11/01/94
              NSamant
                                                   Created the file.
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "cyrano.h"
                             /* Frontend specific definitions */
                             Private variables
/* The names for base class are single characters. */
static char class char [26] = \{ 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 
                      'I','J','K','L','M','N','O','P',
                      'Q','R','S','T','U','V','W','X',
                      'Y','Z'
                  };
/* Stores the attribute name and data type. Simulates data dictionary.
* The last element MUST be NULL as search routine uses it to terminate
* the loop.
static DATA DICT REC data dictionary[100] = {
                             "SS#", "INT"}, {"NAME", "STRING"},
                             {"BIRTHDATE", "INT"}, {"SEX", "CHAR"},
                             {"PHONE", "INT"}, {"INDEX", "INT"},
                             {"NUMBER", "STRING"},{"TITLE", "STRING"},
                             {NULL,
                                          NULL}
                             };
```

```
static class_char_p = -1; /* Used to name base class */
static int class no = 0; /* Used to create the derived class name */
static FILE * rox_file; /* OUT_FILE pointer */
/************
                                                       *****************
                            Private functions
static char * find attr type(char * attrib name);
/*************
                            Public variables
/*************
                            Public functions
void init op file(void);
void close op file(void);
void wr class name(void);
void wr_base_names(char * from_term);
void wr guard rule(char * wh1 term, char *wh comp term, char * wh2 term);
void wr methods(char * sel term);
void wr end class(void);
/***************
                            Private functions
              find attr type(char * attrib name)
              char *
Returns:
Purpose:
              find the data type of attribute.
Plan
              Loop through data dictionary array till attribute
              name is matched or NULL is found.
Notes:
              Data dictionary must have last element as NULL
              otherwise loop will never end in case there is no match.
char * find attr_type(char * attrib_name)
int index = 0; /*Index into data dictionary array */
while ((strcmp(data dictionary[index].attrib name, attrib name)) &&
       data dictionary[index].attrib name |= NULL)
   index++;
/*Return NULL or matching data type */
```

```
return(data dictionary[index].attrib type);
}
                          Public functions
             wr class name(void)
             void
Returns:
Purpose:
             To create a new base class name.
Plan
             Use a standard prefix "CL ".
             Append the class no in string format to "CL".
             Increment the class no.
Notes:
             None
void wr_class_name(void)
char temp buf[40];
fprintf(rox file,"\n");
sprintf(temp_buf,"CLASS CL_%d IS DERIVED WITH\n",class_no);
fprintf(rox file, temp buf);
class no++;
/**********************************
             wr_base_names(char * from term)
Returns:
             void
             To create a base object and base class
Purpose:
Plan
             Use the class char array to create base object
             name and use database name as base class.
             Use the term following FROM keyword.
Notes:
             None
                         *****************
void wr base names(char * from term)
/* Print the first base object and base class name.
```

```
* The base class is same as database name.
*/
class char p++;
fprintf(rox file, "\t%s %c", from term, class char[class char p]);
/* If more than one class then print other base class.*/
if(class no > 1) {
       class char p++;
       /* Print the second base object and base class name.
       * The base class is a class already derived.
       fprintf(rox file,", CL %d %c",(class no-2),
                       class char[class char p]);
/* Print the guard separator */
fprintf(rox file,":");
                                       *****
              wr guard rule(char * wh1 term
                                                  First WHERE term
                     char * wh comp term
                                                  Comparison term
                     char * wh2 term
                                                  Second WHERE term
              void
Returns:
Purpose:
              To create the guard rule condition.
Plan
              The guard rule condition is same as WHERE clause
              for innermost class. The guard rule for other classes
              use method of previously derived class.
Notes:
              None
void wr_guard_rule(char * wh1_term, char *wh_comp_term, char * wh2_term)
/* Rule for innermost class is same as WHERE clause. */
if(class no < 2)
       fprintf(rox file," %c.%s %s %s\n",class char[class char p], wh1 term,
                     wh_comp_term, wh2 term);
```

```
else
       /* Rule for other classes include method of previously
        * derived class.
        */
       fprintf(rox file," %c.\%s = %c.\%s\n", class char[class char p -1],
                      wh1 term, class char[class char p], wh1 term);
               wr methods(void)
Returns:
              void
Purpose:
              To create a method for derived class.
Plan
               Use the SELECT term in method.
              Find the matching data type.
Notes:
               None
void wr methods(char * sel_term)
char * var type;
/* Find the matching data type for attribute. */
if ((var type = find attr type(sel term)) == NULL) {
       printf("No matching attribute type for %s in data dictionary\n",
               sel term);
       var type = "UNDEFINED";
/* For first derived class use same base object. For others
* use previous object name.
*/
fprintf(rox file,"WITH\n");
if(class no < 2)
       fprintf(rox file, "\t%s \%s = \%c.\%s;\n", var type, sel term,
               class char[class char p], sel term);
else
       fprintf(rox file, "\t%s %s = %c.%s;\n", var type, sel term,
                                       PAGE 44
```

```
class char[class char p-1], sel term);
          *****************
            wr end class(void)
Returns:
            void
            Create end class marks.
Purpose:
Plan
            Write END and END CLASS statements.
Notes:
            None
void wr end class(void)
fprintf(rox_file,"\tEND;\n");
fprintf(rox file,"ENDCLASS.\n");
}
            init op file(void)
Returns:
            void
            Open a file "OUT_FILE".
Purpose:
Plan
            Use standard fopen function.
Notes:
            None
                     *****************
void init op file(void )
if ( (rox file =fopen("out file", "w")) == NULL) {
      printf("Enable to create rox_out file.\n");
      exit(1);
      }
```

```
***********
                            cyr gra.c
  Purpose:
              Check the grammar.
              Collect the input.
              Also has main function.
  Notes:
              The parser checks the grammar. Each term on
              left hand side of grammar corresponds to function.
              Some functions are recursive to process the nested
              expressions.
  History:
  Date
              Name
                                                 Comment
  10/21/94
              NSamant
                                                 Created the file.
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <ctype.h>
#include <string.h>
#include "cyrano.h"
                            /* Frontend specific definitions */
/**************
                                                     *******
                           Private variables
                                   /* Disable the debugging
                                                                             */
static int debug flag = 0;
static int no errors = FALSE;
                                   /* Flag set if errors in parsing.
                                                                             */
static int sel term p = 0;
                                   /* An index into SELECT terms array.
                                                                             */
static int lookahead = -1;
                                   /* Stores next token
                                                                             */
/* Debugging information */
static char * tok strings [] = {
                         "EOI", "S_TERM", "SELECT_TERM",
                         "FROM TERM", "WHERE TERM", "COMP_TERM",
                            "(_TERM",")_TERM","SEPERATOR_TERM"};
/************
                           Private functions
static void advance(void);
static int match( int token);
static void statements(void);
static void expression(void);
static void s term(char * pres term);
static void select term(char sel term[][32]);
```

```
static void from term(char *fr term);
static void where term(char *wher1 term,char *wher comp term,
                      char *wher2 term);
/***************
                            Public variables
                                   /* Input buffer to hold input query.
char input buffer[256];
                                   /* The current lexeme.
                                                                       */
extern char cur lexeme[32];
/*************
                            Public functions
extern int cyr_lex(void);
extern void init op file(void);
extern void close op file(void);
extern void wr class name(void);
extern void wr_base_names(char * from_term);
extern void wr guard rule(char * wh1 term, char *wh comp term, char * wh2 term);
extern void wr methods(char * sel term);
extern void wr end class(void);
                           Private functions
                     ********
              advance(void)
              void
Returns:
Purpose:
              To advance to the next term.
Plan
              Call cyr lex to parse next term from input.
              The token returned is stored in lookahead.
Notes:
              None
static void advance(void)
lookahead = cyr_lex();
if(lookahead != EOI) {
       if(debug flag > 1)
              printf ("Token for %s is %s\n", cur lexeme, tok strings[lookahead]);
              match(int token)
                                     PAGE 48
```

```
Returns:
             int
Purpose:
             Check if next token matches the one expected.
Plan
             Compare lookahead with token and return the result.
             If this is first call to match then call cyr lex
             first, because lookahead is not initialized yet.
Notes:
             None
static int match( int token)
/* On first match call lookahead is -1 so call cyr lex() */
if (lookahead == -1) {
      lookahead = cyr_lex();
      if(debug flag > 1) {
             printf("TOKENS IDENTIFIED \n");
             printf ("Token for %s is %s\n", cur lexeme, tok strings[lookahead]);
       }
/* Compare token with lookahead. */
return token == lookahead;
                ***********
             s_term(char * pres_term)
             void
Returns:
Purpose:
             To collect a valid S TERM.
Plan
             Check if next term is S_TERM.
             If yes then copy into cur lexeme.
Notes:
             None
                           ****************
static void s_term(char * pres_term)
/* Check if term is S TERM */
```

```
if (match(S TERM)) {
       /* Copy the term into cur lexeme */
       strcpy(pres term,cur lexeme);
       /* Advance to next term. */
       advance();
       }
else
       printf("A valid term expected.\n");
              where term(char * wh1 term
                                                First WHERE term
                     char * wh comp term
                                                Comparison term
                     char * wh2 term
                                                 Second WHERE term
              void
Returns:
Purpose:
              To collect valid WHERE clause terms.
Plan
              Do a series of match and advance corresponding
              to the grammar.
              First match wher1 term
              Next match wher comp term
              Next see if left brace
                     if yes then nested expression.
              else
                     match wher2 term
Notes:
              This is a recursive function if nested braces are
              found in WHERE clause.
static void where term(char *wher1 term,char *wher_comp_term,
              char *wher2 term)
if(match(WHERE TERM)) { /* Match WHERE keyword */
       advance();
       s_term(wher1_term); /* Collect first where term*/
       if(match(COMP TERM)){
              /* Collect comparison term */
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strcpy(wher comp term, cur lexeme);
              advance();
              if(match(LFT PAR TERM)) { /* Match left brace */
                    advance();
                     expression(); /* Recursive call to expression */
                    if(match(RGT PAR TERM)) /* Match right brace */
                           advance();
                     else
                           printf("Mismatched parenthesis in WHERE clause.\n");
              else
                     s term(wher2 term);/* Collect second where term */
                    /* Set no errors flag */
                    no errors = TRUE;
              }
       else
              printf("Comparison term expected in WHERE clause.\n");
       else
              printf("WHERE clause expected.\n");
}
                                **********
             from term(char * fr term)
             void
Returns:
Purpose:
             To collect a valid FROM term.
Plan
              Check if next term is FROM.
             If yes then collect the term.
Notes:
static void from term(char *fr term)
if(match(FROM TERM)) { /* Match FROM keyword. */
       advance();
       s_term(fr term); /* Collect the from term. */
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}
else
       printf("FROM clause expected.\n");
}
              select_term(char * pres_term)
Returns:
              void
              To collect a valid SELECT term.
Purpose:
Plan
              Check if next term is SELECT.
              If yes then collect the term.
Notes:
              None
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static void select term(char sel term[][32])
if(match(SELECT TERM)) { /* Match SELECT keyword */
       advance();
       s term(sel term[sel term p]); /* Collect sterm */
       sel term p++;
                                    /* Increment sterm index */
       /* Collect all the select terms. Select terms are
       * separated by SEPARATOR like ",".
       while (match(SEP TERM)) { /* Match Separator */
              advance();
              s term(sel term[sel term p]);
              if(sel term p < 10)
                     sel term p++;
              else
                     printf("Internal error. More than 10 select terms.\n");
                     exit(1);
                     }
              }
       }
else
       printf("SELECT clause expected.\n");
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}
              expression(void)
              void
Returns:
Purpose:
              Enforce the grammar.
              Collect the required terms.
              Call the translator.
Plan
              Initialize all the variables.
              Collect SELECT FROM WHERE terms.
              Call translator to generate a derived class.
Notes:
              This is recursive function. All the variables are
              automatic because they are created on stack for
              each call to expression().
static void expression(void)
char sel term[10][32],
                             /* Array to hold SELECT terms.
                                                                                */
                                                                                */
     fr term[32],
                             /* Array to hold FROM term.
     wher1 term[32],
                             /* Variable to hold first WHERE term.
                                                                                */
     wher2 term[32];
                             /* Variable to hold SECOND WHERE term.
                                                                                */
char wher comp term[32];
                             /* Array to hold WHERE comparison terms
                                                                                */
                                                                                */
int i;
                             /* Loop counter
/* Initialize the variables to NULL */
memset(fr_term,0,32);
memset(wher1 term, 0, 32);
memset(wher2 term,0,32);
memset(wher comp term,0,32);
for(i=0;i<10;i++)
       memset(sel term[0],0,32);
/* Assume there is a error in expression .*/
no errors = FALSE;
sel term p = 0;
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/* Expression is of form SELECT FROM WHERE */
select term(sel term);
from term(fr term);
where term(wher1 term, wher comp term, wher2 term);
/* If no errors then call translator functions */
if(no errors) {
       if(debug flag > 1) {
              printf("\nTERMS IDENTIFIED\n");
              printf("Select Terms = %s \n",sel_term[0]);
              printf("From Term = %s \n", fr term);
              printf("Where Term1 = %s Comp term is %s Term2 = %s\n", wher1 term,
                      wher comp term, wher2 term);
       }
       /* This set creates one derived class. */
       wr class name();
       wr base names(fr term);
       wr guard rule(wher1 term, wher comp term, wher2 term);
       wr methods(sel term[0]);
       wr end class();
}
              s term(void)
Returns:
              void
              To parse set of statements.
Purpose:
Plan
              Call statements().
              This function is redundant now. But may be needed
Notes:
              in future.
static void statements(void)
{
expression();
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/*****
                        Public functions
/**********************
            main(int argc, char ** argv)
Returns:
            int
            To collect the input.
Purpose:
            Open and close the OUT_FILE.
Plan
            Get the input. Convert input to uppercse.
            Open OUT FILE.
            Call parser.
            Close file.
Notes:
            None
                       ***************
main(int argc, char ** argv)
if(argc > 1)
      debug_flag = atoi(argv[1]);
if(!gets(input_buffer)) {
      printf("Unable to get input.\n");
      exit(1);
/* Convert input to uppercase */
strupr(input_buffer);
init op file();
statements();
close_op_file();
return 0;
```