

Programming Paradigms


Syntax (Part 3)

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Overview

- **Specifying syntax**
 - Regular expressions
 - Context-free grammars
- **Scanning**
- **Parsing** 
 - Top-down parsing
 - Bottom-up parsing

FOLLOW Sets

FOLLOW(A): Set of all terminals that may follow A in some derivation

- Including special symbol EOF for “end of file”
- Never includes ϵ

Example:

S \rightarrow **a B c**

B \rightarrow **d**

FOLLOW(S) = { EOF }

FOLLOW(B) = { c }

Computing FOLLOW Sets

To compute FOLLOW(A), **apply** these rules **until all FOLLOW sets constant**

- If A is start symbol, put EOF in FOLLOW(A)
- Productions of the form $B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta$:
Add $\text{FIRST}(\beta) - \{ \epsilon \}$ to FOLLOW(A)
- Productions of the form
 $B \rightarrow \alpha A$, or
 $B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta$ where $\beta \Rightarrow^* \epsilon$:
Add FOLLOW(B) to FOLLOW(A)

Example 1

$$S \rightarrow a S e \mid B$$

$$B \rightarrow b B C f \mid C$$

$$C \rightarrow c C g \mid d \mid \epsilon$$

$$\text{FIRST}(S) = \{a, b, c, d, \epsilon\}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(B) = \{b, c, d, \epsilon\}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(C) = \{c, d, \epsilon\}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(S) = \{\text{EOF}, e\}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \{\text{EOF}, e, f, c, d\}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(C) = \{f, g, \text{EOF}, e, c, d\}$$

Quiz: FOLLOW Sets

S \rightarrow **a X Y**

X \rightarrow **b** | ϵ

Y \rightarrow **X c** | **c**

Compute the FOLLOW sets of all non-terminals. What is the sum of the sizes of these sets?

Quiz: FOLLOW sets

$$S \rightarrow aXY$$

$$X \rightarrow b \mid \epsilon$$

$$Y \rightarrow Xc \mid c$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(S) = \{ \text{EOF} \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(X) = \{ c, b \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(Y) = \{ \text{EOF} \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(S) = \{ a \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(X) = \{ b, \epsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(Y) = \{ b, c \}$$

$$\Sigma = 4$$

PREDICT Sets

PREDICT set for a rule: Which terminals to look for in LL(1) parser

- If next input token is in PREDICT of rule, apply the rule

- **Computing the PREDICT set** for rule $A \rightarrow \alpha$:

- If ϵ in $\text{FIRST}(\alpha)$:

$$\text{PREDICT}(A \rightarrow \alpha) = (\text{FIRST}(\alpha) - \{ \epsilon \}) \cup \text{FOLLOW}(A)$$

- Otherwise:

$$\text{PREDICT}(A \rightarrow \alpha) = \text{FIRST}(\alpha)$$

Example

Grammar:

S \rightarrow **a B**

S \rightarrow **b C**

B \rightarrow **b b C**

C \rightarrow **c c**



| | FIRST | FOLLOW |
|----------|--------------|---------------|
| S | a, b | EOF |
| B | b | EOF |
| C | c | EOF |

Example

Grammar:

$S \rightarrow a B$

$S \rightarrow b C$

$B \rightarrow b b C$

$C \rightarrow c c$



PREDICT:

{ a }

{ b }

{ b }

{ c }



FIRST

FOLLOW

S a, b

EOF

B b

EOF

C c

EOF

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PREDICT:

{ a }

{ b }

{ b }

{ c }



```
S() {  
    if (inputToken == a)  
        match(a); B();  
    else if (inputToken == b)  
        match(b); C();  
    else error();  
}  
B() {  
    if (inputToken == b)  
        match(b); match(b); C();  
    else error();  
}  
C() {  
    if (inputToken == c)  
        match(c); match(c);  
    else error();  
}
```

| | FIRST | FOLLOW |
|--|-------|--------|
|--|-------|--------|

| | | |
|---|------|-----|
| S | a, b | EOF |
|---|------|-----|

| | | |
|---|---|-----|
| B | b | EOF |
|---|---|-----|

| | | |
|---|---|-----|
| C | c | EOF |
|---|---|-----|

Example

Grammar:

$S \rightarrow a B$

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$C \rightarrow c c$



PREDICT:

{ a }

{ b }

{ b }

{ c }



FIRST

FOLLOW

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EOF

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EOF

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|---|------|-----|

| | | |
|---|---|-----|
| B | b | EOF |
|---|---|-----|

| | | |
|---|---|-----|
| C | c | EOF |
|---|---|-----|

Computing the Parse Table

Computing an LL(1) parse table

- Given: PREDICT set of each rule
- Table is a **mapping M**:
 $N \times T \rightarrow \text{Production rule or error}$
- For all productions $A \rightarrow \alpha$ do
 - For each terminal t in $\text{PREDICT}(A \rightarrow \alpha)$:
 $M[A][t] = A \rightarrow \alpha$
 - Every undefined table entry is an error

Example: Parse Table

| Term. Non-term. | a | b | c |
|--------------------|---|---|---|
| S | 1 | 2 | - |
| B | - | 3 | - |
| C | - | - | 4 |

Table-based, Predictive Parsing

```
stack.push(EOF) ; stack.push(startSymbol) ;
nextToken = lookAhead() ;
repeat
  x = stack.pop() ;
  if x is terminal or EOF
    if x == nextToken
      nextToken = lookAhead()
    else error()
  else // x is non-terminal
    if M[x][nextToken] == x -> y1 y2 .. ym
      stack.push(ym) ; ... ; stack.push(y1) ;
    else error()
until x is EOF
```


Table-based, Predictive Parsing

Parse stack: Prediction of what will be seen in the future

```
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nextToken = lookAhead();  
repeat  
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      stack.push(ym); ...; stack.push(y1);
    else error()
until x is EOF
```

**Read one token after another, always
looking only one token ahead**

Table-based, Predictive Parsing

Check if expected terminal is indeed the next token

```
stack.push(EOF) ; stack.push(startSymbol) ;
nextToken = lookAhead() ;
repeat
  x = stack.pop() ;
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    if x == nextToken
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      stack.push(y1); ...; stack.push(ym);
    else error()
until x is EOF
```

**Apply a production
rule: Push right-hand
side onto stack**

Table-based, Predictive Parsing

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      stack.push(ym) ; ... ; stack.push(y1) ;
    else error()
until x is EOF
```

**No entry in table:
Raise error**

Example: Table-based Parsing

Input: bcc

| Stack | Remaining input | Steps |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| EOF, \underline{S} | \underline{b}, c, c, EOF | Pop S Use rule $S \rightarrow bC$ Push C, b |
| EOF, C, \underline{b} | \underline{b}, c, c, EOF | Pop b Read next token |
| EOF, \underline{C} | \underline{c}, c, EOF | Pop C Use rule $C \rightarrow cc$ Push c, c |
| EOF, c, \underline{c} | \underline{c}, c, EOF | Pop c Read next token |
| EOF, \underline{c} | \underline{c}, EOF | Pop c Read next token |
| \underline{EOF} | \underline{EOF} | Pop EOF \rightarrow Done \checkmark |

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Bottom-up Parsing

- **LR(k) parsers**
 - Left-to-right scanning, Right-most derivation, k tokens look-ahead
- **Difficult to do by hand**
- **Mostly based on automatically generated table**

Shift-reduce Algorithm

- **Repeat** until all tokens read and all symbols reduced to start symbol:
 - Shift (i.e., read) input tokens
 - Try to reduce a group of symbols into a single non-terminal

Example: Shift-Reduce Parsing

$S \rightarrow a T R e$

$T \rightarrow T b c \mid b$

$R \rightarrow d$

Input: a b b c d e

Steps:

Shift a, shift b

Reduce $T \rightarrow b$

Shift b, shift c

Reduce $T \rightarrow T b c$

Shift d

Reduce $R \rightarrow d$

Shift e

Reduce $S \rightarrow a T R e$

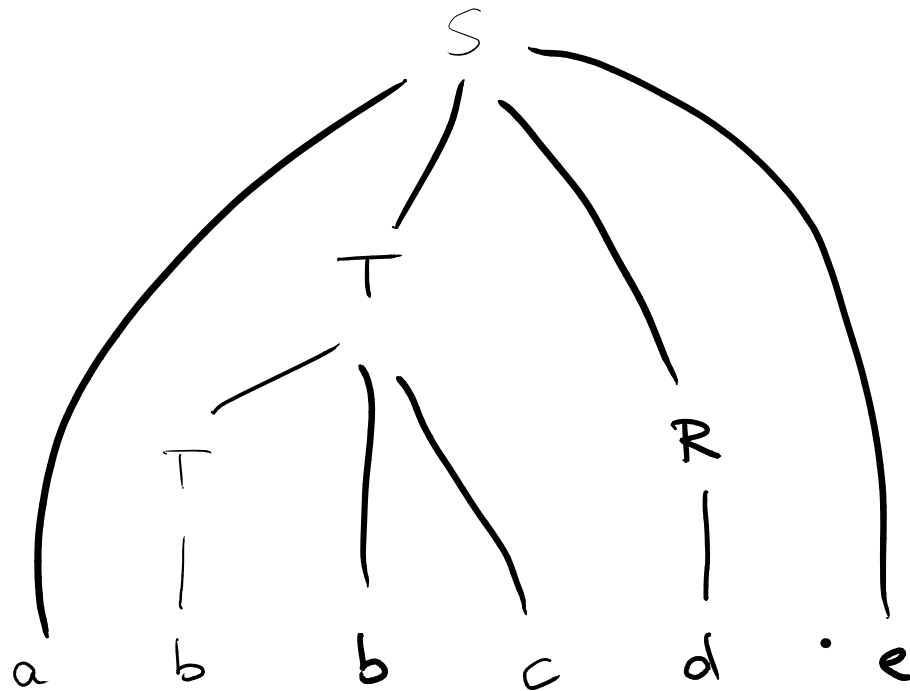


Table-based LR Parsing

- **Two tables**

- **Action table:**

- state \times T \rightarrow reduce/shift/accept/error

- **Goto table:**

- state \times N \rightarrow state

- **Stack of symbol/state pairs**

- Record of what has been seen in the past

Example: LR(1) Table

| State | a | b | c | d | e | EOF | S | T | R |
|-------|----|----|----|----|----|------|---|---|---|
| s0 | s1 | | | | | | | | |
| s1 | | s3 | | | | | 2 | | |
| s2 | | s5 | | s6 | | | | 4 | |
| s3 | | r3 | | r3 | | | | | |
| s4 | | | | | s7 | | | | |
| s5 | | | s8 | | | | | | |
| s6 | | | | | r4 | | | | |
| s7 | | | | | | acc. | | | |
| s8 | | r2 | | r2 | | | | | |

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Action table

Example: LR(1) Table

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Goto table

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| s8 | r2 | | r2 | | | | | | |

**s means
shift to
some state**

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r means reduce using some production

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**Accept input
(i.e., done with
parsing)**



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**No entry
means error**



Table-based LR(1) Parsing

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repeat
  s = state on top of stack
  if action[s, nextToken] == shift s'
    stack.push(nextToken, s');
    nextToken = lookAhead();
  else if action[s, nextToken] == reduce x -> y1 .. ym
    pop m pairs from stack
    s' = state on top of stack
    stack.push(x, goto[s', x])
  else if action[s, nextToken] == accept
    accept and return
  else error()
```

Table-based LR(1) Parsing

Stack hold roots of partial trees found so far

```
stack.push(EOF, 0);  
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repeat  
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Reduce partial
trees into a
non-terminal
by applying a
rule

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```

**Read
another
token**

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    nextToken = lookAhead();
  else if action[s, nextToken] == reduce x -> y1 .. ym
    pop m pairs from stack
    s' = state on top of stack
    stack.push(x, goto[s', x])
  else if action[s, nextToken] == accept
    accept and return
  else error()
```

All subtrees
reduced to
start symbol

How to Get the Table?

- Using a “**characteristic finite-state machine**” computed from the grammar
- Details differ for different kinds of LR parsers
 - SLR (simple LR)
 - LALR (look-ahead LR)
 - Full-LR
- Beyond the scope of this course

Quiz: Parsing

Which of these statements is true?

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