LL(k) grammars

## Predictive Parsing

Basic idea
Given $A \rightarrow \alpha \mid \beta$, the parser should be able to choose (between $\alpha \& \beta$ ) the right production to expand $A$ in the parser tree at each step

How can it do it?

Guided by the input string!

## LL(k) grammars

- An LL(k) grammar is a context-free grammar that can be parsed by predictive parser (no backtracking) which reads the input Left $\dagger$ to right and construct a Leftmost derivation looking to $k$ symbols in the input string
- A language that has a $L L(k)$ grammar is said an $\operatorname{LL}(k)$ language
- $L L(k)$ is a grammar that can predict the right production to apply with lookhead of most $k$ symbols

$$
L L(0) \subset L L(1) \subset L L(2) \subset \ldots \subset L L(*)
$$

## Predictive Parsing

Basic idea
Given $A \rightarrow a \mid \beta$, the parser should be able to choose between $a \& \beta$

The parser will decide what to choose on the base of the input and of the following sets:

- The FIRST set: $\operatorname{FIRST}(a)$ with $a \in(T \cup N T) *$
- The FOLLOW set: $\operatorname{FOLLOW}(A)$ with $A \in N T$


## The FIRST set

## FIRST sets

For some rhs $\alpha \in G$, define FIRST( $\alpha$ ) as the set of tokens that appear as the first symbol in some string that derives from $\alpha$
That is, $\underline{x} \in \operatorname{FIRST}(\alpha)$ iff $\alpha \Rightarrow^{*} \underline{x} \gamma$, for some $\gamma \quad$ We will learn how to compute it!

The LL(1) Property
If $A \rightarrow \alpha$ and $A \rightarrow \beta$ both appear in the grammar, we would like


This would allow the parser to make a correct choice with a lookahead of exactly one symbol!

Example

| 0 1 | Goal <br> Expr | $\rightarrow$ | Expr <br> Term Expr' |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Expr ${ }^{\prime}$ | $\rightarrow$ | + Term Expr' |  |
| 3 |  | 1 | - Term Expr' | first(Expr') $=\{+,-, \varepsilon\}$ |
| 4 |  | 1 | $\varepsilon$ |  |
| 5 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | Factor Term' | But what else I need to consider? |
| 6 | Term' | $\rightarrow$ | * Factor Term' | \{eof, ) \} |
| 7 |  | 1 | / Factor Term ${ }^{\prime}$ |  |
| 8 |  | 1 | $\varepsilon$ |  |
| 9 | Factor | $\rightarrow$ | (Expr) |  |
| 10 |  | 1 | number |  |
| 11 |  |  | id |  |

## Predictive Parsing

What about $\varepsilon$-productions?
$\Rightarrow$ They complicate the definition of $\operatorname{LL}(1)$
If $A \rightarrow \alpha$ and $A \rightarrow \beta$ and $\varepsilon \in \operatorname{FIRST}(\alpha)$, then we need to ensure that $\operatorname{FIRST}(\beta)$ is disjoint from $\operatorname{FOLLOW}(A)$, too, where

Follow $(A)=$ the set of terminal symbols that can immediately follow $A$ in a sentential form

Define FIRST ${ }^{+}(A \rightarrow \alpha)$ as

## Later we will learn

 how to compute them!- First $(\alpha) \cup \operatorname{FOLLOW}(A)$, if $\varepsilon \in \operatorname{First}(\alpha)$
- First $(\alpha)$, otherwise

Then, a grammar is LL(1) iff $A \rightarrow \alpha$ and $A \rightarrow \beta$ implies

$$
\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(A \rightarrow \alpha) \cap \operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(A \rightarrow \beta)=\varnothing
$$

## Predictive Parsing

Given a grammar that has the LL(1) property

- Can write a simple routine to recognize each Ihs
- Code is both simple \& fast

Consider $A \rightarrow \beta_{1}\left|\beta_{2}\right| \beta_{3}$, with

One kind of predictive parser is the recursive descent parser.

$$
\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}\left(A \rightarrow \beta_{i}\right) \cap \text { FIRST }^{+}\left(A \rightarrow \beta_{j}\right)=\varnothing \text { if } i \neq j
$$

```
/* find an A */
if (current_word }\in\mathrm{ FIRST + (A }->\mp@subsup{\beta}{1}{})\mathrm{ )
recognise a }\mp@subsup{\beta}{1}{}\mathrm{ and return true
else if (current_word }\in\mathrm{ FIRST+(A }->\mp@subsup{\beta}{2}{})\mathrm{ )
    recognise a }\mp@subsup{\beta}{2}{}\mathrm{ and return true
else if (current_word }\in\mathrm{ FIRST + ( }A->\mp@subsup{\beta}{3}{})\mathrm{ )
    recognise a }\mp@subsup{\beta}{3}{}\mathrm{ and return true
else
    report an error and return false
```

Of course, there is more detail to " recognize a $\beta_{i}$ " a procedure for each nonterminal

## Recursive Descent Parsing

Recall the expression grammar, after transformation
This produces a parser with six

| 0 | Goal | $\rightarrow$ | Expr |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Expr | $\rightarrow$ | Term Expr' |
| 2 | Expr' | $\rightarrow$ | + Term Expr' |
| 3 |  | $\mid$ | - Term Expr' |
| 4 |  | $\mid$ | $\varepsilon$ |
| 5 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | Factor Term' |
| 6 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | * Factor Term |
| 7 |  | $\mid ~ / ~ F a c t o r ~ T e r m ~$ |  | mutually recursive routines:

- Goal
- Expr
- EPrime
- Term
- TPrime
- Factor

Each recognizes one NT or T
The term descent refers to the direction in which the parse tree is built.

## Recursive Descent Parsing <br> (Procedural)

A couple of routines from the expression parser they return a boolean

```
Goal()
    token \leftarrow next_token();
```

    if \((\) Expr ()\(=\) true \& token \(=\) EOF)
            then next compilation step;
            else
            report syntax error;
            return false;
    Expr()
if (Term( ) = false)
then return false;
else return Eprime();

## Recursive Descent Parsing II

```
Eprime()
    if (token = '+'OR token = '`')
    then begin
        token \leftarrow next_token();
    if Term() then return Eprime ();
    else report syntax error;
    end;
else if (token = `'OR token = EOF )
    then return true;
    else return false;
```

| 2 | Expr' | + Term Expr' |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 |  | 1 - Term Expr' |
| 4 |  | $\varepsilon$ |
| ```FIRST+(Expr'-> + Term Expr')={+} FIRST+(Expr'-> - Term Expr')={-} FIRST+(Expr'>> \varepsilon)={EOF ,)}``` |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |

Term, \& Tprime follow the same basic lines

## Recursive Descent Parsing III

```
Factor()
    if (token = Number) then
        token }\leftarrow\mathrm{ next_token();
        return true;
    else if (token = Identifier) then
        token \leftarrow next_token();
        return true;
    else if (token = Lparen)
        token \leftarrow next_token();
        if (Expr() = true & token = Rparen) then
            token \leftarrow next_token();
        return true;
// fall out of if statement
    report syntax error;
        return false;
```

looking for Number, Identifier, or "(", found token instead, or failed to find Expr or ")" after "("

## Roadmap (Where are we?)

We set out to study parsing

- Specifying syntax
- Context-free grammars $\checkmark$
- Top-down parsers
- Algorithm \& its problem with left recursion $\checkmark$
- Ambiguity $\checkmark$
- Left-recursion removal $\checkmark$
- Predictive top-down parsing
- The LL(1) condition $\checkmark$
- Simple recursive descent parsers $\checkmark$
- Transforming a grammar to be LL(1)
- First and Follow sets
- Table-driven LL(1) parsers


## What If My Grammar Is Not LL(1)?

Can we transform a non-LL(1) grammar into an LL(1) grammar?

- In general, the answer is no, however, sometime it is yes

Assume a grammar $G$ with productions $A \rightarrow \alpha \beta_{1}$ and $A \rightarrow \alpha \beta_{2}$

- If $\alpha$ derives anything other than $\varepsilon$, then

$$
\text { FIRST+ }\left(A \rightarrow \alpha \beta_{1}\right) \cap \text { FIRST }+\left(A \rightarrow \alpha \beta_{2}\right) \neq \varnothing
$$

- And the grammar is not LL(1)
- If we pull the common prefix, $\alpha$, into a separate production, we may make the grammar LL(1).

$$
A \rightarrow \alpha A^{\prime}, A^{\prime} \rightarrow \beta_{1} \text { and } A^{\prime} \rightarrow \beta_{2}
$$

Now, if FIRST $+\left(A^{\prime} \rightarrow \beta_{1}\right) \cap \operatorname{FIRST}^{+}\left(A^{\prime} \rightarrow \beta_{2}\right)=\varnothing, G$ may be LL(1)

## What If My Grammar Is Not LL(1)?

## Left Factoring

```
For each nonterminal A
    find the longest prefix a common to 2 or more alternatives
for A
    if \alpha\not=\varepsilon then
    replace all of the productions
                A ->\alpha \beta
        with
        A }->\alpha\mp@subsup{A}{}{\prime}|
        A'}->\mp@subsup{\beta}{1}{\prime}|\mp@subsup{\beta}{2}{}|\mp@subsup{\beta}{3}{}|\ldots||\mp@subsup{\beta}{n}{
```

    Repeat until no nonterminal has alternative rhs' with a common
    prefix
    This transformation makes some grammars into LL(1) grammars
There are languages for which no $\operatorname{LL}(1)$ grammar exists

## Left Factoring Example

Consider a simple right-recursive expression grammar

| 0 | Goal | $\rightarrow$ | Expr |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Expr | $\rightarrow$ | Term + Expr |
| 2 |  | 1 | Term-Expr |
| 3 |  | 1 | Term |
| 4 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | Factor * Term |
| 5 |  | 1 | Factor / Term |
| 6 |  | 1 | Factor |
| 7 | Factor | $\rightarrow$ | number |
| 8 |  | 1 | id |

To choose between $1,2, \& 3$, an LL(1) parser must look past the number or id to see the operator.
$\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(1)=\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(2)=\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(3)$ and
$\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(4)=\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(5)=\operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(6)$
Let's left factor this grammar.

## Left Factoring Example

After Left Factoring, we have

| 0 | $\mid$ Goal | $\rightarrow$ | Expr |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Expr | $\rightarrow$ | Term Expr' |
| 2 | Expr' | $\rightarrow$ | + Expr |
| 3 |  | $\mid$ | - Expr |
| 4 |  | $\mid$ | $\varepsilon$ |
| 5 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | Factor Term |
| 6 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | * Term |
| 7 |  | $\mid$ | $/$ Term |
| 8 |  | $\mid$ | $\varepsilon$ |
| 9 | Factor | $\rightarrow$ | $\underline{\text { number }}$ |
| 10 |  |  | id |

## Clearly,

## FIRST+(2), FIRST+(3), \& FIRST+(4)

 are disjoint, as are FIRST ${ }^{+}(6), \operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(7), \& \operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(8)$The grammar now has the $\operatorname{LL}(1)$ property

## First and Follow Sets

FIRst( $\alpha$ )
For some $\alpha \in(T \cup N T)^{\star}$, define $\operatorname{FIRST}(\alpha)$ as the set of symbols that appear as the first one in some string that derives from $\alpha$
That is, $\underline{x} \in \operatorname{FIRST}(\alpha)$ iff $\alpha \Rightarrow^{*} \underline{x} \gamma$, for some $\gamma$
FOLLOW(A)
For some $A \in N T$, define FOLLOW $(A)$ as the set of symbols that can occur immediately after $A$ in a valid sentential form
FOLLOW $(S)=\{E O F\}$, where $S$ is the starting symbol
To build Follow sets, we need FIRST sets ...

## Computing FIRST Sets

For a grammar symbol $X, \operatorname{FIRST}(X)$ is defined as follows.

- For every terminal $X, \operatorname{FIRST}(X)=\{X\}$.
- For every nonterminal $X$, if $X \rightarrow Y_{1} Y_{2} \ldots Y_{n}$ is a production, then
- $\operatorname{FIRST}\left(\mathrm{Y}_{1}\right) \subseteq \operatorname{FIRST}(X)$.
- Furthermore, if $Y_{1}, Y_{2}, \ldots, Y_{k}$ are nullable $\left(Y_{i}^{*} \rightarrow \varepsilon\right)$ then $\operatorname{FIRST}\left(\mathrm{Y}_{\mathrm{k}+1}\right) \subseteq \operatorname{FIRST}(\mathrm{X})$.


## FIRST

- We are concerned with FIRST $(X)$ only for the nonterminals of the grammar
- FIRST(X) for terminals is trivial
- According to the definition, to determine FIRST(A), we must inspect all productions that have $A$ on the left


## FIRST Example

Let the grammar be

## Find FIRST(E)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow \star \mathrm{F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{F} \rightarrow(\mathrm{E}) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

- E occurs on the left in only one production

$$
E \rightarrow T E^{\prime}
$$

- Therefore, $\operatorname{FIRST}(T) \subseteq \operatorname{FIRST}(E)$
- Furthermore, $T$ is not nullable

Therefore, $\operatorname{FIRST}(E)=\operatorname{FIRST}(T)$

- We have yet to determine FIRST(T)


## FIRST Example

Let the grammar be

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow \star F \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{F} \rightarrow(\mathrm{E}) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

Find FIRST(T)

- Toccurs on the left in only one production

$$
\mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime}
$$

- Therefore, $\operatorname{FIRST}(F) \subseteq \operatorname{FIRST}(T)$
- Furthermore, F is not nullable
- Therefore, $\operatorname{FIRST}(T)=\operatorname{FIRST}(F)$
- We have yet to determine FIRST(F)

FIRST Example

Let the grammar be

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{E} \rightarrow \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{E}^{\prime} \rightarrow+\mathrm{T} E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow{ }^{*} \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{F} \rightarrow(\mathrm{E}) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

- Find FIRST(F).

FIRST(F) $=\{($, id, num $\}$

- Therefore,
- $\operatorname{FIRST}(E)=\{($, id, num $\}$
- $\operatorname{FIRST}(T)=\{$ (, id, num $\}$
- Find FIRST(E')
- FIRST(E') = \{+\}
- Find FIRST( $T^{\prime}$ )
- $\operatorname{FIRST}\left(T^{\prime}\right)=\{\star\}$


## Computing Follow Sets

- For a grammar symbol X, FOLLOW $(X)$ is defined as follows
- If $S$ is the start symbol, then EOF $\in$ FOLLOW(S)
- If $A \rightarrow a B \beta$ is a production, then FIRST( $\beta) \subseteq$ FOLLOW $(B)$
- If $A \rightarrow a B$ is a production, or $A \rightarrow a B B$ is a production and $\beta$ is nullable, then $\operatorname{FOLLOW}(A) \subseteq$ FOLLOW $(B)$


## FOLLOW

- We are concerned about FOLLOW $(X)$ only for the nonterminals of the grammar.
- According to the definition, to determine FOLLOW(A), we must inspect all productions that have $A$ on the right.


## FOLLOW Example

Let the grammar be

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& T \rightarrow F T^{\prime} \\
& T^{\prime} \rightarrow \star F T^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& F \rightarrow(E) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Find FOLLOW(E).

- $E$ is the start symbol, therefore EOF $\in \operatorname{FOLLOW}(E)$.
- E occurs on the right in only one production.

$$
F \rightarrow(E) .
$$

- Therefore FOLLOW $(E)=\{E O F$, ) \}


## FOLLOW Example

Let the grammar be

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow \star \mathrm{F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{F} \rightarrow(\mathrm{E}) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

Find FOLLOW(E').

- $E^{\prime}$ occurs on the right in two productions.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+E^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Therefore, FOLLOW $\left(E^{\prime}\right)=$ FOLLOW $(E)=\{E O F$, \}


## FOLLOW Example

Let the grammar be

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon . \\
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow \star \mathrm{F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon . \\
& \mathrm{F} \rightarrow(\mathrm{E}) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

Find FOLLOW(T)

- Toccurs on the right in two productions

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+E^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Therefore, FOLLOW(T) contains FIRST(E') $=\{+\}$
- However, E ' is nullable, therefore it also contains FOLLOW(E) $=\{E O F)$,$\} and$ FOLLOW(E') = \{EOF, ) \}
- Therefore, FOLLOW(T) $=\{+$, EOF, $)\}$

FOLLOW Example

Let the grammar be
$\mathrm{E} \rightarrow \mathrm{T} \mathrm{E}^{\prime}$
$E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon$.
$\mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{F} \mathrm{T}^{\prime}$
$\mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow{ }^{\star} \mathrm{F} \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon$.
$F \rightarrow(E) \mid$ id $\mid$ num

Find FOLLOW( $\mathrm{T}^{\prime}$ )

- T' occurs on the right in two productions.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow \mathrm{F}^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Therefore, FOLLOW (T') $=\operatorname{FOLLOW}(T)=\{E O F$,$) ,$ + \}.


## FOLLOW Example

Let the grammar be
Find FOLLOW(F)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E \rightarrow T E^{\prime} \\
& E^{\prime} \rightarrow+T E^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow \star \mathrm{F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \mid \varepsilon \\
& \mathrm{F} \rightarrow(\mathrm{E}) \mid \text { id } \mid \text { num }
\end{aligned}
$$

- F occurs on the right in two productions.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{T} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime} \\
& \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \rightarrow{ }^{*} \mathrm{~F} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Therefore, FOLLOW(F) contains $\operatorname{FIRST}\left(T^{\prime}\right)=\{\star\}$
- However, $T^{\prime}$ is nullable, therefore it also contains
$\operatorname{FOLLOW}(T)=\{+, E O F)$,$\} and$ FOLLOW (T') $=\{$ EOF, $),+\}$
- Therefore, FOLLOW $(F)=\{\star, E O F),+$,$\} .$


## Classic Expression Grammar

| Symbol | FIRST | FOLLOW |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| num | num | $\varnothing$ |
| id | id | $\varnothing$ |
| + | + | $\varnothing$ |
| - | - | $\varnothing$ |
| * | * | $\varnothing$ |
| / | 1 | $\varnothing$ |
| $\checkmark$ | 1 | $\varnothing$ |
| 2 | $)$ | $\varnothing$ |
| eof | eof | $\varnothing$ |
| $\varepsilon$ | $\varepsilon$ | $\varnothing$ |
| Goal | (,id, num | EOF |
| Expr | (,id, num | L, EOF |
| Expr' | +, - , $\varepsilon$ | 2, EOF |
| Term | (,id, num | +,-, ), EOF |
| Term' | *, /, \& | +,-, ), EOF |
| Factor | (,id, num | +,-, *, /, ), EOF |

Classic Expression Grammar


## Building Top-down Parsers for LL(1) Grammars

Given an LL(1) grammar, and its FIRST \& Follow sets ...

- Emit a routine for each non-terminal
- Nest of if-then-else statements to check alternate rhs's
- Each returns true on success and throws an error on false
- Simple, working (perhaps ugly) code
- This automatically constructs a recursive-descent parser

Improving matters

- Nest of if-then-else statements may be slow
- Good case statement implementation would be better
- What about a table to encode the options?
- Interpret the table with a skeleton, as we did in scanning

```
Cannot expand Factor into an
operator }=>\mathrm{ error
```


## Building Top-down Parsers

## Strategy

- Encode knowledge in a table
- Use a standard "skeleton" parser to interpret the table


## Example

- The non-terminal Factor has 3 expansions
- (Expr) or Identifier or Number
- Table might look like: Terminal Symbols

| 0 | Goal | $\rightarrow$ | Expr |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Expr | $\rightarrow$ | Term Expr' |
| 2 | Expr' | $\rightarrow$ | + Term Expr' |
| 3 |  | $\mid$ | - Term Expr' |
| 4 |  | $\mid$ | $\varepsilon$ |
| 5 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | Factor Term' |
| 6 | Term | $\rightarrow$ | * Factor Term |
| 7 |  | $\mid$ | $/$ Factor Term |
| 8 |  | $\mid$ | $\varepsilon$ |
| 9 | Factor | $\rightarrow$ | number |
| 10 |  | $\mid$ | $\underline{\text { id }}$ |
| 11 |  | 1 | (Expr 2 |



## Building Top-down Parsers

Building the complete table

- Need a row for every NT \& a column for every T

|  | + | - | $*$ | $/$ | Id | Num | $($ | $)$ | EOF |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Goal | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Expr | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Expr' | 2 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Term | - | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Term | 8 | 8 | 6 | 7 | - | - | - | 8 | 8 |
| Factor | - | - | - | - | 10 | 9 | 11 | - | - |

## Building Top-down Parsers

Building the complete table

- Need a row for every NT \& a column for every T
- Need an interpreter for the table (skeleton parser)


## LL(1) Skeleton Parser

```
word < NextWord() // Initial conditions,including
push $ onto Stack // a stack to track the border of the parse tree
push the start symbol, S, onto Stack
TOS \leftarrow top of Stack
loop forever
    if TOS = $ and word = EOF then
        break & report success // exit on success
    else if TOS is a terminal then
        if TOS matches word then
            pop Stack // recognized TOS
            word }\leftarrow\mathrm{ NextWord()
        else report error looking for TOS // error exit
    else // TOS is a non-terminal
        if TABLE[TOS,word] is A-> B B 的... }\mp@subsup{B}{k}{}\mathrm{ then
            pop Stack // get rid of A
            push \mp@subsup{B}{k}{},\mp@subsup{B}{k-1}{},\ldots,\mp@subsup{B}{1}{}\quad// in that order
        else break & report error expanding TOS
    TOS \leftarrowtop of Stack
```


## Building Top-down Parsers

Building the complete table

- Need a row for every NT \& a column for every T
- Need a table-driven interpreter for the table
- Need an algorithm to build the table


## Filling the table

|  | + | - | $*$ | 1 | Id | Num | $($ | $)$ | EOF |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Goal | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Expr | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Expr' | 2 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Term | - | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Term' | 8 | 8 | 6 | 7 | - | - | - | 8 | 8 |
| Factor | - | - | - | - | 10 | 9 | 11 | - | - |

Filling in TABLE $[X, y], X \in N T, y \in T$

1. write the rule $X \rightarrow \beta$, if $y \in \operatorname{FIRST}^{+}(X \rightarrow \beta)$
2. write error if rule 1 does not define

If any entry has more than one rule, $G$ is not

| Prod'n | FIRST+ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | (.id, num | Goal --Expr |
| 1 | (.id, num | Expr $\rightarrow$ Term Expr' |
| 2 | + | Expr'> + Term Expr' |
| 3 | - | Expr'> - Term Expr ${ }^{\prime}$ |
| 4 | 2,EOF | Expr'> ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
| 5 | (id, num | Term-> Factor Term' |
| 6 | * | Term'->*Factor Term' |
| 7 | 1 | Term'->/ Factor Term' |
| 8 | +,-, L, EOF | Term' $\rightarrow$ ¢ |
| 9 | number | Factor-> number |
| 10 | id | Factor $\rightarrow$ id |
| 11 | ( | Factor-> (Expr) | LL(1)

We call this algorithm the LL(1) table construction algorithm

## Actions of the $L L(1)$ Parser for $x+y x z$

| Rule | Stack | Input |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | eof Goal | $\uparrow$ name + name x name |
| 0 | eof Expr | $\uparrow$ name + name $x$ name |
| 1 | eof Expr' Term | $\uparrow$ name + name $x$ name |
| 5 | eof Expr' Term' Factor | $\uparrow$ name + name $x$ name |
| 11 | eof Expr' Term' name | $\uparrow$ name + name $\times$ name |
| $\rightarrow$ | eof Expr' Term' | name $\uparrow+$ name $\times$ name |
| 8 | eof Expr' | name $\uparrow+$ name $\times$ name |
| 2 | eof Expr' Term + | name $\uparrow+$ name $\times$ name |
| $\rightarrow$ | eof Expr' Term | name $+\uparrow$ name $\times$ name |
| 5 | eof Expr' Term' Factor | name + 个 name x name |
| 11 | eof Expr' Term' name | name $+\uparrow$ name $\times$ name |
| $\rightarrow$ | eof Expr' Term' | name + name $\uparrow \times$ name |
| 6 | eof Expr' Term' Factor x | name + name $\uparrow \times$ name |
| $\rightarrow$ | eof Expr' Term' Factor | name + name $x \uparrow$ name |
| 11 | eof Expr' Term' name | name + name $x$ 个 name |
| $\rightarrow$ | eof Expr' Term' | name + name x name $\uparrow$ |
| 8 | eof Expr' | name + name $x$ name $\uparrow$ |
| 4 | eof | name + name x name $\uparrow$ |


|  | Prod'n | FIRST+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 |  | (,id, num |  | Goal ->Expr |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  | (id, num |  | Expr $\rightarrow$ Term Expr' |  |  |  |
|  | 2 |  | + |  | Expr'> ${ }^{\prime}$ Term Expr |  |  |  |
|  | 3 |  | - |  | Expr'->-Term Expr' |  |  |  |
|  | 4 |  | 2,EOF |  | $\text { Expr'-> } \varepsilon$ |  |  |  |
|  | 5 |  | (,id, num |  | Term-> Factor Term ${ }^{\prime}$ |  |  |  |
|  | 6 |  | * |  | Term'->^Factor Term' |  |  |  |
|  | 7 |  | 1 |  | Term' $>$ / Factor Term' |  |  |  |
|  | 8 |  | ,,+- 2, EOF |  | Term' ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ ¢ |  |  |  |
|  | 9 |  | number |  | Factor-> number |  |  |  |
|  | 10 |  | id |  | Factor-> id |  |  |  |
|  | 11 |  | 1 |  | Factor-> (Expr) |  |  |  |
|  | + | - | * 1 | Id | Num | ( | ) | EOF |
| Goal | - | - | - - | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Expr | - | - | - - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Expr' | 2 | 3 | - - | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Term | - | - | - - | 5 | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Term' | 8 | 8 | $6 \quad 7$ | - | - | - | 8 | 8 |
| Factor | - | - | - - | 10 | 9 | 11 | - | - |



## Exercises

Let G be the following grammar:
S::= prog B end
$B::=L B I L$
$L::=x A$
$A::=a \operatorname{AlxAl}$;

- Is $G$ in $L L(1)$ ? If yes, write its parsing table. If not, explain why.

Let $G$ be the grammar below:
$S::=S U I x$
$\mathrm{U}::=\mathrm{x}$ U U Ix z

- Is $G$ in $\operatorname{LL}(1)$ ? If yes, write its parsing table. If not, explain why
$S::=A u l b v$
$A=a l b A v$
- $G$ e` in $L L(1)$ ? If not modify the grammar (if it is possible) to make it $\operatorname{LL}(1)$ and then write its parsing table.

