Top-Down Parsing

$S \Rightarrow aAbB$
$A \Rightarrow aA \mid \varepsilon$
$B \Rightarrow bB \mid a$

$S \to aAbB$
1 → $aaAbB$
2 → $aacbB$
3 → $aacbbB$
4 → $aacbba$

Top down approach
LMD
1 4
aacbba
2 3

A recursive distance parser - top down approach of push-down automata

aAbB

Bottom up → from leaves to root

RMD

$S \to aAbB$ → aAbB
$A \to aA \mid c$ → aAbbB
$B \to bB \mid a$ → aAbba
→ aaAbba
→ aacbba

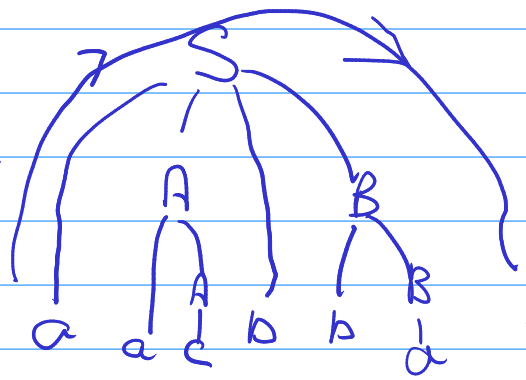
RMD

$S \to aAbB$
$B \to bB$
$B \to a$
$A \to aA$
$A \to c$

You can derive top down Yeah

aacbba

(Bottom-up can be more complex)

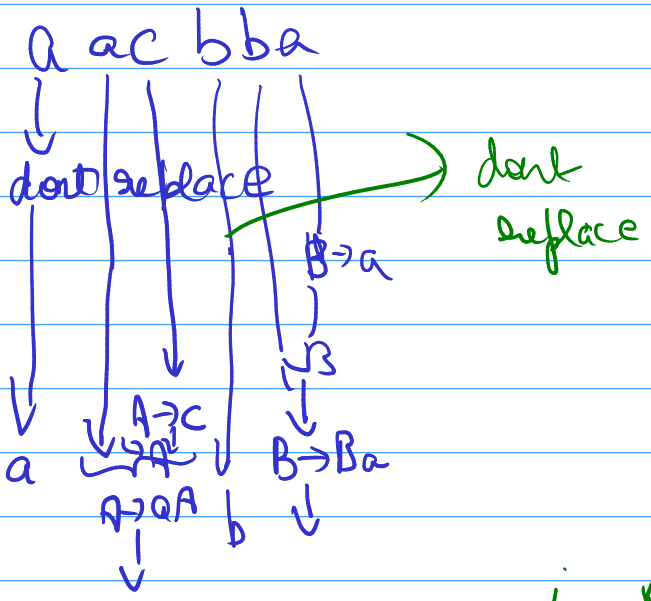


Exactly the reverse of RMD

consume 'a' (?) go to next symbol

[we don't know what exactly to replace]

There are algos to resolve this



a a c b b a

I can't replace this with B or replace this at all, we can't easily know

Only those substrings when chars/substrings are replaced with give the previous sentential form in RMD those are handles.

Common family: LR parsers

L → Left to right

R → RMD (in reverse order, since Left to right)

Usually complexity of general parsing is $O(n^3)$

But less general ones used in compilers can do it in $O(n)$

Recursive descent

```
lexeme()
S(){
  if (nextToken = 'a')
  {
    lexeme()
    A()
    lexeme()
    if (nextToken = 'b')
    { lexeme()
      B()
    }
  }
}
```

returns to the next lexeme (token actually) that return value is stored in nextToken

returns

aacbba

```
A {
  if(next token = 'a')
  {
    lexeme()
    A()
  }
  else if (next Token
       = 'c');
}
```

```
B()
{ if (next token = 'b')
    lexeme()
    B()
  else if(next token = 'a');
}
```

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