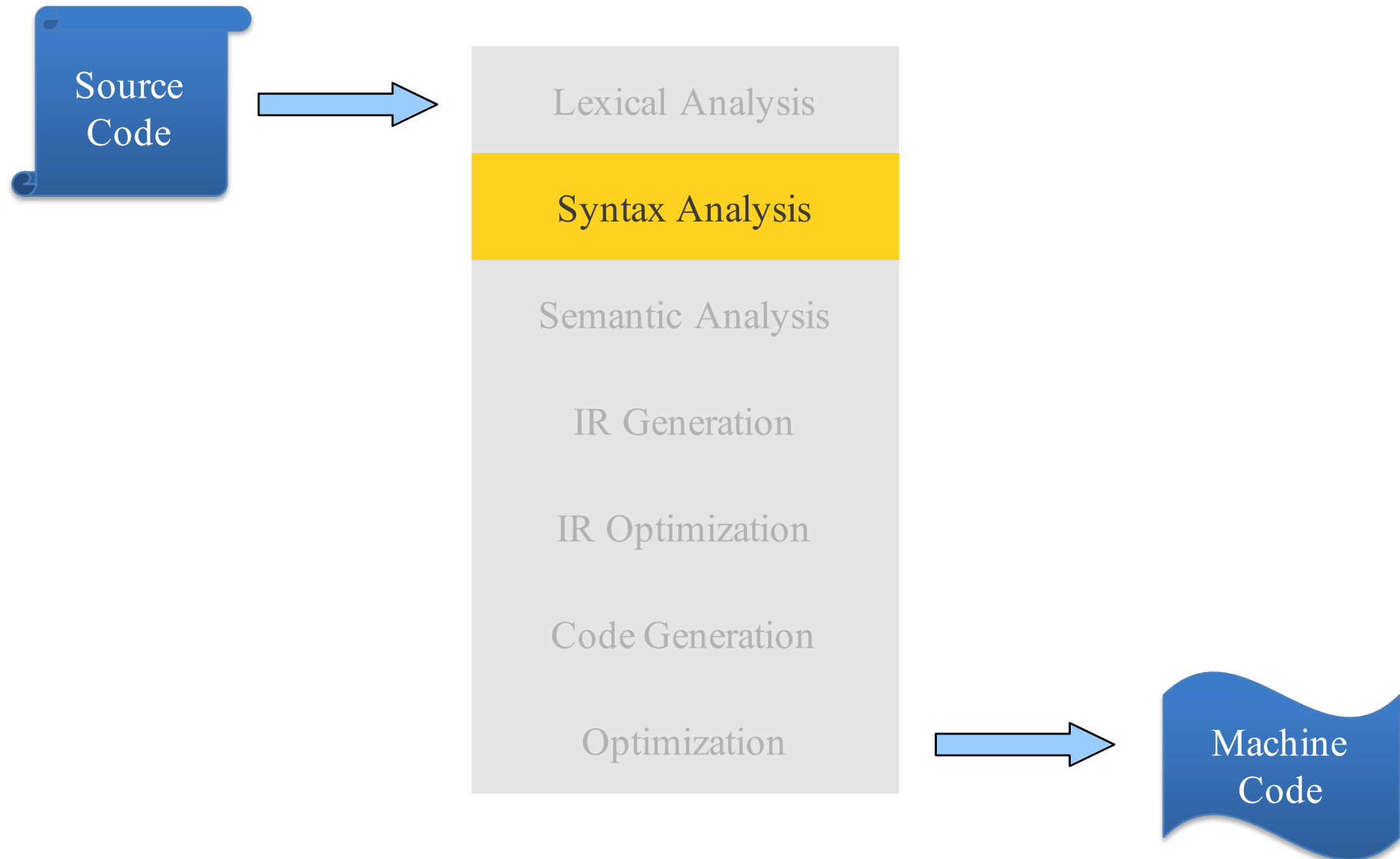


Compilers and Interpreters

Top-Down Parsing

Where are we ?



Review

- **Goal** of syntax analysis: recover the intended structure of the program.
- **Idea**: Use a **context-free grammar** to describe the programming language.
- Given a sequence of tokens, look for a parse tree that generates those tokens.
- Recovering this syntax tree is called **parsing**.

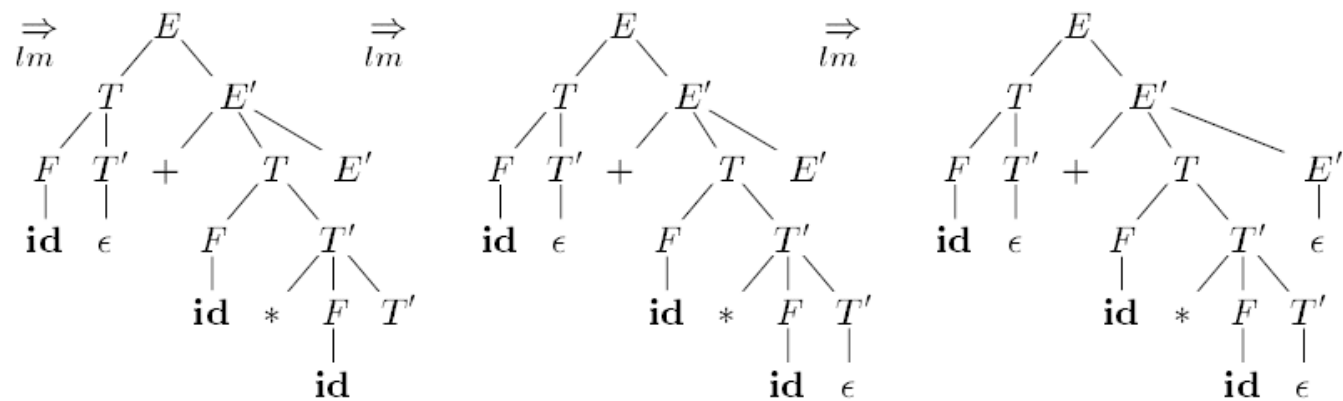
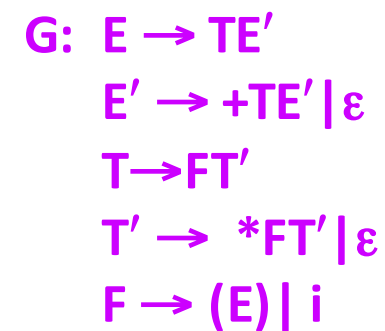
Different Types of Parsing

- Top-Down Parsing
 - Beginning with the start symbol, try to guess the productions to apply to end up at the user's program.
- Bottom-Up Parsing
 - Beginning with the user's program, try to apply productions in reverse to convert the program back into the start symbol.

Top-Down Parsing

The parse tree is created top to bottom (from root to leaves).

By always replacing the leftmost non-terminal symbol via a production rule, we are guaranteed of developing a parse tree in a left-to-right fashion that is consistent with scanning the input.



Top-Down Parsing (cont.)

Top-down parser

- **Recursive-Descent Parsing**

Backtracking is needed (If a choice of a production rule does not work, we backtrack to try other alternatives.)

It is a general parsing technique, but not widely used.

Not efficient

- **Predictive Parsing**

no backtracking

efficient

needs a special form of grammars (**LL(1) grammars**).

Recursive Predictive Parsing is a special form of Recursive Descent parsing without backtracking.

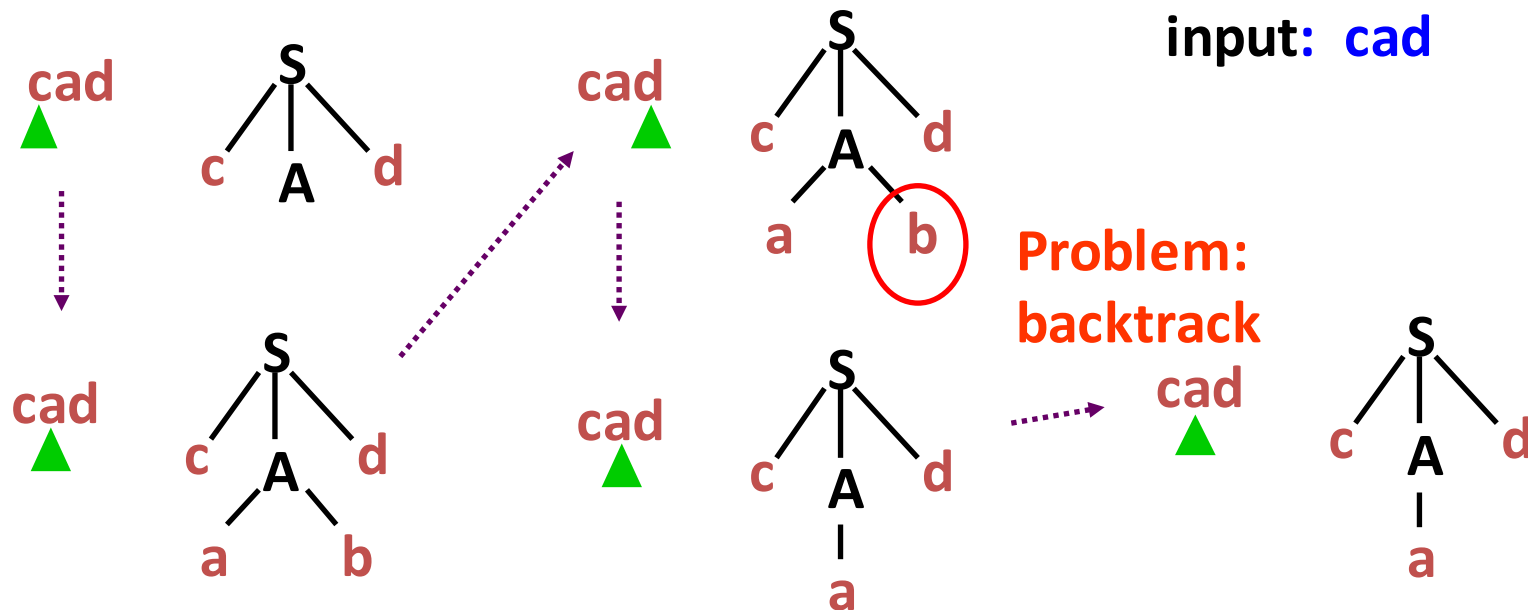
Non-Recursive (Table Driven) Predictive Parser is also known as LL(1) parser.

$A \Rightarrow aBc \Rightarrow adDc \Rightarrow adec$
(scan a, scan d, scan e, scan c - accept!)

Recursive-Descent Parsing (uses Backtracking)

- General category of Top-Down Parsing
- Choose production rule based on input symbol
- May require backtracking to correct a wrong choice.

• Example: $S \rightarrow c A d$
 $A \rightarrow ab \mid a$



Predictive Parser

a grammar \rightarrow \rightarrow a grammar suitable for predictive
eliminate left parsing (a LL(1) grammar)
left recursion factor no %100 guarantee.

When re-writing a non-terminal in a derivation step, a predictive parser can uniquely choose a production rule by just looking the **current symbol** in the input string.

$A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mid \dots \mid \alpha_n$

input: ... **a**



current token

Predictive Parser

stmt \rightarrow **if** expr **then** stmt **else** stmt
 | **while** expr **do** stmt
 | **begin** stmt_list **end**
 | **for** stmt...

- When we are trying to write the non-terminal *stmt*, if the current token is **if** we have to choose first production rule.
- When we are trying to write the non-terminal *stmt*, we can uniquely choose the production rule by just looking the current token.
- We **eliminate the left recursion** in the grammar, and **left factor** it. But it may not be suitable for predictive parsing (not LL(1) grammar).

Recursive-Descent Parsing

```
void A() {  
1)      Choose an A-production,  $A \rightarrow X_1 X_2 \cdots X_k$ ;  
2)      for (  $i = 1$  to  $k$  ) {  
3)          if (  $X_i$  is a nonterminal )  
4)              call procedure  $X_i()$ ;  
5)          else if (  $X_i$  equals the current input symbol  $a$  )  
6)              advance the input to the next symbol;  
7)          else /* an error has occurred */;  
      }  
}
```

A typical procedure for a nonterminal in a top-down parse

Recursive Predictive Parsing

$A \rightarrow aBb \mid bAB$

```
proc A {  
  case of the current token {  
    'a': - match the current token with a, and move to the  
          next token;  
          - call 'B';  
          - match the current token with b, and move to the  
            next token;  
    'b': - match the current token with b, and move to the  
          next token;  
          - call 'A';  
          - call 'B';  
  }  
}
```

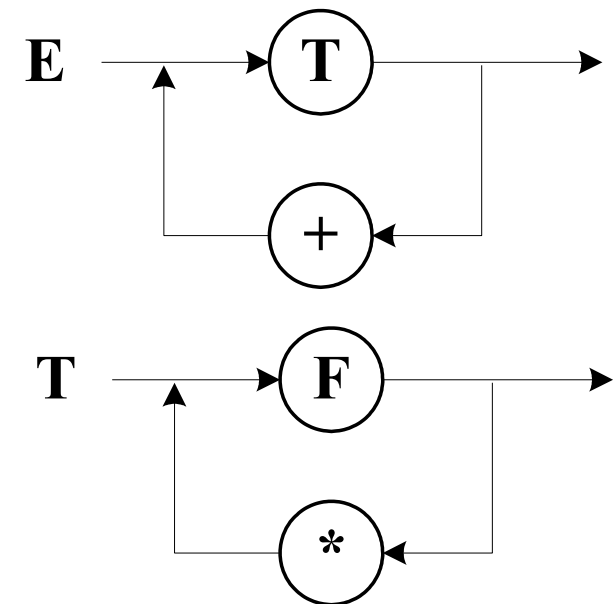
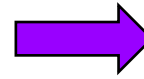
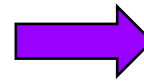
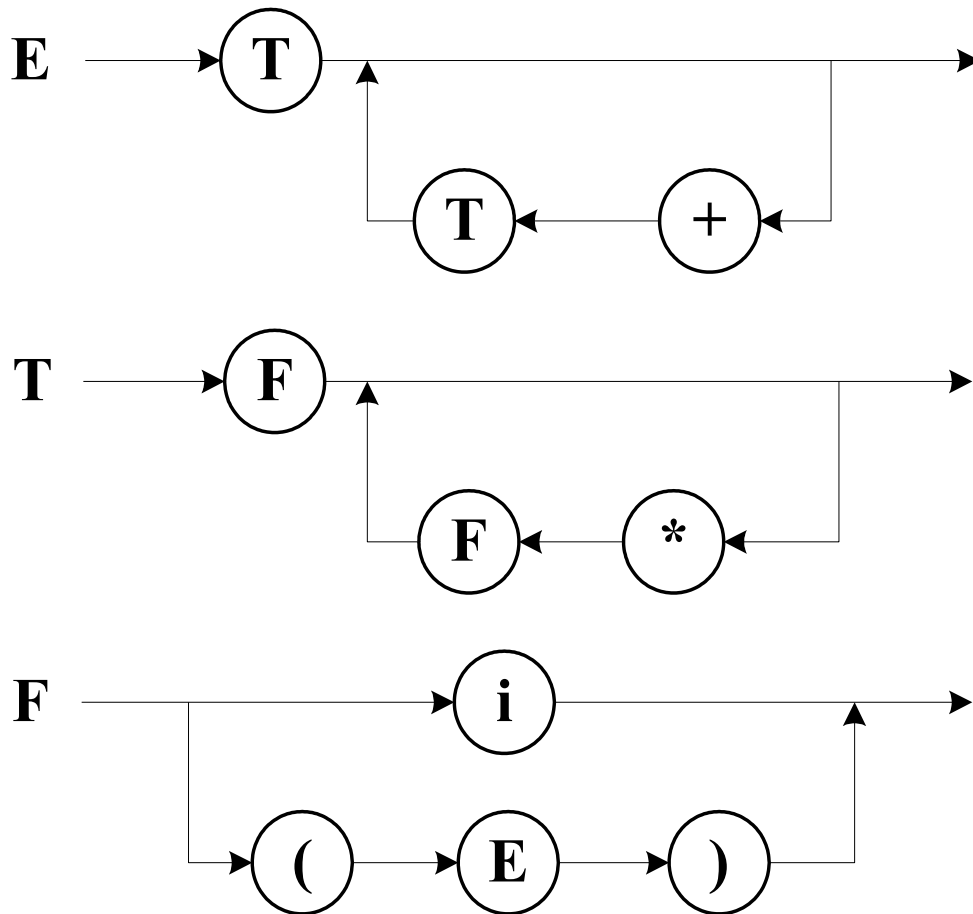
$F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{number}$

```
PROCEDURE F;  
BEGIN  
  IF token = '(' THEN  
    BEGIN  
      match('(');  
      E;  
      match('');  
    END;  
  ELSE  
    IF token = number  
      THEN  
        match(number);  
      ELSE ERROR;  
    END
```

```
PROCEDURE match(expectedToken);  
BEGIN  
  IF token = expectedToken THEN  
    BEGIN  
      getNextToken();  
    END  
  ELSE ERROR;  
END
```

- **G:** $E \rightarrow T \mid E+T$
 $T \rightarrow F \mid T * E$
 $F \rightarrow i \mid (E)$

- **EBNF expression:**
 $G: E \rightarrow T\{+T\}$
 $T \rightarrow F\{ * E\}$
 $F \rightarrow i \mid (E)$



```
PROCEDURE MAIN;  
  BEGIN  
    token = nexttoken();  
    E  
  END  
  
PROCEDURE match(t:token);  
  BEGIN  
    IF token = t THEN  
      getNextToken()  
    ELSE ERROR  
  END
```

$E \rightarrow T\{+T\}$

```
PROCEDURE E;  
  BEGIN  
    T;  
    WHILE token = '+' DO  
      BEGIN  
        match('+');  
        T;  
      END  
    END
```

$F \rightarrow i \mid (E)$

```
PROCEDURE F;  
BEGIN  
  IF token = i THEN match(i)  
  ELSE  
    IF token = '(' THEN  
      BEGIN  
        match('(');  
        E;  
        IF token = ')' THEN match(')')  
        ELSE ERROR;  
      END  
    ELSE ERROR  
  END  
END
```

$T \rightarrow F\{*F\}$

```
PROCEDURE T;  
BEGIN  
  F;  
  WHILE token = '*' DO  
    BEGIN  
      match('*');  
      F;  
    END  
  END  
END
```


FIRST Set

• $\text{FIRST}(\mathbf{A}) = \{ \mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{A} \Rightarrow^* \mathbf{t}\omega \text{ for some } \omega \}$

1. If X is a terminal, $\text{FIRST}(X) = \{X\}$
2. If $X \rightarrow \varepsilon$ is a production rule, add ε to $\text{FIRST}(X)$
3. If X is a non-terminal, and $X \rightarrow Y_1 Y_2 \dots Y_k$ is a production rule

Place $\text{FIRST}(Y_1)$ in $\text{FIRST}(X)$

if $Y_1 \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$, Place $\text{FIRST}(Y_2)$ in $\text{FIRST}(X)$

if $Y_2 \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$, Place $\text{FIRST}(Y_3)$ in $\text{FIRST}(X)$

...

if $Y_{k-1} \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$, Place $\text{FIRST}(Y_k)$ in $\text{FIRST}(X)$

Repeat above steps until no more elements are added to any $\text{FIRST}()$ set.

Checking " $Y_i \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$?" essentially amounts to checking whether ε belongs to $\text{FIRST}(Y_i)$

Computing FIRST(X) :

All Grammar Symbols - continued

Informally, suppose we want to compute

$$\text{FIRST}(X_1 X_2 \dots X_n) = \text{FIRST}(X_1)$$

+ FIRST(X_2) if ϵ is in FIRST(X_1)

+ FIRST(X_3) if ϵ is in FIRST(X_2)

...

+ FIRST(X_n) if ϵ is in FIRST(X_{n-1})

Note 1: Only add ϵ to FIRST($X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$) if ϵ is in FIRST(X_i) for all i

Note 2: For FIRST(X_1), if $X_1 \rightarrow Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_m$, then we need to compute FIRST($Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_m$) !

FIRST Example

Example 4.17:

$$E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE' \quad | \quad \varepsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \quad | \quad \varepsilon$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \quad | \quad id$$

$$\text{FIRST}(TE') = \{ (, id \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(+TE') = \{ + \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(\varepsilon) = \{ \varepsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(FT') = \{ (, id \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(*FT') = \{ * \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(\varepsilon) = \{ \varepsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}((E)) = \{ (\}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(id) = \{ id \}$$

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

$$\text{FIRST}(T') = \{ *, \varepsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(T) = \{ (, id \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(E') = \{ +, \varepsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(E) = \{ (, id \}$$

Motivation Behind FIRST

- Is used to help find the appropriate reduction to follow given the top-of-the-stack non-terminal and the current input symbol.
- If $A \rightarrow \alpha$, and a is in $\text{FIRST}(\alpha)$, then when $a = \text{input}$, replace A with α . (a is one of first symbols of α , so when A is on the stack and a is input, POP A and PUSH α .)

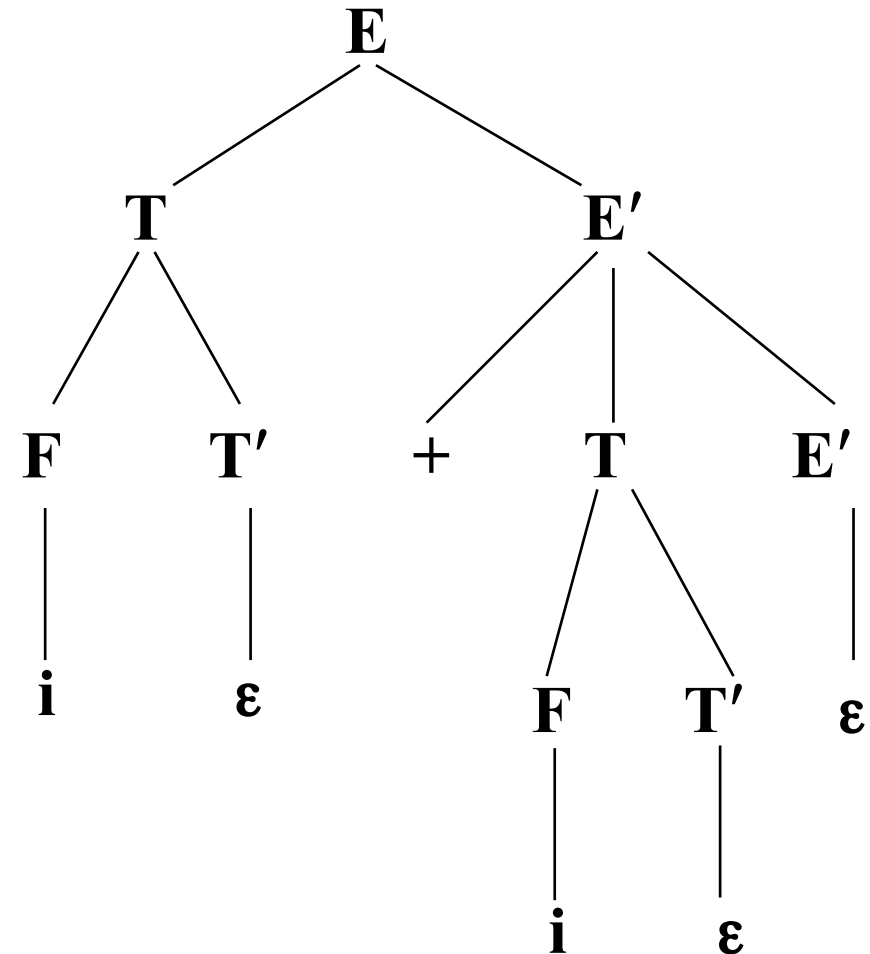
Example:

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow aB \mid bC \\ B &\rightarrow b \mid dD \\ C &\rightarrow c \\ D &\rightarrow d \end{aligned}$$

G: $E \rightarrow TE'$ input :
 $E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \varepsilon$ $i+i \$$
 $T \rightarrow FT'$
 $T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \varepsilon$
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid i$

E: $\text{FIRST}(TE') = \{ (, i \}$
 E' : $\text{FIRST}(+TE') = \{ + \}$ $\text{FIRST}(\varepsilon) = \{ \varepsilon \}$
T: $\text{FIRST}(FT') = \{ (, i \}$
 T' : $\text{FIRST}(*FT') = \{ * \}$ $\text{FIRST}(\varepsilon) = \{ \varepsilon \}$
F: $\text{FIRST}((E)) = \{ (\}$ $\text{FIRST}(i) = \{ i \}$

$i + i$ $i \in \text{FIRST}(TE')$
 \uparrow
 $i + i$ $i \in \text{FIRST}(FT')$
 \uparrow
 $i + i$ $i \in \text{FIRST}(i)$
 \uparrow
 $i + i$ use $T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$
 \uparrow
.....



Left Most Derivation of the Example

$E \Rightarrow TE'$
 $\Rightarrow FT'E'$
 $\Rightarrow iT'E'$
 $\Rightarrow i\epsilon E'$
 $\Rightarrow i\epsilon + TE'$
 $\Rightarrow i\epsilon + FT'E'$
 $\Rightarrow i\epsilon + iT'E'$
 $\Rightarrow i\epsilon + i\epsilon E'$
 $\Rightarrow i\epsilon + i\epsilon\epsilon = i+i$

■ $E \rightarrow TE'$
 $T \rightarrow FT'$
 $F \rightarrow i$
 $T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
 $E' \rightarrow +TE'$
 $T \rightarrow FT'$
 $F \rightarrow i$
 $T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
 $E' \rightarrow \epsilon$

FOLLOW Set

FOLLOW: Let A be a non-terminal. $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$ is the set of terminals a that can appear directly to the right of A in some sentential form. ($S \Rightarrow \alpha A a \beta$, for some α and β).

NOTE: If $S \Rightarrow \alpha A$, then $\$$ is $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$.

FOLLOW Set (cont.)

To compute FOLLOW(A) for all nonterminals A, apply the following rules until nothing can be added to any FOLLOW set.

- Place \$ in FOLLOW(S) , where S is the start symbol, and \$ is the input right endmarker.
- If there is a production $A \rightarrow \alpha B \beta$, then everything in FIRST(β) except ϵ is in FOLLOW(B) .
- If there is a production $A \rightarrow B \beta$, or a production $A \rightarrow \alpha B \beta$, where FIRST(β) contains ϵ , then everything in FOLLOW(A) is in FOLLOW(B) .

FOLLOW Example

$$E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \varepsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \varepsilon$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id}$$

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

$$\text{FIRST}(T') = \{ *, \varepsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(T) = \{ (, \text{id} \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(E') = \{ +, \varepsilon \}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(E) = \{ (, \text{id} \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(E) = \{), \$ \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(E') = \{), \$ \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(T) = \{ +,), \$ \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(T') = \{ +,), \$ \}$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(F) = \{ *, +,), \$ \}$$

Motivation Behind FOLLOW

- Is used when FIRST has a conflict, to resolve choices, or when FIRST gives no suggestion. When $\alpha \rightarrow \epsilon$ or $\alpha \Rightarrow^* \epsilon$, then what follows A dictates the next choice to be made.
- If $A \rightarrow \alpha$, and b is in $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$, then when $\alpha \Rightarrow^* \epsilon$ and b is an input character, then we expand A with α , which will eventually expand to ϵ , of which b follows! ($\alpha \Rightarrow^* \epsilon$: i.e., $\text{FIRST}(\alpha)$ contains ϵ .)

Simple Predictive Parser: LL(1)

- Top-down, predictive parsing:
 - L: Left-to-right scan of the tokens
 - L: Leftmost derivation.
 - (1): One token of lookahead
- Construct a leftmost derivation for the sequence of tokens.
- When expanding a nonterminal, we predict the production to use by looking at the next token of the input. The decision is forced.

LL(1) Grammars

- A grammar G is **LL(1)** if and only if the following conditions hold for two distinctive production rules $A \rightarrow \alpha$ and $A \rightarrow \beta$
 - Both α and β cannot derive strings starting with same terminals.
 $A \rightarrow \alpha_1 | \alpha_2 | \dots | \alpha_n, \text{ FIRST}(\alpha_i) \cap \text{FIRST}(\alpha_j) = \emptyset \quad (1 \leq i \neq j \leq n)$
 - At most one of α and β can derive to ϵ .
 - If β can derive to ϵ , then α cannot derive to any string starting with a terminal in $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$.
If $\epsilon \in \text{FIRST}(\alpha_i) (1 \leq i \leq n)$, then $\text{FIRST}(\alpha_i) \cap \text{FOLLOW}(A) = \emptyset$

NOW **predictive parsers** can be constructed for LL(1) grammars since the proper production to apply for a nonterminal can be selected by looking only at the current input symbol.

LL(1) Parse Tables

$E \rightarrow i \mid (E \text{ Op } E)$ $\text{Op} \rightarrow + \mid *$

V_N	input symbol				
	i	()	+	*
E	$E \rightarrow i$	$E \rightarrow E \text{ Op } E)$			
E'				$\text{Op} \rightarrow +$	$\text{Op} \rightarrow *$

Constructing LL(1) Parsing Table

Algorithm 4.31

INPUT: Grammar G .

OUTPUT: Parsing table M .

METHOD : For each production $A \rightarrow \alpha$ of the grammar, do the following:

1. For each terminal a in $\text{FIRST}(A)$, add $A \rightarrow \alpha$ to $M[A, a]$.
2. If ϵ is in $\text{FIRST}(A)$, then for each terminal b in $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$, add $A \rightarrow \alpha$ to $M[A, b]$. If ϵ is in $\text{FIRST}(A)$ and $\$$ is in $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$, add $A \rightarrow \alpha$ to $M[A, \$]$ as well.
3. If, after performing the above, there is no production at all in $M[A, a]$, then set $M[A, a]$ to error (which we normally represent by an empty entry in the table) .

$E \rightarrow TE'$ $E' \rightarrow +TE' | \epsilon$ $T \rightarrow FT'$ $T' \rightarrow *FT' | \epsilon$ $F \rightarrow (E) | i$

■ FIRST Set

$FIRST(TE') = \{ (, i \}$

$FIRST(+TE') = \{ + \}$

$FIRST(FT') = \{ (, i \}$

$FIRST(*FT') = \{ * \}$

$FIRST((E)) = \{ (\}$

$FIRST(\epsilon) = \{ \epsilon \}$

$FIRST(\epsilon) = \{ \epsilon \}$

$FIRST(i) = \{ i \}$

■ FOLLOW Set

$FOLLOW(E) = \{), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(E') = \{), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(T) = \{ +,), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(T') = \{ +,), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(F) = \{ *, +,), \$ \}$

V_N	input symbol					
	i	+	*	()	\$
E	$E \rightarrow TE'$			$E \rightarrow TE'$		
E'		$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow FT'$			$T \rightarrow FT'$		
T'		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow i$			$F \rightarrow (E)$		

LL(1) Parser

input buffer

- our string to be parsed. We will assume that its end is marked with a special symbol **\$**.

output

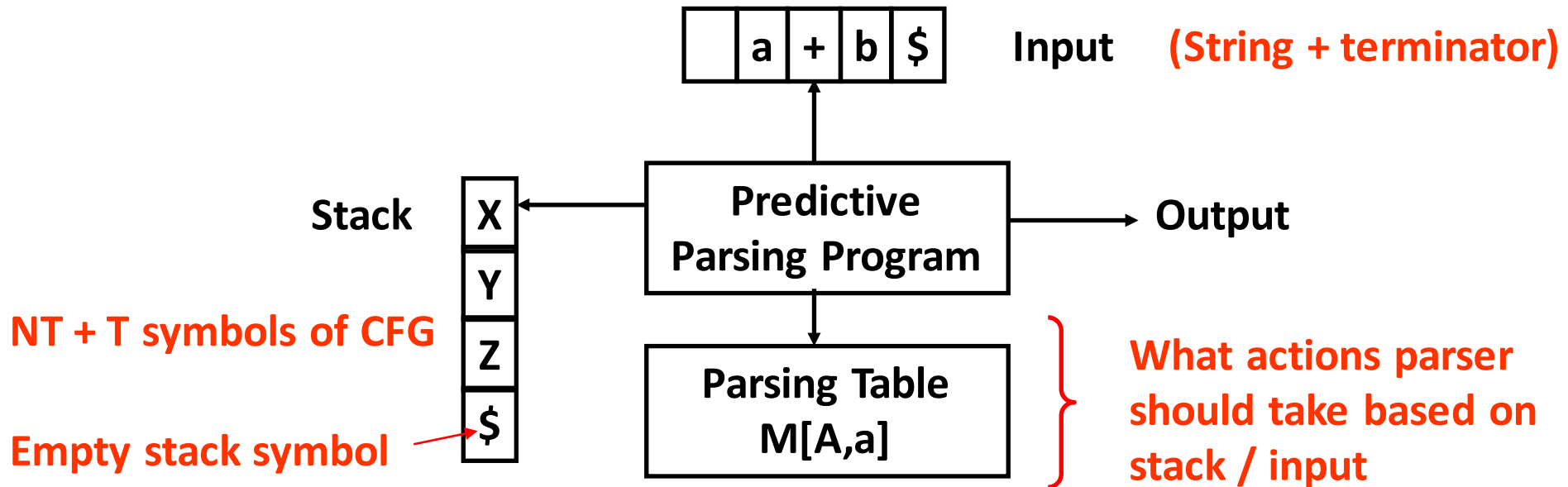
- a production rule representing a step of the derivation sequence (left-most derivation) of the string in the input buffer.

stack

- contains the grammar symbols
- at the bottom of the stack, there is a special end marker symbol **\$**.
- initially the stack contains only the symbol **\$** and the starting symbol **S**.
- when the stack is emptied (ie. only \$ left in the stack), the parsing is completed.

parsing table

Non-Recursive / Table Driven



General parser behavior: (X : top of stack a : current input)

1. When $X = a = \$$ halt, accept, success
2. When $X = a \neq \$$, POP X off stack, advance input, go to 1.
3. When X is a non-terminal, examine $M[X, a]$
if it is an error, then call recovery routine
if $M[X, a] = \{X \rightarrow UVW\}$, POP X , PUSH W, V, U
DO NOT expend any input

$E \rightarrow TE'$ $E' \rightarrow +TE' | \epsilon$ $T \rightarrow FT'$ $T' \rightarrow *FT' | \epsilon$ $F \rightarrow (E) | i$

input : $i_1 * i_2 + i_3$

stack	input	output	stack	input	output
$\$E$	$i_1 * i_2 + i_3 \$$		$\$E'$	$+i_3 \$$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$\$E'T$	$i_1 * i_2 + i_3 \$$	$E \rightarrow TE'$	$\$E'T+$	$+i_3 \$$	$E' \rightarrow +TE'$
$\$E'T'F$	$i_1 * i_2 + i_3 \$$	$T \rightarrow FT'$	$\$E'T$	$i_3 \$$	
$\$E'T'i$	$i_1 * i_2 + i_3 \$$	$F \rightarrow i$	$\$E'T'F$	$i_3 \$$	$T \rightarrow FT'$
$\$E'T'$	$*i_2 + i_3 \$$		$\$E'T'i$	$i_3 \$$	$F \rightarrow i$
$\$E'T'F*$	$*i_2 + i_3 \$$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$	$\$E'T'$	$\$$	
$\$E'T'F$	$i_2 + i_3 \$$		$\$E'$	$\$$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$\$E'T'i$	$i_2 + i_3 \$$	$F \rightarrow i$	$\$$	$\$$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$\$E'T'$	$+i_3 \$$				accept

$E \Rightarrow \underline{T}E' \Rightarrow \underline{F}T'E' \Rightarrow i\underline{T}'E' \Rightarrow i*\underline{F}T'E' \Rightarrow i*i\underline{T}'E' \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow i*i+i$

Revisit LL(1) Grammar

LL(1) grammars

== there have no multiply-defined entries in the parsing table.

Properties of LL(1) grammars:

- Grammar can't be ambiguous or left recursive
- Grammar is LL(1) \Leftrightarrow when $A \rightarrow \alpha \mid \beta$
 1. α & β do not derive strings starting with the same terminal a
 2. Either α or β can derive ϵ , but not both.

Note: It may not be possible for a grammar to be manipulated into an LL(1) grammar

A Grammar which is not LL(1)

- A left recursive grammar cannot be a LL(1) grammar.
 - $A \rightarrow A\alpha \mid \beta$
 - any terminal that appears in $\text{FIRST}(\beta)$ also appears $\text{FIRST}(A\alpha)$ because $A\alpha \Rightarrow \beta\alpha$.
 - If β is ϵ , any terminal that appears in $\text{FIRST}(\alpha)$ also appears in $\text{FIRST}(A\alpha)$ and $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$.
- A grammar is not left factored, it cannot be a LL(1) grammar
 - $A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$
 - any terminal that appears in $\text{FIRST}(\alpha\beta_1)$ also appears in $\text{FIRST}(\alpha\beta_2)$.
- An ambiguous grammar cannot be a LL(1) grammar.

Examples

- Example: $S \rightarrow c A d$ $A \rightarrow ab \mid a$

Left Factoring: $S \rightarrow c A d$ $A \rightarrow aB$ $B \rightarrow a \mid \epsilon$

- Example: $S \rightarrow Sa \mid *$

Eliminate left recursion: $S \rightarrow *B$ $B \rightarrow aB \mid \epsilon$

A Grammar which is not LL(1) (cont.)

- What do we have to do it if the resulting parsing table contains multiply defined entries?
 - If we didn't eliminate left recursion, eliminate the left recursion in the grammar.
 - If the grammar is not left factored, we have to left factor the grammar.
 - If its (new grammar's) parsing table still contains multiply defined entries, that grammar is ambiguous or it is inherently not a LL(1) grammar.

$S \rightarrow iEtSS' | a \quad S' \rightarrow eS | \epsilon \quad E \rightarrow b$

$\text{FIRST}(S) = \{i, a\}$ $\text{FIRST}(iEtSS') = \{i\}$ $\text{FIRST}(a) = \{a\}$
 $\text{FIRST}(S') = \{e, \epsilon\}$ $\text{FIRST}(eS) = \{e\}$ $\text{FIRST}(\epsilon) = \{\epsilon\}$
 $\text{FIRST}(E) = \{b\}$ $\text{FIRST}(b) = \{b\}$

$\text{FELLOW}(S) = \{e, \$\}$
 $\text{FELLOW}(S') = \{e, \$\}$
 $\text{FELLOW}(E) = \{t\}$

V_N	input symbol					
	a	b	e	i	T	\$
S	$S \rightarrow a$			$S \rightarrow iEtSS'$		
S'			$S' \rightarrow eS$ $S' \rightarrow \epsilon$			$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$
E		$E \rightarrow b$				

Error Recovery in Predictive Parsing

- An error may occur in the predictive parsing (LL(1) parsing)
 - if the terminal symbol on the top of stack does not match with the current input symbol.
 - if the top of stack is a non-terminal A , the current input symbol is a , and the parsing table entry $M[A,a]$ is empty.
- What should the parser do in an error case?
 - The parser should be able to give an error message (as much as possible meaningful error message).
 - It should be recover from that error case, and it should be able to continue the parsing with the rest of the input.

Error Recovery Techniques

- Panic-Mode Error Recovery
 - Skipping the input symbols until a synchronizing token is found.
- Phrase-Level Error Recovery
 - Each empty entry in the parsing table is filled with a pointer to a specific error routine to take care that error case.
- Global-Correction
 - Ideally, we would like a compiler to make as few change as possible in processing incorrect inputs.
 - We have to globally analyze the input to find the error.
 - This is an expensive method, and it is not in practice.

Error Recovery Techniques (cont.)

- Error-Productions (used in GCC etc.)
 - If we have a good idea of the common errors that might be encountered, we can augment the grammar with productions that generate erroneous constructs.
 - When an error production is used by the parser, we can generate appropriate error diagnostics.
 - Since it is almost impossible to know all the errors that can be made by the programmers, this method is not practical.

Panic-Mode Error Recovery in LL(1) Parsing

- In panic-mode error recovery, we skip all the input symbols until a synchronizing token is found.
- What is the synchronizing token?
 - All the terminal-symbols in the follow set of a non-terminal can be used as a synchronizing token set for that non-terminal.

Panic-Mode Error Recovery in LL(1) Parsing (cont.)

- A simple panic-mode error recovery for the LL(1) parsing:
 - All the empty entries are marked as ***synch*** to indicate that the parser will skip all the input symbols until a symbol in the follow set of the non-terminal A which on the top of the stack. Then the parser will pop that non-terminal A from the stack. The parsing continues from that state.
 - To handle unmatched terminal symbols, the parser pops that unmatched terminal symbol from the stack and it issues an error message saying that that unmatched terminal is inserted.

Panic-Mode Error Recovery - Example

$S \rightarrow AbS \mid e \mid \varepsilon$

$A \rightarrow a \mid cAd$

	a	b	c	d	e	\$
S	$S \rightarrow AbS$	<i>sync</i>	$S \rightarrow AbS$	<i>sync</i>	$S \rightarrow e$	$S \rightarrow \varepsilon$
A	$A \rightarrow a$	<i>sync</i>	$A \rightarrow cAd$	<i>sync</i>	<i>sync</i>	<i>sync</i>

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

$\text{FOLLOW}(A) = \{b, d\}$

<u>stack</u>	<u>input</u>	<u>output</u>
\$S	aab\$	$S \rightarrow AbS$
\$SbA	aab\$	$A \rightarrow a$
\$Sba	aab\$	
\$Sb	ab\$	
	Error: missing b, inserted	
\$S	ab\$	$S \rightarrow AbS$
\$SbA	ab\$	$A \rightarrow a$
\$Sba	ab\$	
\$Sb	b\$	
\$S	\$	$S \rightarrow \varepsilon$
\$	\$	accept

Panic-Mode Error Recovery – Example

$S \rightarrow AbS \mid e \mid \epsilon$

$A \rightarrow a \mid cAda$

	a	b	c	d	e	\$
S	$S \rightarrow AbS$	<i>sync</i>	$S \rightarrow AbS$	<i>sync</i>	$S \rightarrow e$	$S \rightarrow \epsilon$
A	$A \rightarrow a$	<i>sync</i>	$A \rightarrow cAd$	<i>sync</i>	<i>sync</i>	<i>sync</i>

<u>stack</u>	<u>input</u>	<u>output</u>
\$S	ceadb\$	$S \rightarrow AbS$
\$SbA	ceadb\$	$A \rightarrow cAd$
\$SbdAc	ceadb\$	
\$SbdA	eadb\$	Error:unexpected e (illegal A)
		<i>(Remove all input tokens until first b or d, pop A)</i>
\$Sbddb\$		
\$Sb	b\$	
\$S	\$	$S \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$	\$	accept

$G(E): \quad E \rightarrow TE' \quad E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \varepsilon \quad T \rightarrow FT' \quad T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \varepsilon$
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid i$

$FOLLOW(E) = \{), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(E') = \{), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(T) = \{ +,), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(T') = \{ +,), \$ \}$

$FOLLOW(F) = \{ *, +,), \$ \}$

V_N	input symbol					
	i	+	*	()	\$
E	$E \rightarrow TE'$			$E \rightarrow TE'$	synch	synch
E'		$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \varepsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \varepsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow FT'$	synch		$T \rightarrow FT'$	synch	synch
T'		$T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$	$T' \rightarrow * FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow i$	synch	synch	$F \rightarrow (E)$	synch	synch

V_N	input symbol					
	i	+	*	()	\$
E	$E \rightarrow TE'$			$E \rightarrow TE'$	synch	synch
E'		$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow FT'$	synch		$T \rightarrow FT'$	synch	synch
T'		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow * FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow i$	synch	synch	$F \rightarrow (E)$	synch	synch

Stack	Input	Actions
\$E)x*+y\$	Skip ')'
\$E	x*+y\$	
\$E'T	x*+y\$	$E \rightarrow TE'$
\$E'T'F	x*+y\$	$T \rightarrow F$
\$E'T'x	x*+y\$	$F \rightarrow x$
\$E'T'	*+y\$	
\$E'T'F*	*+y\$	$T' \rightarrow * FT'$
\$ E'T'F	+y\$	

V_N	input symbol					
	i	+	*	()	\$
E	$E \rightarrow TE'$			$E \rightarrow TE'$	synch	synch
E'		$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow FT'$	synch		$T \rightarrow FT'$	synch	synch
T'		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow * FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow i$	synch	synch	$F \rightarrow (E)$	synch	synch

Stack	Input	Actions
\$ E'T'	+y\$	
\$E'T'	+y\$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$E'	+y\$	
\$E'T+	+y\$	$E' \rightarrow +TE'$
\$E'T	y\$	
\$E'T'F	y\$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$E'T'	\$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$E'	\$	

Phrase-Level Error Recovery

- Each empty entry in the parsing table is filled with a pointer to a special error routine which will take care that error case.
- These error routines may:
 - change, insert, or delete input symbols.
 - issue appropriate error messages
 - pop items from the stack.
- We should be careful when we design these error routines, because we may put the parser into an infinite loop.

Summary

- **Top-down parsing** tries to derive the user's program from the start symbol.
- **Leftmost BFS** is one approach to top-down parsing; it is mostly of theoretical interest.
- **Leftmost DFS** is another approach to top-down parsing that is uncommon in practice.
- **LL(1)** parsing scans from left-to-right, using one token of lookahead to find a leftmost derivation.
- **FIRST sets** contain terminals that may be the first symbol of a production.
- **FOLLOW sets** contain terminals that may follow a nonterminal in a production.
- **Left recursion** and **left factorability** cause LL(1) to fail and can be mechanically eliminated in some cases.

Summary (cont.)

- Top Down parsing

1. Rewrite grammars if necessary
2. Construct LL(1) predictive tables
3. predictive parsing using the predictive table

- We've identified its shortcomings:

Not all grammars can be made LL(1) !

Next Time

- Top-Down Parsing
 - Recursive descent parsing
 - Predictive parsing
 - LL(1)
- Bottom-Up Parsing
 - Shift-Reduce Parsing
 - LR parser

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