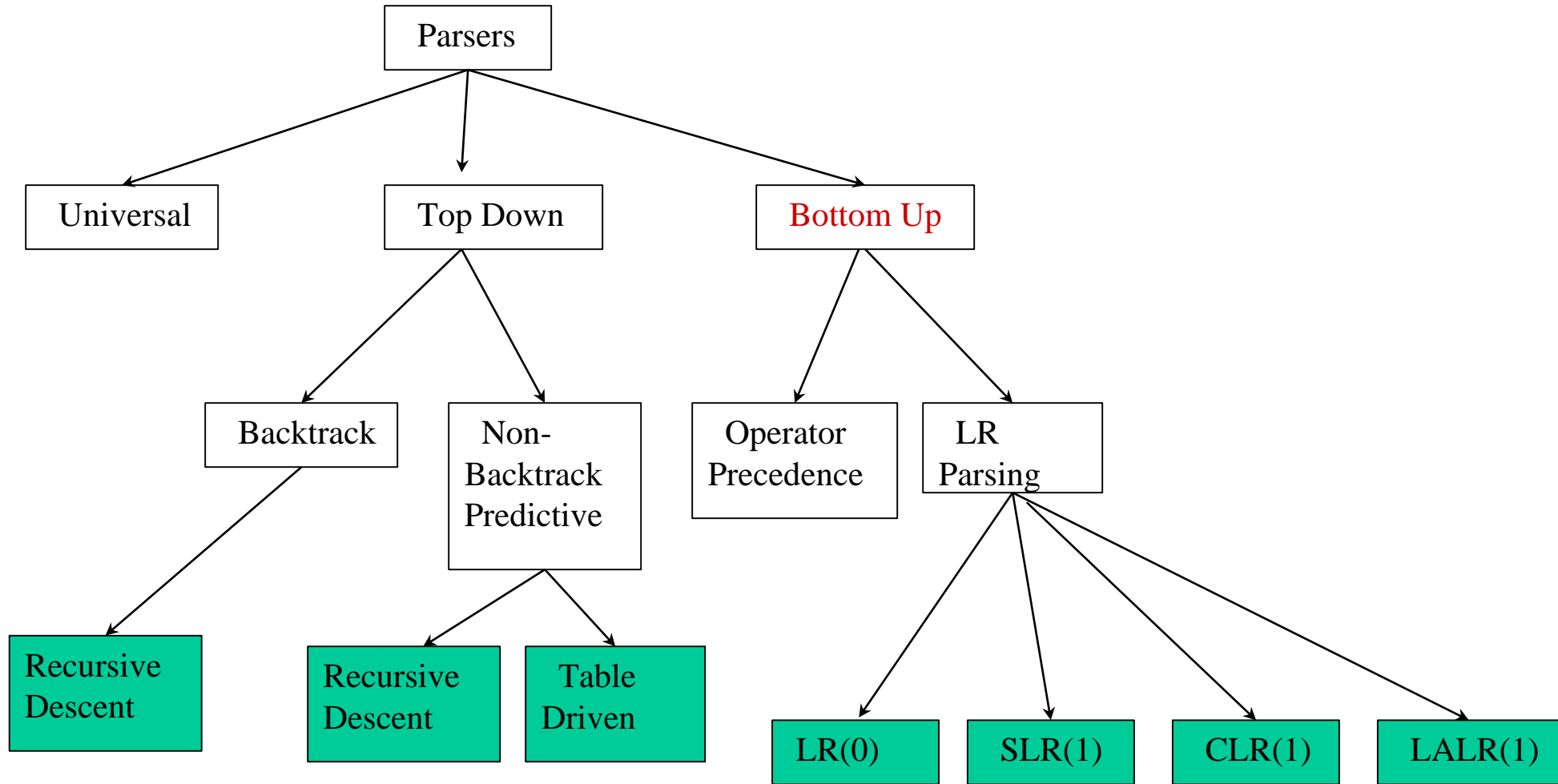


# Types of Parsers



# Bottom-Up Parsing

- A **bottom-up parser** creates the parse tree of the given input starting from leaves towards the root.
- A bottom-up parser tries to find the right-most derivation of the given input in the reverse order.  
$$S \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \omega \quad (\text{the right-most derivation of } \omega)$$

← (the bottom-up parser finds the right-most derivation in the reverse order)
- Bottom-up parsing is also known as **shift-reduce parsing** because its two main actions are shift and reduce.
  - At each **shift action**, the current symbol in the input string is pushed to a stack.
  - At each **reduction step**, the symbols at the top of the stack (this symbol sequence is the right side of a production) will be replaced by the non-terminal at the left side of that production.
  - There are also two more actions: **accept and error**.

# Shift-Reduce Parsing

- A shift-reduce parser tries to reduce the given input string into the starting symbol.

a string  $\square$  the starting symbol  
reduced to

- At each reduction step, a substring of the input matching to the right side of a production rule is replaced by the non-terminal at the left side of that production rule.
- If the substring is chosen correctly, the right most derivation of that string is created in the reverse order.

Rightmost Derivation:

$$S \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \omega$$

Shift-Reduce Parser finds:

$$S \xleftarrow{\text{rm}} \dots \xleftarrow{\text{rm}} \omega$$

# Shift-Reduce Parsing -- Example

$S \rightarrow aABb$

input string: aaabb

$A \rightarrow aA \mid a$

aaAbb

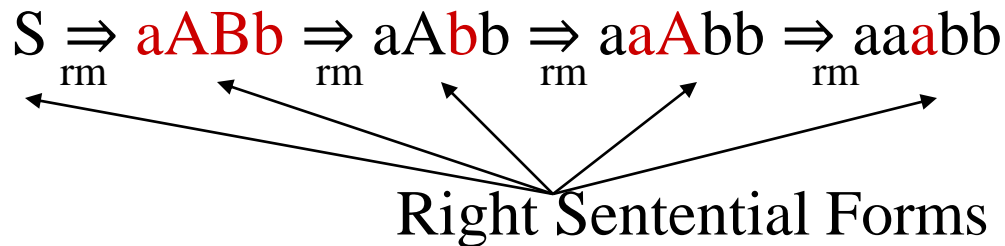
$B \rightarrow bB \mid b$

aAbb

↓ reduction

aABb

S



- How do we know which substring to be replaced at each reduction step?

# Handle

- Informally, a **handle** of a string is a substring that matches the right side of a production rule.
  - But not every substring matches the right side of a production rule is handle
- Every string of symbols in the derivation is a **sentential form** and a **sentence is a sentential form** that has only terminal symbols
- A **handle** of a right sentential form  $\gamma (\equiv \alpha\beta\omega)$  is
  - a production rule  $A \rightarrow \beta$  and a position of  $\gamma$ 
    - where the string  $\beta$  may be found and replaced by  $A$  to produce the previous right-sentential form in a rightmost derivation of  $\gamma$ .
$$S \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \alpha A \omega \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \alpha \beta \omega$$
- If the grammar is unambiguous, then every right-sentential form of the grammar has exactly one handle.

# Handle Pruning

- A right-most derivation in reverse can be obtained by **handle-pruning**.

$$S = \gamma_0 \Rightarrow_{\text{rm}} \gamma_1 \Rightarrow_{\text{rm}} \gamma_2 \Rightarrow_{\text{rm}} \dots \Rightarrow_{\text{rm}} \gamma_{n-1} \Rightarrow_{\text{rm}} \gamma_n = \omega$$

↖ input string

- Start from  $\gamma_n$ , find a handle  $A_n \rightarrow \beta_n$  in  $\gamma_n$ , and replace  $\beta_n$  in by  $A_n$  to get  $\gamma_{n-1}$ .
- Then find a handle  $A_{n-1} \rightarrow \beta_{n-1}$  in  $\gamma_{n-1}$ , and replace  $\beta_{n-1}$  in by  $A_{n-1}$  to get  $\gamma_{n-2}$ .
- Repeat this, until we reach  $S$ .

# A Shift-Reduce Parser

$E \rightarrow E+T \mid T$

$T \rightarrow T*F \mid F$

$F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$

Right-Most Derivation of  $id+id*id$

$E \Rightarrow E+T \Rightarrow E+T*F \Rightarrow E+T*id \Rightarrow E+F*id$

$\Rightarrow E+id*id \Rightarrow T+id*id \Rightarrow F+id*id \Rightarrow id+id*id$

Right-Most Sentential Form

id+id\*id

F+id\*id

T+id\*id

E+id\*id

E+F\*id

E+T\*id

E+T\*F

E+T

E

Reducing Production (RMD in reverse)

$F \rightarrow id$

$T \rightarrow F$

$E \rightarrow T$

$F \rightarrow id$

$T \rightarrow F$

$F \rightarrow id$

$T \rightarrow T*F$

$E \rightarrow E+T$

Handles are red and underlined in the right-sentential forms.

# A Stack Implementation of A Shift-Reduce Parser

- There are four possible actions of a shift-reduce parser:
  1. **Shift** : The next input symbol is shifted onto the top of the stack.
  2. **Reduce**: Replace the handle on the top of the stack by the non-terminal.
  3. **Accept**: Successful completion of parsing.
  4. **Error**: Parser discovers a syntax error, and calls an error recovery routine.
- Initial stack just contains only the end-marker \$ or starting state.
- The end of the input string is marked by the end-marker \$.



# Shift-Reduce Parsing

push '\$' onto the stack;

token = nextToken();

repeat

if (there is a **handle**  $A ::= b$  on top of the stack){

    reduce  $b$  to  $A$ ; /\* reduce \*/

    pop  $b$  off the stack;

    push  $A$  onto the stack;

} else { /\* shift \*/

    shift token onto the stack;

    token = nextToken();

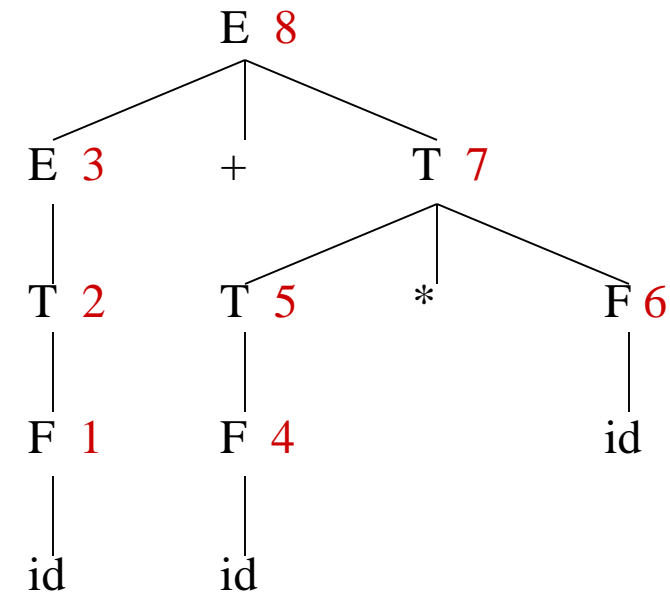
}

until (top of stack is  $S$  and token is eof)

# A Stack Implementation of A Shift-Reduce Parser

<u>Stack</u>	<u>Input</u>	<u>Action</u>
\$	id+id*id\$	shift
\$ <b>id</b>	+id*id\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
\$ <b>F</b>	+id*id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
\$ <b>T</b>	+id*id\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow T$
\$E	+id*id\$	shift
\$E+	id*id\$	shift
\$E+ <b>id</b>	*id\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
\$E+ <b>F</b>	*id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
\$E+T	*id\$	shift
\$E+T*	id\$	shift
\$E+T* <b>id</b>	\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
\$E+ <b>T*</b> F	\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow T*F$
\$ <b>E+T</b>	\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow E+T$
\$E	\$	accept

Parse Tree



# Shift-Reduce Parsers

- There are two main categories of shift-reduce parsers

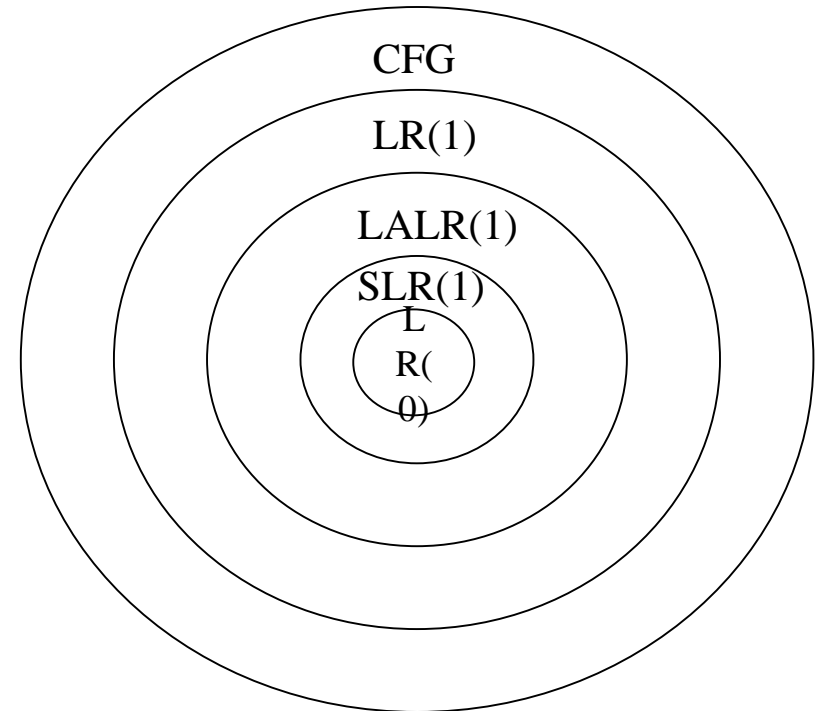
## 1. Operator-Precedence Parser

- simple, but only a small class of grammars.

## 2. LR-Parsers

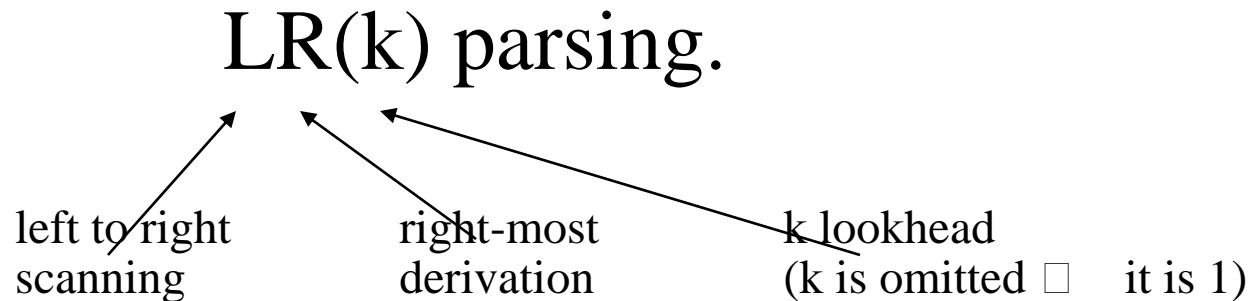
- Main: LR(0), LR(1)
- Some variations SLR and LALR(1)

- **LR(0) Items** – LR(0), SLR(1)
- **LR(1) Items** – LR(1), LALR(1)



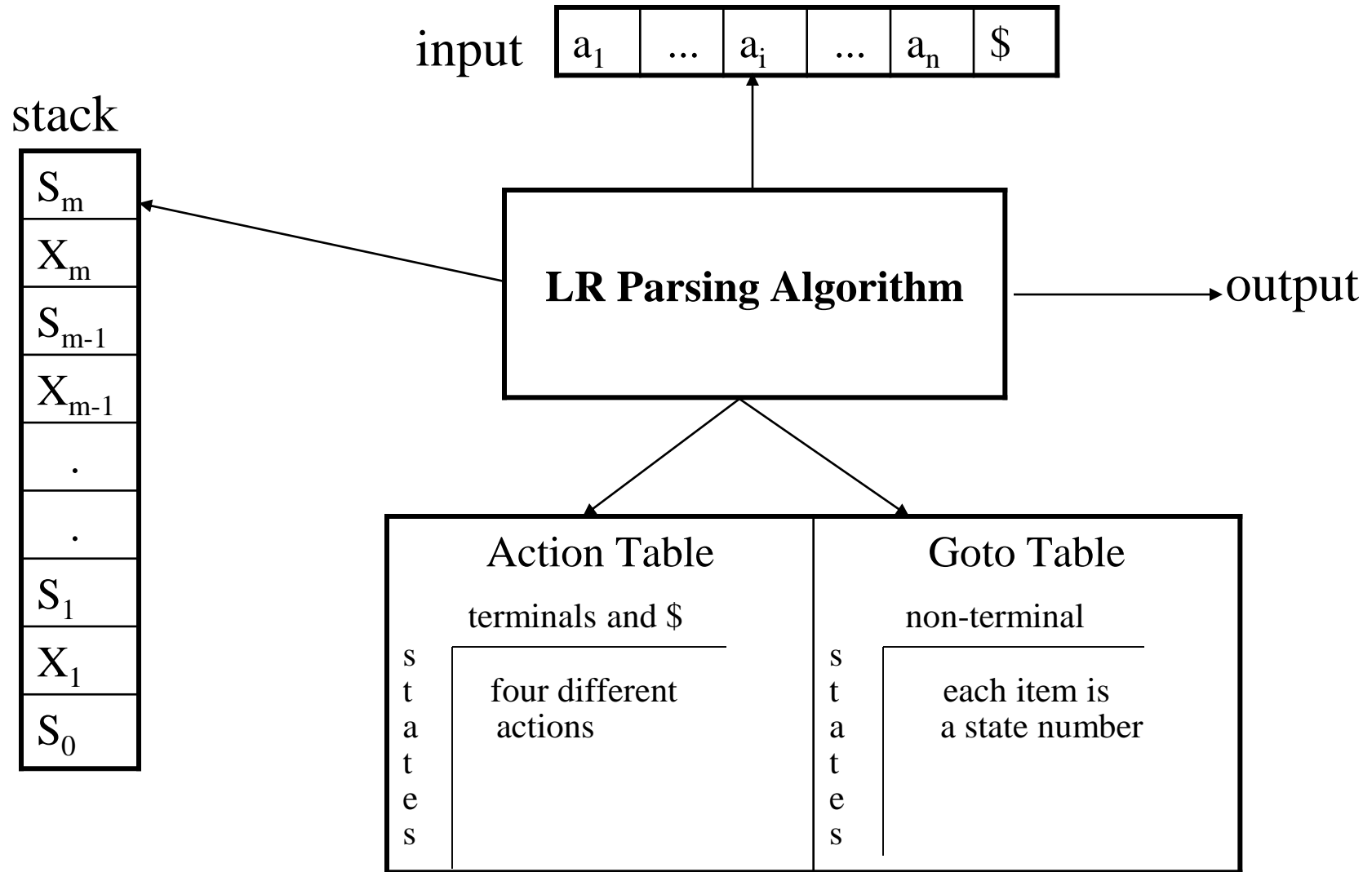
# LR Parsers

- The most powerful shift-reduce parsing (yet efficient) is:



- LR parsing is attractive because:
  - LR parsing is most general **non-backtracking** shift-reduce parsing, yet it is still efficient.
  - The class of grammars that can be parsed using LR methods is a proper superset of the class of grammars that can be parsed with predictive parsers.  
**LL(1)-Grammars  $\subset$  LR(1)-Grammars**
  - An LR-parser can detect a syntactic error as soon as it is possible to do so a left-to-right scan of the input.

# LR Parsing Algorithm

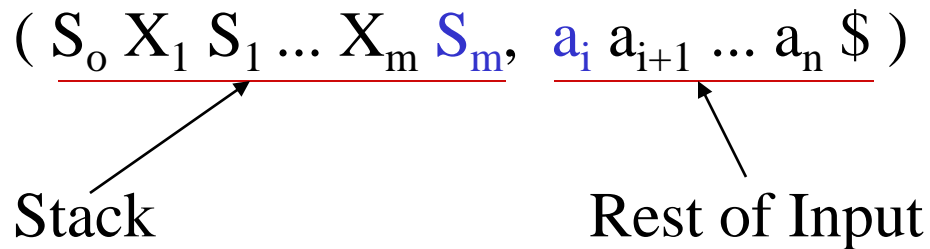


# LR Parsing Algorithm

```
set ip to point to the first symbol of w$;  
repeat forever begin  
    let s be the state on top of the stack and  
        a the symbol pointed to by ip;  
    if action[s, a] = shift s' then begin  
        push a then s' on top of the stack;  
        advance ip to the next input symbol  
    end  
    else if action[s, a] = reduce  $A \rightarrow \beta$  then begin  
        pop  $2 * |\beta|$  symbols off the stack;  
        let s' be the state now on top of the stack;  
        push A then goto[s', A] on top of the stack;  
        output the production  $A \rightarrow \beta$   
    end  
    else if action[s, a] = accept then  
        return  
    else error()  
end
```

# A Configuration of LR Parsing Algorithm

- A configuration of a LR parsing is:



- $S_m$  and  $a_i$  decides the parser action by consulting the parsing action table. (*Initial Stack contains just  $S_o$* )
- A configuration of a LR parsing represents the right sentential form:

$$X_1 \ \dots \ X_m \ a_i \ a_{i+1} \ \dots \ a_n \ \$$$

# Actions of A LR-Parser

1. **shift s** -- shifts the next input symbol and the state **s** onto the stack  
 $(S_0 X_1 S_1 \dots X_m S_m, a_i a_{i+1} \dots a_n \$) \sqsubset (S_0 X_1 S_1 \dots X_m S_m \mathbf{a_i s}, a_{i+1} \dots a_n \$)$
  
2. **reduce  $A \rightarrow \beta$**  (or **rn** where n is a production number)
  - pop  $2|\beta|$  ( $=r$ ) items from the stack;
  - then push **A** and **s** where **s=goto[s<sub>m-r</sub>,A]** --- after removing r many items from stack whatever is available state on top of stack  
 $(S_0 X_1 S_1 \dots X_m S_m, a_i a_{i+1} \dots a_n \$) \sqsubset (S_0 X_1 S_1 \dots X_{m-r} \mathbf{S_{m-r} A s}, a_i \dots a_n \$)$
  - Output is the reducing production reduce  $A \rightarrow \beta$
  
3. **Accept** – Parsing successfully completed
  
3. **Error** -- Parser detected an error (an empty entry in the action table)



# Parsing Table

- It has two types of entries: ACTION, GOTO
- ACTION : two dimensional array indexed by state and terminals symbols
- GOTO : two dimensional array indexed by the state number and a Non-terminals

# (SLR) Parsing Tables for Expression Grammar

- 1)  $E \rightarrow E+T$
- 2)  $E \rightarrow T$
- 3)  $T \rightarrow T * F$
- 4)  $T \rightarrow F$
- 5)  $F \rightarrow (E)$
- 6)  $F \rightarrow id$

Action Table

Goto Table

state	id	+	*	(	)	\$		E	T	F
0	s5			s4				1	2	3
1		s6				acc				
2		r2	s7		r2	r2				
3		r4	r4		r4	r4				
4	s5			s4				8	2	3
5		r6	r6		r6	r6				
6	s5			s4					9	3
7	s5			s4						10
8		s6			s11					
9		r1	s7		r1	r1				
10		r3	r3		r3	r3				
11		r5	r5		r5	r5				

# Actions of A (S)LR-Parser -- Example

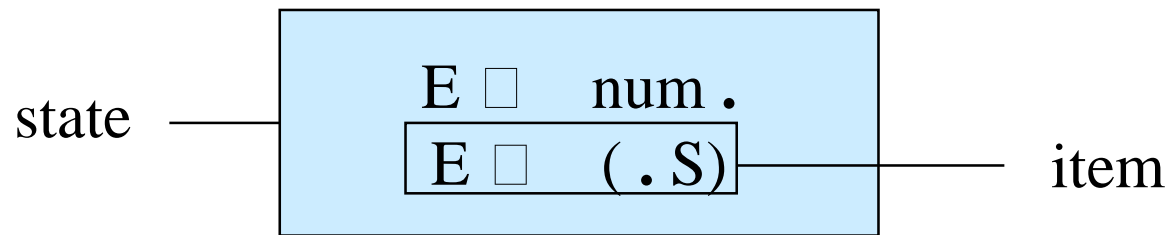
<u>stack</u>	<u>input</u>	<u>action</u>	<u>output</u>
0	id*id+id\$	shift 5	
0id5	*id+id\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$	$F \rightarrow id$
0F3	*id+id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$	$T \rightarrow F$
0T2	*id+id\$	shift 7	
0T2*7	id+id\$	shift 5	
0T2*7id5	+id\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$	$F \rightarrow id$
0T2*7F10	+id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow T * F$	$T \rightarrow T * F$
0T2	+id\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow T$	$E \rightarrow T$
0E1	+id\$	shift 6	
0E1+6	id\$	shift 5	
0E1+6id5	\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$	$F \rightarrow id$
0E1+6F3	\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$	$T \rightarrow F$
0E1+6T9	\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow E + T$	$E \rightarrow E + T$
0E1	\$	accept	

# LR(0) Parsers

- Determine the actions without any lookahead
- Will help us understand shift-reduce parsing
- To build the parsing table:
  - Define states of the parser
  - Build a DFA to describe transitions between states
  - Use the DFA to build the parsing table
- Each LR(0) state is a set of LR(0) items
  - An LR(0) item:  $X \sqsubset \alpha \cdot \beta$  where  $X \sqsubset \alpha\beta$  is a production in the grammar
  - The LR(0) items keep track of the progress on all of the possible upcoming productions
  - The item  $X \sqsubset \alpha \cdot \beta$  abstracts the fact that the parser already matched the string  $\alpha$  at the top of the stack

# Example LR(0) State

- An LR(0) item is a production from the language with a separator “.” somewhere in the RHS of the production



- Sub-string before “.” is already on the stack
- Sub-string after “.”: what we might see next

# LR(0) Items

- LR(0) item
  - A production with a dot at some position of the RHS

$A ::= \bullet XYZ$

we are expecting XYZ

$A ::= X \bullet YZ$

$A ::= XY \bullet Z$

$A ::= XYZ \bullet$

we have seen XYZ

# Constructing LR(0) Parsing Tables – LR(0) Item

- An **LR(0) item** of a grammar G is a production of G a dot at the some position of the right side.
- Ex:  $A \rightarrow aBb$       Possible LR(0) Items:       $A \rightarrow \bullet aBb$   
                                (four different possibility)       $A \rightarrow a \bullet Bb$   
    $A \rightarrow aB \bullet b$   
    $A \rightarrow aBb \bullet$
- Sets of LR(0) items will be the states of action and goto table of the SLR parser.
- A collection of sets of LR(0) items (**the canonical LR(0) collection**) is the basis for constructing SLR parsers.
- Augmented Grammar:*  
 $G'$  is G with a new production rule  $S' \rightarrow S$  where  $S'$  is the new starting symbol.

# The Closure Operation

- If  $I$  is a set of LR(0) items for a grammar  $G$ , then  $\text{closure}(I)$  is the set of LR(0) items constructed from  $I$  by the two rules:
  1. Initially, every LR(0) item in  $I$  is added to  $\text{closure}(I)$ .
  2. If  $A \rightarrow \alpha.B\beta$  is in  $\text{closure}(I)$  and  $B \rightarrow \gamma$  is a production rule of  $G$ ; then  $B \rightarrow \cdot\gamma$  will be in the  $\text{closure}(I)$ . We will apply this rule until no more new LR(0) items can be added to  $\text{closure}(I)$ .

```
function closure (  $I$  );  
begin  
     $J := I$ ;  
    repeat  
        for each item  $A \rightarrow \alpha.B\beta$  in  $J$  and each production  
             $B \rightarrow \gamma$  of  $G$  such that  $B \rightarrow \cdot\gamma$  is not in  $J$  do  
                add  $B \rightarrow \cdot\gamma$  to  $J$   
    until no more items can be added to  $J$ ;  
    return  $J$   
end
```



# The Closure Operation -- Example

$E' \rightarrow E$

$\text{closure}(\{E' \rightarrow \bullet E\}) =$

$E \rightarrow E+T$

$\{ E' \rightarrow \bullet E \} \longleftarrow \text{kernel items}$

$E \rightarrow T$

$E \rightarrow \bullet E+T$

$T \rightarrow T*F$

$E \rightarrow \bullet T$

$T \rightarrow F$

$T \rightarrow \bullet T*F$

$F \rightarrow (E)$

$T \rightarrow \bullet F$

$F \rightarrow \text{id}$

$F \rightarrow \bullet (E)$

$F \rightarrow \bullet \text{id} \}$

# Goto Operation

- If  $I$  is a set of LR(0) items and  $X$  is a grammar symbol (terminal or non-terminal), then  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  is defined as follows:
  - If  $A \rightarrow \alpha.X\beta$  in  $I$  then every item in  $\text{closure}(\{A \rightarrow \alpha X.\beta\})$  will be in  $\text{goto}(I, X)$ .

Example:

$I = \{ E' \rightarrow .E, E \rightarrow .E+T, \\ E \rightarrow .T, T \rightarrow .T*F, T \rightarrow .F, \\ F \rightarrow .(E), F \rightarrow .id \}$

$\text{goto}(I, E) = \{ E' \rightarrow E., E \rightarrow E.+T \}$

$\text{goto}(I, T) = \{ E \rightarrow T., T \rightarrow T.*F \}$

$\text{goto}(I, F) = \{ T \rightarrow F. \}$

$\text{goto}(I, () = \{ F \rightarrow (.E), E \rightarrow .E+T, \\ E \rightarrow .T, T \rightarrow .T*F, T \rightarrow .F, \\ F \rightarrow .(E), F \rightarrow .id \}$

$\text{goto}(I, id) = \{ F \rightarrow id. \}$

```
procedure items( $G'$ );  
begin  
   $C := \{ \text{closure}(\{ [S' \rightarrow \cdot S] \}) \};$   
  repeat  
    for each set of items  $I$  in  $C$  and each grammar symbol  $X$   
      such that  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  is not empty and not in  $C$  do  
        add  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  to  $C$   
  until no more sets of items can be added to  $C$   
end
```

# Construction of The Canonical LR(0) Collection

- *Algorithm:*

$C$  is  $\{ \text{closure}(\{S' \rightarrow \bullet S\}) \}$

**repeat** the followings until no more set of LR(0) items can be added to  $C$ .

**for each**  $I$  in  $C$  and each grammar symbol  $X$

**if**  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  is not empty and not in  $C$

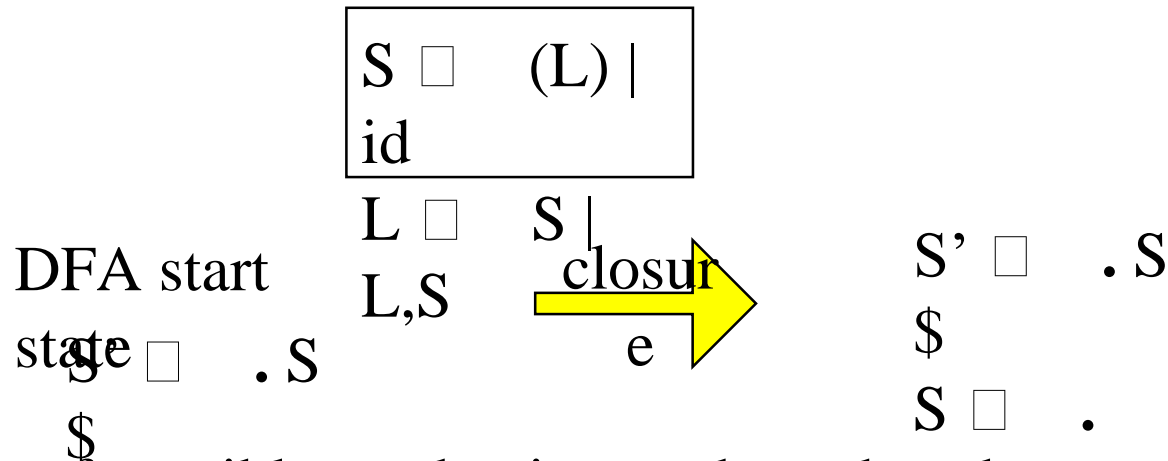
add  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  to  $C$

- $\text{goto}$  function is a DFA on the sets in  $C$ .
- To create the SLR parsing tables for a grammar  $G$ , we will create the canonical LR(0) collection of the grammar  $G'$ .

# Start State and Closure

- Start state
  - Augment grammar with production:  $S' \rightarrow S \$$
  - Start state of DFA has empty stack:  $S' \rightarrow \cdot S \$$
- Closure of a parser state:
  - Start with  $\text{Closure}(S) = S$
  - Then for each item in  $S$ :
    - $X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot Y \beta$
    - Add items for all the productions  $Y \rightarrow \gamma$  to the closure of  $S$ :  $Y \rightarrow \cdot \gamma$

# Closure



- Set of possible productions to be reduced next
- Closure of a parser state,  $S$ :
  - Start with  $\text{Closure}(S) = S$
  - Then for each item in  $S$ :
    - $X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot Y \beta$
    - Add items for all the productions  $Y \rightarrow \gamma$  to the closure of  $S$ :  $Y \rightarrow \cdot \gamma$

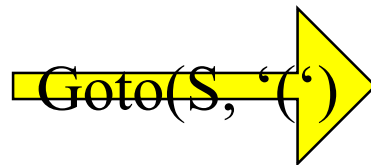
# The Goto Operation

- Goto operation = describes transitions between parser states, which are sets of items
- Algorithm: for state  $S$  and a symbol  $Y$ 
  - If the item  $[X \sqsubset \alpha \cdot Y \beta]$  is in  $I$ , then
  - $\text{Goto}(I, Y) = \text{Closure}([X \sqsubset \alpha Y \cdot \beta])$

$S' \sqsubset \cdot S$
$\$$
$S \sqsubset \cdot$

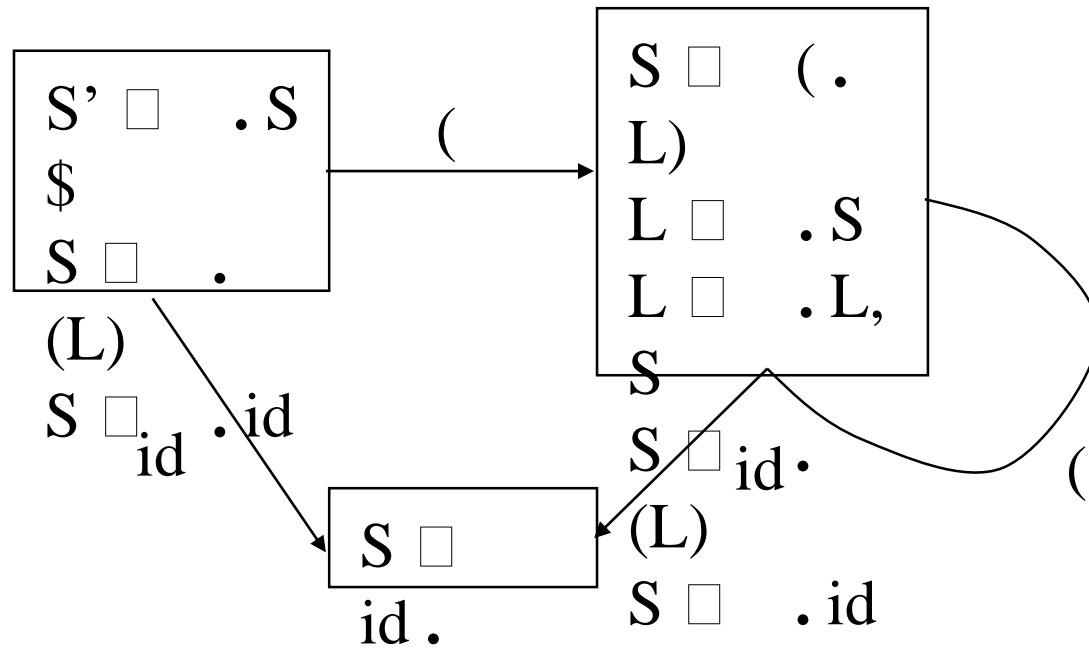
(L)

$S \sqsubset \cdot \text{id}$



$\text{Closure}(\{ S \sqsubset (\cdot L) \})$
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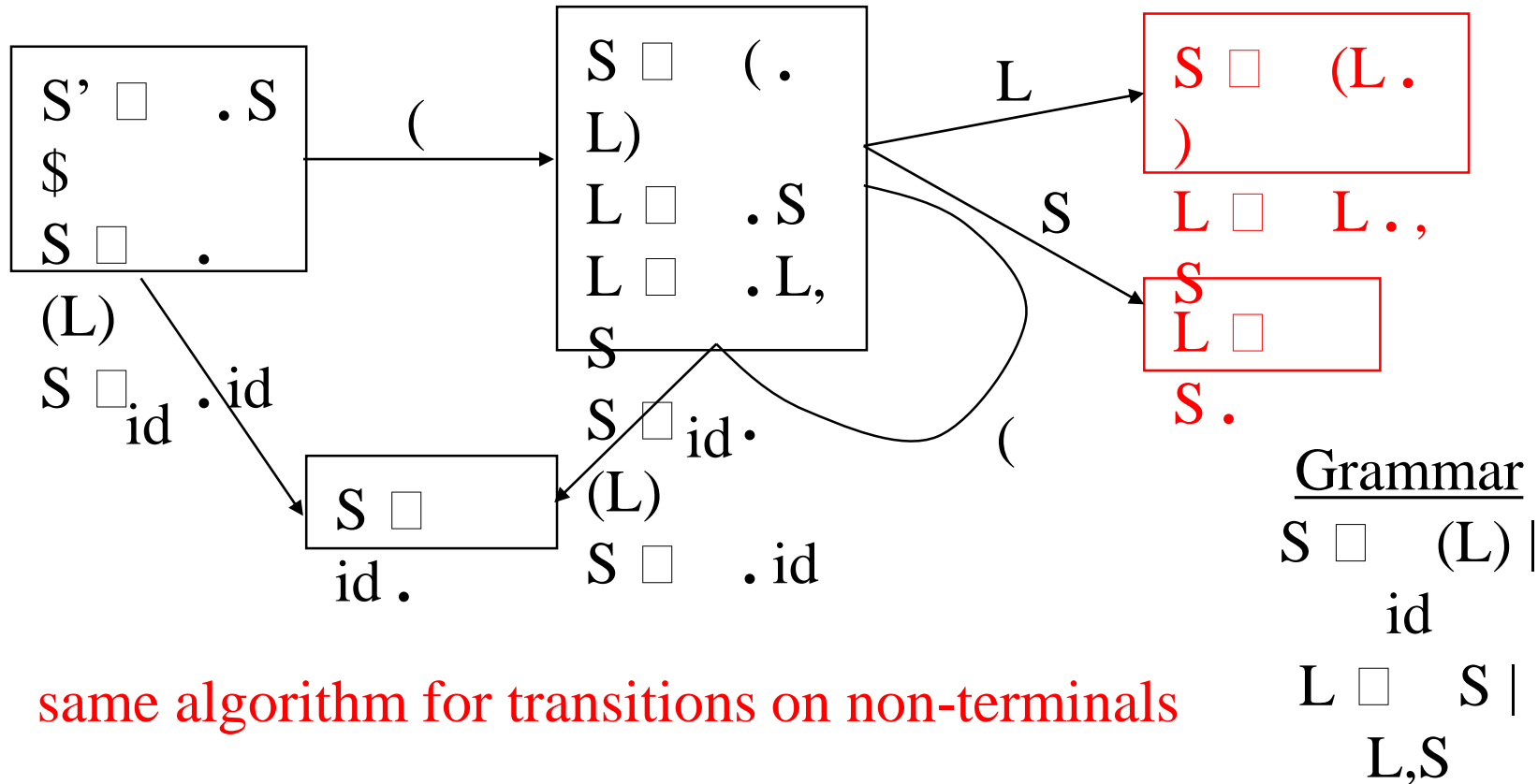
# Goto: Terminal Symbols



Grammar  
 $S \square (L) \mid$   
 $\text{id}$   
 $L \square S \mid$   
 $L, S$

In new state, include all items that have appropriate input symbol just after dot, advance do in those items and take closure

# Goto: Non-terminal Symbols





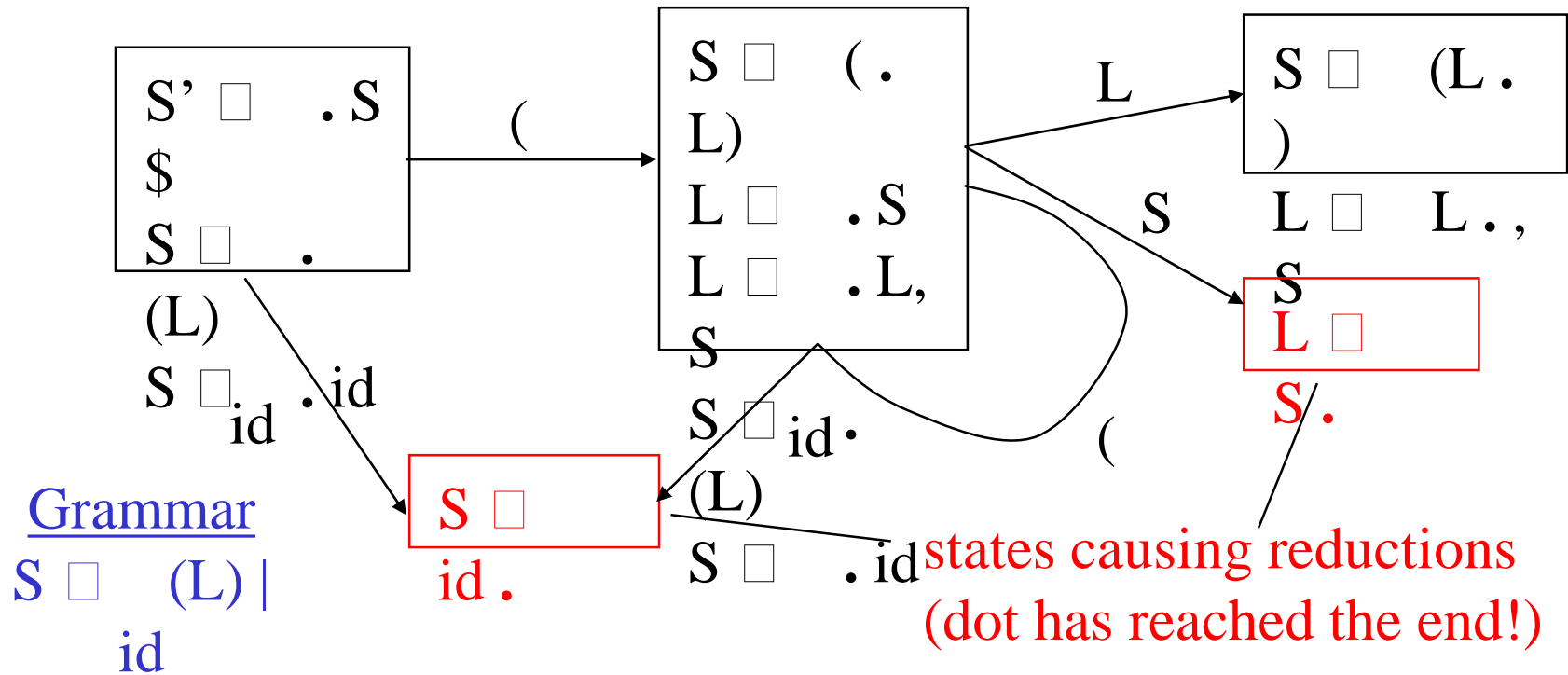
# Example

$E' \rightarrow$	$E$
$E \rightarrow$	$E + T \mid$
$T$	
$T \rightarrow$	$T * F \mid$

1. If  $I = \{ [E' \rightarrow \cdot E], [E \rightarrow \cdot E + T], [E \rightarrow E \cdot + T], [T \rightarrow \cdot T * F], [T \rightarrow T \cdot * F], [T \rightarrow T * \cdot F], [T \rightarrow T * F \cdot] \}$ , then  $\text{Closure}(I) = ??$

1. If  $I = \{ [E' \rightarrow E \cdot], [E \rightarrow E \cdot + T] \}$ , then  $\text{Goto}(I, +) = ??$

# Applying Reduce Actions



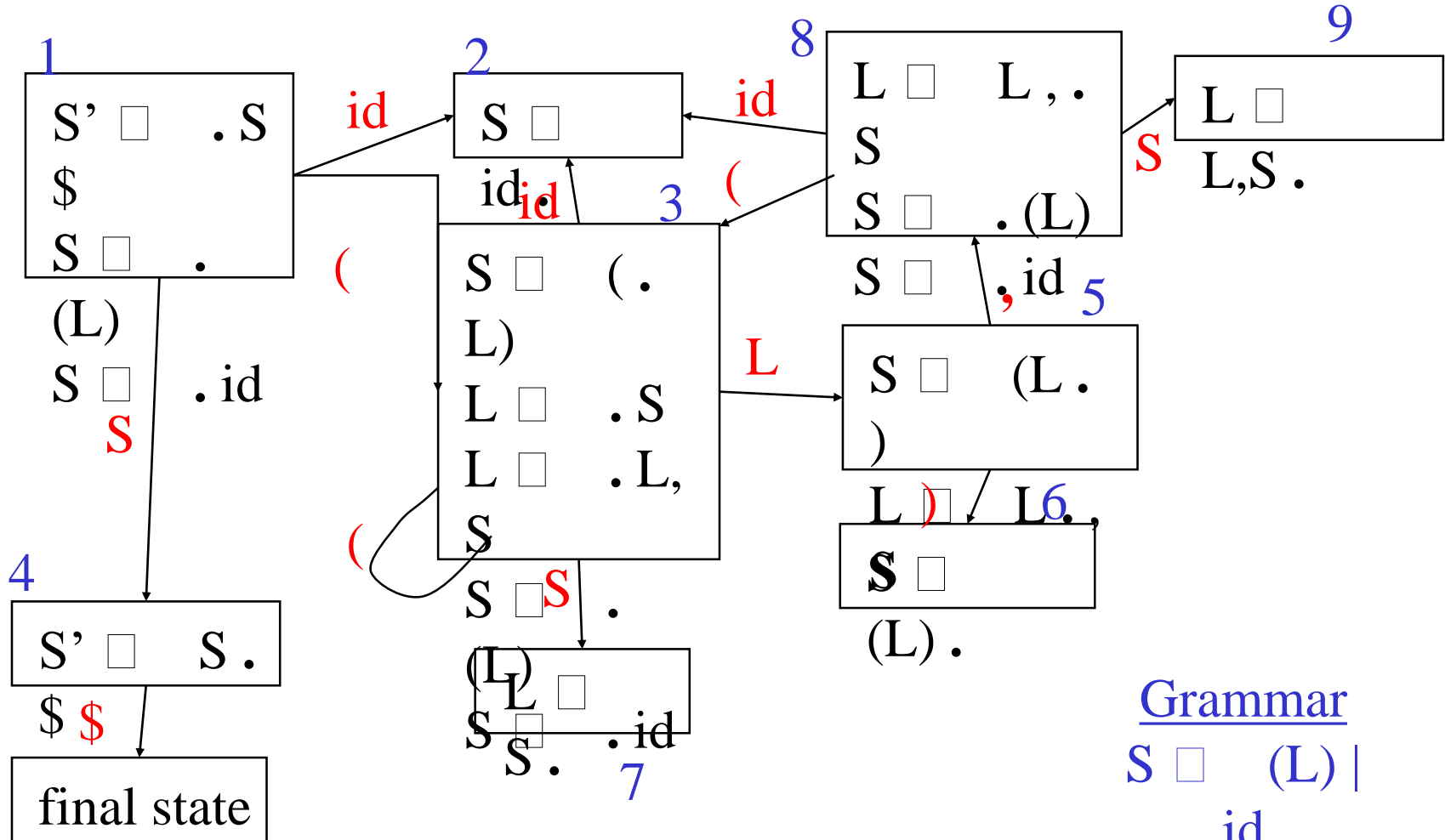
Pop RHS off stack, replace with LHS X ( $X \rightarrow \beta$ ),  
 then rerun DFA (e.g., (x))

# Reductions

- On reducing  $X \rightarrow \beta$  with stack  $\alpha\beta$ 
  - Pop  $\beta$  off stack, revealing prefix  $\alpha$  and state
  - Take single step in DFA from top state
  - Push  $X$  onto stack with new DFA state
- Example

derivation	stack	input	action
$((a),b) \rightarrow$	1 ( 3 ( 3	a),b)	shift, goto 2
$((a),b) \rightarrow$	1 ( 3 ( 3 a 2	),b)	reduce S $\rightarrow$
id			
$((S),b) \rightarrow$	1 ( 3 ( 3 S 7	),b)	reduce L $\rightarrow$
S			

# Full DFA



Grammar  
 $S \square (L) \mid$   
 $\quad id$   
 $L \square S \mid$   
 $\quad L, S$

# Parsing Example ((a),b)

derivation	stack	input	action
((a),b) □	1	((a),b)\$	shift, goto 3     S □ (L)   id
((a),b) □	1(3	(a),b)	shift, goto 3     L □ S   L,S
((a),b) □	1(3(3	a),b)	shift, goto 2
((a),b) □	1(3(3a2	),b)	reduce S □ id
((S),b) □	1(3(3(S7	),b)	reduce L □ S     S.\$->((a),b)\$
((L),b) □	1(3(3(L5	),b)	shift, goto 6     .dot Indicates
((L),b) □	1(3(3L5)6	,b)	reduce S □ (L) already
(S,b) □	1(3S7	,b)	reduce Scanned input
L □ S			After dot –
(L,b) □	1(3L5	,b)	shift, goto Expected input
8			
(L,b) □	1(3L5,8	b)	shift, goto
9			
(L,b) □	1(3L5,8b2	)	reduce
S □ id			
(L,S) □	1(3L8,S9	)	reduce
L □ L,S			
(L) □	1(3L5	)	shift, goto 6

# Building the Parsing Table

- States in the table = states in the DFA
- For transition  $S \xrightarrow{C} S'$  on terminal  $C$ :
  - $\text{Table}[S, C] += \text{Shift}(S')$
- For transition  $S \xrightarrow{N} S'$  on non-terminal  $N$ :
  - $\text{Table}[S, N] += \text{Goto}(S')$
- If  $S$  is a reduction state  $X \xrightarrow{\beta}$  then:
  - $\text{Table}[S, *] += \text{Reduce}(X \xrightarrow{\beta})$

# Computed LR(0) Parsing Table

	Input terminal					Non-terminals		
	(	)	id	,	\$	S	L	
1	s3		s2			g4		
2	S□	id	S□	id	S□	id	S□	id
3	s3		s2			g7		
4	g5					accept		
5		s6		s8				
6	S□	(L)	S□	(L)	S□	(L)	S□	(L)
7	L□	S	L□	S	L□	S	L□	S
8	s3		s2			g9		
9	L□	L,S	L□	L,S	L□	L,S	L□	L,S

blue =

shift

red =

reduce

# LR(0) Summary

- LR(0) parsing recipe:
  - Start with LR(0) grammar
  - Compute LR(0) states and build DFA:
    - Use the closure operation to compute states
    - Use the goto operation to compute transitions
  - Build the LR(0) parsing table from the DFA



# Example

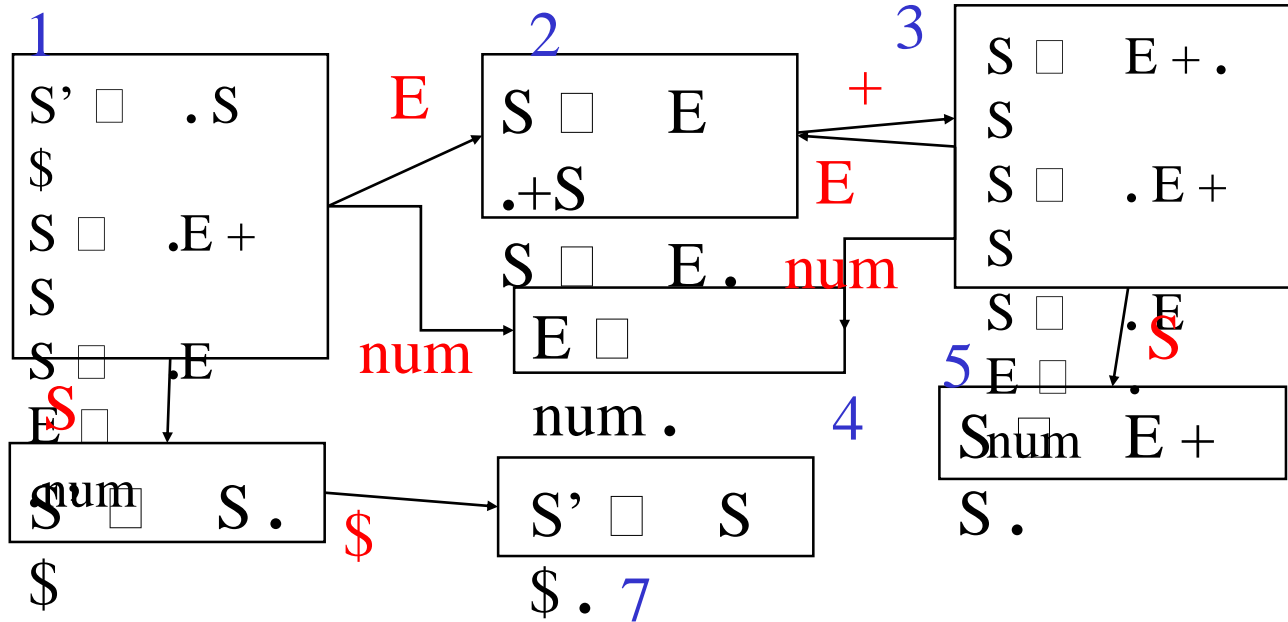
Generate the DFA for the following grammar of addition of numbers

$S \rightarrow E + S \mid$

$E$

$E \rightarrow \text{num}$

# LR(0) Parsing Table



## Grammar

$S \square E + S \mid$

$E$

$E \square num$

Shift or  
reduce  
in state 2?

	num	+	\$	E	S
1	s4			g2	
2	S $\square$ E	s3/S $\square$ E	S $\square$ E		

# Conflicts During Shift-Reduce Parsing

- There are context-free grammars for which shift-reduce parsers cannot be used.
- **Stack contents and the next input symbol may not decide action:**
  - **shift/reduce conflict:** Whether make a shift operation or a reduction.
  - **reduce/reduce conflict:** The parser cannot decide which of several reductions to make.
- **An ambiguous grammar can never be a LR grammar.**

- Grammar for addition of numbers
  - $S \rightarrow S + E \mid E$
  - $E \rightarrow \text{num}$
- Left-associative version is LR(0)
- While Right-associative is **not LR(0)** as seen.
  - $S \rightarrow E + S \mid E$
  - $E \rightarrow \text{num}$

# LR(0) Limitations

- An LR(0) machine only works if states with reduce actions have a single reduce action
  - Always reduce regardless of lookahead
- With a more complex grammar, construction gives states with shift/reduce or reduce/reduce conflicts
- Need to use lookahead to choose

O  
K  
L □ L ,  
S .

shift/reduc

L □ L ,  
S .  
S □ S . ,  
L

reduce/reduc

L □ S ,  
L .  
L □ S .

# Solve Conflict With Lookahead

- 3 popular techniques for employing lookahead of 1 symbol with bottom-up parsing
  - SLR – Simple LR
  - LALR – LookAhead LR
  - LR(1)
- Each as a different means of utilizing the lookahead
  - Results in different processing capabilities

# Constructing SLR Parsing Table

(of an augmented grammar  $G'$ )

1. Construct the canonical collection of sets of LR(0) items for  $G'$ .  
 $C \leftarrow \{I_0, \dots, I_n\}$
1. Create the parsing action table as follows
  - If  $a$  is a terminal,  $A \rightarrow \alpha.a\beta$  in  $I_i$  and  $\text{goto}(I_i, a) = I_j$  then  $\text{action}[i, a]$  is *shift j*.
  - If  $A \rightarrow \alpha.$  is in  $I_i$ , then  $\text{action}[i, a]$  is *reduce  $A \rightarrow \alpha$*  for **all  $a$  in FOLLOW( $A$ )** where  $A \neq S'$ . (**see example  $E \rightarrow T$** .)
  - If  $S' \rightarrow S.$  is in  $I_i$ , then  $\text{action}[i, \$]$  is *accept*.
  - If any conflicting actions generated by these rules, the grammar is not SLR(1).
1. Create the parsing goto table
  - for all non-terminals  $A$ , if  $\text{goto}(I_i, A) = I_j$  then  $\text{goto}[i, A] = j$
1. All entries not defined by (2) and (3) are errors.
1. Initial state of the parser contains  $S' \rightarrow .S$

# SLR Parsing

- SLR Parsing = Easy extension of LR(0)
  - For each reduction  $X \rightarrow \beta$ , look at next symbol  $C$
  - Apply reduction only if  $C$  is in FOLLOW( $X$ )
- SLR parsing table eliminates some conflicts
  - Same as LR(0) table except reduction rows
  - Adds reductions  $X \rightarrow \beta$  only in the columns of symbols in FOLLOW( $X$ )

Example: FOLLOW( $S$ ) = { $\$$ }

Grammar

$S \rightarrow E + S \mid$

$E$

$E \rightarrow \text{num}$

	num	+	\$	E	S
1	s4			g2	g6
2		s3	$S \rightarrow E$		



# SLR Parsing Table

- Reductions do not fill entire rows as before
- Otherwise, same as LR(0)

Grammar

$S \rightarrow E + S \mid$

$E$

$E \rightarrow \text{num}$

	num	+	\$	E	S
1	s4			g2	
2	g6				
3	s4	s3	$S \rightarrow E$	g2	
4	g5				
5		$E \rightarrow \text{num}$	$E \rightarrow \text{num}$		
6			$S \rightarrow E+S$		
7			s7		
			accept		

# Example-1

Consider:

$R \quad S \sqcap L =$   
 $\quad S \sqcap R$   
 $\quad L \sqcap *R$   
 $\quad L \sqcap$   
ident  
 $\quad R \sqcap L$

Think of L as l-value, R as r-value, and  
\* as a pointer dereference

# Cont.

$S \rightarrow L=R$

$S \rightarrow R$

$L \rightarrow *R$

$L \rightarrow id$

$R \rightarrow L$

$I_0: S' \rightarrow .S$

$S \rightarrow .L=R$

$S \rightarrow .R$

$L \rightarrow .*R$

$L \rightarrow .id$

$R \rightarrow .L$

$I_1: S' \rightarrow S.$

$I_2: S \rightarrow L.=R$   
 $R \rightarrow L.$

$I_3: S \rightarrow R.$

$I_4: L \rightarrow *.R$

$R \rightarrow .L$

$L \rightarrow .*R$

$L \rightarrow .id$

$I_5: L \rightarrow id.$

$I_6: S \rightarrow L=.R$

$R \rightarrow .L$

$L \rightarrow .*R$

$L \rightarrow .id$

$I_7: L \rightarrow *.R.$

$I_8: R \rightarrow L.$

$I_9: S \rightarrow L=R.$

**Problem**

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

$=$   $\rightarrow$  shift 6

$\rightarrow$  reduce by  $R \rightarrow L$

shift/reduce conflict

**Not SLR(1)**

## Example-2

$S \rightarrow AaAb$

$S \rightarrow BbBa$

$A \rightarrow \epsilon$

$B \rightarrow \epsilon$

$I_0: S' \rightarrow .S$

$S \rightarrow .AaAb$

$S \rightarrow .BbBa$

$A \rightarrow .$

$B \rightarrow .$

**Problem**

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

$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \{a, b\}$

a  $\rightarrow$  reduce by  $A \rightarrow \epsilon$   
a  $\rightarrow$  reduce by  $B \rightarrow \epsilon$

reduce/reduce conflict

b  $\rightarrow$  reduce by  $A \rightarrow \epsilon$   
b  $\rightarrow$  reduce by  $B \rightarrow \epsilon$

reduce/reduce conflict

**Not SLR(1)**

# Example-3

$I_0: E' \rightarrow .E$   
 $E \rightarrow .E+T$   
 $E \rightarrow .T$   
 $T \rightarrow .T^*F$   
 $T \rightarrow .F$   
 $F \rightarrow .(E)$   
 $F \rightarrow .id$

$I_1: E' \rightarrow E.$   
 $E \rightarrow E.+T$

$I_2: E \rightarrow T.$   
 $T \rightarrow T.*F$

$I_4: F \rightarrow (.E)$   
 $E \rightarrow .E+T$   
 $E \rightarrow .T$   
 $T \rightarrow .T^*F$   
 $T \rightarrow .F$   
 $F \rightarrow .(E)$   
 $F \rightarrow .id$

$I_5: F \rightarrow id.$

$I_6: E \rightarrow E+.T$   
 $T \rightarrow .T^*F$   
 $T \rightarrow .F$   
 $F \rightarrow .(E)$   
 $F \rightarrow .id$

$I_7: T \rightarrow T*.F$   
 $F \rightarrow .(E)$   
 $F \rightarrow .id$

$I_8: F \rightarrow (E.)$   
 $E \rightarrow E.+T$

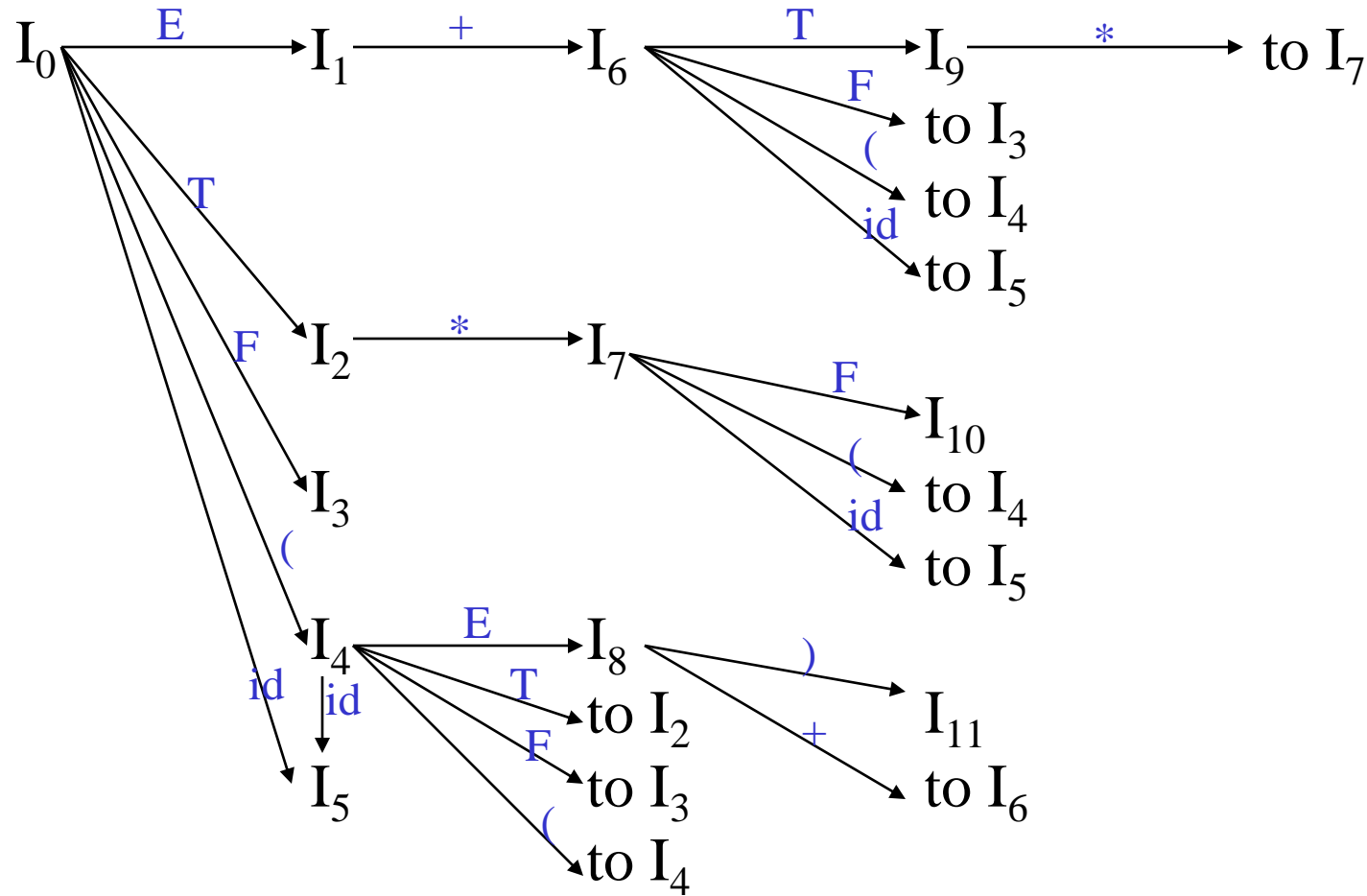
$I_9: E \rightarrow E+T.$   
 $T \rightarrow T.*F$

$I_{10}: T \rightarrow T^*F.$

$I_{11}: F \rightarrow (E).$

Canonical collection of LR(0)

# Transition Diagram (DFA) of Goto Function



# Parsing Tables of Expression Grammar

Action Table

Goto Table

state	id	+	*	(	)	\$		E	T	F
0	s5			s4				1	2	3
1		s6				acc				
2		r2	s7		r2	r2				
3		r4	r4		r4	r4				
4	s5			s4				8	2	3
5		r6	r6		r6	r6				
6	s5			s4					9	3
7	s5			s4						10
8		s6			s11					
9		r1	s7		r1	r1				
10		r3	r3		r3	r3				
11		r5	r5		r5	r5				

SLR(1)???

# SLR(1) Grammar

- An LR parser using SLR(1) parsing tables for a grammar  $G$  is called as the SLR(1) parser for  $G$ .
- If a grammar  $G$  has an SLR(1) parsing table, it is called SLR(1) grammar (or SLR grammar in short).
- Every SLR grammar is unambiguous, but every unambiguous grammar is not a SLR grammar.



# shift/reduce and reduce/reduce conflicts

- If a state does not know whether it will make a shift operation or reduction for a terminal, we say that there is a **shift/reduce conflict**.
- If a state does not know whether it will make a reduction operation using the production rule  $i$  or  $j$  for a terminal, we say that there is a **reduce/reduce conflict**.
- If the SLR parsing table of a grammar  $G$  has a conflict, we say that that grammar is not SLR grammar.

# LR(0) and SLR(1) Parsers

- SLR(1) Parse table = LR(0) parse table + **Follow** (for ex to find follow of T in the case of  $T \rightarrow E$ . item)

# Weaknesses of SLR(1)

- Using the only FOLLOW sets to drive reduce decisions throws away useful informations.
- Tokens in a FOLLOW set arise from different productions, but they get lumped together in the FOLLOW set with tokens arising from other productions.
- When it comes time to decide on a reduce move, we sometimes need to be more specific, and associate the look ahead with the particular production that added that token to the FOLLOW set.

# A new way to build the parsing DFA

- To remember some of the context of new items added during the Closure operations
- For example in grammar below:

$E \rightarrow E+(E)$

$E \rightarrow \text{int}$

With the item  $E \rightarrow E+(\cdot E)$

- When we add the items  $E \rightarrow \cdot E+(E)$  and  $E \rightarrow \cdot \text{int}$  to the closure, we record the fact that the original  $E$  is followed by ')', which creates the LR(1) items:

$E \rightarrow \cdot E+(E) , )$

$E \rightarrow \cdot \text{int} , )$

- The comma is just notation to separate the core of the item from lookahead

# LR(1) Item

- An LR(1) item is a pair:

$X \rightarrow \alpha.\beta$ ,  $a$

Where  $X \rightarrow \alpha\beta$  is a production,  $a$  is a look ahead terminal and LR(1) means a look ahead of 1 terminal

- It also describes a context of the parser
  - We are trying to find an  $X$  followed by an  $a$
  - We have (at least)  $\alpha$  already at top of stack
  - Thus we need to see next a prefix derivable from  $\beta a$

# LR(1) Item (cont.)

- When  $\beta$  ( in the LR(1) item  $A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta,a$  ) is not empty, the look-head does not have any affect.
- When  $\beta$  is empty ( $A \rightarrow \alpha.,a$  ), we do the reduction by  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  only if the next input symbol is **a** (not for any terminal in FOLLOW(A)).
- A state will contain  $A \rightarrow \alpha.,a_1$  where  $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq \text{FOLLOW}(A)$

...

$A \rightarrow \alpha.,a_n$

# Canonical Collection of Sets of LR(1) Items

- The construction of the canonical collection of the sets of LR(1) items are similar to the construction of the canonical collection of the sets of LR(0) items, except that *closure* and *goto* operations work a little bit different.

**closure(I)** is: ( where I is a set of LR(1) items)

- every LR(1) item in I is in closure(I)
- if  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot B \beta, a$  in closure(I) and  $B \rightarrow \gamma$  is a production rule of G; then  $B \rightarrow \cdot \gamma, b$  will be in the closure(I) for each terminal b in  $\text{FIRST}(\beta a)$ .

# goto operation

- If  $I$  is a set of LR(1) items and  $X$  is a grammar symbol (terminal or non-terminal), then  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  is defined as follows:
  - If  $A \rightarrow \alpha.X\beta, a$  in  $I$   
then every item in  $\text{closure}(\{A \rightarrow \alpha X.\beta, a\})$  will be in  $\text{goto}(I, X)$ .



# Construction of The Canonical LR(1) Collection

- *Algorithm:*

$C$  is  $\{ \text{closure}(\{S' \rightarrow .S, \$\}) \}$

**repeat** the followings until no more set of LR(1) items can be added to  $C$ .

**for each**  $I$  in  $C$  and each grammar symbol  $X$

**if**  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  is not empty and not in  $C$

            add  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  to  $C$

- $\text{goto}$  function is a DFA on the sets in  $C$ .

# A Short Notation for The Sets of LR(1) Items

- A set of LR(1) items containing the following items

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet \beta, a_1$$

...

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet \beta, a_n$$

can be written as

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet \beta, a_1/a_2/.../a_n$$

# Canonical LR(1) Collection -- Example

$S \rightarrow AaAb$

$S \rightarrow BbBa$

$A \rightarrow \epsilon$

$B \rightarrow \epsilon$

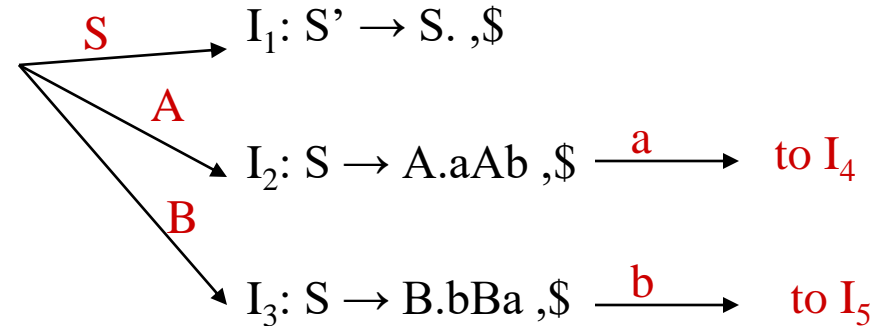
$I_0: S' \rightarrow .S, \$$

$S \rightarrow .AaAb, \$$

$S \rightarrow .BbBa, \$$

$A \rightarrow ., a$

$B \rightarrow ., b$



$I_4: S \rightarrow Aa.Ab, \$ \xrightarrow{A} I_6: S \rightarrow AaA.b, \$ \xrightarrow{a} I_8: S \rightarrow AaAb., \$$   
 $A \rightarrow ., b$

$I_5: S \rightarrow Bb.Ba, \$ \xrightarrow{B} I_7: S \rightarrow BbB.a, \$ \xrightarrow{b} I_9: S \rightarrow BbBa., \$$   
 $B \rightarrow ., a$

# Canonical LR(1) Collection – Example2

$S' \rightarrow S$

1)  $S \rightarrow L=R$

2)  $S \rightarrow R$

3)  $L \rightarrow *R$

4)  $L \rightarrow id$

5)  $R \rightarrow L$

$I_0: S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \$$

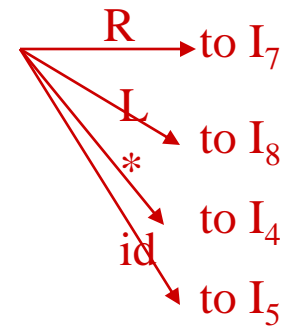
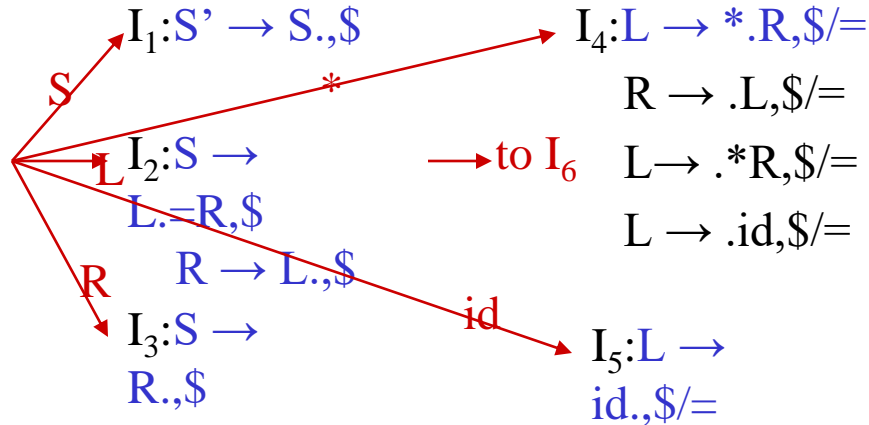
$S \rightarrow \cdot L=R, \$$

$S \rightarrow \cdot R, \$$

$L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \$/=$

$L \rightarrow \cdot id, \$/=$

$R \rightarrow \cdot L, \$$

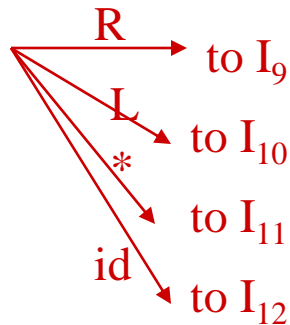


$I_6: S \rightarrow$   
 $L=R \cdot, \$$

$R \rightarrow \cdot L, \$$

$L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \$$

$L \rightarrow \cdot id, \$$



$I_9: S \rightarrow$   
 $L=R \cdot, \$$

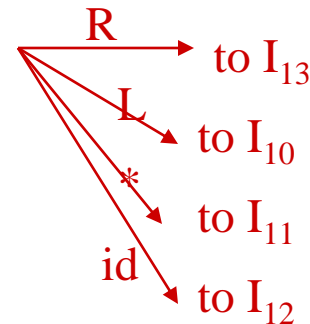
$I_{10}: R \rightarrow L \cdot, \$$

$I_{11}: L \rightarrow * \cdot R, \$$

$R \rightarrow \cdot L, \$$

$L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \$$

$L \rightarrow \cdot id, \$$



$I_{13}: L \rightarrow$   
 $*R \cdot, \$$

$I_4$  and  $I_{11}$

$I_5$  and  $I_{12}$

$I_7$  and  $I_{13}$

$I_8$  and  $I_{10}$

$I_7: L \rightarrow$   
 $*R \cdot, \$/=$

$I_8: R \rightarrow$   
 $L \cdot, \$/=$

$I_{12}: L \rightarrow id \cdot, \$$

# Construction of LR(1) Parsing Tables(CLR(1))

1. Construct the canonical collection of sets of LR(1) items for  $G'$ .

$$C \leftarrow \{I_0, \dots, I_n\}$$

1. Create the parsing action table as follows

- If  $a$  is a terminal,  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet a \beta$ ,  $b$  in  $I_i$  and  $\text{goto}(I_i, a) = I_j$  then  $\text{action}[i, a]$  is *shift j*.
- If  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet$ ,  $a$  is in  $I_i$ , then  $\text{action}[i, a]$  is *reduce*  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  where  $A \neq S'$ .
- If  $S' \rightarrow S \bullet, \$$  is in  $I_i$ , then  $\text{action}[i, \$]$  is *accept*.
- If any conflicting actions generated by these rules, the grammar is not LR(1).

1. Create the parsing goto table

- for all non-terminals  $A$ , if  $\text{goto}(I_i, A) = I_j$  then  $\text{goto}[i, A] = j$

1. All entries not defined by (2) and (3) are errors.

1. Initial state of the parser contains  $S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \$$

# LR(1) Parsing Tables – (for Example2)

	id	*	=	\$		S	L	R
0	s5	s4				1	2	3
1				acc				
2			s6	r5				
3				r2				
4	s5	s4					8	7
5			r4	r4				
6	s12	s11					10	9
7			r3	r3				
8			r5	r5				
9				r1				
10				r5				
11	s12	s11					10	13
12				r4				
13				r3				

no shift/reduce or  
no reduce/reduce conflict



so, it is a LR(1) grammar

# LALR(1) Grammars

- Problem with LR(1): too many states
- LALR(1) parsing (aka **LookAhead LR**)
  - Constructs LR(1) DFA and then **merge any 2 LR(1) states whose items are identical except lookahead**
  - **Results in smaller parser tables, so are often used in practice**
  - **Theoretically less powerful than LR(1)**
  - **No of states in SLR = No of states in LALR**

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline S \square id . , \\ \hline + \\ \hline S \square E . , \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|} \hline S \square id . , \\ \hline \$ \\ \hline S \square E . , \\ \hline \end{array} = ??$$

- LALR(1) grammar = a grammar whose LALR(1) parsing table has no conflicts

# Creating LALR Parsing Tables

Canonical LR(1) Parser



LALR Parser

shrink # of states

- This shrink process may introduce a **reduce/reduce** conflict in the resulting LALR parser (so the grammar is NOT LALR)
- But, this shrink process **does not produce a shift/reduce conflict.**



# The Core of A Set of LR(1) Items

- The core of a set of LR(1) items is the set of its first component.

Ex:  $S \rightarrow L \bullet =R, \$$      $\square$      $S \rightarrow L \bullet =R$      $\longleftarrow$  Core  
 $R \rightarrow L \bullet, \$$      $R \rightarrow L \bullet$

- We will find the states (sets of LR(1) items) in a canonical LR(1) parser with same cores. Then we will merge them as a single state.

$I_1: L \rightarrow id \bullet, =$

A new state:

$I_{12}: L \rightarrow id \bullet, =$

$\square$

$L \rightarrow id \bullet, \$$

$I_2: L \rightarrow id \bullet, \$$     have same core, merge them

- We will do this for all states of a canonical LR(1) parser to get the states of the LALR parser.
- In fact, the number of the states of the LALR parser for a grammar will be equal to the number of states of the SLR parser for that grammar.

# Creation of LALR Parsing Tables

- Create the canonical LR(1) collection of the sets of LR(1) items for the given grammar.
- Find each core; find all sets having that same core; replace those sets having same cores with a single set which is their union.

$$C = \{I_0, \dots, I_n\} \quad \square \quad C' = \{J_1, \dots, J_m\} \quad \text{where } m \leq n$$

- Create the parsing tables (action and goto tables) same as the construction of the parsing tables of LR(1) parser.
  - Note that: If  $J = I_1 \cup \dots \cup I_k$  since  $I_1, \dots, I_k$  have same cores
    - $\square$  cores of  $\text{goto}(I_1, X), \dots, \text{goto}(I_k, X)$  must be same.
  - So,  $\text{goto}(J, X) = K$  where  $K$  is the union of all sets of items having same cores as  $\text{goto}(I_1, X)$ .
- If no conflict is introduced, the grammar is LALR(1) grammar.  
(We may only introduce reduce/reduce conflicts; we cannot introduce a shift/reduce conflict)

# Canonical LALR(1) Collection – Example2

$S' \rightarrow S$

1)  $S \rightarrow L=R$

2)  $S \rightarrow R$

3)  $L \rightarrow *R$

4)  $L \rightarrow id$

5)  $R \rightarrow L$

$I_0: S' \rightarrow \bullet S, \$$

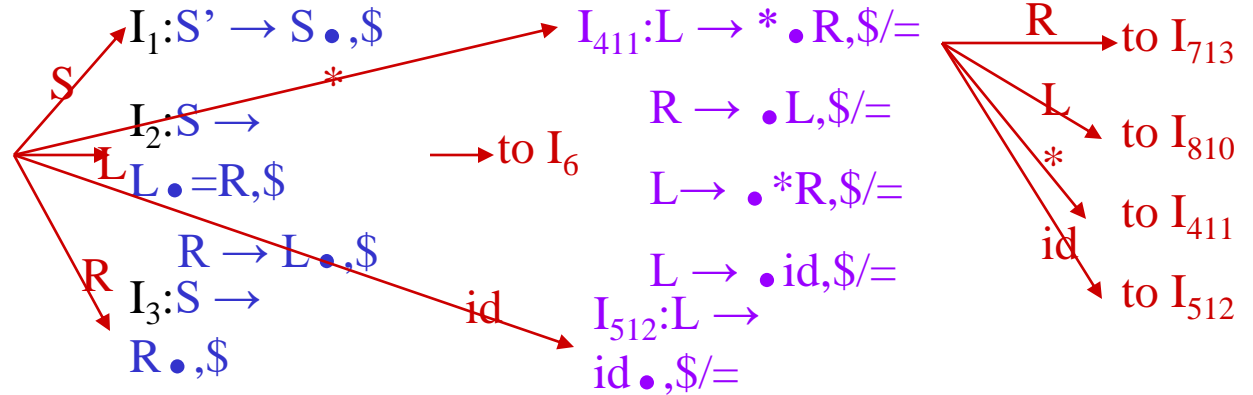
$S \rightarrow \bullet L=R, \$$

$S \rightarrow \bullet R, \$$

$L \rightarrow \bullet *R, \$/=$

$L \rightarrow \bullet id, \$/=$

$R \rightarrow \bullet L, \$$



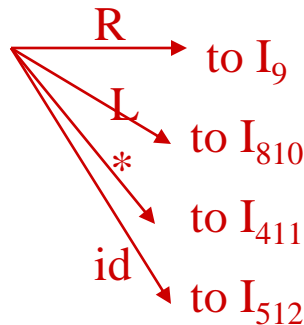
$I_6: S \rightarrow$   
 $L = \bullet R, \$$

$R \rightarrow \bullet L, \$$

$L \rightarrow \bullet *R, \$$

$L \rightarrow \bullet id, \$$

$I_9: S \rightarrow$   
 $L = R \bullet, \$$



$I_{713}: L \rightarrow$

$*R \bullet, \$/=$

$I_{810}: R \rightarrow$

$L \bullet, \$/=$

Same Cores  
 $I_4$  and  $I_{11}$

$I_5$  and  $I_{12}$

$I_7$  and  $I_{13}$

$I_8$  and  $I_{10}$

# LALR(1) Parsing Tables – (for Example2)

	id	*	=	\$		S	L	R
0	s5	s4				1	2	3
1				acc				
2			s6	r5				
3				r2				
4	s5	s4					8	7
5			r4	r4				
6	s12	s11					10	9
7			r3	r3				
8			r5	r5				
9				r1				

no shift/reduce or  
no reduce/reduce conflict



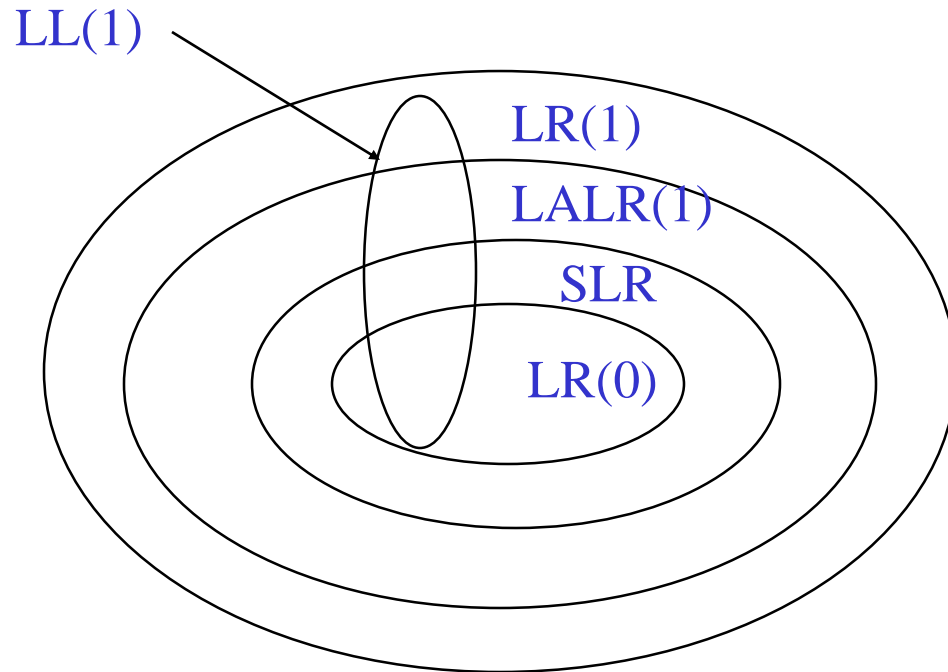
so, it is a LALR(1) grammar

# Conflicts in LALR(1) parsing

- LALR(1) parsers cannot introduce shift/reduce conflicts
  - Such conflicts are caused when a lookahead is the same as a token on which we can shift. They depend on the core of the item. But we only merge states that had the same core to begin with. The only way for an LALR(1) parser to have a shift/reduce conflict is if one existed already in the LR(1) parser.
- LALR(1) parsers can introduce reduce/reduce conflicts
  - Here's a situation when this might happen:

$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B \cdot, x \\ A \rightarrow C \cdot, y \end{array}$  merges with  $\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B \cdot, y \\ A \rightarrow C \cdot, x \end{array}$  to give:  $\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B \cdot, x/y \\ A \rightarrow C \cdot, x/y \end{array}$

# Classification of Grammars



$$\text{LR}(k) \subseteq \text{LR}(k+1)$$

$$\text{LL}(k) \subseteq \text{LL}(k+0)$$

$$\text{LL}(k) \subseteq \text{LR}(k)$$

$$\text{LR}(0) \subseteq \text{SLR}$$

$$\text{LALR}(1) \subseteq$$

$$\text{LR}(1)$$

Every LL(1) grammar is an LR(1) grammar, although there are LL(1) grammars that are not LALR(1)/SLR/LR(0)

# Viable Prefixes

- Not all prefixes of right sentential forms can appear on the stack, however, since the parser must not shift past the handle. For example, suppose,
  - $E \Rightarrow F * id \Rightarrow (E) * id$
  - Then at various times during the parse, the stack will hold  $($ ,  $(E$ , and  $(E)$ , but it must not hold  $(E)*$ , since  $(E)$  is a handle, which the parser must reduce to  $F$  before shifting  $*$
  - Def:
    - 1) The prefixes of right sentential forms that can appear on the stack of a shift-reduce parser
    - 2) The prefixes of rsf that does not continue past the right end of the rightmost handle of that sentential form

# Using Ambiguous Grammars

- All grammars used in the construction of LR-parsing tables must be un-ambiguous.
- Can we create LR-parsing tables for ambiguous grammars ?
  - Yes, but they will have conflicts.
  - We can resolve these conflicts in favor of one of them to disambiguate the grammar.
  - At the end, we will have again an unambiguous grammar.
- Why we want to use an ambiguous grammar?
  - Some of the ambiguous grammars are **much natural**, and a corresponding unambiguous grammar can be very complex.
  - Usage of an ambiguous grammar may **eliminate unnecessary reductions**.
- Ex.

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

□

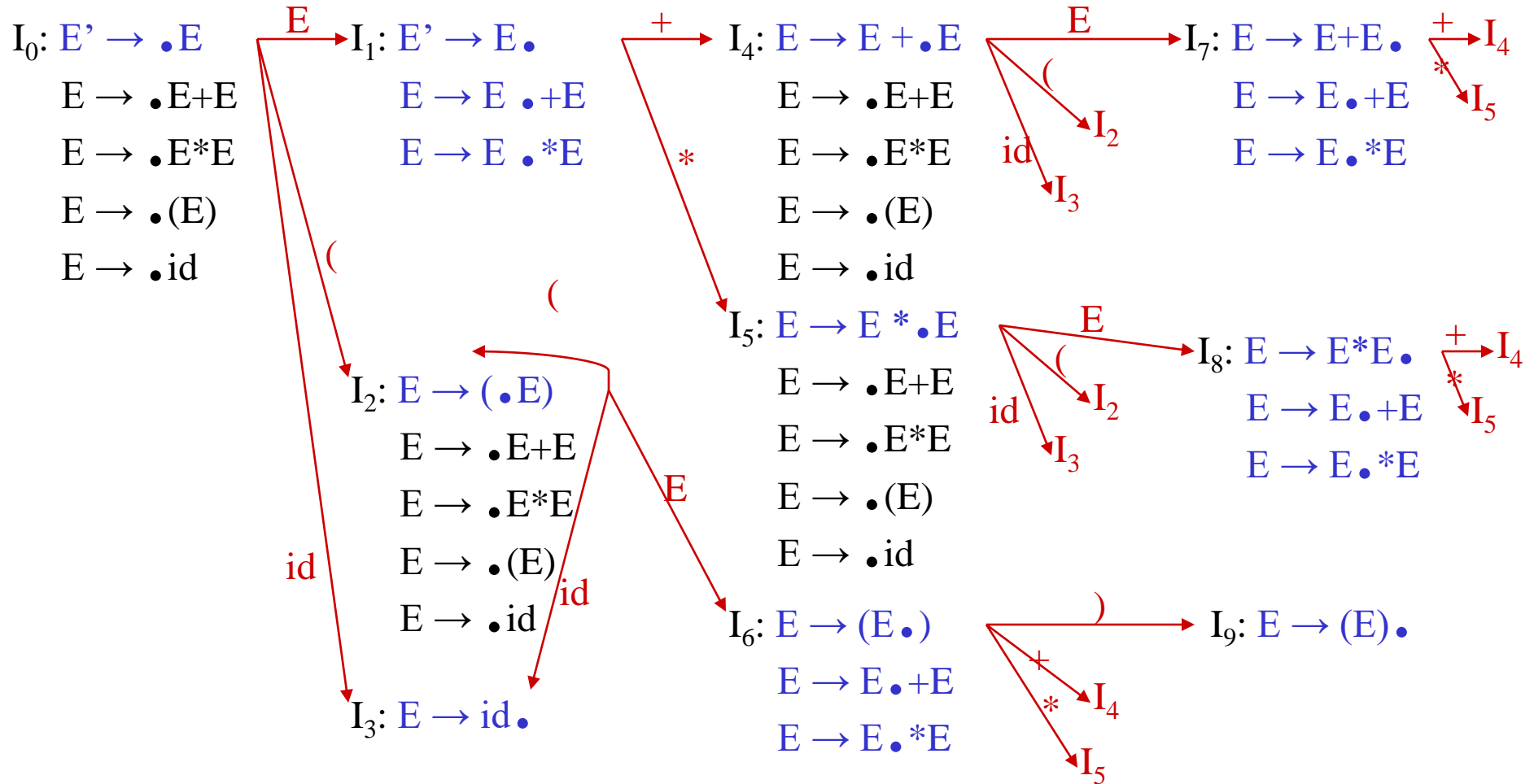
$E \rightarrow E+T \mid T$

$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$

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



# Sets of LR(0) Items for Ambiguous Grammar



# SLR-Parsing Tables for Ambiguous Grammar

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

State  $I_7$  has shift/reduce conflicts for symbols  $+$  and  $*$ .

$$I_0 \xrightarrow{E} I_1 \xrightarrow{+} I_4 \xrightarrow{E} I_7$$

when current token is  $+$

shift ☐  $+$  is right-

associative

reduce ☐  $+$  is left-

associative

when current token is  $*$

shift ☐  $*$  has higher precedence than

$+$

reduce ☐  $+$  has higher precedence than

$*$

# SLR-Parsing Tables for Ambiguous Grammar

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

State  $I_8$  has shift/reduce conflicts for symbols  $+$  and  $*$ .

$$I_0 \xrightarrow{E} I_1 \xrightarrow{*} I_5 \xrightarrow{E} I_7$$

when current token is  $*$

shift ☐  $*$  is right-

associative

reduce ☐  $*$  is left-

associative

when current token is  $+$

shift ☐  $+$  has higher precedence than

$*$

reduce ☐  $*$  has higher precedence than

$+$

# SLR-Parsing Tables for Ambiguous Grammar

		Action				Goto		
		id	+	*	(	)	\$	E
0	s3				s2			1
1		s4	s5				acc	
2	s3				s2			6
3		r4	r4		r4	r4		
4	s3				s2			7
5	s3				s2			8
6		s4	s5		s9			
7		r1	s5		r1	r1		
8		r2	r2		r2	r2		
9		r3	r3		r3	r3		

# Error detection in LR parsing

- Errors are discovered when a slot in the action table is blank.
- Canonical LR(1) parsers detect and report the error as soon as it is encountered
- LALR(1) parsers may perform a few reductions after the error has been encountered, and then detect it.
  - This is a result to the state merging.

# Error recovery in LR parsing

- Phrase-level recovery
  - Associate error routines with the empty table slots. Figure out what situation may have caused the error and make an appropriate recovery.
- Panic-mode recovery
  - Discard symbols from the stack until a non-terminal is found. Discard input symbols until a possible lookahead for that non-terminal is found. Try to continue parsing.
- Error productions
  - Common errors can be added as rules to the grammar.

# Error recovery in LR parsing

- Phrase-level recovery
  - Consider the table for grammar  $E \rightarrow E + E \mid \text{id}$

	+	id	\$	E
0	<i>e1</i>	s2	<i>e1</i>	1
1	s3	<i>e2</i>	accept	
2	r( $E \rightarrow \text{id}$ )	<i>e3</i>	r( $E \rightarrow \text{id}$ )	
3	<i>e1</i>	s2	<i>e1</i>	4
4	r( $E \rightarrow E + E$ )	<i>e2</i>	r( $E \rightarrow E + E$ )	

**Error *e1*:** "missing operand inserted". Recover by inserting an imaginary identifier in the stack and shifting to state 2.

**Error *e2*:** "missing operator inserted". Recover by inserting an imaginary operator in the stack and shifting to state 3

**Error *e3*:** ??

# Error recovery in LR parsing

- Error productions
  - Allow the parser to "recognize" erroneous input.
  - Example:
    - statement : expression SEMI  
              | error SEMI  
              | error NEWLINE
  - If the expression cannot be matched, discard everything up to the next semicolon or the next new line



# Operator-Precedence Parser

- **Operator grammar**
  - small, but an important class of grammars
  - we may have an efficient operator precedence parser (a shift-reduce parser) for an operator grammar.
- In an *operator grammar*, **no production rule can have:**
  - $\epsilon$  at the right side
  - two adjacent non-terminals at the right side.

- Ex:

$E \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$

not operator grammar

$E \rightarrow EOE$

$E \rightarrow id$

$O \rightarrow + | * | /$

not operator grammar

$E \rightarrow E + E \mid$

$E * E \mid$

$E / E \mid id$

operator grammar

# Precedence Relations

- In operator-precedence parsing, we define three disjoint precedence relations between certain pairs of terminals.

$a < \cdot b$              $b$  has higher precedence than  $a$

$a = \cdot b$              $b$  has same precedence as  $a$

$a \cdot > b$              $b$  has lower precedence than  $a$

- The determination of correct precedence relations between terminals are based on the traditional notions of associativity and precedence of operators. (Unary minus causes a problem).

# Using Operator-Precedence Relations

- The **intention** of the precedence relations is **to find the handle of a right-sentential form**,
  - $\leq$  with marking the left end,
  - $=$  appearing in the interior of the handle, and
  - $\geq$  marking the right hand.
- In input string  $\$a_1a_2\dots a_n\$$ , we insert the precedence relation between the pairs of terminals (the precedence relation holds between the terminals in that pair).

# Using Operator -Precedence Relations

$E \rightarrow E+E \mid E-E \mid E * E \mid E/E \mid E^E \mid (E) \mid -E \mid \text{id}$

The partial operator-precedence table for this grammar

	id	+	*	\$
id		$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
+	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$
*	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
\$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	

- Then the input string **id+id\*id** with the precedence relations inserted will be:

$\$ < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > + < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > * < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > \$$

# To Find The Handles

1. Scan the string from left end until the first  $\cdot >$  is encountered.
2. Then scan backwards (to the left) until  $< \cdot$  is encountered.
3. The handle contains everything to left of the first  $\cdot >$  and to the right of the  $< \cdot$  is encountered.

$\$ < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > + < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > * < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > \$$

$E \rightarrow \text{id}$

$\$ \text{id} + \text{id} * \text{id} \$$

$\$ < \cdot + < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > * < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > \$$

$E \rightarrow \text{id}$

$\$ E + \text{id} * \text{id} \$$

$\$ < \cdot + < \cdot * < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > \$$

$E \rightarrow \text{id}$

$\$ E + E * \text{id} \$$

$\$ < \cdot + < \cdot * \cdot > \$$

$E \rightarrow E * E$

$\$ E + E * \cdot E \$$

$\$ < \cdot + \cdot > \$$

$E \rightarrow E + E$

$\$ E + E \$$

$\$ \$$

$\$ E \$$

	id	+	*	\$
id		$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
+	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$
*	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
\$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	

# Operator-Precedence Parsing Algorithm

The input string is  $w\$$ , the initial stack is  $\$$  and a table holds precedence relations between certain terminals

## *Algorithm:*

set  $p$  to point to the first symbol of  $w\$$  ;

**repeat forever**

**if** (  $\$$  is on top of the stack **and**  $p$  points to  $\$$  ) **then return**

**else {**

let  $a$  be the topmost terminal symbol on the stack and let  $b$  be the symbol pointed to by  $p$ ;

**if** (  $a < \cdot b$  or  $a = \cdot b$  ) **then {** /\* SHIFT \*/

push  $b$  onto the stack;

advance  $p$  to the next input symbol;

**}**

**else if** (  $a \cdot > b$  ) **then** /\* REDUCE \*/

**repeat** pop stack

**until** ( the top of stack terminal is related by  $< \cdot$  to the terminal most recently popped );

**else** error();

**}**

# Operator-Precedence Parsing Algorithm -- Example

stack

\$

\$id

\$

\$+

\$+id

\$+

\$+\*

\$+\*id

\$+\*

\$+

\$

input

id+id\*id\$

+id\*id\$

+id\*id\$

id\*id\$

\*id\$

\*id\$

id\$

\$

\$

\$

\$

action

\$ < id    shift

id > +    reduce  $E \rightarrow id$

shift

shift

id > \*    reduce     $E \rightarrow id$

shift

shift

id > \$    reduce     $E \rightarrow id$

\* > \$    reduce     $E \rightarrow E * E$

+ > \$    reduce     $E \rightarrow E + E$

accept

	id	+	*	\$
id		.>	.>	.>
+	<.	.>	<.	.>
*	<.	.>	.>	.>
\$	<.	<.	<.	

# How to Create Operator-Precedence Relations

- We use associativity and precedence relations among operators.
- 1. If operator  $\theta_1$  has higher precedence than operator  $\theta_2$ ,  
 $\square \quad \theta_1 \cdot > \theta_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_2 < \cdot \theta_1$
- 1. If operator  $\theta_1$  and operator  $\theta_2$  have equal precedence,  
they are left-associative  $\square \quad \theta_1 \cdot > \theta_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_2 \cdot > \theta_1$   
they are right-associative  $\square \quad \theta_1 < \cdot \theta_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_2 < \cdot \theta_1$
- 1. For all operators  $\theta$ ,  $\theta < \cdot \text{id}$ ,  $\text{id} \cdot > \theta$ ,  $\theta < \cdot ($ ,  $( < \cdot \theta$ ,  $\theta \cdot > )$ ,  $) \cdot > \theta$ ,  $\theta \cdot > \$$ , and  $\$ < \cdot \theta$
- 1. Also, let
$$\begin{aligned}
 (= \cdot) \quad & \$ < \cdot ( \quad \quad \quad \text{id} \cdot > ) \quad \quad \quad ) \cdot > \$ \\
 ( < \cdot ( \quad & \$ < \cdot \text{id} \quad \quad \quad \text{id} \cdot > \$ \quad \quad \quad ) \cdot > ) \\
 ( < \cdot \text{id}
 \end{aligned}$$



# Operator-Precedence Relations

	+	-	*	/	^	id	(	)	\$
+	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
-	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
*	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
/	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
^	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
id	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$			$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
(	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$= \cdot$	
)	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$			$\cdot >$	$\cdot >$
\$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$	$< \cdot$		

# Handling Unary Minus

- Operator-Precedence parsing cannot handle the unary minus when we also have the binary minus in our grammar.
- The best approach to solve this problem, let the lexical analyzer handle this problem.
  - The lexical analyzer will return two different tokens for the unary minus and the binary minus.
  - The lexical analyzer will need a lookahead to distinguish the binary minus from the unary minus.
- Then, we make
  - $\theta < \cdot$  unary-minus    for any operator
  - unary-minus  $\cdot > \theta$     if unary-minus has higher precedence than  $\theta$
  - unary-minus  $< \cdot \theta$     if unary-minus has lower (or equal) precedence than  $\theta$

# Precedence Functions

- Compilers using operator precedence parsers do not need to store the table of precedence relations.
- The **table can be encoded** by two precedence functions  $f$  and  $g$  that map terminal symbols to integers.
- For symbols  $a$  and  $b$ .

$f(a) < g(b)$       whenever  $a < \cdot b$

$f(a) = g(b)$       whenever  $a = \cdot b$

$f(a) > g(b)$       whenever  $a \cdot > b$

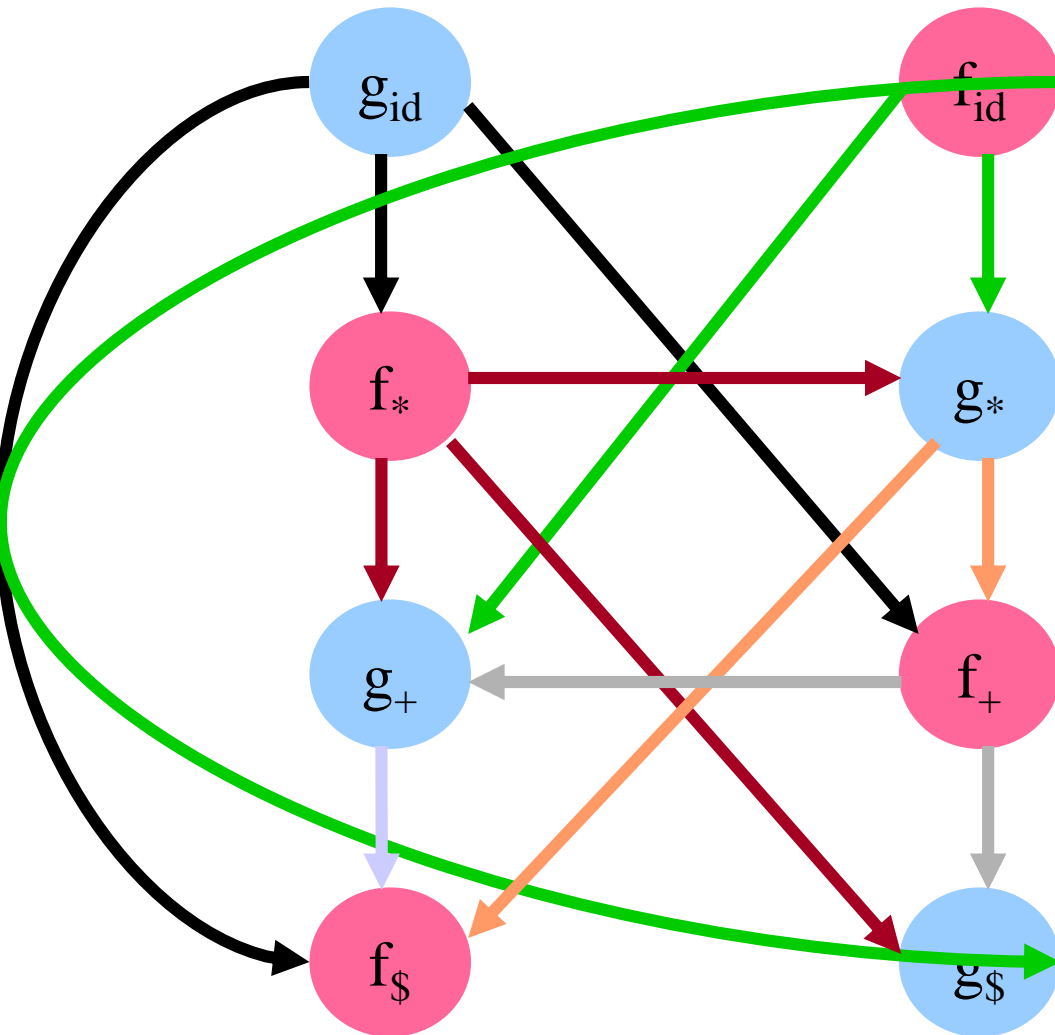
**Algorithm Constructing precedence functions**

# Constructing precedence functions

## Method:

1. Create symbols  $f_a$  and  $g_a$  for each  $a$  that is a terminal or \$.
2. Partition the created symbols into as many groups as possible, in such a way that if  $a =. b$ , then  $f_a$  and  $g_b$  are in the same group.
3. Create a directed graph whose nodes are the groups found in (2). For any  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $a <. b$ , place an edge from the group of  $g_b$  to the group of  $f_a$ . If  $a >. b$ , place an edge from the group of  $f_a$  to that of  $g_b$ .
4. If the graph constructed in (3) has a cycle, then no precedence functions exist. If there are no cycle, let  $f(a)$  be the length of the longest path beginning at the group of  $f_a$ ; let  $g(a)$  be the length of the longest path beginning at the group of  $g_a$ .

# Example



	+	*	Id	\$
<b>f</b>	2	4	4	0
<b>g</b>	1	3	5	0

	id	+	*	\$
id		·>	·>	·>
+	<·	·>	<·	·>
*	<·	·>	·>	·>
\$	<·	<·	<·	

There are no = relationships, so each symbol is in a group by itself

# Disadvantages of Operator Precedence Parsing

- **Disadvantages:**

- It cannot handle the unary minus (**the lexical analyzer should handle the unary minus**).
- Small class of grammars.
- Difficult to decide which language is recognized by the grammar.

- **Advantages:**

- simple
- powerful enough for expressions in programming languages

# Error Recovery in Operator-Precedence Parsing

## Error Cases:

1. No relation holds between the terminal on the top of stack and the next input symbol.
2. A handle is found (reduction step), but there is no production with this handle as a right side

## Error Recovery:

1. Each empty entry is filled with a pointer to an error routine.
2. Decides the popped handle “looks like” which right hand side. And tries to recover from that situation.

# Handling Shift/Reduce Errors

When consulting the precedence matrix to decide whether to shift or reduce, we may find that no relation holds between the top stack and the first input symbol.

To recover, we must modify (insert/change)

1. Stack or
2. Input or
3. Both.

**We must be careful that we don't get into an infinite loop.**



# Example

	id	(	)	\$
id	e3	e3	·>	·>
(	<·	<·	=·	e4
)	e3	e3	·>	·>
\$	<·	<·	e2	e1

e1:        Called when :     issue diagnost whole expression is missing  
              insert **id** onto the input

ic: 'missing operand'

e2:        Called when : expression begins with a right parenthesis  
              delete ) from the input  
              issue diagnostic: 'unbalanced right parenthesis'

# Example

	id	(	)	\$
id	e3	e3	·>	·>
(	<·	<·	=.	e4
)	e3	e3	·>	·>
\$	<·	<·	e2	e1

e3: Called when : **id** or **)** is followed by **id** or **(**

insert + onto the input

issue diagnostic: **‘missing operator’**

e4: Called when : expression ends with a left parenthesis

pop **(** from the stack

issue diagnostic: **‘missing right parenthesis’**