# **Syntax-Directed Translation**

Part V

### Eliminating Left Recursion from Translation Scheme

A translation scheme with a left recursive grammar.

```
\begin{split} E &\rightarrow E_1 + T \left\{ \text{ E.val} = E_1.\text{val} + \text{ T.val} \right\} \\ E &\rightarrow E_1 - T \left\{ \text{ E.val} = E_1.\text{val} - \text{ T.val} \right\} \\ E &\rightarrow T \quad \left\{ \text{ E.val} = \text{ T.val} \right\} \\ T &\rightarrow T_1 * F \left\{ \text{ T.val} = T_1.\text{val} * \text{ F.val} \right\} \\ T &\rightarrow F \quad \left\{ \text{ T.val} = \text{ F.val} \right\} \\ F &\rightarrow \text{ (E) } \left\{ \text{ F.val} = \text{ E.val} \right\} \\ F &\rightarrow \text{ digit} \qquad \left\{ \text{ F.val} = \text{ digit.lexval} \right\} \end{split}
```

 When we eliminate the left recursion from the grammar (to get a suitable grammar for the top-down parsing) we also have to change semantic actions

### Eliminating Left Recursion (cont.)

```
synthesized attribute
inherited attribute
E \rightarrow T \{ A.in=T.val \} A \{ E.val=A.syn \}
A \rightarrow + T \{ A_1.in=A.in+T.val \} A_1 \{ A.syn = A_1.syn \}
A \rightarrow -T \{ A_1.in=A.in-T.val \} A_1 \{ A.syn = A_1.syn \}
A \rightarrow \varepsilon \{ A.syn = A.in \}
T \rightarrow F \{ B.in=F.val \} B \{ T.val=B.syn \}
B \rightarrow * F \{ B_1.in=B.in*F.val \} B_1 \{ B.syn = B_1.syn \}
B \rightarrow \varepsilon \{ B.syn = B.in \}
F \rightarrow (E) \{ F.val = E.val \}
F → digit { F.val = digit.lexval }
```

### Eliminating Left Recursion (in general)

$$A \to A_1 \ Y \ \{ \ A.a = g(A_1.a,Y.y) \ \} \qquad \text{a left recursive grammar with}$$
 
$$A \to X \ \{ \ A.a = f(X.x) \ \} \qquad \text{synthesized attributes } (a,y,x).$$

eliminate left recursion

inherited attribute of the new non-terminal

synthesized attribute of the new non-terminal

A 
$$\rightarrow$$
 X { R.in=f(X.x) } R { A.a=R.syn }  
R  $\rightarrow$  Y { R<sub>1</sub>.in=g(R.in,Y.y) } R<sub>1</sub> { R.syn = R<sub>1</sub>.syn}  
R  $\rightarrow$   $\epsilon$  { R.syn = R.in }

## Eliminating Left Recursion (Example)

- 1)  $T \rightarrow T * F \{ T.val = T_1.val * F.val \}$
- 2)  $T \rightarrow F$  {T.val = F.val}
- 3)  $F \rightarrow digit \{F.val=digit.lexval\}$

### $T \rightarrow FT'$

 $T' \rightarrow *F T'$ 

 $T' \rightarrow \epsilon$ 

F→ digit

#### **Translation Scheme**

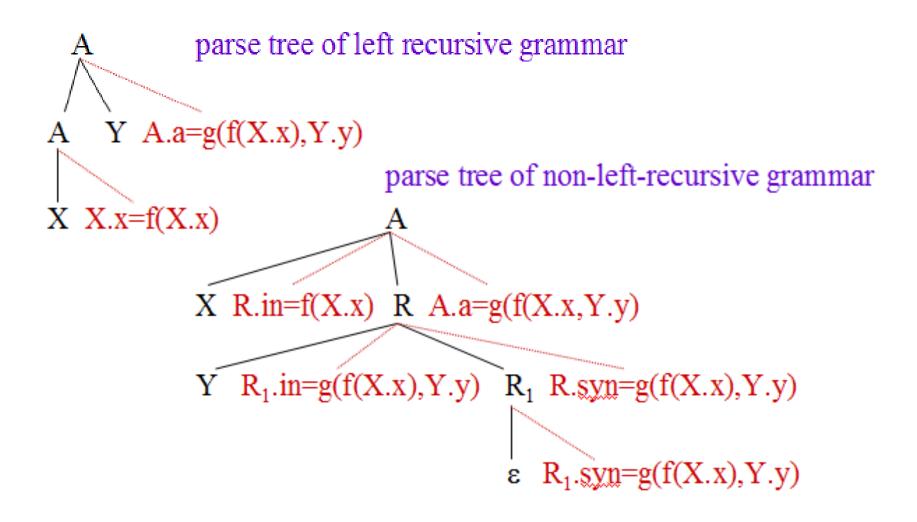
1)  $T \rightarrow F \{T'.inh = F.val\} T' \{T.Val = T'.syn\}$ 

2)  $T' \rightarrow * F \{T'_1.inh = T'.inh * F.val\} T'_1 \{T'.syn=T'_1.syn\}$ 

3) T'  $\rightarrow \varepsilon$  {T'.syn=T'.inh}

4) F → digit {F.val=digit.lexval}

## **Evaluating attributes**



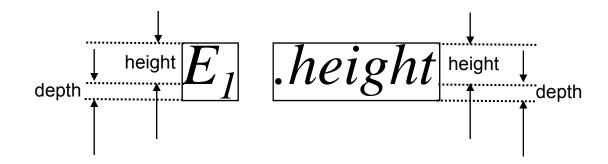
### Eliminating Left Recursion (Example)

- Other examples from book
  - Figure 5.8: Page 315
  - Figure 5.13: Page 321
  - Figure 5.16: Page 322

#### SDTs for L-Attributed Definitions

- Rules for turning L-attributed SDD into an SDT
- Embed action that computes the inherited attribtes for a non-terminal A immediately before that occurences of A in the body of the production.
  - If several inherited attributes for A depend on one another in an acyclic fashion, order the evaluation of attributes so that those needed first are computed first.
- Place the actions that computed a synthesized attribute for the head of a production at the end of the body of that production.

### Example: type setting boxes



- ps: point size. Non subscript character is 10.
   Subscript point size = 0.7p, p is the box point size
- baseline: vertical position that corresponds to the bottom of the lines of text.
- ht: height. Distance from the top of the box to baseline.
- dp: depth. Distance from the baseline to the bottom of the box.

# Example: type setting boxes

Production	Semantic Rules
$S \rightarrow B$	B.ps=10
$B \rightarrow B_1 B_2$	$B_1.ps=B.ps$ $B_2.ps=B.ps$ $B.ht=max(B_1.ht,B_2.ht)$ $B.dp=max(B_1.dp,B_2.dp)$
$B \rightarrow B_1 \text{ sub } B_2$	$B_1.ps=B.ps$ $B_2.ps=0.7 * B.ps$ $B.ht=max(B_1.ht,B_2.ht -0.25XB.ps)$ $B.dp=max(B_1.dp,B_2.dp+0.25*B.ps)$
$B \rightarrow (B_1)$	$B_1.ps = B.ps$ $B.ht = B_1.ht$ $B.dp = B_1.dp$
B → text	B.ht = getHt(B.ps,text.lexval) B.dp=getDp(B.ps,text.lextval)

Production	Semantic Actions
S →	{B.ps=10}
В	
B →	{B <sub>1</sub> .ps=B.ps}
B <sub>1</sub>	{B <sub>2</sub> .ps=B.ps}
$B_2$	$\{B.ht=max(B_1.ht,B_2.ht)$
	$B.dp=max(B_1.dp,B_2.dp)$
B →	{B <sub>1</sub> .ps=B.ps}
B <sub>1</sub> sub	{B <sub>2</sub> .ps=0.7 * B.ps}
$B_2$	$\{B.ht=max(B_1.ht,B_2.ht-0.25XB.ps)$
	$B.dp=max(B_1.dp,B_2.dp+0.25*B.ps)$
B → (	$\{B_1.ps = B.ps\}$
B <sub>1</sub> )	{B.ht = B <sub>1</sub> .ht
	$B.dp = B_1.dp$
B → text	{B.ht = getHt(B.ps,text.lexval)
	B.dp=getDp(B.ps,text.lextval)}

SDD for type setting box

**SDT** for type setting box

# Example: intermediate code for while-statement

•  $S \rightarrow while (C) S_1$ 

Production	Semantic Rules
S → while (C) S <sub>1</sub>	lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:

Production	Semantic Actions
S → while (	{L1=new();
	L2=new();
	C.false=S.next;
	C.true=L2;}
C)	{S1.next = L1;}
S <sub>1</sub>	S.code=label    L1    C.code    label    L2    S1.code

## Translation during Recursive-Descent Parsing

- In recursive-descent parser a function A is used for each non-terminal A
  - The arguments of function A are the inherited attributes of non-terminal A.
  - The return-value of function A are the collection of synthesized attributes of non-terminal A.

## Translation during Recursive-Descent Parsing

- In the body of function A
  - Decide upon the production used to expand A
  - Check that each terminal appears on the input when it is required
  - Preserve in local variables the values of all attributes needed to compute inherited attributes for nonterminals in the body or synthesized attributes for the head nonterminal.
  - Call functions corresponding to nonterminals in the body of the selected production with proper arguments.

### Example

```
\begin{array}{ll} \text{Production} & \text{Semantic Actions} \\ \text{S} \rightarrow \text{while (C) S}_1 & \text{L1=new();} \\ & \text{L2=new();} \\ & \text{S1.next} = \text{L1;} \\ & \text{C.false=S.next;} \\ & \text{C.true=L2;} \\ & \text{S.code=label || L1 || C.code || label || L2 || S1.code} \\ \end{array}
```

```
String S(label next){
    string Scode, Ccode; /* local variables holding code fragments */
    label L1, L2; /* the local labels */
    if (current input == token while){
        advance input;
        check '(' is next on the input, and advance;
        L1=new();
        L2=new();
        Ccode=C(next,L2);
        check ')' is next on the input, and advance;
        Scode= S(L1);
        return("label" || L1 || Ccode || "label" || L2 || Scode);
    }
    else / * other statement types */
}
```

#### Translation Scheme - Intermediate Code Generation

```
E \rightarrow T \{ A.in=T.loc \} A \{ E.loc=A.loc \}
A \rightarrow + T \{ A_1.in=newtemp(); emit(add,A.in,T.loc,A_1.in) \}
         A_1 \{ A.loc = A_1.loc \}
A \rightarrow \varepsilon \{ A.loc = A.in \}
T \rightarrow F \{ B.in=F.loc \} B \{ T.loc=B.loc \}
B \rightarrow * F \{ B_1.in=newtemp(); emit(mult,B.in,F.loc,B_1.in) \}
       B_1 \{ B.loc = B_1.loc \}
B \rightarrow \varepsilon \{ B.loc = B.in \}
F \rightarrow (E) \{ F.loc = E.loc \}
F \rightarrow id \{ F.loc = id.name \}
```

### Predictive Parsing – Intermediate Code Generation

```
procedure E(char **Eloc) {
   char *Ain, *Tloc, *Aloc;
   call T(&Tloc); Ain=Tloc;
   call A(Ain,&Aloc); *Eloc=Aloc;
procedure A(char *Ain, char **Aloc) {
   if (currtok is +) {
      char *A1in, *Tloc, *A1loc;
     consume(+); call T(&Tloc); A1in=newtemp(); emit("add",Ain,Tloc,A1in);
     call A(A1in,&A1loc); *Aloc=A1loc;
   else { *Aloc = Ain }
```

### Predictive Parsing (cont.)

```
procedure T(char **Tloc) {
   char *Bin, *Floc, *Bloc;
   call F(&Floc); Bin=Floc;
   call B(Bin,&Bloc); *Tloc=Bloc;
procedure B(char *Bin, char **Bloc) {
   if (currtok is *) {
      char *B1in, *Floc, *B1loc;
     consume(+); call F(&Floc); B1in=newtemp(); emit("mult",Bin,Floc,B1in);
     call B(B1in,&B1loc); Bloc=B1loc;
   else { *Bloc = Bin }
procedure F(char **Floc) {
   if (currtok is "(") { char *Eloc; consume("("); call E(&Eloc); consume(")"); *Floc=Eloc
   else { char *idname; consume(id,&idname); *Floc=idname }
```

- In bottom-up evaluation scheme, the semantic actions are evaluated during the reductions.
- During the bottom-up evaluation of S-attributed definitions, we have a parallel stack to hold synthesized attributes.
- Problem: where are we going to hold inherited attributes?
- A Solution:
  - We will convert our grammar to an equivalent grammar to guarantee to the followings.
  - All embedding semantic actions in our translation scheme will be moved into the end of the production rules.
  - All inherited attributes will be copied into the synthesized attributes (most of the time synthesized attributes of new non-terminals).
  - Thus we will be evaluate all semantic actions during reductions, and we find a place to store an inherited attribute.

- To transform our translation scheme into an equivalent translation scheme:
- 1. Remove an embedding semantic action S<sub>i</sub>, put new a non-terminal M<sub>i</sub> instead of that semantic action.
- 2. Put that semantic action  $S_i$  into the end of a new production rule  $M_i \rightarrow \varepsilon$  for that non-terminal  $M_i$ .
- 3. That semantic action S<sub>i</sub> will be evaluated when this new production rule is reduced.
- 4. The evaluation order of the semantic rules are not changed by this transformation.

$$A \rightarrow \{S_1\} X_1 \{S_2\} X_2 \dots \{S_n\} X_n$$

remove embedding semantic actions

$$A \rightarrow M_1 X_1 M_2 X_2 \dots M_n X_n$$

$$M_1 \rightarrow \varepsilon \{S_1\}$$

$$M_2 \rightarrow \epsilon \{S_2\}$$

. 
$$M_n \rightarrow \epsilon \{S_n\}$$

```
\begin{split} E &\to T \, R \\ R &\to + T \, \{ \, print(\text{``+''}) \, \} \, R_1 \\ R &\to \epsilon \\ T &\to \text{id} \, \{ \, print(\text{id.name}) \, \} \\ \end{split} remove embedding semantic actions
```

```
E \rightarrow T R
R \rightarrow + T M R_1
R \rightarrow \epsilon
T \rightarrow id \{ print(id.name) \}
M \rightarrow \epsilon \{ print("+") \}
```