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Practical - 07

Aim- Design and Simulate SLR(1) parsing using JFLAP for the grammar rules:
E→ E+T | T, T→ T*F |F, F → (E) | id and parse the sentence: id + id * id.

Theory:

SLR(1) Parsing:

SLR(1) (Simple LR(1)) parsing is a type of **bottom-up parsing** that uses **one lookahead symbol** (hence the "1" in SLR(1)) and constructs a **rightmost derivation** in reverse. This technique is suitable for parsing grammars that can be efficiently processed without backtracking. The SLR(1) parser is an extension of the **LR(0)** parser, which uses a **parsing table** to determine which actions to take (shift, reduce, accept, or error) based on the current state and lookahead symbol.

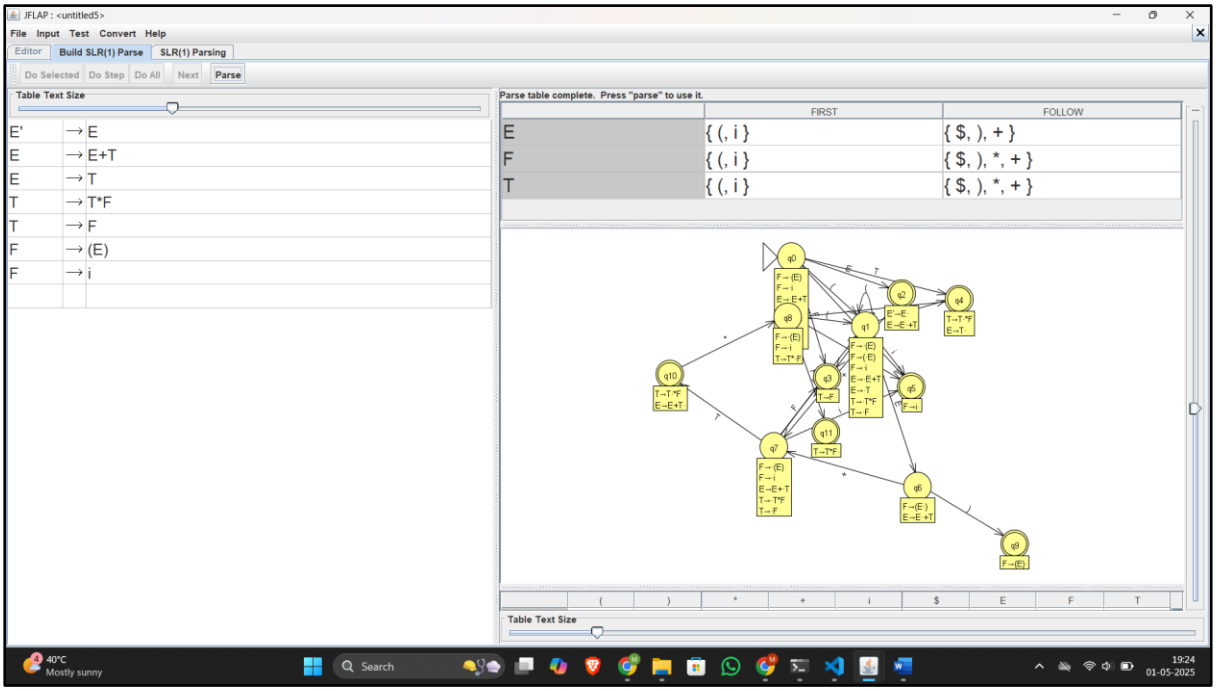
Key components of **SLR(1) parsing**:

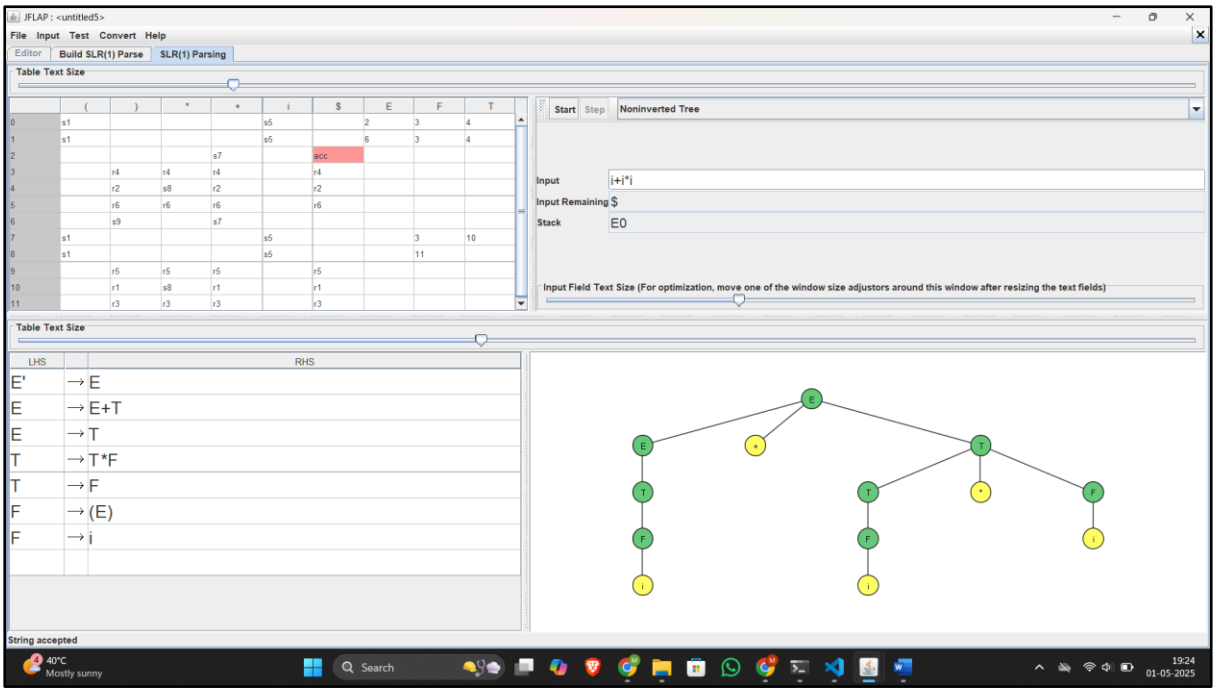
1. **LR(0) Items**:
    - An **LR(0) item** represents a production rule where a dot (.) indicates the current position of the parser. The parser moves the dot to recognize symbols step by step.
    - For example, for the rule E → E + T, the item E → E + T (with the dot at the beginning) means that the parser expects to see E + T to match the non-terminal E.
2. **SLR(1) Parsing Table**:
    - The **SLR(1) parsing table** is a 2D table where rows represent states and columns represent terminal symbols and non-terminal symbols. Each cell contains an action (shift, reduce, accept, or error).
    - **Shift** means moving the next input symbol onto the stack.
    - **Reduce** means replacing a portion of the stack with a non-terminal based on a production rule.
    - **Accept** indicates that the parsing has successfully finished.
    - **Error** indicates that the parsing cannot continue due to a conflict.
3. **First and Follow Sets**:
    - **First Sets**: For a non-terminal, the **First** set contains all possible terminal symbols that can start strings derived from that non-terminal.

- **Follow Sets**: The **Follow** set of a non-terminal contains all the terminal symbols that can appear immediately after that non-terminal in any derivation.

4. **Parsing Process**:
    - The parser starts with an empty stack and the input string to parse. It uses the **SLR(1) parsing table** to determine the appropriate action based on the current state and the lookahead symbol.
    - If the table suggests **shift**, the next input symbol is pushed onto the stack.
    - If the table suggests **reduce**, a portion of the stack is replaced with the non-terminal according to the grammar's production rules.
    - The parser continues this process until it either successfully **accepts** the input or encounters an **error**.

Output:





Conclusion:

In this practical, we learned how to design and simulate an **SLR(1) parser** using **JFLAP**. We followed the process of constructing the **SLR(1) parsing table**, which involves calculating the **First** and **Follow** sets for each non-terminal in the grammar. The parsing process was simulated using JFLAP, where we parsed an arithmetic expression id + id * id using the constructed parsing table.