

Course 8

LR(k) parsing

Terms

Reminder:

rhp = right handside of production

lhp = left handside of production

- Prediction – see LL(1)
- Handle = symbols from the head of the working stack that form (in order) a rhp
- ***Shift – reduce*** parser:
 - **shift** symbols to form a handle
 - When a rhp is formed – **reduce** to the corresponding lhp

LR(k)

- L = left – sequence is read from left to right
- R = right – use rightmost derivations
- k = length of prediction
- Enhanced grammar
- $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$
- $G' = (N \cup \{S'\}, \Sigma, P \cup \{S' \rightarrow S\}, S')$, $S' \notin N$

S' does NOT appear in any rhp

LR(k)

- Ascendent
- Linear – COST? – what we compute to obtain linear algorithm?

- **Definition 1:** If in a cfg $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ we have
 $S \xrightarrow{*} \alpha Aw \Rightarrow_r \alpha\beta w$, where $\alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$, $A \in N$, $w \in \Sigma^*$, then
any prefix of sequence $\alpha\beta$ is called *live prefix* in G .

- **Definition 2:** *LR(k) item* is defined as $[A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta, u]$, where $A \rightarrow \alpha\beta$ is a production, $u \in \Sigma^k$ and it describes the moment in which, considering the production $A \rightarrow \alpha\beta$, α was detected (α is in head of stack) and it is expected to detect β .

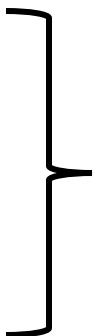
- **Definition 3:** LR(k) item $[A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta, u]$ is *valid for the live prefix* $\gamma\alpha$ if:

$$S \xrightarrow{*} \gamma Aw \Rightarrow_r \gamma\alpha\beta w$$

 $u = \text{FIRST}_k(w)$

Definition 4: A cfg $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is LR(k), for $k \geq 0$, if

1. $S' \xrightarrow{*} r \alpha Aw \Rightarrow_r \alpha \beta w$
2. $S' \xrightarrow{*} r \gamma Bx \Rightarrow_r \alpha \beta y$
3. $\text{FIRST}_k(w) = \text{FIRST}_k(y)$



$\Rightarrow \alpha = \gamma \text{ AND } A = B \text{ AND } x = y$

- $[A \rightarrow \alpha\beta., u]$ – special case: prefix is all rhp - apply reduce
- Otherwise $[A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta, u]$ – apply shift

Consequence 1: state is important –
should be stored by parsing method

⇒ Working stack:

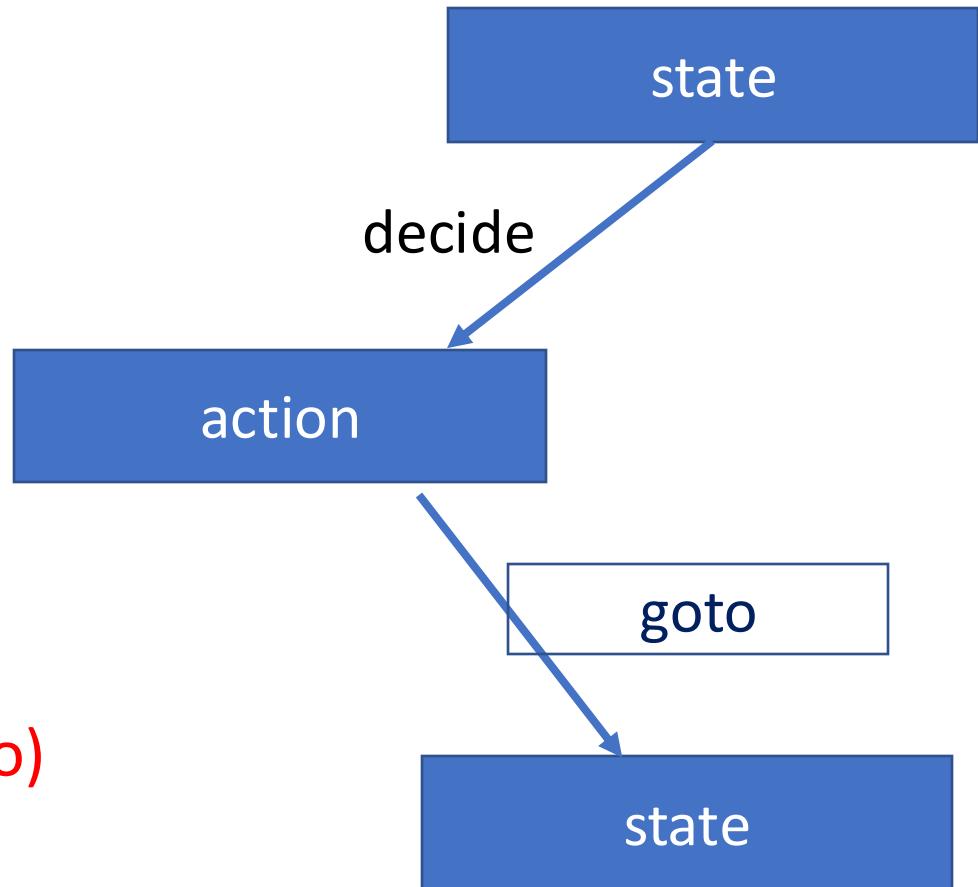
$$\$s_{\text{init}}X_1s_1 \dots X_ms_m$$

where: \$ - mark empty stack

$$X_i \in N \cup \Sigma$$

s_i - states

Consequence 2: the action takes the
parsing process to another state (goto)



LR(k) principle

- Current state
- Current symbol
- prediction

uniquely determines:

- Action to be applied
- Move to a new state

=> LR(k) table – 2 parts: **action** part + **goto** part

States

What a state contains?

- LR items – all items corresponding to same live prefix
- *closure*

How to go from one state to another state? How many states?

- *goto*
- *Canonical collection*

What LR item will be in the same state?

- $[A \rightarrow \alpha.B\beta, u]$ valid for live prefix $\gamma\alpha \Rightarrow$

$$S \xrightarrow{*_{dr}} \gamma Aw \Rightarrow_{dr} \gamma\alpha B\beta w$$

$$u = FIRST_k(w)$$

- $B \rightarrow \delta \in P \Rightarrow S \xrightarrow{*_{dr}} \gamma Aw \Rightarrow_{dr} \gamma\alpha B\beta w \xrightarrow{*_{dr}} \gamma\alpha\delta w'$

$\Rightarrow [B \rightarrow .\delta, u]$ valid for live prefix $\gamma\alpha$

LR(k) parsing:

LR(0), SLR, LR(1), LALR

- Define item
 - Construct set of states
 - Construct table
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- Parse sequence based on moves between configurations

Executed 1 time

LR(0) Parser

- Prediction of length 0 (ignored)

1. LR(0) item: $[A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta]$

2. Construct set of states

- What a state contains – Algorithm *closure_LR(0)*
- How to move from a state to another – Function *goto_LR(0)*
- Construct set of states – Algorithm *ColCan_LR(0)*

Canonical collection

Algorithm *Closure_LR(0)*

INPUT: I-element de analiză; G' - gramatica îmbogățită

OUTPUT: C = closure(I);

$C := \{I\}$;

repeat

for $\forall [A \rightarrow \alpha.B\beta] \in C$ **do**

for $\forall B \rightarrow \gamma \in P$ **do**

if $[B \rightarrow .\gamma] \notin C$ **then**

$C = C \cup [B \rightarrow .\gamma]$

end if

end for

end for

until C nu se mai modifică

Function *goto_LR(0)*

$\text{goto} : P(\mathcal{E}_0) \times (N \cup \Sigma) \rightarrow P(\mathcal{E}_0)$

where \mathcal{E}_0 = set of LR(0) items

$\text{goto}(s, X) = \text{closure}(\{[A \rightarrow \alpha X . \beta] \mid [A \rightarrow \alpha . X \beta] \in s\})$

Algorithm *ColCan_LR(0)*

INPUT: G' - gramatica îmbogățită

OUTPUT: C - colecția canonică de stări

$\mathcal{C} := \emptyset;$

$s_0 := closure(\{[S' \rightarrow .S]\})$

$\mathcal{C} := \mathcal{C} \cup \{s_0\};$

repeat

for $\forall s \in \mathcal{C}$ **do**

for $\forall X \in N \cup \Sigma$ **do**

if $goto(s, X) \neq \emptyset$ and $goto(s, X) \notin \mathcal{C}$ **then**

$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C} \cup goto(s, X)$

end if

end for

end for

until \mathcal{C} nu se mai modifică

3. Construct LR(0) table

- one line for each state
- 2 parts:
 - Action: one column (for a state, action is unique because prediction is ignored)
 - Goto: one column for each symbol $X \in N \cup \Sigma$

Rules LR(0) table

1. if $[A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta] \in s_i$ then **action(s_i)=shift**
2. if $[A \rightarrow \beta.] \in s_i$ and $A \neq S'$ then **action(s_i)=reduce k**, where $k =$ number of production $A \rightarrow \beta$
3. if $[S' \rightarrow S.] \in s_i$ then **action(s_i)=acc**
4. if $\text{goto}(s_i, X) = s_j$ then **goto(s_i, X) = s_j**
5. otherwise = **error**

Remarks

1) Initial state of parser = state containing $[S' \rightarrow .S]$

2) No shift from accept state:

if s is accept state then $\text{goto}(s, X) = \emptyset, \forall X \in N \cup \Sigma.$

3) *If in state s action is reduce then $\text{goto}(s, X) = \emptyset, \forall X \in N \cup \Sigma.$*

4) Argument G': Let $G = (\{S\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{S \rightarrow aSbS, S \rightarrow c\}, S)$

states $[S \rightarrow aSbS.]$ and $[S \rightarrow c.]$ – accept / reduce ?

Remarks (cont)

5) A grammar is NOT LR(0) if the LR(0) table contains conflicts:

- shift – reduce conflict: a state contains items of the form $[A \rightarrow \alpha.\beta]$ and $[B \rightarrow \gamma.]$, yielding to 2 distinct actions for that state
- reduce – reduce conflict: when a state contains items of the form $[A \rightarrow \alpha\beta.]$ and $[B \rightarrow \gamma.]$, in which the action is reduce, but with distinct productions

4. Define configurations and moves

- INPUT:
 - Grammar $G' = (N \cup \{S'\}, \Sigma, P \cup \{S' \rightarrow S\}, S')$
 - LR(0) table
 - Input sequence $w = a_1 \dots a_n$
- OUTPUT:

if ($w \in L(G)$) **then string of productions**
else **error & location of error**

LR(0) configurations

$$(\alpha, \beta, \pi)$$

where:

- α = working stack
- β = input stack
- π = output (result) stack

Initial configuration:
 $(\$s_0, w\$, \varepsilon)$

Final configuration:
 $(\$s_{acc}, \$, \pi)$

Moves

1. Shift

if $\text{action}(s_m) = \text{shift}$ AND $\text{head}(\beta) = a_i$ AND $\text{goto}(s_m, a_i) = s_j$ **then**

$(\$s_0 x_1 \dots x_m s_m, a_i \dots a_n \$, \pi) \vdash (\$s_0 x_1 \dots x_m s_m a_i s_j, a_{i+1} \dots a_n \$, \pi)$

2. Reduce

if $\text{action}(s_m) = \text{reduce} \mid \text{AND } (k) A \rightarrow x_{m-p+1} \dots x_m$ AND $\text{goto}(s_{m-p}, A) = s_j$ **then**

$(\$s_0 \dots x_m s_m, a_i \dots a_n \$, \pi) \vdash (\$s_0 \dots x_{m-p} s_{m-p} A s_j, a_i \dots a_n \$, k \pi)$

3. Accept

if $\text{action}(s_m) = \text{accept}$ **then** $(\$s_m, \$, \pi) = \text{acc}$

4. Error - otherwise

LR(0) Parsing Algorithm

INPUT:

- LR(0) table – conflict free
- grammar G' : production numbered
- - sequence = Input sequence $w = a_1 \dots a_n$

• OUTPUT:

if ($w \in L(G)$) ***then string of productions***
else ***error & location of error***

LR(0) Parsing Algorithm

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state := 0;  
alpha := '$s0'; beta := 'w$'; phi := ""; end := false  
Config := (alpha, beta, phi);  
Repeat  
    if action(state) = 'shift' then  
        ActionShift(config)  
    else  
        if action(state) = 'reduce I' then  
            ActionReduce(config)  
        else  
            if action(state) = 'accept' then  
                write(" success", phi);  
                end := true;  
            if action(state) = 'error' then  
                write(" error", beta)  
                end := true  
Until end
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