

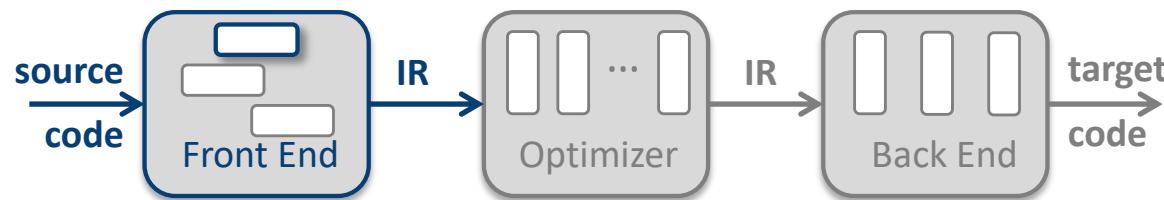


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Updated slides posted for
lectures 10 & 11

Syntax Analysis, IV

Comp 412



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Lab 2 Schedule

N.B.: Code checks 1 & 2 are milestones, not exhaustive tests. Many students still find bugs after code check 2, to say nothing of tuning for effectiveness & efficiency.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9	10	11	12	13	14 Lab 2 Specs available	15
16	17	18 Tutorial 5 PM McMurtry	19	20	21 Deadline: Code Check 1	22
23	24 Tutorial 5 PM McMurtry	25 Dan Grove Talk (Dart Group)	26	27	28	29
30	1 Deadline: Code Check 2	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Deadline: Lab 2 Code	9	10	12 Deadline: Lab Report	12	13

Focus on connecting to Lab 1 IR, and Rename

Allocate correctly

Improve performance & allocation

Review



Last Parsing Lecture (*Last Wednesday*)

- Introduced **FIRST**, **FOLLOW**, and **FIRST⁺** sets
- Introduced the **LL(1)** condition

A grammar G can be parsed predictively with one symbol of lookahead if for all pairs of productions $A \rightarrow \beta$ and $A \rightarrow \gamma$ that have the same lhs A:

$$\text{FIRST}^+(A \rightarrow \beta) \cap \text{FIRST}^+(A \rightarrow \gamma) = \emptyset$$

- Observed that predictively parsable, or **LL(1)** grammars
- Showed how to construct a recursive-descent parser for an **LL(1)** grammar

We did not discuss

- An algorithm to construct **FIRST** sets
- An algorithm to construct **FOLLOW** sets

FIRST and FOLLOW Sets



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while ( $\text{FIRST}$  sets are still changing) do
    for each  $p \in P$ , of the form  $A \rightarrow B_1B_2\dots B_k$  do
         $rhs \leftarrow \text{FIRST}(B_1) - \{\epsilon\}$ 
        Some details go here to handle  $\epsilon$  productions
         $\text{FIRST}(A) \leftarrow \text{FIRST}(A) \cup rhs$ 
    end //for loop
end //while loop
```

*for loop iterates
over all the NTs*

To begin, we will ignore ϵ productions

- Initialize **FIRST** set for each terminal **EOF**, ϵ , and nonterminal
- Then, loop through the productions and add the **FIRST** set for the leading symbol on the *rhs* to the **FIRST** set of the *lhs* (a nonterminal)
- Because *rhs* can start with a nonterminal, iterate to a fixed point

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end // while loop
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*for loop iterates
over all the NTs*

Loop nest is monotone
increasing for FIRST sets

- Outer loop is bounded by the number of grammar symbols:
 $|T \cup NT \cup \text{EOF} \cup \epsilon|$
which is finite
- A single iteration of the while loop is bounded by the size of the grammar
- For loop* is bounded by the $|productions|$

Filling in the Details: Computing FIRST Sets



```
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```

```
     $\text{FIRST}(x) \leftarrow \{x\}$ 
```

```
for each  $A \in NT$ ,  $\text{FIRST}(A) \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
```

```
while (FIRST sets are still changing) do
```

```
    for each  $p \in P$ , of the form  $A \rightarrow B_1B_2\dots B_k$  do
```

```
         $rhs \leftarrow \text{FIRST}(B_1) - \{\varepsilon\}$ 
```

```
        for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $k-1$  by 1 while  $\varepsilon \in \text{FIRST}(B_i)$  do
```

```
             $rhs \leftarrow rhs \cup (\text{FIRST}(B_{i+1}) - \{\varepsilon\})$ 
```

```
        end //for loop
```

```
        if  $i = k$  and  $\varepsilon \in \text{FIRST}(B_k)$ 
```

```
            then  $rhs \leftarrow rhs \cup \{\varepsilon\}$ 
```

```
         $\text{FIRST}(A) \leftarrow \text{FIRST}(A) \cup rhs$ 
```

```
    end //for loop
```

```
end //while loop
```

See also, Fig. 3.7, EaC2e, p. 104

ε complicates matters

If $\text{FIRST}(B_1)$ contains ε ,
then we need to add
 $\text{FIRST}(B_2)$ to rhs , and ...

If the entire rhs can go
to ε , then we add ε to
 $\text{FIRST}(lhs)$



Computing FIRST Sets

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    end //for loop
end //while loop
```

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Loop nest is monotone increasing for FIRST sets

- Handling ε -productions adds a loop that iterates over the productions
- Adds a multiplier of the sum of the length of the productions
- Slower, but still finite
- Still terminates

Remember, we pay this cost at **build time**



Example

Consider the *SheepNoise* grammar & its FIRST sets

0	<i>Goal</i>	\rightarrow	<i>SheepNoise</i>
1	<i>SheepNoise</i>	\rightarrow	<i>SheepNoise</i> <u>baa</u>
2			<u>baa</u>

Left-recursive SheepNoise Grammar

Clearly and intuitively, $\text{FIRST}(x) = \{\underline{\text{baa}}\}$, $\forall x \in (T \cup NT)$

Symbol	FIRST Set
<i>Goal</i>	{ <u>baa</u> }
<i>SheepNoise</i>	{ <u>baa</u> }
<u>baa</u>	{ <u>baa</u> }

Computing FIRST Sets

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1	<i>SheepNoise</i>	\rightarrow	<i>SheepNoise baa</i>
2			<u>baa</u>

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     $\text{FIRST}(x) \leftarrow \{x\}$ 
```

```
for each  $A \in NT$ ,  $\text{FIRST}(A) \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
```

```
while (FIRST sets are still changing) do
    for each  $p \in P$ , of the form  $A \rightarrow B_1B_2\dots B_k$  do
         $rhs \leftarrow \text{FIRST}(B_1) - \{\varepsilon\}$ 
        for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $k-1$  by 1 while  $\varepsilon \in \text{FIRST}(B_i)$  do
             $rhs \leftarrow rhs \cup (\text{FIRST}(B_{i+1}) - \{\varepsilon\})$ 
        end //for loop
        if  $i = k$  and  $\varepsilon \in \text{FIRST}(B_k)$ 
            then  $rhs \leftarrow rhs \cup \{\varepsilon\}$ 
         $\text{FIRST}(A) \leftarrow \text{FIRST}(A) \cup rhs$ 
    end //for loop
end //while loop
```

See also, Fig. 3.7, EaC2e, p. 104

Initialization assigns each FIRST set a value

Symbol	FIRST Set
<i>Goal</i>	\emptyset
<i>SheepNoise</i>	\emptyset
<u>baa</u>	{ <u>baa</u> }

Computing FIRST Sets

```

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```

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0	Goal	\rightarrow	SheepNoise
1	SheepNoise	\rightarrow	$\text{SheepNoise } \underline{\text{baa}}$
2			$\underline{\text{baa}}$

Production 2

- (1) sets rhs to $\text{FIRST}\{\underline{\text{baa}}\}$ &
- (2) copies rhs into $\text{FIRST}(\text{SheepNoise})$

Symbol	FIRST Set
Goal	\emptyset
SheepNoise	$\{\underline{\text{baa}}\}$
$\underline{\text{baa}}$	$\{\underline{\text{baa}}\}$

Computing FIRST Sets

0	<i>Goal</i>	\rightarrow	<i>SheepNoise</i>
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end //for loop

end //while loop

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Production 0

(1) sets rhs to **FIRST(Sheepnoise)** &

(2) copies rhs into **FIRST(Goal)**

... and one more iteration to
recognize that the **FIRST** sets
have stopped changing

Symbol	FIRST Set
<i>Goal</i>	{ <u>baa</u> }
<i>SheepNoise</i>	{ <u>baa</u> }
<u>baa</u>	{ <u>baa</u> }



An Example

Consider the simple parentheses grammar

0 $Goal \rightarrow List$

where LP is (and RP is)

1 $List \rightarrow Pair\ List$

2 | ϵ

3 $Pair \rightarrow \underline{LP}\ List\ \underline{RP}$

FIRST	
Symbol	Initial
$Goal$	\emptyset
$List$	\emptyset
$Pair$	\emptyset
LP	<u>LP</u>
RP	<u>RP</u>
EOF	EOF



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Symbol	FIRST Sets		
	Initial	1 st	2 nd
$Goal$	\emptyset	<u>LP</u> , ϵ	<u>LP</u> , ϵ
$List$	\emptyset	<u>LP</u> , ϵ	<u>LP</u> , ϵ
$Pair$	\emptyset	<u>LP</u>	<u>LP</u>
LP	<u>LP</u>	<u>LP</u>	<u>LP</u>
RP	<u>RP</u>	<u>RP</u>	<u>RP</u>
EOF	EOF	EOF	EOF

- Iteration 1 adds LP to FIRST(Pair) and LP, ϵ to FIRST(List) & FIRST(Goal)
→ If we take them in order 3, 2, 1, 0
- Algorithm reaches fixed point[†]

[†]In the adversarial order (0, 1, 2, 3), propagating {LP, ϵ } through would require an iteration to reach List and an iteration to reach Goal, plus an iteration to realize that they stopped changing.



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Computing FOLLOW Sets

```
for each  $A \in NT$ 
     $FOLLOW(A) \leftarrow \emptyset$ 

 $FOLLOW(S) \leftarrow \{ EOF \}$ 

while ( $FOLLOW$  sets are still changing)
    for each  $p \in P$ , of the form  $A \rightarrow B_1B_2 \dots B_k$ 
         $TRAILER \leftarrow FOLLOW(A)$ 
        for  $i \leftarrow k$  down to 1
            if  $B_i \in NT$  then                                // domain check
                 $FOLLOW(B_i) \leftarrow FOLLOW(B_i) \cup TRAILER$ 
                if  $\epsilon \in FIRST(B_i)$                       // add right context
                    then  $TRAILER \leftarrow TRAILER \cup (FIRST(B_i) - \{\epsilon\})$ 
                else  $TRAILER \leftarrow FIRST(B_i)$            // no  $\epsilon \Rightarrow$  truncate the right context
            else  $TRAILER \leftarrow \{B_i\}$                       //  $B_i \in T \Rightarrow$  only 1 symbol
                    Don't add  $\epsilon$ 
```



Computing **FOLLOW** Sets

This algorithm has a completely different feel than computing **FIRST** sets

For a production $A \rightarrow B_1 B_2 \dots B_k$:

- It works its way backward through the production: B_k, B_{k-1}, \dots, B_1
- It builds the **FOLLOW** sets for the *rhs* symbols, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k , not A
- In the absence of ε , **FOLLOW**(B_i) is just **FIRST**(B_{i+1})
 - *As always, ε makes the algorithm more complex*

To handle ε , the algorithm keeps track of the *first word* in the trailing right context as it works its way back through the *rhs*: B_k, B_{k-1}, \dots, B_1

- It uses **FOLLOW**(A) to initialize the *Trailer* for B_k
 - That use is the only mention of **FOLLOW**(A) in the algorithm
- *Trailer* approximates the **FIRST**⁺ set for the trailing right context



An Example

Consider, again, the simple parentheses grammar

0	$Goal \rightarrow List$
1	$List \rightarrow Pair\ List$
2	ϵ
3	$Pair \rightarrow LP\ List\ RP$

Symbol	FOLLOW Sets	
	Initial	1 st
$Goal$	EOF	EOF
$List$	\emptyset	EOF, RP
$Pair$	\emptyset	EOF, LP

Initial Values:

- $Goal$, $List$, and $Pair$ are set to \emptyset
- $Goal$ is then set to { EOF }



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$Pair$	\emptyset	EOF, LP

Iteration 1:

- Production 0 adds **EOF** to FOLLOW(*List*)
- Production 1 adds LP to FOLLOW(*Pair*)
 - from FIRST(*List*)
- Production 2 does nothing
- Production 3 adds RP to FOLLOW(*List*)
 - from FIRST(*RP*)

Symbol	FIRST
$Goal$	<u>LP</u> , ϵ
$List$	<u>LP</u> , ϵ
$Pair$	<u>LP</u>
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	Initial	1 st	2 nd
Goal	EOF	EOF	EOF
List	\emptyset	EOF, RP	EOF, RP
Pair	\emptyset	EOF, LP	EOF, LP, RP

Iteration 2:

- Production 0 adds nothing new
- Production 1 adds RP to FOLLOW(Pair)
→ from FOLLOW(List), $\epsilon \in FIRST(List)$
- Production 2 does nothing
- Production 3 adds nothing new

Iteration 3 produces the same result ⇒ reached a fixed point

Classic Expression Grammar

Right-recursive version



0	<i>Goal</i>	$\rightarrow Expr$
1	<i>Expr</i>	$\rightarrow Term \ Expr'$
2	<i>Expr'</i>	$\rightarrow + \ Term \ Expr'$
3		$ \ - \ Term \ Expr'$
4		$ \ \epsilon$
5	<i>Term</i>	$\rightarrow Factor \ Term'$
6	<i>Term'</i>	$\rightarrow * \ Factor \ Term'$
7		$ \ / \ Factor \ Term'$
8		$ \ \epsilon$
9	<i>Factor</i>	$\rightarrow (\ Expr \)$
10		$ \ number$
11		$ \ identifier$

$FIRST^+(A \rightarrow \beta)$ is identical to $FIRST(\beta)$ except for productions 4 and 8

$FIRST^+(Expr' \rightarrow \epsilon)$ is $\{\epsilon,)\}$, eof

$FIRST^+(Term' \rightarrow \epsilon)$ is $\{\epsilon, +, -, ,\}$, eof}

Symbol	FIRST	FOLLOW	*
<u>num</u>	<u>num</u>	\emptyset	
<u>id</u>	<u>id</u>	\emptyset	
+	+	\emptyset	
-	-	\emptyset	
*	*	\emptyset	
/	/	\emptyset	
((\emptyset	
))	\emptyset	
<u>eof</u>	<u>eof</u>	\emptyset	
ϵ	ϵ	\emptyset	
<i>Goal</i>	<u>(, id, num</u>	eof	
<i>Expr</i>	<u>(, id, num</u>	$), \text{eof}$	
<i>Expr'</i>	$+,-,\epsilon$	$), \text{eof}$	
<i>Term</i>	<u>(, id, num</u>	$+,-,), \text{eof}$	
<i>Term'</i>	$*,-,/,\epsilon$	$+,-,), \text{eof}$	
<i>Factor</i>	<u>(, id, num</u>	$+,-,*,-,/,), \text{eof}$	

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Prod'n	FIRST ⁺
0	(, id, num
1	(, id, num
2	+
3	-
4	$\epsilon,), \text{eof}$
5	(, id, num
6	*
7	/
8	$\epsilon, +, -,), \text{eof}$
9	(
10	number
11	identifier



A couple of routines from the expression parser

Goal()

```

token ← next_token( );
if (Expr( ) = true & token = EOF)
    then next compilation step;
else
    report syntax error;
    return false;

```

Expr()

```

if (Term( ) = false)
    then return false;
else return Eprime( );

```

looking for number, identifier, or (,
found token instead, or failed to find
Expr or) after (

Factor()

```

if (token = number) then
    token ← next_token( );
    return true;
else if (token = identifier) then
    token ← next_token( );
    return true;
else if (token = lparen)
    token ← next_token( );
    if (Expr( ) = true & token = rparen) then
        token ← next_token( );
        return true;
    // fall out of if statement
    report syntax error;
    return false;

```

EPrime, *Term*, & *TPrime* follow the
same basic lines (Figure 3.10, EaC2e)

Review

Recursive Descent

Page 111 in EaC2e
sketches a recursive
descent parser for the
RR CEG.

- One routine per NT
- Check each RHS by checking each symbol
- Includes ϵ -productions

```
Main()
  /* Goal → Expr */
  word ← NextWord();
  if (Expr())
    then if (word = eof)
      then report success;
      else Fail();
  else Fail()

Fail()
  report syntax error;
  attempt error recovery or exit;

Expr()
  /* Expr → Term Expr' */
  if (Term())
    then return EPrime();
  else Fail();

EPrime()
  /* Expr' → + Term Expr' */
  /* Expr' → - Term Expr' */
  if (word = + or word = -)
    then begin;
    word ← NextWord();
    if (Term())
      then return EPrime();
    else Fail();
  end;
  else if (word = ) or word = eof)
    /* Expr' → ε */
    then return true;
  else Fail();

Term()
  /* Term → Factor Term' */
  if (Factor())
    then return TPrime();
  else Fail();

TPrime()
  /* Term' → × Factor Term' */
  /* Term' → ÷ Factor Term' */
  if (word = × or word = ÷)
    then begin;
    word ← NextWord();
    if (Factor())
      then return TPrime();
    else Fail();
  end;
  else if (word = + or word = - or
            word = ) or word = eof)
    /* Term' → ε */
    then return true;
  else Fail();

Factor()
  /* Factor → ( Expr ) */
  if (word = ( ) then begin;
  word ← NextWord();
  if (not Expr())
    then Fail();
  if (word ≠ ) )
    then Fail();
  word ← NextWord();
  return true;
end;

/* Factor → num */
/* Factor → name */
else if (word = num or
          word = name )
  then begin;
  word ← NextWord();
  return true;
end;
else Fail();
```

Implementing a Recursive Descent Parser



A nest of if-then else statements may be slow

- A good case statement would be an improvement[†] *Python?*
 - See EaC2e, § 7.8.3
 - Encode with computation rather than repeated branches
- Order the cases by expected frequency, to drop average cost

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What about encoding the decisions in a table?

- Replace if then else or case statement with an address computation
- Branches are slow and disruptive
- Interpret the table with a skeleton parser, as we did in scanning

[†] a good case statement can be hard to find

Building Table-Driven Top-down Parsers



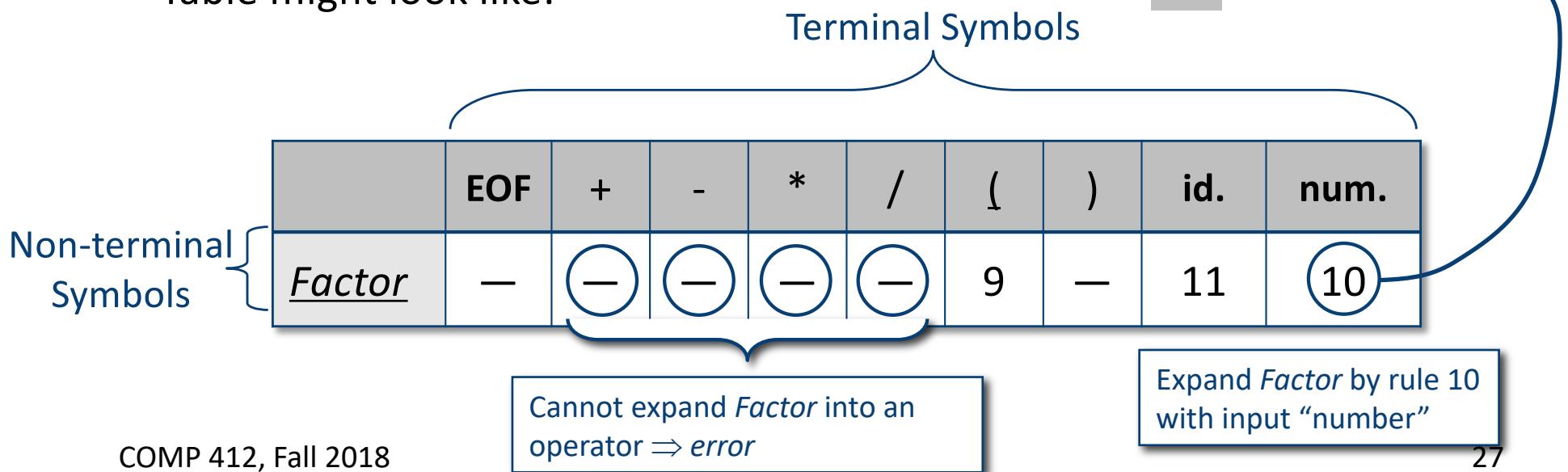
Strategy

- Encode knowledge in a table
- Use a standard “skeleton” parser to interpret the table

Example

- The non-terminal *Factor* has 3 expansions
 - (*Expr*) or Identifier or Number
- Table might look like:

0	<i>Goal</i>	$\rightarrow Expr$
1	<i>Expr</i>	$\rightarrow Term\ Expr'$
2	<i>Expr'</i>	$\rightarrow +\ Term\ Expr'$
3		$ -\ Term\ Expr'$
4		$ \epsilon$
5	<i>Term</i>	$\rightarrow Factor\ Term'$
6	<i>Term'</i>	$\rightarrow *\ Factor\ Term'$
7		$ /\ Factor\ Term'$
8		$ \epsilon$
9	<i>Factor</i>	$\rightarrow (Expr)$
10		$ number$
11		$ identifier$



Building Top-down Parsers



Building the complete table

- Need a row for every NT & a column for every T

LL(1) Table for the Expression Grammar



	EOF	+	-	*	/	()	id.	num.
<i>Goal</i>	—	—	—	—	—	0	—	0	0
<i>Expr</i>	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1
<i>Expr'</i>	4	2	3	—	—	—	4	—	—
<i>Term</i>	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	5	5
<i>Term'</i>	8	8	8	6	7	—	8	—	—
Row we built earlier									
<i>Factor</i>	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	11	10

Figure 3.11(b), page 112, EaC2e

Building Top-down Parsers



Building the complete table

- Need a row for every NT & a column for every T
- Need an interpreter for the table (*skeleton parser*)



LL(1) Skeleton Parser

```
word ← NextWord()          // Initial conditions, including
push EOF onto Stack        // a stack to track local goals
push the start symbol, S, onto Stack
TOS ← top of Stack

loop forever
    if TOS = EOF and word = EOF then
        break & report success // exit on success
    else if TOS is a terminal then
        if TOS matches word then
            pop Stack          // recognized TOS
            word ← NextWord()
        else report error looking for TOS // error exit
    else                      // TOS is a non-terminal
        if TABLE[TOS,word] is A → B1B2...Bk then
            pop Stack          // get rid of A
            push Bk, Bk-1, ..., B1 // in that order
        else break & report error expanding TOS
    TOS ← top of Stack
```



Building Top-down Parsers

Building the complete table

- Need a row for every NT & a column for every T
- Need a table-driven interpreter for the table
- Need an algorithm to build the table

Filling in $\text{TABLE}[X,y]$, $X \in NT$, $y \in T$

1. entry is the rule $X \rightarrow \beta$, if $y \in \text{FIRST}^+(X \rightarrow \beta)$
2. entry is *error* if rule 1 does not define

If any entry has more than one rule, G is not $\text{LL}(1)$

} Incrementally tests the $\text{LL}(1)$ criterion on each NT .
An efficient way to determine if a grammar is $\text{LL}(1)$

This algorithm is the $\text{LL}(1)$ table construction algorithm

In Lab 2, you would have built a recursive descent parser for a modified form of **BNF** and build $\text{LL}(1)$ tables for the grammars that are $\text{LL}(1)$. (A good weekend project)

Recap of Top-down Parsing



- Top-down parsers build syntax tree from root to leaves
- Left-recursion causes non-termination in top-down parsers
 - Transformation to eliminate left recursion
 - Transformation to eliminate common prefixes in right recursion
- **FIRST**, **FIRST⁺**, & **FOLLOW** sets + **LL(1)** condition
 - **LL(1)** uses left-to-right scan of the input, leftmost derivation of the sentence, and 1 word lookahead
 - **LL(1)** condition means grammar works for predictive parsing
- Given an **LL(1)** grammar, we can
 - Build a recursive descent parser
 - Build a table-driven **LL(1)** parser
- **LL(1)** parser doesn't build the parse tree
 - Keeps lower fringe of partially complete tree on the stack

