# Experiment No. 5

Aim: Program to Compute first() and follow() set of the grammar.

### Theory:

Automatic techniques for constructing parsers start with computing some basic functions for symbols in the grammar. These functions are useful in understanding both recursive descent and bottom-up LR parsers.

## First(a):

First(a) is the set of terminals that begin strings derived from a, which can include epsilon.

- 1. First(X) starts with the empty set.
- 2. if X is a terminal, First(X) is {X}.
- 3. if X -> epsilon is a production, add epsilon to First(X).
- 4. if X is a non-terminal and X -> Y1 Y2... Yk is a production, add First(Y1) to First(X).
- 5. for (i = 1; if Yi can derive epsilon; i++) add First(Yi+1) to First(X).

### Follow(A):

Follow(A) for nonterminal A is the set of terminals that can appear immediately to the right of A in some sentential form S -> aAxB... To compute Follow, apply these rules to all nonterminals in the grammar:

- 1. Add \$ to Follow(S)
- 2. if A -> aBb then add First(b) epsilon to Follow(B)
- 3. if A -> aB or A -> aBb where epsilon is in First(b), then add Follow(A) to Follow(B).

## Program:

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import re
ep = list()

fp = open("/content/grammer.txt","r") #read CFG from file cfg=dict() #create
dictionary to stored CFG
global non_terminal
def find_first(key):
    value=cfg[key] #find RHS of key(LHS)
    #print(key,value)
    if ('#' in value): #if key directly derived epsilon value.remove('#')
    for item in value: #consider individual production rule if item[0] in ep: #if that
variable produve epsilon epsilon(item)
#print("Epsilon called for ",item)
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else:
if (item[0].islower()):
#print(non_terminal,"-->",item[0])
if item[0] not in temp:
temp.append(item[0])
else:
find_first(item[0])
def epsilon(item):
#print("From Epsilon ",item[0])
find_first(item[0]) #find first of that variable
length=len(item)
i=1
while(i<=length-1):
if item[i] in ep:
find_first(item[i])
i=i+1
if(i==length):
#print(non_terminal,"-->#")
if '#' not in temp:
temp.append('#')
break
else:
if (item[i].islower()):
#print(non_terminal,"-->",item[i])
if item[i] not in temp:
temp.append(item[i])
break
else:
find_first(item[i])
break
def find_follow(key):
for k,v in cfg.items():
for item in v:
if re.search(key,item): #search key in RHS
index=item.find(key) #if found
length=len(item)-1
#print(key ,"is found at ",item, "at ",index)
if (index==length):#if varaibel found at Right most side of RHS
temp1=follow[k] #then find follow[k] for i in temp1:
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temp.append(i) #append it
index=index+1 #find next symbol
#print(index)
for i in range(index,len(item)): #try all next variable/terminal
#print(i)
                                                     if(item[i].islower()): #if follow symbol is terminal
temp.append(item[i]) #add it to follow() break # stop
else:
temp1=first[item[i]] #find first[follow variable] #print(temp1)
                                  for j in temp1:
if(j!='#'):
temp.append(j) #append it to follow dictionary/temp
if ('#' in temp1): #if first[follow item] contain epsilon
i=i+1 #check for next variable else:
break #else stop
if(i==len(item)): #if we reach at right most side of RHS temp1=follow[k] #find follow[LHS]
for j in temp1:
temp.append(j) #append result
for line in fp:
line.strip() #remove begining and trailing white spaces if re.search('\n',line):
line=line[:line.find('\n')] #remove \n from line split=line.split('->') #split line
(LHS and RHS)
split=split[1].split('|') #split RHS based on |
i=0
for item in split:
split[i]=item.strip() #remove begining and trailing white spaces i=i+1
#cfg[split[0]]=split
cfg[line[0]]=split #store LHS as key and RHS as a values
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print("\nGiven Context Free Grammar is =")
for key, value in cfg.items():
print(key," ->",value) #print CFG
if('#' in value): #if any variable/non terminal generate an epsilon ep.append(key) #then stored
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that varaible in list ep

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temp=list()
first=dict()
for key,value in cfg.items():
first[key]=[] #initialize value of key as list
#print("FIRST[",key,"]") #find first of all variable(non-terminal) non_terminal=key
find_first(key)
if key in ep:
#print(non_terminal,"-->#")
if '#' not in temp: #if varaible produce epsilon temp.append('#') #add epsilon to
first[variable] #print(temp)
for item in temp:
first[non_terminal].append(item) #add all results to first #print(temp)
temp.clear()
#print(first)
#print("Follow() are as follow->")
follow=dict()
flag=0
temp=list()
#print(first)
for key, value in cfg.items():
follow[key]=[] #initialize value of key as list
if flag==0:
temp.append("$") #follow of start symbol is $
flag=1
find_follow(key)
#print("follow[",key,"]")
#print(temp)
for k in temp:
if( k not in follow[key]): # removed duplicate and add it to final result
follow[key].append(k)
temp.clear()
#print(follow)
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print(" Non Terminal First() Follow()") print("------
for key, value in follow.items():
print(" ",key," ",first[key]," ",value) print("\n")
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Output:

Conclusion: Thus we have successfully implemented first and follow.