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Attributes of Symbols

- A set of attributes can be associated to each symbol; attributes can be:
 - Synthesized: calculated from the values of the attributes of the node's children in the parse tree,
 - Inherited: calculated from the values of the parents / siblings in the parse tree.
- A set of semantic rules, specifying how attributes are calculated, is associated to each production.
- The scanner passes semantic values to the parser which, while recognizing the grammar, updates the nodes of the parse tree



Synthesized attributes

- A grammar whose attributes are all synthesized is denoted as an S-attribute grammar.
- In this case, it is possible to calculate the values of all attributes using a bottom-up strategy, from the leaves to the root of the parse tree.

$$E \rightarrow E_1$$
 '+' T

 $E \rightarrow T$

 $T \rightarrow number$

E.value ::= T.value

T.value ::= number.value



Cup & Semantics: the Symbol class

- In Cup, each symbol in the stack is an object of class Symbol (cup/java_cup/runtime/Symbol.java)
- It contains the following information:
 - A number uniquely identifying the symbol
 - public int sym;
 - The state in which the parse is
 - public int parse_state;
 - Two integers that are used to pass the line and column number from the scanner to the parser
 - public int left, right;
 - An object of class Object to handle semantics
 - public Object value;





Passing semantic values to the parser

Symbol and semantic value:

```
[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9_]* { return new Symbol(sym.ID, new String(yytext())); }
```

Symbol, line number, column number, and semantic value:

```
%{
    private Symbol symbol(int type, Object value){
        return new Symbol(type, yyline,yycolumn,value);
    }
    Symbol Constructors:
    public Symbol( int sym_id)
    public Symbol( int sym_id, int left, int right)
    public Symbol( int sym_id, Object o)
    public Symbol( int sym_id, int left, int right, Object o)
```

[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9_]* { return symbol(sym.ID, new String(yytext())); }

Or equivalently:

```
[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9_]* {
```

return new Symbol(sym.ID, yyline, yycolumn, new String(yytext())); }



Cup & Semantic: specifying nodes types

- Cup must know the type of the semantic value of each symbol
- It uses the following definition of terminals and non-terminals:
 - terminal <Object> <list_of_terminals> ;
 - non terminal <Object> <list_of_not_terminals>;
- <Object> is the class of the object associated to a given symbol
- Example:
 - terminal String ID;
 - An object of class String will be associated to ID.
 - terminal Integer NUM;
 - non terminal MyObject var;

```
class MyObject {
    public String var_name;
    public String var_type;
}
```



Cup & Semantic: using semantic values

Given a set of productions:

```
E ::= E PLUS T | E MINUS T ;
```

- One can refer to the semantic value of each symbol by adding labels to the symbols of interest:
 - A label is constituted by the ':' character followed by a name

```
E ::= E:n1 PLUS T:n2 | E:n1 MINUS T:n2 ;
```

Within each production, the labels can be used normally as objects of the class specified in the definition of terminals and non-terminals:

```
E ::= E:n1 PLUS T:n2 {: System.out.print(n1 + " + " + n2); :} 
| E:n1 MINUS T:n2 {: System.out.print(n1 + " - " + n2); :}
```



Cup & Semantic: Actions and RESULT

- An action can be associated to each production, ({: /* Java Code*/:}) and is executed every time the corresponding production is reduced
- The action updates the semantic value of each symbol
- For each production, the RESULT object, of class Object, is defined.
- RESULT represents the result of the semanatic rules contained in the action, and is therefore associated to the symbol in the left hand side of the production



Calculating synthesized attributes

Given the algebraic expressions grammar, the following rule assigns to the symbol 'E' the sum or the subtraction of the values of the addends/subtrahends:

```
non terminal Integer E;

E ::= E:n1 PLUS T:n2
{: RESULT = new Integer(n1.intValue() + n2.intValue()); :}
| E:n1 MINUS T:n2
{: RESULT = new Integer(n1.intValue() - n2.intValue()); :}
;
```

- Note:
 - RESULT must be assigned an object of class Integer: new Integer()
 - Mathematical operators work on numbers, not objects: n1.intValue()



Calculating synthesized attributes (2)

It is possible to propagate more than one semantic value through RESULT, in the following way:

```
terminal RO, RC;
terminal String identifier;
terminal Integer Args;
non terminal Object[] Func;
non terminal goal;
goal ::= Func:a {:
    System.out.println( "Function name: " + a[0] + "Number of parameters: " + a[1]);
:};
Func ::= identifier:a RO Args:b RC {:
         RESULT = new Object[2];
         RESULT[0] = new String(a);
         RESULT[1] = new Integer(b);
:};
```

Calculating synthesized attributes (3)

• Alternatively, one can write a class that contains all the required information:

```
action code {:
    class MyFunc {
         public String id;
         public Integer args;
         MyFunc(String id, Integer args) {
             this.id = new String(id);
             this.args = new Integer(args);
non terminal MyFunc Func;
goal ::= Func:a {:
    System.out.println( "Function name : " + a.id + "Number of parameters: " + a.args );
:};
Func ::= identifier:a RO Args:b RC {: RESULT = new MyFunc( a, b ); :} ;
```

Parser debugging

- A series of option are available in Cup to visualize the parser's internal structures:
 - -dump_grammar : Prints the list of terminals, non-terminals and productions
 - -dump_states : Prints the state graph
 - -dump_table : Prints the ACTION TABLE and the REDUCE TABLE
 - -dump : Prints all information
- The parser can be executed in debug mode (all the actions performed to analyze the input sequence are printed)

Normal mode:

```
Yylex l = new Yylex(new FileReader(file));
parser p = new parser(l);
Object result = p.parse();
```

Debug mode:

```
Yylex l = new Yylex(new FileReader(file));
parser p = new parser(l);
Object result = p.debug_parse();
```

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States

-dump_states

```
lalr_state [2]: {
    [exp ::= T (*) , {EOF PLUS }]
}

lalr_state [3]: {
    [exp ::= exp (*) PLUS T , {EOF PLUS }]

[$START ::= exp (*) EOF , {EOF }]
}

transition on EOF to state [5]

transition on PLUS to state [4]
```

```
3 exp 0 T 2 NUM NUM 1 NUM 1 S 6
```

Action / Reduce Tables

-dump_tables

```
From state #0

[non term 1->state 3] [non term 2->state 2]

From state #1

From state #2

From state #3

From state #4

[non term 2->state 6]

From state #5

From state #6
```



Grammar

-dump_grammar

```
===== Terminals =====

[0]EOF [1]error [2]NUMBER [3]PLUS
===== Non terminals =====

[0]$START [1]exp [2]T
===== Productions =====

[0]$START ::= exp EOF

[1] exp ::= exp PLUS T

[2] exp ::= T

[3] T ::= NUMBER
```

```
exp \rightarrow exp PLUS T
exp \rightarrow T
T \rightarrow NUMBER
```



Debugging

debug_parse()

```
# Initializing parser
FOUND: 3
# Current Symbol is #2
# Shift under term #2 to state #1
FOUND: +
# Current token is #3
# Reduce with prod #3 [NT=2, SZ=1]
# Reduce rule: top state 0, lhs sym 2 -> state 2
# Goto state #2
# Reduce with prod #2 [NT=1, SZ=1]
# Reduce rule: top state 0, lhs sym 1 -> state 3
# Goto state #3
# Shift under term #3 to state #4
FOUND: 5
# Current token is #2
```

Input string: 3+5

```
# Shift under term #2 to state #1
# Current token is #0
# Reduce with prod #3 [NT=2, SZ=1]
# Reduce rule: top state 4, lhs sym 2 -> state 6
# Goto state #6
Found expression
# Reduce with prod #1 [NT=1, SZ=3]
# Reduce rule: top state 0, lhs sym 1 -> state 3
# Goto state #3
# Shift under term #0 to state #5
# Current token is #0
# Reduce with prod #0 [NT=0, SZ=2]
# Reduce rule: top state 0, lhs sym 0 -> state -1
# Goto state #-1
```

Exercise

```
Salad 2.10;
Wine 12.00;
Pasta 1.50;
Bread 0.40;
%
Stefano: 2 Pasta, 1 Wine;
Giulia: 1 Salad, 1 Bread, 1 Pasta;
/* OUTPUT:
Stefano: 15.0 EURO
Giulia: 4.0 EURO
```

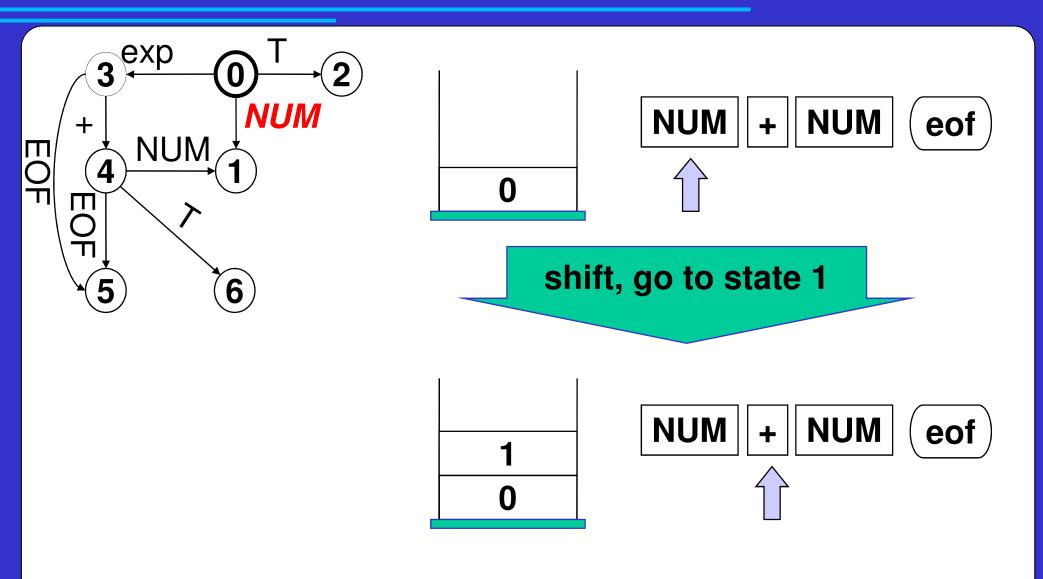


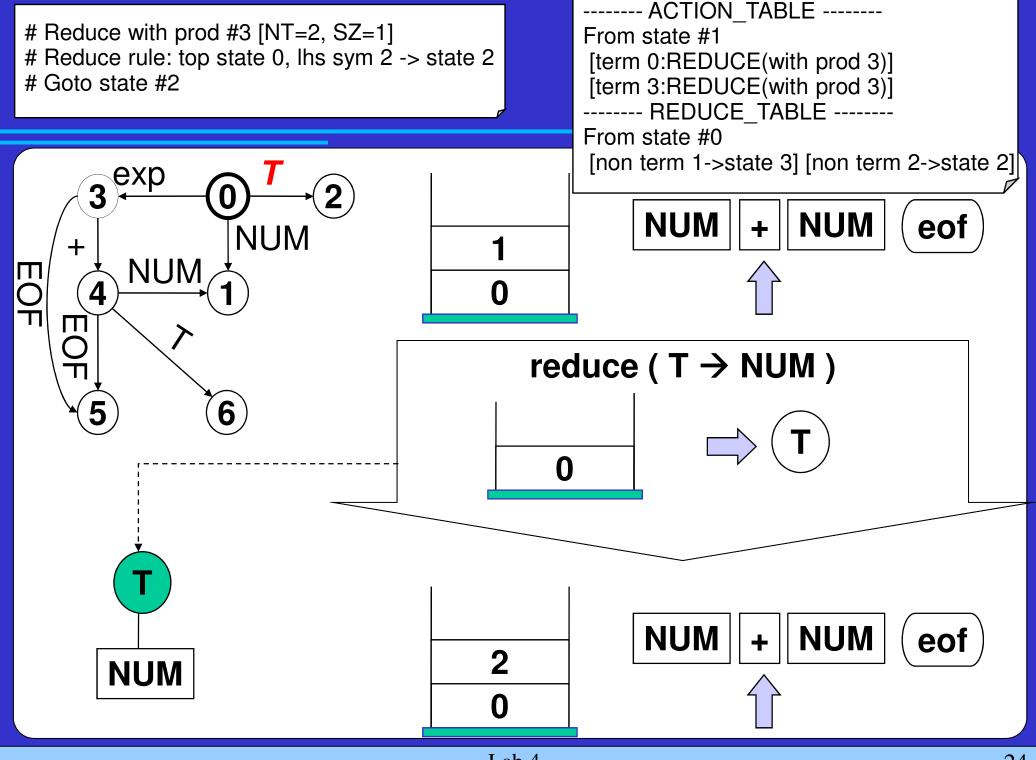
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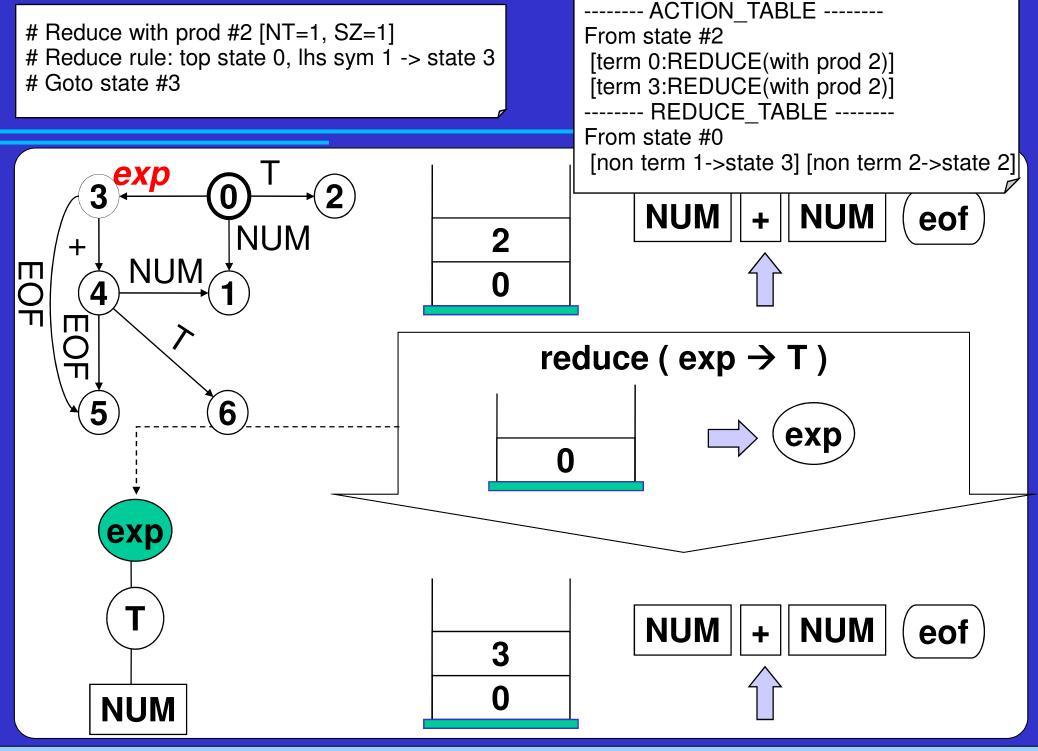


Initializing parser # Current Symbol is #2 # Shift under term #2 to state #1 # Current token is #3

------ ACTION_TABLE ------From state #0
[term 2:SHIFT(to state 1)]

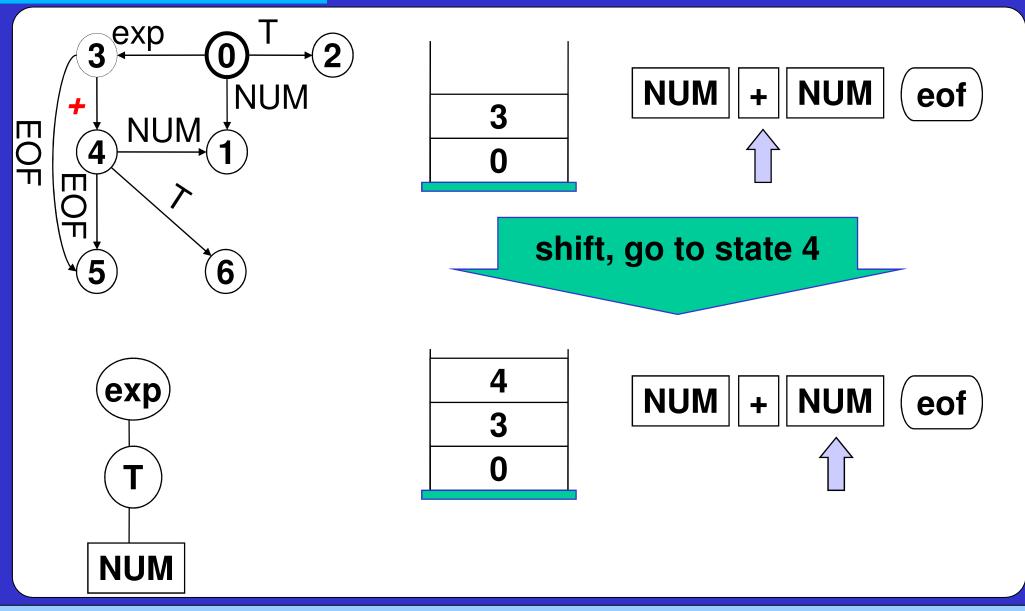






Shift under term #3 to state #4 # Current token is #2

------ ACTION_TABLE ------From state #3
[term 0:SHIFT(to state 5)]
[term 3:SHIFT(to state 4)]



Shift under term #2 to state #1 # Current token is #0

------ ACTION_TABLE ------From state #4
[term 2:SHIFT(to state 1)]

