Syntax Analysis

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LR parsing

Note that in LL(1) parsing, 1 means Number of Lookahead symbols from input being considered.

- Most prevalent type of bottom-up parser
- Shift-reduce is a form of bottom-up parsing which can be implemented by LR method
- ightharpoonup A table-driven form of parsing and similar to LL(1) parsing
- Almost all programming language constructs are covered
- Non-LR CFG exists; but are avoided for programming language constructs
- ► The LR method cover more language than LL method

Shift-reduce parsing

- ► The shift-reduce parser needs to know when to shift and when to reduce
- For understanding whether to shift or to reduce, it needs to keep track of how much has been parsed and how much is yet to be parsed

The shift-reduce parser

- A shift-reduce parser needs to know when to shift and when to reduce
- ▶ A stack is maintained which keeps track of \$T and input symbols
 - ► The challenge is to know that T is not a handle, so the appropriate action is to shift * and not to reduce T to E
- ► The LR parser makes shift-reduce decisions by maintaining states to keep track of where we are in a parse

LR(0) means no input symbol is guiding about whether something can be in stack or not.

- States represent sets of "items"
- ▶ An LR(0) item is a production with a dot at some position of the body. The production $A \rightarrow XYZ$ yields the four items

$$A \rightarrow .XYZ$$

 $A \rightarrow X.YZ$
 $A \rightarrow XY.Z$
 $A \rightarrow XYZ$.

The prodution $A \to \epsilon$ generates only one item, $A \to .$

Intuitively, an item indicates how much of a production we have seen at a given point in parsing process

—The item A o .XYZ indicates that we hope to see a string derivable from XYZ next on the input

- \triangleright We shall consider sets of LR(0) items which is called canonical LR(0) collection which provides the basis for
- constructing a DFA For this purpose, we define an augmented grammar with a
- new start symbol S' and production $S' \rightarrow S$
- Acceptance occurs when and only when the parser is about to reduce $S' \to S$ ▶ We also define two functions, CLOSURE and GOTO

► Closure of Item Sets

- ► Let *I* be the set of items for a grammar *G*.
- 1. Initially, add every item in *I* to *CLOSURE(I)*
 - 2. If $A \to \alpha.B\beta$ and $B \to \gamma$ is a production, then add the itemm $B \to .\gamma$ to CLOSURE(I), if it is not already there. Apply this

rule until no more new items can be added to CLOSURE(I)

► The function GOTO

▶ GOTO(I,X), where I is a set of items and X is a grammar symbol, is defined to be closure of the set of all items $[A \to \alpha X.\beta]$ such that $[A \to \alpha.X\beta]$

Example

► Consider the augmented expression grammar

$$E' \rightarrow E$$

$$E \rightarrow E + T|T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F|F$$

$$F \rightarrow (E)|id$$

If I is the set of one item $\{[E' \rightarrow .E]\}$, then CLOSURE(I) contains the set of items as given below

$$E' \rightarrow .E$$

$$E \rightarrow .E + T$$

$$E \rightarrow .T$$

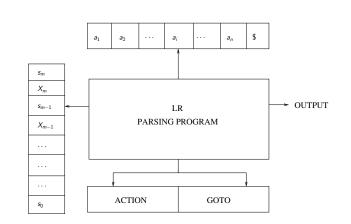
$$T \rightarrow .T * F$$

$$T \rightarrow .F$$

$$F \rightarrow .(E)$$

$$F \rightarrow .id$$

and GOTO(I, E) is the set $\{E' \rightarrow E., E \rightarrow E. + T\}$



 \blacktriangleright Consider the following grammar for arithmetic expression + and *

 $T \rightarrow F$ $F \rightarrow (E)$ $F \rightarrow id$

$$E
ightarrow E + T$$
 $E
ightarrow T$
 $T
ightarrow T * F$

\triangleright Canonical collection of LR(0) items

$$\begin{array}{lll} l_0:E'\to.E\\ E\to.E+T\\ E\to.E+T\\ E\to.T\\ T\to.T*F\\ T\to.F\\ F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_0:E\to E+.T\\ T\to.T*F\\ T\to.F\\ F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} f:F\to.E\\ F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_1:E'\to E\\ E\to E+T\\ E\to E+T \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_2:F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_3:F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_3:F\to.(E)\\ F\to.id \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_3:F\to.(E)\\ E\to E+T\\ I\to.T*F. \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_3:F\to.E+T\\ I\to.T*F. \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{lll} l_3:F\to.(E)\\ I\to.T*F. \end{array} \qquad$$