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1 Grammar

1.1 Unproductive and unreachable symbols (a)

In the given grammar, there is no unproductive and/or unreachable symbols.

1.2 Priority and associativity of the operators (b)

Note In this section, PA refers to priority and associativity of the operators, AE to arithmetic expression and BE to boolean expression.

1.2.1 Arithmetic expressions

Since an arithmetic expression must always be process first before bing compared to another one in a boolean expression, we will consider those two separatly.

First let's consider the PA of the arithmetic expressions. We have the following PA:

-	right
*, /	left
+, -	left

And the following grammar:

$$
\begin{aligned}
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow [VarName] \\
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow [Number] \\
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow (<ExprArith>) \\
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow - <ExprArith> \\
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow <ExprArith> <Op> <ExprArith> \\
&<Op> \rightarrow + \\
&<Op> \rightarrow - \\
&<Op> \rightarrow * \\
&<Op> \rightarrow /
\end{aligned}
$$

As mention in the course page 111, an AE must be a *sum of products*, more specifically in our case a {*sum, substraction*} *of* {*produts, division*}. We will use the same atom definition in the course, with `Number` as the constant rule and `VarName` as the id rule. The minus operator as a right associativity, meaning that it is always linked to the atom next to the operator, so we will set this operator directly as an atom rule.

Same thing goes for the parenthesis. The must be handled without considering the operators outside the parenthesis, so as an atom.

We have the following grammar results:

$$
\begin{aligned}
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow <ExprArith> <SumSubOp> <ExprProd> \\
&<ExprArith> \rightarrow <ExprProd> \\
&<ExprProd> \rightarrow <ExprProd> <ProdOp> <Atom> \\
&<ExprProd> \rightarrow <Atom> \\
&<SumSubOp> \rightarrow + \\
&<SumSubOp> \rightarrow - \\
&<ProdOp> \rightarrow *
\end{aligned}
$$

$<ProdOp> \rightarrow /$
$<Atom> \rightarrow [VarName]$
$<Atom> \rightarrow [Number]$
$<ExprArith> \rightarrow - <Atom>$
$<ExprArith> \rightarrow (<ExprArith>)$

1.2.2 Boolean expressions