# **Syntax Analyser- Bottom Up Parsing**

# **Bottom-Up Parsing**

- A **bottom-up parser** creates the parse tree of the given input starting from leaves towards the root.
- A bottom-up parser tries to find the right-most derivation of the given input in the reverse order.

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S \Rightarrow ... \Rightarrow \omega (the right-most derivation of \omega)

\leftarrow (the bottom-up parser finds the right-most derivation in the reverse order)
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- Bottom-up parsing is also known as **shift-reduce parsing** because its two main actions are shift and reduce.
  - At each shift action, the current symbol in the input string is pushed to a stack.
  - At each reduction step, the symbols at the top of the stack (this symbol sequence is the right side of a production) will replaced by the non-terminal at the left side of that production.
  - There are also two more actions: accept and error.

# **Shift-Reduce Parsing**

• A shift-reduce parser tries to reduce the given input string into the starting symbol.

a string the starting symbol reduced to

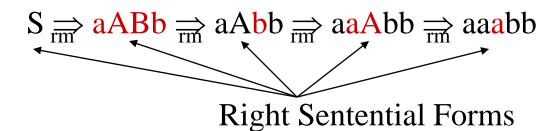
- At each reduction step, a substring of the input matching to the right side of a production rule is replaced by the non-terminal at the left side of that production rule.
- If the substring is chosen correctly, the right most derivation of that string is created in the reverse order.

Rightmost Derivation:  $S \stackrel{*}{\rightleftharpoons} \omega$ 

Shift-Reduce Parser finds:  $\omega \rightleftharpoons_{rm} ... \rightleftharpoons_{rm} S$ 

# **Shift-Reduce Parsing -- Example**

$$S \to aABb$$
 input string: aaabb 
$$A \to aA \mid a$$
 aaAbb 
$$B \to bB \mid b$$
 aAbb  $\downarrow$  reduction aABb S



• How do we know which substring to be replaced at each reduction step?

#### Handle

- Informally, a **handle** of a string is a substring that matches the right side of a production rule.
  - But not every substring matches the right side of a production rule is handle
- A handle of a right sentential form γ (≡ αβω) is
   a production rule A → β and a position of γ
   where the string β may be found and replaced by A to produce the previous right-sentential form in a rightmost derivation of γ.

$$S \stackrel{*}{\Longrightarrow} \alpha A \omega \Longrightarrow_{rm} \alpha \beta \omega$$

- If the grammar is unambiguous, then every right-sentential form of the grammar has exactly one handle.
- We will see that  $\omega$  is a string of terminals.

# **Handle Pruning**

• A right-most derivation in reverse can be obtained by **handle-pruning**.

$$S = \gamma_0 \underset{rm}{\Longrightarrow} \gamma_1 \underset{rm}{\Longrightarrow} \gamma_2 \underset{rm}{\Longrightarrow} ... \underset{rm}{\Longrightarrow} \gamma_{n-1} \underset{rm}{\Longrightarrow} \gamma_n = \omega$$
 input string

- Start from  $\gamma_n$ , find a handle  $A_n \rightarrow \beta_n$  in  $\gamma_n$ , and replace  $\beta_n$  in by  $A_n$  to get  $\gamma_{n-1}$ .
- Then find a handle  $A_{n-1} \rightarrow \beta_{n-1}$  in  $\gamma_{n-1}$ , replace  $\beta_{n-1}$  in by  $A_{n-1}$  to get  $\gamma_{n-2}$ .
- Repeat this, until we reach S.

and

#### A Shift-Reduce Parser

$$\begin{array}{lll} E \rightarrow E+T \mid T & Right-Most \ Derivation \ of \ id+id*id \\ T \rightarrow T*F \mid F & E+T*F \Rightarrow E+T*id \Rightarrow E+F*id \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid id & \Rightarrow E+id*id \Rightarrow T+id*id \Rightarrow F+id*id \Rightarrow id+id*id \end{array}$$

Right-Most Sentential Form	Reducing Production
<u>id</u> +id*id	$F \rightarrow id$
<u>F</u> +id*id	$T \rightarrow F$
<u>T</u> +id*id	$E \rightarrow T$
E+ <u>id</u> *id	$F \rightarrow id$
E+ <u>F</u> *id	$T \rightarrow F$
E+T* <u>id</u>	$F \rightarrow id$
E+ <u>T*F</u>	$T \rightarrow T^*F$
E+T	$E \rightarrow E + T$

Handles are red and underlined in the right-sentential forms.

### A Stack Implementation of A Shift-Reduce Parser

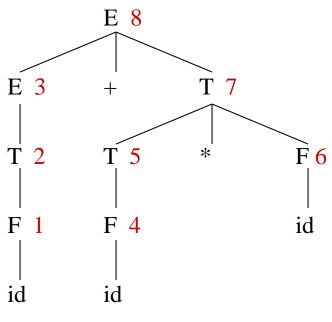
- There are four possible actions of a shift-parser action:
  - **1. Shift**: The next input symbol is shifted onto the top of the stack.
  - **2. Reduce**: Replace the handle on the top of the stack by the non-terminal.
  - 3. Accept: Successful completion of parsing.
  - **4. Error**: Parser discovers a syntax error, and calls an error recovery routine.

- Initial stack just contains only the end-marker \$.
- The end of the input string is marked by the end-marker \$.

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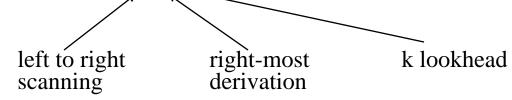
<u>Stack</u>	<u>Input</u>	<u>Action</u>
\$	id+id*id\$shift	
\$id	+id*id\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
<b>\$F</b>	+id*id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
<b>\$T</b>	+id*id\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow T$
\$E	+id*id\$	shift
\$E+	id*id\$	shift
\$E+id	*id\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
\$E+ <mark>F</mark>	*id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
\$E+T	*id\$	shift
\$E+T*	id\$	shift
\$E+T*id	\$	reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
\$E+ <b>T*F</b>	\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow T^*F$
\$E+T	\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow E+T$
\$E	\$	accept

#### **Parse Tree**



# **Conflicts During Shift-Reduce Parsing**

- There are context-free grammars for which shift-reduce parsers cannot be used.
- Stack contents and the next input symbol may not decide action:
  - shift/reduce conflict: Whether make a shift operation or a reduction.
  - reduce/reduce conflict: The parser cannot decide which of several reductions to make.
- If a shift-reduce parser cannot be used for a grammar, that grammar is called as non-LR(k) grammar.



An ambiguous grammar can never be a LR grammar.

#### **Shift-Reduce Parsers**

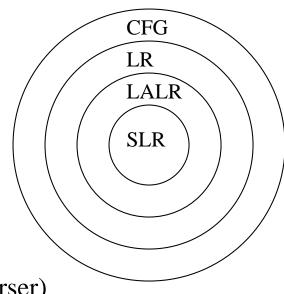
• There are two main categories of shift-reduce parsers

#### 1. Operator-Precedence Parser

simple, but only a small class of grammars.

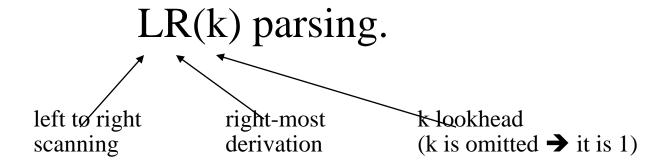
#### 2. LR-Parsers

- covers wide range of grammars.
  - SLR simple LR parser
  - LR most general LR parser
  - LALR intermediate LR parser (lookhead LR parser)
- SLR, LR and LALR work same, only their parsing tables are different.



#### LR Parsers

• The most powerful shift-reduce parsing (yet efficient) is:



- LR parsing is attractive because:
  - LR parsing is most general non-backtracking shift-reduce parsing, yet it is still efficient.
  - The class of grammars that can be parsed using LR methods is a proper superset of the class of grammars that can be parsed with predictive parsers.

$$LL(1)$$
-Grammars  $\subset LR(1)$ -Grammars

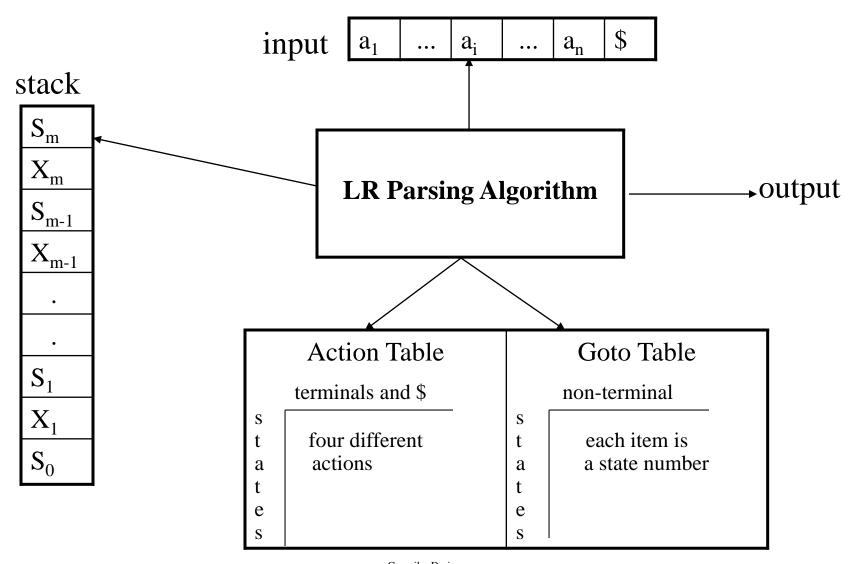
 An LR-parser can detect a syntactic error as soon as it is possible to do so a left-to-right scan of the input.

#### LR Parsers

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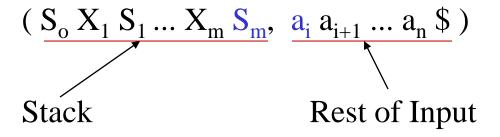
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   only their parsing tables are different.

#### LR Parsing Algorithm



# A Configuration of LR Parsing Algorithm

• A configuration of a LR parsing is:



- $S_m$  and  $a_i$  decides the parser action by consulting the parsing action table. (*Initial Stack* contains just  $S_o$ )
- A configuration of a LR parsing represents the right sentential form:

$$X_1 ... X_m a_i a_{i+1} ... a_n$$
\$

#### **Actions of A LR-Parser**

1. shift s -- shifts the next input symbol and the state s onto the stack  $(S_o X_1 S_1 ... X_m S_m, a_i a_{i+1} ... a_n \$) \rightarrow (S_o X_1 S_1 ... X_m S_m a_i s, a_{i+1} ... a_n \$)$ 

- 2. reduce  $A \rightarrow \beta$  (or rn where n is a production number)
  - pop  $2|\beta|$  (=r) items from the stack;
  - then push A and s where  $s=goto[s_{m-r},A]$

$$(S_{0} X_{1} S_{1} ... X_{m} S_{m}, a_{i} a_{i+1} ... a_{n} \$) \rightarrow (S_{0} X_{1} S_{1} ... X_{m-r} S_{m-r} A s, a_{i} ... a_{n} \$)$$

- Output is the reducing production reduce  $A \rightarrow \beta$
- 3. Accept Parsing successfully completed
- **4.** Error -- Parser detected an error (an empty entry in the action table)

#### **Reduce Action**

- pop  $2|\beta|$  (=r) items from the stack; let us assume that  $\beta = Y_1Y_2...Y_r$
- then push A and s where  $s=goto[s_{m-r},A]$

$$(S_{o} X_{1} S_{1} ... X_{m-r} S_{m-r} Y_{1} S_{m-r} ... Y_{r} S_{m}, a_{i} a_{i+1} ... a_{n} \$)$$
 $\rightarrow (S_{o} X_{1} S_{1} ... X_{m-r} S_{m-r} A s, a_{i} ... a_{n} \$)$ 

• In fact,  $Y_1Y_2...Y_r$  is a handle.

$$X_1 ... X_{m-r} A a_i ... a_n$$
  $\Rightarrow X_1 ... X_m Y_1 ... Y_r a_i a_{i+1} ... a_n$ 

#### (SLR) Parsing Tables for Expression Grammar

#### **Action Table**

Goto Table

1)	F	$\rightarrow$	$\mathbf{F}_{-}$	⊢T
1				l L

2) 
$$E \rightarrow T$$

3) 
$$T \rightarrow T*F$$

4) 
$$T \rightarrow F$$

5) 
$$F \rightarrow (E)$$

6) 
$$F \rightarrow id$$

state	id	+	*	(	)	\$	E	T	F
0	s5			s4			1	2	3
1		s6				acc			
2		r2	s7		r2	r2			
3		r4	r4		r4	r4			
4	s5			s4			8	2	3
5		r6	r6		r6	r6			
6	s5			s4				9	3
7	s5			s4					10
8		s6			s11				
9		r1	s7		r1	r1			
10		r3	r3		r3	r3			
11		r5	r5		r5	r5			

# **Actions of A (S)LR-Parser -- Example**

<u>stack</u>	<u>input</u>	<u>action</u>	<u>output</u>
0	id*id+id\$	shift 5	
0id5	*id+id\$	reduce by F→id	F→id
0F3	*id+id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$	$T \rightarrow F$
0T2	*id+id\$	shift 7	
0T2*7	id+id\$	shift 5	
0T2*7id5	+id\$	reduce by F→id	F→id
0T2*7F10	+id\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow T^*F$	$T \rightarrow T*F$
0T2	+id\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow T$	$E \rightarrow T$
0E1	+id\$	shift 6	
0E1+6	id\$	shift 5	
0E1+6id5	\$	reduce by F→id	F→id
0E1+6F3	\$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$	$T \rightarrow F$
0E1+6T9	\$	reduce by $E \rightarrow E + T$	$E \rightarrow E + T$
0E1	\$	accept	

# **Constructing SLR Parsing Tables – LR(0) Item**

• An **LR(0)** item of a grammar G is a production of G a dot at the some position of the right side.

• Ex: $A \rightarrow aBb$	Possible LR(0) Items:	$A \rightarrow \bullet aBb$
	(four different possibility)	$A \rightarrow a \cdot Bb$
		$A \rightarrow aB \bullet b$
		$A \rightarrow aBb \bullet$

- Sets of LR(0) items will be the states of action and goto table of the SLR parser.
- A collection of sets of LR(0) items (the canonical LR(0) collection) is the basis for constructing SLR parsers.
- Augmented Grammar:

G' is G with a new production rule  $S' \rightarrow S$  where S' is the new starting symbol.

### The Closure Operation

- If *I* is a set of LR(0) items for a grammar G, then *closure(I)* is the set of LR(0) items constructed from I by the two rules:
  - 1. Initially, every LR(0) item in I is added to closure(I).
  - 2. If  $A \to \alpha \bullet B\beta$  is in closure(I) and  $B \to \gamma$  is a production rule of G; then  $B \to \bullet \gamma$  will be in the closure(I).

We will apply this rule until no more new LR(0) items can be added to closure(I).

#### **The Closure Operation -- Example**

```
E' \rightarrow E
                                             closure(\{E' \rightarrow \bullet E\}) =
                                                                       \{E' \rightarrow \bullet E \leftarrow \text{kernel items}\}
E \rightarrow E+T
E \rightarrow T
                                                                            E \rightarrow \bullet E + T
T \rightarrow T*F
                                                                           E \rightarrow \bullet T
                                                                            T \rightarrow \bullet T * F
T \rightarrow F
                                                                            T \rightarrow \bullet F
F \rightarrow (E)
F \rightarrow id
                                                                            F \rightarrow \bullet(E)
                                                                           F \rightarrow \bullet id }
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# **Goto Operation**

- If I is a set of LR(0) items and X is a grammar symbol (terminal or non-terminal), then goto(I,X) is defined as follows:
  - If  $A \to \alpha \bullet X\beta$  in I then every item in **closure**( $\{A \to \alpha X \bullet \beta\}$ ) will be in goto(I,X).

#### Example:

```
\begin{split} I = &\{ E' \rightarrow \bullet E, \ E \rightarrow \bullet E + T, \ E \rightarrow \bullet T, \\ &T \rightarrow \bullet T^*F, \ T \rightarrow \bullet F, \\ &F \rightarrow \bullet (E), \ F \rightarrow \bullet id \ \} \\ &\gcd(I,E) = &\{ E' \rightarrow E \bullet, E \rightarrow E \bullet + T \ \} \\ &\gcd(I,T) = &\{ E \rightarrow T \bullet, T \rightarrow T \bullet ^*F \ \} \\ &\gcd(I,F) = &\{ T \rightarrow F \bullet \ \} \\ &\gcd(I,C) = &\{ F \rightarrow (\bullet E), E \rightarrow \bullet E + T, E \rightarrow \bullet T, T \rightarrow \bullet T^*F, T \rightarrow \bullet F, \\ &F \rightarrow \bullet (E), F \rightarrow \bullet id \ \} \end{split}
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#### **Construction of The Canonical LR(0) Collection**

• To create the SLR parsing tables for a grammar G, we will create the canonical LR(0) collection of the grammar G'.

#### • Algorithm:

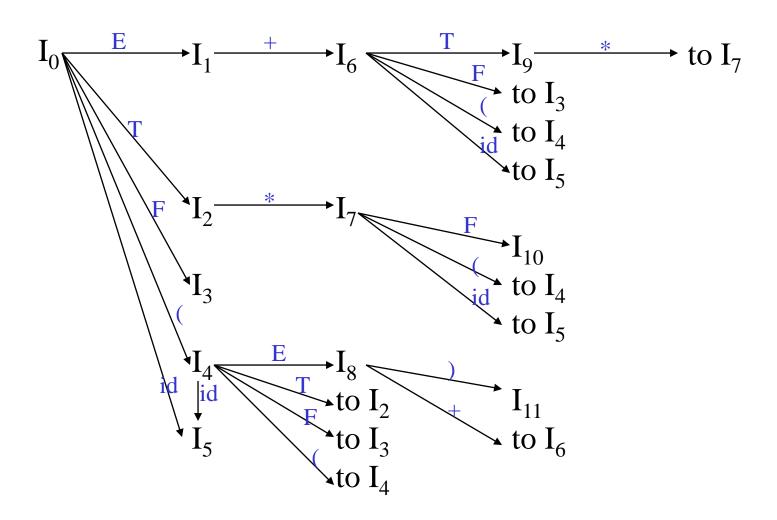
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C is { closure({S'→•S}) }
repeat the followings until no more set of LR(0) items can be added to C.
for each I in C and each grammar symbol X
if goto(I,X) is not empty and not in C
add goto(I,X) to C
```

• goto function is a DFA on the sets in C.

#### The Canonical LR(0) Collection -- Example

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{I}_{0} \colon E' &\to . \mathbf{E}. \mathbf{I}_{1} \colon E' \to E. \mathbf{I}_{6} \colon E \to E+.T & \mathbf{I}_{9} \colon E \to E+T. \\ E &\to . E+T & E \to E.+T & T \to . T*F & T \to T.*F \\ E &\to .T & T \to .F & T \to .F & T \to .F \\ T &\to .T*F & \mathbf{I}_{2} \colon E \to T. & F \to .(E) & \mathbf{I}_{10} \colon T \to T*F. \\ T &\to .F & T \to T.*F & F \to .id & F \to .(E) \\ F &\to .id & \mathbf{I}_{3} \colon T \to F. & \mathbf{I}_{7} \colon T \to T*.F & \mathbf{I}_{11} \colon F \to (E). \\ F &\to .id & E \to .E+T & F \to .id & F \to .id & E \to .E+T \\ E &\to .T & \mathbf{I}_{8} \colon F \to (E.) & E \to E.+T \\ T &\to .F & F \to .(E) & F \to .id & E \to E.+T \\ T &\to .F & F \to .(E) & F \to .id & E \to E.+T \\ T &\to .F & F \to .(E) & F \to .id & \mathbf{I}_{5} \colon F \to id. \end{split}$$

#### Transition Diagram (DFA) of Goto Function



### **Constructing SLR Parsing Table**

(of an augumented grammar G')

- 1. Construct the canonical collection of sets of LR(0) items for G'.  $C \leftarrow \{I_0,...,I_n\}$
- 2. Create the parsing action table as follows
  - If a is a terminal,  $A \rightarrow \alpha.a\beta$  in  $I_i$  and  $goto(I_i,a)=I_i$  then action[i,a] is **shift j**.
  - If  $A \rightarrow \alpha$ . is in  $I_i$ , then action[i,a] is *reduce*  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  for all a in FOLLOW(A) where  $A \neq S$ '.
  - If S' $\rightarrow$ S. is in  $I_i$ , then action[i,\$] is *accept*.
  - If any conflicting actions generated by these rules, the grammar is not SLR(1).
- 3. Create the parsing goto table
  - for all non-terminals A, if  $goto(I_i,A)=I_j$  then goto[i,A]=j
- 4. All entries not defined by (2) and (3) are errors.
- 5. Initial state of the parser contains  $S' \rightarrow .S$

# **Parsing Tables of Expression Grammar**

#### **Action Table**

#### Goto Table

state	id	+	*	(	)	\$	E	T	F
0	s5			s4			1	2	3
1		s6				acc			
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3		r4	r4		r4	r4			
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10		r3	r3		r3	r3			
11		r5	r5		r5	r5			

#### **SLR(1) Grammar**

- An LR parser using SLR(1) parsing tables for a grammar G is called as the SLR(1) parser for G.
- If a grammar G has an SLR(1) parsing table, it is called SLR(1) grammar (or SLR grammar in short).
- Every SLR grammar is unambiguous, but every unambiguous grammar is not a SLR grammar.

#### shift/reduce and reduce/reduce conflicts

- If a state does not know whether it will make a shift operation or reduction for a terminal, we say that there is a **shift/reduce conflict**.
- If a state does not know whether it will make a reduction operation using the production rule i or j for a terminal, we say that there is a reduce/reduce conflict.
- If the SLR parsing table of a grammar G has a conflict, we say that that grammar is not SLR grammar.

### **Conflict Example**

shift/reduce conflict

$$I_1:S' \to S.$$

$$I_2:S \to L.=R$$

$$R \to L.$$

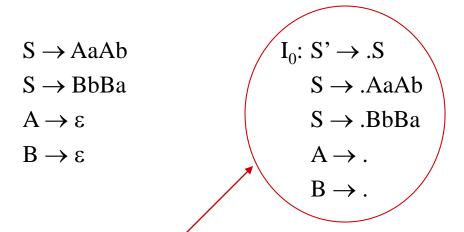
$$I_3:S \to R.$$

$$I_6: S \rightarrow L = .R$$
  $I_9: S \rightarrow L = R.$   $R \rightarrow .L$   $L \rightarrow .*R$   $L \rightarrow .id$ 

$$I_4:L \to *.R \qquad I_7:L \to *R.$$
 
$$R \to .L$$
 
$$L \to .*R \qquad I_8:R \to L.$$
 
$$L \to .id$$

$$I_5:L \rightarrow id$$
.

# **Conflict Example2**



#### Problem

$$FOLLOW(A) = \{a,b\}$$

$$FOLLOW(B) = \{a,b\}$$

a 
$$\longrightarrow$$
 reduce by  $A \rightarrow \epsilon$  reduce by  $B \rightarrow \epsilon$ 

reduce/reduce conflict

b reduce by 
$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$
 reduce by  $B \rightarrow \epsilon$  reduce/reduce conflict

# **Constructing Canonical LR(1) Parsing Tables**

- In SLR method, the state i makes a reduction by  $A\rightarrow\alpha$  when the current token is a:
  - if the  $A\rightarrow \alpha$  in the  $I_i$  and a is FOLLOW(A)
- In some situations,  $\beta A$  cannot be followed by the terminal a in a right-sentential form when  $\beta \alpha$  and the state i are on the top stack. This means that making reduction in this case is not correct.

$$S \rightarrow AaAb$$

$$S \Rightarrow AaAb \Rightarrow Aab \Rightarrow ab$$

$$S \rightarrow BbBa$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

Aab 
$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon$$
 ab

Bba 
$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon$$
 ba

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$AaAb \Rightarrow Aa \varepsilon b$$

BbBa 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 Bb  $\varepsilon$  a

#### LR(1) Item

- To avoid some of invalid reductions, the states need to carry more information.
- Extra information is put into a state by including a terminal symbol as a second component in an item.
- A LR(1) item is:

 $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, a$ 

where **a** is the look-head of the LR(1) item (**a** is a terminal or end-marker.)

#### LR(1) Item (cont.)

- When  $\beta$  (in the LR(1) item  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta$ , a) is not empty, the look-head does not have any affect.
- When  $\beta$  is empty  $(A \to \alpha_{\bullet}, a)$ , we do the reduction by  $A \to \alpha$  only if the next input symbol is **a** (not for any terminal in FOLLOW(A)).
- A state will contain  $A \to \alpha_{\bullet}, a_1$  where  $\{a_1, ..., a_n\} \subseteq FOLLOW(A)$

$$A \rightarrow \alpha_{\bullet}, a_{n}$$

#### **Canonical Collection of Sets of LR(1) Items**

• The construction of the canonical collection of the sets of LR(1) items are similar to the construction of the canonical collection of the sets of LR(0) items, except that *closure* and *goto* operations work a little bit different.

closure(I) is: (where I is a set of LR(1) items)

- every LR(1) item in I is in closure(I)
- if A $\rightarrow$ α.B $\beta$ ,a in closure(I) and B $\rightarrow$ γ is a production rule of G; then B $\rightarrow$ .γ,b will be in the closure(I) for each terminal b in FIRST( $\beta$ a).

# goto operation

- If I is a set of LR(1) items and X is a grammar symbol (terminal or non-terminal), then goto(I,X) is defined as follows:
  - If  $A \to \alpha.X\beta$ , a in I then every item in **closure**( $\{A \to \alpha X.\beta,a\}$ ) will be in goto(I,X).

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## A Short Notation for The Sets of LR(1) Items

• A set of LR(1) items containing the following items

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, a_1$$

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$$A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, a_n$$

can be written as

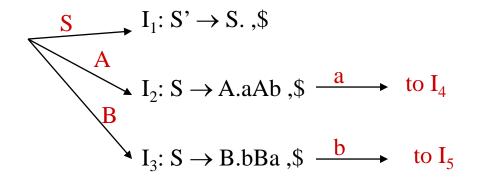
$$A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, a_1/a_2/.../a_n$$

# **Canonical LR(1) Collection -- Example**

$$S \rightarrow AaAb$$
  
 $S \rightarrow BbBa$   
 $A \rightarrow \varepsilon$   
 $B \rightarrow \varepsilon$ 

$$I_0: S' \rightarrow .S ,\$$$
  
 $S \rightarrow .AaAb ,\$$   
 $S \rightarrow .BbBa ,\$$   
 $A \rightarrow . ,a$ 

 $B \rightarrow ...b$ 



$$I_4: S \rightarrow Aa.Ab , \$ \xrightarrow{A} I_6: S \rightarrow AaA.b , \$ \xrightarrow{a} I_8: S \rightarrow AaAb. , \$$$

$$A \rightarrow . , b$$

$$I_5: S \to Bb.Ba$$
,  $\$ \longrightarrow I_7: S \to BbB.a$ ,  $\$ \longrightarrow I_9: S \to BbBa$ .,  $\$ \to .$ ,  $a$ 

## Canonical LR(1) Collection – Example 2

$$S' \rightarrow S \qquad I_0:S' \rightarrow .S,\$$$

$$1) S \rightarrow L=R \qquad S \rightarrow .L=R,\$$$

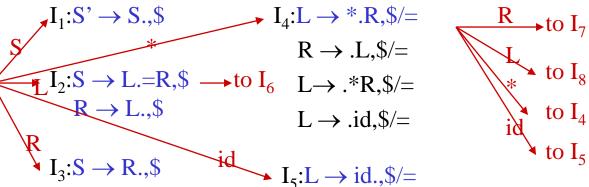
$$2) S \rightarrow R \qquad S \rightarrow .R,\$$$

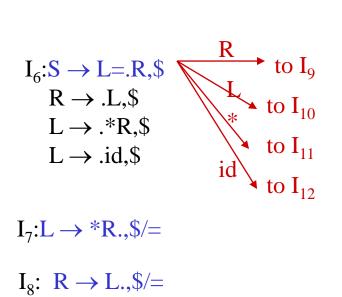
$$3) L \rightarrow *R \qquad L \rightarrow .*R,\$/=$$

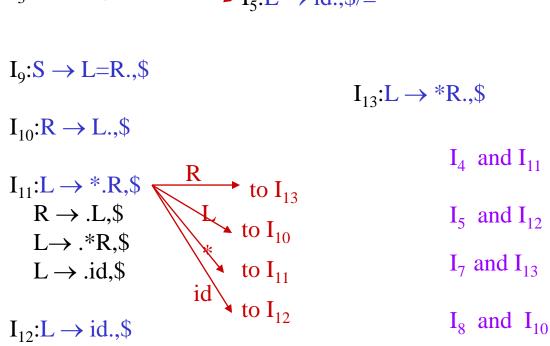
$$4) L \rightarrow id \qquad L \rightarrow .id,\$/=$$

5)  $R \rightarrow L$ 

 $R \rightarrow .L.\$$ 







# **Construction of LR(1) Parsing Tables**

1. Construct the canonical collection of sets of LR(1) items for G'.  $C \leftarrow \{I_0,...,I_n\}$ 

- 2. Create the parsing action table as follows
  - If a is a terminal,  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot a\beta$ , b in  $I_i$  and  $goto(I_i,a)=I_i$  then action[i,a] is **shift j**.
  - If  $A \rightarrow \alpha$ , a is in  $I_i$ , then action[i,a] is **reduce**  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  where  $A \neq S$ .
  - If  $S' \rightarrow S_{\bullet}$ , \$\\$ is in  $I_i$ , then action[i,\$] is *accept*.
  - If any conflicting actions generated by these rules, the grammar is not LR(1).
- 3. Create the parsing goto table
  - for all non-terminals A, if  $goto(I_i,A)=I_j$  then goto[i,A]=j
- 4. All entries not defined by (2) and (3) are errors.
- 5. Initial state of the parser contains  $S' \rightarrow .S,$ \$

# **LR(1) Parsing Tables – (for Example2)**

	id	*	=	\$	S	L	R
0	s5	s4			1	2	3
1				acc			
2			s6	r5			
3				r2			
4	s5	s4				8	7
5			r4	r4			
6	s12	s11				10	9
7			r3	r3			
8			r5	r5			
9				r1			
10				r5			
11	s12	s11				10	13
12				r4			
13				r3			

no shift/reduce or no reduce/reduce conflict



so, it is a LR(1) grammar

### **LALR Parsing Tables**

- LALR stands for LookAhead LR.
- LALR parsers are often used in practice because LALR parsing tables are smaller than LR(1) parsing tables.
- The number of states in SLR and LALR parsing tables for a grammar G are equal.
- But LALR parsers recognize more grammars than SLR parsers.
- yacc creates a LALR parser for the given grammar.
- A state of LALR parser will be again a set of LR(1) items.

### **Creating LALR Parsing Tables**

Canonical LR(1) Parser



LALR Parser

shrink # of states

- This shrink process may introduce a **reduce/reduce** conflict in the resulting LALR parser (so the grammar is NOT LALR)
- But, this shrink process does not produce a shift/reduce conflict.

### The Core of A Set of LR(1) Items

• The core of a set of LR(1) items is the set of its first component.

Ex: 
$$S \to L \bullet = R, \$$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $S \to L \bullet = R$   $\leftarrow$  Core  $R \to L \bullet . \$$ 

• We will find the states (sets of LR(1) items) in a canonical LR(1) parser with same cores. Then we will merge them as a single state.

$$I_1:L \to id \bullet ,=$$
 A new state:  $I_{12}:L \to id \bullet ,=$   $L \to id \bullet ,\$$   $I_2:L \to id \bullet ,\$$  have same core, merge them

- We will do this for all states of a canonical LR(1) parser to get the states of the LALR parser.
- In fact, the number of the states of the LALR parser for a grammar will be equal to the number of states of the SLR parser for that grammar.

# **Creation of LALR Parsing Tables**

- Create the canonical LR(1) collection of the sets of LR(1) items for the given grammar.
- Find each core; find all sets having that same core; replace those sets having same cores with a single set which is their union.

$$C = \{I_0,...,I_n\} \rightarrow C' = \{J_1,...,J_m\}$$
 where  $m \le n$ 

- Create the parsing tables (action and goto tables) same as the construction of the parsing tables of LR(1) parser.
  - Note that: If J=I₁ ∪ ... ∪ Ik since I₁,...,Ik have same cores
     ⇒ cores of goto(I₁,X),...,goto(I₂,X) must be same.
  - So, goto(J,X)=K where K is the union of all sets of items having same cores as  $goto(I_1,X)$ .
- If no conflict is introduced, the grammar is LALR(1) grammar. (We may only introduce reduce/reduce conflicts; we cannot introduce a shift/reduce conflict)

#### **Shift/Reduce Conflict**

- We say that we cannot introduce a shift/reduce conflict during the shrink process for the creation of the states of a LALR parser.
- Assume that we can introduce a shift/reduce conflict. In this case, a state of LALR parser must have:

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet ,a$$
 and  $B \rightarrow \beta \bullet a\gamma ,b$ 

• This means that a state of the canonical LR(1) parser must have:

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet a$$
 and  $B \rightarrow \beta \bullet a\gamma, c$ 

But, this state has also a shift/reduce conflict. i.e. The original canonical LR(1) parser has a conflict.

(Reason for this, the shift operation does not depend on lookaheads)

#### **Reduce/Reduce Conflict**

• But, we may introduce a reduce/reduce conflict during the shrink process for the creation of the states of a LALR parser.

$$I_{1}: A \to \alpha \bullet, a$$

$$B \to \beta \bullet, b$$

$$I_{2}: A \to \alpha \bullet, b$$

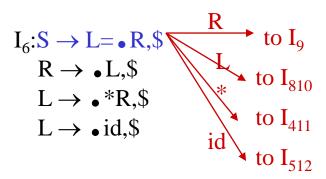
$$B \to \beta \bullet, c$$

$$I_{12}: A \to \alpha \bullet, a/b$$

$$B \to \beta \bullet, b/c$$

$$\rightarrow \text{ reduce/reduce conflict}$$

# **Canonical LALR(1) Collection – Example 2**



$$I_{713}:L \rightarrow *R \bullet ,$/=$$

$$I_{810}$$
:  $R \rightarrow L \bullet ,\$/=$ 

$$I_9:S \rightarrow L=R \bullet , \$$$

Same Cores  $I_4$  and  $I_{11}$   $I_5$  and  $I_{12}$   $I_7$  and  $I_{13}$   $I_8$  and  $I_{10}$ 

# **LALR(1) Parsing Tables – (for Example2)**

	id	*	=	\$	S	L	R
0	s5	s4			1	2	3
1				acc			
2			s6	r5			
3				r2			
4	s5	s4				8	7
5			r4	r4			
6	s12	s11				10	9
7			r3	r3			
8			r5	r5			
9				r1			

no shift/reduce or no reduce/reduce conflict



so, it is a LALR(1) grammar

## **Using Ambiguous Grammars**

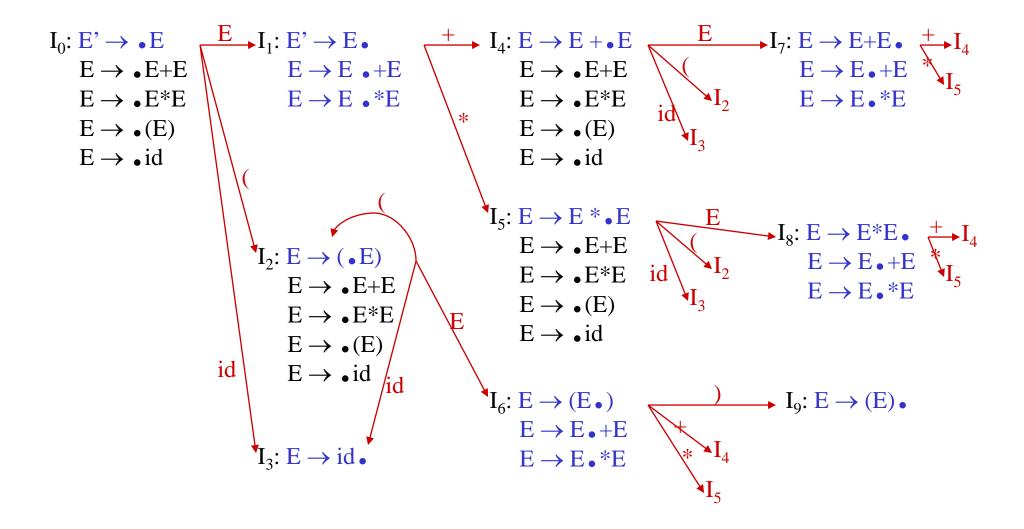
- All grammars used in the construction of LR-parsing tables must be un-ambiguous.
- Can we create LR-parsing tables for ambiguous grammars?
  - Yes, but they will have conflicts.
  - We can resolve these conflicts in favor of one of them to disambiguate the grammar.
  - At the end, we will have again an unambiguous grammar.
- Why we want to use an ambiguous grammar?
  - Some of the ambiguous grammars are **much natural**, and a corresponding unambiguous grammar can be very complex.
  - Usage of an ambiguous grammar may eliminate unnecessary reductions.
- Ex.

$$E \rightarrow E+E \mid E*E \mid (E) \mid id$$

$$T \rightarrow T*F \mid F$$

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

## **Sets of LR(0) Items for Ambiguous Grammar**



## **SLR-Parsing Tables for Ambiguous Grammar**

$$FOLLOW(E) = \{ \$, +, *, \}$$

State I<sub>7</sub> has shift/reduce conflicts for symbols + and \*.

$$I_0 \xrightarrow{E} I_1 \xrightarrow{+} I_4 \xrightarrow{E} I_7$$

when current token is +

shift  $\rightarrow$  + is right-associative

reduce  $\rightarrow$  + is left-associative

when current token is \*

shift  $\rightarrow$  \* has higher precedence than +

reduce → + has higher precedence than \*

## **SLR-Parsing Tables for Ambiguous Grammar**

$$FOLLOW(E) = \{ \$, +, *, ) \}$$

State I<sub>8</sub> has shift/reduce conflicts for symbols + and \*.

$$I_0 \xrightarrow{E} I_1 \xrightarrow{*} I_5 \xrightarrow{E} I_7$$

when current token is \*

shift → \* is right-associative

reduce → \* is left-associative

when current token is +

shift  $\rightarrow$  + has higher precedence than \*

reduce → \* has higher precedence than +

# **SLR-Parsing Tables for Ambiguous Grammar**

Action	Goto
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	id	+	*	(	)	\$	E
0	s3			s2			1
1		s4	s5			acc	
2	s3			s2			6
3		r4	r4		r4	r4	
4	s3			s2			7
5	s3			s2			8
6		s4	s5		s9		
7		r1	s <b>5</b>		r1	r1	
8		r2	r2		r2	r2	
9		r3	r3		r3	r3	

## **Error Recovery in LR Parsing**

- An LR parser will detect an error when it consults the parsing action table and finds an error entry. All empty entries in the action table are error entries.
- Errors are never detected by consulting the goto table.
- An LR parser will announce error as soon as there is no valid continuation for the scanned portion of the input.
- A canonical LR parser (LR(1) parser) will never make even a single reduction before announcing an error.
- The SLR and LALR parsers may make several reductions before announcing an error.
- But, all LR parsers (LR(1), LALR and SLR parsers) will never shift an erroneous input symbol onto the stack.

# Panic Mode Error Recovery in LR Parsing

- Scan down the stack until a state s with a goto on a particular nonterminal A is found. (Get rid of everything from the stack before this state s).
- Discard zero or more input symbols until a symbol **a** is found that can legitimately follow A.
  - The symbol a is simply in FOLLOW(A), but this may not work for all situations.
- The parser stacks the nonterminal **A** and the state **goto[s,A]**, and it resumes the normal parsing.
- This nonterminal A is normally is a basic programming block (there can be more than one choice for A).
  - stmt, expr, block, ...

# Phrase-Level Error Recovery in LR Parsing

- Each empty entry in the action table is marked with a specific error routine.
- An error routine reflects the error that the user most likely will make in that case.
- An error routine inserts the symbols into the stack or the input (or it deletes the symbols from the stack and the input, or it can do both insertion and deletion).
  - missing operand
  - unbalanced right parenthesis