# **Languages and Compilers** (SProg og Oversættere)

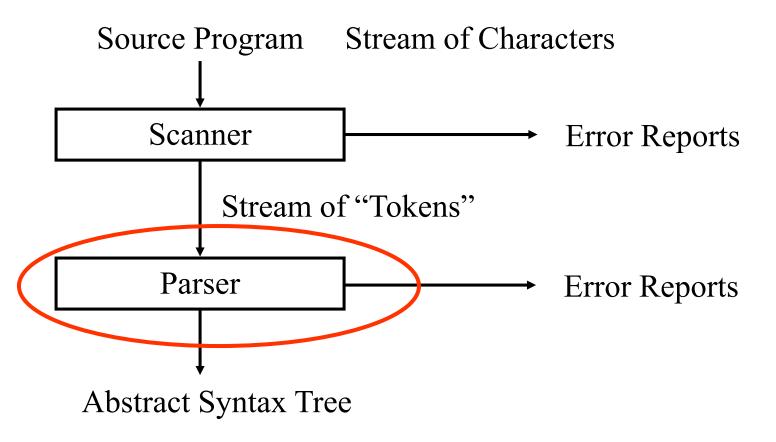
Parsing

## **Parsing**

- Describe the purpose of the parser
- Discuss top down vs. bottom up parsing
- Explain necessary conditions for construction of recursive decent parsers
- Discuss the construction of an RD parser from a grammar
- Discuss bottom Up/LR parsing

## Syntax Analysis

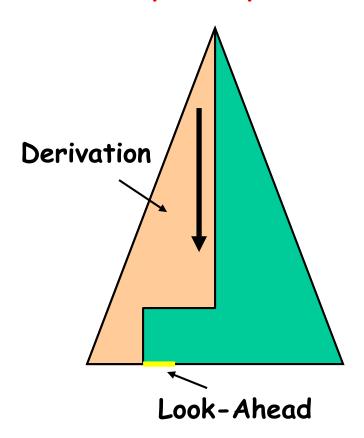
#### **Dataflow chart**

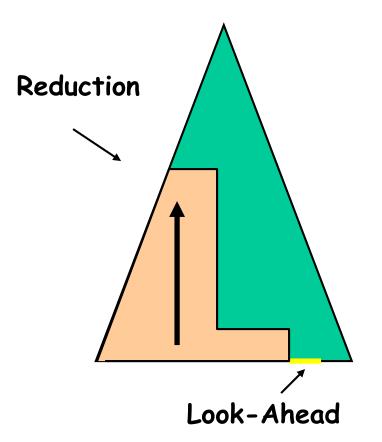


#### **Top-Down vs Bottom-Up parsing**

LL-Analyse (Top-Down)

LR-Analyse (Bottom-Up)





#### **Recursive Descent Parsing**

```
Sentence ::= Subject Verb Object .

Subject ::= I | a Noun | the Noun

Object ::= me | a Noun | the Noun

Noun ::= cat | mat | rat

Verb ::= like | is | see | sees
```

Define a procedure parseN for each non-terminal N

```
private void parseSentence();
private void parseSubject();
private void parseObject();
private void parseNoun();
private void parseVerb();
```

#### **Recursive Descent Parsing: Parsing Methods**

```
Sentence ::= Subject Verb Object .
```

```
pri vat e voi d par seSent ence() {
    par seSubj ect();
    par seVer b();
    par seObj ect();
    accept('.');
}
```

## **Recursive Descent Parsing: Parsing Methods**

```
Subject := I | a Noun | the Noun
```

```
private void parseSubject() {
   if (current Terminal matches 'I')
      accept ('I');
   else if (current Terminal matches 'a') {
      accept ( ' a' );
      par seNoun();
   else if (current Terminal matches 'the') {
      accept ('the');
      par seNoun();
   el se
     report a syntax error
```

#### Formal definition of LL(1)

A grammar G is LL(1) iff for each set of productions  $X := X_1 | X_2 | ... | X_n$ :

- 1.  $starters[X_1]$ ,  $starters[X_2]$ , ...,  $starters[X_n]$  are all pairwise disjoint
- 2. If  $X_i => * \varepsilon$  then  $starters[X_i] \cap follow[X] = \emptyset$ , for  $1 \le j \le n.i \ne j$

If G is ε-free then 1 is sufficient

*NOTE:*  $starters[X_I]$  is sometimes called  $first[X_I]$ 

```
starters[X] = {t in Terminals | X =>* t \beta }
Follow[X] = {t in Terminals | S =>+ \alpha X t \beta }
```

#### LL 1 Grammars

```
par se X*
   while (current Token. kind is in starters[X]) {
      par se X
                           Condition: starters[X] must be
                           disjoint from the set of tokens that
                           can immediately follow X*
par se X Y
   switch (current Token. kind) {
       cases instarters[X]:
         par se X
                                Condition: starters[X] and
         break;
       cases instarters[Y]:
                                 st art ers[Y] must be disjoint
         par se Y
                                 sets.
         br eak;
      default: report syntax error
```

```
function IsLL1(G) returns Boolean
    foreach A \in N do
        PredictSet \leftarrow \emptyset
        foreach p \in ProductionsFor(A) do
            if Predict(p) \cap PredictSet \neq \emptyset
            then return (false)
            PredictSet \leftarrow PredictSet \cup Predict(p)
    return (true)
end
Figure 5.4: Algorithm to determine if a grammar G is LL(1).
function Predict(p: A \rightarrow X_1 \dots X_m): Set
    ans \leftarrow First(X_1 \dots X_m)
    if RuleDerivesEmpty(p)
    then
        ans \leftarrow ans \cup Follow(A)
    return (ans)
end
 Figure 5.1: Computation of Predict sets.
```

```
procedure A(ts)
   switch (...)
       case ts.peek() \in Predict(p_1)
           /\star Code for p_1
       case ts.peek() \in Predict(p_i)
           /\star Code for p_2
       /* .
       case ts.peek() \in Predict(p_n)
           /\star Code for p_n
                                                                       \star/
       case default
           /★ Syntax error
                                                                       \star/
end
```

Figure 5.6: A typical recursive-descent procedure. Successful LL(1) analysis ensures that only one of the case predicates is true.

```
procedure S()
   switch (...)
       case ts.peek() \in \{a, b, q, c, \$\}
          call A()
          call C()
          call MATCH($)
end
                                                                                                      1 S \rightarrow A C \$
procedure C()
                                                                                                      2 C \rightarrow c
   switch (...)
       case ts.peek() \in \{c\}
          call MATCH(C)
       case ts.PEEK() \in \{d, \$\}
                                                                                                         A \rightarrow a B C d
          return ()
                                                                                                              IBQ
end
procedure A()
                                                                                                      6 B \rightarrow b B
   switch (...)
       case ts.peek() \in \{a\}
          call MATCH(a)
                                                                                                      8 Q \rightarrow q
          call B()
          call C()
          call MATCH(d)
       case ts.peek() \in \{b, q, c, \$\}
          call B()
          call Q()
end
procedure B()
                                                         procedure MATCH(ts, token)
   switch (...)
                                                              if ts.peek() = token
       case ts.peek() \in \{b\}
          call MATCH(b)
                                                              then call ts. ADVANCE()
          call B()
       case ts.PEEK() \in \{q, c, d, \$\}
                                                              else call error(Expected token)
          return ()
                                                         end
end
procedure Q()
   switch (...)
                                                               Figure 5.5: Utility for matching tokens in an input stream.
       case ts.peek() \in \{q\}
          call MATCH(q)
       case ts.PEEK() \in \{c, \$\}
          return ()
```

Figure 5.7: Recursive-descent code for the grammar shown in Figure 5.2. The variable *ts* denotes the token stream produced by the scanner.

end

# **Bottom Up Parsing/LR Parsing**

- The main task of a bottom-up parser is to find the leftmost node that has not yet been constructed but all of whose children have been constructed.
- The sequence of children is called the **handle**.
- Creating a parent node N and connecting the children in the handle to N is called **reducing** to N.

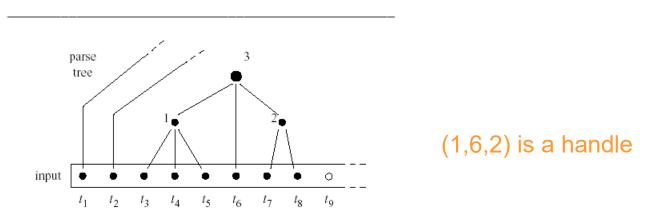
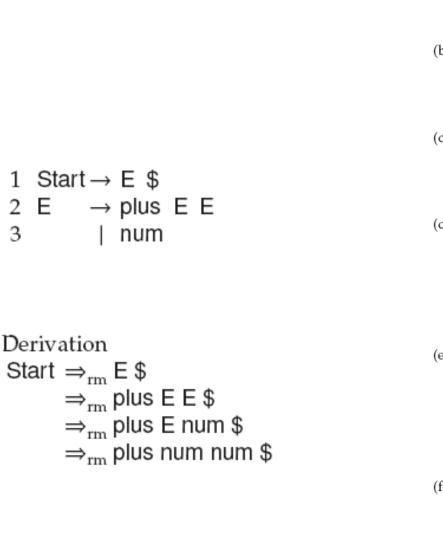


Figure 2.52 A bottom-up parser constructing its first, second, and third nodes.

#### **Bottom Up Parsers/ shift-reduce**

- All bottom up parsers have similar algorithm:
  - A loop with these parts:
    - try to find the leftmost node of the parse tree which has not yet been constructed, but all of whose children *have* been constructed.
      - This sequence of children is called a **handle**
      - Shift is the action of moving the next token to the top of the parse stack
    - construct a new parse tree node.
      - This is called **reducing**
- The difference between different algorithms is only in the way they find a handle.



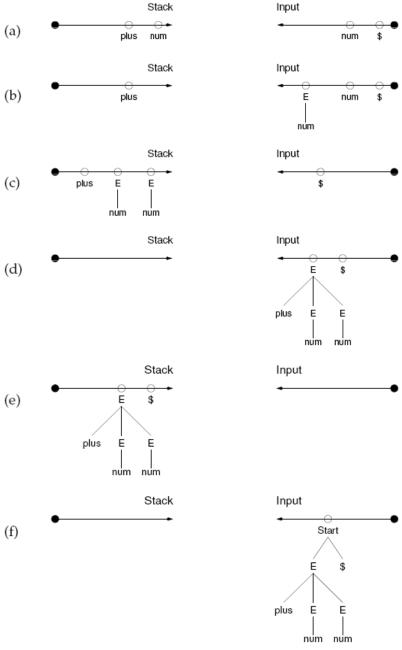


Figure 6.1: Bottom-up parsing resembles knitting.

## Shifting and reducing

```
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```

```
Shift
                                            \rightarrow \leftarrow the cat sees a rat.
Shift
                                      the \rightarrow \leftarrow cat sees a rat .
Reduce
                               the cat \rightarrow \leftarrow sees a rat.
Shift
                                     the \rightarrow \leftarrow Noun sees a rat.
Reduce
                               the Noun \rightarrow \leftarrow sees a rat .
                                           → ← Subject sees a rat .
Reduce
Shift
                                Subject \rightarrow \leftarrow sees a rat.
                         Subject sees → ← a rat .
Reduce
                               Subject \rightarrow \leftarrow \text{Verb a rat}.
Shift
Shift
                        Subject Verb \rightarrow \leftarrow a rat.
                      Subject Verb a \rightarrow \leftarrow rat.
Shift
Reduce
                 Subject Verb a rat \rightarrow \leftarrow.
Shift
                        Subject Verb \rightarrow \leftarrow Noun.
Reduce
               Subject Verb a Noun → ←.
                         Subject Verb → ← Object.
Shift
               Subject Verb Object \rightarrow \leftarrow.
Shift
Shift
            Subject Verb Object . → ←
Reduce
                                            → ← Sentence
Finish
                               Sentence → ←
```

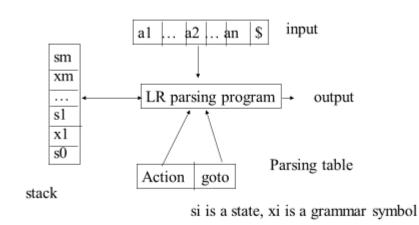
## The LR-parse algorithm

- A finite automaton
  - With transitions and states

- A stack
  - with objects (symbol, state)

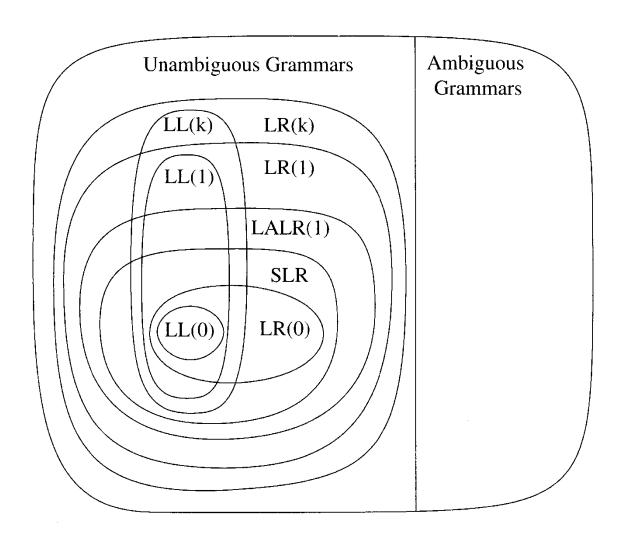
A parse table

#### Model of an LR parser:



All LR parsers use the same algorithm, different grammars have different parsing tables.

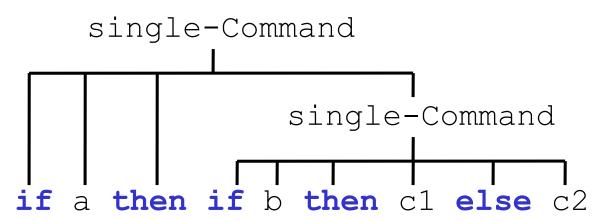
# Hierarchy



#### **Dangling Else Problem**

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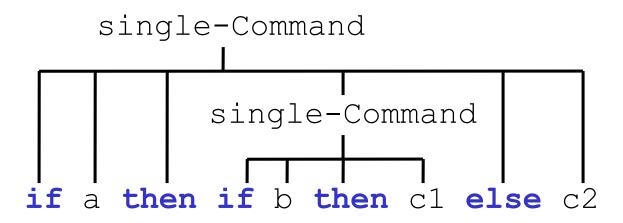
#### This parse tree?



#### **Dangling Else Problem**

**Example:** (from Mini Triangle grammar)

#### or this one?



#### **Parser Conflict Resolution**

**Example:** "dangling-else" problem (from Mini Triangle grammar)

LR(1) items (in some state of the parser)

```
sC::= if E then sC • {... else ...}Shift-reducesC::= if E then sC • else sC {...}conflict!
```

Resolution rule: shift has priority over reduce.

**Q:** Does this resolution rule solve the conflict? What is its effect on the parse tree?

#### **Dangling Else Problem**

**Example:** "dangling-else" problem (from Mini Triangle grammar)

#### Rewrite Grammar: