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# LL(1) Parser Generator. First, Follow, & Predict Sets. Table

#### Overview

Given a grammar in (limited) EBNF, this online tool automatically calculates the first, follow, and predict sets. It also generates LL(1) parser tables from the predict sets, as done by <u>Fischer & LeBlanc</u>.

The sets are shown in two formats: human-friendly tables, and machine-friendly JSON dumps. Use a JSON library to read those tables into your programs to rapidly iterate on your parser's design.

- First Set
- Follow Set
- Predict Set
- <u>LL(1) Table</u>
- Grammar Input

## First Set

```
Non-Terminal Symbol
                                                                         First Set
if
else
                               else
while
                               while
break
                               break
continue
                               continue
return
                               return
+=
                               +=
                               &&
&&
                               1=
1=
                               <
                               <=
<=
identifier
                               identifier
INT-LITERAL
                               INT-LITERAL
```

```
BOOL-LITERAL
                               BOOL-LITERAL
                               var
var
                               class
class
const
                               const
int
                               int
boo1
                               boo1
if-statement
                               if
                               while
while-statement
                               break
break-statement
compound-statement
statement-list
                               \epsilon, \{, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, \neg, !, ^{++}, ^{--}, identifier, var, const, class
continue-statement
                               continue
return-statement
                               return
expression-statement
                               ;, ε, -, !, ++, --
expression-list
                               ε, -, !, ++, --
class-body
variable-declaration-list
                               \epsilon , var
                               =, *=, /=, +=, -=
assignment-operator
condition-or-expression-tail \epsilon , -, !, ++, --
condition-and-expression-tail &&, \ \epsilon
equality-expression-tail
                               ε, ==, !=
                               \epsilon , <, <=, >, >=
rel-expression-tail
additive-expression-tail
                               ε, +, -
m-d-expression-tail
                               ε, *, /
u-expression
                              -, !, ++, --
post-expression-tail
primary-expression
                              identifier, (, INT-LITERAL, BOOL-LITERAL
para-list
proper-para-list-tail
                               (
arg-list
proper-arg-list-tail
                              ,, ε
                              identifier
function-declaration
variable-declaration
                               var
class-declaration
                               class
constant-declaration
                               const
init-expression
type-annotation
type
                               int, bool
top-level
                               ε, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class
statement
                               {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, &, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class
m-d-expression
                               -, !, ++, --
post-expression
                               identifier, (, INT-LITERAL, BOOL-LITERAL
para-declaration
                               int, bool
declaration-statement
                               identifier, var, const, class
additive-expression
                               -, !, ++,
proper-para-list
                              int, bool
                              -, !, ++, --
rel-expression
                              -, !, ++, --
equality-expression
                              -, !, ++, --
{\tt condition-and-expression}
                               -, !, ++, --
{\tt condition-or-expression}
                              -, !, ++, --
assignment-expression
                               -, !, ++, --
expression
                               -, !, ++, --
arg
                               -, !, ++, --
proper-arg-list
```

## Follow Set

```
Non-Terminal Symbol
                                                                         Follow Set
                             , {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
statement
if-statement
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
while-statement
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
break-statement
                             else, $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
compound-statement
statement-list
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
continue-statement
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
return-statement
```

```
expression-statement
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
expression-list
class-body
variable-declaration-list
expression
                             ), ;, {, ,
                             ), ;, {, ,
assignment-expression
assignment-operator
condition-or-expression
                             ), ;, {, ,
condition-or-expression-tail ), ;, {, ,
                             -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
condition-and-expression
condition-and-expression-tail-, !, ++, --, ), ;, \{, ,
equality-expression
                             ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
                             ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
equality-expression-tail
rel-expression
                             ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
                             ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
rel-expression-tail
                             <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
additive-expression
                             <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
additive-expression-tail
                             +, -, <, <=, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
m-d-expression
                             +, -, <, <=, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
m-d-expression-tail
                             *, /, +, -, <, <=, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
u\hbox{-}expression
                             *, /, +, -, <, <=, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
{\tt post-expression}
                             *, /, +, -, <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
post-expression-tail
                             ., *, /, +, -, <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
primary-expression
para-list
                             )
proper-para-list
                             )
proper-para-list-tail
para-declaration
                             ., *, /, +, -, <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
arg-list
proper-arg-list
                             )
proper-arg-list-tail
                             ,, )
declaration-statement
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
function-declaration
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
                             var, $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, const, class, }
variable-declaration
class-declaration
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
constant-declaration
                             $, {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --, identifier, var, const, class, }
init-expression
type-annotation
                             identifier, ;
type
top-level
```

#### Predict Set

```
Predict
                               Expression
1 statement → compound-statement
2 statement → if-statement
                                                                       if
3 statement → while-statement
                                                                       while
4 statement → break-statement
                                                                       break
5 statement → continue-statement
                                                                       continue
6 statement → return-statement
                                                                       return
7 statement \rightarrow expression-statement
                                                                       ;, -, !, ++, --
8 statement → declaration-statement
                                                                       identifier, var, const, class
  if\text{--statement} \, \rightarrow \, if \, expression \, compound\text{--statement} \, \, else
  {\tt compound-statement}
                                                                       while
10 while-statement → while expression compound-statement
11 break-statement → break ;
                                                                       break
12 compound-statement → { statement-list }
13 statement-list → ε
                                                                       {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --,
14 statement-list \rightarrow statement statement-list
                                                                       identifier, var, const, class
15 continue-statement → continue ;
                                                                       continue
16 return-statement → return expression ;
                                                                       return
17 return-statement → return ;
                                                                       return
18 expression-statement → expression-list;
                                                                       -, !, ++, --, ;
19 expression-list \rightarrow expression
                                                                       -, !, ++, -
20 expression-list \rightarrow \epsilon
21 class-body → { variable-declaration-list }
                                                                       {
22 variable-declaration-list → variable-declaration variable-
```

```
declaration-list
23 variable-declaration-list → ε
24 expression → assignment-expression
                                                                            -, !, ++, --
25 assignment-expression → condition-or-expression
                                                                            -, !, ++, --
26 assignment-operator → =
27 assignment-operator → *=
28 assignment-operator → /=
29 assignment-operator → +=
30 assignment-operator → -=
_{31}\,\mathrm{condition}\text{-}\mathrm{or}\text{-}\mathrm{expression} \rightarrow condition-and-expression condition-
                                                                           -, !, ++, --
   or-expression-tail
32 condition-or-expression-tail \rightarrow \epsilon
                                                                            ), ;, {, ,
_{33} condition-or-expression-tail \rightarrow condition-and-expression
                                                                            -, !, ++, --
   condition-or-expression-tail
_{34}\,\mathrm{condition}\text{-and-expression} \rightarrow equality-expression condition-and-
                                                                            -, !, ++, -
  expression-tail
_{35} condition-and-expression-tail \rightarrow && equality-expression equality-expression-tail
36 condition—and—expression—tail → ε
                                                                            -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
37 equality-expression → rel-expression equality-expression-tail -, !, ++, --
38 equality-expression-tail \rightarrow \epsilon
                                                                            ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
_{39} equality-expression-tail \rightarrow == rel-expression equality-
  expression-tail
40 equality-expression-tail → != rel-expression equality-
  expression-tail
41 rel-expression \rightarrow additive-expression rel-expression-tail
                                                                            -, !, ++, --
42 rel-expression-tail → ε
                                                                            ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
43 rel-expression-tail → < additive-expression rel-expression-
   tail
44 rel-expression-tail → <= additive-expression rel-expression-
45 rel-expression-tail → > additive-expression rel-expression-
  tai1
46 rel-expression-tail \rightarrow >= additive-expression rel-expression-tail
47 additive-expression \rightarrow m-d-expression additive-expression-tail -, !, ++, --
                                                                            <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, -, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
48 additive-expression-tail → ε
_{49} additive-expression-tail \rightarrow + m-d-expression additive-
  expression-tail
_{50} additive-expression-tail \rightarrow - m-d-expression additive-
  expression-tail
51 \text{ m-d-expression} \rightarrow \text{u-expression m-d-expression-tail}
                                                                            -, !, ++, --
52 m-d-expression-tail → ε
                                                                            +, -, <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
53 m-d-expression-tail \rightarrow * u-expression m-d-expression-tail
54\,\mathrm{m}\text{-d}\text{-expression}\text{-tail} 	o / u-expression m-d-expression-tail
55 \text{ u-expression} \rightarrow - \text{ u-expression}
56 \text{ u-expression} \rightarrow ! \text{ u-expression}
57 u-expression → ++ post-expression
58 u-expression → -- post-expression
59 post-expression \rightarrow primary-expression
                                                                            identifier, (, INT-LITERAL, BOOL-LITERAL
60 post-expression \rightarrow primary-expression post-expression-tail
                                                                            identifier, (, INT-LITERAL, BOOL-LITERAL
61 post-expression-tail \rightarrow . identifier post-expression-tail
62 post-expression-tail → ε
                                                                            *, /, +, -, <, <=, >, >=, ==, !=, &&, !, ++, --, ), ;, {, ,
63 primary-expression → identifier
                                                                            identifier
64 primary-expression → identifier arg-list
                                                                            identifier
65 primary-expression → (expression)
                                                                            (
66 primary-expression \rightarrow INT-LITERAL
                                                                            INT-LITERAL
67 primary-expression \rightarrow BOOL-LITERAL
                                                                            BOOL-LITERAL
68 \text{ para-list} \rightarrow ()
69 para-list → ( proper-para-list )
                                                                            (
70 proper-para-list → para-declaration proper-para-list-tail
                                                                            int, bool
71 \text{ proper-para-list-tail} \rightarrow, para-declaration proper-para-list-
  tail
72 proper-para-list-tail → ε
                                                                            )
73 para-declaration \rightarrow type identifier
                                                                            int, bool
74 \operatorname{arg-list} \rightarrow ()
                                                                            (
75 arg-list → ( proper-arg-list )
                                                                              !, ++, --
76 proper-arg-list → arg proper-arg-list-tail
77 proper-arg-list-tail \rightarrow , arg proper-arg-list-tail
78 proper-arg-list-tail \rightarrow \epsilon
79 arg → expression
                                                                            -, !, ++, --
```

```
80 declaration-statement \rightarrow function-declaration
                                                                       identifier
81 declaration-statement → constant-declaration
                                                                       const
82 declaration-statement → variable-declaration
                                                                       var
83 declaration-statement \rightarrow class-declaration
                                                                       class
84 function-declaration → identifier para-list compound-
                                                                      identifier
  statement
85 variable-declaration → var identifier init-expression;
                                                                      var
86 variable-declaration \rightarrow var identifier type-annotation;
                                                                       var
87 class-declaration → class identifier init-expression;
                                                                      class
88 class-declaration → class identifier type-annotation;
                                                                      class
89 constant-declaration \rightarrow const identifier init-expression;
                                                                      const
90 constant-declaration \rightarrow const identifier type-annotation;
                                                                      const
91 init-expression \rightarrow = expression
92 type-annotation → : type
93 type → int
                                                                      int
94 type → bool
                                                                      hoo1
                                                                       {, while, continue, if, return, break, ;, -, !, ++, --,
95 top-level \rightarrow statement top-level
                                                                       identifier, var, const, class
96 top-level → ε
```

## LL(1) Parsing Table

On the LL(1) Parsing Table's Meaning and Construction

- The top row corresponds to the columns for all the potential terminal symbols, augmented with \$ to represent the end of the parse.
- The leftmost column and second row are all zero filled, to accommodate the way Fischer and LeBlanc wrote their parser's handling of abs().
- The remaining rows correspond to production rules in the original grammar that you typed in.
- Each entry in that row maps the left-hand-side (LHS) of a production rule onto a line-number. That number is the line in which the LHS had that specific column symbol in its predict set.
- If a terminal is absent from a non-terminal's predict set, an error code is placed in the table. If that terminal is in follow(that non-terminal), the error is a POP error. Else, it's a SCAN error.

```
POP error code = # of predict table productions + 1
SCAN error code = # of predict table productions + 2
```

In practice, you'd want to tear the top, label row off of the table and stick it in a comment, so that you can make sense of your table. The remaining table can be used as is.

#### LL(1) Parsing Table as JSON (for Easy Import)

## LL(1) Parsing Push-Map (as JSON)

This structure maps each production rule in the expanded grammar (seen as the middle column in the predict table above) to a series of states that the LL parser pushes onto the stack.

# Feed me your delicious grammar, mortal.

```
statement ->
if-statement | while-
statement
statement
statement
            return-
statement
expression-statement
|declaration-
statement
if-statement -> if
expression compound-
statement else
compound-statement
while-statement -
while expression
compound-statement
break-statement ->
break
compound-statement ->
Generate LL(1) Parsing Table, First Set, Follow Set, & Predict Set
```

# Grammar Specification Requirements

Productions use the following format:

```
Goal -> A
A -> ( A ) | Two
Two -> a
Two -> b
```

- $\bullet$  "->" separates the non-terminal on the left-hand-side from what it produces.
- x  $\rightarrow$  y | z is EBNF short-hand for x  $\rightarrow$  y x  $\rightarrow$  z

Be certain to place spaces between things you don't want read as one symbol. (A)  $\neq$  (A)

## About This Tool

Intended Audience

Computer science students & autodidacts studying compilers or parsing.

Purpose

This tool provides rapid feedback loop for learning about grammars. How?

- Rapid visualization of grammars enables convenient tweaking. Botched a production? No problem; tweak it and everything's spit back out.
- Ability to dump LR(0) and SLR(1) tables. Helps with manual parse tracing and hand-writing parsers.
- Assisting with coursework.

# Underlying Theory

How to draw NFAs for SLR(0) and LR(1) grammars. Want to learn how it works or how to do it by hand? Read that.

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