Syntax Analysis
[Chapter 4 - Part 3]

Lecture 12

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Bottom-Up Parsing

- Construct a parse tree from the leaves to the root
- Shift-Reduce Parsing.
- LR (Left-to-right, Rightmost derivation):
  - SLR(1) Simple LR with 1 token of lookahead
  - Canonical LR or LR(1) parser is an LR(k) parser for k=1, i.e. with a single lookahead terminal.
  - LALR Look Ahead LR with k tokens of lookahead

فعليا ال**input** هو بحد ذاته ال**leaves** تاعون ال**parse tree**، فاحنا لما نعمل **reduce** فعلياً عم بنوصل هدول ال**leaves** بال**parent** يلي هو **(left side of a production** فعشان هيك اسم الطريقه **leaves to the root**

ملحوظه هامه: ال**lookahead** وظيفته يسبق ال**parser** او النقطه "." عشان ال**reduce** يكون صحيح
يعني ع فرض عنا **contex free g** فيو **two productions** جمع و ضرب، الضرب اولى لانو حاي تحت الجمع،بالتالي خلال سير ال**parser** مش المفروض يعمل **reduce** ل عملية جمع و في ضرب لسه لقدام، ف ال**lookahead** هو يلي بيطلع لقدام عشان يعرف ازا يعطي الضوء الاخضر لل **parser** انو يعمل **reduce** ولا لا.

Shift-Reduce Parsing

- Copy the process of "reducing" an input string to the start symbol of the grammar.
- At each reduction step, a specific substring matching the body of a production is replaced by the nonterminal at the head of that production.

Shift-Reduce Parsing

Grammar:

$S \rightarrow$ **a** A B **e**

$A \rightarrow A$ **b c** | **b**

$B \rightarrow$ **d**

Reducing input string:

a b b c d e

a A **b c d e**

a A **d e**

a A B **e**

S

Strings that match Grammar productions

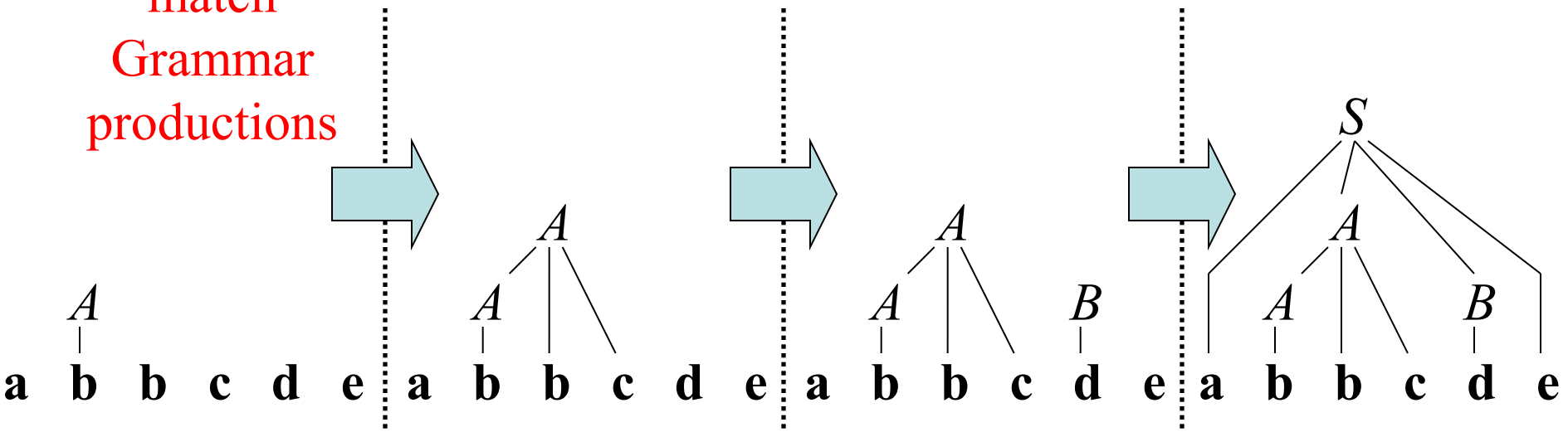
Shift-reduce corresponds to a rightmost derivation:

$S \Rightarrow_{rm}$ **a** A B **e**

$\Rightarrow_{rm}$ **a** A **d e**

$\Rightarrow_{rm}$ **a** A **b c d e**

$\Rightarrow_{rm}$ **a b b c d e**



Handles

A *handle* is a substring of grammar symbols in a *right-sentential form* that matches a right-hand side of a production

Grammar:

$S \rightarrow$ **a** A B **e**

$A \rightarrow A$ **b c** | **b**

$B \rightarrow$ **d**

a b b c d e

a A **b c d e**

a A **d e**

a A B **e**

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Handles are used to reduce terminals by Non-terminals

a b b c d e

a A **b c d e**

a A A **e**

… ?

NOT a handle, because further reductions will fail (result is not a sentential form)

The substring to the right of the handle must contain only terminals

Bottom-Up Parsing - Conflicts

- Conflicts happen when the Context Free Grammar has an *inadequate state.*
- Two possible actions, don't know what to put in parse: Shift-Reduce, or Reduce-Reduce. (Shift-Shift is not action).
- Reasons of Conflicts:
  - Ambiguity
    - Two or more possible parse trees for a string
    - Determining general grammar ambiguity is undecidable.

when the same right hand side appears for different left hand sides
example:
X->a
Y->a
a بشو نبدل

Bottom-Up Parsing Actions
Shift-Reduce Parsing Example

Grammar:

$E \rightarrow E + E$

$E \rightarrow E * E$

$E \rightarrow (E)$

$E \rightarrow \mathbf{id}$

	Stack	Input	Action
Time 0	$	id+id*id$	shift
Time 1	$id	+id*id$	reduce $E \rightarrow$ id
.	$E	+id*id$	shift
.	$E+	id*id$	shift
.	$E+id	*id$	reduce $E \rightarrow$ id
	$E+E	*id$	shift (or reduce?)
	$E+E*	id$	shift
	$E+E*id	$	reduce $E \rightarrow$ id
	$E+E*E	$	reduce $E \rightarrow E * E$
	$E+E	$	reduce $E \rightarrow E + E$
	$E	$	accept

Find handles to reduce

How to resolve conflicts?

We choose shift because in the lookahead we have * but not $

Scan the input left to right, and the parser shifts 0 or more input symbols to the stack until it is ready to reduce the string of grammar symbols on the top of the stack … repeat until we reach the start symbol.

Shift-Reduce Conflicts

- Shift-Reduce: we cannot decide whether to shift a symbol or reduce the top of stack.
- Grammars used in compliers are usually lookahead LR(1).
- Conflicts might be caused by the fact that we read one symbol of lookahead (LR(1)).

Shift-Reduce Conflicts

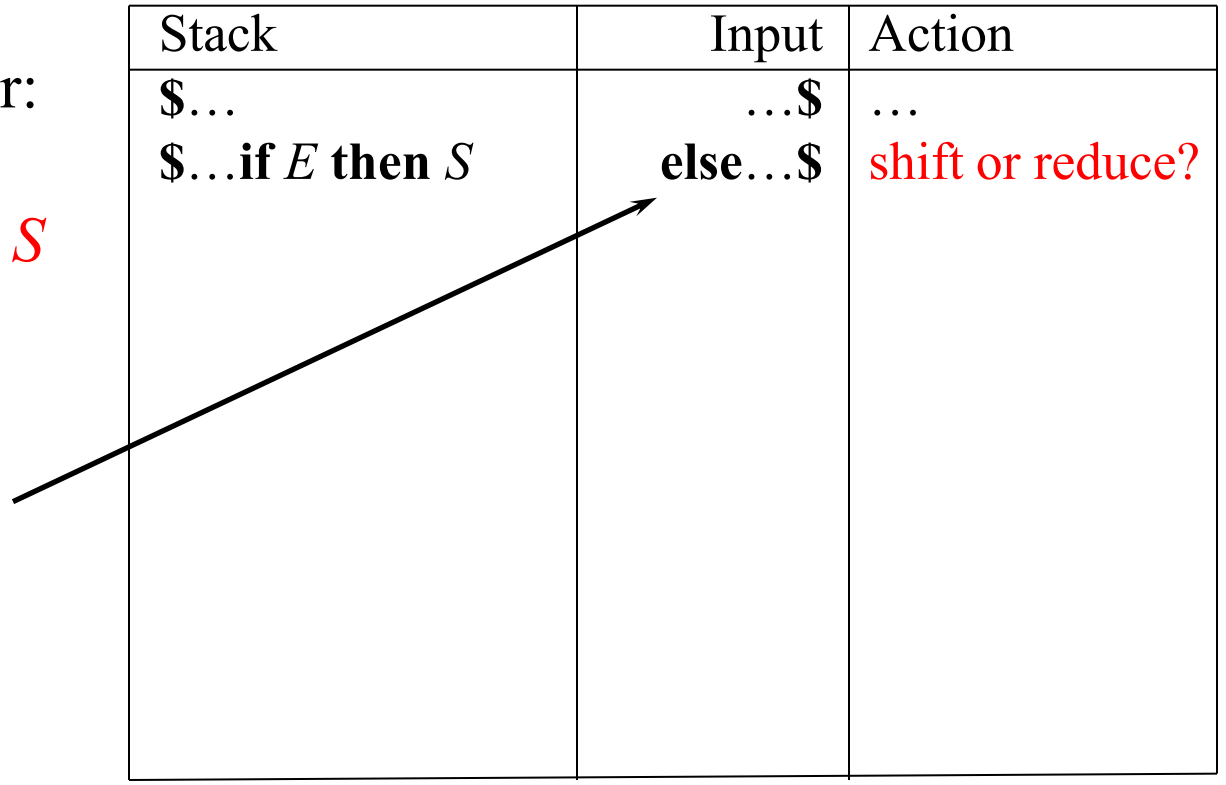
- Shift-Reduce and Reduce-Reduce conflicts are caused by:
  - Ambiguity of the grammar
  - The limitations of the LR parsing method (even when the grammar is unambiguous).

Shift-Reduce Conflicts - Example

Ambiguous grammar:

$S \rightarrow$ **if** E **then** S
| **if** E **then** S **else** S
| **other**

Resolve in favor of shift, so **else** matches closest **if**



Stack	Input	Action
$…	…**$**	…
$…**if** E **then** S	**else**…**$**	shift or reduce?

Shift-Reduce Conflicts

- An LR grammar can never be ambiguous.
- In the example, we cannot tell whether if expr then stmt is the handle.
- Here we have a shift/reduce conflict.
- It depends on what follows else in the input:
  - it might be correct to reduce if expr then stmt to stmt

  or
  - it might be correct to shift else and then look for another stmt to complete the alternative if expr then stmt else stmt

- We can adapt the grammar by favoring the shifting
  the parser will associate each else with the previous unmatched then (the parser will behave correctly as we expect).

Reduce-Reduce Conflicts

- Reduce-Reduce: we don't know which reduction to take.
- We have a handle but the stack content and the next input symbol are insufficient to determine which production should be used in a reduction.
- Suppose the lexical analyzer returns token **id** for all names (functions, arrays, variables, ...)
- A procedure call or array reference would appear as **id (id, id)**

Reduce-Reduce Conflicts - Example

Grammar:

stmt → **id** (*parameter_list*)
| *expr* = *expr*

parameter_list → *parameter_list*, *parameter*
| *parameter*

parameter → **id**

expr → **id** (*expr_list*)
| **id**

expr_list → *expr_list*, *expr*
| *expr*

Reduce-Reduce Conflicts - Example

After pushing the first three tokens of **id(id**, **id**) into the stack:

The lexical analyzer should be modified to return **procid** token for procedure names

Stack	Input	Action
… id (id	**, id) …**	reduce *parameter* → **id** If we have a procedure or *expr* → **id** If we have an array reference

We know we need to reduce id on the top of the stack:

parameter → id *if we have a procedure*

expr → id *if we have an array reference*

Reduce-Reduce Conflicts - Example

After reading the first three tokens of **procid**(**id**, **id**) onto the stack:

Grammar:
stmt → **procid** (parameter_list)
.
…
…

Stack	Input	Action
… procid (id,	**id) …**	reduce *parameter* → **id**(parameter_list) Note: the 3rd symbol from the top of the stack determined the reduction