

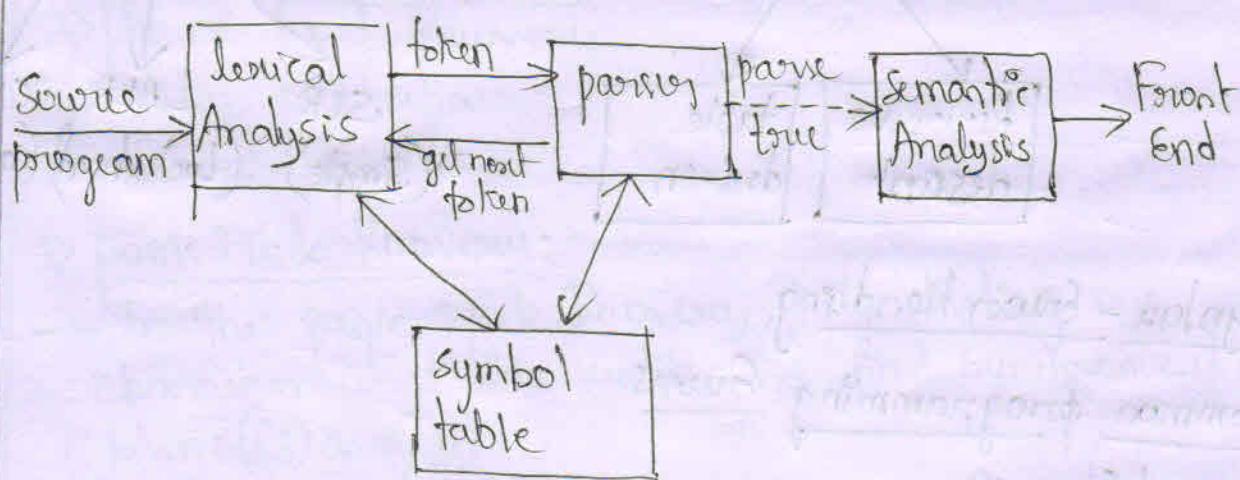
## UNIT-2 Syntax Analysis - I

### Topics

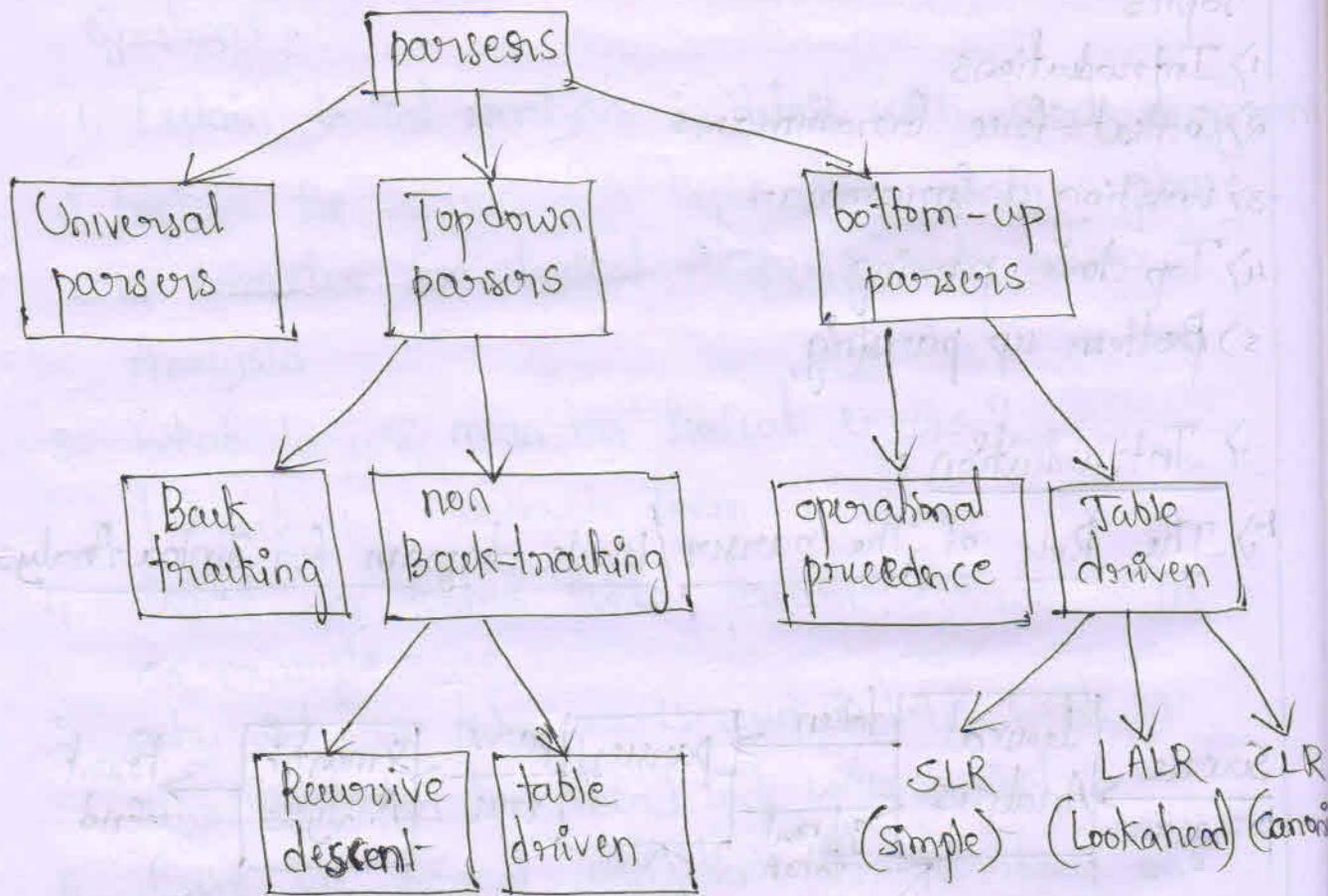
- 1) Introductions
- 2) Context-free Grammars
- 3) Writing a Grammar
- 4) Top down parsing
- 5) Bottom up parsing

### 1) Introduction :

### 2) The Role of The parser / Block diagram for Syntax Analysis.



## The General types of parsers for grammars



## Syntax - Error Handling

### Common programming Errors

#### i) Lexical Errors:

These include Misspellings of Identifiers, keywords or operations  
eg: Use of an Identifier ellipsize Instead of ellipsize

#### ii) Syntactic Errors:

These errors include misplaced Semicolon/Extra or missing braces;

### iii) Semantic Errors

These include type mismatches b/w operators and operands.

An example: return statement in a Java method with result type Void

### iv) Logical Errors:

Can be anything from incorrect reasoning on the part of the programmer

e.g.: Using '=' instead of '==' in C programming

## Error Recovery Techniques:

- i) panic Mode Recovery
- ii) phrase level Recovery
- iii) Error productions
- iv) Global Corrections

### i) panic Mode Recovery:

→ In the panic mode Recovery, keep deleting one character at a time until we find synchronization tokens (:) and (;))

\* synchronization tokens → Semicolon (;) → Epilog (;

e.g.: int a, ; //Error

### ii) phrase level Recovery :

→ It includes Insert, delete, update

→ On discovering an error, a parser may perform local correction on the remaining ilp; that is, it may replace a prefix of the remaining ilp by some string that allows the parser to continue

- It includes
  - Replacing a Comma, by a Semicolon
  - delete an extra Semicolon
  - Inverting a Missing Semicolon
- eg: int a, ;  
Replace , by ; and delete extra ;

#### iii) Error productions:

- By anticipating common errors that might be encountered, we can augment the grammar for the language at hand with productions that generate Incorrect constructs
- A parser constructed from a grammar augmented by these error productions detects the anticipated errors when an error production is used during parsing

#### iv) Global Corrections:

- Ideally, we would like a compiler to make as few changes as possible in processing an incorrect input string. There are algorithms for choosing a minimal sequence of changes to obtain a globally least cost correction.
- Given an incorrect input-string  $x$  and Grammar  $G$ , these algorithms will find a parse tree for a related string  $y$ , such that the number of insertions, deletions, and changes of tokens required to transform  $x$  into  $y$  is as small as possible.

#### drawback of global corrections:

- These generally too costly to implement in terms of time and space, so these are currently only a theoretical interest.

## CONTEXT FREE GRAMMARS

defn: Context free grammar is a 4-tuple defined as  $(V, T, P, S)$ , where

$V$ : Set of Variable

$T$ : Set of Terminals

$P$ : Set of production

$S$  is the Start Symbols

Differentiate b/w CFG and RE

### CFG

1. It is the part of the Syntax Analysis
2. Useful for describing nested grammatical structure such as balanced parenthesis and so, on.
3. CFG's are combined using pushdown automata
4. CFG can keep track of no. of symbols seen so far
5. Every CFG need not be RE
6. CFG are more powerful

7. Eg:-

$$\text{letter} \rightarrow [A-Z a-z]$$

$$\text{digit} \rightarrow [0-9]$$

$$\text{id} \rightarrow \text{letter} (\text{letter/digit})$$

### RE

1. It is the part of the lexical Analysis
2. Useful for describing the structure of construct / lexical construct such as Identifiers, keywords etc
3. Regular Expressions are combined using Finite Automata
4. RE cannot keep track of no. of symbols seen so far
5. Every RE is a CFG
6. RE are less powerful as compared to CFG

7. Eg:  $[a-z A-Z 0-9][0-9]^*$

- Q) For the following CFG
- Give the LMD for the string
  - Give the RMD for the string
  - Give the parse tree for the string
  - Is the grammar ambiguous / Unambiguous? Justify

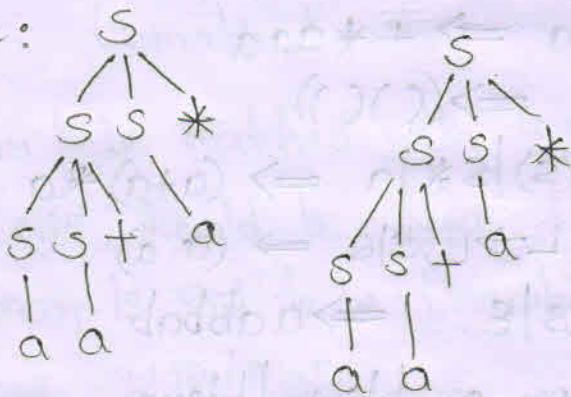
- $S \rightarrow SS^+ | SS^* | a \Rightarrow aaaa^*$
- $S \rightarrow 0S1 | 01 \Rightarrow 000111$
- $S \rightarrow +SS^* | SS^+ | a \Rightarrow +^*aaa$
- $S \rightarrow S(S)S | \epsilon \Rightarrow (( ))$
- $S \rightarrow S+S | SS | (S) | S^* | a \Rightarrow (a+a)^*a$
- $S \rightarrow (L) | a \quad L \rightarrow L, S | S \Rightarrow (a, a)$
- $S \rightarrow abS | bSa | \epsilon \Rightarrow aabbab$
- $bexpr \rightarrow bexpr \sqcup bterm | bterm$   
 $bterm \rightarrow bterm \text{ and } bfactor | bfactor$   
 $bfactor \rightarrow \text{not } bfactor | (bexpr) | \text{true} | \text{false}$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{not } (\text{true} | \text{false})$
- $E \rightarrow E+E | E*E | -E | (E) | id \Rightarrow id + id + id$
- $S \rightarrow iEtS | iEtSeS | a \Rightarrow \text{if } E_1 \text{ then } S_1 \text{ else } S_2$
- $R \rightarrow R'R | RR | R^* | (R) | a/b | c \Rightarrow a/b*c$

$$1) \quad S \rightarrow SS + | SS^* | a \Rightarrow aa + a^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\xrightarrow{Lm} SS^* \\ &\Rightarrow SS + S^* \\ &\Rightarrow aS + S^* \\ &\Rightarrow aa + S^* \\ &\Rightarrow aa + a^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\xrightarrow{Rm} SS^* \\ &\Rightarrow Sa^* \\ &\Rightarrow SS + a^* \\ &\Rightarrow Sa + a^* \\ &\Rightarrow aa + a^* \end{aligned}$$

parse tree:

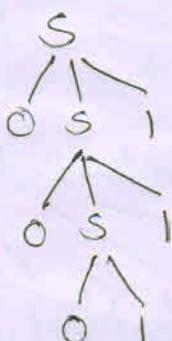


The grammar is Unambiguous  
because it has only one LMD and one RMD

$$2) \quad S \rightarrow OSI | OI \Rightarrow OOOIII$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\xrightarrow{Lm} OSI \\ &\Rightarrow OOSII \\ &\Rightarrow OOSIII \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} S &\xrightarrow{Rm} OSI \\ &\Rightarrow OOSII \\ &\Rightarrow OOOIII \end{aligned}$$

parse tree:



The grammar is Unambiguous  
because it has only one LMD and only one RMD

3)  $s \rightarrow +ss | *ss/a \Rightarrow +*aaa$

$$s \xrightarrow{lm} +ss$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} +*sss$$

$$\Rightarrow +*ass$$

$$\Rightarrow +*aas$$

$$\Rightarrow +*aaa$$

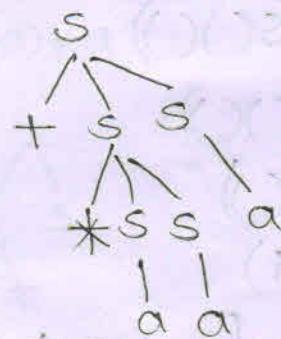
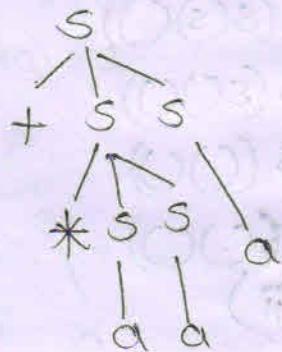
$$s \xrightarrow{nm} +ss$$

$$\xrightarrow{nm} +*sss$$

$$\Rightarrow +*ssa$$

$$\Rightarrow +*saa$$

$$\Rightarrow +*aaa$$



The Grammar is Unambiguous  
because It has only one LRD and one RMD

4)  $s \rightarrow s(s)s | \epsilon \Rightarrow (( ))$

$$s \xrightarrow{lm} s(s)s$$

$$\Rightarrow (\underline{s})s$$

$$\Rightarrow (s\underline{(s)})s$$

$$\Rightarrow (\underline{s}s)s$$

$$\Rightarrow (C)s(\underline{s})s$$

$$\Rightarrow (( )s)s$$

$$\Rightarrow (( )( )s)$$

$$\Rightarrow (( )( ))$$

(i)

$$s \xrightarrow{lm} \underline{s}(s)\bar{s}$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} (\underline{s})s$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} (\underline{s}(s))s$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} (s\underline{(s)}s)s$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} ((s)s\underline{(s)})s$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} ((s)s\underline{(s)})s$$

$$\xrightarrow{lm} ((s)s)s$$

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(ii)

RMD:

$$S \xrightarrow{\text{RMD}} S(S)S$$

$$\Rightarrow S(S)$$

$$\Rightarrow S(S(S)S)$$

$$\Rightarrow S(S(S)S(S))$$

$$\Rightarrow S(S(S)S(C))$$

$$\Rightarrow S(S(S)( ))$$

$$\Rightarrow S(S(C)( ))$$

$$\Rightarrow S(( )( ))$$

$$\Rightarrow (( )( ))$$

(i)

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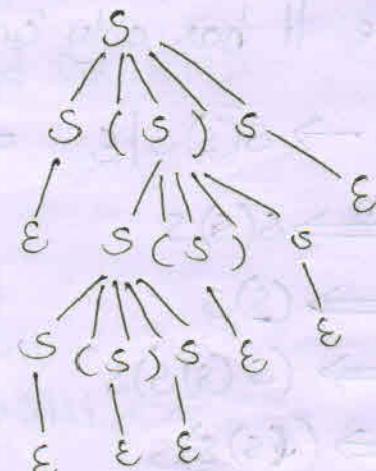
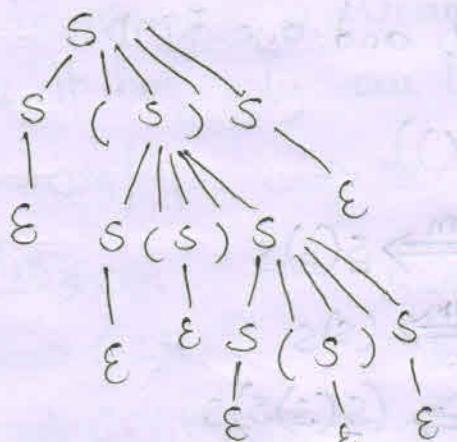
$$\Rightarrow S(C(C))$$

$$\Rightarrow S((C)C)$$

$$\Rightarrow S((C)C)$$

(ii)

parse tree for LMD (i) and (ii)



The grammar is ambiguous  
since it has 2 LMD and 2 RMD

$$\Rightarrow S \rightarrow S+S|SS|(S)|S^*|a \Rightarrow (a+a)^*$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Rm} SS$$

$$\Rightarrow S^*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (S)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (S+S)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+S)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+a)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+a)*a$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Rm} SS$$

$$\Rightarrow S^*S$$

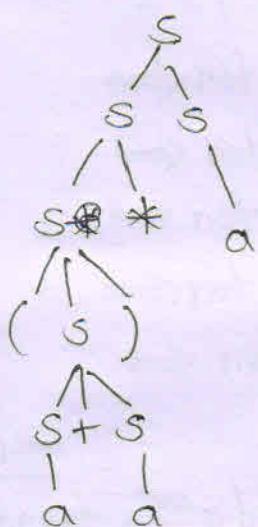
$$\Rightarrow S^*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (S)*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (S+S)*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (S+S)*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+a)*a$$



The Grammar is Unambiguous  
because It has only one RMD and LMD

$$\Rightarrow S \rightarrow (L)a$$

$$L \rightarrow L, S|S \Rightarrow (a, a)$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Rm} (L)$$

$$\Rightarrow (L, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (S, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a)$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Rm} (L)$$

$$\Rightarrow (L, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (L, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow (S, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a)$$



The Grammar is Unambiguous  
because It has only one LMD and RMD

$$S \rightarrow S+S|SS|(S)|S^*|a \Rightarrow (a+a)^*a$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Im} SS$$

$$\Rightarrow S*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (S)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (S+S)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+S)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+a)*S$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+a)*a$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Im} SS$$

$$\Rightarrow S*S$$

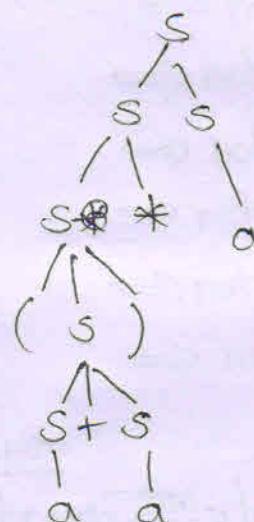
$$\Rightarrow S*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (S)*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (S+S)*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (S+S)*a$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+a)*a$$



The Grammar is Unambiguous  
because It has only one RMD and LMD

$$S \rightarrow (L) | a$$

$$L \rightarrow L, SLS \Rightarrow (a, a)$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Im} (L)$$

$$\Rightarrow (L, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (S, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a)$$

$$S \xrightarrow{Im} (L)$$

$$\Rightarrow (L, S)$$

$$\Rightarrow (L, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow (S, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, a)$$



The Grammar is Unambiguous  
because It has only one LMD and RMD

7)  $S \rightarrow asbs \mid bsas \mid \epsilon \Rightarrow aabbab$

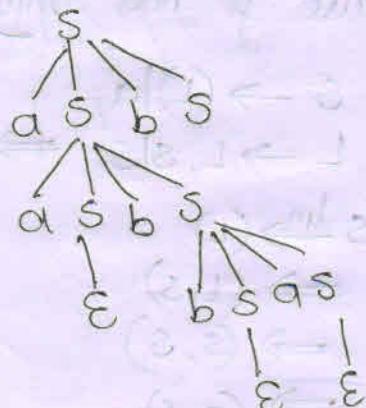
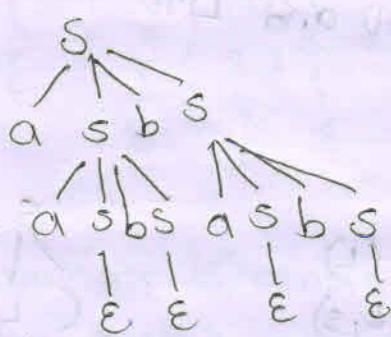
LMD:

$S \xrightarrow{lm} asbs$	$S \xrightarrow{lm} asbs$
$\Rightarrow aasbsbs$	$\Rightarrow aa\cancel{s}bsbs$
$\Rightarrow aabsbs$	$\Rightarrow aabsbs$
$\Rightarrow aabbsasbs$	$\Rightarrow aabbasbs$
$\Rightarrow aabbasbs$	$\Rightarrow aabbabs$
$\Rightarrow aabbabs$	$\Rightarrow aabbab$
$\Rightarrow aabbab$	

RMD:

$S \xrightarrow{rm} asbs$	$S \xrightarrow{rm} asbs$
$S \Rightarrow asb$	$\Rightarrow asbasbs$
$\Rightarrow aasbsb$	$\Rightarrow asbaSb$
$\Rightarrow aasbbSasb$	$\Rightarrow asbab$
$\Rightarrow aasbbSab$	$\Rightarrow aasbSbab$
$\Rightarrow aasbbab$	$\Rightarrow aasbbbab$
$\Rightarrow aabbab$	$\Rightarrow aabbab$

pars tree:



The grammar is ambiguous  
since it has 2 LMD and 2 RMD

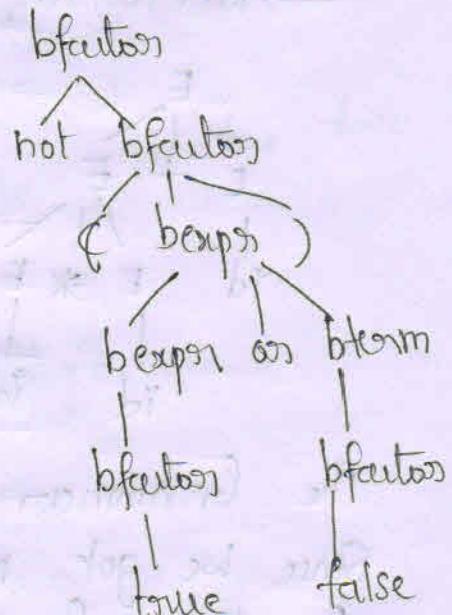
8) bexpr → bexpr or bterm | bterm  
 bterm → bterm and bfactor | bfactor  
 bfactor → not bfactor | (bexpr) | true | false  
 not (true or false)

LMD:

bexpr  $\xrightarrow{\text{LMD}}$  bterm  
 $\Rightarrow$  bfactor  
 $\Rightarrow$  not bfactor  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bexpr)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bexpr or bterm)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bterm or bexpr)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bfactor or bterm)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (true or bterm)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (true or bfactor)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (true or false)

RMD:

bexpr  $\xrightarrow{\text{RMD}}$  bterm  
 $\Rightarrow$  bfactor  
 $\Rightarrow$  not bfactor  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bexpr)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bexpr or bterm)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bexpr or bfactor)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bexpr or false)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bterm or false)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (bfactor or false)  
 $\Rightarrow$  not (true or false)



$$g) E \rightarrow E+E | E*E | -E | (E) | id$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * id$$

LMD

$$E \xrightarrow{lm} E+E(E \rightarrow E+E)$$

$$\Rightarrow E+E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow id + E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * E$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * id$$

$$E \xrightarrow{rm} E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow E+E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow id + E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * E$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * id$$

RMD

$$E \xrightarrow{rm} E+E$$

$$\Rightarrow E+E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow E+E*id$$

$$\Rightarrow E+id+id$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * id$$

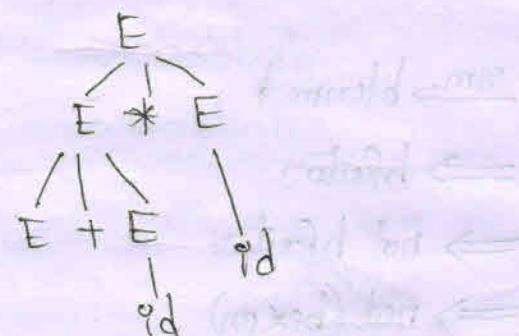
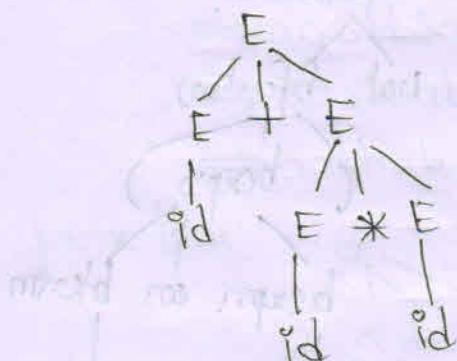
$$E \xrightarrow{rm} E*E$$

$$\Rightarrow E*id$$

$$\Rightarrow E+E*id$$

$$\Rightarrow E+id*id$$

$$\Rightarrow id + id * id$$

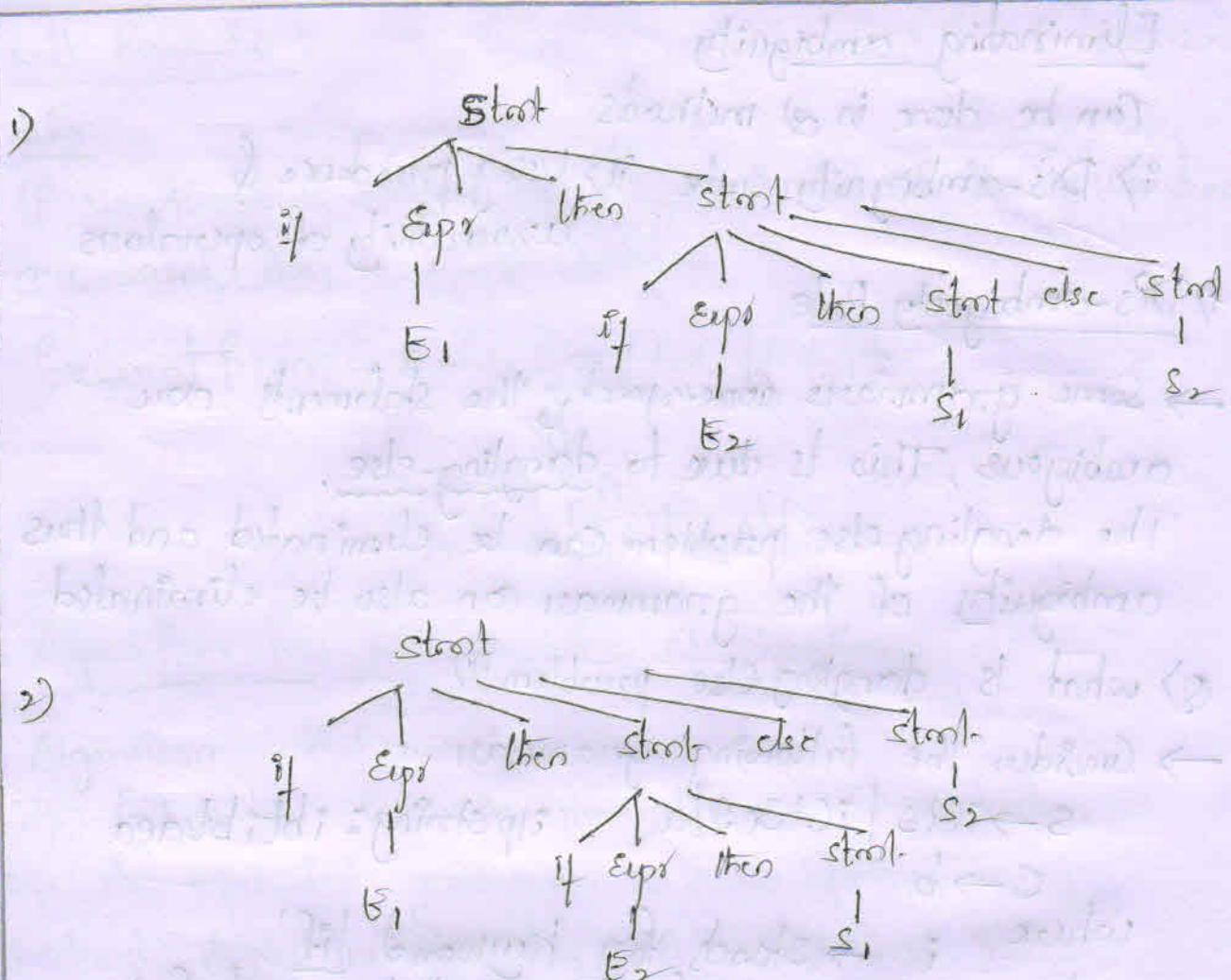


The Grammar is Ambiguous

Since we got more than 1 LMD and more than 1 RMD for this Grammar

$$10. S \rightarrow iEtS / iEtSeS / a \quad E \rightarrow b$$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $E_1$  Then If  $E_2$  Then  $S_1$  Else  $S_2$



The given grammar is ambiguous :: it has two

different parse trees

$$R \rightarrow A \cdot R \mid R R \mid R * \mid (R) \mid a \mid b \mid c \Rightarrow a b * c$$

1)

$$\begin{aligned} R &\rightarrow R \mid R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 1}} &a \mid R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 1}} &a \mid R R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 1}} &a \mid R * R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 1}} &a \mid b * R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 1}} &a \mid b * c \end{aligned}$$

LMD 2

$$\begin{aligned} R &\rightarrow R R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 2}} &R \mid R R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 2}} &a \mid R R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 2}} &a \mid R * R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 2}} &a \mid b * R \\ \xrightarrow{\text{LMD 2}} &a \mid b * c \end{aligned}$$

The given grammar is ambiguous :: it has LMDs.

(ii)

## Eliminating ambiguity

Can be done in 2 methods

- i) Dis-ambiguity rule      ii) Using precedence & associativity of operations

### Dis-ambiguity Rule

→ Some grammars corresponding the statements are ambiguous, this is due to dangling-else.

The dangling else problem can be eliminated and thus ambiguity of the grammar can also be eliminated

Q) what is dangling else problem??

→ Consider the following grammar

$$S \rightarrow iCtS \mid iCtSeS \quad \text{if string: ibtibtaea}$$

$C \rightarrow b$

where  $i \rightarrow$  stands for keyword 'if'

$C \rightarrow$  stands for 'Condition' to be satisfied,  
and  $C$  is non-terminal

$t \rightarrow$  stands for keyword 'then'

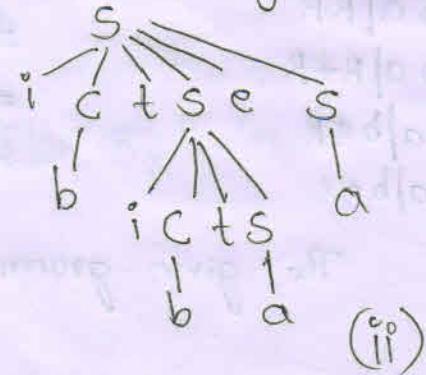
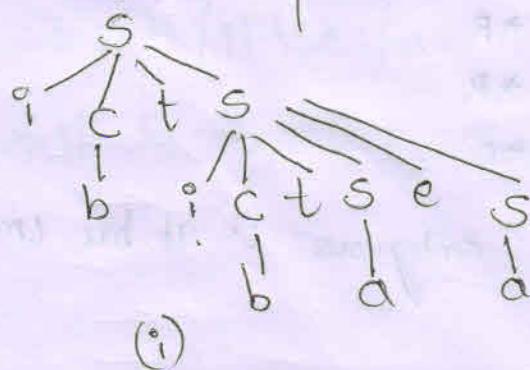
$s \rightarrow$  stands for 'Statement' for non-terminal

$e \rightarrow$  stands for keyword 'else'

$a \rightarrow$  stands for other statement

$b \rightarrow$  stands for other statement

Since the above grammar is ambiguous, we get two different parse tree for the string ibtibtaea



Since there are 2 parse tree for the same string indicating the given grammar is ambiguous.  
Observe the following points

- The first parse tree associates else with 2nd statement
- The second parse tree associates else with first if stmt

The ambiguity whether to associate else with first if statement / Second If -statement is called dangling else problem.

Eg) Q) Eliminate ambiguity from the following ambiguous grammar:

$$S \rightarrow iCtS \mid iCtSeS \mid a \\ C \rightarrow b$$

→ In all programming languages when If -statements are nested, the first parse tree is preferred. So, the general rule is "Match each else with closest unmatched then". This rule can be directly incorporated into grammar and ambiguity can be eliminated as shown below:

Step 1) The matched stmt M is an If-else statement where the statement S before else and after else keyword is matched. This can be expressed as:

$$M \rightarrow iCtMeM$$

Step 2) An Unmatched statement U is the one consisting of:

a) Simple If -statement where the statement S is matched statement/ Unmatched statement. ∴ The equivalent production is  $\Rightarrow U \rightarrow iCtS$

b) If-else statement where the statement before else is matched and statement after else is Unmatched.

The equivalent production is:  $U \rightarrow iCtMeU$

Step 3: The matched statement M and Un-matched Statement U can obtained using the Statement S as shown below:

$$S \rightarrow M|U$$

So, the final grammar which is un-ambiguous is shown below:

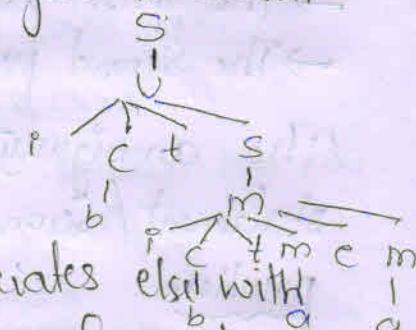
$$S \rightarrow M|U$$

$$M \rightarrow iCtMeM/a$$

$$U \rightarrow iCtS$$

$$U \rightarrow iCtMcU \quad C \rightarrow b$$

Observe that the above grammar associates else with closest then and eliminates ambiguity from the grammar.



### Eliminating ambiguity using precedence and Associativity

This method is explained using the following example:

e.g. Q) Convert the ambiguous grammar into Unambiguous grammar:

$$E \rightarrow E * E | E - E$$

$$E \rightarrow E \wedge E | E / E$$

$$E \rightarrow E + E$$

$$E \rightarrow (E) | id$$

The grammar can be converted into unambiguous grammar using the precedence of operators as shown well as associativity operators as shown below:

Step 1: Arrange the operators in increasing order of the precedence along with the associativity as shown below:

Operations	Associativity	non-terminal used
+, -	LEFT	E
*, /	LEFT	T
^	RIGHT	P

Since there are three levels of precedence, we associate three non-terminals : E, T and P. Also an extra non-terminal F, generating basic units in an arithmetic expression

Step 2: The basic units in expression are id (Identifier) and parenthesized expressions, the production corresponding to this can be written as:

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

Step 3: The next highest priority operator is  $\wedge$  and it is right associative. So, the production must start from the non-terminal P and it should have right recursion as shown below:

$$P \rightarrow F^\wedge P | F$$

Step 4: The next highest priority operators are \* and / and they are left associative. So, the production must start from the non-terminal T and it should have left recursion as shown below:

$$T \rightarrow T * P | T / P | P$$

Step 5: The next highest priority operators are + and - and they are left associative. So, the production must start from the non-terminal E and it should have left recursion as shown below:

$$E \rightarrow E + T | E - T | T$$

Step 6: The final grammar which is unambiguous grammar can be written as shown below:

$$E \rightarrow E + T | E - T | T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * P | T / P | P$$

$$P \rightarrow F^\wedge P | F$$

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

Q) Convert the following Ambiguous grammar into Unambiguous grammar by considering \* and - operators lowest

$$E \rightarrow E + E$$

$$E \rightarrow E - E$$

$$E \rightarrow E^{\wedge} E$$

$$E \rightarrow E * E$$

$$E \rightarrow E / E$$

$$E \rightarrow (E) | id$$

priority and they are left associative, / and + operators have the highest priority and are right associative and  $\wedge$  operator have the highest priority

and are right associativity and  $\wedge$  operator has precedence in between and it is left associativity.

→ The grammar can be converted into unambiguous grammar using the precedence of operators as well as associativity operators as shown below:

Step 1: Arrange the operators in increasing order of the precedence along with associativity as shown below:

	precedence operations	Associativity	non-terminal used
(lowest)	* , -	LEFT	E
(highest)	$\wedge$	LEFT	P
	/ , +	RIGHT	T

Since there are three levels of precedence we evaluate three non-terminals: E, P and T. Also use an extra non-terminal F generating basic units in an arithmetic expression

Step 2: The basic units in expression are id (Identifier) and parenthesized expressions. The production corresponding to this can be written as:

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

Step 3: The next highest priority operators are + and / They are right associative, so, the production must start from the non-terminal T and it should be right recursive in RHS of the production as shown below:

$$T \rightarrow F + T \mid F / T \mid F$$

Step 4: The next highest priority operator is \* and it is left associative. So, the production must start from the non-terminal P and it should be left recursive in RHS of the production as shown below:

$$P \rightarrow P \wedge T \mid T$$

Step 5: The next highest priority operators are \* and - and they are left associative. So, the production must start from the non-terminal E and it should be left recursive in RHS of the production as shown below:

$$\cancel{P \rightarrow P \wedge T \mid T} \quad E \rightarrow E + P \mid E - P \mid P$$

Step 5: The next highest priority operators are \* and - and they

Step 6: The final grammar which is unambiguous can be written as shown below:

$$E \rightarrow E + P \mid E - P \mid P$$

$$P \rightarrow P \wedge T \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow F + T \mid F / T \mid F$$

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

Q) Define Ambiguity ? Show that the following grammar is ambiguous.

$R \rightarrow R' | R | RR | R* | (R) | a | b | c$  for input string  
 $a | b * c$

Give an unambiguous grammar for the above grammar such that precedence order from lowest to highest are Concatenation, \*, |, (), identifier and all are left-to-right associativity

Ans: The grammar is said to be ambiguous if it has more than one LMD / more than one RMP

If there are two <sup>or</sup> different parse trees for the input string by applying LMD / by applying RMD

→ i/p string: ab\*c

LMD 3

ELMD 2

passer tree

$$R \rightarrow R' I' R$$

Ans a' l' R

$\Rightarrow a' l' RR$

$$\Rightarrow a^T R^* R$$

$\Rightarrow a'1$

$\Rightarrow \vec{a} =$

$$R \rightarrow RR$$

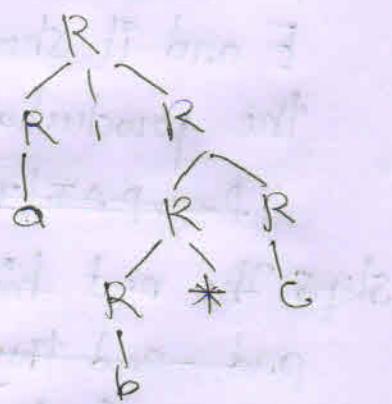
$\xrightarrow{\text{Im}}$  R' I' RR

$\xrightarrow{\text{Im}}$  a' i' RR

Mr AIR\*R

$$\Rightarrow a/b \in R$$

$$\Rightarrow a \mid b * c$$



It has two LMP's ∴ the given grammar is Unambiguous



→ Unambiguous grammar

1. Arrange the operators in the ascending order with the precedence and associativity

operations	Associativity	non-terminal used
*	LEFT	R
*	LEFT	S
	LEFT	T

2. The basic units in expression are (R) and a,b,c we use additional non-terminal U for generating those  $U \rightarrow (R) | a | b | c$

3. The next highest priority operator is | and it is left associative. So the production must start from the non-terminal T and it must be left recursive is RHS of the production

$$T \rightarrow T|'U|U$$

4. The next highest priority operator is \* and is left associative. So the production must start from non-terminal S and it is a Unary operator

$$S \rightarrow T^*|T$$

5. The next highest priority operator is Concatenation and is left associative. So the production must start from the non-terminal R and it should have left recursion as

$$R \rightarrow RS|S$$

Step 6: The final grammar which is unambiguous can be written as

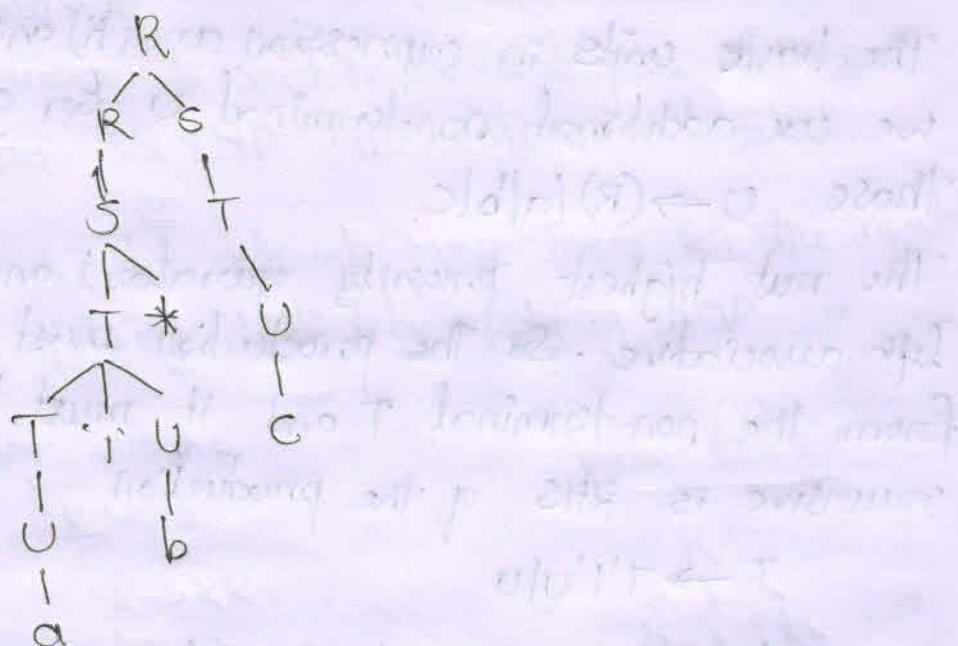
$$R \rightarrow RS/S$$

$$S \rightarrow T * | T$$

$$T \rightarrow T' I' U | U$$

$\cup \rightarrow (R) | aabbcc$

The parse tree for the iIP  $ab*c$  is



Left Recursion: ~~most of the grammar will have no scope?~~

defn:

If Non-terminal Symbol and the 1st symbol of the production are same then It Is left recursion

General form:  $A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | A\alpha_3 | \beta$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ A \rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' \rightarrow \alpha_1 A' | \alpha_2 A' | \epsilon \end{array}$$

Algorithm for Left Recursion Elimination

Algorithm Left-Recursion

ilp: Grammar  $G_1$  with no cycles on  $\epsilon$ -production

olp: An equivalent grammar with no left-recursion

Method: Apply the algorithm to  $G_1$ . Note that the resulting non-left-recursive grammar may have  $\epsilon$ -productions.

1. Arrange the non-terminals in some order  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$
2. For(each  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ ) {
  3. for(each  $j$  from 1 to  $i-1$ ) {
    4. replace each production of the form  $A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma$  by the productions  $A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 \gamma | \delta_2 \gamma | \dots | \delta_k \gamma$  where  $A_j \rightarrow \delta_1 | \delta_2 | \dots | \delta_k$  are all current  $A_j$ -productions
  5. }
  6. Eliminate the Immediate left recursion among the  $A_i$ -production
7. }

## Example on Removing/Eliminating left Recursion

$$1. E \rightarrow \underbrace{E + T}_{A \alpha} \mid \underbrace{T}_{\beta}$$



$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow TE' \\ E' &\rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

(here  $E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$ )

(both are same)

$\therefore$  The grammar contains  
left recursion

$$2. T \rightarrow \underbrace{T * F}_{A \alpha} \mid \underbrace{F}_{\beta}$$

$$\downarrow \\ T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow \beta A \\ A' \rightarrow \alpha A' \mid \epsilon \end{array}}$$

$$3. S \rightarrow \underbrace{S(S)S}_{A \alpha} \mid \underbrace{\epsilon}_{\beta}$$

$$\downarrow \\ S \rightarrow S$$

$$S' \rightarrow (S)SS \mid \epsilon$$

$$4. S \rightarrow SS+ \mid SS* \mid a$$



$$S \rightarrow aS'$$

$$S' \rightarrow S + S' \mid S * S' \mid \epsilon$$

$$5. E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

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

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



$$E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon$$

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

## Left factoring

General form:  $A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 / \alpha\beta_2 / \alpha\beta_3 \dots / \alpha\beta_n / \gamma$

$$\downarrow \\ A \rightarrow \alpha A' / \gamma$$

$$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 / \beta_2 \dots / \beta_n$$

## Algorithm for left factoring

Algorithm left-factoring

ilp: Grammar G

olp: An equivalent left-factored grammar

method: For each non-terminal A, find the longest prefix  $\alpha$  common to two or more of its alternatives.

If  $\alpha \neq \epsilon$  - i.e there is a nontrivial common prefix - replace all of the A-productions

$$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 / \alpha\beta_2 / \dots / \alpha\beta_n / \gamma$$

where  $\gamma$  represents all alternatives that do not begin with  $\alpha$ , by

$$A \rightarrow \alpha A' / \gamma$$

$$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 / \beta_2 / \dots / \beta_n$$

Here  $A'$  is new non-terminal. Repeatedly apply this transformation until no two alternatives for a non-terminal have a common prefix

## Examples on left factoring

$$1. S \rightarrow \underbrace{ss +}_{\alpha} \underbrace{ss *}_{\beta_1} / a$$

$$S \rightarrow \underbrace{sss'}_{\alpha} / a$$

$$S' \rightarrow +/*$$

The common terminals we have to take as  $\alpha$  and the remaining term we have to take as  $\beta_1, \beta_2$  - So on in each production

$$2. \del{S \rightarrow OS' + a}$$

$$S \rightarrow \underbrace{OS'}_{\alpha} / \underbrace{a}_{\beta_1}$$

$$S \rightarrow OS' / \underbrace{a}_{\beta_2}$$

$$S' \rightarrow SII$$

$$3. S \rightarrow iEt s / iEt s e s$$

$$E \rightarrow b$$

$$S \rightarrow iEt s / iEt s \underbrace{e s}_{\alpha} / a$$

$$S \rightarrow iEt s s' / a$$

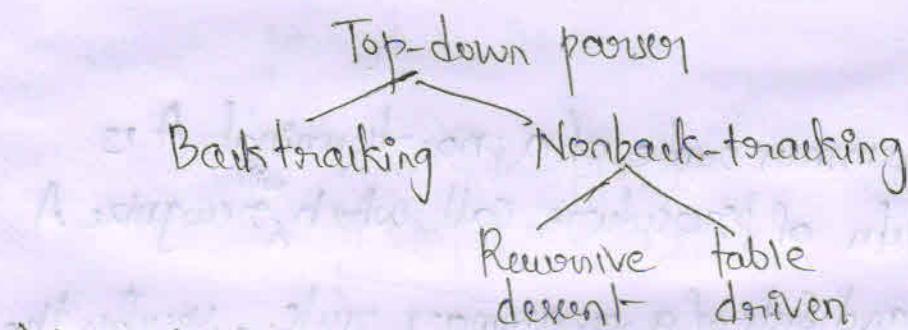
$$S' \rightarrow \epsilon / es$$

$$E \rightarrow b$$

Since  $\beta_1$  is empty we'll take  $\beta_1$  as  $\epsilon$

## Top down parsers :

- dfn: Is a parser of an ilp string of token by tracing out the steps in a left most derivation, it derives the string from the start symbol
- It is termed as topdown because the parse tree is traversed in a preorder way that is from the root node to the leaf node
- It has various types.



### i) Backtracking

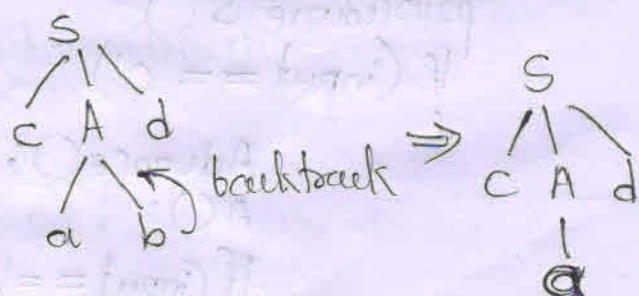
- Backtracking tries different possibilities for parsing an ilp string by backtracking up an arbitrary amount in the ilp if any possibilities fails
- These are more powerful but very much slower, as they require exponential time to parse, hence they're not suitable for practical compilers

eg:  $S \rightarrow CA\bar{d}$

$A \rightarrow ab\bar{a}$

ilp string  $\rightarrow c\bar{a}b\bar{d}$

ilp string  $\rightarrow c\bar{a}\bar{d}$



## ii) Non-backtracking parsers:

i) Recursive descent

ii) Table driven

### i) Recursive descent parser:

→ Recursive descent parsers are more versatile & suitable for handwritten parsers

→ It helps to study the method for parsing and serves as basis for topdown parsers

$$S \rightarrow CA\alpha$$

$$A \rightarrow ab\alpha$$

here, the grammar rule of a non-terminal A is given as a defn of procedure call which will recognize A

a) The right hand side of a grammar rule, specifies the structure of the code for the procedure.

b) The sequence of terminals on the right hand side corresponds to the if it matches while the sequence of non-terminals are calls with the corresponding procedure

$$NT = \{S, A\}$$

$$T = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

procedure S()

If (input == 'c')

{ Advance();

A();

If (input == 'd')

{

Advance();

return(true);

else

{

return(false); }

}

else {

return(false); }

}

procedure A()

{

isave = in - ptn;

If (input == 'a')

{

Advance();

If (input == 'b')

{

Advance();

return(true);

}

else {

in - ptn = isave

If (input == 'a')

{

Advance();

return(true);

}

return(false);

}

### isave:

Saves the ilp pointer position before each alternate production to facilitate backtracking whenever a terminal is encountered the ilp pointer

Advances the next position If alternate phase the ip pointer advances to the previous position to trace the next alternate

### Advance():

advance is a procedure that is written to advance the ilp pointer to the next position on a successful completion of the parsing action the parser returns a true value \*

### drawbacks of Recursive descent parsing

1. left recursion → It has the production of the form  $A \rightarrow A\alpha$   
the parser goes into infinite loop  
eg:  $A \rightarrow AbA$   
 $\text{ip} \rightarrow abb$   
The device storing abb there is an ambiguity as to how many times the nonterminals has to be expanded
2. Backtracking: It occurs when there is more than one alternate in the production to be tried while parsing the ilp string

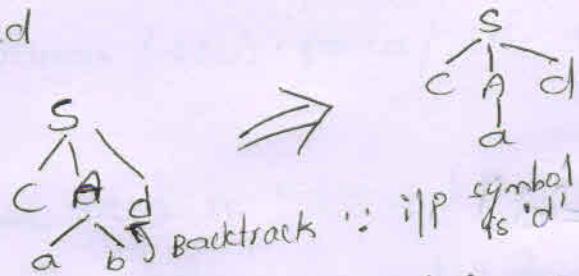
$$S \rightarrow CAd$$

$$A \rightarrow abA$$

ip: cabd



i/p string : cad



3.3. It is very difficult to identify the posn of the errors

Example : Recursive descent-

Q) Write a recursive descent parser for the following grammar

$$E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon$$

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

i/p: id + id \* id

→ → procedure E()

{ if (input == 'T')  
T();

↳ Eprime();

procedure T()  
{

  F();

  Tprime();

procedure F()  
{

  if (input == '(')

    Advance();

  E();

  if (input == ')')

    return (True);

  else

    return (False);

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        elseif(input == "id")
        {
            Advance();
            return(true);
        }
        else
        {
            return(false);
        }
    procedure Eprime()
    {
        if(input == "+")
        {
            Advance();
            T();
            Eprime();
            return(true);
        }
        return(false);
    }
    procedure Tprime()
    {
        if(input == "*")
        {
            Advance();
            F();
            Tprime();
            return(true);
        }
        else
        {
            return(false);
        }
    }

```

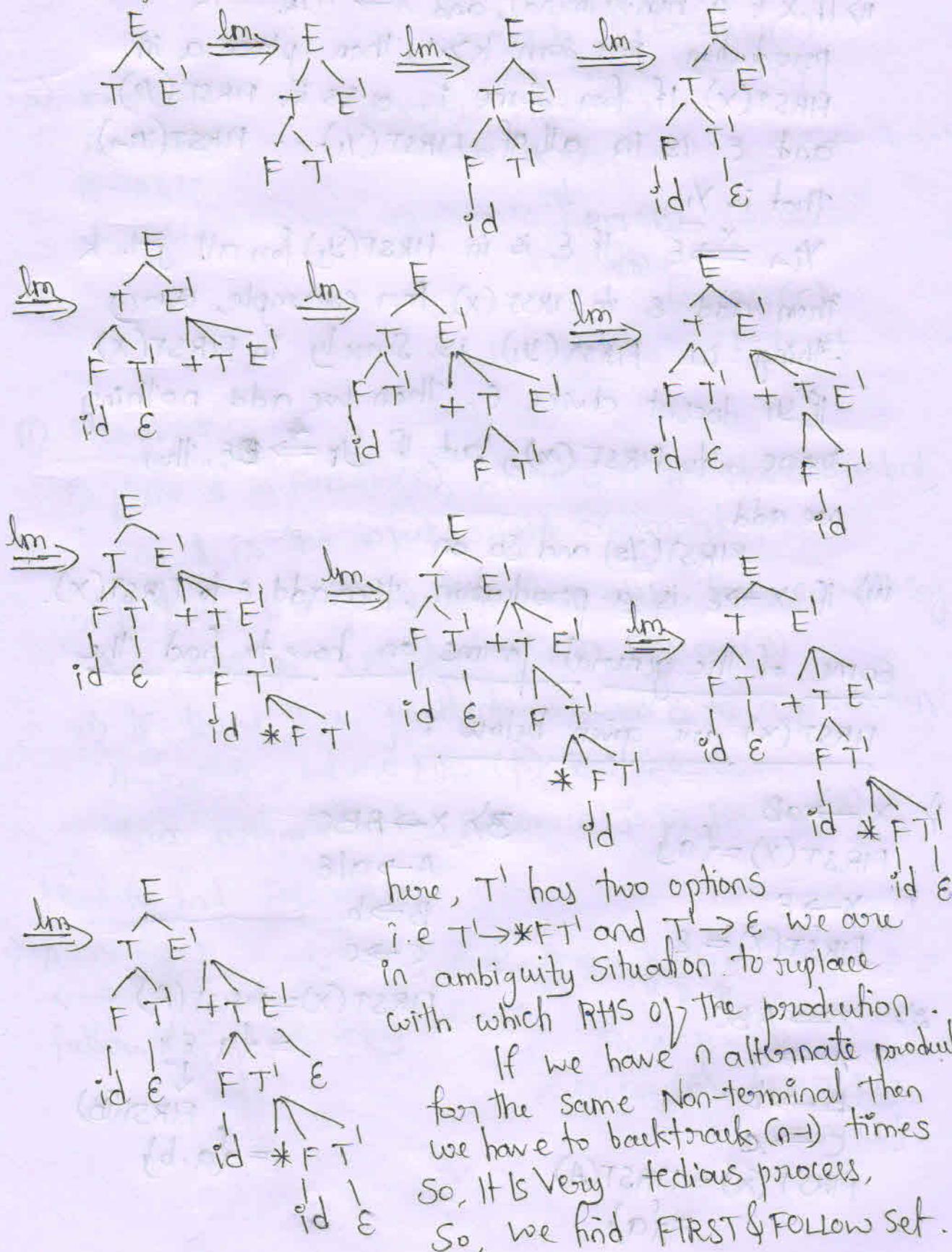
### ii) Table driven:

- Table driven is also called as predictive parsing
- predictive parser is a recursive descent parser, which production has the capability to predict which production is to be used to replace the input string
- The predictive parser does not suffer from backtracking

# Predictive Parsers / LL(1) parsers / Table driven parsers.

Q) Why do we need a FIRST and FOLLOW set

Consider the below given top down approach for the example:



## FIRST AND FOLLOW SETS:

### i) FIRST:

- i) If  $x$  is a terminal, then  $\text{FIRST}(x) = \{x\}$
- ii) If  $x$  is a nonterminal, and  $x \rightarrow y_1 y_2 \dots y_k$  is a production for some  $k \geq 1$ , then place  $a$  in  $\text{FIRST}(x)$  if for some  $i$ ,  $a$  is in  $\text{FIRST}(y_i)$  and  $\epsilon$  is in all of  $\text{FIRST}(y_1) \dots \text{FIRST}(y_{i-1})$  that is  $y_1$

$y_{i-1} \xrightarrow{x} \epsilon$ , If  $\epsilon$  is in  $\text{FIRST}(y_j)$  for all  $j=1 \dots k$  then add  $\epsilon$  to  $\text{FIRST}(x)$ . For example, every thing in  $\text{FIRST}(y_1)$  is surely in  $\text{FIRST}(x)$ . If  $y_1$  doesn't derive  $\epsilon$ , then we add nothing more to  $\text{FIRST}(x)$ , but If  $y_1 \xrightarrow{*} \epsilon$ , then we add

$\text{FIRST}(y_2)$  and so on

- iii) If  $x \rightarrow \epsilon$  is a production, then add  $\epsilon$  to  $\text{FIRST}(x)$ .

Some of the general forms on how to find the  $\text{FIRST}(x)$  are given below:

$$1) x \rightarrow aB \\ \text{FIRST}(x) = \{a\}$$

$$x \rightarrow \epsilon \\ \text{FIRST}(x) = \epsilon$$

$$3) x \rightarrow ABC \\ A \rightarrow a/\epsilon \\ B \rightarrow b \\ C \rightarrow c$$

$$2) x \rightarrow ABC \\ A \rightarrow a \\ B \rightarrow b \\ C \rightarrow c \\ \text{FIRST}(x) = \text{FIRST}(A) \\ = \{a\}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(x) = \text{FIRST}(A) \\ = \{a, \epsilon\} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{FIRST}(B) \\ = \{a, b\}$$



$$3) A \rightarrow \overbrace{X}^{\alpha} \overbrace{B}^{\beta} \overbrace{C}^{\gamma}$$

$$C \rightarrow c/\epsilon$$

$$D \rightarrow d/\epsilon$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \text{first}(B)$$

$$= \text{first}(D)$$

$$= \{c, d\} + \text{FOLLOW}(A)$$

$$4) A \rightarrow \overbrace{X}^{\alpha} \overbrace{B}^{\beta} \overbrace{B}^{\beta} \quad (\text{since } \beta = \epsilon, \text{ here})$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \text{FOLLOW}(\text{left most nonterminal}) \\ = \text{FOLLOW}(A)$$

$$5) A \rightarrow \overbrace{X}^{\alpha} \overbrace{B}^{\beta} \overbrace{C}^{\gamma} \overbrace{D}^{\delta} \overbrace{B}^{\beta} \overbrace{e}^{\epsilon} \quad ①$$

$$C \rightarrow c/\epsilon \quad ②$$

$$D \rightarrow d$$

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \text{FIRST}(CDBe)$$

$$= \{c, d\} \quad ①$$

+

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \text{FIRST}(e)$$

$$= \{e\}$$

$$\therefore \text{FAL}(B) = ① + ②$$

$$\text{FAL}(B) = \{c, d, e\}$$

Find the FIRST and FOLLOW set for the following grammars

$$1. E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE'/\epsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT'/\epsilon$$

$$F \rightarrow (\epsilon) | id$$

$$2. S \rightarrow iEts | iEtses | a$$

$$E \rightarrow b$$

3)  $S \rightarrow G_1 H$   
 $G_1 \rightarrow aF$   
 $H \rightarrow bFc | \epsilon$   
 $H \rightarrow KL$   
 $K \rightarrow m | \epsilon$   
 $L \rightarrow n | \epsilon$

4)  $S \rightarrow aB | ac | sd | se$   
 $B \rightarrow bBc | f$   
 $C \rightarrow g$

5)  $S \rightarrow aBDh$   
 $B \rightarrow ec$   
 $C \rightarrow bc | \epsilon$   
 $D \rightarrow EF$   
 $E \rightarrow g | \epsilon$   
 $F \rightarrow f | \epsilon$

~~$D \rightarrow EF$~~   
 ~~$E \rightarrow g | \epsilon \rightarrow \text{epsilon}$~~   
 ~~$F \rightarrow f | \epsilon$~~   
6.  $S \rightarrow (L) | a$   
 $L \rightarrow L, S | S$

7)  $S \rightarrow L = R | R$   
 $L \rightarrow *R | id$   
 $R \rightarrow L$

8.  $S \rightarrow AaAb | BbBa$   
 $A \rightarrow \epsilon$   
 $B \rightarrow \epsilon$

9)  $S \rightarrow aABBb$   
 $A \rightarrow c | \epsilon$   
 $B \rightarrow d | \epsilon$

10.  $\text{stmt\_Sequence} \rightarrow \text{stmt } \text{stmt\_Sequence}'$   
 $\text{stmt\_Sequence}' \rightarrow ; \text{stmt\_Sequence}' | \epsilon$   
 $\text{stmt} \rightarrow S$

11)  $S \rightarrow asbs | bsas | \epsilon$

12)  $S \rightarrow a | \uparrow | (T)$   
 $T \rightarrow T, S | S$

13)  $S \rightarrow As | b$   
 $A \rightarrow SA | a$

The bottom of 3 lines has been written in blue ink:

Answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } E &\rightarrow TE' \\ E' &\rightarrow +TE'/\epsilon \\ T &\rightarrow FT' \\ T' &\rightarrow *FT'/\epsilon \\ F &\rightarrow (\epsilon)/id \end{aligned}$$

	E	$E'$	T	$T'$	F
FIRST	(	+	C	*	C
	id	$\epsilon$	id	$\epsilon$	id
FOL	\$	\$	+	+	*
	)	)	)	)	)

here  $\text{Follow}(E) = F \rightarrow (E)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Follow}(E) &= \text{FIRST}( )) \\ &= \{ ) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Follow}(E') = E \rightarrow \underset{\alpha}{T} \underset{B}{E'} \underset{B}{P} \text{ and } E' \rightarrow \underset{\alpha}{+} \underset{B}{T} \underset{B}{E'} \underset{B}{P}$$

$$\text{FOL}(E') = \text{FIRST}(P)$$

$$\therefore \text{FOL}(E') = \text{FOL}(E)$$

$$\text{FOL}(E') = \text{FIRST}(P)$$

$$\therefore \text{FOL}(E') = \text{FOL}(E)$$

$$\text{So, on } \text{Follow}(T) = E' \rightarrow \underset{\alpha}{+} \underset{B}{T} \underset{B}{E'} \underset{B}{P}$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(P)$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(E')$$

$$= \{ + \}$$

$$E \rightarrow \underset{\alpha}{T} \underset{B}{E'} \underset{B}{P}$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(P)$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(E')$$

$$= \{ + \}$$

Note: we should not write  $\underline{\epsilon}$  in the Follow set

2)  $S \rightarrow iEts \mid iEtses \mid a$

$E \rightarrow b$

	S	E
FIRST	i a	b
Follow	\$ e	t

$$\text{Follow}(S) = S \rightarrow iEts \cup E^P$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Follow}(S) &= \text{FIRST}(P) \\ &= \text{Follow}(S) \cup \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$S \rightarrow iEtses \cup E^P$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Follow}(S) &= \text{FIRST}(P) \\ &= \text{FIRST}(es) \\ &= \text{def} \end{aligned}$$

3)  $S \rightarrow , G H ;$

$$\begin{aligned} G &\rightarrow aF \\ F &\rightarrow bF \mid \epsilon - \text{epsilon} \\ H &\rightarrow kL \\ K &\rightarrow m \mid \epsilon \\ L &\rightarrow n \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

	S	,	G	H	K	L
FIRST	,	a	b	m	m	n
Follow	\$	m	m	;	n	;
.	.	n	n	;	;	;
.	.	;	;	;	;	;

4)  $S \rightarrow aB \mid ac \mid Sa \mid S\epsilon$

$B \rightarrow bBc \mid f$

$G \rightarrow g$

	S	B	C
FIRST	a	b f	g
Follow	\$ d e	\$ d c	\$ d e

5)  $S \rightarrow aBDh$

$B \rightarrow ec$

$c \rightarrow bc \mid \epsilon$

$D \rightarrow EF$

$E \rightarrow g \mid \epsilon$

$F \rightarrow F \mid \epsilon$

	S	B	C	D	E	F
FIRST	a	e	b $\epsilon$	g f $\epsilon$	g $\epsilon$	f $\epsilon$
Follow	\$	g f h	g f h	h	h f	h

6)  $S \rightarrow (L)a$

$L \rightarrow L, S \mid S$

	S	L
FIRST	(	(
	a	a
Follow	\$	)
	,	,

$$8) S \rightarrow AaAb \mid BbBa$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

	S	A	B	C	
FIRST	a b	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon$	d	TERTIARY
FOLLOW	\$	a b	b a	c d a	WORST

$$9) S \rightarrow aABb$$

$$A \rightarrow C \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow d \mid \epsilon$$

	S	A	B
FIRST	a	(	d
		$\epsilon$	$\epsilon$
FOLLOW	\$	d b	b

$$10) S \rightarrow a \mid \uparrow \mid (T)$$

$$T \rightarrow T, S \mid S$$

	S	T
FIRST	a $\uparrow$ (	a $\uparrow$ (
FOLLOW	\$ ) ,	)

18)  $S \rightarrow As/b$   
 $A \rightarrow SA/a$

	<u>S</u>	<u>A</u>	
<u>FIRST</u>	b a	a	
<u>FOLLOW</u>	\$ a b	a b	

19)  $S \rightarrow L = R/R$

$L \rightarrow *R/id$

$R \rightarrow L$

	<u>S</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>R</u>
<u>FIRST</u>	*	*	*
	id	id	id
<u>FOLLOW</u>	\$	=	\$
		\$	=

19)  $\text{stmt\_sequence} \rightarrow \text{stmt } \text{stmt\_sequence}'$

$\text{stmt\_sequence}' \rightarrow ; \text{stmt\_sequence}' / \epsilon$

$\text{stmt} \rightarrow S$

	<u>stmt\_sequence</u>	<u>stmt\_sequence'</u>	<u>stmt</u>
<u>FIRST</u>	S	;	S
		ε	
<u>FOLLOW</u>	\$	\$	;
		\$	\$

10)  $s \rightarrow asbs \mid bsas \mid \epsilon$

FIRST	$s$
	a
	b
	$\epsilon$
Follow	\$
	a
	b

$$\text{Follow}(s) \Rightarrow s \rightarrow \underbrace{asbs}_{\alpha B \beta}$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(\beta)$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(b\$)$$

$$\text{Follow}(s) = \{b\}$$

$$s \rightarrow \underbrace{bsas}_{\alpha B \beta}$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(\beta)$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(as)$$

$$= \{a\}$$

$$s \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\text{FOL}(s) \rightarrow \underbrace{asbs}_{\alpha B \beta}$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(\beta)$$

$$\text{FOL}(s) = \text{Follow}(s)$$

$$fa(s) \rightarrow \underbrace{bsas}_{\alpha B \beta}$$

$$= \text{FIRST}(\beta) \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\text{FOL}(s) = \text{FOL}(s)$$

Top-down Parsing

Predictive parsing table / LL(1) grammar / Table driven predictive parser

→ lookahead symbol

LL(1) grammar

↓ ↳ left most derivation  
scan the i/p from left to right

Steps:

- 1) Eliminate left recursion from the grammar
- 2) perform left factoring
- 3) find the FIRST and FOLLOW set
- 4) Construct the predictive parsing table
- 5) check whether the given i/p string is accepted/not

Algorithm for Constructing predictive parsing table

INPUT : Grammar  $G_1$

OUTPUT : parsing table M

METHOD: For each production  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  of the grammar,  
do the following

1. For each terminal  $a$  in  $\text{FIRST}(A)$ , add  $A \rightarrow a$  to  $M[A, a]$
2. If  $\epsilon$  is in  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha)$ , Then for each terminal  $b$  in  $\text{Follow}(A)$ , add  $A \rightarrow b$  to  $M[A, b]$ . If  $\epsilon$  is in  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha)$  &  $\$$  is in  $\text{Follow}(A)$ , add  $A \rightarrow \$$  to  $M[A, \$]$  as well

Predictive parsing Algorithm

INPUT: A string w and a parsing table 'm' for a grammar  $G_1$ .

OUTPUT: If w is in  $L(G_1)$  and LMD of w;  
otherwise an error condition

Input: 

			a   +   b   \$
--	--	--	----------------

METHOD: Initially, the parser is in a configuration with  $w\$$  in the ilp buffer and the start symbol  $S$  on top of the stack, above  $\$$ . The pgm in fig. uses the predictive parsing table  $M$  to procedure a predictive parse for the ilp set 'ip' to point to the first symbol of  $w$  ; set 'x' to the top stack symbol ; while ( $x \neq \$$ ) { /\* stack is not empty \*/ } if ( $x$  is a) pop the stack & a advance ip ; else if ( $x$  is a terminal) error(); else if ( $M[x, a]$  is an error entry) error(); else if ( $M[x, a] = x \rightarrow y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k$ ) { output the production  $x \rightarrow y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k$  ; pop the stack ; push  $y_k, y_{k-1}, \dots, y_1$  onto the stack, with  $y_1$  on-top } set  $x$  to the top stack symbol ; }

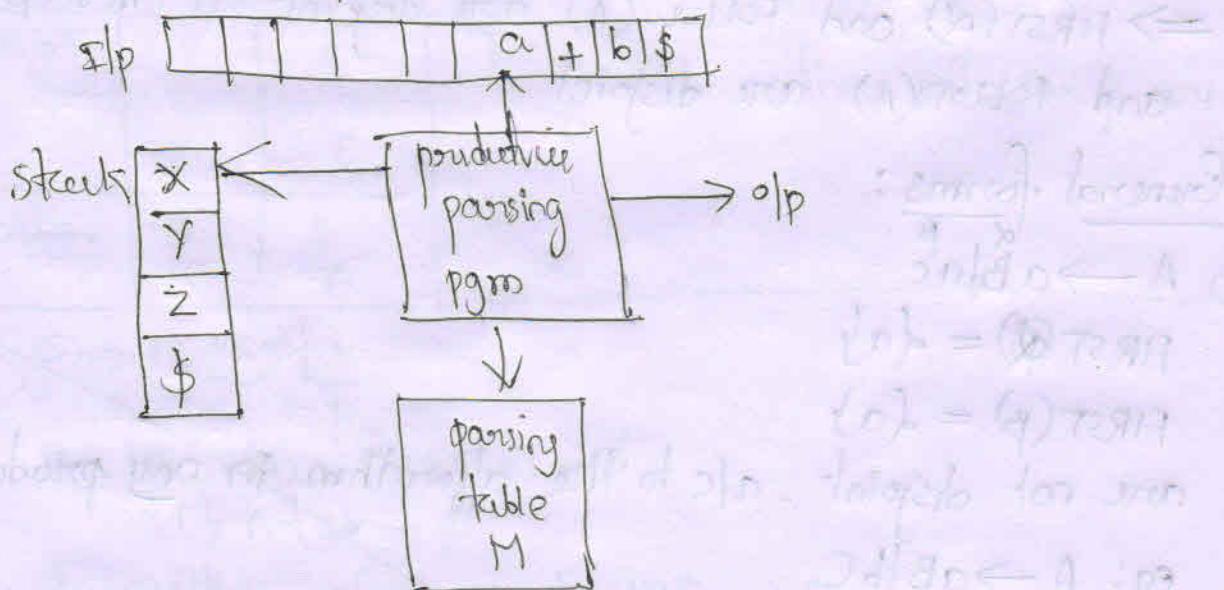


fig: model of a table driven predictive parser

Checking whether the given grammar is LL(1) or not without using parsing table

A grammar is LL(1) iff whenever,  $A \rightarrow \alpha\beta$  are two distinct productions of  $G$ , the following conditions hold

- i) For no terminal 'a' do with  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  derive strings beginning with  $a \Rightarrow \text{FIRST}(\alpha)$  and  $\text{FIRST}(\beta)$  are disjoint.
- ii) Atmost one of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  can derive the empty string  $\Rightarrow$  either  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \rightarrow \epsilon$  or  $\text{FIRST}(\beta) \rightarrow \epsilon$  but not both.
- iii) If  $\beta \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$ , then  $\alpha$  does not derive any string beginning with a terminal in  $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$ . Likewise, if  $\alpha \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$ , then  $\beta$  does not derive any string beginning with a terminal in  $\text{FOLLOW}(B)$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{FIRST}(\alpha)$  and  $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$  are disjoint; or  $\text{FIRST}(\beta)$  and  $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$  are disjoint

General forms:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad A \xrightarrow{\alpha} aB \mid aC$$

$$\text{FIRST}(\alpha) = \{a\}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(\beta) = \{a\}$$

are not disjoint,  $aC$  to the algorithm in any production

e.g:  $A \xrightarrow{\alpha} aB \mid bC$

$$\text{FIRST}(\alpha) = \{a\}$$

$$\text{FIRST}(\beta) = \{b\}$$
 are disjoint

Ex)  $A \rightarrow Bc \mid CD$   
 $B \rightarrow b \mid \epsilon$   
 $C \rightarrow c \mid \epsilon$

either  $\text{FIRST}(B) \Rightarrow \epsilon$  or  
 $\text{FIRST}(C) \Rightarrow \epsilon$   
but not both

Q) i)  $A \rightarrow aB$   
 $B \rightarrow cAa \mid \epsilon$   
 $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) = \{a\}$   
 $\text{Follow}(A) = \{\$, ab\}$  are not disjoint  
ii)  $A \rightarrow Ba$   
 $B \rightarrow cAa \mid \epsilon$   
 $\text{FIRST}(B) = \{ab\}$  and  $\text{Follow}(A) = \{\$, ab\}$   
are not disjoint

Examples:

1.  $S \rightarrow iEtss' \mid a$   
 $s' \rightarrow es \mid \epsilon$   
 $E \rightarrow b$

	$S$	$s'$	$E$
$\text{FIRST}$	i	e	b
$\text{Follow}$	\$	\$	t

- $\alpha \quad \beta$   
 $S \rightarrow iEtss' \mid a$
- $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{FIRST}(\beta) = \emptyset$   
 $\{i\} \cap \{ab\} = \emptyset$
  - neither of  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  are  $\epsilon$

2.  $S \rightarrow iEtss' \mid a$

- ~~a.  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{FIRST}(\beta) = \emptyset$   
 $\{i\} \cap \{ab\} = \emptyset$~~

~~b. neither of  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$  are  $\Rightarrow \epsilon$~~

~~c.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$ , then  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{Follow}(A) = \emptyset$~~

~~$\text{FIRST}(es) \cap \text{Follow}(s') = \emptyset$~~

~~$\{e\} \cap \{\$\} \neq \emptyset$~~

~~∴ The given grammar is not LL(1). Condition fails~~

$$S \rightarrow eS | \epsilon$$

a)  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{FIRST}(\beta) = \emptyset$

$\{\epsilon\} \cap \{\epsilon\} = \emptyset$

b) The given grammar

$\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  but  $\alpha \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$

c)  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$ , then  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{FOL}(\beta) = \emptyset$

$\text{FIRST}(eS) \cap \text{FOL}(S') = \emptyset$

$\{\epsilon\} \cap \{\$e\} \neq \emptyset$

Condition fails

$\therefore$  The given grammar is not LL(1)

2)  $S \rightarrow S(S)S | \epsilon \Rightarrow S \rightarrow S'$   
 $S' \rightarrow (S) SS' | \epsilon$

	$S$	$S'$
FIRST	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon$
Follow	$\$$	$\$$
	)	)
	(	(

1.  $S \rightarrow \$$

not required because we  
don't have  $\beta$  production

2.  $S' \rightarrow (S) SS' | \epsilon$

a.  $\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{FIRST}(\beta) \neq \emptyset$   
 $\{\$\} \cap \{\epsilon\} = \emptyset$

b. only  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  and  $\alpha \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$

c.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$ , then

$\text{FIRST}(\alpha) \cap \text{FOL}(A) = \emptyset$

$\{\$\} \cap \{\$(\$)\} \neq \emptyset$

$\therefore$  The given grammar is not LL(1)

$$3. S \rightarrow SS+ | SS* | \alpha \Rightarrow S \rightarrow aS' \\ S' \rightarrow S+S' | S*S' | \epsilon$$

$\Downarrow$  left factoring

final production

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aS' \\ S' \rightarrow SS'' | \epsilon \\ S \rightarrow +S' | *S' \end{array} \right.$$

	$S$	$S'$	$S''$
FIRST	$a$	$a$	$+$
		$\epsilon$	$*$
FOLLOW	\$	\$	\$
	+	+	+
	*	*	*

1.  $S \rightarrow aS'$   
not required
2.  $S'' \rightarrow +S' | *S'$ 
  - a.  $\text{FIRST}(+S) \cap \text{FIRST}(*S) = \emptyset$   
 $\{+\} \cap \{*y\} = \emptyset$
  - b. neither  $\alpha$  or  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$   
all conditions are satisfied

3.  $S' \rightarrow SS'' | \epsilon$ 
  - a.  $\text{FIRST}(SS'') \cap \text{FIRST}(\epsilon) = \emptyset$   
 $\{ab\} \cap \{\epsilon\} = \emptyset$
  - b.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  but not  $\alpha$
  - c.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  then  
 $\text{FIRST}(SS'') \cap \text{Follow}(S) = \emptyset$   
 $\{ab\} \cap \{\$\} = \emptyset$

all conditions are satisfied

$\therefore$  The grammar is LL(1)

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{i)} E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \\
 T \rightarrow T * F \mid F \\
 F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id}
 \end{array}
 \Rightarrow
 \begin{array}{l}
 E \rightarrow TE^1 \\
 E^1 \rightarrow +TE^1 \mid \epsilon \\
 T \rightarrow FT^1 \\
 T^1 \rightarrow *FT^1 \mid \epsilon \\
 F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id}
 \end{array}$$

	E	$E^1$	T	$T^1$	F
FIRST	(	+	(	*	(
	id	$\epsilon$	id	$\epsilon$	id

	E	$E^1$	T	$T^1$	F
FOLLOW	\$	\$	+	+	+
	)	)	)	)	)

i)  $E \rightarrow TE$

ii)  $E^1 \rightarrow +E^1 \mid \epsilon$

a.  $\text{FIRST}(+TE) \cap \text{FIRST}(\epsilon) = \emptyset$

$$\{+\} \cap \{\epsilon\} = \emptyset$$

b.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  but  $\alpha \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$

c.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  then  $\text{FIRST}(+TE) \cap \text{FOL}(E) = \emptyset$

$$\{+\} \cap \{(\$\)} = \emptyset$$

iii)  $T \rightarrow FT^1$

iv)  $T^1 \rightarrow *FT^1 \mid \epsilon$

a.  $\text{FIRST}(*FT^1) \cap \text{FIRST}(\epsilon) = \emptyset$

$$\{*} \cap \{\epsilon\} = \emptyset$$

b.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  but  $\alpha \not\Rightarrow \epsilon$

c.  $\beta \Rightarrow \epsilon$  then  $\text{FIRST}(*FT^1) \cap \text{FOL}(T^1) = \emptyset$

$$\{*} \cap \{(+\$)\} = \emptyset$$

v)  $F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id}$

a.  $\text{FIRST}((E)) \cap \text{FIRST}(\text{id}) = \emptyset$

$$\{( \} \cap \{ \text{id} \} = \emptyset$$

b. neither of them are  $\Rightarrow \epsilon$

Checking whether the given grammar is LL(1) or not  
with Constructing the predictive parsing table

$$1. E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

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

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

i) Remove left Recursion

$$E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon$$

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

ii) Remove left factoring

→ here, not required

iii) find FIRST and FOLLOW set

	E	E'	T	T'	F
FIRST	( id	+	( id	*	( id
		$\epsilon$		$\epsilon$	
FOLLOW	\$ )	\$ )	+\$ )	+\$ )	* \$ )

iv) Construct the parsing table

	(	id	)	+	*	\$
E	$E \rightarrow JE'$	$E \rightarrow TE'$				
E'			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow +TE'$		$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow FT'$	$T \rightarrow FT'$				
T'			$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow (E)$	$F \rightarrow id$				

Stack	Input	Action
E\$	id + id * id \$	
TE'\$	id + id * id \$	push E → TE'
FT'E'\$	id + id * id \$	push T → FT'
idT'E'\$	id + id * id \$	push F → id
TE'\$	+ id * id \$	matched 'id'
E'\$	+ id * id \$	$\beta \quad T' \rightarrow E$
+TE'\$	+ id * id \$	push E' → +TE'
TE'\$	id * id \$	matched '@+' push T → FT'
FT'E'\$	id * id \$	push F → id
idT'E'\$	id * id \$	matched 'id'
TE'\$	* id \$	push T' → *FT'
*FT'E'\$	* id \$	matched '*' push F → id
FT'E'\$	id \$	matched 'id'
idT'E'\$	id \$	push T → E
TE'\$	\$	E' → E
E'\$	\$	
\$	\$	

∴ The grammar is accepted the ilp string  
i.e., The ilp is passed successfully

The grammar is LL(1) ∵ no multiple entries

2)  $S \rightarrow iEtss | iEtssesla$

$E \rightarrow b$

i) If  $E_1$  then if  $E_2$  then  $S_1$  else  $S_2$

If  $b$  then if  $b$  then  $a$  else  $a$

ii) No left Recursion

iii) Remove left factoring

$S \rightarrow iEtss' | a$

$S' \rightarrow esl | \epsilon$

$E \rightarrow b$

iv) FIRST and FOLLOW Set

	$S$	$S'$	$E$
FIRST	$i$	$e$	$b$
FOLLOW	$\$$	$\$$	$t$

v) parsing table

	$\$$	$i$	$e$	$b$	$a$	$t$
$S$		$S \rightarrow iEtss'$				
$S'$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$		$S' \rightarrow es$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$		
$E$				$E \rightarrow b$		

vi) Stack      Input      Action

$S \$$	<del>itEtssesa</del> ibtibtaea \$	
$iEtss' \$$	ibtibtaea \$	$S \rightarrow iEtss'$
$Etss' \$$	btibtaea \$	matched 'i'
$btss' \$$	btibtaea \$	$E \rightarrow b$

The grammar is not LL(1). because it has multiple entries for the same terminal in a table

Stack	input	Action
tss \$	tbtaea \$	matched 'b'
ss' \$	btaea \$	matched 't'.
!Etss's' \$	ibtaea \$	$s \rightarrow !E tss$
Etss's' \$	btaea \$	matched 'i'
btss's' \$	btaea \$	$E \rightarrow b$
tss's' \$	taea \$	matched 'b'
ss's' \$	aea \$	matched t
as's' \$	aea \$	$s \rightarrow a$
s's' \$	ea \$	matched 'a'

↳ ambiguity whether to push  $s \rightarrow s$  or  $s \rightarrow e$

$\Rightarrow$  ifp: If E then S else S  
ibtaea

Stack	input	Action
ss \$	ibtaea \$	$s \rightarrow !E tss$
!Etss' \$	ibtaea \$	matched 'i'
Etss' \$	btaea \$	push $E \rightarrow b$
btss' \$	btaea \$	match 'b'
tss' \$	taea \$	match t
ss' \$	aea \$	$s \rightarrow a$
as' \$	aea \$	match a
s' \$	ea \$	

↳ ambiguity, whether to push  $s \rightarrow s$  or  $s \rightarrow e$

3)  $S \rightarrow SS + (SS^*)a \quad \text{IIP: } aa+a*$

i) Remove left recursion

$$S \rightarrow aS'$$

$$S' \rightarrow S + S^* S^* | \epsilon$$

ii) Remove left factoring

$$S \rightarrow aS'$$

$$S' \rightarrow SS'' | \epsilon$$

$$S'' \rightarrow +S^* S^*$$

iii) find FIRST and FOLLOW set

	$S$	$S'$	$S''$
FIRST	a	a	+
		$\epsilon$	*
FOLLOW	\$	\$	\$
	+	+	+
	*	*	*

iv) find the productive parsing table

	\$	a	+	*
S		$S \rightarrow aS'$		
$S'$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow SS''$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$S''$			$S'' \rightarrow +S^*$	$S'' \rightarrow *S'$

The given grammar is LL(1)

because there are no multiple production.

v) parse the IIP string

stack	input	action
$S\$$	aata* \$	
$aS' \$$	aat a* \$	$S \rightarrow aS'$
$S' \$$	at a* \$	match 'a'
$SS'' \$$	at a* \$	$S' \rightarrow as'$
$aS'S'' \$$	at a* \$	$S \rightarrow as'$
$S'S'' \$$	+ a* \$	match 'a'
$S'' \$$	+ a* \$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$

Stack	Input	Stack
+ \$	t * \$	\$ → + \$
\$	a * \$	match '+'
ss" \$	a * \$	push s → ss"
as's" \$	a * \$	push s → as
s' s" \$	* \$	match 'a'
s" \$	* \$	push s → ε
* s \$	* \$	push s" → * \$
s' \$	\$	match *
\$	\$	push s' → ε

The i/p string is successfully parsed

$$s \rightarrow os_1 | os_2$$

i/p string: 000111

i) Remove left recursion  
→ not needed

ii) Remove left factoring

$$s \rightarrow os$$

$$s \rightarrow s_1 | s_2$$

iii) FIRST and Follow Set

	s	\$
FIRST	o	o
Follow	\$	\$

w) Construct the predictive parsing table

	\$	o
s	$s \rightarrow os$	
s'	$s \rightarrow s_1$	$s \rightarrow l$

The grammar is LL(1), since it does not have any multiple production

→ parse the input string

Stack	input	action
s\$	000111\$	
0s\$	000111\$	push s → 0s <sup>1</sup>
s' \$	00111\$	match '0'
s1 \$	00111\$	push s → s1
0s'1\$	00111\$	s → 0s <sup>1</sup>
s'1\$	0111\$	match '0'
s11\$	0111\$	s1 → s1
0s'11\$	0111\$	push s → 0s <sup>1</sup>
s'11\$	11\$	match 0
11\$	11\$	s' → 1
1\$	1\$	match 1
\$	\$	match 1

The input string is successfully parsed

- $\Rightarrow S \rightarrow +SS | *SS | a$  ilp:  $+*aaa$
- Remove left recursion  $\Rightarrow$  not required
  - Remove left factoring  $\Rightarrow$  Not required
  - construct FIRST and FOLLOW set

	S
FIRST	+
	*
	a
FOLLOW	\$
	+
	*
	a

- w) construct the predictive parsing table

	\$	+	*	a
S		+SS	*SS	a

The grammar is LL(1) since it contains no more than 1 production

- v) ilp string:  $+*aaa$

Stack	input	Action
$S\$$	$+*aaa\$$	
$+SS\$$	$+*aaa\$$	$S \rightarrow +SS$
$SS\$$	$*aaa\$$	match '+'
$*SS\$$	$*aaa\$$	$S \rightarrow *SS$
$SS\$$	$aaa\$$	match *
$ass\$$	$aaa\$$	push $S \rightarrow a$
$ss\$$	$aa\$$	match a
$as\$$	$aa\$$	push $S \rightarrow a$
$s\$$	$a\$$	match a
$a\$$	$\$$	push $S \rightarrow a$
$\$$		match a

$$6) S \rightarrow S(S)S | \epsilon$$

inp: (( ))

i) Remove left recursion

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon S'$$

$$S' \rightarrow (S)SS' | \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow S \rightarrow S + S | SS | (S) | S^* | a$$

inp: (a+a)\*a

ii) Remove left factoring  
→ not needed

iii) Remove left recursion

$$S \rightarrow aS' | (S)S'$$

$$S' \rightarrow +SS' | SS' | *S' | \epsilon$$

iv) Find FIRST and FOLLOW

	S	S'
FIRST	a ( *	+ , ε a *
FOLLOW	\$ + ) a ( *	\$ ) + a, c, *

v) construct the predictive parsing table

	\$	(	)	+	*
S	$S \rightarrow (S)S$	$S \rightarrow aS'$			
S'	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow SS'$	$S' \rightarrow SS'$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow +SS'$
	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$		$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$

The grammar is not LL(1)

vi) input : (a+a)\*a

stack	input	Action
S\$	(a+a)*a	
(S)S'\$	(a+a)*a	$S \rightarrow (S)S'$
S)S'\$	a+a)*a	match (
aS')S'\$	a+a)*a	push $S \rightarrow aS'$
s')S'\$	+a)*a	match a

Ambiguous, whether to parse  $S' \rightarrow +SS'$  or  $S' \rightarrow \epsilon$

6)  $S \rightarrow S(S)S \mid \epsilon$  ilp: (( ))

i) Remove left Recursion

$\Rightarrow S \rightarrow \epsilon S'$

$S' \rightarrow (S)SS' \mid \epsilon$

ii) Remove left factoring

→ not needed

iii) find FIRST and Follow set

	$S$	$S'$	$($	$)$	$\epsilon$	$\$$	
FIRST	(	$\epsilon$					
Follow	$\$$	$\$$					

w) parsing table

	$\$$	$($	$)$	
$S$	$S \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S \rightarrow S \cdot$ $S \rightarrow S \cdot \epsilon$	$S \rightarrow S \cdot \epsilon$	
$S'$	$S' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$S' \rightarrow (S)SS'$ $S' \rightarrow S \cdot S S'$	$S' \rightarrow S \cdot S S'$	

The grammar is not LL(1), since it has a multiple production

↳ parse the ilp string: (( ))

Stack	Input	Action
$S\$$	$(( ))\$$	
$S' \$$	$(( )) \$$	$S \rightarrow S'$ → ambiguity
$(S)SS' \$$	$(( )) \$$	$S' \rightarrow (S)SS'$
$S)SS' \$$	$( ) \$$	match ''
$S')SS' \$$	$(( )) \$$	push $S \rightarrow S'$

ii)  $S \rightarrow (L) | a$   
 $L \rightarrow L, S | S$   $\Rightarrow (a, a)$

Step i) Remove left Recursion

$L \rightarrow \$, S | S$

$L \rightarrow SL'$

$L' \rightarrow , S L' | \epsilon$

$S \rightarrow (L) | a$

iii) Remove left Recursion factoring  
 not required

iv) write FIRST and FOLLOW set

	<u>S</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>L'</u>
FIRST	( a	( a	,
FOLLOW	\$, ,	)	)

iv) write the productive parsing table

	(	a	,	\$
S	$S \rightarrow (L)$	$S \rightarrow a$		
L	$L \rightarrow SL'$	$L \rightarrow SL'$		
L'		$L' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$L' \rightarrow ,SL$	

Stack	Input	Action
$S\$$	(a,a) \$	
$(L) \$$	(a,a) \$	$S \rightarrow (L)$
$L \$$	a,a) \$	match (
$SL' \$$	a,a) \$	$L \rightarrow SL'$
$aL' \$$	a,a) \$	$S \rightarrow a$
$L' \$$	,a) \$	match a
$,SL' \$$	,a) \$	$L' \rightarrow ,SL'$
$SL' \$$	a) \$	match ,
$aL' \$$	a) \$	$S \rightarrow a$
$L' \$$	) \$	match a
$) \$$	) \$	$L' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$\$$	\$	match )

The grammar is successfully parsed

$$8) S \rightarrow S+S \mid SS \mid (S) \mid S^* \mid a \Rightarrow (a+a)*a$$

i) Remove left recursion

$$S \rightarrow S+S \mid SS \mid (S) \mid S^* \mid a$$

$$S \rightarrow (S)S' \mid aS'$$

$$S' \rightarrow (\cancel{S})\cancel{S} \mid a \cancel{S} \mid +SS' \mid SS' \mid (*S) \mid \epsilon$$

ii) Remove left factoring  
not required

iii) Find FIRST and FOLLOW set

	$s$	$s'$		$s$	$s'$
FIRST	(	+	FOLLOW	\$	\$
	a	a		)	)
	*	*		+	+
	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon$		(	(
				a	a
				*	*

iv) Write predictive parse table

	(	a	)	+	*	\$
$s$	$s \rightarrow (s)s'$	$s \rightarrow a s'$				
$s'$	$s' \rightarrow +ss'$			$s' \rightarrow +ss$		
	$s' \rightarrow ss'$					
	$s' \rightarrow *s'$					
	$s' \rightarrow \epsilon$					

∴ The given grammar is not LL(1)

v)  $s \rightarrow aSbs \mid bSas \mid \epsilon \Rightarrow aabbab$

vi) Remove left factoring - not required

vii) Remove left Recursion - not required

viii) Write FIRST and FOLLOW set

	$s$		$s$	
FIRST	a		b	
	b		a	
	$\epsilon$		\$	

ix) write a predictive parsing table

	a	b	\$
$s$	$s \rightarrow aSbs$	$s \rightarrow bSas$	$s \rightarrow \epsilon$
	$s \rightarrow \epsilon$	$s \rightarrow \epsilon$	

V.	Stack	Input	Action
	S\$	aabbab\$	
	asbs\$	aabbab\$	$s \rightarrow asbs$
	sbs\$	abbab\$	match a
	asbsbs\$	abbab\$	$s \rightarrow asbs$
	sbsbs\$	bbab\$	* match a
	bsasbsbs\$	bbab\$	$s \rightarrow bsas$
	Sasbsbs\$	bab\$	match b
	b\$asasbsbs\$	bab\$	$s \rightarrow bsas$
	Sasasbsbs\$		
			↳ ambiguous

10)  $bexpn \rightarrow bexpn \text{ on } bterm/bterm$

$bterm \rightarrow bterm \text{ and } bfactor/bfactor$

$bfactor \rightarrow \text{not } bfactor | (bexpn) | \text{true} | \text{false}$

ifp: not (true or false)

→ i) Remove left Recursion

$bexpn \rightarrow bterm bexpn \text{ or } bterm/bterm$

$bexpn' \rightarrow \text{or } bterm bexpn' \text{ or } bterm \rightarrow bterm \text{ and } bfactor/bfactor$

$bterm \rightarrow bfactor bterm \text{ or } bfactor bterm$

$bterm' \rightarrow \text{and } bfactor bterm' \text{ or } \epsilon$

$bfactor \rightarrow \text{not } bfactor | (bexpn) | \text{true} | \text{false}$

ii) No left recursive factoring

iii) Find the FIRST and FOLLOW set

	bexpn	bexpn'	bterm	bterm'	bfactor
FIRST	not ( true false	or ε	not ( true false	and ε	not ( true false
FOLLOW	\$ )	\$ )	or \$	or \$	and or \$

predictive parsing table:

	not	or	and
bexpn	bterm bexpn'	bterm bexpn'	
bexpn'		or bterm bexpn'	
bterm	bterm bterm'	bterm bterm'	
bterm'			and bterm bterm
bfactor	(bexpn)	not bfactor	true false

	(	not	)	or	and	true false	\$
bexpn	bterm bexpn'	bterm bexpn'			bterm bexpn'	bterm bexpn'	
bexpn'			ε	or bterm bexpn'			ε
bterm	bterm bterm'	bterm bterm'			and bterm bterm	bterm bterm'	
bterm'			ε	ε	and bterm bterm		ε
bfactor	(bexpn)	not bfactor				true false	

stack	Input	Action
bexpn \$	not (true or false) \$	bexpn → btermbeign'
btermbeign' \$	not (true or false) \$	↳ bterm → bfactorbterm'
bfactorbterm' bexpn \$	not (true or false) \$	↳ bfactor → not bfactor
not bfactorbterm'	not (true or false) \$	↳ bfactor → (bexpn)
bexpn' \$		
bfactorbterm'	(true or false) \$	<del>match</del>
bexpn' \$	true or false) \$	match (
btermbeign' bexpn'	true or false) \$	bexpn → btermbeign'
bexpn' \$		
bfactorbterm' bexpn')	true or false) \$	bterm → bfactorbterm'
bterm' bexpn' \$		
bterm' bexpn')	on false) \$	bfactor → bterm'
bterm' bexpn' \$		
bexpn') bterm'	on false) \$	bterm' → ε
bexpn' \$		
bterm bexpn)	false) \$	bexpn' → btermbeign'
bterm' bexpn' \$		
bfactorbterm'	false) \$	bterm → bfactorbterm'
bexpn) bterm' bexpn' \$		
bterm' bexpn) bterm'	) \$	bfactor → ε
bexpn' \$		
bterm' bexpn'	\$	bterm' → ε & bexpn' → (match)
\$	\$	

## Error recovery in predictive parser:

1. panic mode Recovery: In the blank entries of the follow set of all NT, place 'synch'.

Stack	Input	Table Entry	Action
NT	T	blank	skip the terminal from the i/p
NT	T	Synch	Remove NT from the S-
T	T	match	except start symbol pop the terminal from stack & input

### Example:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad E &\rightarrow E + T | T \\
 T &\rightarrow T * F / F \\
 F &\rightarrow (E) | id \\
 i/p: &) id * id
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &\rightarrow TE^1 \\
 E^1 &\rightarrow +TE^1 | \epsilon \\
 T &\rightarrow FT^1 \\
 T^1 &\rightarrow *FT^1 | \epsilon \\
 F &\rightarrow (E) | id
 \end{aligned}$$

	E	$E^1$	T	$T^1$	F
FIRST	(	+	(	*	(
	id	$\epsilon$	id	$\epsilon$	id

	\$	\$	+	+	*
Follow	)	)	\$	)	\$
	)	)	)	)	)

predictive parsing table

	(	id	)	+	*	\$
E	$E \rightarrow TE^1$	$E \rightarrow TE^1$	Synch	$E^1 \rightarrow +TE^1$	$E^1 \rightarrow \epsilon$	
$E^1$			$E^1 \rightarrow \epsilon$			
T	$T \rightarrow FT^1$	$T \rightarrow FT^1$	Synch	<del><math>T^1 \rightarrow +FT^1</math></del>	<del><math>T^1 \rightarrow \epsilon</math></del>	Synch
$T^1$			$T \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T^1 \rightarrow *FT^1$	$T^1 \rightarrow \epsilon$	
F	$F \rightarrow (E)$	$F \rightarrow id$	Synch	Synch	Synch	Synch

Stack	input	Action
E\$	id * id \$	Since it is the start symbol skip the ilp [E, id] = Synch
E\$	id * id \$	$E \rightarrow TE'$
TE'\$	id * + id \$	$T \rightarrow FT'$
FT'E'\$	id * + id \$	$F \rightarrow id$
id TE'\$	id * + id \$	match id
T'E'\$	* + id \$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$
*FT'E'\$	* + id \$	match *
FT'E'\$	+ id \$	$[F, +] = \text{Synch, remove NT from stack}$
T'E'\$	+ id \$	$T' \rightarrow E$
E'\$	+ id \$	$E' \rightarrow +TE'$
+TE'\$	+ id \$	match +
TE'\$	id \$	$T \rightarrow FT'$
FT'E'\$	id \$	$F \rightarrow id$
id TE'\$	id \$	match id
T'E'\$	\$	$T' \rightarrow E$
E'\$	\$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$	\$	match \$

Q) show that the following grammar is ambiguous.

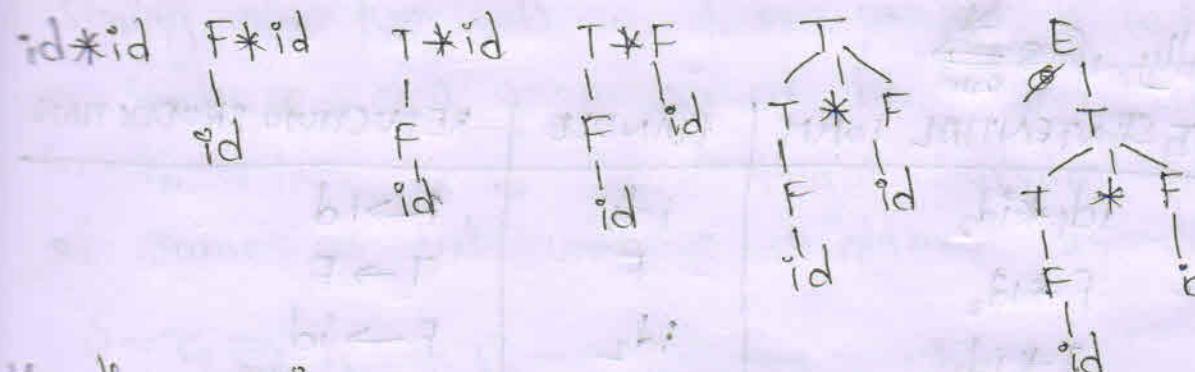
$E \rightarrow E+E | E-E | E*E | E| E^T | (E) | id$  and ilp: id + id \* id

Give an unambiguous grammar such that precedence order from lowest to highest are +, -, \*, /, (), id and all are left-to-right associative.

Bottom up parses:Introduction:

→ bottom-up parse corresponds to the construction of a parse tree for an input string beginning at the leaves (the bottom) and working up towards the root (the top)

→ e.g: A bottom-up parse for  $id * id$

Handle pruning:

Bottom up parsing during a left-to-right scan of the input constructs a right-most derivation in reverse. Informally a 'handle' is a substring that matches the body of the production, and whose reduction represents one step along the reverse of the right-most derivation

Example:

adding subscripts to the tokens  $id$  for clarity, the handles during the parse of  $id_1 * id_2$  alc to the expressions

grammar  $\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} E \rightarrow E + T / T \\ T \rightarrow T * F / F \\ F \rightarrow (E) / id \end{array} \right\}$  are shown in the figure.

Although  $T$  is the body of the production  $E \rightarrow T$ , the symbol  $T$  is not a handle in the sentential form  $T * id_2$ . If  $T$  were indeed replaced by  $E$ , we would get a string  $E * id_2$ , which cannot be derived from the start symbol  $E$ . Thus, the leftmost substring that matches the body of some production need not be a handle.

formally, if  $S \xrightarrow{nm} \alpha Aw \xrightarrow{nm} \alpha \beta w$

RIGHT SENTENTIAL FORM	HANDLE	REDUCTION PRODUCTION
$id_1 * id_2$	$id_1$	$F \rightarrow id$
$f * id_2$	$F$	$T \rightarrow F$
$T * id_2$	$id_2$	$F \rightarrow id$
$F$	$T * F$	$E \rightarrow T * F$

Handles during a parse of  $id_1 * id_2$  (a)

Formally, if  $S \xrightarrow{nm} \alpha Aw \xrightarrow{nm} \alpha \beta w$ , as in figure (b), then production  $A \rightarrow \beta$ , in the position following  $\alpha$  is a handle of  $\alpha \beta w$ . Alternatively, a handle of a right sentential form  $\gamma$  is a production  $A \rightarrow \beta$  and a position of  $\gamma$  where the string  $\beta$  may be found, such that replacing  $\beta$  at that position by  $A$  produces the previous right sentential form in a rightmost derivation of  $\gamma$ .

Note that the string  $w$  to the right of the handle must contain only terminal symbols. For convenience, we prefer to the body  $\beta$  rather than  $A \rightarrow \beta$  as a handle. Note we "a handle" rather than "the handle", because

The grammar could be ambiguous, with more than one rightmost derivation of  $\alpha\beta\omega$ . If a grammar is unambiguous, then every right-sentential form of the grammar has exactly one handle.

A right-most derivation in reverse can be obtained by "handle pruning". That is, we start with a string of terminals  $w$  to be parsed. If  $w$  is a sentence of a grammar at hand, then let  $w = T_n$ , where  $T_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  right sentential form of some as yet unknown rightmost derivation.

$$S = T_0 \xrightarrow{\text{rm}} T_1 \xrightarrow{\text{rm}} T_2 \xrightarrow{\text{rm}} \dots \xrightarrow{\text{rm}} T_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\text{rm}} T_n = w$$

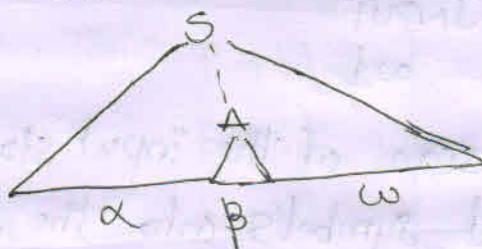


Figure (b). A handle  $A \rightarrow B$  in the parse tree for  $\alpha\beta\omega$ . To reconstruct this derivation in reverse order, we locate the handle  $B_n$  in  $T_n$  and replace  $B_n$  by the head of relevant production  $A_n \rightarrow B_n$  to obtain the previous right sentential form  $T_{n-1}$ . Note that we do not know how handles are to be found, but we shall see methods of doing so shortly.

We then repeat this process. That is we locate the handle  $B_{n-1}$  in  $T_{n-1}$  and reduce this handle to obtain the right sentential form  $T_{n-2}$ . If by continuing this process we produce a right sentential form consisting only of the start symbol  $S$ , then we halt & that's successful.

## Shift-Reduce parsing:

Shift-reduce parsing is a form of bottom up parsing in which a stack holds grammar symbols and an input buffer holds the rest of the string to be parsed.

→ we use \$ to mark the bottom of the stack and also the right end of the input. Conventionally, when discussing bottom-up parsing, we show the top of the stack on the right, rather on the left as we did for top-down parsing.

Initially, the stack is empty, and string  $\omega$  is on the input, as follows:

STACK	INPUT
\$	$\omega\$$

During left to right scan of the input string, the parser shifts zero/more input symbols onto the stack until it is ready to reduce a string  $\beta$  of the grammar symbols on top of the stack. It then reduces  $\beta$  to the head of the appropriate production. The parser repeats this cycle until it has reduced an entire  $\omega$  until the stack contains the start symbol and input is empty.

## Actions in shift-reduce parsing:

1. Shift: shift the next input symbol onto the top of stack
2. Reduce: The right end of the string to be reduced must be at the top of the stack. Locate the left end of the string within the stack and decide with what non-terminal to replace the string

3. Accept: Announce successful completion of parsing  
 4. Error: Discover a syntax error and can an error recovery routine

Find the handles for the given RSF and construct shift-reduce parser:

$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow E+T \mid T \\ T &\rightarrow T * F \mid F \\ F &\rightarrow (E) \mid id \end{aligned}$$

illp: id + id  
id + id \* id

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow RMD \\ E &\rightarrow E+T \\ &\Rightarrow E+F \\ &\Rightarrow E+id \\ &\Rightarrow T+id \\ &\Rightarrow F+id \\ &\Rightarrow id+id \end{aligned}$$

RSF	Handle	Action
$id_1 + id_2$	$id_1$	$F \rightarrow id$
$F + id_2$	$F$	$T \rightarrow F$
$T + id_2$	$T$	$E \rightarrow T$
$E + id_2$	$id_2$	$F \rightarrow id$
$E + F$	$F$	$T - F$
$E + T$	$E + T$	$E \rightarrow E + T$

Stack	RSF	Action
\$	$id_1 + id_2 \$$	shift $id_1$
\$ $id_1$	$\$ id_2 \$$	reduce $F \rightarrow id$
\$ $F$	$+ id_2 \$$	reduce $T \rightarrow F$
\$ $T$	$+ id_2 \$$	reduce $E \rightarrow T$
\$ $E$	$+ id_2 \$$	shift +
\$ $E +$	$+ id_2 \$$	shift $id_2$
\$ $E + id_2$	\$	reduce $F \rightarrow id_2$
\$ $E + F$	\$	reduce $T \rightarrow F$
\$ $E + T$	\$	reduce $E \rightarrow T$
\$ $E$		Success

ip: id + id \* id

RMD:

$E \rightarrow E + T$   
 $\Rightarrow E + T * F$   
 $\Rightarrow E + T * id$   
 $\Rightarrow E + F * id$   
 $\Rightarrow E + id * id$   
 $\Rightarrow T + id * id$   
 $\Rightarrow F + id * id$   
 $\Rightarrow id + id * id$   
 = =

RSF	Handle	Action
$id_1 + id_2 * id_3$	$id_1$	$F \rightarrow id$
$F + id_2 * id_3$	$F$	$T \rightarrow F$
$T + id_2 * id_3$	$T$	$E \rightarrow F$
$E + id_2 * id_3$	$id_2$	$F \rightarrow id_2$
$E + F * id_3$	$F$	$T \rightarrow F$
$E + T * id_3$	$id_3$	$F \rightarrow id_3$
$E + T * F$	$T + F$	$T \rightarrow F * F$
$E + T$	$E + T$	$E \rightarrow E + T$
$E$		

Stack	RSF	Action
\$	$id_1 + id_2 * id_3 \$$	shift $id_1$
$\$ id_1$	$+ id_2 * id_3 \$$	$F \rightarrow id_1$
$\$ F$	$+ id_2 * id_3 \$$	$T \rightarrow F$
$\$ T$	$+ id_2 * id_3 \$$	$E \rightarrow T$
$\$ E$	$+ id_2 * id_3 \$$	Shift +
$\$ E +$	$id_2 * id_3 \$$	Shift $id_2$
$\$ E + id_2$	$* id_3 \$$	reduce $F \rightarrow id$
$\$ E + T * id_3$	\$	$T \rightarrow F$
$\$ E + T * F$	\$	shift *
$\$ E$	\$	shift $id_3$
		reduce $F \rightarrow id_3$
		reduce $F \rightarrow T * F$
		reduce $F \rightarrow E + T$
		Success

2)  $S \rightarrow OS1 | OI$  ilp: 000111

$S \xrightarrow{?m} OS1$

$\Rightarrow OS1 | b$

$\Rightarrow 000111$

RSF	Handle	Action
000111	OI	$S \rightarrow OS1$
00S11	OS1	$S \rightarrow OS1$
OS1	OS1	$S \rightarrow OS1$

Stack	RSF	Action
\$	000111\$	Shift O
\$O	00111\$	Shift O
\$OO	0111\$	Shift O
\$OOO	111\$	Shift I
\$OOOI	11\$	reduce $S \rightarrow OI$
\$OOS	11\$	Shift I
\$OOOS	1\$	reduce $S \rightarrow OS1$
\$OS	1\$	Shift I
\$OS1	\$	reduce $S \rightarrow OS1$
\$S	\$	Success

3)  $S \rightarrow SS+ | SS* | a$  ilp: aaa\*attt

$S \rightarrow SS+$

$\Rightarrow SSS++$

$\Rightarrow SSA++$

$\Rightarrow SSS*attt$

$\Rightarrow SSA*attt$

$\Rightarrow SAA*attt$

$\Rightarrow AAA*attt$

RSF	Handle	Action
aaa*attt	a	$S \rightarrow a$
Saa*attt	a	$S \rightarrow a$
SSa*attt	a	$S \rightarrow a$
SSS*attt	SS*	$S \rightarrow SS*$
SSa++	a	$S \rightarrow a$
SSS++	SS+	$S \rightarrow SS+$
SS+*	SS+	$S \rightarrow SS+$
S		

Stack	RSF	Action
\$	aaa*a++\$	shift a
\$a	aa *a++\$	reduce s → a
\$s	aa*a++\$	Shift a
\$sa	a*a++\$	reduce s → a
\$ss	a*a++\$	Shift a
\$ss*	*a++\$	reduce s → a
\$sss	*a++\$	Shift *
\$ss*	a++\$	reduce s → ss*
\$ss	a++\$	Shift a
\$sa	a++\$	reduce s → a
\$ssa	a++\$	Shift +
\$ss+	+\$	reduce s → ss+
\$ss	+\$	Shift +
\$ss+	\$	reduce s → ss+
\$s	\$	Success

## Types of conflicts in shift-reduce parsers

### Conflicts during shifts - Reduce parsing:

There are CNFG's for which shift-reduce parsing cannot be used. Every shift-reduce parser for such a grammar can reach a configuration in which the parser, knowing the entire stack contents & the next input symbol

#### Types:

##### i) shift/reduce conflict:

→ Cannot decide whether to shift or to reduce  
called Shift-reduce Conflict

##### ii) reduce/reduce conflict:

→ Cannot decide which of several reductions to make called Reduce-reduce Conflicts

eg: Consider the grammar

$$E \rightarrow E+E$$

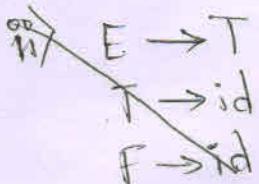
$$\quad | \quad E-E$$

$$\quad | \quad \text{NUM}$$

$$\quad || \quad \text{ID}$$

inp: 2+3\*4

No.	Stack	operation/grammar
1	2 NUM	shift 2
2	E	reduce $E \rightarrow \text{NUM}$
3	E+	shift +
4	E+3	shift 3
5	E+E	reduce $E \rightarrow \text{NUM}$
6	E	reduce $E \rightarrow E+E$ on shift *
		ie Shift-reduce Conflict



id+.

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Bi) Bi ...

eg 2) An ambiguous grammar can never be LR. For e.g., consider the dangling-else grammar

$\text{stmt} \rightarrow \text{if expr then stmt}$   
 $| \quad \quad \quad \text{if expr then stmt else stmt}$   
 $| \quad \quad \quad \text{other}$

If we have a shift-reduce parser in configuration like this

STACK	INPUT
... if expr then stmt	else ... \$

→ we cannot tell whether if expr then stmt is the handle, no matter what happens below it on the stack. here there is a shift/reduce conflict. Depending on what follows the else on the input, it might be correct to reduce if expr then stmt to stmt, or it might be correct to shift else then to look for another stmt to complete the alternative if expr then stmt else stmt

- eg 3) (1)  $\text{stmt} \rightarrow id (\text{parameter\_list})$   
(2)  $\text{stmt} \rightarrow \text{expr} := \text{expr}$   
(3)  $\text{parameter\_list} \rightarrow \text{parameter\_list}, \text{parameter}$   
(4)  $\text{parameter\_list} \rightarrow \text{parameter}$   
(5)  $\text{parameter} \rightarrow id$   
(6)  $\text{expr} \rightarrow id (\text{expr\_list})$   
(7)  $\text{expr} \rightarrow id$   
(8)  $\text{expr\_list} \rightarrow \text{expr\_list}, \text{expr}$   
(9)  $\text{expr\_list} \rightarrow \text{expr}$

STACK  
... id (id

INPUT  
, id)---

In the problem id on the top of the stack must be reduced, but by which production? The correct choice is production(5) if p is a procedure, but production(7) if p is an array. The stack does not tell which; information in the symbol table obtained from the declaration of p must be used.

So, In this case we have the conflict that reduce id by parameter or expr. It is called as

greedee-greedee Conflict - but not where there is a conflict

or in the configuration above. In the former case, we choose reduction by production (5); in the latter case by production (7). Notice how the symbol third from the top of the stack determines the reduction to be made, even though it is not involved in the reduction. Shift-reduce parsing can utilize information far down in the stack to guide the parse.  $\square$

#### 4.6 OPERATOR-PRECEDENCE PARSING

The largest class of grammars for which shift-reduce parsers can be built successfully – the LR grammars – will be discussed in Section 4.7. However, for a small but important class of grammars we can easily construct efficient shift-reduce parsers by hand. These grammars have the property (among other essential requirements) that no production right side is  $\epsilon$  or has two adjacent nonterminals. A grammar with the latter property is called an *operator grammar*.

**Example 4.27.** The following grammar for expressions

$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow EAE \mid (E) \mid -E \mid \text{id} \\ A &\rightarrow + \mid - \mid * \mid / \mid \uparrow \end{aligned}$$

is not an operator grammar, because the right side  $EAE$  has two (in fact three) consecutive nonterminals. However, if we substitute for  $A$  each of its alternatives, we obtain the following operator grammar:

$$E \rightarrow E+E \mid E-E \mid E*E \mid E/E \mid E \uparrow E \mid (E) \mid -E \mid \text{id} \quad (4.17)$$

We now describe an easy-to-implement parsing technique called operator-precedence parsing. Historically, the technique was first described as a manipulation on tokens without any reference to an underlying grammar. In fact, once we finish building an operator-precedence parser from a grammar, we may effectively ignore the grammar, using the nonterminals on the stack only as placeholders for attributes associated with the nonterminals.

As a general parsing technique, operator-precedence parsing has a number of disadvantages. For example, it is hard to handle tokens like the minus sign, which has two different precedences (depending on whether it is unary or binary). Worse, since the relationship between a grammar for the language being parsed and the operator-precedence parser itself is tenuous, one cannot always be sure the parser accepts exactly the desired language. Finally, only a small class of grammars can be parsed using operator-precedence techniques.

Nevertheless, because of its simplicity, numerous compilers using operator-precedence parsing techniques for expressions have been built successfully. Often these parsers use recursive descent, described in Section 4.4, for statements and higher-level constructs. Operator-precedence parsers have even been built for entire languages.

In operator-precedence parsing, we define three disjoint *precedence relations*,  $<\cdot,$   $\doteq,$  and  $\cdot>$ , between certain pairs of terminals. These precedence relations guide the selection of handles and have the following meanings:

RELATION	MEANING
$a < \cdot b$	$a$ "yields precedence to" $b$
$a = b$	$a$ "has the same precedence as" $b$
$a \cdot > b$	$a$ "takes precedence over" $b$

We should caution the reader that while these relations may appear similar to the arithmetic relations "less than," "equal to," and "greater than," the precedence relations have quite different properties. For example, we could have  $a < \cdot b$  and  $a \cdot > b$  for the same language, or we might have none of  $a < \cdot b$ ,  $a = b$ , and  $a \cdot > b$  holding for some terminals  $a$  and  $b$ .

There are two common ways of determining what precedence relations should hold between a pair of terminals. The first method we discuss is intuitive and is based on the traditional notions of associativity and precedence of operators. For example, if  $*$  is to have higher precedence than  $+$ , we make  $+ < \cdot *$  and  $* \cdot > +$ . This approach will be seen to resolve the ambiguities of grammar (4.17), and it enables us to write an operator-precedence parser for it (although the unary minus sign causes problems).

2) The second method of selecting operator-precedence relations is first to construct an unambiguous grammar for the language, a grammar that reflects the correct associativity and precedence in its parse trees. This job is not difficult for expressions; the syntax of expressions in Section 2.2 provides the paradigm. For the other common source of ambiguity, the dangling `else`, grammar (4.9) is a useful model. Having obtained an unambiguous grammar, there is a mechanical method for constructing operator-precedence relations from it. These relations may not be disjoint, and they may parse a language other than that generated by the grammar, but with the standard sorts of arithmetic expressions, few problems are encountered in practice. We shall not discuss this construction here; see Aho and Ullman [1972b].

### Using Operator-Precedence Relations

The intention of the precedence relations is to delimit the handle of a right-sentential form, with  $< \cdot$  marking the left end,  $=$  appearing in the interior of the handle, and  $\cdot >$  marking the right end. To be more precise, suppose we have a right-sentential form of an operator grammar. The fact that no adjacent nonterminals appear on the right sides of productions implies that no right-sentential form will have two adjacent nonterminals either. Thus, we may write the right-sentential form as  $\beta_0 a_1 \beta_1 \cdots a_n \beta_n$ , where each  $\beta_i$  is either  $\epsilon$  (the empty string) or a single nonterminal, and each  $a_i$  is a single terminal.

Suppose that between  $a_i$  and  $a_{i+1}$  exactly one of the relations  $< \cdot$ ,  $=$ , and  $\cdot >$  holds. Further, let us use  $\$$  to mark each end of the string, and define  $\$ < \cdot b$  and  $b \cdot > \$$  for all terminals  $b$ . Now suppose we remove the nonterminals from the string and place the correct relation  $< \cdot$ ,  $=$ , or  $\cdot >$ , between each

pair of terminals and between the endmost terminals and the \$'s marking the ends of the string. For example, suppose we initially have the right-sentential form  $\text{id} + \text{id} * \text{id}$  and the precedence relations are those given in Fig. 4.23. These relations are some of those that we would choose to parse according to grammar (4.17).

	<b>id</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>id</b>	>	>	>	>
<b>+</b>	<	>	<	>
<b>*</b>	<	>	>	>
<b>\$</b>	<	<	<	<

Fig. 4.23. Operator-precedence relations.

Then the string with the precedence relations inserted is:

$$\$ < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > + < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > * < \cdot \text{id} \cdot > \$ \quad (4.18)$$

For example,  $<$  is inserted between the leftmost \$ and id since  $<$  is the entry in row \$ and column id. The handle can be found by the following process.

1. Scan the string from the left end until the first  $\cdot >$  is encountered. In (4.18) above, this occurs between the first id and +.
2. Then scan backwards (to the left) over any  $\cdot$ 's until a  $<$  is encountered. In (4.18), we scan backwards to \$.
3. The handle contains everything to the left of the first  $\cdot >$  and to the right of the  $<$  encountered in step (2), including any intervening or surrounding nonterminals. (The inclusion of surrounding nonterminals is necessary so that two adjacent nonterminals do not appear in a right-sentential form.) In (4.18), the handle is the first id.

If we are dealing with grammar (4.17), we then reduce id to E. At this point we have the right-sentential form  $E + \text{id} * \text{id}$ . After reducing the two remaining id's to E by the same steps, we obtain the right-sentential form  $E + E * E$ . Consider now the string  $\$ + * \$$  obtained by deleting the nonterminals. Inserting the precedence relations, we get

$$\$ < \cdot + < \cdot * \cdot > \$$$

indicating that the left end of the handle lies between + and \* and the right end between \* and \$. These precedence relations indicate that, in the right-sentential form  $E + E * E$ , the handle is  $E * E$ . Note how the E's surrounding the \* become part of the handle.

Since the nonterminals do not influence the parse, we need not worry about distinguishing among them. A single marker "nonterminal" can be kept on

the stack of a shift-reduce parser to indicate placeholders for attribute values.

It may appear from the discussion above that the entire right-sentential form must be scanned at each step to find the handle. Such is not the case if we use a stack to store the input symbols already seen and if the precedence relations are used to guide the actions of a shift-reduce parser. If the precedence relation  $<$  or  $\doteq$  holds between the topmost terminal symbol on the stack and the next input symbol, the parser shifts; it has not yet found the right end of the handle. If the relation  $\cdot >$  holds, a reduction is called for. At this point the parser has found the right end of the handle, and the precedence relations can be used to find the left end of the handle in the stack.

If no precedence relation holds between a pair of terminals (indicated by a blank entry in Fig. 4.23), then a syntactic error has been detected and an error recovery routine must be invoked, as discussed later in this section. The above ideas can be formalized by the following algorithm.

**Algorithm 4.5.** Operator-precedence parsing algorithm.

*Input.* An input string  $w$  and a table of precedence relations.

*Output.* If  $w$  is well formed, a *skeletal* parse tree, with a placeholder nonterminal  $E$  labeling all interior nodes; otherwise, an error indication.

*Method.* Initially, the stack contains  $\$$  and the input buffer the string  $w\$$ . To parse, we execute the program of Fig. 4.24.  $\square$

- (1) set  $ip$  to point to the first symbol of  $w\$$ ;
- (2) **repeat forever**
- (3)     **if**  $\$$  is on top of the stack and  $ip$  points to  $\$$  **then**
- (4)         **return**
- (5)         **else begin**
- (6)             let  $a$  be the topmost terminal symbol on the stack  
           and let  $b$  be the symbol pointed to by  $ip$ ;
- (7)             **if**  $a < \cdot b$  or  $a \doteq b$  **then begin**
- (8)                 push  $b$  onto the stack;  
               advance  $ip$  to the next input symbol;
- (9)                 **end;**
- (10)             **else if**  $a \cdot > b$  **then**     /\* reduce \*/  
           **repeat**
- (11)                 pop the stack
- (12)                 **until** the top stack terminal is related by  $<$   
                   to the terminal most recently popped
- (13)             **else error()**
- end

Fig. 4.24. Operator-precedence parsing algorithm.

### Operator-Precedence Relations from Associativity and Precedence

We are always free to create operator-precedence relations any way we see fit and hope that the operator-precedence parsing algorithm will work correctly when guided by them. For a language of arithmetic expressions such as that generated by grammar (4.17) we can use the following heuristic to produce a proper set of precedence relations. Note that grammar (4.17) is ambiguous, and right-sentential forms could have many handles. Our rules are designed to select the "proper" handles to reflect a given set of associativity and precedence rules for binary operators.

1. If operator  $\theta_1$  has higher precedence than operator  $\theta_2$ , make  $\theta_1 \cdot > \theta_2$  and  $\theta_2 < \cdot \theta_1$ . For example, if  $*$  has higher precedence than  $+$ , make  $* \cdot > +$  and  $+ < \cdot *$ . These relations ensure that, in an expression of the form  $E + E * E + E$ , the central  $E * E$  is the handle that will be reduced first.
2. If  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are operators of equal precedence (they may in fact be the same operator), then make  $\theta_1 \cdot > \theta_2$  and  $\theta_2 \cdot > \theta_1$  if the operators are left-associative, or make  $\theta_1 < \cdot \theta_2$  and  $\theta_2 < \cdot \theta_1$  if they are right-associative. For example, if  $+$  and  $-$  are left-associative, then make  $+ \cdot > +$ ,  $+ \cdot > -$ ,  $- \cdot > -$ , and  $- \cdot > +$ . If  $\dagger$  is right associative, then make  $\dagger < \cdot \dagger$ . These relations ensure that  $E - E + E$  will have handle  $E - E$  selected and  $E \dagger E \dagger E$  will have the last  $E \dagger E$  selected.
3. Make  $\theta < \cdot id$ ,  $id \cdot > \theta$ ,  $\theta < \cdot ($ ,  $( < \cdot \theta$ ,  $) \cdot > \theta$ ,  $\theta \cdot > )$ ,  $\theta \cdot > \$$ , and  $\$ < \cdot \theta$  for all operators  $\theta$ . Also, let

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 (\doteq) & \$ < \cdot ( & \$ < \cdot id \\
 (< \cdot ( & id \cdot > \$ & ) \cdot > \$ \\
 (< \cdot id & id \cdot > ) & ) \cdot > )
 \end{array}$$

These rules ensure that both  $id$  and  $(E)$  will be reduced to  $E$ . Also,  $\$$  serves as both the left and right endmarker, causing handles to be found between  $\$$ 's wherever possible.

**Example 4.28.** Figure 4.25 contains the operator-precedence relations for grammar (4.17), assuming

1.  $\dagger$  is of highest precedence and right-associative,
2.  $*$  and  $/$  are of next highest precedence and left-associative, and
3.  $+$  and  $-$  are of lowest precedence and left-associative,

(Blanks denote error entries.) The reader should try out the table to see that it works correctly, ignoring problems with unary minus for the moment. Try the table on the input  $id * (id \dagger id) - id / id$ , for example.  $\square$

	+	-	*	/	↑	id	(	)	\$
+	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
*	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
/	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
↑	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
id	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
(	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
)	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v
\$	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v

Fig. 4.25. Operator-precedence relations.

### Handling Unary Operators

If we have a unary operator such as  $\sim$  (logical negation), which is not also a binary operator, we can incorporate it into the above scheme for creating operator-precedence relations. Supposing  $\sim$  to be a unary prefix operator, we make  $\theta < \sim$  for any operator  $\theta$ , whether unary or binary. We make  $\sim > \theta$  if  $\sim$  has higher precedence than  $\theta$  and  $\sim < \theta$  if not. For example, if  $\sim$  has higher precedence than  $\&$ , and  $\&$  is left-associative, we would group  $E\&-E\&E$  as  $(E\&(\sim E))\&E$ , by these rules. The rule for unary postfix operators is analogous.

The situation changes when we have an operator like the minus sign  $-$  that is both unary prefix and binary infix. Even if we give unary and binary minus the same precedence, the table of Fig. 4.25 will fail to parse strings like  $id * - id$  correctly. The best approach in this case is to use the lexical analyzer to distinguish between unary and binary minus, by having it return a different token when it sees unary minus. Unfortunately, the lexical analyzer cannot use lookahead to distinguish the two; it must remember the previous token. In Fortran, for example, a minus sign is unary if the previous token was an operator, a left parenthesis, a comma, or an assignment symbol.

### Precedence Functions

Compilers using operator-precedence parsers need not store the table of precedence relations. In most cases, the table can be encoded by two *precedence functions*  $f$  and  $g$  that map terminal symbols to integers. We attempt to select  $f$  and  $g$  so that, for symbols  $a$  and  $b$ ,

1.  $f(a) < g(b)$  whenever  $a < \cdot b$ ,
2.  $f(a) = g(b)$  whenever  $a \doteq b$ , and
3.  $f(a) > g(b)$  whenever  $a \cdot > b$ .

Thus the precedence relation between  $a$  and  $b$  can be determined by a

numerical comparison between  $f(a)$  and  $g(b)$ . Note, however, that error entries in the precedence matrix are obscured, since one of (1), (2), or (3) holds no matter what  $f(a)$  and  $g(b)$  are. The loss of error detection capability is generally not considered serious enough to prevent the using of precedence functions where possible; errors can still be caught when a reduction is called for and no handle can be found.

Not every table of precedence relations has precedence functions to encode it, but in practical cases the functions usually exist.

**Example 4.29.** The precedence table of Fig. 4.25 has the following pair of precedence functions,

	+	-	*	/	↑	(	)	id	\$
$f$	2	2	4	4	4	0	6	6	0
$g$	1	1	3	3	5	5	0	5	0

For example,  $* \prec id$ , and  $f(*) < g(id)$ . Note that  $f(id) > g(id)$  suggests that  $id \succ id$ ; but, in fact, no precedence relation holds between  $id$  and  $id$ . Other error entries in Fig. 4.25 are similarly replaced by one or another precedence relation.  $\square$

A simple method for finding precedence functions for a table, if such functions exist, is the following.

**Algorithm 4.6.** Constructing precedence functions.

*Input.* An operator precedence matrix.

*Output.* Precedence functions representing the input matrix, or an indication that none exist.

*Method.*

1. Create symbols  $f_a$  and  $g_a$  for each  $a$  that is a terminal or  $\$$ .
2. Partition the created symbols into as many groups as possible, in such a way that if  $a \doteq b$ , then  $f_a$  and  $g_b$  are in the same group. Note that we may have to put symbols in the same group even if they are not related by  $\doteq$ . For example, if  $a \doteq b$  and  $c \doteq b$ , then  $f_a$  and  $f_c$  must be in the same group, since they are both in the same group as  $g_b$ . If, in addition,  $c \doteq d$ , then  $f_a$  and  $g_d$  are in the same group even though  $a \doteq d$  may not hold.
3. Create a directed graph whose nodes are the groups found in (2). For any  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $a \prec b$ , place an edge from the group of  $g_b$  to the group of  $f_a$ . If  $a \succ b$ , place an edge from the group of  $f_a$  to that of  $g_b$ . Note that an edge or path from  $f_a$  to  $g_b$  means that  $f(a)$  must exceed  $g(b)$ ; a path from  $g_b$  to  $f_a$  means that  $g(b)$  must exceed  $f(a)$ .
4. If the graph constructed in (3) has a cycle, then no precedence functions exist. If there are no cycles, let  $f(a)$  be the length of the longest path

beginning at the group of  $f_a$ ; let  $g(a)$  be the length of the longest path from the group of  $g_a$ .  $\square$

**Example 4.30.** Consider the matrix of Fig. 4.23. There are no  $\doteq$  relationships, so each symbol is in a group by itself. Figure 4.26 shows the graph constructed using Algorithm 4.6.

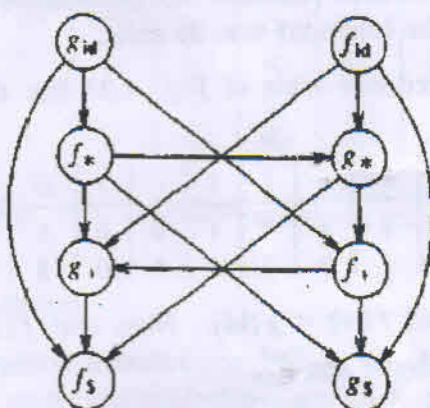


Fig. 4.26. Graph representing precedence functions.

There are no cycles, so precedence functions exist. As  $f_{\$}$  and  $g_{\$}$  have no out-edges,  $f(\$) = g(\$) = 0$ . The longest path from  $g_+$  has length 1, so  $g(+) = 1$ . There is a path from  $g_{id}$  to  $f_*$  to  $g_*$  to  $f_+$  to  $g_+$  to  $f_{\$}$ , so  $g(id) = 5$ . The resulting precedence functions are:

	+	*	id	\$
$f$	2	4	4	0
$g$	1	3	5	0

$\square$

### Error Recovery in Operator-Precedence Parsing

There are two points in the parsing process at which an operator-precedence parser can discover syntactic errors:

1. If no precedence relation holds between the terminal on top of the stack and the current input.<sup>1</sup>
2. If a handle has been found, but there is no production with this handle as a right side.

Recall that the operator-precedence parsing algorithm (Algorithm 4.5) appears to reduce handles composed of terminals only. However, while nonterminals

<sup>1</sup> In compilers using precedence functions to represent the precedence tables, this source of error detection may be unavailable.

are treated anonymously, they still have places held for them on the parsing stack. Thus when we talk in (2) above about a handle matching a production's right side, we mean that the terminals are the same and the positions occupied by nonterminals are the same.

We should observe that, besides (1) and (2) above, there are no other points at which errors could be detected. When scanning down the stack to find the left end of the handle in steps (10-12) of Fig. 4.24, the operator-precedence parsing algorithm, we are sure to find a  $<\cdot$  relation, since \$ marks the bottom of stack and is related by  $<\cdot$  to any symbol that could appear immediately above it on the stack. Note also that we never allow adjacent symbols on the stack in Fig. 4.24 unless they are related by  $<\cdot$  or  $\doteq$ . Thus steps (10-12) must succeed in making a reduction.

Just because we find a sequence of symbols  $a < \cdot b_1 \doteq b_2 \doteq \cdots \doteq b_k$  on the stack, however, does not mean that  $b_1 b_2 \cdots b_k$  is the string of terminal symbols on the right side of some production. We did not check for this condition in Fig. 4.24, but we clearly can do so, and in fact we must do so if we wish to associate semantic rules with reductions. Thus we have an opportunity to detect errors in Fig. 4.24, modified at steps (10-12) to determine what production is the handle in a reduction.

#### *Handling Errors During Reductions*

We may divide the error detection and recovery routine into several pieces. One piece handles errors of type (2). For example, this routine might pop symbols off the stack just as in steps (10-12) of Fig. 4.24. However, as there is no production to reduce by, no semantic actions are taken; a diagnostic message is printed instead. To determine what the diagnostic should say, the routine handling case (2) must decide what production the right side being popped "looks like." For example, suppose  $abc$  is popped, and there is no production right side consisting of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  together with zero or more nonterminals. Then we might consider if deletion of one of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  yields a legal right side (nonterminals omitted). For example, if there were a right side  $aEcE$ , we might issue the diagnostic

**illegal  $b$  on line (line containing  $b$ )**

We might also consider changing or inserting a terminal. Thus if  $abEdc$  were a right side, we might issue a diagnostic

**missing  $d$  on line (line containing  $c$ )**

We may also find that there is a right side with the proper sequence of terminals, but the wrong pattern of nonterminals. For example, if  $abc$  is popped off the stack with no intervening or surrounding nonterminals, and  $abc$  is not a right side but  $aEbc$  is, we might issue a diagnostic

**missing  $E$  on line (line containing  $b$ )**

Here  $E$  stands for an appropriate syntactic category represented by nonterminal  $E$ . For example, if  $a$ ,  $b$ , or  $c$  is an operator, we might say "expression;" if  $a$  is a keyword like `if`, we might say "conditional."

In general, the difficulty of determining appropriate diagnostics when no legal right side is found depends upon whether there are a finite or infinite number of possible strings that could be popped in lines (10-12) of Fig. 4.24. Any such string  $b_1 b_2 \dots b_k$  must have  $\doteq$  relations holding between adjacent symbols, so  $b_1 \doteq b_2 \doteq \dots \doteq b_k$ . If an operator precedence table tells us that there are only a finite number of sequences of terminals related by  $\doteq$ , then we can handle these strings on a case-by-case basis. For each such string  $x$  we can determine in advance a minimum-distance legal right side  $y$  and issue a diagnostic implying that  $x$  was found when  $y$  was intended.

It is easy to determine all strings that could be popped from the stack in steps (10-12) of Fig. 4.24. These are evident in the directed graph whose nodes represent the terminals, with an edge from  $a$  to  $b$  if and only if  $a \doteq b$ . Then the possible strings are the labels of the nodes along paths in this graph. Paths consisting of a single node are possible. However, in order for a path  $b_1 b_2 \dots b_k$  to be "poppable" on some input, there must be a symbol  $a$  (possibly  $\$$ ) such that  $a \leq b_1$ . Call such a  $b_1$  *initial*. Also, there must be a symbol  $c$  (possibly  $\$$ ) such that  $b_k \geq c$ . Call  $b_k$  *final*. Only then could a reduction be called for and  $b_1 b_2 \dots b_k$  be the sequence of symbols popped. If the graph has a path from an initial to a final node containing a cycle, then there are an infinity of strings that might be popped; otherwise, there are only a finite number.

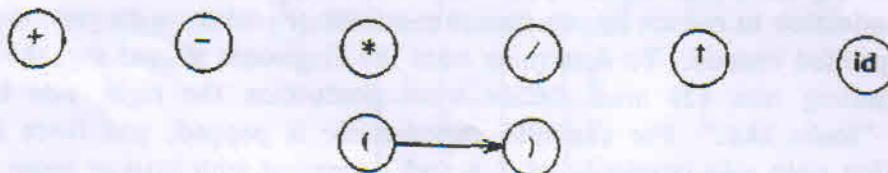


Fig. 4.27. Graph for precedence matrix of Fig. 4.25.

**Example 4.31.** Let us reconsider grammar (4.17):

$$E \rightarrow E+E \mid E-E \mid E*E \mid E/E \mid E \uparrow E \mid (E) \mid -E \mid \text{id}$$

The precedence matrix for this grammar was shown in Fig. 4.25, and its graph is given in Fig. 4.27. There is only one edge, because the only pair related by  $\doteq$  is the left and right parenthesis. All but the right parenthesis are initial, and all but the left parenthesis are final. Thus the only paths from an initial to a final node are the paths  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $*$ ,  $/$ ,  $\uparrow$ , and  $\text{id}$  of length one, and the path from  $($  to  $)$  of length two. There are but a finite number, and each corresponds to the terminals of some production's right side in the grammar. Thus the error checker for reductions need only check that the proper set of

nonterminal markers appears among the terminal strings being reduced. Specifically, the checker does the following:

1. If  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $*$ ,  $/$ , or  $\dagger$  is reduced, it checks that nonterminals appear on both sides. If not, it issues the diagnostic

*missing operand*

2. If  $Id$  is reduced, it checks that there is no nonterminal to the right or left. If there is, it can warn

*missing operator*

3. If  $( )$  is reduced, it checks that there is a nonterminal between the parentheses. If not, it can say

*no expression between parentheses*

Also it must check that no nonterminal appears on either side of the parentheses. If one does, it issues the same diagnostic as in (2).  $\square$

If there are an infinity of strings that may be popped, error messages cannot be tabulated on a case-by-case basis. We might use a general routine to determine whether some production right side is close (say distance 1 or 2, where distance is measured in terms of tokens, rather than characters, inserted, deleted, or changed) to the popped string and if so, issue a specific diagnostic on the assumption that that production was intended. If no production is close to the popped string, we can issue a general diagnostic to the effect that "something is wrong in the current line."

#### *Handling Shift/Reduce Errors*

We must now discuss the other way in which the operator-precedence parser detects errors. When consulting the precedence matrix to decide whether to shift or reduce (lines (6) and (9) of Fig. 4.24), we may find that no relation holds between the top stack symbol and the first input symbol. For example, suppose  $a$  and  $b$  are the two top stack symbols ( $b$  is at the top),  $c$  and  $d$  are the next two input symbols, and there is no precedence relation between  $b$  and  $c$ . To recover, we must modify the stack, input or both. We may change symbols, insert symbols onto the input or stack, or delete symbols from the input or stack. If we insert or change, we must be careful that we do not get into an infinite loop, where, for example, we perpetually insert symbols at the beginning of the input without being able to reduce or to shift any of the inserted symbols.

One approach that will assure us no infinite loops is to guarantee that after recovery the current input symbol can be shifted (if the current input is  $\$$ , guarantee that no symbol is placed on the input, and the stack is eventually shortened). For example, given  $ab$  on the stack and  $cd$  on the input, if  $a \leq c$ <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> We use  $\leq$  to mean  $<$  or  $=$ .

we might pop  $b$  from the stack. Another choice is to delete  $c$  from the input if  $b \leq d$ . A third choice is to find a symbol  $e$  such that  $b \leq e \leq c$  and insert  $e$  in front of  $c$  on the input. More generally, we might insert a string of symbols such that

$$b \leq e_1 \leq e_2 \leq \dots \leq e_n \leq c$$

if a single symbol for insertion could not be found. The exact action chosen should reflect the compiler designer's intuition regarding what error is likely in each case.

For each blank entry in the precedence matrix we must specify an error-recovery routine; the same routine could be used in several places. Then when the parser consults the entry for  $a$  and  $b$  in step (6) of Fig. 4.24, and no precedence relation holds between  $a$  and  $b$ , it finds a pointer to the error-recovery routine for this error.

**Example 4.32.** Consider the precedence matrix of Fig. 4.25 again. In Fig. 4.28, we show the rows and columns of this matrix that have one or more blank entries, and we have filled in these blanks with the names of error-handling routines.

	id	(	)	\$
id	c3	c3	>	>
(	<	<	=	e4
)	e3	e3	>	>
\$	<	<	e2	e1

Fig. 4.28. Operator-precedence matrix with error entries.

The substance of these error handling routines is as follows:

- e1: /\* called when whole expression is missing \*/
  - insert id onto the input
  - issue diagnostic: "missing operand"
- e2: /\* called when expression begins with a right parenthesis \*/
  - delete ) from the input
  - issue diagnostic: "unbalanced right parenthesis"
- e3: /\* called when id or ) is followed by id or ( \*/
  - insert + onto the input
  - issue diagnostic: "missing operator"
- e4: /\* called when expression ends with a left parenthesis \*/
  - pop ( from the stack
  - issue diagnostic: "missing right parenthesis"

Let us consider how this error-handling mechanism would treat the

erroneous input  $\text{id} +$ ). The first actions taken by the parser are to shift  $\text{id}$ , reduce it to  $E$  (we again use  $E$  for anonymous nonterminals on the stack), and then to shift the  $+$ . We now have configuration

STACK	INPUT
$\$E +$	)\$

Since  $+ \cdot > )$  a reduction is called for, and the handle is  $+$ . The error checker for reductions is required to inspect for  $E$ 's to left and right. Finding one missing, it issues the diagnostic

missing operand

and does the reduction anyway.

Our configuration is now

\$E	)\$
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There is no precedence relation between  $\$$  and  $)$ , and the entry in Fig. 4.28 for this pair of symbols is e2. Routine e2 causes diagnostic

unbalanced right parenthesis

to be printed and removes the right parenthesis from the input. We are now left with the final configuration for the parser.

\$E	\$	□
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## 4.7 LR PARSERS

This section presents an efficient, bottom-up syntax analysis technique that can be used to parse a large class of context-free grammars. The technique is called  $LR(k)$  parsing; the "L" is for left-to-right scanning of the input, the "R" for constructing a rightmost derivation in reverse, and the  $k$  for the number of input symbols of lookahead that are used in making parsing decisions. When  $(k)$  is omitted,  $k$  is assumed to be 1. LR parsing is attractive for a variety of reasons.

- LR parsers can be constructed to recognize virtually all programming-language constructs for which context-free grammars can be written.
- The LR parsing method is the most general nonbacktracking shift-reduce parsing method known, yet it can be implemented as efficiently as other shift-reduce methods.
- 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.
- An LR parser can detect a syntactic error as soon as it is possible to do so on a left-to-right scan of the input.

handle - substring that matches  
the right side of the prod

### Shift Reduce Process:

Start	RSF	Action
\$	000111	shift 01
01	0011	reduce $S \rightarrow 01$
\$s	0011	

27/04/18: Conflict in shift reduce parsing:

1. Shift Reduce conflict — example:

2. Reduce-Reduce conflict

Start	RSF	Action
$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	$i \in \{s, t\}$ $\xrightarrow{s} \text{shift } s$

of productions with same production on the right

$s \rightarrow id$       { Parser doesn't know either id should be reduced to S or P.

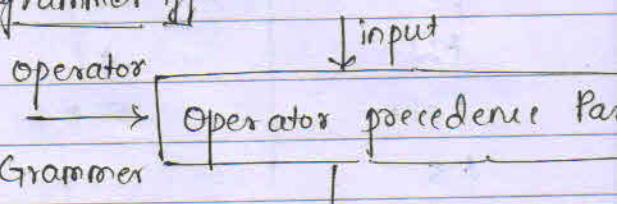
$P \rightarrow id$

### Operator precedence Parser:

Grammer G is operator grammer iff:

i) No Eproduction

ii) No two adjacent non-terminals.



Ex:  $E \rightarrow EA E | id$       { not a OG

$A \rightarrow * | +$

$E \rightarrow E+E | E \times E$  { id ✓ OG.

parse tree (postfix expression)

### Steps for operator precedence parsing:

#### Problems:

1. Check whether the given grammer is operator grammer or not, possible try to convert.
2. Generate operator relation table
3. Parse the input string
4. Construct the parse tree.

PROBLEM:

- i) Construct the operator precedence parser for the given grammar and parse the given input string.

$$E \rightarrow EA E / id$$

$$A \rightarrow + / *$$

- (ii) Converting to operator grammar

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

- (iii) Operator Relation Table:

Assumption: identifier - highest precedence

Right associative

\* - left associative ( $\Rightarrow$ )

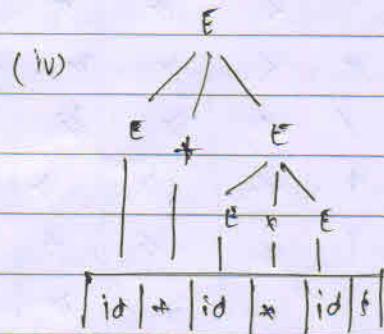
( $\Leftarrow$ )

+ - left associative

% - least precedence

	id	+	*	%	
id	-	$\Rightarrow$	$\Rightarrow$	$\Rightarrow$	
+	$\Leftarrow$	$\Rightarrow$	$\Leftarrow$	$\Rightarrow$	
*	$\Leftarrow$	$\Leftarrow$	$\Rightarrow$	$\Rightarrow$	
%	$\Leftarrow$	$\Leftarrow$	$\Leftarrow$	$\Leftarrow$	-

Accept



- (v) Parse the input string.

Stack	input	Relation	Action
%	$id + id * id \%$	$\Leftarrow$	push id
\$id	$+ id * id \%$	$\Rightarrow$	pop id
\$	$+ id * id \%$	$\Leftarrow$	push +
\$+	$id * id \%$	$\Leftarrow$	push id
\$+id	$* id \%$	$\Rightarrow$	pop id
\$+	$* id \%$	$\Leftarrow$	push *
\$+*	$id \%$	$\Leftarrow$	push id
\$+*	$\%$	$\Rightarrow$	pop id
\$	$\%$	$\Rightarrow$	pop *
\$	$\%$	$\Rightarrow$	pop +
\$	$\%$	-	Accept

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$$E \rightarrow E+E \mid E \cdot E \mid EXE \mid E/E \mid EE \mid (E) \mid id$$

input:  $id * (id + id) - id / id$

if it is an OG

iii) Generate relation table

$id$  - highest precedence

$+$  -  $\rightarrow$  left associative

$( )$  - right associative

$*$  - least precedence

$\uparrow$  - right associative

$*/$  - left associative

$id$	$+$	$-$	$*$	$/$	$\uparrow$	$( )$	$*$
$id$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$-$	$\rightarrow$
$+$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
$-$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
$*$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
$/$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
$\uparrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\uparrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
$( )$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$=$
$)$	$-$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$-$	$\rightarrow$
$*$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$-$ Accept

iv) Parse input:

Stack	input	Relation	Action
$\$$	$id * (id + id) - id / id \$$	$\leftarrow$	push id
$\$ id$	$* (id + id) - id / id \$$	$\rightarrow$	pop id
$\$$	$* (id + id) - id / id \$$	$\leftarrow$	push *
$\$ *$	$(id + id) - id / id \$$	$\leftarrow$	push (
$\$ * ($	$id + id) - id / id \$$	$\leftarrow$	push id
$\$ * (id$	$+ id) - id / id \$$	$\rightarrow$	pop id
$\$ * ($	$+ id) - id / id \$$	$\leftarrow$	push +
$\$ * (+$	$id) - id / id \$$	$\leftarrow$	push id
$\$ * (+ id$	$) - id / id \$$	$\rightarrow$	pop id
$\$ * (+$	$) - id / id \$$	$\rightarrow$	pop +
$\$ * ($	$) - id / id \$$	$=$	push )
$\$ * ( )$	$- id / id \$$	$\rightarrow$	pop )
$\$ *$	$- id / id \$$	$\rightarrow$	pop *

\$-	id / id \$	$\leftarrow$	push id
\$-id	/ id \$	$\rightarrow$	pop id
\$ -	/ id \$	$\leftarrow$	push /
\$- /	id \$	$\leftarrow$	push id
\$- / id	\$	$\rightarrow$	pop id
\$- /	\$	$\rightarrow$	pop /
\$-	\$	$\rightarrow$	pop -
\$	\$	-	Accept

Algorithm: Operator precedence parsing algorithm:

Input: An input string  $w$  and a table of precedence relations  
 Output: If  $w$  is well formed, a skeletal parse tree, with a placeholder non-terminal  $\epsilon$  labelling all interior nodes otherwise, an error indication.

Method: Initially the stack contains  $\$$  and the input buffer the input buffer the string  $w\$$ . To parse, we execute the program.

1. Set input to point to the first symbol of  $w\$$ .
2. repeat forever.
3. If  $\$$  is on top of stack and ip points to  $\$$  then
4. return
5. Let  $a$  be the topmost terminal symbol on the stack and let  $b$  be the symbol pointed to by ip
6. if  $a < b$  or  $a = b$  then begin
7.     push  $b$  onto the stack
8.     advance ip to next input symbol
9. end;
10. else if  $a > b$  then
11.     pop the stack over any of  $=$
12.     until the top stack terminal is related by  $<$  to the terminal most recently popped
13. else error()

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$$S \rightarrow (L) | a$$

$$L \rightarrow L, S | s$$

i/p : (a, (a,a))

if it is an OG

ii) Relation table:

a - highest

&amp; least

c - left

' - left

	id	,	(	)	\$	
id	-	>	-	>	>	
,	<	-	<	>	>	
(	<	<	<	=	-	
)	-	>	-	>	>	
\$	<	<	<	-	Accept	

Note: Do remember to

put the relation

operator based

on associativity i.e.

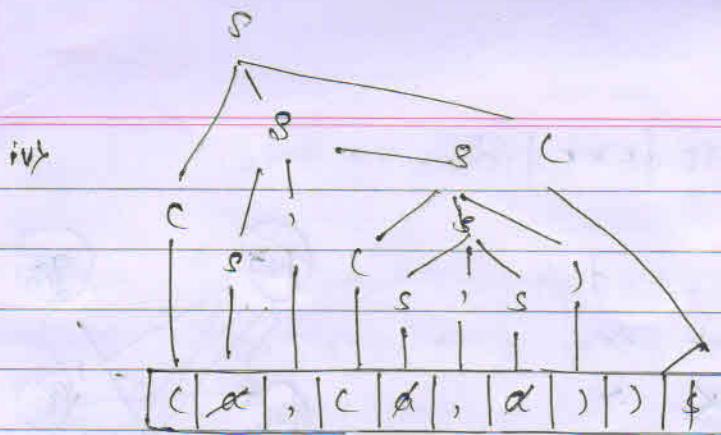
which one is evaluated

first. After parsing

we get the parse tree

iii) Input is (a, (a,a)) \$

Stack	Input	Relation	Action
\$	(a, (a,a)) \$	<	Push (
\$ (	a, (a,a)) \$	<	Push a
\$ ( a	, (a,a)) \$	>	Pop a
\$ ( ,	, (a,a)) \$	<	push,
\$ ( ,	(a,a)) \$	<	push (
\$ ( , a	a)) \$	<	push a
\$ ( , a	, a)) \$	>	pop a
\$ ( , a	, a)) \$	<	pop, push ,
\$ ( , a	a)) \$	<	push, push
\$ ( , a	)) \$	>	pop $\Rightarrow$ pop
\$ ( , ,	)) \$	<	pop, pop
\$ ( , ,	)) \$	>	<del>pop</del> , pop
\$ ( , ,	)) \$	=	<del>push</del> $\Rightarrow$ push
\$ ( , )	) \$	>	. pop, pop
\$ ( ,	) \$	>	pop ,
\$ (	) \$	=	push )
\$ ( )	\$	>	pop ()
\$	\$		Accept



Drawbacks of operator relation table:

- It is very difficult to handle tokens like '-' which has two precedence functions based on whether it is unary operator or binary operator.
  - Only small class of grammars can be parsed
  - If we ever have 4 operators then the no. of entries in the table are  $4 \times 4 = 16$  entries i.e. in general, if the number of operators are  $n$ , we need  $O(n^2)$  entries. To overcome this we go for operator precedence functions.

## Operator precedenie funkcií:

- The parsers does not store relation table instead they make use of precedence function's which map the terminal symbols to integers .
  - It uses two functions i.e  $f_A$  and  $g_A$  for the symbols

(ii) if  $a > b$ , then there is an arrow from function  $f_a$  to function  $g_b$  (edge)

(ii) if  $a \leq b$ , then there is an edge from  $g_b$  to  $g_a$

(iii) If  $a \tilde{=} b$  then  $fa = gb$  are in the same group. Note that even if they are not related by  $\tilde{=}$  directly we group them together for example if  $a \tilde{=} b$  and  $c \tilde{=} b$  then  $fa$  and  $fc$  are in the same group, since they are both in the same group as  $gb$ .

(iv) If the graph constructed has no cycle, then the precedence functions exists.

(V) Find the longest path in the function starting from terminal to  $f$  i.e.  $f(a)$  to  $f$  and  $g(a)$  to  $f$ . Using these

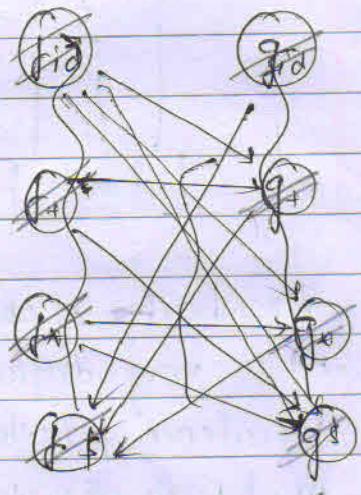
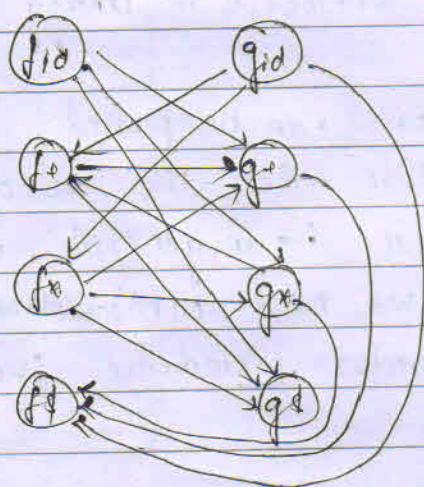
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Drawbacks of operator relation table

Example:  $E \rightarrow E+E \mid E * E \mid id$

	id	+	*	\$
id	-	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
+	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\star$	$\rightarrow$
*	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
\$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	-



The longest path is

$f_id \rightarrow g_{*} \rightarrow f+ \rightarrow q+ \rightarrow f\$\nabla$   
 $g_id \rightarrow f+ \rightarrow g* \rightarrow f+ \rightarrow q+ \rightarrow$

$\begin{array}{c} id \quad + \quad * \quad \$ \\ f \quad | \quad 4 \quad | \quad 2 \quad | \quad 4 \quad | \quad 0 \\ g \quad | \quad 5 \quad | \quad 1 \quad | \quad 3 \quad | \quad 0 \end{array}$

Advantages: lesser entries

disadvantages: for blank entries of relation table we get non-blank entries in junction table i.e. we can't make out the errors during parsing

H.W Construct an operator precedence parser for the given grammar and parse an input string

(i)  $E \rightarrow E+E \mid E * E \mid (E) \mid id$  ip:  $(id + id * id)$ : it is an OG

(ii)  $E \rightarrow E+T \mid T$

$T \rightarrow T * V \mid V$

input:  $a+b*c*d$ .

$V \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c \mid d$

(ii) if it is an OG

if Relation table

	id	+	*	\$
id	-	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$
+	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$
*	$\leftarrow$	$\leftarrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\rightarrow$

input

a+b\*c\*d†

Stack	Input	Relation	Action
\$	a+b*c*d†	↖	push a
\$a	+b*c*d†	↘	pop a
\$+	+b*c*d†	↖	push +
\$+	b*c*d†	↖	push b
\$+b	*c*d†	↗	pop b
\$+*	*c*d†	↖	push *
\$+*c	c*d†	↖	push c
\$+*c	*d†	↘	pop c
\$+*	*d†	↘	pop *
\$+*	d†	↖	push *
\$++	d†	↖	push d
\$+*d	†	↘	pop d
\$+*	†	↘	pop *
\$+	†	↘	pop +
\$	†	Acept.	

(i)

Relation	id	+	*	(	)	\$	Stack	input	Relation	Action	
table id	-	↗	↘	-	↗	↘	\$	(id+id+id)†	↖	push (	
	+	↖	↗	↖	↖	↗	\$()	id+id+id)†	↖	push id	
	*	↖	↗	↖	↖	↗	\$(id)	+id+id)†	↘	pop id	
	(	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖	=	-id)†	+	push +	
	)	-	↗	↘	-	↗	\$(+	id+id)†	↖	push id	
	\$	↖	↖	↖	↖	-	Acept.	\$(+id	↗id)†	↘	pop id
									\$(+	push *	
									\$(+id)	↖	push id
									\$(+*id)	↗	pop id
									\$(+*)	↗	pop *
									\$(+)	↗	pop +
									\$()	↗	push )
									\$()	↗	pop