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# Compiler Design Theory

*Practical lesson 7*

## Push-down automata



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# Problem statement

**There are example of string:**

- *Struct a { int b; }*
  - *Struct a {float a; int b; }*
  - *Struct a {float a; int b; int c; }.*
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1. Identify value four objects of formal grammar  $G = \{V_T, V_A, I \in V_A, R\}$ .  
Create production rules. Make a derivation of a string.
  2. Check this grammar for having non-generating and non-reachable symbols in the production rules.
  3. Create Functions FIRST( $\mu$ ), Functions FOLLOW(A) and SELECTION( $\mu$ ) sets.
  4. Construct transition functions. Make stack implementation of predictive parsing for any string.

# Building grammar productions

- 1) Write some examples of the input strings.
- 2) Analyze the structure of the strings, picked out beginning, end, repeated symbols or group of symbols.
- 3) Introduce notations for complex structures consisting of groups of symbols; such notations are non-terminal symbols of the desired grammar.
- 4) Build production rule for each of the selected structures, using recursive production to specify repeated structures.
- 5) Combine all the production rule.
- 6) Check the possibility of obtaining strings with different structures by derivation.

# Example 1. Part 1

Objects of formal grammar:

$V_T = \{\text{struct}, \{, \}, a, b, c, ";'" \text{int}, \text{float}\},$

$V_A = \{I, T, A, S, E, R\}$

Production rules:

1)  $I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}$

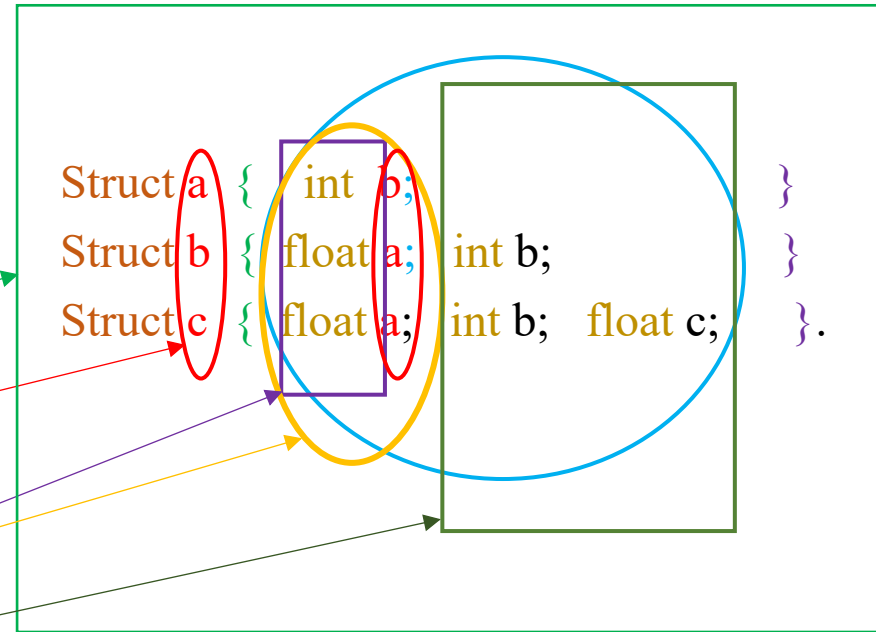
2)  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$

3)  $S \rightarrow ER$

4)  $E \rightarrow TA;$

5)  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$

6)  $R \rightarrow ER \mid \$ (= \epsilon)$



Derivation the string:  $\text{Struct } a\{ \text{int } b; \}$ .

$I \Rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\} \Rightarrow \text{struct } a\{S\} \Rightarrow \text{struct } a\{ER\} \Rightarrow \text{struct } a\{TA; R\} \Rightarrow \text{struct } a\{\text{int } A; R\} \Rightarrow \text{struct } a\{\text{int } b; R\} \Rightarrow \text{struct } a\{\text{int } b; \}$

# Non-generating symbols. Part 1

A symbol  $X \in V_A$  is defined as **non-generating** if no finite terminal symbol can be derived from it.

The procedure for detecting non-generating symbols:

1. Make a list of non-terminal symbols, for which there's at least one production rule that doesn't have a non-terminal symbols in the right part.
2. If a production rule is found, in which all non-terminals in the right part are already in the list, add the non-terminal from the left part to the list.
3. Once no more non-terminals can be added to the list from step 2, the list contains all generating symbols of the grammar, and the non-terminals that are not in the list are non-generating symbols.

*Production rules containing non-generating symbols should be eliminated from the grammar.*

# Non-generating symbols. Part 2

The procedure for detecting non-generating symbols:

1. Make a list of non-terminal symbols, for which there's at least one production rule that doesn't have a non-terminal symbols in the right part.

2. If a production rule is found, in which all non-terminals in the right part are already in the list, add the non-terminal from the left part to the list.

3. Once no more non-terminals can be added to the list from step 2, the list contains all generating symbols of the grammar, and the non-terminals that are not in the list are non-generating symbols.

1)  $I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}$

2)  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$

3)  $S \rightarrow ER$

4)  $E \rightarrow TA;$

5)  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$

6)  $R \rightarrow ER \mid \$$

Non-generating symbols

1.  $A, T, R$

2.  $A, T, R, E$

3.  $A, T, R, E, S$

4.  $A, T, R, E, S, I$

There are no Non-generating symbol.

# Unreachable symbols. Part 1

Symbol  $X \in V_A$  is called **unreachable** in context-free grammar  $G$ , if  $X$  does not appear in any generated string.

The procedure for detecting unreachable symbols:

1. Create a single-element list that contains the initial symbol **I** of the grammar.
2. If there is a production rule for which the left non-terminal symbol is already in the list, add to the list all symbols of the right part of this production rule.
3. Once no more non-terminals can be added to the list from step 2, the list contains all reachable symbols. Non-terminals symbols that aren't in the list are unreachable.

*Production rules containing unreachable symbols should be eliminated from the grammar.*

# Unreachable symbols. Part 2

The procedure for detecting unreachable symbols:

1. Create a single-element list that contains the initial symbol **I** of the grammar.
2. If there is a production rule for which the left non-terminal symbol is already in the list, add to the list all symbols of the right part of this production rule.
3. Once no more non-terminals can be added to the list from step 2, the list contains all reachable symbols. Non-terminals symbols that aren't in the list are unreachable.

- 1) **I**  $\rightarrow$  struct **A**{**S**}
- 2)  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$
- 3) **S**  $\rightarrow$  **ER**
- 4)  $E \rightarrow$  **T****A**;
- 5)  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$
- 6)  $R \rightarrow \text{ER} \mid \$$

Unreachable symbols

1. **I**
2. I, **A**, **S**
3. I, A, S, **E**, **R**
4. I, A, S, E, R, **T**

There are no Unreachable symbols.



# Function FIRST( $\mu$ )

FIRST ( $\mu$ ) is a set of terminal symbols that begins a string  $\mu$  under a derivation.

If  $\mu$  is a string of grammar symbols, than FIRST( $A \rightarrow \mu$ ) is the set of terminal symbols that begin the strings derived from  $\mu$ :

- if the string  $\mu$  starts with the terminal symbol ( $A \rightarrow b\mu'$ ):

$$\text{FIRST}(A \rightarrow b\mu') = \{b\};$$

- if the string  $\mu$  is an empty ( $A \rightarrow \$$ ):

$$\text{FIRST}(A \rightarrow \$) = \{\$\};$$

- if the string  $\mu$  starts with a non-terminal symbol  $B$  ( $A \rightarrow B\mu'$ ), and there are some productions for  $B$ :

$$B \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2 \mid \dots \mid \alpha_n,$$

and there is no derivation  $B \Rightarrow^* \$$ , then:

$$\text{FIRST}(A \rightarrow B\mu') = \text{FIRST}(\alpha_1) \cup \text{FIRST}(\alpha_2) \cup \dots \cup \text{FIRST}(\alpha_n);$$

- if the string  $\mu$  starts with a non-terminal symbol  $B$  ( $A \rightarrow B\mu'$ ), and there are next productions rules:

$$B \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2 \mid \dots \mid \alpha_n,$$

and there is derivation  $B \Rightarrow^* \$$ , then:

$$\text{FIRST}(A \rightarrow B\mu') = \text{FIRST}(\mu') \not\supseteq \text{FIRST}(\alpha_1) \not\supseteq \text{FIRST}(\alpha_2) \not\supseteq \dots \not\supseteq \text{FIRST}(\alpha_n).$$

# Example 1. Part 3

1.  $I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}$

2.  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$

3.  $S \rightarrow ER$

4.  $E \rightarrow TA;$

5.  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$

6.  $R \rightarrow ER \mid \$$

$\text{FIRST}(I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}) = \text{FIRST}(1) = \{\text{struct}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(2.1) = \{a\}; \text{FIRST}(2.2) = \{b\}; \text{FIRST}(2.3) = \{c\}$

$\text{FIRST}(5.1) = \{\text{int}\}; \text{FIRST}(5.2) = \{\text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(6.2) = \{\$ \}$

$\text{FIRST}(3) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(4) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(6.1) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

# Function FOLLOW( $B$ )

FOLLOW( $B$ ), for nonterminal  $B$ , to be the set of terminals  $a$  that can appear immediately to the right of  $B$  in the derivation started from initial symbol  $I$ : if there are production rules:

$$X_1 \rightarrow \mu_1 B \alpha_1, X_2 \rightarrow \mu_2 B \alpha_2, \dots, X_n \rightarrow \mu_n B \alpha_n,$$

- there is no derivation  $\alpha_i \Rightarrow^* \$$ , then

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \text{FIRST}(\alpha_1) \hat{\cup} \text{FIRST}(\alpha_2) \hat{\cup} \dots \hat{\cup} \text{FIRST}(\alpha_n).$$

- there is derivation  $\alpha_i \Rightarrow^* \$$ , for example  $\alpha_1 \rightarrow \$$ :

$$\text{FOLLOW}(B) = \text{FOLLOW}(X_1) \hat{\cup} \text{FIRST}(\alpha_2) \hat{\cup} \dots \hat{\cup} \text{FIRST}(\alpha_n).$$

# Example 1. Part 4

1)  $I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}$

2)  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$

3)  $S \rightarrow ER$

4)  $E \rightarrow TA;$

5)  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$

6)  $R \rightarrow ER \mid \$$

$\text{FIRST}(1) = \{\text{struct}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(2.1) = \{a\}; \text{FIRST}(2.2) = \{b\}; \text{FIRST}(2.3) = \{c\}$

$\text{FIRST}(5.1) = \{\text{int}\}; \text{FIRST}(5.2) = \{\text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(6.2) = \{\$\}$

$\text{FIRST}(3) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(4) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(6.1) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FOLLOW}(A) = \{\{, ;\}$

$\text{FOLLOW}(S) = \{\}\}$

$\text{FOLLOW}(E) = \text{FIRST}(R) \cup \text{FOLLOW}(S) = \text{FIRST}(E) \cup$

$\cup \text{FOLLOW}(S) = \text{FIRST}(T) \cup \text{FOLLOW}(S) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}, \}\}$

Because there is production  $R \rightarrow \$$

$\text{FOLLOW}(R) = \text{FOLLOW}(S) = \{\}\}$  because R is the last symbol

$\text{FOLLOW}(T) = \text{FIRST}(A) = \{a, b, c\};$

## Set $\text{SELECTION}(\mu)$

1) If there is production rule  $B \rightarrow \alpha$  and there **is no derivation**  $\alpha \rightarrow \$$ , then

$$\text{SELECTION}(B \rightarrow \alpha) = \text{FIRST}(\alpha).$$

2) If there is production rule  $B \rightarrow \$$ , then

$$\text{SELECTION}(B \rightarrow \$) = \text{FOLLOW}(B).$$

3) If there is production rule  $B \rightarrow \alpha$  and there **is derivation**  $\alpha \rightarrow \$$ , then

$$\text{SELECTION}(B \rightarrow \alpha) = \text{FIRST}(\mu) \not\supseteq \text{FOLLOW}(B).$$

# Example 1. Part 5

1)  $I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}$

2)  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$

3)  $S \rightarrow ER$

4)  $E \rightarrow TA;$

5)  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$

6)  $R \rightarrow ER \mid \$$

$\text{FIRST}(5.1) = \{\text{int}\}; \text{FIRST}(5.2) = \{\text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(2.1) = \{a\}; \text{FIRST}(2.2) = \{b\}; \text{FIRST}(2.3) = \{c\}$

$\text{FIRST}(1) = \{\text{struct}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(6.1) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(6.2) = \{\$\}$

$\text{FIRST}(3) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(4) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{FOLLOW}(R) = \{\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(1) = \text{FIRST}(1) = \{\text{struct}\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(2.1) = \text{FIRST}(2.1) = \{a\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(2.2) = \text{FIRST}(2.2) = \{b\};$

$\text{SELECTION}(2.3) = \text{FIRST}(2.3) = \{c\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(3) = \text{FIRST}(E) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(4) = \text{FIRST}(4) = \text{FIRST}(T) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(5.1) = \text{FIRST}(5.1) = \{\text{int}\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(5.2) = \text{FIRST}(5.2) = \{\text{float}\}$

$\text{SELECTION}(6.1) = \text{FIRST}(6.1) = \{\text{int}, \text{float}\};$

$\text{SELECTION}(6.2) = \text{FOLLOW}(R) = \{\}$

This grammar is an LL(1) grammar, since the SELECTION set for rules starting with the same terminals does not contain the same characters.

# Construction transition functions

- 1) For each production rule  $A \rightarrow a\alpha$ , starting with a terminal symbol  $a$ , construct a transition function:

$$f(s, a, A) = (s, \alpha')$$

where  $\alpha'$  is the mirror image of the string  $\alpha$ .

- 2) For each production rule  $A \rightarrow B\alpha$ , starting with a non-terminal symbol  $B$ , construct a transition function:

$$f^*(s, x, A) = (s, \alpha' B)$$

where  $f^*$  is a transition function without shifting an input head, a  $\alpha'$  is a mirror image of the string  $\alpha$ ,  $x \in \text{SELECTION}(A \rightarrow B\alpha)$  set. The number of transition functions determines by the number of the  $x \in \text{SELECTION}(A \rightarrow \$)$ .

- 3) For each empty production rule  $A \rightarrow \$$  construct a transition function:

$$f^*(s, x, A) = (s, \$)$$

where  $f^*$  is a transition function without shifting an input head, a  $\alpha'$  is a mirror image of the string  $\alpha$ ,  $x \in \text{SELECTION}(A \rightarrow \$)$  set. The number of transition functions determines by the number of the  $x \in \text{SELECTION}(A \rightarrow \$)$ .

- 4) For all terminal symbol (for example, symbol  $b$ ), that appears in the middle or at the end of production rules, create a transition function:

$$f(s, b, b) = (s, \$)$$

- 5) To get a final state of push-down automata create a transition function:

$$f^*(s, \$, h_0) = (s, \$, \$)$$

# Example 1. Part 6

- 1)  $I \rightarrow \text{struct } A\{S\}$
- 2)  $A \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c$
- 3)  $S \rightarrow ER$
- 4)  $E \rightarrow TA;$
- 5)  $T \rightarrow \text{int} \mid \text{float}$
- 6)  $R \rightarrow ER \mid \$$

SELECTION (5.1) = FIRST (5.1) = {int}  
 SELECTION (5.2) = FIRST (5.2) = {float}  
 SELECTION (2.1) = FIRST (2.1) = {a}  
 SELECTION (2.2) = FIRST (2.2) = {b};  
 SELECTION (2.3) = FIRST (2.3) = {c}  
 SELECTION (3) = FIRST (E) = FIRST (T) = {int, float}  
 SELECTION (6.1) = FIRST (6.1) = {int, float};  
 SELECTION (6.2) = FOLLOW (R) = {}  
 SELECTION (4) = FIRST (4) = FIRST (T) = {int, float}  
 SELECTION (1) = FIRST (1) = {struct}

1. $f(s, \text{struct}, I) = (s, \{S\}A)$	11. $f(s, :, :) = (s, \$)$
2. $f(s, \{, \}) = (s, \$)$	12. $f(s, \text{float}, T) = (s, \$)$
3. $f(s, \{, \}) = (s, \$)$	13. $f(s, \text{int}, T) = (s, \$)$
4. $f(s, a, A) = (s, \$)$	14. $f^*(s, \text{int}, R) = (s, RE)$
5. $f(s, b, A) = (s, \$)$	15. $f^*(s, \text{float}, R) = (s, RE)$
6. $f(s, c, A) = (s, \$)$	16. $f^*(s, \{, \}, R) = (s, \$)$
7. $f^*(s, \text{int}, S) = (s, RE)$	17. $f^*(s, \$, h_0) = (s, \$)$
8. $f^*(s, \text{float}, S) = (s, RE)$	
9. $f^*(s, \text{int}, E) = (s, ;AT)$	
10. $f^*(s, \text{float}, E) = (s, ;AT)$	



# Example 4. Part 7

Transition functions of the push-down automata		Stack implementation of predictive parsing for string:	
<p>1. <math>f(s, \text{struct}, I) = (s, \text{S}\{A\})</math></p> <p>2. <math>f(s, \text{ } \}, \text{ }) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>3. <math>f(s, \{, \{) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>4. <math>f(s, a, A) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>5. <math>f(s, b, A) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>6. <math>f(s, c, A) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>7. <math>f^*(s, \text{int}, S) = (s, RE)</math></p> <p>8. <math>f^*(s, \text{float}, S) = (s, RE)</math></p> <p>9. <math>f^*(s, \text{int}, E) = (s, ;AT)</math></p> <p>10. <math>f^*(s, \text{float}, E) = (s, ;AT)</math></p>	<p>11. <math>f(s, ;, ;) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>12. <math>f(s, \text{float}, T) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>13. <math>f(s, \text{int}, T) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>14. <math>f^*(s, \text{int}, R) = (s, RE)</math></p> <p>15. <math>f^*(s, \text{float}, R) = (s, RE)</math></p> <p>16. <math>f^*(s, \text{ } \_, R) = (s, \\$)</math></p> <p>17. <math>f^*(s, \text{ } \\$, h_0) = (s, \\$)</math>.</p>	<p><math>(s, \text{struct } b \{ \text{float } a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 I) \vdash 1</math> start configuration</p> <p><math>(s, b\{ \text{float } a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 \text{S}\{A\}) \vdash 5</math></p> <p><math>(s, \{ \text{float } a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 \text{S}\{ \}) \vdash 3</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{float } a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 \text{S}) \vdash 8</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{float } a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 RE) \vdash 10</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{float } a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 R; AT) \vdash 12</math></p> <p><math>(s, a; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 R; A) \vdash 4</math></p> <p><math>(s, ; \text{ int } b; \}, h_0 R;) \vdash 11</math></p>	<p><math>(s, \text{int } b; \}, h_0 R) \vdash 14</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{int } b; \}, h_0 RE) \vdash 9</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{int } b; \}, h_0 R; AT) \vdash 13</math></p> <p><math>(s, b; \}, h_0 R; A) \vdash 5</math></p> <p><math>(s, ; \}, h_0 R;) \vdash 11</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{ } \_, h_0 R) \vdash 16</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{ } \}, h_0 \text{ } ) \vdash 2</math></p> <p><math>(s, \text{ } \\$, h_0) \vdash 17</math></p> <p><math>(s, \\$, \\$)</math></p> <p>finish configuration</p>

**Thank you for your attention!**