

# Programming Language Syntax

- LR parsing -

Chapter 2, Section 2.3



#### LR parsers

- maintain a forest of subtrees of the parse tree
- join trees together when recognizing a RHS
- keeps the roots of subtrees in a stack
- *shift*: tokens from scanner into the stack
- reduce: when recognizing a RHS, pop it, push LHS
- discovers a right-most derivation in reverse

#### Stack contents (roots of partial trees)

```
id (A)
id (A),
id (A),
id (A), id (B)
id (A), id (B),
id (A), id (B), id (C)
id (A), id (B), id (C)
id (A), id (B), id (C) id list tail
id (A), id (B) id list tail
id (A) id list tail
id list
```

#### Remaining input

```
A, B, C;
, B, C;
B, C;
, C;
C;
```



- 1.  $program \rightarrow stmt\_list $$$
- 2.  $stmt\ list \rightarrow stmt\ list\ stmt$
- 3.  $stmt\ list \rightarrow stmt$
- 4.  $stmt \rightarrow id := expr$
- 5.  $stmt \rightarrow read id$
- 6.  $stmt \rightarrow write expr$
- 7.  $expr \rightarrow term$
- 8.  $expr \rightarrow expr \ add\_op \ term$
- 9.  $term \rightarrow factor$
- 10.  $term \rightarrow term \ mult\_op \ factor$
- 11.  $factor \rightarrow (expr)$
- 12.  $factor \rightarrow id$
- 13.  $factor \rightarrow number$
- 14.  $add op \rightarrow +$
- 15.  $add op \rightarrow -$
- 16.  $mult\_op \rightarrow *$
- 17.  $mult\_op \rightarrow /$

- Compare with previous LL(1)
  - left recursive prod. is better
  - keeps operands together

```
program \rightarrow stmt list $$

stmt_list \rightarrow stmt stmt_list | \epsilon

stmt \rightarrow id := expr | read id | write expr

expr \rightarrow term term_tail

term_tail \rightarrow add op term term_tail | \epsilon

term \rightarrow factor fact_tail

fact_tail \rightarrow mult_op fact fact_tail | \epsilon

factor \rightarrow (expr) | id | number

add_op \rightarrow + | -

mult_op \rightarrow * | /
```



- LR parser
  - recognizes right-hand sides of productions
    - keep track of productions we might be in the middle of
    - and where: represent the location in an RHS by a '•'
  - Example:

```
read A
read B
sum := A + B
write sum
write sum / 2
```





start with:

$$program \rightarrow \bullet stmt\_list \$\$$$
 — this is called an LR-item

• '•' in front of *stmt\_list* means we may be about to see the yield of *stmt\_list*, that is, we could also be at the beginning of a production with *stmt\_list* on LHS:

```
stmt\_list \rightarrow \bullet stmt\_list stmt

stmt\_list \rightarrow \bullet stmt
```

• similarly, we need to include also:

$$stmt \rightarrow \bullet$$
 id :=  $expr$   
 $stmt \rightarrow \bullet$  read id  
 $stmt \rightarrow \bullet$  write  $expr$ 

Only terminals follow, so we stop





```
program \rightarrow \bullet stmt\_list \$\$ (the basis) (state 0) stmt\_list \rightarrow \bullet stmt\_list stmt (closure ... stmt\_list \rightarrow \bullet stmt ... stmt \rightarrow \bullet id := expr ... stmt \rightarrow \bullet read id ...
```

• next token: read - the next state is:

 $stmt \rightarrow \bullet write expr \dots$ 

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stmt \rightarrow read \cdot id (empty closure) (state 1)
```

• next token: A - the next state is:

```
stmt \rightarrow \text{read id} \bullet (state 1')
```

- '•' at the end means we can reduce
  - what is the new state?





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stmt\_list \rightarrow \bullet stmt becomes stmt\_list \rightarrow stmt • (state 0')
```

- we reduce again: replace *stmt* with *stmt\_list*
- this means shifting a *stmt list* in state 0:

Complete states on next slides



	State	Transitions
0.	program → • stmt_list \$\$	on stmt_list shift and goto 2
	$stmt\_list \longrightarrow \bullet \ stmt\_list \ stmt$ $stmt\_list \longrightarrow \bullet \ stmt$ $stmt \longrightarrow \bullet \ id := expr$ $stmt \longrightarrow \bullet \ read \ id$ $stmt \longrightarrow \bullet \ write \ expr$	on stmt shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push stmt_list on input) on id shift and goto 3 on read shift and goto 1 on write shift and goto 4
1.	$stmt \longrightarrow \mathtt{read} ullet \mathtt{id}$	on id shift and reduce (pop 2 states, push stmt on input)
2.	$program \longrightarrow stmt\_list                                    $	on \$\$ shift and reduce (pop 2 states, push program on input) on stmt shift and reduce (pop 2 states, push stmt_list on input) on id shift and goto 3 on read shift and goto 1 on write shift and goto 4
3.	$stmt \longrightarrow id \bullet := expr$	on := shift and goto 5

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<u>-</u>	State	Transitions
<b>4</b> .	$stmt \longrightarrow write \bullet expr$	on <i>expr</i> shift and goto 6
-	$expr \longrightarrow \bullet term$	on term shift and goto 7
•	$expr \longrightarrow \bullet \ expr \ add\_op \ term$ $term \longrightarrow \bullet \ factor$ $term \longrightarrow \bullet \ term \ mult\_op \ factor$	on factor shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push term on input)
•	factor $\longrightarrow \bullet$ ( expr )	on ( shift and goto 8
	$factor \longrightarrow \bullet$ id	on id shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input)
	$factor \longrightarrow ullet$ number	on number shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input)
5.	$stmt \longrightarrow id := \bullet expr$	on <i>expr</i> shift and goto 9
	$expr \longrightarrow \bullet term$	on term shift and goto 7
	expr → • expr add_op term	
	$term \longrightarrow \bullet factor$	on factor shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push term on input)
	term → • term mult_op factor	
	factor $\longrightarrow$ $\bullet$ ( expr )	on ( shift and goto 8
	$factor \longrightarrow ullet$ id	on id shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input)
	$factor \longrightarrow \bullet$ number	on number shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input)
6.	$stmt \longrightarrow \mathtt{write} \; expr \; ullet$	on $FOLLOW(stmt) = \{id, read, write, \$\$\}$ reduce
	$expr \longrightarrow expr \bullet add\_op term$	(pop 2 states, push stmt on input)
		on add_op shift and goto 10
	$add\_op \longrightarrow \bullet +$	on + shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push add_op on input)
	$add\_op \longrightarrow \bullet -$	on - shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push add_op on input)

#### State **Transitions** on $FOLLOW(expr) = \{id, read, write, \$\$, ), +, -\}$ reduce 7. $expr \longrightarrow term \bullet$ (pop 1 state, push expr on input) term → term • mult\_op factor on mult\_op shift and goto 11 $mult\_op \longrightarrow \bullet *$ on \* shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push *mult\_op* on input) $mult\_op \longrightarrow \bullet /$ on / shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push *mult\_op* on input) on expr shift and goto 12 $factor \longrightarrow (\bullet expr)$ on term shift and goto 7 $expr \longrightarrow \bullet term$ $expr \longrightarrow \bullet expr \ add_op \ term$ $term \longrightarrow \bullet factor$ on *factor* shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push *term* on input) term → • term mult\_op factor $factor \longrightarrow \bullet (expr)$ on (shift and goto 8 on id shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input) $factor \longrightarrow \bullet id$ factor → • number on number shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input) on FOLLOW (stmt) = {id, read, write, \$\$} reduce $stmt \longrightarrow id := expr \bullet$ $expr \longrightarrow expr \bullet add\_op term$ (pop 3 states, push *stmt* on input) on add\_op shift and goto 10 on + shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push add\_op on input) $add\_op \longrightarrow \bullet +$

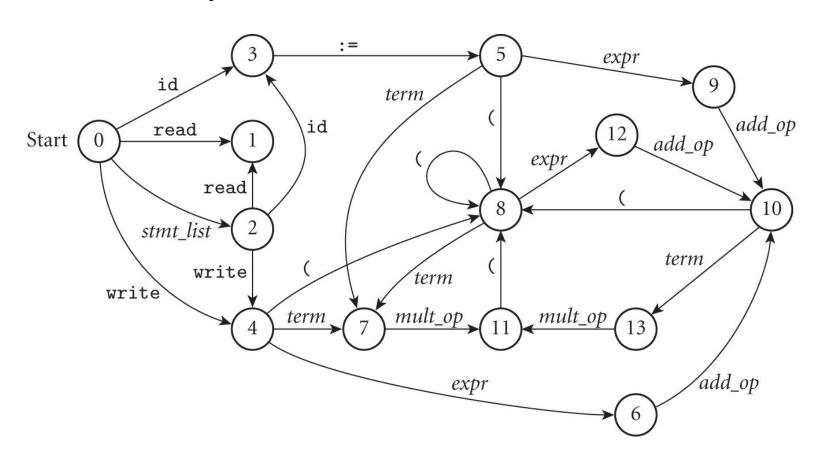
 $add\_op \longrightarrow \bullet -$ 

on - shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push add\_op on input)

	State	Transitions
10.	$\begin{array}{c} expr \longrightarrow expr \ add\_op \bullet \ term \\ \hline term \longrightarrow \bullet \ factor \\ term \longrightarrow \bullet \ term \ mult\_op \ factor \\ factor \longrightarrow \bullet \ (\ expr \ ) \\ factor \longrightarrow \bullet \ id \\ factor \longrightarrow \bullet \ number \end{array}$	on term shift and goto 13 on factor shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push term on input) on ( shift and goto 8 on id shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input) on number shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input)
11.	$\frac{term \longrightarrow term \ mult\_op \bullet factor}{factor \longrightarrow \bullet \ (expr)}$ $factor \longrightarrow \bullet \ id$ $factor \longrightarrow \bullet \ number$	on factor shift and reduce (pop 3 states, push term on input) on (shift and goto 8 on id shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input) on number shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push factor on input)
12.	$\begin{array}{c} \textit{factor} \longrightarrow (\textit{expr} \bullet) \\ \textit{expr} \longrightarrow \textit{expr} \bullet \textit{add\_op term} \\ \hline \\ \textit{add\_op} \longrightarrow \bullet + \\ \textit{add\_op} \longrightarrow \bullet - \end{array}$	on ) shift and reduce (pop 3 states, push <i>factor</i> on input) on <i>add_op</i> shift and goto 10 on + shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push <i>add_op</i> on input) on - shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push <i>add_op</i> on input)
13.	$expr \longrightarrow expr \ add\_op \ term \bullet \\ term \longrightarrow term \bullet \ mult\_op \ factor \\ \hline mult\_op \longrightarrow \bullet * \\ mult\_op \longrightarrow \bullet /$	<pre>on FOLLOW(expr) = {id, read, write, \$\$, ), +, -} reduce      (pop 3 states, push expr on input) on mult_op shift and goto 11 on * shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push mult_op on input) on / shift and reduce (pop 1 state, push mult_op on input)</pre>



- LL(1) parser: decides using nonterminal + token
- LR(1) parser: decides using state + token
  - CFSM: Characteristic Finite State Machine
  - Almost always table-driven





- Parse table parse tab
  - shift (s) followed by state
  - reduce (r), shift + reduce (b) followed by production

Top-of-stack Current input symbol																			
state	sl	S	е	t	f	ao	то	id	lit	r	W	:=	(	)	+	-	*	/	\$\$
0	s2	b3	_	_	_	_	_	s3	_	s1	s4	_	_	_	_	1-1	_	_	_
1	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	b5	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
2	_	b2	_	_	_	_	_	s3	_	s1	s4	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	b1
3	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	-	_	_	_	s5	_	_	_	_	_	-	_
4	_	_	s6	s7	<b>b</b> 9	_	_	b12	b13	_	_	_	<b>s</b> 8	1-1	_	-	_	_	-
5	_	_	s9	s7	<b>b</b> 9	_	_	b12	b13	_	_	_	<b>s</b> 8	_	_	_	_	_	_
6	_	_	_	_	_	s10	_	r6	_	r6	r6	_	_	_	b14	b15	-	_	r6
7	_	_	_	_	_	_	s11	r7	_	r7	r7	_	-	r7	r7	r7	b16	b17	r7
8	_	_	s12	s7	<b>b</b> 9	_	_	b12	b13	-	_	_	<b>s</b> 8	_	_	_	_	_	_
9	_	_		-	_	s10	_	r4	_	r4	r4	_		-	b14	b15	_	_	r4
10	_	_	_	s13	<b>b</b> 9	_	_	b12	b13	_	_	_	s8	_	_	_	_	_	_
11	_	_	_	_	b10	_	_	b12	b13	_	_	_	<b>s</b> 8	_	_	_	_	_	_
12	_	_	_	-	_	s10	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	b11	b14	b15	_	_	-
13	_	-	_	_	_	_	s11	r8	_	r8	r8	_	_	r8	r8	r8	b16	b17	<b>r8</b>

- Algorithm
- uses the
   parse\_tab
   (previous slide)
   and prod\_tab
   (not shown)
- example after algorithm for:

```
read A
read B
sum := A + B
write sum
write sum / 2
```

```
state = 1 . . number_of_states
symbol = 1 . . number_of_symbols
production = 1 . . number_of_productions
action_rec = record
    action : (shift, reduce, shift_reduce, error)
    new_state : state
    prod : production
```

parse\_tab : array [symbol, state] of action\_rec prod\_tab : array [production] of record lhs : symbol rhs\_len : integer

— these two tables are created by a parser generator tool

parse\_stack : stack of record sym : symbol

st:state

parse\_error

```
parse_stack.push((null, start_state))
cur_sym : symbol := scan()
                                             -- get new token from scanner
loop
    cur_state : state := parse_stack.top().st -- peek at state at top of stack
    if cur_state = start_state and cur_sym = start_symbol
                                             -- success!
         return
    ar : action_rec := parse_tab[cur_state, cur_sym]
    case ar.action
         shift:
             parse_stack.push((cur_sym, ar.new_state))
             cur_sym := scan()
                                             — get new token from scanner
         reduce:
             cur_sym := prod_tab[ar.prod].lhs
             parse_stack.pop(prod_tab[ar.prod].rhs_len)
         shift_reduce:
             cur_sym := prod_tab[ar.prod].lhs
             parse_stack.pop(prod_tab[ar.prod].rhs_len-1)
         error:
```





Later City		***************************************
Parse stack	Input stream	Comment
0	read A read B	
0 read 1	A read B	shift read
0	stmt read B	shift $id(A)$ & reduce by $stmt \longrightarrow read id$
0	stmt_list read B	shift $stmt \& reduce by stmt\_list \longrightarrow stmt$
0 stmt_list 2	read B sum	shift stmt_list
0 stmt_list 2 read 1	B sum :=	shift read
0 stmt_list 2	stmt sum :=	shift id(B) & reduce by $stmt \longrightarrow read$ id
0	stmt_list sum :=	shift stmt & reduce by stmt_list \rightarrow stmt_list stmt
0 stmt_list 2	sum := A	shift stmt_list
0 stmt_list 2 id 3	:= A +	shift id(sum)
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5$	A + B	shift :=
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5$	factor + B	shift $id(A)$ & reduce by factor $\longrightarrow id$
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5$	term + B	shift factor & reduce by $term \longrightarrow factor$
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5  term 7$	+ B write	shift term
0 stmt_list 2 id 3 := 5	expr + B write	reduce by $expr \longrightarrow term$
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5  expr 9$	+ B write	shift expr
0 stmt_list 2 id 3 := 5 expr 9	add_op B write	shift + & reduce by $add\_op \longrightarrow +$
$0  stmt\_list 2  id 3 := 5  expr 9  add\_op 10$	B write sum	shift add_op
$0  stmt\_list 2  id 3 := 5  expr 9  add\_op 10$	factor write sum	shift $id(B)$ & reduce by factor $\longrightarrow id$
$0  stmt\_list 2  id 3 := 5  expr 9  add\_op 10$	term write sum	shift factor & reduce by $term \longrightarrow factor$
0 stmt_list 2 id 3 := 5 expr 9 add_op 10 term 13	write sum	shift term
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5$	expr write sum	reduce by $expr \longrightarrow expr \ add\_op \ term$
$0  stmt\_list 2 \text{ id } 3 := 5  expr 9$	write sum	shift expr
0 stmt_list 2	stmt write sum	reduce by $stmt \longrightarrow id := expr$
0	stmt_list write sum	shift $stmt \& reduce by stmt\_list \longrightarrow stmt 16$





Parse stack	Input stream	Comment
0 stmt_list 2	write sum	shift stmt_list
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	sum write sum	shift write
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	factor write sum	shift $id(sum)$ & reduce by factor $\longrightarrow id$
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	term write sum	shift factor & reduce by term $\longrightarrow$ factor
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 term 7	write sum	shift term
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	expr write sum	reduce by $expr \longrightarrow term$
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 expr 6	write sum	shift expr
0 stmt_list 2	stmt write sum	reduce by $stmt \longrightarrow write \ expr$
0	stmt_list write sum	shift stmt & reduce by stmt_list \rightarrow stmt_list stmt
0 stmt_list 2	write sum /	shift stmt_list
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	sum / 2	shift write
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	factor / 2	shift $id(sum)$ & reduce by factor $\longrightarrow id$
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	term / 2	shift factor & reduce by term $\longrightarrow$ factor
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 term 7	/ 2 \$\$	shift term
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 term 7	mult_op 2 \$\$	shift / & reduce by $mult\_op \longrightarrow$ /
<pre>0 stmt_list 2 write 4 term 7 mult_op 11</pre>	2 \$\$	shift mult_op
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 term 7 mult_op 11	factor \$\$	shift number (2) & reduce by factor $\longrightarrow$ number
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	term \$\$	shift factor & reduce by term \to term mult_op factor
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 term 7	\$\$	shift term
0 stmt_list 2 write 4	expr \$\$	reduce by $expr \longrightarrow term$
0 stmt_list 2 write 4 expr 6	\$\$	shift expr
0 stmt_list 2	stmt \$\$	reduce by $stmt \longrightarrow write expr$
0	stmt_list \$\$	shift stmt & reduce by stmt_list \rightarrow stmt_list stmt
0 stmt_list 2	\$\$	shift stmt_list
0	program	shift \$\$ & reduce by $program \longrightarrow stmt\_list$ \$\$
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- Shift/reduce conflict
  - two items in a state:
    - one with '•' in front of terminal (shift)
    - one with '•' at the end (reduce)
  - SLR (simple LR)
    - conflict can be resolved using FIRST and FOLLOW
  - Example: state 6
    - $stmt \rightarrow write \ expr$  •
    - $expr \rightarrow expr \cdot add\_op term$
    - FIRST $(add\_op) \cap FOLLOW(stmt) = \emptyset$

#### **LL(1) vs SLR(1)**

- LL(1)
  - For any productions  $A \rightarrow u \mid v$ :
    - FIRST(u)  $\cap$  FIRST(v) =  $\emptyset$
    - at most one of u and v can derive the empty string  $\varepsilon$
    - if  $v = > * \varepsilon$ , then  $FIRST(u) \cap FOLLOW(A) = \emptyset$
- SLR(1)
  - No shift/reduce conflict: cannot have in the same state:

$$A \rightarrow u \bullet xv, B \rightarrow w \bullet , \text{ with } x \in \text{FOLLOW}(B)$$

No reduce/reduce conflict: cannot have in the same state:

$$A \to u \bullet , B \to v \bullet , \text{ with } \text{FOLLOW}(A) \cap \text{FOLLOW}(B) \neq \emptyset$$



## Unambiguous vs LL(1) vs SLR(1)

