

Compiling Techniques

Lecture 7: Bottom-Up Parsing

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Overview

- * Bottom-Up Parsing
- * Finding Reductions
- * Handle Pruning
- * Shift-Reduce Parsers

Parsing Techniques

- * **Top-down parsers** (LL(1), recursive descent)
 - * Start at the root of the parse tree and grow toward leaves
 - * Pick a production & try to match the input
 - * Bad “pick” \Rightarrow may need to backtrack
 - * Some grammars are backtrack-free (LL(1), predictive parsing)
- * **Bottom-up parsers** (LR(1), operator precedence)
 - * Start at the leaves and grow toward root
 - * As input is consumed, encode possibilities in an internal state
 - * Start in a state valid for legal first tokens
 - * Bottom-up parsers handle a large class of grammars

Bottom-up Parsing

- * The point of parsing is to construct a derivation
- * A derivation consists of a series of rewrite steps
 - * $S \Rightarrow \gamma_0 \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \Rightarrow \gamma_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_{n-1} \Rightarrow \gamma_n \Rightarrow \text{sentence}$
 - * Each γ_i is a *sentential* form
 - * If γ contains only terminal symbols, γ is a *sentence* in $L(G)$
 - * If γ contains ≥ 1 non-terminals, γ is a *sentential* form
- * To get γ_i from γ_{i-1} , expand some NT $A \in \gamma_{i-1}$ by using $A \rightarrow \beta$
 - * Replace the occurrence of $A \in \gamma_{i-1}$ with β to get γ_i
 - * In a leftmost derivation, it would be the first NT $A \in \gamma_{i-1}$
- * A *left-sentential* form occurs in a leftmost derivation
- * A *right-sentential* form occurs in a rightmost derivation

Bottom-up Parsing

- * A bottom-up parser builds a derivation by working from the input sentence back toward the start symbol S
 - * $S \Rightarrow \gamma_0 \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \Rightarrow \gamma_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_{n-1} \Rightarrow \gamma_n \Rightarrow \text{sentence}$ bottom-up
- * To reduce γ_i to γ_{i-1} match some RHS β against γ_i then replace β with its corresponding LHS, A . (assuming the production $A \rightarrow \beta$)
- * In terms of the parse tree, this is working from leaves to root
 - * Nodes with no parent in a partial tree form its upper fringe
 - * Since each replacement of β with A shrinks the upper fringe, we call it a *reduction*.

Finding Reductions

- * Consider the simple grammar
- * And the input string abcde

1	<i>Goal</i>	→	<u>a</u> <i>A</i> <i>B</i> <u>e</u>
2	<i>A</i>	→	<i>A</i> <u>b</u> <u>c</u>
3			<u>b</u>
4	<i>B</i>	→	<u>d</u>

<i>Sentential Form</i>	<i>Next Reduction</i>	
	<i>Prod'n</i>	<i>Pos'n</i>
<u>abcde</u>	3	2
<u>a</u> <i>A</i> <u>bcde</u>	2	4
<u>a</u> <i>A</i> <u>de</u>	4	3
<u>a</u> <i>A</i> <i>B</i> <u>e</u>	1	4
<i>Goal</i>	—	—

- * *The trick is scanning the input and finding the next reduction*
- * *The mechanism for doing this must be efficient*

Finding Reductions

- * The parser must find a substring β of the tree's frontier that matches some production $A \rightarrow \beta$ that occurs as one step in the rightmost derivation
 - * Informally, we call this substring β a *handle*
- * Formally,
 - * A handle of a right-sentential form γ is a pair $\langle A \rightarrow \beta, k \rangle$ where $A \rightarrow \beta \in P$ and k is the position in γ of β 's rightmost symbol.
 - * If $\langle A \rightarrow \beta, k \rangle$ is a handle, then replacing β at k with A produces the right sentential form from which γ is derived in the rightmost derivation.
- * Because γ is a right-sentential form, the substring to the right of a handle contains only terminal symbols
 - * \Rightarrow the parser doesn't need to scan past the handle (very far)

Finding Reductions

- * Critical Insight: If G is unambiguous, then every right-sentential form has a *unique* handle.
- * If we can find those handles, we can build a derivation !

Example

		<i>Prod'n.</i>	<i>Sentential Form</i>	<i>Handle</i>
		—	<i>Goal</i>	—
1	Goal → Expr	1	<i>Expr</i>	1,1
2	Expr → Expr + Term	3	<i>Expr - Term</i>	3,3
3	Expr - Term	5	<i>Expr - Term * Factor</i>	5,5
4	Term	9	<i>Expr - Term * <id,y></i>	9,5
5	Term → Term * Factor	7	<i>Expr - Factor * <id,y></i>	7,3
6	Term / Factor	8	<i>Expr - <num,2> * <id,y></i>	8,3
7	Factor	4	<i>Term - <num,2> * <id,y></i>	4,1
8	Factor → <u>number</u>	7	<i>Factor - <num,2> * <id,y></i>	7,1
9	<u>id</u>	9	<i><id,x> - <num,2> * <id,y></i>	9,1

The expression grammar

*Handles for rightmost derivation of $x = 2 * y$*

Handle-pruning

- * The process of discovering a handle & reducing it to the appropriate left-hand side is called *handle pruning*
- * Handle pruning forms the basis for a bottom-up parsing method
- * To construct a rightmost derivation
 $S \Rightarrow \gamma_0 \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \Rightarrow \gamma_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_{n-1} \Rightarrow \gamma_n \Rightarrow W$
- * Apply the following simple algorithm
 - * for $i \leftarrow n$ to 1 by -1
 - * Find the handle $\langle A_i \rightarrow \beta_i, k_i \rangle$ in γ_i
 - * Replace β_i with A_i to generate γ_{i-1}
- * This takes $2n$ steps

Shift-Reduce Parser

```
push INVALID
token ← next_token( )
repeat until (top of stack = Goal and token = EOF)
  if the top of the stack is a handle  $A \rightarrow \beta$ 
  then // reduce  $\beta$  to A
    pop  $|\beta|$  symbols off the stack
    push A onto the stack
  else if (token  $\neq$  EOF)
  then // shift
    push token
    token ← next_token( )
  else // need to shift, but out of input
    report an error
```

How do errors show up?

- failure to find a handle
- hitting EOF & needing to shift (final else clause)

Either generates an error

Example: $x - 2 * y$

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\$	<u>id</u> - num * <u>id</u>	none	shift
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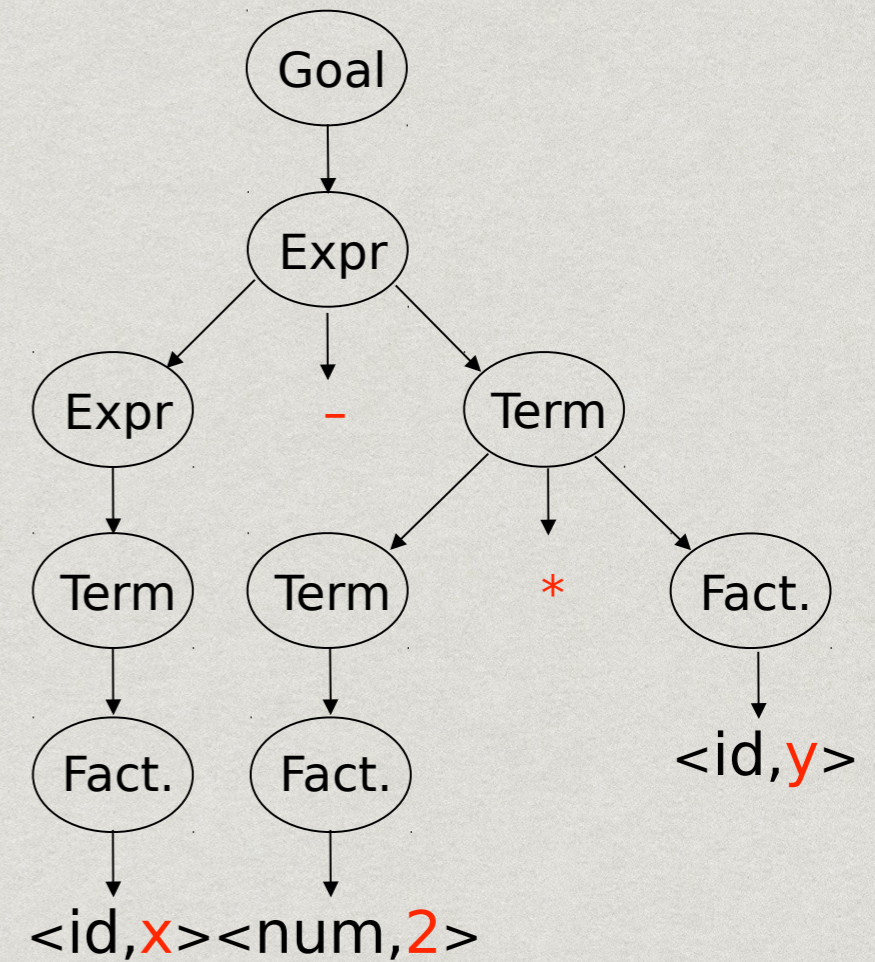
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\$ Expr - <u>Term</u> * <u>id</u>		9,5	red. 9
\$ Expr - <u>Term</u> * <u>Factor</u>		5,5	red. 5
\$ Expr - <u>Term</u>		3,3	red. 3
\$ Expr		1,1	red. 1
\$ Goal		none	accept

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\$ Expr - Term * id		red. 9
\$ Expr - Term * Factor		red. 5
\$ Expr - Term		red. 3
\$ Expr		red. 1
\$ Goal		accept



Shift-Reduce Parsing

- * *Shift reduce parsers are easily built and easily understood*
- * A shift-reduce parser has just *four* actions
 - * **Shift** — next word is shifted onto the stack
 - * **Reduce** — right end of handle is at top of stack
 - * Locate left end of handle within the stack
 - * Pop handle off stack & push appropriate LHS
 - * **Accept** — stop parsing & report success
 - * **Error** — call an error reporting/recovery routine
- * Accept & Error are simple
- * Shift is just a push and a call to the scanner
- * Reduce takes |RHS| pops & 1 push
- * If handle-finding requires state, put it in the stack ⇒ 2x work

Handle finding is key

- **handle is on stack**
- **finite set of handles**
- ⇒ **use a DFA !**

Finding Handles

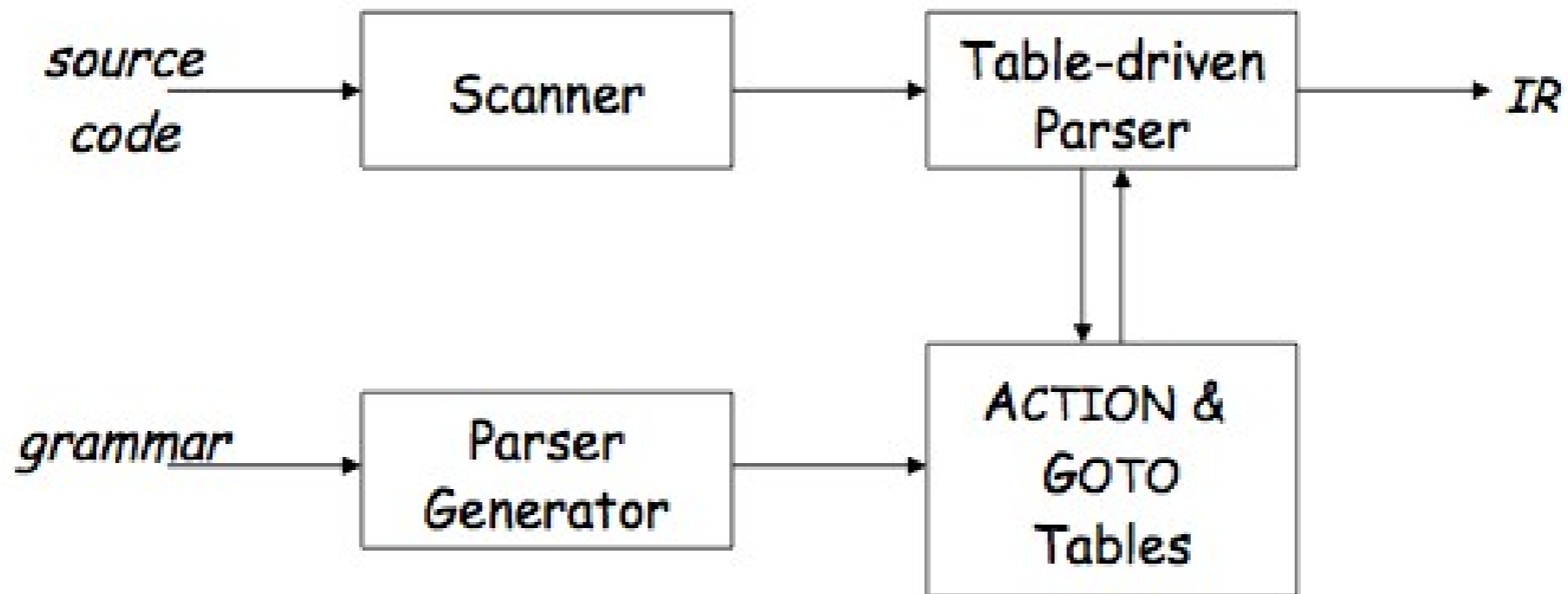
- * Critical Question: How can we know when we have found a handle without generating lots of different derivations?
- * Answer: we use look ahead in the grammar along with tables produced as the result of analysing the grammar.
- * LR(1) parsers build a DFA that runs over the stack & finds them

LR(1) Parsers

- * LR(1) parsers are table-driven, shift-reduce parsers that use a limited right context (1 token) for handle recognition
- * LR(1) parsers recognise languages that have an LR(1) grammar
- * Informal definition:
 - * A grammar is LR(1) if, given a rightmost derivation $S \Rightarrow \gamma_0 \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \Rightarrow \gamma_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_{n-1} \Rightarrow \gamma_n \Rightarrow \text{sentence}$
 - * We can
 - * 1. isolate the handle of each right-sentential form γ_i , and
 - * 2. determine the production by which to reduce,by scanning γ_i from left-to-right, going at most 1 symbol beyond the right end of the handle of γ_i

LR(1) Parsers

A table-driven LR(1) parser looks like



Tables can be built by hand

However, this is a perfect task to automate

LR(1) Skeleton Parser

```
stack.push(INVALID); stack.push(s0);
not_found = true;
token = scanner.next_token();
do while (not_found) {
    s = stack.top();
    if ( ACTION[s,token] == "reduce A→β" ) then {
        stack.popnum(2*|β|); // pop 2*|β| symbols
        s = stack.top();
        stack.push(A);
        stack.push(GOTO[s,A]);
    }
    else if ( ACTION[s,token] == "shift si" ) then {
        stack.push(token); stack.push(si);
        token ← scanner.next_token();
    }
    else if ( ACTION[s,token] == "accept"
        & token == EOF )
        then not_found = false;
    else report a syntax error and recover;
}
report success;
```

The skeleton parser

- uses ACTION & GOTO tables
- does |words| shifts
- does |derivation| reductions
- does 1 accept
- detects errors by failure of 3 other cases

LR(1) Parse Tables

To make a parser for $L(G)$,
need a set of tables

The grammar

```
1 |           Goal → SheepNoise
2 | SheepNoise → SheepNoise baa
3 |           | baa
```

The tables

ACTION			GOTO	
State	EOF	<u>baa</u>	State	SN
s0	-	shift s2	s0	s1
s1	accept	shift s3	s1	
s2	reduce 3	reduce 3	s2	
s3	reduce 2	reduce 2	s3	

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Example: "baa"

STACK	INPUT	ACTION
s0	<u>baa</u> EOF	shift s2
s0 <u>baa</u> s2	<u>EOF</u>	reduce 3
s0 SN s1	<u>EOF</u>	accept

The tables

State	ACTION	
	EOF	<u>baa</u>
s0	-	shift s2
s1	accept	shift s3
s2	reduce 3	reduce 3
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GOTO	
State	SN
s0	s1
s1	
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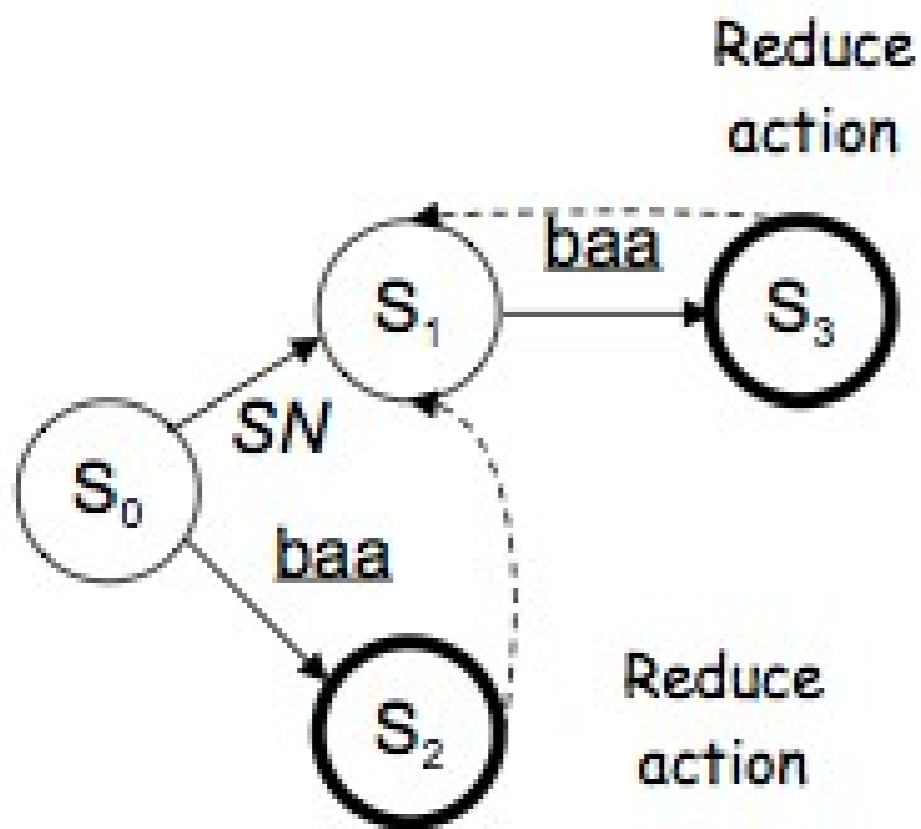
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Control DFA for SN

State	ACTION		GOTO	
	EOF	<u>baa</u>	State	SN
s0	-	shift s2	s0	s1
s1	accept	shift s3	s1	
s2	reduce 3	reduce 3	s2	
s3	reduce 2	reduce 2	s3	

Parse Tables

- * The process of creating the parse tables can be automated
- * More details in the book (EaC)

Beyond Syntax

```
fie(a,b,c,d)
  int a, b, c, d;
{ ... }
fee() {
  int f[3],g[0],
    h, i, j, k;
  char *p;
  fie(h,i,"ab",j, k);
  k = f * i + j;
  h = g[17];
  printf("<%s,%s>.\n",
    p,q);
  p = 10;
}
```

What is wrong with this program?
(let me count the ways ...)

- declared g[0], used g[17]
- wrong number of args to fie()
- "ab" is not an int
- wrong dimension on use of f
- undeclared variable q
- 10 is not a character string

All of these are "deeper than syntax"

Preview

- * Context-Sensitive Analysis