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Lecture 9: LR(1) Parsing
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LR(0) Parsing Summary

- LR(0) state = set of LR(0) items
- LR(0) item = a production with a dot in RHS
- Compute LR(0) states and build DFA:
 - Use the closure operation to compute states
 - Use the goto operation to compute transitions between states
- Build the LR(0) parsing table from the DFA
- Use the LR(0) parsing table to determine whether to reduce or to shift

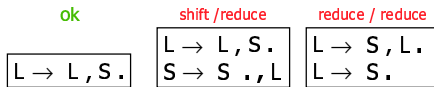
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LR(0) Limitations

- An LR(0) machine only works if states with reduce actions have a **single** reduce action
- With more complex grammar, construction gives states with shift/reduce or reduce/reduce conflicts
- Need to use look-ahead to choose



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LR(0) Parsing Table

	()	id	,	\$	S	L
1	s3		s2			g4	
2	S→id	S→id	S→id	S→id	S→id		
3	s3		s2			g7	g5
4					accept		
5	s6		s8				
6	S→(L	S→(L	S→(L	S→(L	S→(L		
7	L→S	L→S	L→S	L→S	L→S		
8	s3		s2			g9	
9	L→L,S	L→L,S	L→L,S	L→L,S	L→L,S		

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A Non-LR(0) Grammar

- Grammar for addition of numbers:

$$S \rightarrow S + E \mid E$$

$$E \rightarrow \text{num}$$
- Left-associative version is LR(0)
- Right-associative version is **not** LR(0)

$$S \rightarrow E + S \mid E$$

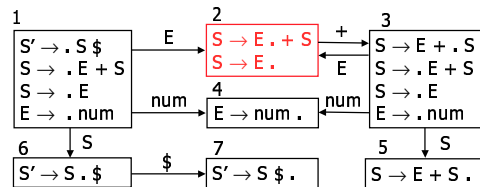
$$E \rightarrow \text{num}$$

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LR(0) Parsing Table



What to do in state 2:
shift or reduce?

	num	+	\$	E	S
1	s4				g2 g6
2	S→E	s3/S→E	S→E		

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SLR Parsing

- SLR Parsing = easy extension of LR(0)
 - For each reduction $X \rightarrow \gamma$: look at the next symbol C
 - Apply reduction only if C is not in FOLLOW(X)
- SLR parsing table eliminates some conflicts
 - Same as LR(0) table except reduction rows
 - Adds reductions $X \rightarrow \gamma$ only in the columns of symbols in FOLLOW(X)

• Example:

	num	+	\$	E	S
1	s4			g2	g6
2		s3	S→E		

FOLLOW(S)={}

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SLR Parsing Table

- Reductions do not fill entire rows
- Otherwise, same as LR(0)

	num	+	\$	E	S
1	s4			g2	g6
2		s3	S→E		
3	s4			g2	g5
4	S→E		S→E		
5			S→E+S		
6			s7		
7			accept		

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LR(1) Parsing

- Get as much power as possible out of 1 look-ahead symbol parsing table
- LR(1) grammar = recognizable by a shift/reduce parser with 1 look-ahead
- LR(1) parsing uses similar concepts as LR(0)
 - Parser states = sets of items
 - LR(1) item = LR(0) item + look-ahead symbol possibly following production

LR(0) item : $S \rightarrow \cdot S + E$
 LR(1) item : $S \rightarrow \cdot S + E \quad +$

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LR(1) States

- LR(1) state = set of LR(1) items
- LR(1) item = $(X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, \gamma)$
- Meaning: α already matched at top of the stack; next expect to see $\beta \gamma$
- Shorthand notation
 - $(X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, \{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$
 means:

$S \rightarrow \cdot S + E$	$+, \$$
$S \rightarrow S + \cdot E$	num

 - $(X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, x_1)$
 - ...
 - $(X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta, x_n)$
- Extend closure and goto operations

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LR(1) Closure

- LR(1) closure operation:
 - Start with Closure(S) = S
 - For each item in S:
 - $X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot Y \beta, z$
 and for each production $Y \rightarrow \gamma$, add the following item to the closure of S:
 - $Y \rightarrow \cdot \gamma, \text{FIRST}(\beta z)$
 - Repeat until nothing changes
- Similar to LR(0) closure, but also keeps track of the look-ahead symbol

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LR(1) Start State

- Initial state: start with $(S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \$)$, then apply the closure operation
- Example: sum grammar

$S' \rightarrow S \$$
 $S \rightarrow E + S \mid E$
 $E \rightarrow num$

$S' \rightarrow \cdot S \quad \$$
→
closure
→

$S' \rightarrow \cdot S$	$\$$
$S \rightarrow \cdot E + S$	$\$$
$S \rightarrow \cdot E$	$\$$
$E \rightarrow \cdot num$	$+, \$$

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LR(1) Goto Operation

- LR(1) goto operation = describes transitions between LR(1) states
- Algorithm: for a state S and a symbol Y
 - $S' = \{(X \rightarrow \alpha Y \beta, z) \mid (X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot Y \beta, z) \in S\}$
 - $\text{Goto}(S, X) = \text{Closure}(S')$

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LR(1) DFA Construction

- If $S' = \text{goto}(S, x)$ then add an edge labeled x from S to S'

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LR(1) Reductions

- Reductions correspond to LR(1) items of the form $(X \rightarrow \gamma \cdot, y)$

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LR(1) Parsing Table Construction

- Same as construction of LR(0) parsing table, except for reductions
- For a transition $S \rightarrow S'$ on terminal x: $\text{Shift}(S') \subseteq \text{Table}[S, x]$
- For a transition $S \rightarrow S'$ on non-terminal N: $\text{Goto}(S') \subseteq \text{Table}[S, N]$
- If $(X \rightarrow \gamma \cdot, y) \in S$, then: $\text{Reduce}(X \rightarrow \gamma) \subseteq \text{Table}[S, y]$

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LR(1) Parsing Table Example

Fragment of the Parsing table:

	+	\$	E
1	s3	S -> E	2

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LALR(1) Grammars

- Problem with LR(1): too many states
- LALR(1) Parsing (Look-Ahead LR)
 - Constructs LR(1) DFA and then merge any two LR(1) states whose items are identical except look-ahead
 - Results in smaller parser tables
 - Theoretically less powerful than LR(1)

- LALR(1) Grammar = a grammar whose LALR(1) parsing table has no conflicts

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LL/LR Grammar Summary

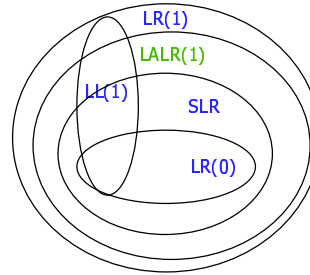
- **LL parsing tables**
 - Nonterminals x terminals \rightarrow productions
 - Computed using FIRST/FOLLOW
- **LR parsing tables**
 - LR states x terminals \rightarrow {shift/reduce}
 - LR states x non-terminals \rightarrow goto
 - Computed using closure/goto operations on LR states
- **A grammar is:**
 - **LL(1)** if its LL(1) parsing table has no conflicts
 - **LR(0)** if its LR(0) parsing table has no conflicts
 - **SLR** if its SLR parsing table has no conflicts
 - **LALR(1)** if its LALR(1) parsing table has no conflicts
 - **LR(1)** if its LR(1) parsing table has no conflicts

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Classification of Grammars



$$\begin{aligned} LR(k) &\subseteq LR(k+1) \\ LL(k) &\subseteq LL(k+1) \\ LL(k) &\subseteq LR(k) \\ LR(0) &\subseteq SLR \\ LALR(1) &\subseteq LR(1) \end{aligned}$$

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Automate the Parsing Process

- Can automate:
 - The construction of LR parsing tables
 - The construction of shift-reduce parsers based on these parsing tables
- Automatic parser generators: **yacc, bison, CUP**
- LALR(1) parser generators
 - No much difference compared to LR(1) in practice
 - Smaller parsing tables than LR(1)
 - Augment LALR(1) grammar specification with declarations of precedence, associativity
- output: LALR(1) parser program

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Associativity

$S \rightarrow S + E \mid E$
 $E \rightarrow \text{num}$

\Rightarrow

$E \rightarrow E + E$
 $E \rightarrow \text{num}$

What happens if we run this grammar through LALR construction?

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Shift/Reduce Conflict

$E \rightarrow E + E$
 $E \rightarrow \text{num}$

$E \rightarrow E + E .$	$+$	\rightarrow
$E \rightarrow E . + E$	$+, \$$	

shift/reduce
conflict

shift: $1+(2+3)$
 reduce: $(1+2)+3$

$1+2+3$
 $\quad \quad \wedge$

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Grammar in CUP

non terminal E; terminal PLUS, LPAREN...
precedence **left PLUS**;

When shifting '+' conflicts with reducing a production, choose reduce"

$E ::= E \text{ PLUS } E$
 $\quad \mid \text{ LPAREN } E \text{ RPAREN}$
 $\quad \mid \text{ NUMBER ;}$

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Precedence

- CUP can also handle operator precedence

$$E \rightarrow E + E \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow T \times T \mid \text{num} \mid (E)$$


$$E \rightarrow E + E \mid E \times E$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \mid \text{num} \mid (E)$$

Conflicts without Precedence

$$E \rightarrow E + E \mid E \times E$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \mid \text{num} \mid (E)$$

$E \rightarrow E . + E \dots$	$E \rightarrow E + E . \times$
$E \rightarrow E \times E . +$	$E \rightarrow E . \times E \dots$

Precedence in CUP

precedence left PLUS;
 precedence left TIMES; // TIMES > PLUS
 $E ::= E \text{ PLUS } E \mid E \text{ TIMES } E \mid \dots$

RULE: in conflict, choose **reduce** if production symbol higher precedence than shifted symbol; choose **shift** if vice-versa

$E \rightarrow E . + E \dots$	$E \rightarrow E + E . \times$
$E \rightarrow E \times E . +$	$E \rightarrow E . \times E \dots$

reduce $E \rightarrow E \times E$ Shift \times

Summary

- Look-ahead information makes SLR(1), LALR(1), LR(1) grammars expressive
- Automatic parser generators support LALR(1) grammars
- Precedence, associativity declarations simplify grammar writing