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Lecture 8: Bottom-up Parsing  
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## Shift-reduce Parsing

- Parsing actions: is a sequence of **shift** and **reduce** operations
- Parser state: a stack of terminals and non-terminals (grows to the right)
- Current derivation step = always stack+input

Derivation step	stack	unconsumed input
$(1+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$		$(1+2+(3+4))+5$
$(E+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(E	$+2+(3+4))+5$
$(S+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S	$+2+(3+4))+5$
$(S+E+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+E	$+(3+4))+5$

## Shift-reduce Actions

- Parsing is a sequence of shifts and reduces
- **Shift** : move look-ahead token to stack
- **Reduce** : Replace symbols  $\gamma$  from top of stack with non-terminal symbol  $X$ , corresponding to production  $X \rightarrow \gamma$

stack	input	action
(	$1+2+(3+4))+5$	<b>shift 1</b>
(1	$+2+(3+4))+5$	

stack	input	action
(S+E	$+(3+4))+5$	<b>reduce <math>S \rightarrow S+E</math></b>
(S	$+(3+4))+5$	

## Shift-reduce Parsing

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

derivation	stack	input stream	action
$(1+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$		$(1+2+(3+4))+5$	shift
$(1+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(	$1+2+(3+4))+5$	shift
$(1+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(1	$+2+(3+4))+5$	reduce $E \rightarrow \text{num}$
$(E+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(E	$+2+(3+4))+5$	reduce $S \rightarrow E$
$(S+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S	$+2+(3+4))+5$	shift
$(S+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+	$2+(3+4))+5$	shift
$(S+2+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+2	$+(3+4))+5$	reduce $E \rightarrow \text{num}$
$(S+E+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+E	$+(3+4))+5$	reduce $S \rightarrow S+E$
$(S+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S	$+(3+4))+5$	shift
$(S+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+	$(3+4))+5$	shift
$(S+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+(	$3+4))+5$	shift
$(S+(3+4))+5 \leftarrow$	(S+(3	$+4))+5$	reduce $E \rightarrow \text{num}$

## LR Parsing Engine

- Basic mechanism:
  - Use a set of parser states
  - Use a stack with alternating symbols and states
    - E.g:  $1 \quad ( \quad 6 \quad S \quad 10 \quad + \quad 5$
  - Use a parsing table to:
    - Determine what action to apply (shift/reduce)
    - Determine the next state
- The parser actions can be precisely determined from the table

## The LR Parsing Table

	Terminals	Non-terminals
State	Next action and next state	Next state

Action table      Goto table

- **Algorithm**: look at entry for current state  $S$  and input terminal  $C$ 
  - If  $\text{Table}[S,C] = s(S')$  then **shift**:  
 $\text{push}(C), \text{push}(S')$
  - If  $\text{Table}[S,C] = X \rightarrow \alpha$  then **reduce**:  
 $\text{pop}(2*|\alpha|), S' = \text{top}(), \text{push}(X), \text{push}(\text{Table}[S',X])$

## LR Parsing Table Example

	(	)	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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## LR(k) Grammars

- LR(k) = Left-to-right scanning, Right-most derivation, k look-ahead characters
- Main cases: LR(0), LR(1), and some variations (SLR and LALR(1))
- Parsers for LR(0) Grammars:
  - Determine the actions without any lookahead symbol
  - will help us understand shift-reduce parsing

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## Building LR(0) Parsing Tables

- To build the parsing table:
  - Define states of the parser
  - Build a DFA to describe the transitions between states
  - Use the DFA to build the parsing table
- Each LR(0) state is a set of LR(0) items:
  - An LR(0) item:  $X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta$ , where  $X \rightarrow \alpha \beta$  is a production in the grammar
  - The LR(0) items keep track of the progress on all of the possible upcoming productions
  - The item  $X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta$  abstracts the fact that the parser already matched the string  $\alpha$  at the top of the stack

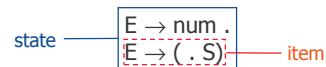
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## Example LR(0) State

- An LR(0) item is a production from the language with a separator "." somewhere in the RHS of the production



- Sub-string before "." is already on stack (beginnings of possible  $\gamma$ 's to be reduced)
- Sub-string after "." : what we might see next

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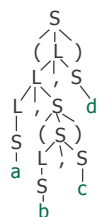
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## LR(0) Grammar

- Nested lists:
 
$$S \rightarrow ( L ) \mid \text{id}$$

$$L \rightarrow S \mid L , S$$
- Examples
  - (a, b, c)
  - ((a,b), (c,d), (e,f))
  - (a, (b,c,d), ((f,g)))

Parse tree for (a, (b,c), d)



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## Start State & Closure

- Start state
  - Augment grammar with production  $S' \rightarrow S \$$
  - Start state of DFA has empty stack:  $S' \rightarrow \cdot S \$$
- Closure of a parser state:
  - Start with  $\text{Closure}(S) = S$
  - Then for each item in S:
 
$$X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot Y \beta$$
 add the items for all the productions  $Y \rightarrow \gamma$  to the closure of S:
 
$$Y \rightarrow \cdot \gamma$$

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## Closure Example

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow ( L ) \mid id \\ L \rightarrow S \mid L, S \end{array}$$

DFA start state

$$S' \rightarrow \cdot S \$$$

closure

$$\begin{array}{l} S' \rightarrow \cdot S \$ \\ S \rightarrow \cdot ( L ) \\ S \rightarrow \cdot id \end{array}$$

- set of possible productions to be reduced next
- Added items have the "." located at the beginning: no symbols for these items on the stack yet

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## The Goto Operation

- **Goto operation** = describes transitions between parser states, which are sets of items
- **Algorithm:** for a state  $S$  and a symbol  $Y$ 
  - $S' = \{X \rightarrow \alpha Y \cdot \beta \mid X \rightarrow \alpha \cdot Y \beta \in S\}$
  - $\text{Goto}(S, Y) = \text{Closure}(S')$

$$\begin{array}{l} S' \rightarrow \cdot S \$ \\ S \rightarrow \cdot ( L ) \\ S \rightarrow \cdot id \end{array}$$

Goto(S, '(')

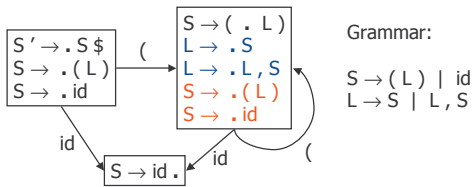
$$\text{Closure}(\{S \rightarrow ( \cdot L )\})$$

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## Goto: Terminal Symbols



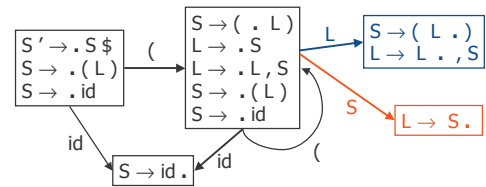
In new state, include all items that have appropriate input symbol just after dot, advance dot in those items, and take closure.

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## Goto: Non-terminal Symbols



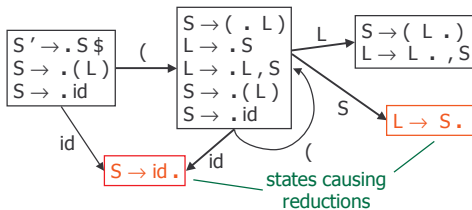
( same algorithm for transitions on non-terminals)

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## Applying Reduce Actions



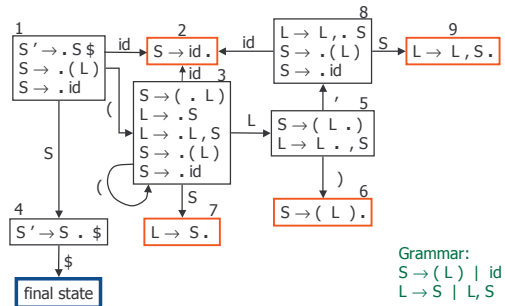
- Pop RHS off stack, replace with LHS  $X$  ( $X \rightarrow \gamma$ ), then rerun DFA (e.g. (x))

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## Full DFA



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## Parsing Example: ((a),b)

$S \rightarrow (L) \mid id$   
 $L \rightarrow S \mid L, S$

derivation	stack	input	action
((a),b) ←	1	((a),b)	shift, goto 3
((a),b) ←	1 (3	(a),b)	shift, goto 3
((a),b) ←	1 (3 (3	a),b)	shift, goto 2
((a),b) ←	1 (3 (3 a <sub>2</sub>	),b)	reduce S→id
((S),b) ←	1 (3 (3 S <sub>7</sub>	),b)	reduce L→S
((L),b) ←	1 (3 (3 L <sub>5</sub>	),b)	shift, goto 6
((L),b) ←	1 (3 (3 L <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>6</sub>	,b)	reduce S→(L)
(S,b) ←	1 (3 S <sub>7</sub>	,b)	reduce L→S
(L,b) ←	1 (3 L <sub>5</sub>	,b)	shift, goto 8
(L,b) ←	1 (3 L <sub>5</sub> , 8	b)	shift, goto 9
(L,b) ←	1 (3 L <sub>5</sub> , 8 b <sub>2</sub>	)	reduce S→id
(L,S) ←	1 (3 L <sub>5</sub> , 8 S <sub>9</sub>	)	reduce L→L , S
(L) ←	1 (3 L <sub>5</sub>	)	shift, goto 6
(L) ←	1 (3 L <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>6</sub>		reduce S→(L)
S	1 S <sub>4</sub>	\$	done

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## Reductions

- On reducing  $X \rightarrow \gamma$  with stack  $\alpha\gamma$ :
  - pop  $\gamma$  off stack, revealing prefix  $\alpha$  and state
  - take single step in DFA from top state
  - push  $X$  onto stack with new DFA state

- Example:

((a),b) ←	1 (3 (3	a),b)	shift, goto 2
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((S),b) ←	1 (3 (3 S <sub>7</sub>	),b)	reduce L→S

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## Build the Parsing Table

- States in the table = states in the DFA
- For a transition  $S \rightarrow S'$  on terminal C:
  - $\text{Shift}(S') \subseteq \text{Table}[S,C]$
- For a transition  $S \rightarrow S'$  on non-terminal N:
  - $\text{Goto}(S') \subseteq \text{Table}[S,N]$
- If S is a reduction state  $X \rightarrow \gamma$  then:
  - $\text{Reduce}(X \rightarrow \gamma) \subseteq \text{Table}[S,*]$

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## Computed LR Parsing Table

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4					accept		
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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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## LR(0) Summary

- LR(0) parsing recipe:
  - Start with an LR(0) grammar
  - 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
- This process can be automated, i.e. we can build parser generator tools

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## LR(0) Limitations

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

ok	shift / reduce	reduce / reduce
L → L , S .	L → L , S . S → S . , L	L → S , L . L → S .

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## LR(0) Parsing Table

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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:

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

$$E \rightarrow \text{num} \mid ( S )$$

- Left-associative is LR(0)

- Right-associative version is not LR(0)

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

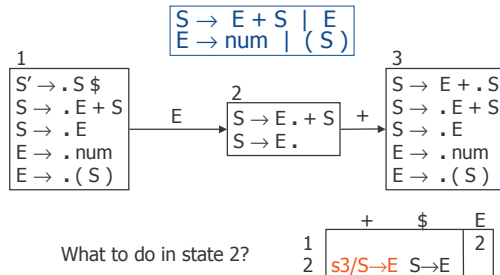
$$E \rightarrow \text{num} \mid ( S )$$

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## LR(0) Parsing Table



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## Next Time

- Learn about other kinds of LR parsing:

- SLR = improved LR(0)
- LR(1) = 1 character lookahead
- LALR(1) = Look-Ahead LR(1)

- Basic ideas are the same as for LR(0)

- Parser states with LR items
- DFA with transitions between parser states
- Parser table with shift/reduce/goto actions

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