

*CS415 Compilers*  
*Syntax Analysis*  
*Bottom-up Parsing*

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The LR(1) table construction algorithm uses LR(1) items to represent valid configurations of an LR(1) parser

An LR( $k$ ) item is a pair  $[P, \delta]$ , where

$P$  is a production  $A \rightarrow \beta$  with a  $\cdot$  at some position in the *rhs*

$\delta$  is a lookahead string of length  $\leq k$  (words or EOF)

The  $\cdot$  in an item indicates the position of the top of the stack

LR(1):

$[A \rightarrow \cdot \beta \gamma, \underline{a}]$  means that the input seen so far is consistent with the use of  $A \rightarrow \beta \gamma$  immediately after the symbol on top of the stack

$[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot \gamma, \underline{a}]$  means that the input seen so far is consistent with the use of  $A \rightarrow \beta \gamma$  at this point in the parse, and that the parser has already recognized  $\beta$ .

$[A \rightarrow \beta \gamma \cdot, \underline{a}]$  means that the parser has seen  $\beta \gamma$ , and that a lookahead symbol of  $\underline{a}$  is consistent with reducing to  $A$ .

## High-level overview

1 Build the **canonical collection of sets of LR(1) Items,  $I$** 

- a Begin in an appropriate state,  $s_0$ 
    - ◆ Assume:  $S' \rightarrow S$ , and  $S'$  is unique start symbol that does not occur on any RHS of a production (extended CFG - ECFG)
    - ◆  $[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \underline{\text{EOF}}]$ , along with any equivalent items
    - ◆ Derive equivalent items as  $\text{closure}(s_0)$
  - b Repeatedly compute, for each  $s_k$ , and each  $X$ ,  $\text{goto}(s_k, X)$ 
    - ◆ If the set is not already in the collection, add it
    - ◆ Record all the transitions created by  $\text{goto}()$
- This eventually reaches a fixed point

## 2 Fill in the table from the collection of sets of LR(1) items

*The canonical collection completely encodes the transition diagram for the handle-finding DFA*

$Closure(s)$  adds all the items implied by items already in  $s$

- Any item  $[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot B \delta, \underline{a}]$  implies  $[B \rightarrow \cdot \tau, \underline{x}]$  for each production with  $B$  on the *lhs*, and each  $x \in FIRST(\delta \underline{a})$

The algorithm

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Closure( s )
  while ( s is still changing )
     $\forall$  items  $[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot B \delta, \underline{a}] \in s$ 
       $\forall$  productions  $B \rightarrow \tau \in P$ 
         $\forall \underline{b} \in FIRST(\delta \underline{a})$  //  $\delta$  might be  $\epsilon$ 
          if  $[B \rightarrow \cdot \tau, \underline{b}] \notin s$ 
            then add  $[B \rightarrow \cdot \tau, \underline{b}]$  to  $s$ 
  
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- Classic fixed-point method
  - Halts because  $s \subset ITEMS$
- Closure “fills out” a state*

$Goto(s, x)$  computes the state that the parser would reach if it recognized an  $x$  while in state  $s$

- $Goto(\{ [A \rightarrow \beta \cdot X \delta, \underline{a}] \}, X)$  produces  $[A \rightarrow \beta X \cdot \delta, \underline{a}]$  (*easy part*)
- Should also includes  $closure([A \rightarrow \beta X \cdot \delta, \underline{a}])$  (*fill out the state*)

The algorithm

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Goto(s, X)
  new ← ∅
  ∀ items [A → β · X δ, a] ∈ s
    new ← new ∪ [A → β X · δ, a]
  return closure(new)

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- Not a fixed-point method!
  - Straightforward computation
  - Uses  $closure()$
- Goto() moves forward*

Start from  $s_0 = \text{closure}([S' \rightarrow S, \underline{\text{EOF}}])$

Repeatedly construct new states, until all are found

The algorithm

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 $cc_0 \leftarrow \text{closure}([S' \rightarrow \bullet S, \underline{\text{EOF}}])$ 
 $CC \leftarrow \{ cc_0 \}$ 
while (new sets are still being added to  $CC$ )
  for each unmarked set  $cc_j \in CC$ 
    mark  $cc_j$  as processed
    for each  $x$  following a  $\bullet$  in an item in  $cc_j$ 
       $temp \leftarrow \text{goto}(cc_j, x)$ 
      if  $temp \notin CC$ 
        then  $CC \leftarrow CC \cup \{temp\}$ 
      record transitions from  $cc_j$  to  $temp$  on  $x$ 
  
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- Fixed-point computation
- Loop adds to  $CC$
- $CC \subseteq 2^{\text{ITEMS}}$ , so  $CC$  is finite

Simplified, right recursive expression grammar

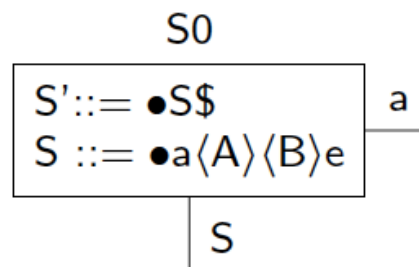
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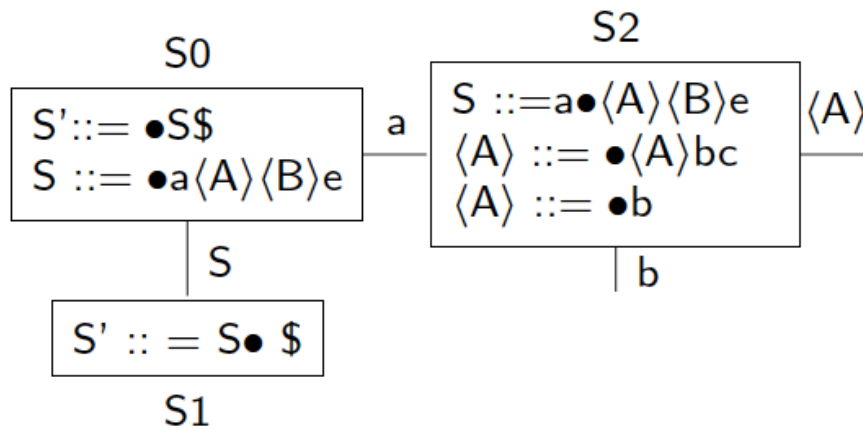
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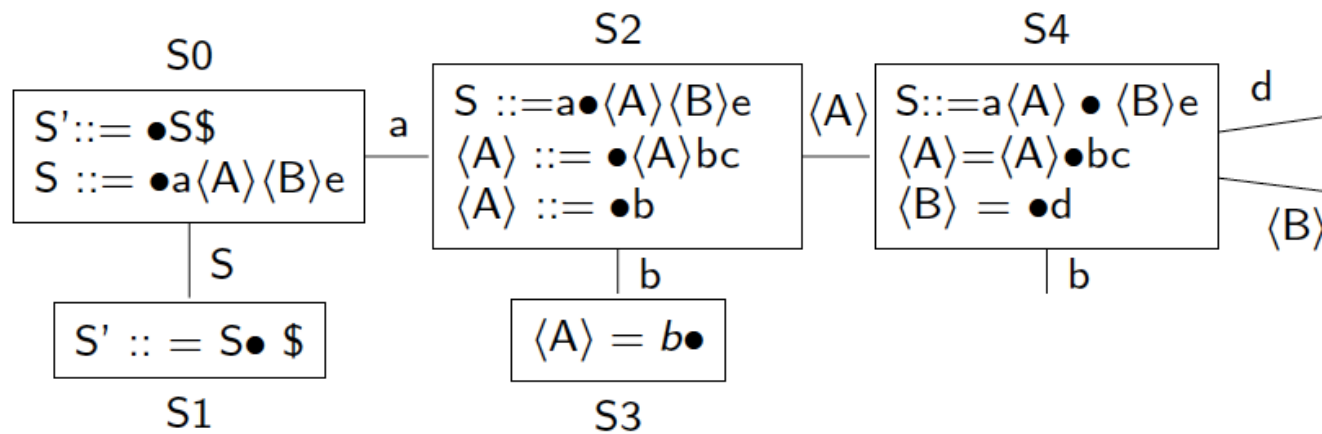
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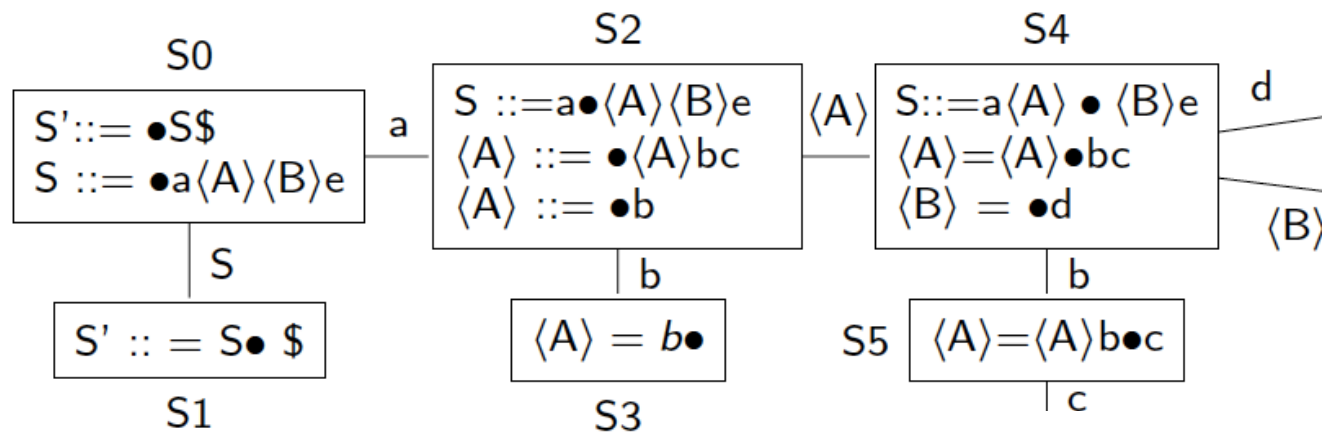
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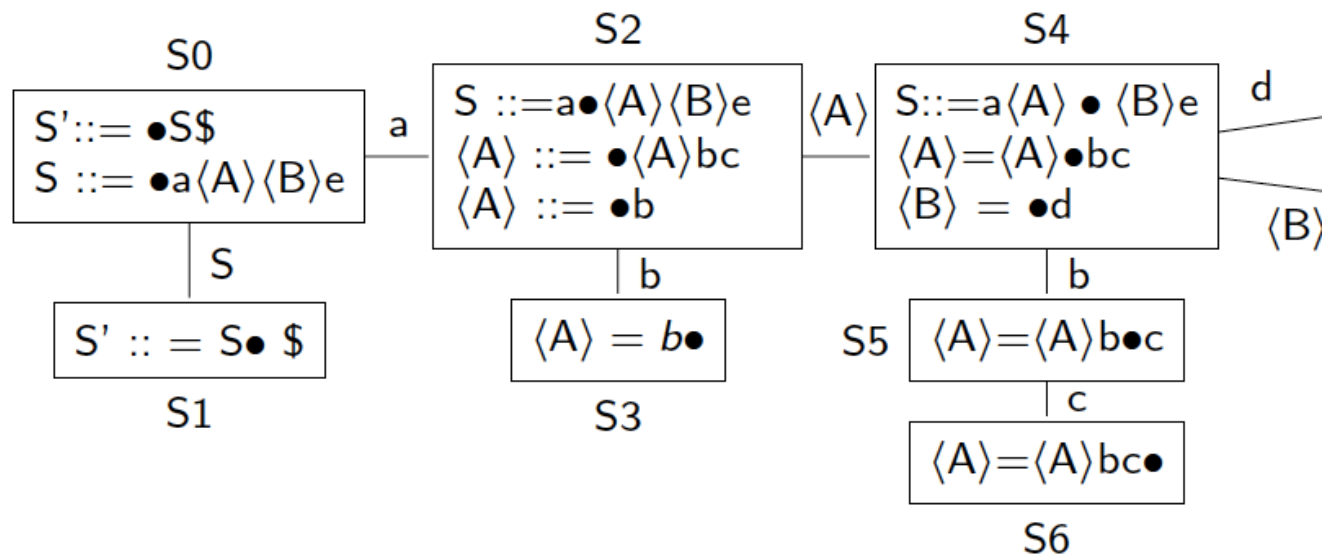
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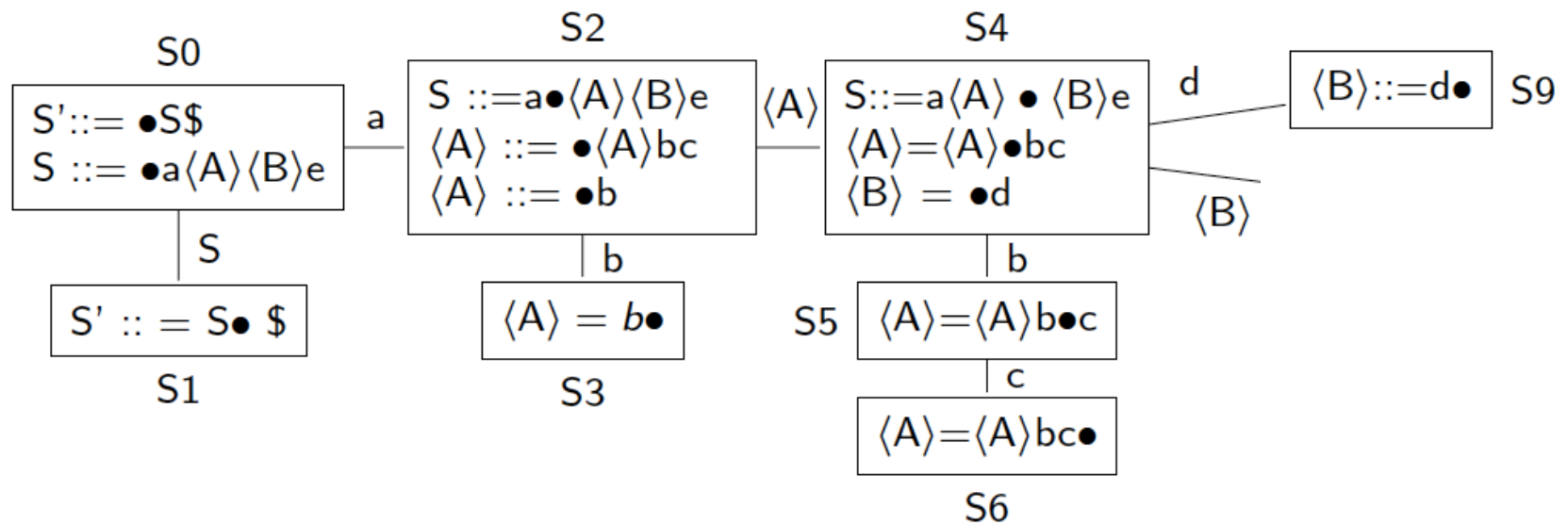
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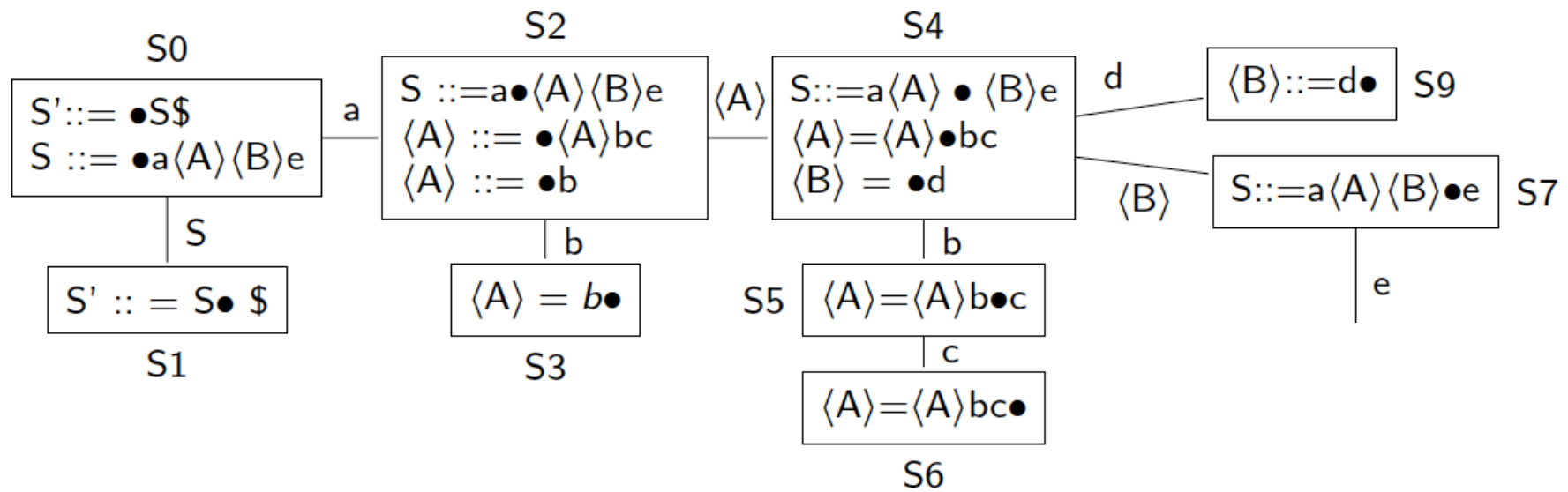
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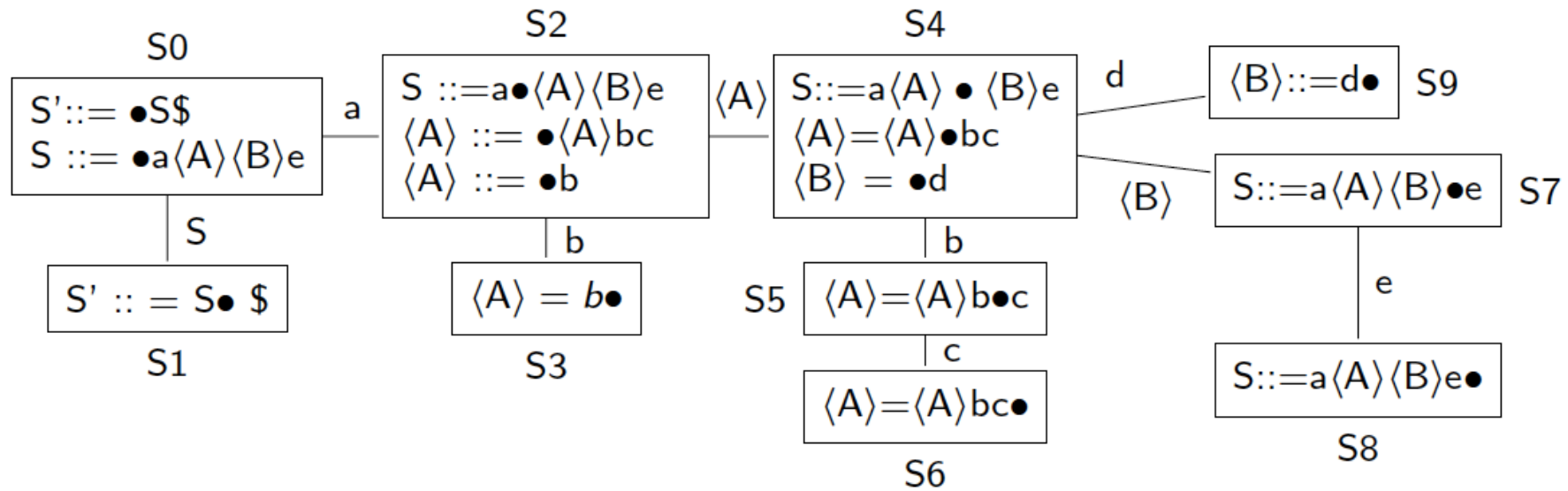
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## Initialization Step

$s_0 \leftarrow \text{closure}(\{ [Goal \rightarrow \cdot Expr, EOF] \}) =$   
 $\{ [Expr \rightarrow \cdot Term - Expr, EOF], [Expr \rightarrow \cdot Term, EOF],$   
 $[Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor * Term, -], [Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor, -], [Term \rightarrow \cdot$   
 $Factor * Term, EOF], [Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor, EOF],$   
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$S \leftarrow \{ S_0 \}$

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$$s_2 \leftarrow \text{goto}(s_0, Term) = \{ [Expr \rightarrow Term \cdot - Expr, EOF], [Expr \rightarrow Term \cdot, EOF] \}$$

$$s_3 \leftarrow \text{goto}(s_0, Factor) = \{ [Term \rightarrow Factor \cdot * Term, EOF], [Term \rightarrow$$

$$Factor \cdot * Term, -], [Term \rightarrow Factor \cdot, EOF], [Term \rightarrow Factor \cdot, -] \}$$

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$$s_6 \leftarrow \text{goto}(s_3, *) = \dots \text{ see next page}$$

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## Iteration 3

$$s_7 \leftarrow \text{goto}(s_5, Expr) = \{ [Expr \rightarrow Term - Expr \cdot, EOF] \}$$

$$s_8 \leftarrow \text{goto}(s_6, Term) = \{ [Term \rightarrow Factor * Term \cdot, EOF], [Term \rightarrow Factor * Term \cdot, -] \}$$

$$\text{goto}(s_5, Term) = s_2, \text{goto}(s_5, factor) = s_3, \text{goto}(s_5, ident) = s_4$$

$$\text{goto}(s_6, Factor) = s_3, \text{goto}(s_6, ident) = s_4$$

$$S_0 : \{ [Goal \rightarrow \cdot Expr, EOF], [Expr \rightarrow \cdot Term - Expr, EOF], \\ [Expr \rightarrow \cdot Term, EOF], [Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor * Term, EOF], \\ [Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor * Term, -], [Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor, EOF], \\ [Term \rightarrow \cdot Factor, -], [Factor \rightarrow \cdot \underline{ident}, EOF], \\ [Factor \rightarrow \cdot \underline{ident}, -], [Factor \rightarrow \cdot \underline{ident}, *] \}$$

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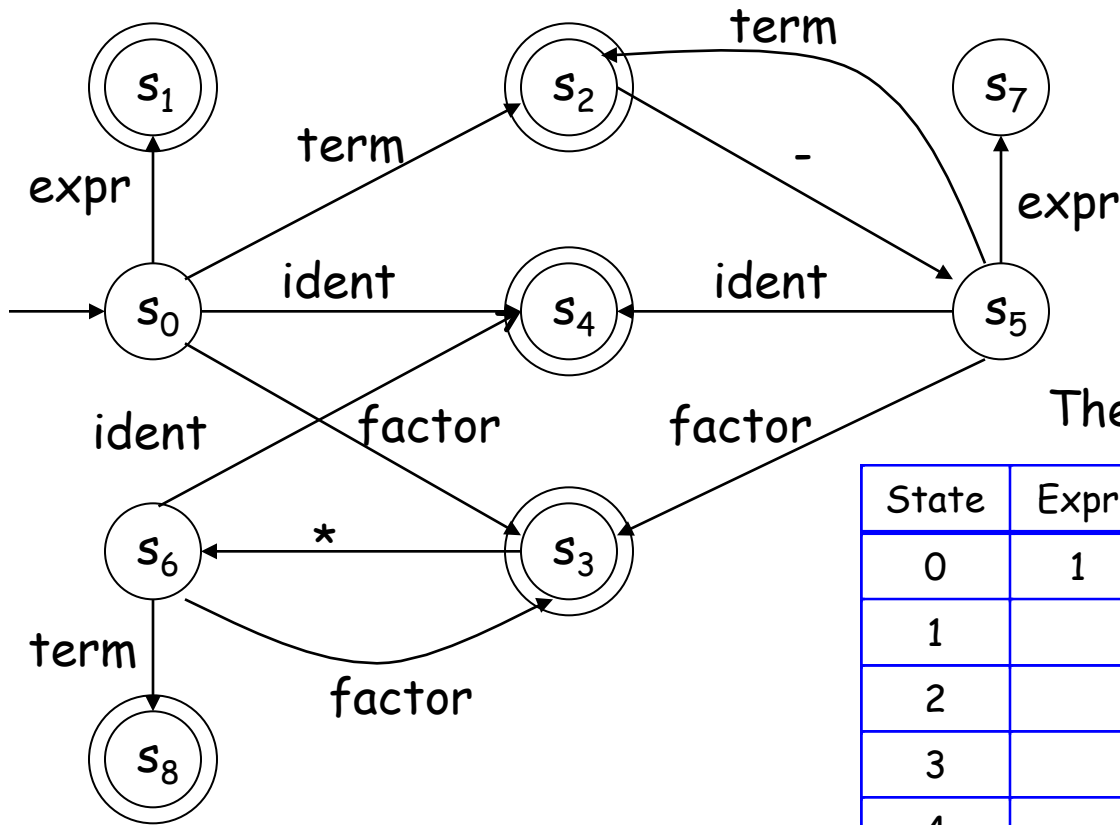
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The State Transition Table

State	Expr	Term	Factor	-	*	<u>Ident</u>
0	1	2	3			4
1						
2				5		
3					6	
4						
5	7	2	3			4
6		8	3			4
7						
8						

The algorithm

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 $\forall$  set  $s_x \in S$ 
   $\forall$  item  $i \in s_x$ 
    if  $i$  is  $[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot \underline{a}, \underline{b}]$  and  $\text{goto}(s_x, \underline{a}) = s_k, \underline{a} \in T$ 
      then  $\text{ACTION}[x, \underline{a}] \leftarrow$  “shift k”
    else if  $i$  is  $[S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \text{EOF}]$ 
      then  $\text{ACTION}[x, \text{EOF}] \leftarrow$  “accept”
    else if  $i$  is  $[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot, \underline{a}]$ 
      then  $\text{ACTION}[x, \underline{a}] \leftarrow$  “reduce A  $\rightarrow$   $\beta$ ”
   $\forall n \in NT$ 
    if  $\text{goto}(s_x, n) = s_k$ 
      then  $\text{GOTO}[x, n] \leftarrow k$ 

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Many items  
generate no  
table entry

The algorithm produces the following table

	ACTION				GOTO		
	<u>Ident</u>	-	*	EOF	<i>Expr</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Factor</i>
0	s 4				1	2	3
1				acc			
2		s 5		r 3			
3		r 5	s 6	r 5			
4		r 6	r 6	r 6			
5	s 4				7	2	3
6	s 4					8	3
7				r 2			
8		r 4		r 4			

*Plugs into the skeleton LR(1) parser*

What if set  $s$  contains  $[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot \underline{a} \gamma, \underline{b}]$  and  $[B \rightarrow \beta \cdot, \underline{a}]$ ?

- First item generates “shift”, second generates “reduce”
- Both define  $\text{ACTION}[s, \underline{a}]$  — cannot do both actions
- This is a fundamental ambiguity, called a *shift/reduce error*
- Modify the grammar to eliminate it *(if-then-else)*
- Shifting will often resolve it correctly

EaC includes a worked example

What if set  $s$  contains  $[A \rightarrow \gamma \cdot, \underline{a}]$  and  $[B \rightarrow \gamma \cdot, \underline{a}]$ ?

- Each generates “reduce”, but with a different production
- Both define  $\text{ACTION}[s, \underline{a}]$  — cannot do both reductions
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*In either case, the grammar is not LR(1)*

Three options:

- Combine terminals such as number & identifier, + & -, \* & /
  - Directly removes a column, may remove a row
  - For expression grammar, 198 (vs. 384) table entries
- Combine rows or columns (*table compression*)
  - Implement identical rows once & remap states
  - Requires extra indirection on each lookup
  - Use separate mapping for ACTION & for GOTO
- Use another construction algorithm
  - Both LALR(1) and SLR(1) produce smaller tables
  - Implementations are readily available

## Finding Reductions

LR( $k$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Each reduction in the parse is detectable with

- $\rightarrow$  the complete left context,
- $\rightarrow$  the reducible phrase, itself, and
- $\rightarrow$  the  $k$  terminal symbols to its right

LL( $k$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Parser must select the next rule based on

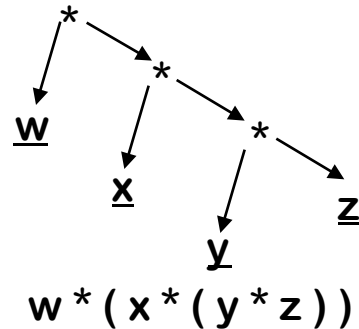
- $\rightarrow$  The complete left context
- $\rightarrow$  The next  $k$  terminals

Thus, LR( $k$ ) examines more context

	<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
Top-down recursive descent	Easy to implement Good locality (fast) Simplicity Easy to embed actions (code access)	Right associativity
LR(1)	Fast Deterministic langs. Automatable (tool support) Left associativity	Large working sets Poor error messages Large table sizes

### Right recursion

- Required for termination in top-down parsers
- Produces right-associative operators

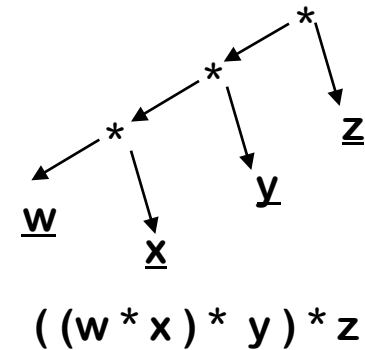


### Left recursion

- Works fine in bottom-up parsers
- Limits required stack space
- Produces left-associative operators

### Rule of thumb

- Left recursion for bottom-up parsers
- Right recursion for top-down parsers



Example:

$$\begin{aligned} S' &\rightarrow S \\ S &\rightarrow S ; a \mid a \end{aligned}$$

LR(0) ?

LR(1) ?

SLR(1) ?

**SLR(1)**: add FOLLOW(A) to each LR(0) item  $[A \rightarrow \gamma \cdot]$  as its second component:  $[A \rightarrow \gamma \cdot, \underline{a}]$ ,  $\forall a \in \text{FOLLOW}(A)$

Example:

$$S' \rightarrow S$$
$$S \rightarrow aAd \mid bBd \mid aBe \mid bAe$$
$$A \rightarrow c$$
$$B \rightarrow c$$

LR(0) ?

LR(1) ?

LALR(1) ?

**LALR(1)**: Merge two sets of LR(1) items (states), if they have the same **core**.

**core** of set of LR(1) items: set of LR(0) items derived by ignoring the lookahead symbols

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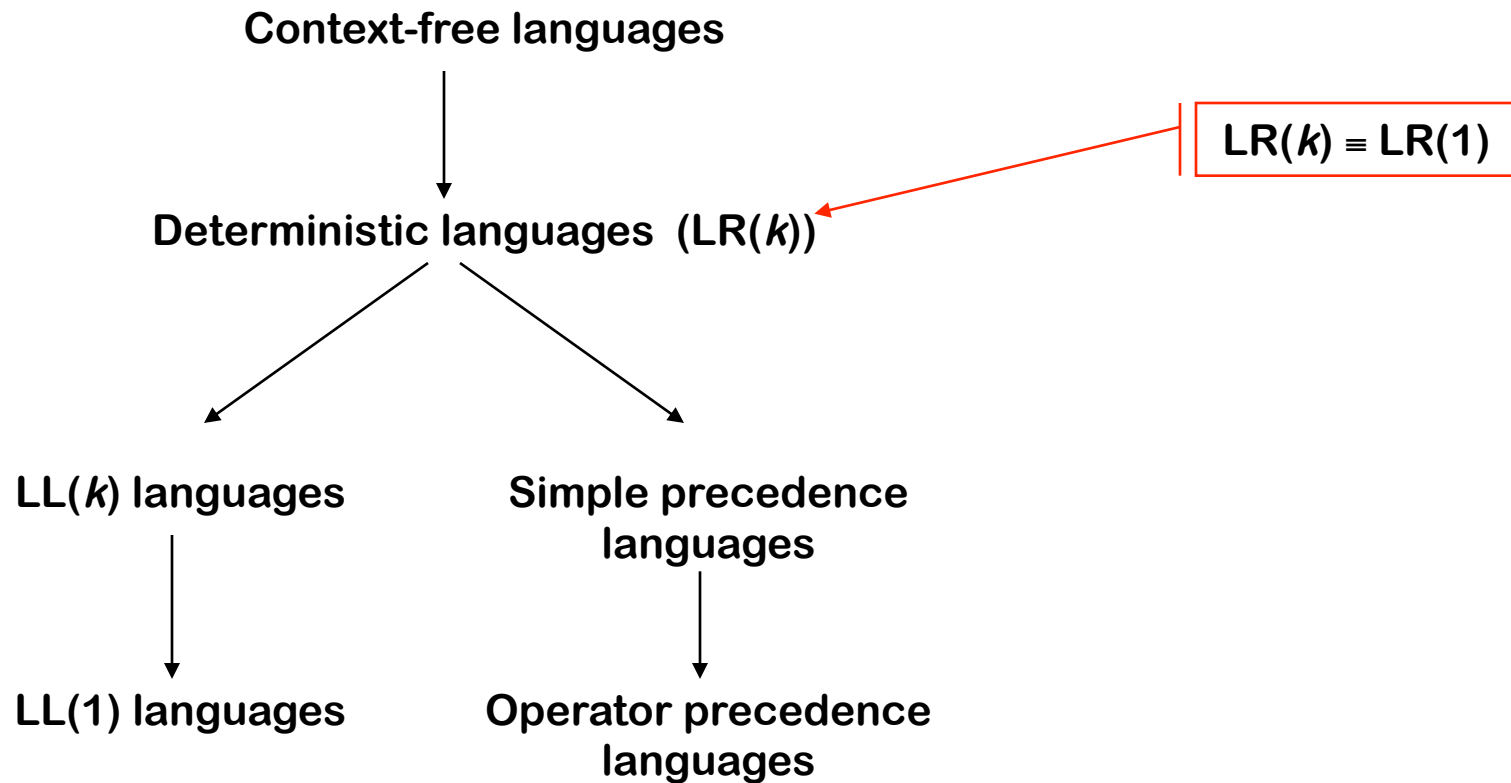
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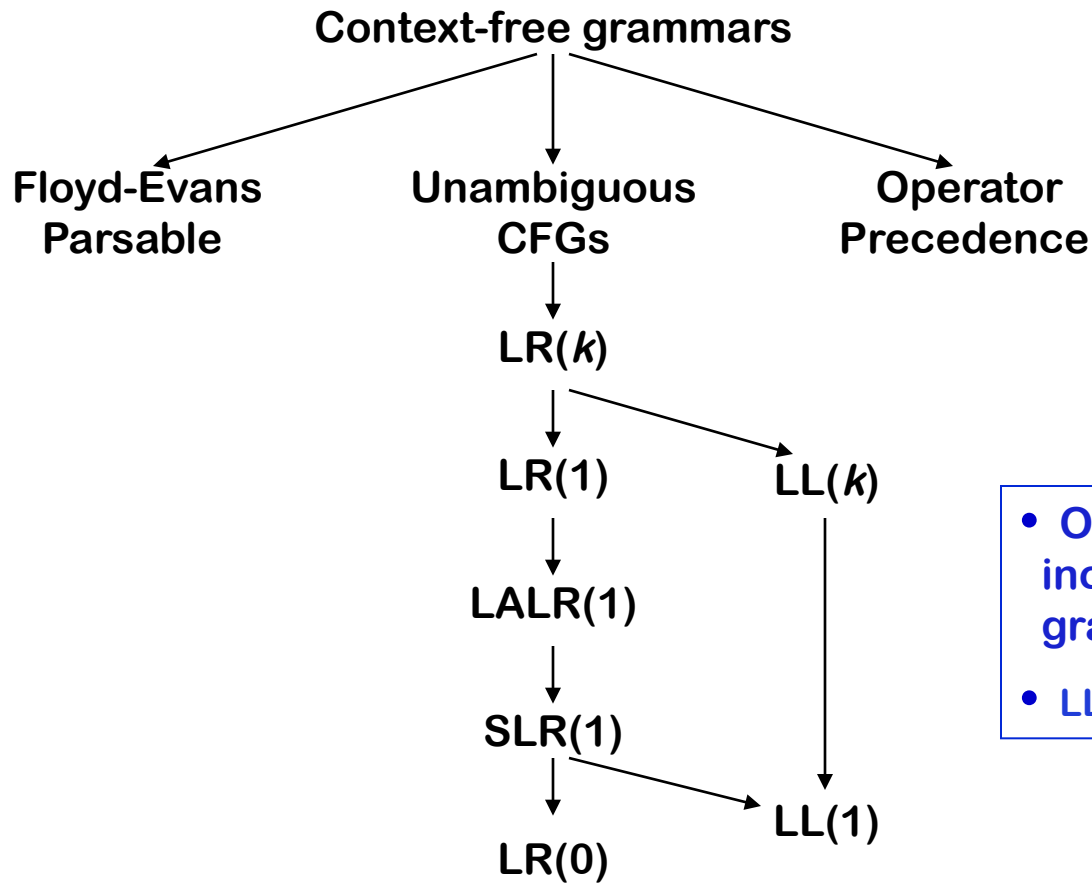
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**core** of set of LR(1) items: set of LR(0) items derived by ignoring the lookahead symbols

**FACT**: collapsing LR(1) states into LALR(1) states cannot introduce shift/reduce conflicts



*The inclusion hierarchy for  
context-free languages*



- Operator precedence includes some ambiguous grammars
- LL(1) is a subset of SLR(1)

*The inclusion hierarchy for context-free grammars*

## Error Recovery & Context-Sensitive Analysis

Read EaC: Chapters 4.1 - 4.3

Homework 6 will be posted tomorrow.