

6-B Deterministic Left Parsers

Let $G = (N, T, P, S)$ is a **context-free grammar**. A **non-deterministic Left Parser** $L_P = ((T^* \times V^*), \rightarrow_L, (x, S), \{(\varepsilon, \varepsilon)\}, P, \tau)$ with

$$\rightarrow_L = \{(\varepsilon, A) \rightarrow_L^{A \rightarrow \alpha} (\varepsilon, \alpha) \in (T^* \times V^*)^2 \mid (A \rightarrow \alpha) \in P\}$$

guess A as α : **non-deterministic**.

$$\cup \{(a, a) \rightarrow_L^a (\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \in (T^* \times V^*)^2 \mid a \in \Sigma\}$$

verify $a \in \Sigma$: **deterministic**.

Consider **two guess actions** $B \rightarrow \beta \mid \beta'$ where $\beta \neq \beta'$.

$(\varepsilon, B) \rightarrow_L^{B \rightarrow \beta} (\varepsilon, \beta)$ or $(\varepsilon, B) \rightarrow_L^{B \rightarrow \beta'} (\varepsilon, \beta')$ is **non-deterministic**.

Consider $L(\beta)$ and $L(\beta')$!

Def. $L: (N \cup T)^* \rightarrow 2^{T^*}$. $L(\alpha) = \{x \in T^* \mid \alpha \Rightarrow^* x, x \in T^*\}$ **infinite**.

But $L(\beta)$ and $L(\beta')$ may be **infinite**.

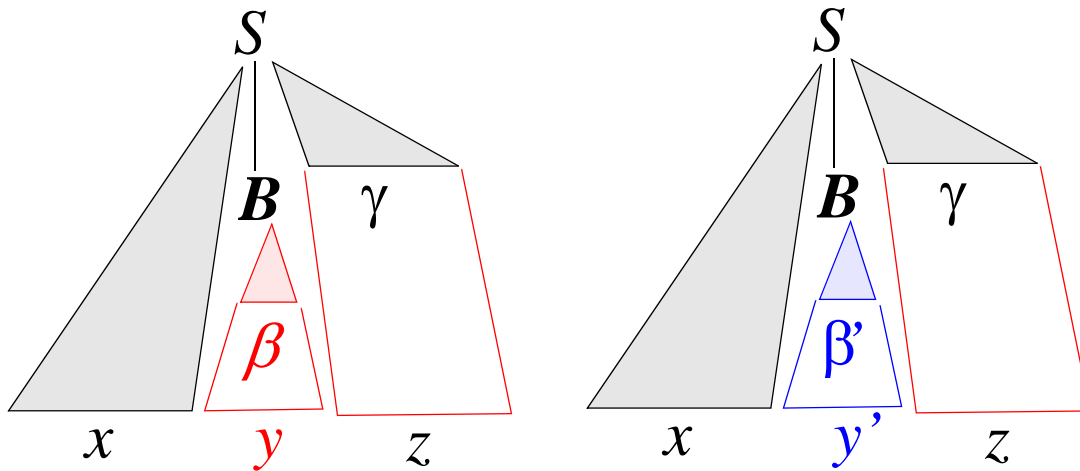
$\therefore \text{First}_k: (N \cup T)^* \rightarrow 2^{T^{\leq k}}$ where $T^{\leq k} = \{\varepsilon\} \cup T^1 \cup T^2 \cup \dots \cup T^k$.

$\text{First}_k(\alpha) = k:L(\alpha) = \{k:x \in T^{\leq k} \mid \alpha \Rightarrow^* x, x \in T^*\}$ **finite.**

If $\text{First}_k(\beta) \cap \text{First}_k(\beta') = \emptyset$, then lookahead string y and y'

$(y, B) \rightarrow_L (y, \beta)$ $y \in \text{First}_k(\beta)$ and $(y', B) \rightarrow_L (y', \beta')$ $y' \in \text{First}_k(\beta')$

\therefore **deterministic!**



Computation of $First_k(\alpha)$ for $\alpha \in (N \cup T)^*$.

$First_k(\alpha) = First_k(X_1X_2\dots X_n)$ where $\alpha = X_1X_2\dots X_n$.

$= First_k(X_1) \oplus_k First_k(X_2) \oplus_k \dots \oplus_k First_k(X_n)$ where

$First_k(a) = \{a\}$, $a \in T(\mathbf{basis})$.

$\oplus_k: 2^{T^{\leq k}} \times 2^{T^{\leq k}} \rightarrow 2^{T^{\leq k}}$.

$A \oplus_k B = k:AB = \{k:xy \in T^{\leq k} \mid x \in A, y \in B\}$

for $a \in T$ do $First_k(a) = \{a\}$ od; for $A \in N$ do $First_k(A) := \emptyset$ od;

repeat

for $A \in N$ do

for $A \rightarrow X_1X_2\dots X_n \in P$ do

for $i:=1$ to n do $First_k(A) := First_k(A) \oplus_k First_k(X_i)$ od

od od

until $First_k(A)$ does not change

Example $G_{Uexp}: E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$
 $F \rightarrow a \mid (E)$

F: $First_1(a) = \{a\}$

$\therefore (a, \mathbf{F}) \rightarrow (a, a)$

T: $First_1(T * F) = \{a, (\}$

$\therefore (a, \mathbf{T}) \rightarrow (a, T * F)$

$((, \mathbf{T}) \rightarrow ((, T * F)$

E: $First_1(E + T) = \{a, (\}$

$\therefore (a, \mathbf{E}) \rightarrow (a, E + T)$

$((, \mathbf{E}) \rightarrow ((, E + T)$

$First_1((E)) = \{(($

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deterministic!

$First_1(F) = \{a, (\}$

$(a, \mathbf{T}) \rightarrow (a, F)$ **non-deterministic!**

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\therefore Non-deterministic for **T** and **E**!

A grammar rule $A \rightarrow A\alpha \in P$ is said to be **left recursive**.

If $A \rightarrow A\alpha \in P$, $A \Rightarrow^* A\alpha^*$ does **not terminate!** $\therefore \exists A \rightarrow \beta \in P$

$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta$, then $A \Rightarrow^* \beta\alpha^*$.

$First_k(A\alpha) \cap First_k(\beta) \neq \emptyset$, since $First_k(A\alpha) \supseteq First_k(A) \supseteq First_k(\beta)$.

\therefore If a grammar G has a **left recursive rule**,
the **left parser for G is non-deterministic!**

What can I do?

Change the **left recursion to right recursion**.

$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \quad \equiv \quad A \rightarrow \beta A', A' \rightarrow \alpha A' / \varepsilon. \quad (A \Rightarrow \beta A' \Rightarrow^* \beta\alpha^*).$

$G_{Dexp}: E \rightarrow T E'$

$E' \rightarrow + T E' / \varepsilon$

$T \rightarrow F T'$

$T' \rightarrow * F T' / \varepsilon$

$F \rightarrow a / (E)$

- F:** $First_1(a) = \{a\}$, $First_1((E)) = \{($
 $(a, F) \rightarrow (a, a)$, $((, F) \rightarrow ((, (E))$ *deterministic!*
- T':** $First_1(* F T') = \{*\}$ $First_1(\epsilon) = \{\epsilon\}$
 $(*, T') \rightarrow (a, * F T')$ $(\epsilon, T') \rightarrow (\epsilon, \epsilon)$ *non-deterministic!*
- T:** $First_1(F T') = \{*\}$
 $(*, T) \rightarrow (*, * F T')$ *deterministic(unique rule)!*
- E':** $First_1(* F T') = \{*\}$ $First_1(\epsilon) = \{\epsilon\}$
 $(*, E') \rightarrow (*, * F T')$ $(\epsilon, E') \rightarrow (\epsilon, \epsilon)$ *non-deterministic!*
- E:** $First_1(+ T E') = \{+\}$
 $(+, E) \rightarrow (+, + T E')$ *deterministic(unique rule)!*

We are *happy* except for $E' \rightarrow \epsilon$ and $T' \rightarrow \epsilon$.

What can I do?

Consider $\text{Follow}_k(E')$ and $\text{Follow}_k(T')$ or $k:z$ in the figure!

$$\text{Follow}_k: N \rightarrow 2^{T^{\leq k}}.$$

$$\text{Follow}_k(A) = \{k:z \in T^{\leq k} \mid S \Rightarrow^* \alpha Az, z \in T^*\} \quad \text{finite.}$$

$$\text{Follow}_k(T') = \{+,), \epsilon\}, \text{Follow}_k(E') = \{), \epsilon\}$$

$$T': \text{First}_1(* F T') = \{*\}$$

$$\text{First}_1(\epsilon) \oplus_1 \text{Follow}_1(T') = \{+,), \epsilon\} \quad \text{two sets are disjoint!}$$

$$(*, T') \rightarrow (*, * F T')$$

$$(+, T') \rightarrow (+, \epsilon), (,), T') \rightarrow (,), \epsilon), (\epsilon, T') \rightarrow (\epsilon, \epsilon) \quad \text{deterministic!}$$

$$(\$, T') \rightarrow (\$, \epsilon)$$

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$$(+, E') \rightarrow (+, + T E')$$

$$(,), E') \rightarrow (,), \epsilon), (\epsilon, E') \rightarrow (\epsilon, \epsilon) \quad \text{deterministic!}$$

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Parsing table for $G_{Dexp} : SLL_1PT[\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{T}] \rightarrow 2^P$.

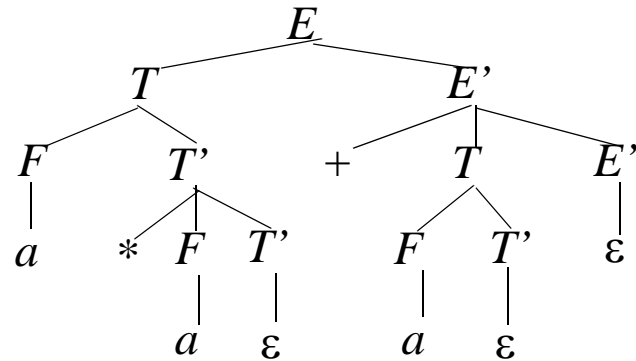
$G_{Dexp} : E \rightarrow T E'$	$\{a, (\}$	
$E' \rightarrow + T E' \mid \varepsilon$	$\{+\}$	$\{), \varepsilon\}$
$T \rightarrow F T'$	$\{a, (\}$	
$T' \rightarrow * F T' \mid \varepsilon$	$\{*\}$	$\{+,), \varepsilon\}$
$F \rightarrow a \mid (E)$	$\{a\}$	$\{(}$

	a	$($	$*$	$+$	$)$	$\varepsilon(\$)$
E	$E \rightarrow T E'$	$E \rightarrow T E'$				
E'				$E' \rightarrow + T E'$	$E' \rightarrow \varepsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \varepsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow F T'$	$T \rightarrow F T'$				
T'			$T' \rightarrow * F T'$	$T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \varepsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow a$	$F \rightarrow (E)$				

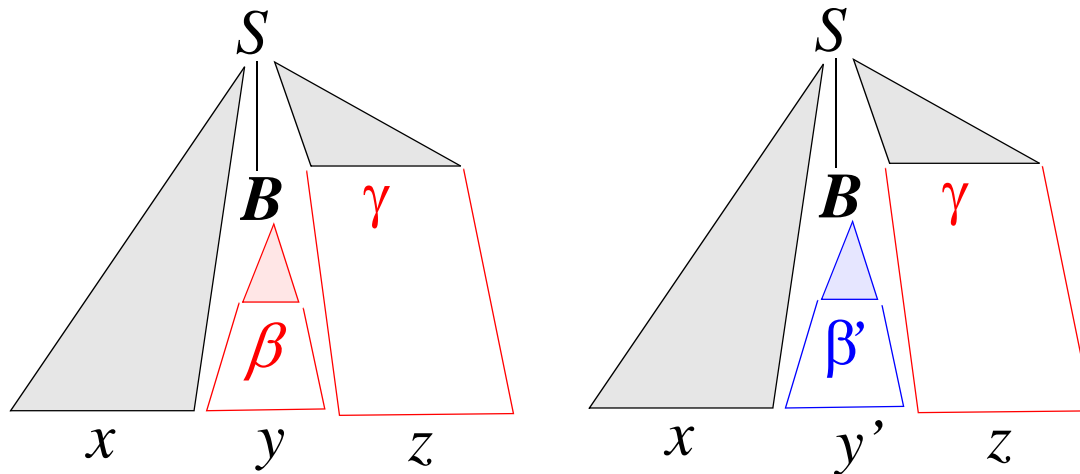
Parsing table for $G_{Dexp} : SLL_1PT[\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{T}] \not\rightarrow P. \therefore \text{deterministic!}$

Ex.	a	$($	$*$	$+$	$)$	$\epsilon(\$)$
E	$E \rightarrow T E'$	$E \rightarrow T E'$				
E'				$E' \rightarrow + T E'$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
T	$T \rightarrow F T'$	$T \rightarrow F T'$				
T'			$T' \rightarrow * F T'$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
F	$F \rightarrow a$	$F \rightarrow (E)$				

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (a * a + a, \mathbf{E}) \Rightarrow_L^{(a,E) \rightarrow (a,TE')} (a * a + a, \mathbf{T} E') \Rightarrow_L^{(a,T) \rightarrow (a,FT')} (a * a + a, \mathbf{F} T' E') \\
 & \Rightarrow_L^{(a,F) \rightarrow (a,a)} (a * a + a, \mathbf{a} T' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(a,a) \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (* a + a, \mathbf{T}' E') \\
 & \Rightarrow_L^{(*,T') \rightarrow (*, *FT')} (* a + a, \mathbf{*} F T' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(*,*) \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (a + a, \mathbf{F} T' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(a,F) \rightarrow (a,a)} (a + a, \mathbf{a} T' E') \\
 & \Rightarrow_L^{(a,a) \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (+ a, \mathbf{T}' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(+,T') \rightarrow (+,\epsilon)} (+ a, \mathbf{E}') \Rightarrow_L^{(+,E') \rightarrow (+,+TE')} (+ a, \mathbf{+} T' E') \\
 & \Rightarrow_L^{(+,+) \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (a, \mathbf{T}' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(a,T') \rightarrow (a,FT')} (a, \mathbf{F} T' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(a,F) \rightarrow (a,a)} (a, \mathbf{a} T' E') \\
 & \Rightarrow_L^{(a,a) \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (\epsilon, \mathbf{T}' E') \Rightarrow_L^{(\epsilon,T') \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (\epsilon, \mathbf{E}') \Rightarrow_L^{(\epsilon,E') \rightarrow (\epsilon,\epsilon)} (\epsilon, \epsilon).
 \end{aligned}$$



Adding lookahead string $k:yz \in T^{\leq k}$ for guess B as β .



$(x, B) \rightarrow_L (x, \beta) \in (T^{\leq k} \times V^*) \times (T^{\leq k} \times V^*)$ for $B \rightarrow \beta \in P$ where
 $x \in \text{First}_k(\beta) \oplus_k \text{Follow}(B) = k:yz.$

LL(k) Parser

Left-to-right Scan in Leftmost derivation with \underline{k} -lookahead symbols

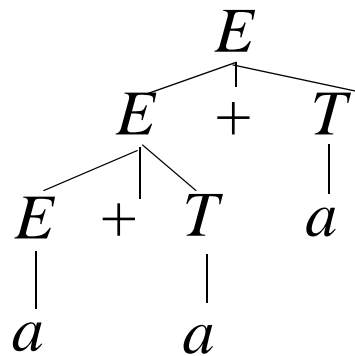
Strong LL(k) Parser (SLL(k) Parser)

SLL(k) grammars \subset LL(k) grammars

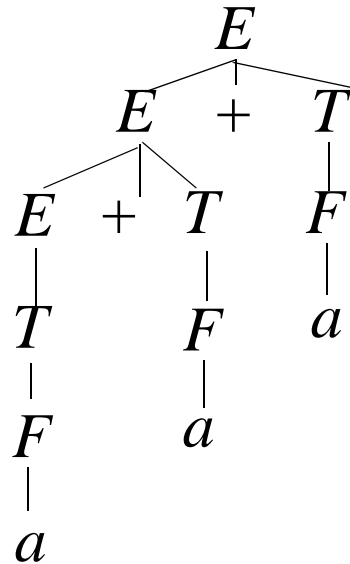
But SLL(1) grammars = LL(1) grammars

Compare three grammars for $a + a + a$ or $a * a * a$

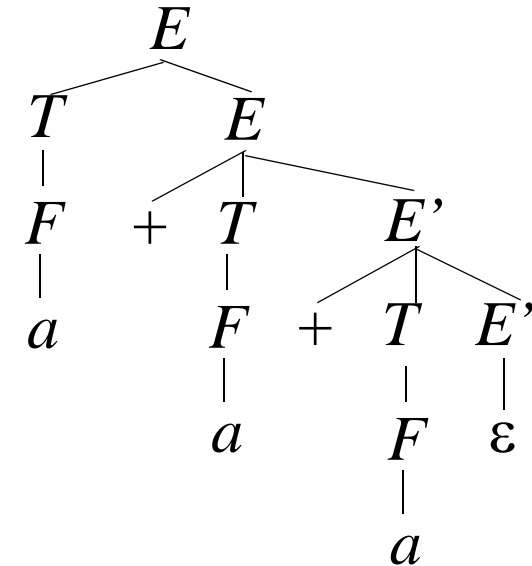
$G_{exp}: E \rightarrow E + T \mid T * F \mid a \mid (E) \quad E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \quad E \rightarrow T E'$
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid a \mid (E) \quad T \rightarrow T * F \mid F \quad E' \rightarrow + T E' \mid \epsilon$
 $F \rightarrow a \mid (E) \quad F \rightarrow a \mid (E) \quad T' \rightarrow * F T' \mid \epsilon$
 $F \rightarrow a \mid (E) \quad F \rightarrow a \mid (E) \quad F \rightarrow a \mid (E)$



good!



unit production



+ is right associative

How about right parsers?