

Strong LL(k) parsing

Guess-verify parser $M = (N \cup \Sigma, \Sigma, \Gamma, S, \{\varepsilon\}, \$, /)$ for $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$

$\forall A \rightarrow \omega \in P, \quad A / \rightarrow \omega^R / \in \Gamma, \quad \text{guess } A \text{ as } \alpha.$

$\forall a \in \Sigma, \quad a / a \rightarrow / \in \Gamma, \quad \text{verify } a \in \Sigma.$

$$.S \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* \quad x.A\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm} \quad x.\beta\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* \quad xy.\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* \quad xyz$$

$$\$S / xyz\$ \Rightarrow^* \$\gamma^R A / yz\$ \Rightarrow \$\gamma^R \beta^R / yz\$ \Rightarrow^* \$\gamma^R / z\$ \Rightarrow^* \$ | \$.$$

Nondeterminism

If $A \rightarrow \beta_1 / \beta_2 \in P$, $\beta_1 \neq \beta_2$.

guess A as α or β *nondeterministic*

Consider two derivations

$$\begin{array}{l}
 .S \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* x.A\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm} x.\beta_1\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* xy_1.\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* xy_1z. \\
 .S \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* x.A\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm} x.\beta_2\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* xy_2.\gamma \quad \Rightarrow_{lm}^* xy_2z.
 \end{array}$$

Adding k -lookahead(*finite*) strings $k:y_1z$ and $k:y_2z \in \Sigma^{\leq k}$.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 A \rightarrow \beta_1 \in P, \quad A / k:y_1z \rightarrow \beta_1^R / k:y_1z \in \Gamma \text{ and} \\
 A \rightarrow \beta_2 \in P, \quad A / k:y_2z \rightarrow \beta_2^R / k:y_2z \in \Gamma.
 \end{array}$$

The guess and verify parser is *deterministic*, if

$$\{k:y_1z\} \cap \{k:y_2z\} = \emptyset.$$

Computation of $First_k$.

Let $k \geq 0$, A be a set and $\alpha, \beta \in A^*$. Then we define

$$\alpha \oplus_k \beta = k:\alpha\beta.$$

$\therefore \oplus_k: A^* \times A^* \rightarrow A^{\leq k}$ binary operation on A .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } A^{\leq k} &= A^0 \cup A^1 \cup A^2 \dots \cup A^k = \{\varepsilon\} \cup A \cup A^2 \dots \cup A^k \\ &\leftrightarrow \$^k \cup A\$^{k-1} \cup A^2\$^{k-2} \dots \cup A^k. \end{aligned}$$

We define languages and $First_k$ of $\alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ and $K \subseteq (N \cup \Sigma)^*$.

$$L(\alpha) = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \alpha \Rightarrow^* w\}$$

$$First_k(\alpha) = k:L(\alpha)$$

$$L(K) = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \alpha \in K, \alpha \Rightarrow^* w\}$$

$$First_k(K) = k:L(K)$$

Divide and conquer on the computation of $First_k$.

1. $First_k: N \cup \Sigma \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma^{\leq k}}$.

$First_k(a) = \{a\}$, if $a \in \Sigma$. **basis**

$First_k(A) = \{x \in First_k(\alpha) \mid A \rightarrow \alpha \in P\}$ **recursion**

where $First_k: (N \cup \Sigma)^* \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma^{\leq k}}$,

Let $\alpha = X_1 \dots X_n$, $1 \leq \forall i \leq n$, $X_i \in N \cup \Sigma$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} First_k(\alpha) &= First_k(X_1 \dots X_n) \\ &= First_k(X_1) \oplus_k First_k(X_2) \oplus_k \dots \oplus_k First_k(X_n). \\ &= k:[First_k(X_1) \cdot First_k(X_2) \cdot \dots \cdot First_k(X_n)]. \end{aligned}$$

Note that \oplus_k is easier than $First_k$.

We also define $Follow_k: N \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma^{\leq k}}$. Let $A \in N$. Then

$$Follow_k(A) = \{k:z \in \Sigma^* \mid S \Rightarrow^* xAz\}$$

Simple approach - Strong LL(k) parsing

We use $First_k(\beta_1) \oplus_k Follow_k(A)$ instead of $k:y_1z$

Guess A as β_1 on lookahead $y \in First_k(\beta_1) \oplus_k Follow_k(A)$ only.

We define $LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \alpha) = First_k(\alpha) \oplus_k Follow_k(A)$.

*Guess and verify parser with k-lookahead strings, $LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \alpha)$,
is called a **strong LL(k) parser**.*

If $LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \alpha) \cap LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \beta) = \emptyset$.

deterministic guess A as α or β

on $LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \alpha)$ or $LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \beta)$, respectively.

G is strong LL(k) grammar, if

$\forall A \rightarrow \alpha / \beta \in P, \alpha \neq \beta, LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \alpha) \cap LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \beta) = \emptyset.$

Strong LL(k) parser is deterministic, if and only if G is strong LL(k).

Theorem G is not LL(k), if G is left recursive.

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta$$

A is left recursive.

Proof $First_k(A\alpha) \supseteq First_k(A)$
 $\supseteq First_k(\beta)$

$$\therefore LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow A\alpha) \cap LaSLL_k(A \rightarrow \beta) \supseteq First_k(\beta) \neq \emptyset$$

Removal of left recursion

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta$$

$$A \Rightarrow^* \beta\alpha^*$$

$$A \rightarrow \beta A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' / \varepsilon$$

Left factoring

$$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta / \alpha\gamma$$

$$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \beta / \gamma$$

LL(1) parsing

Let $T_1, T_2 \subseteq \Sigma^*$. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \text{First}_1(T_1 \cdot T_2) &= T_1 \oplus_1 T_2 \\ &= \text{First}_1(T_1), \text{ if } \varepsilon \notin T_1. \\ &= \text{First}_1(T_1) \cup \text{First}_1(T_2), \text{ if } \varepsilon \in T_1, \varepsilon \in T_2. \\ &= \text{First}_1(T_1) \cup \text{First}_1(T_2) - \{\varepsilon\}, \text{ if } \varepsilon \in T_1, \varepsilon \notin T_2 (\text{otherwise}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{First}_1: N \cup \Sigma \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma^{\leq 1}} = 2^{\{\varepsilon\} \cup \Sigma} = \{\varepsilon\} \cup 2^\Sigma \quad \text{First}_1 \leftrightarrow \text{nullable} \cup \text{First}.$$

$$\text{nullable}: N \cup \Sigma \rightarrow \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$$

$$\text{nullable}(A) = \text{true}, \text{ iff } A \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon.$$

$$\text{First}: N \cup \Sigma \rightarrow 2^\Sigma.$$

$$\text{First}(a) = \{a\}, \text{ if } a \in \Sigma.$$

$$\text{First}(A) = \{a \in \Sigma \mid A \Rightarrow^* ax, x \in \Sigma^*\}$$

Recursive formula for $First(A)$, $A \in N$.

$$First(A) \supseteq \{a \in \Sigma / A \rightarrow \alpha a \beta \in P, \alpha \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon\} \quad \text{basis}$$

$$First(A) \supseteq \{a \in First(B) / A \rightarrow \alpha B \beta \in P, \alpha \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon\} \quad \text{recursion}$$

$$Follow_1: N \rightarrow 2^{\Sigma^{\leq l}} = 2^{\{\varepsilon\} \cup \Sigma} = \{\varepsilon\} \cup 2^\Sigma.$$

$$Follow_1: N \rightarrow \{\varepsilon\} \cup 2^\Sigma.$$

$$Follow_1(A) = \{1: y \in \{\varepsilon\} \cup \Sigma / S \Rightarrow^* xAy, x, y \in \Sigma^*\}$$

$$\varepsilon \in Follow_1(S). \quad (\text{We add new augmented rule } S' \rightarrow S)$$

We may use $Follow$ instead of $Follow_1$.

Recursive formula for $Follow(A)$

$$Follow(S) \supseteq \{\varepsilon\} \quad \text{basis}$$

$$Follow(A) \supseteq \{a \in First(\beta) / B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta \in P\} \quad \text{basis}$$

$$Follow(A) \supseteq \{a \in Follow(B) / B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta \in P, \beta \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon\} \text{recursion}$$

We define $l \subseteq N \times N$ and $r \subseteq N \times N$.

$A l B$, if $A \rightarrow \alpha B \beta \in P$, $\alpha \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$, and (left dependency relation)

$A r B$, if $B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta \in P$, $\beta \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$. (right dependency relation)

Formula for First(A) and Follow(A)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Init_First}(A) &\supseteq \{a \in \Sigma / A \rightarrow \alpha a \beta \in P, \alpha \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon\} && \text{basis} \\ &= \{a \in \Sigma / A l a\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{First}(A) &\supseteq \{a \in \text{First}(B) / A \rightarrow \alpha B \beta \in P, \alpha \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon\} \\ &= \{a \in \text{First}(B) / A l B\} && \text{recursion} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Init_Follow}(S) \supseteq \{\varepsilon\} \quad \text{basis}$$

$$\text{Init_Follow}(A) \supseteq \{a \in \text{First}(\beta) / B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta \in P\} \quad \text{basis}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Follow}(A) &\supseteq \{a \in \text{Follow}(B) / B \rightarrow \alpha A \beta \in P, \beta \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon\} \\ &= \{a \in \text{Follow}(B) / A r B\} && \text{recursion} \end{aligned}$$

Let A and B be two sets and $x, y \in A$, $R \subseteq A \times A$, and $f, g: A \rightarrow 2^B$.

Compute f for given R and g ,

i) $f(x) \supseteq g(x)$

basis

ii) $f(x) \supseteq f(y)$ where $x R y$

recursion

$$\therefore f(x) \supseteq g(x) \cup \cup_{x R y} f(y)$$

iii) Nothing else is in $f(x)$

fixed point

$$f(x) =_S g(x) \cup \cup_{x R y} f(y)$$

where $=_S$ denotes the smallest set satisfying RHS of the rule

Then $f(x) = \{b \in g(y) \mid x R^* y\}$

iteration

$x R^* y$: Reachable vertices in the graph (A, R) .

depth-first search

topological order

Algorithm Compute $f(x)$ with $g(x)$ and R .

input $g: A \rightarrow 2^B; R \subseteq A \times A$.

output: $f: A \rightarrow 2^B$.

var S : stack of A ; $N: A \rightarrow \text{Depth} (\subseteq \aleph)$.

function $\text{Trav}(x: A, d: \text{Depth})$;

push x onto S ; $N(x) = d$;

$f(x) := g(x); \quad |A/$

for $y \in A$ where $x R y$ **do**

if $(N(y) = 0)$ **then** $\text{Trav}(y, d+1)$ **fi**;

$N(x) = \min(N(x), N(y))$;

$f(x) := f(x) \cup f(y)$ **od** $|R/$

if $(N(x) = d)$ **then repeat**

$y := \text{pop of } S$; $N(y) := \text{Infinity}$;

$f(y) := f(x)$ **until** $(y = x)$ **fi**

end function Trav

for $x \in A$ **do** $N(x) := 0$;

$f(x) := \emptyset$ **od**;

for $x \in A$ where $(N(x) = 0)$ **do** $\text{Trav}(x, 1)$ **od**

LL(1) analysis.

1. Remove *useless* symbols and productions, if any.
2. Remove *left recursion*, and do *left factoring*, if any.
3. $\forall A \in N$, compute *nullale*(A).
4. $\forall A \in N$, compute *l-relation* and *Init_First*(A) using *nullale*.
5. $\forall A \in N$, compute *First*(A) using *l-relation* and *Init_First*(A) by traversing the *l-graph*. (R=*l-relation*, g=*Init_First*, f=*First*)
4. $\forall A \in N$, compute *r-relation* and *Init_Follow*(A) using *nullale* and *First*(β).
5. $\forall A \in N$, compute *Follow*(A) using *r-relation* and *Init_Follow*(A) by traversing the *r-graph*. (R=*r-relation*, g=*Init_Follow*, f=*Follow*)
6. $\forall A \rightarrow \alpha \in P$, compute *LaSLL*₁(A \rightarrow α) using *First* and *Follow*.
7. $\forall A \rightarrow \alpha / \beta \in P$, $\alpha \neq \beta$, if *LaSLL*₁(A \rightarrow α) \cap *LaSLL*₁(A \rightarrow β) = \emptyset , LL(1); otherwise not LL(1).

Example Expression grammar

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

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow a \mid (E)$$

Removal of left recursion

	<i>nullable</i>	<i>init.</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>init.</i>	<i>Follow</i>
$E \rightarrow T E'$	<i>no</i>		$a, ($	$\$,)$	$\$,)$
$E' \rightarrow + T E' \mid \varepsilon$	<i>yes</i>	$+$	$+$		$\$,)$
$T \rightarrow F T'$	<i>no</i>		$a, ($	$+$	$\$,), +$
$T' \rightarrow * F T' \mid \varepsilon$	<i>yes</i>	$*$	$*$		$\$,), +$
$F \rightarrow a \mid (E)$	<i>no</i>	$a, ($	$a, ($	$*$	$\$,), +, *$
$LaSLL_1(E' \rightarrow + T E') = \{+\}$					$LaSLL_1(E' \rightarrow \varepsilon) = \{\$,)\}$
$LaSLL_1(T' \rightarrow * F T') = \{*\}$					$LaSLL_1(T' \rightarrow \varepsilon) = \{\$,), +\}$
$LaSLL_1(F \rightarrow a) = \{a\}$					$LaSLL_1(F \rightarrow (E)) = \{($

$\therefore LL(1).$

$SLL_1PT: N \times (\Sigma \cup \{\$\}) \rightarrow 2^P.$

$SLL_1PT(A, a) = \{A \rightarrow \alpha \mid a \in LaSLL_1(A \rightarrow \alpha)\}$

Fact G is $LL(1)$, if $\forall A \in N, \forall a \in \Sigma, |SLL_1PT(A, a)| \leq 1.$

SLL_1PT	a	$+$	$*$	$($	$)$	$\$$
E	$E \rightarrow TE'$			$E \rightarrow TE'$		
E'	$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	
T	$T \rightarrow FT'$			$T \rightarrow FT'$		
T'	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	
F	$F \rightarrow a$			$F \rightarrow (E)$		

Algorithm LL(1) parsing

input $SLL_1PT: N \times (\Sigma \cup \{\$\}) \rightarrow P$; **input string** $x \in \Sigma^*$.

var *Stack*: *stack of* $N \cup \Sigma$; $a \in \Sigma$; $y \in \Sigma^*$.

push S **onto** *Stack*; $a := 1:x$; $y := x\$:|x|-1$

repeat

$X :=$ **pop of** *Stack*;

if $(X \in N) \Rightarrow$

if $(SLL_1PT(X, a) = X \rightarrow \alpha) \Rightarrow$ **push** α^R **onto** *Stack*;

Make subtree with root X *and* α 's *as children.*

$| SLL_1PT(X, a) = \emptyset \Rightarrow$ **syntax error** **fi**

$| (X \in \Sigma) \Rightarrow$ **if** $(X=a) \Rightarrow a := 1:y$; $y := y:|y|-1$

$| (X \neq a) \Rightarrow$ **syntax error** **fi**

fi

until (*Stack empty*); **if** $(y = \$) \Rightarrow$ *O.K.* $| (y \neq \$) \Rightarrow$ **syntax error** **fi**

Recursive descent parser

function *pE*: **if** (*i* = 'a') **or** (*i* = '(') \Rightarrow *pT*; *pE*'

 | **otherwise** \Rightarrow *syntax error fi*

function *pE'*: **if** (*i* = '+') \Rightarrow *verify*('+'); *pT*; *pE*'

 | (*i* = ')') **or** (*i* = '\$') \Rightarrow *skip*

 | **otherwise** \Rightarrow *syntax error fi*

function *pT*: **if** (*i* = 'a') **or** (*i* = '(') \Rightarrow *pF*; *pT*'

 | **otherwise** \Rightarrow *syntax error fi*

function *pT'*: **if** (*i* = '*') \Rightarrow *verify*('*'); *pF*; *pT*'

 | (*i* = '+') **or** (*i* = ')') **or** (*i* = '\$') \Rightarrow *skip*

 | **otherwise** \Rightarrow *syntax error fi*

function *pF*: **if** (*i* = 'a') \Rightarrow *verify*('a')

 | (*i* = '(') \Rightarrow *verify*('('); *pE*; *verify*(')')

 | **otherwise** \Rightarrow *syntax error fi*

i := 1:*x*; *y* := *x*\$:/*x*|-1; *pE*; **if** (*y* = '\$') \Rightarrow *O.K.* | (*y* \neq '\$') \Rightarrow *syntax error fi*