

Lecture 16 - Nov. 10

Syntactic Analysis

***Removing Left-Recursion from CFG
Computing the FIRST Set***

Announcements

- **ProgTest** marks and results released
- **Assignment 2** due next Monday
- **Quiz2** and **Quiz3** papers ready for pick-up on Monday

Removing Left-Recursions: Algorithm

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1  ALGORITHM: RemoveLR
2  INPUT: CFG  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ 
3  ASSUME:  $G$  has no  $\epsilon$ -productions
4  OUTPUT:  $G'$  s.t.  $G' \equiv G$ ,  $G'$  has no
5             indirect & direct left-recursions
6  PROCEDURE:
7     impose an order on  $V$ :  $\langle\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle\rangle$ 
8     for  $i$ : 1 ..  $n$ :
9         for  $j$ : 1 ..  $i-1$ :
10            if  $\exists A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma \in R \wedge A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 | \delta_2 | \dots | \delta_m \in R$  then
11               replace  $A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma$  with  $A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 \gamma | \delta_2 \gamma | \dots | \delta_m \gamma$ 
12            end
13            for  $A_i \rightarrow A_i \alpha | \beta \in R$ :
14               replace it with:  $A_i \rightarrow \beta A_i', A_i' \rightarrow \alpha A_i' | \epsilon$ 

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diff. variables

eliminate indirect left LR

same variable \Rightarrow direct left recursion

$A \rightarrow \epsilon$
 ϵ -production

$A_i \rightarrow A_i \alpha$

\downarrow
 A_i
 $\Rightarrow \beta$
 $\textcircled{2} A_i$
 $\Rightarrow A_i \alpha$
 $\Rightarrow A_i \alpha \alpha \Rightarrow \beta \alpha \alpha$

left-recursion

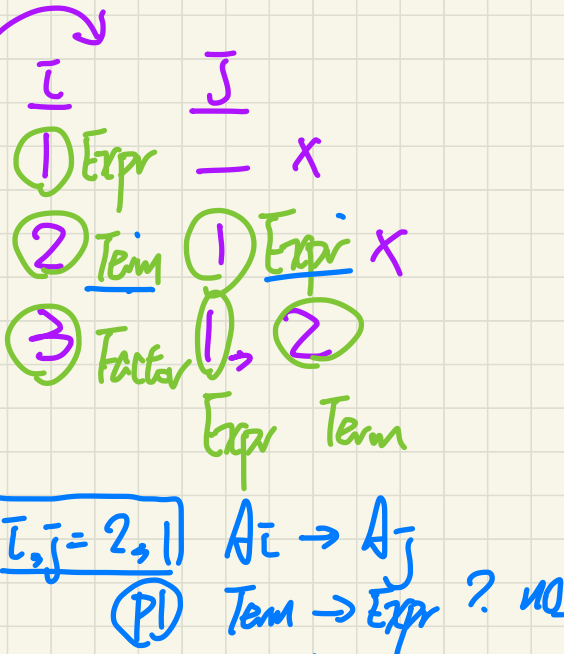
right-recursion

$A_i \rightarrow \beta A_i'$
 $A_i' \rightarrow \alpha A_i' | \epsilon$

Removing Left-Recursions (1a)

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1  ALGORITHM: RemoveLR
2  INPUT: CFG G = (V, Σ, R, S)
3  ASSUME: G has no ε-productions
4  OUTPUT: G' s.t. G' ≡ G, G' has no
5           indirect & direct left-recursions
6  PROCEDURE:
7     impose an order on V: ⟨⟨A1, A2, ..., An⟩⟩
8     for i: 1 .. n:
9         for j: 1 .. i-1:
10            if ∃ Ai → Ajγ ∈ R ∧ Aj → δ1 | δ2 | ... | δm ∈ R then
11                replace Ai → Ajγ with Ai → δ1γ | δ2γ | ... | δmγ
12            end
13            for Ai → Ajα | β ∈ R:
14                replace it with: Ai → βA'i, A'i → αA'i | ε
    
```



Directly Left-Recursive CFG:

① Expr	→	Expr + Term
		Term
② Term	→	Term * Factor
		Factor
③ Factor	→	(Expr)
		a

Term → Factor Term' [

Term' → * Factor Term']

Term' → ε

(P2) A_i A_i α Yes
 Term → Term * Factor?
 | Factor β

↳ do nothing.

Removing Left-Recursions (1b)

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1  ALGORITHM: RemoveLR
2  INPUT: CFG  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ 
3  ASSUME:  $G$  has no  $\epsilon$ -productions
4  OUTPUT:  $G'$  s.t.  $G' \equiv G$ ,  $G'$  has no
5           indirect & direct left-recursions
6  PROCEDURE:
7     impose an order on  $V$ :  $\langle\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle\rangle$ 
8     for  $i$ : 1 ..  $n$ :
9         for  $j$ : 1 ..  $i-1$ :
10            if  $\exists A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma \in R \wedge A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 \mid \delta_2 \mid \dots \mid \delta_m \in R$  then
11                replace  $A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma$  with  $A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 \gamma \mid \delta_2 \gamma \mid \dots \mid \delta_m \gamma$ 
12            end
13            for  $A_i \rightarrow A_j \alpha \mid \beta \in R$ :
14                replace it with:  $A_i \rightarrow \beta A'_j, A'_j \rightarrow \alpha A'_j \mid \epsilon$ 
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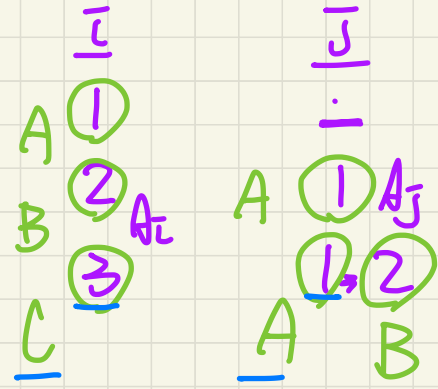
Directly Left-Recursive CFG:

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Expr  → Expr + Term
      | Expr - Term
      | Term
Term   → Term * Factor
      | Term / Factor
      | Factor
```

Exercise

Removing Left-Recursions (2a)

1 **ALGORITHM:** *RemoveLR*
 2 **INPUT:** CFG $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$
 3 **ASSUME:** G has no ϵ -productions
 4 **OUTPUT:** G' s.t. $G' \equiv G$, G' has no
 5 **indirect** & **direct** left-recursions
 6 **PROCEDURE:**
 7 impose an order on V : $\langle\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle\rangle$
 8 for i : 1 .. n :
 9 for j : 1 .. $i-1$:
 10 if $\exists A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma \in R \wedge A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 | \delta_2 | \dots | \delta_m \in R$ then
 11 replace $A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma$ with $A_i \rightarrow \delta_1 \gamma | \delta_2 \gamma | \dots | \delta_m \gamma$
 12 end
 13 for $A_i \rightarrow A_i \alpha | \beta \in R$:
 14 replace it with: $A_i \rightarrow \beta A'_i, A'_i \rightarrow \alpha A'_i | \epsilon$



$\bar{i}, \bar{j} = 2, 1$

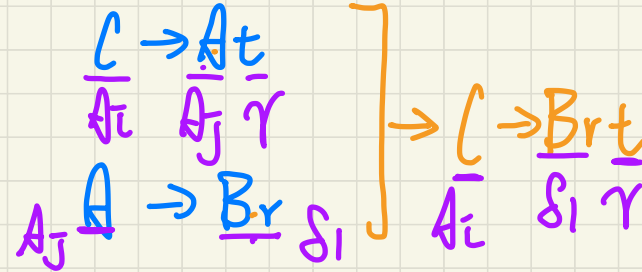
$B \rightarrow A$? No
 ↳ do nothing.

Indirectly Left-Recursive CFG:

① $A \rightarrow Br$
 ② $B \rightarrow Cd$
 ③ $C \rightarrow At$

$C \rightarrow Brt$
 $\bar{i}, \bar{j} = 3, 2$
 ↳ exercise.

$\bar{i}, \bar{j} = 3, 1$



Removing Left-Recursions (2b)

Does the **order** of variables matter?

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1  ALGORITHM: RemoveLR
2  INPUT: CFG  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ 
3  ASSUME:  $G$  has no  $\epsilon$ -productions
4  OUTPUT:  $G'$  s.t.  $G' \equiv G$ ,  $G'$  has no
5           indirect & direct left-recursions
6  PROCEDURE:
7  impose an order on  $V$ :  $\langle\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle\rangle$ 
8  for  $i$ : 1 ..  $n$ :
9    for  $j$ : 1 ..  $i-1$ :
10     if  $\exists A_j \rightarrow A_j \gamma \in R \wedge A_j \rightarrow \delta_1 \mid \delta_2 \mid \dots \mid \delta_m \in R$  then
11       replace  $A_j \rightarrow A_j \gamma$  with  $A_j \rightarrow \delta_1 \gamma \mid \delta_2 \gamma \mid \dots \mid \delta_m \gamma$ 
12     end
13     for  $A_j \rightarrow A_j \alpha \mid \beta \in R$ :
14       replace it with:  $A_j \rightarrow \beta A'_j, A'_j \rightarrow \alpha A'_j \mid \epsilon$ 
```

Indirectly Left-Recursive CFG:

- ① $C \rightarrow At$
- ② $B \rightarrow Cd$
- ③ $A \rightarrow Br$

Exercise!

Removing Left-Recursions (2c)

Exercise

```
1 ALGORITHM: RemoveLR
2 INPUT: CFG  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ 
3 ASSUME:  $G$  has no  $\epsilon$ -productions
4 OUTPUT:  $G'$  s.t.  $G' \equiv G$ ,  $G'$  has no
5         indirect & direct left-recursions
6 PROCEDURE:
7   impose an order on  $V$ :  $\langle\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle\rangle$ 
8   for  $i$ : 1 ..  $n$ :
9     for  $j$ : 1 ..  $i-1$ :
10      if  $\exists A_j \rightarrow A_j \gamma \in R \wedge A_j \rightarrow \delta_1 \mid \delta_2 \mid \dots \mid \delta_m \in R$  then
11        replace  $A_j \rightarrow A_j \gamma$  with  $A_j \rightarrow \delta_1 \gamma \mid \delta_2 \gamma \mid \dots \mid \delta_m \gamma$ 
12      end
13      for  $A_j \rightarrow A_j \alpha \mid \beta \in R$ :
14        replace it with:  $A_j \rightarrow \beta A'_j, A'_j \rightarrow \alpha A'_j \mid \epsilon$ 
```

Indirectly Left-Recursive CFG:

A	\rightarrow	Ba		b
B	\rightarrow	Cd		e
C	\rightarrow	Df		g
D	\rightarrow	f		$Aa \mid Cg$

$$A \rightarrow B_1 \underline{B_2 B_3}$$

B_1 is nullable

$$B_1 \rightarrow b \mid \epsilon$$

B_2, B_3 are nullable

$$B_2 \rightarrow c \mid \epsilon$$

$$B_3 \rightarrow d \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \boxed{CAD}$$

nullable

$$\underline{C \rightarrow c}$$

$$\underline{D \rightarrow d}$$

$$A \rightarrow a \mid \epsilon$$



$$B \rightarrow CD$$

$$A \mid CAD$$
$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$A \rightarrow \underline{x_1} \underline{x_2} \dots \underline{x_{10}}$$

↳ what if all 10 variables nullable

What if $\underline{x_2}, \underline{x_3}, \underline{x_4}$ are nullable.

$2^0 - 1$

How many versions of A to produce?

↓ when all variables produce

ϵ

2^3

$$A \rightarrow x_1 \text{ --- } \text{---} \text{---} x_5 \dots x_{10}$$

x_3 x_4
 x_2 x_4
 x_2 x_3
 \vdots

Eliminating epsilon-Productions

$$S \rightarrow \underline{AB}$$

$$A \rightarrow aAA \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow bBB \mid \underline{\epsilon}$$

Q: Nullable variables?

$$\hookrightarrow S \rightarrow B \mid A \mid AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a\underline{AA} \mid aA \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow b\underline{BB} \mid bB \mid b$$

Top-Down Parsing: **Backtrack**

ALGORITHM: *TDParse*

INPUT: *CFG G = (V, Σ, R, S)*

OUTPUT: *Root of a Parse Tree or Syntax Error*

PROCEDURE:

root := a new node for the start symbol S

focus := root

initialize an empty stack trace

trace.push(null)

word := NextWord()

while (true):

if *focus* ∈ *V* **then**

if ∃ *unvisited* rule *focus* → $\beta_1\beta_2\dots\beta_n$ ∈ *R* **then**

create $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$ **as** children of *focus*

trace.push($\beta_n\beta_{n-1}\dots\beta_2$)

focus := β_1

else

if *focus* = *S* **then** **report syntax error**

else **backtrack**

elseif *word* matches *focus* **then**

word := NextWord()

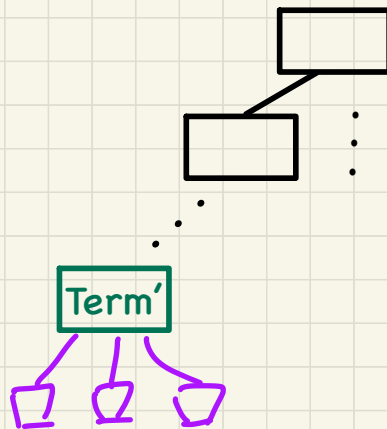
focus := trace.pop()

elseif *word* = *EOF* ∧ *focus* = null **then** **return root**

else **backtrack**

backtrack \triangleq *pop focus.siblings; focus := focus.parent; focus.resetChildren*

0	Goal	→	Expr
1	Expr	→	Term Expr'
2	Expr'	→	+ Term Expr'
3			- Term Expr'
4			ε
5	Term	→	Factor Term'
6	Term'	→	⊗ Factor Term'
7			÷ Factor Term'
8			ε
9	Factor	→	(Expr)
10			num
11			name



FIRST Set

$$\text{FIRST}(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \{\alpha\} & \text{if } \alpha \in T \\ \{w \mid w \in \Sigma^* \wedge \alpha \Rightarrow^* w\beta \wedge \beta \in (V \cup \Sigma)^*\} & \text{if } \alpha \in V \end{cases}$$

Right-Recursive CFG:

0	Goal	→	Expr	6	Term'	→	x Factor Term'
1	Expr	→	Term Expr'	7			÷ Factor Term'
2	Expr'	→	+ Term Expr'	8			ε
3			- Term Expr'	9	Factor	→	(Expr)
4			ε	10			num
5	Term	→	Factor Term'	11			name

→ what if:
Factor → ε

	num	name	+	-	×	÷	()	eof	ε
FIRST	num	name	+	-	x	÷	()	eof	ε

	Expr	Expr'	Term	Term'	Factor
FIRST	(, name, num	+, -, ε	(, name, num	x, ÷, ε	(, name, num