



# COMP 442 / 6421

## Compiler Design

### Grammars and Parsing

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# Assignment 2 :Syntax Analysis (Highlights)

- To achieve assignment #2, there are 2 stages:
  - Transform the grammar into an LL(1) grammar
  - Implement the parser
- **The implementation absolutely cannot start before the grammar has been transformed.**
  - Set of tools to help achieve the transformation
  - Sample usage of these tools.



# The Goal of Assignment 2

1. Convert the given CFG to an LL(1) grammar
  - a. Use tools to help your transformation procedure
  - b. Change EBNF to non-EBNF representation in grammar
  - c. Remove ambiguities and left recursions
  - d. After each transformation step, verify that your grammar was not broken
2. Implement a LL(1) parser
  - a. Recursive descent predictive parsing
  - b. Table-driven predictive parsing



# Obstacles to overcome in Assignment 2

## Quick review

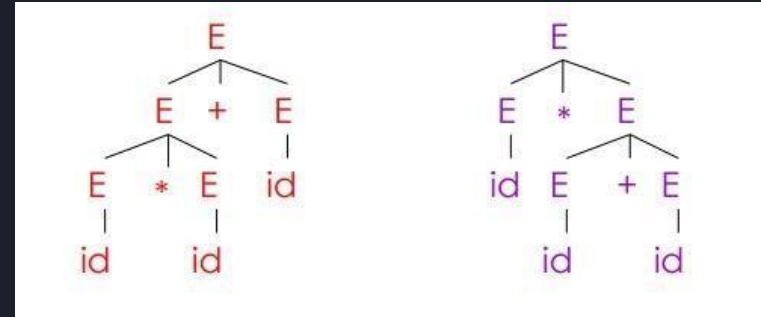
1. Ambiguity
2. Non-deterministic
3. Left recursion

For in-detail theory, see the lecture slide set [syntax analysis: introduction].

# Ambiguity Grammar

Grammar:  $E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid id$

Input string:  $id * id + id$



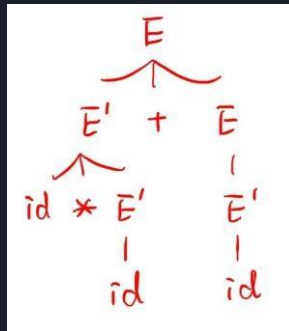
Requirement of the **parse tree**:

A tree that its in order traversal should give the string same as the input string

# Ambiguity Grammar

The solution for ambiguity is rewrite the grammar (that's exactly what you need to do in assignment 2) to make it unambiguous.

In this case, we want to enforce precedence of multiplication over addition.



original:  $E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid id$

modified:

$E \rightarrow E' + E \mid E'$

$E' \rightarrow id * E' \mid id$



# Non-deterministic Grammar

$$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2 \mid \alpha\beta_3$$

1. backtracking can solve this problem, but it is inefficient;
2. introduce a new non-terminal which we refer as left factoring

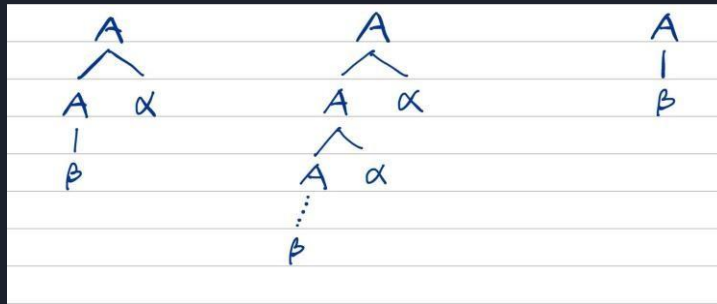
$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow \alpha A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2 \mid \beta_3 \end{aligned}$$

# Left Recursion

Grammar:  $A \rightarrow A\alpha \mid \beta$

By analyzing these three possibilities, our goal is to construct something like:  $A \rightarrow \beta\alpha^*$   
But we don't allow  $*$  in the grammar, so we can replace  $\alpha^*$  with a new non-terminal  $A'$ , so we have:

$A \rightarrow \beta A'$   
 $A' \rightarrow \alpha A' \mid \epsilon$







# Example: removing EBNF constructs

Assume you was given a grammar as following, with EBNF repetition:

```
commaSeparatedList    -> a {,a} | EPSILON
```

You should remove the EBNF repetition and come up with the following grammar:

```
commaSeparatedList    -> a commaSeparatedListTail  
                       | EPSILON  
commaSeparatedListTail -> ,a commaSeparatedListTail  
                       | EPSILON
```

# Example: removing left recursion

After removal of all EBNF format instances, assume you have something like:

```
expr  -> expr + term  | term
term  -> term * factor | factor
factor -> '(' expr ')' | 'x'
```

Remove left recursions (on `expr` and `term`) using the transformation shown in class:

1- Isolate each set of productions of the form:

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 \mid A\alpha_2 \mid A\alpha_3 \mid \dots \quad (\text{left-recursive})$$
$$A \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2 \mid \beta_3 \mid \dots \quad (\text{non-left-recursive})$$

2- Introduce a new non-terminal  $A'$

3- Change all the non-recursive productions on  $A$  to:

$$A \rightarrow \beta_1 A' \mid \beta_2 A' \mid \beta_3 A' \mid \dots$$


4- Remove the left-recursive production on  $A$  and substitute:

$$A' \rightarrow \varepsilon \mid \alpha_1 A' \mid \alpha_2 A' \mid \alpha_3 A' \mid \dots \quad (\text{right-recursive})$$



# AtoCC kfgEdit

- Tool that allows you to analyze your grammar and locate possible ambiguities in the grammar.
- After your grammar is entered, it also allows you to enter a string representing a token stream and verify if this token stream is derivable from the grammar. If it is, it generates a parse tree and a derivation for it.
- How to install A to CC were described in previous labs



# How to come up with the proper grammar?

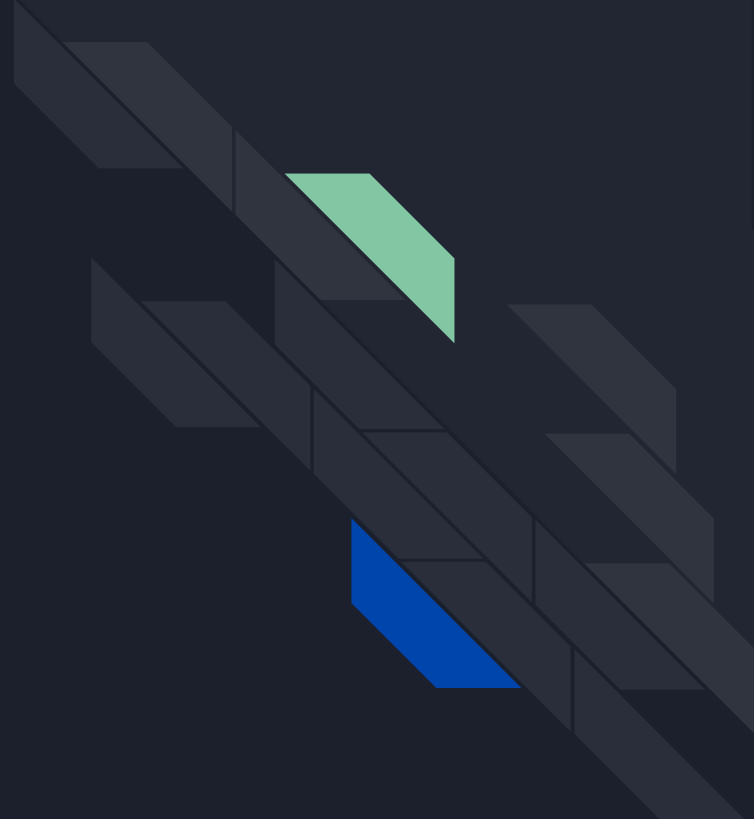
- You receive the initial grammar in EBNF in assignment 2 description already
- You need to remove the EBNF since AtoCC kfgEdit cannot understand this form
- Perform left factoring (if necessary)
- Remove left recursion (if exist, unfortunately, they exist in the given grammar)

It is strongly suggested that every time you make a single transformation step, that you use AtoCC to check whether your transformation broke the grammar or not.

Don't try to correct many errors in one shot, it is easy to get lost. Plus, if you make a mistake in one transformation step and you carry on without checking, your further transformation will be made on a wrong grammar and thus be invalid.

# Example

--- How to use AtoCC for verification



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kfG Edit Language Grammar Derivation LL(1) conditions Definition

## kfG Edit

### Define Grammar

Edit: Undo Redo Copy Paste Insert: Format: Transform: CNF Panels:

Grammar

```
1 E -> E + T
2   | E - T
3   | T
4
5 T -> T * F
6   | T / F
7   | F
8
9 F -> ( E )
10  | id
11
```

Symbol List

- E
- T
- F
- .
- (
- )
- +
- /
- \*
- id

type your grammar here ... ..

**How to define a grammar:**

- You only need to define your production rules here!
- Terminals can also be written within '', Terminals will become black and non-terminals red.
- First non-terminal on the left side will automatically be the start symbol!
- A grammar example for palindroms over {a,b}<sup>\*</sup>:  
**S -> a S a | b S b | EPSILON**
- For epsilon rules just leave a blank in a rule or write EPSILON:

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kfG Edit Language Grammar Derivation **LL(1) conditions** Definition

### kfG Edit First&Follow

LL(1) Conditions:

- Check Condition 1
- Check Condition 2
- is LL(1) Grammar?**

$E \rightarrow \alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2$

with:

$\alpha_0 = T$   
 $\alpha_1 = E - T$   
 $\alpha_2 = E + T$

First-Sets:

$FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ (, id )$   
 $FIRST(\alpha_1) = \{ (, id )$   
 $FIRST(\alpha_2) = \{ (, id )$

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$
$\alpha_0$	-	$\{ (, id )$	$\{ (, id )$
$\alpha_1$	$\{ (, id )$	-	$\{ (, id )$
$\alpha_2$	$\{ (, id )$	$\{ (, id )$	-

$T \rightarrow \alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2$

with:

$\alpha_0 = F$   
 $\alpha_1 = T / F$   
 $\alpha_2 = T * F$

First-Sets:

$FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ (, id )$   
 $FIRST(\alpha_1) = \{ (, id )$   
 $FIRST(\alpha_2) = \{ (, id )$

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$
$\alpha_0$	-	$\{ (, id )$	$\{ (, id )$
$\alpha_1$	$\{ (, id )$	-	$\{ (, id )$

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$E \rightarrow \alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2$

with:

$\alpha_0 = T$

$\alpha_1 = E - T$

$\alpha_2 = E + T$

First-Sets:

$FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ (, id \}$

$FIRST(\alpha_1) = \{ (, id \}$

$FIRST(\alpha_2) = \{ (, id \}$

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$
$\alpha_0$	-	$\{ (, id \}$	$\{ (, id \}$
$\alpha_1$	$\{ (, id \}$	-	$\{ (, id \}$
$\alpha_2$	$\{ (, id \}$	$\{ (, id \}$	-

$T \rightarrow \alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_2$

with:

$\alpha_0 = F$

$\alpha_1 = T / F$

$\alpha_2 = T * F$

First-Sets:

$FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ (, id \}$

$FIRST(\alpha_1) = \{ (, id \}$

$FIRST(\alpha_2) = \{ (, id \}$

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$
$\alpha_0$	-	$\{ (, id \}$	$\{ (, id \}$
$\alpha_1$	$\{ (, id \}$	-	$\{ (, id \}$
$\alpha_2$	$\{ (, id \}$	$\{ (, id \}$	-

first set intersection



$F \rightarrow \alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1$

with:

$\alpha_0 = \text{id}$

$\alpha_1 = ( \text{E} )$

First-Sets:

$\text{FIRST}(\alpha_0) = \{\text{id}\}$

$\text{FIRST}(\alpha_1) = \{(\}$

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$
$\alpha_0$	-	$\emptyset$
$\alpha_1$	$\emptyset$	-

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LL(1) first condition not fulfilled!

# What you should do?

```
E → α0 | α1 | α2
```

with:  
α<sub>0</sub> = T  
α<sub>1</sub> = E - T  
α<sub>2</sub> = E + T

First-Sets:  
FIRST(α<sub>0</sub>) = {(, id)  
FIRST(α<sub>1</sub>) = {(, id)  
FIRST(α<sub>2</sub>) = {(, id)

there is something wrong with this production

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$
$\alpha_0$	-	{(, id}	{(, id}
$\alpha_1$	{(, id}	-	{(, id}
$\alpha_2$	{(, id}	{(, id}	-

1. Locate a specific error and identify the faulty productions (shown in red)
2. Copy the related productions into the grammar transformation tool mentioned above(<https://cyberzhq.github.io/toolbox/cfg2ll>).
3. Copy the correction from the tool and paste it into AtoCC
4. Do some modification to adapt to AtoCC format
5. Check the grammar again

Note: Don't try to solve more than one production at a time. When you solve one production's error, use the tool to check to make sure you are not bringing new errors.

```

14 E -> T E''
15 T -> F T''
16 F -> ( E )
17   | id
18 E' -> + T
19   | - T
20 T' -> * F
21   | / F
22 E'' -> E' E''
23     | ?
24 T'' -> T' T''
25     | ?

```

result from the tool

```

1 E -> T ETailTail
2 T -> F TTailTail
3 F -> ( E )
4   | id
5 ETail -> + T
6       | - T
7 TTail -> * F
8       | / F
9 ETailTail -> ETail ETailTail
10           | EPSILON
11 TTailTail -> TTail TTailTail
12           | EPSILON
13

```

after modification, adapted to AtoCC

### kfG Edit First&Follow

#### LL(1) Conditions:

➔ Check Condition 1

➔ Check Condition 2

🔍 is LL(1) Grammar?

**E** →  $\alpha_0$   
with:  
 $\alpha_0 = T EtailTial$   
First-Sets:  
 $FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ (, id) \}$

**T** →  $\alpha_0$   
with:  
 $\alpha_0 = F TtailTial$   
First-Sets:  
 $FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ (, id) \}$

kfG Edit  
LL(1) first condition fulfilled!  
LL(1) second condition fulfilled!  
OK

**F** →  $\alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1$   
with:  
 $\alpha_0 = id$   
 $\alpha_1 = ( E )$   
First-Sets:  
 $FIRST(\alpha_0) = \{ id \}$   
 $FIRST(\alpha_1) = \{ ( \}$

$\cap$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$
$\alpha_0$	-	$\emptyset$
$\alpha_1$	$\emptyset$	-

**Etail** →  $\alpha_0 \mid \alpha_1$   
with:

LL(1) first condition fulfilled!

FIRST (ETailTail) = {+, -, EPSILON}

FOLLOW(ETailTail) = {\$, )}

FIRST (ETailTail)  $\cap$  FOLLOW(ETailTail) =  $\emptyset$

FIRST (TTailTail) = {\*, /, EPSILON}

FOLLOW(TTailTail) = {\$, ), +, -}

FIRST (TTailTail)  $\cap$  FOLLOW(TTailTail) =  $\emptyset$

LL(1) second condition fulfilled!

# Example

--- How to use University of Calgary Tool



# Understand the format of University Calgary grammar tool

- Go to the link – (<https://smlweb.cpsc.ucalgary.ca/start.html>)
- Enter the grammar in below format.

Enter a grammar:

Here's a small, quick, example grammar to give you an idea of the format of the grammars:

```
S -> id
   | V assign E.
V -> id.
E -> V
   | num.
```

To see more grammars and learn more about the format of the grammars:

- [Read about the structure of the grammars.](#)
- Look at some [example grammars.](#)

# Use Previous Example

Enter a grammar:

```
E -> E + T
    | E minus T
    | T.

T -> T * F
    | T / F
    | F.

F -> ( E )
    | id.
```



[View Vital Statistics](#)



# View statistics

## Grammar

```
E → E + T
   | E minus T
   | T.
T → T * F
   | T / F
   | F.
F → ( E )
   | id.
```

Some sentences generated by this grammar: {id, ( id ), id / id, id + id, id \* id, id id, id + id \* id, id / id \* id, id + id / id, id \* id \* id, id minus id \* id, id minus id

- All nonterminals are reachable and realizable.
- There are no nullable nonterminals.
- The endable nonterminals are: F E T.
- No cycles.

nonterminal	first set	follow set	nullable	endable
E	( id	+ minus )	no	yes
T	( id	* / + minus )	no	yes
F	( id	* / + minus )	no	yes

The grammar is not LL(1) because:

- E is left recursive.
- T is left recursive.

- attempt to transform the grammar (to LL(1))

# Transforming to LL(1) Grammar

## Grammar

```
E → E + T
   | E minus T
   | T.
T → T * F
   | T / F
   | F.
F → ( E )
   | id.
```

Auto-transform ?

Remove left recursion ?

Remove first-/follow-set clashes ?

Left-factor ?

Expose first-set clashes ?

Transformations for cleaning:

Auto-clean ?

Remove unreachable nonterminals ?

Expand unit rules ?

Remove unrealizable productions ?

Transformations for changing format of grammar:

Annotate with LR(0)-states  
[LALR(1) → SLR(1)] ?

$\epsilon$ -separation ?

Chomsky Normal Form ?

View [vital statistics](#) for this grammar.

# Transforming to LL(1) Grammar

## Old Grammar

### Grammar

```
E → E + T
   | E minus T
   | T.
T → T * F
   | T / F
   | F.
F → ( E )
   | id.
```

### Grammar

```
E → T E1 .
E1 → + T E1
     | minus T E1
     | .
T → F T1 .
T1 → * F T1
     | / F T1
     | .
F → ( E )
     | id .
```

Performed the 'removing left recursion' transformation.

The grammar is now LL(1).

Auto-transform ?

Remove left recursion ?

Remove first-/follow-set clashes ?

Left-factor ?

Transformations for cleaning:

Auto-clean ?

Remove unreachable nonterminals ?

Expand unit rules ?

Transformations for changing format of grammar:

Annotate with LR(0)-states

[LALR(1) ⇒ SLR(1)] ?

ε-separation ?

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# Grammar is LL(1)

```
Grammar  
E → T E1 .  
E1 → + T E1  
      | minus T E1  
      | .  
T → F T1 .  
T1 → * F T1  
      | / F T1  
      | .  
F → ( E )  
      | id .
```

Some sentences generated by this grammar: {i  
id \* id, id \* id / id / id, id / id \* id / id, id \* id /

- All nonterminals are reachable and realizable.
- The nullable nonterminals are: E<sub>1</sub> T<sub>1</sub>.
- The endable nonterminals are: T<sub>1</sub> F E E<sub>1</sub> T.
- No cycles.

nonterminal	first set	follow set	nullable	endable
E	( id )		no	yes
E <sub>1</sub>	+ minus )		yes	yes
T	( id )	+ minus	no	yes
T <sub>1</sub>	* / )	+ minus	yes	yes
F	( id )	* / + minus	no	yes

The grammar is LL(1).



# First Set and Follow Set

example 1 in format of university of calgary tool :

$E \rightarrow T E'$ .

$E' \rightarrow$

$| + T E'$ .

$T \rightarrow F T'$ .

$T' \rightarrow$

$| * F T'$ .

$F \rightarrow 0$

$| 1$

$| ( E )$ .

Note: Here,  $E' \rightarrow$  represents the epsilon

## Grammar

```
E → T E'.
E' →
  | + T E'.
T → F T'.
T' →
  | * F T'.
F → 0
  | 1
  | ( E ).
```

Some sentences generated by this grammar:  $\{1, 0, 0 + 0, 0 +$   
 $* 1 * 1, 0 * 0 * 0\}$

FIRST(E)	=	{0, 1, (}
FIRST(E')	=	{+, ε}
FIRST(T)	=	{0, 1, (}
FIRST(T')	=	{*, ε}
FIRST(F)	=	{0, 1, (}

FOLLOW(E)	=	{\$, )}
FOLLOW(E')	=	{\$, )}
FOLLOW(T)	=	{+, \$, )}
FOLLOW(T')	=	{+, \$, )}
FOLLOW(F)	=	{*, +, \$, )}

- All nonterminals are reachable and realizable.
- The nullable nonterminals are: E' T'.
- The endable nonterminals are: T' F E' T.
- No cycles.

nonterminal	first set	follow set	nullable	endable
E	0 1 ( )	)	no	yes
E'	+	)	yes	yes
T	0 1 ( )+	)	no	yes
T'	*	)	yes	yes
F	0 1 ( ) * +	)	no	yes

The grammar is LL(1).

# Generate LL(1) Parsing Table

- All nonterminals are reachable and realizable.
- The nullable nonterminals are: E' T'.
- The endable nonterminals are: T' F E E' T.
- No cycles.

nonterminal	first set	follow set	nullable	endable
E	0 1 ( )	)	no	yes
E'	+	)	yes	yes
T	0 1 ( ) +	) +	no	yes
T'	*	) +	yes	yes
F	0 1 ( ) * +	) * +	no	yes

The grammar is LL(1).

- attempt to transform the grammar (to LL(1))
- generate LL(1) parsing table

# Generate LL(1) Parsing Table

## Grammar

$E \rightarrow T E' .$   
 $E' \rightarrow$   
 $\quad | + T E' .$   
 $T \rightarrow F T' .$   
 $T' \rightarrow$   
 $\quad | * F T' .$   
 $F \rightarrow \emptyset$   
 $\quad | 1$   
 $\quad | ( E ) .$

	\$	)	(	1	0	*	+
E			$E \rightarrow T E'$	$E \rightarrow T E'$	$E \rightarrow T E'$		
E'	$E' \rightarrow \&\epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \&\epsilon$					$E' \rightarrow + T E'$
T			$T \rightarrow F T'$	$T \rightarrow F T'$	$T \rightarrow F T'$		
T'	$T' \rightarrow \&\epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \&\epsilon$				$T' \rightarrow * F T'$	$T' \rightarrow \&\epsilon$
F			$F \rightarrow ( E )$	$F \rightarrow 1$	$F \rightarrow 0$		

Return home to [enter a new grammar](#).





# First Set and Follow Set

example 2:

$S \rightarrow ABCDE$

$A \rightarrow a \mid \epsilon$   $B \rightarrow b \mid \epsilon$   $C \rightarrow c$

$D \rightarrow d \mid \epsilon$

$E \rightarrow e \mid \epsilon$

Note: convert the grammar into corresponding format before using the tool



# First Set and Follow Set

example 3:

$S \rightarrow Bb \mid Cd$

$B \rightarrow aB \mid \epsilon$

$C \rightarrow cC \mid \epsilon$



# First Set and Follow Set

example 4:

$S \rightarrow ACB \mid CbB \mid Ba$

$A \rightarrow da \mid BC$

$B \rightarrow g \mid \epsilon$

$C \rightarrow h \mid \epsilon$



## Tool given in Assignment handout

- In assignment 2 ZIP file refer the read me file.
- Follow the steps given in read me file
- Remove the ambiguity from the grammar
- Convert the grammar to the university of Calgary grammar tool or A to CC format
- Analyze your grammar .

Thanks

