



# Compiler Construction

Lecture 10: Syntax Analysis VI ( $LR(1)$  and  $LALR(1)$  Parsing)

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# Recap: $LR(0)$ and $SLR(1)$ Parsing

## $LR(0)$ Items and Sets

### Definition ( $LR(0)$ items and sets)

Let  $G = \langle N, \Sigma, P, S \rangle \in CFG_{\Sigma}$  be start separated by  $S' \rightarrow S$  and  $S' \Rightarrow_r^* \alpha A w \Rightarrow_r \alpha \beta_1 \beta_2 w$  (i.e.,  $A \rightarrow \beta_1 \beta_2 \in P$ ).

- $[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2]$  is called an  **$LR(0)$  item** for  $\alpha \beta_1$ .
- Given  $\gamma \in X^*$ ,  $LR(0)(\gamma)$  denotes the set of all  **$LR(0)$  items** for  $\gamma$ , called the  **$LR(0)$  set** (or:  **$LR(0)$  information**) of  $\gamma$ .
- $LR(0)(G) := \{LR(0)(\gamma) \mid \gamma \in X^*\}$ .

### Corollary

1. For every  $\gamma \in X^*$ ,  $LR(0)(\gamma)$  is finite.
2.  $LR(0)(G)$  is finite.
3. The item  $[A \rightarrow \beta \cdot] \in LR(0)(\gamma)$  indicates the possible **reduction**  $(w, \alpha \beta, z) \vdash (w, \alpha A, zi)$  where  $\pi_i = A \rightarrow \beta$  and  $\gamma = \alpha \beta$ .
4. The item  $[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot Y \beta_2] \in LR(0)(\gamma)$  indicates an **incomplete handle**  $\beta_1$  (to be completed by shift operations or  $\varepsilon$ -reductions).

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## $LR(0)$ Conflicts

### Definition ( $LR(0)$ conflicts)

Let  $G = \langle N, \Sigma, P, S \rangle \in CFG_{\Sigma}$  and  $I \in LR(0)(G)$ .

- $I$  has a **shift/reduce conflict** if there exist  $A \rightarrow \alpha_1 a \alpha_2, B \rightarrow \beta \in P$  such that

$$[A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot a \alpha_2], [B \rightarrow \beta \cdot] \in I.$$

- $I$  has a **reduce/reduce conflict** if there exist  $A \rightarrow \alpha, B \rightarrow \beta \in P$  with  $A \neq B$  or  $\alpha \neq \beta$  such that

$$[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot], [B \rightarrow \beta \cdot] \in I.$$

### Lemma

$G \in LR(0)$  iff no  $I \in LR(0)(G)$  contains conflicting items.

### Proof.

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### The goto Function

**Observation:** if  $G \in LR(0)$ , then  $LR(0)(\gamma)$  yields **deterministic shift/reduce decision** for  $NBA(G)$  in a configuration with pushdown  $\gamma$

$\implies$  **new pushdown alphabet:**  $LR(0)(G)$  in place of  $X$

Moreover  $LR(0)(\gamma Y)$  is determined by  $LR(0)(\gamma)$  and  $Y$  but **independent from**  $\gamma$  in the following sense:

$$LR(0)(\gamma) = LR(0)(\gamma') \implies LR(0)(\gamma Y) = LR(0)(\gamma' Y)$$

### Definition ( $LR(0)$ goto function)

The function **goto** :  $LR(0)(G) \times X \rightarrow LR(0)(G)$  is determined by

$$\text{goto}(I, Y) = I' \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{there exists } \gamma \in X^* \text{ such that} \\ I = LR(0)(\gamma) \text{ and } I' = LR(0)(\gamma Y).$$

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### The $LR(0)$ Action Function

The parsing automaton will be defined using another table, the **action function**, which determines the shift/reduce decision (reminder:  $\pi_0 = S' \rightarrow S$ ).

#### Definition ( $LR(0)$ action function)

The  **$LR(0)$  action function**  $\text{act} : LR(0)(G) \rightarrow \{\text{red } i \mid i \in [p]\} \cup \{\text{shift, accept, error}\}$  is defined by

$$\text{act}(I) := \begin{cases} \text{red } i & \text{if } i \neq 0, \pi_i = A \rightarrow \alpha \text{ and } [A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot] \in I \\ \text{shift} & \text{if } [A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot a\alpha_2] \in I \\ \text{accept} & \text{if } [S' \rightarrow S \cdot] \in I \\ \text{error} & \text{if } I = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

#### Corollary

For every  $G \in CFG_{\Sigma}$ ,  $G \in LR(0)$  iff  $\text{act}$  is well defined.

Together,  $\text{act}$  and  $\text{goto}$  form the  **$LR(0)$  parsing table** of  $G$ .

# Recap: $LR(0)$ and $SLR(1)$ Parsing

## The $LR(0)$ Parsing Automaton

### Definition ( $LR(0)$ parsing automaton)

Let  $G = \langle N, \Sigma, P, S \rangle \in LR(0)$ . The (deterministic)  $LR(0)$  parsing automaton of  $G$  is defined by the following components:

- Input alphabet  $\Sigma$
- Pushdown alphabet  $\Gamma := LR(0)(G)$
- Output alphabet  $\Delta := [\rho] \cup \{0, \text{error}\}$
- Configurations  $\Sigma^* \times \Gamma^* \times \Delta^*$
- Initial configuration  $(w, l_0, \varepsilon)$  where  $l_0 := LR(0)(\varepsilon)$
- Final configurations  $\{\varepsilon\} \times \{\varepsilon\} \times \Delta^*$
- Transitions:

shift:  $(aw, \alpha l, z) \vdash (w, \alpha l', z)$  if  $\text{act}(l) = \text{shift}$  and  $\text{goto}(l, a) = l'$

reduce:  $(w, \alpha l_1 \dots l_n, z) \vdash (w, \alpha l', z_i)$  if  $\text{act}(l_n) = \text{red } i$ ,  $\pi_i = A \rightarrow Y_1 \dots Y_n$ ,  $\text{goto}(l, A) = l'$

accept:  $(\varepsilon, l_0 l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z 0)$  if  $\text{act}(l) = \text{accept}$

error:  $(w, \alpha l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z \text{error})$  if  $\text{act}(l) = \text{error}$

## Recap: $LR(0)$ and $SLR(1)$ Parsing

### The $SLR(1)$ Action Function

Definition ( $SLR(1)$  action function)

The  $SLR(1)$  action function

$$\text{act} : LR(0)(G) \times \Sigma_\varepsilon \rightarrow \{\text{red } i \mid i \in [p]\} \cup \{\text{shift, accept, error}\}$$

is defined by

$$\text{act}(I, \mathbf{x}) := \begin{cases} \text{red } i & \text{if } i \neq 0, \pi_i = A \rightarrow \alpha, [A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot] \in I, \\ & \text{and } \mathbf{x} \in \text{fo}(A) \\ \text{shift} & \text{if } [A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot \mathbf{x} \alpha_2] \in I \text{ and } \mathbf{x} \in \Sigma \\ \text{accept} & \text{if } [S' \rightarrow S \cdot] \in I \text{ and } \mathbf{x} = \varepsilon \\ \text{error} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Definition ( $SLR(1)$  grammar)

A grammar  $G \in CFG_\Sigma$  has the  $SLR(1)$  property (notation:  $G \in SLR(1)$ ) if its  $SLR(1)$  action function is well defined.

$\text{act}$  and the  $LR(0)$  goto function (Definition 9.3) form the  $SLR(1)$  parsing table of  $G$ .

## Recap: $LR(0)$ and $SLR(1)$ Parsing

### The $SLR(1)$ Parsing Automaton

#### Definition ( $SLR(1)$ parsing automaton)

The  **$SLR(1)$  parsing automaton** is defined as in the  $LR(0)$  case (see Definition 9.8), except for the **transition relation**:

shift:  $(aw, \alpha l, z) \vdash (w, \alpha l', z)$  if  $\text{act}(l, a) = \text{shift}$  and  $\text{goto}(l, a) = l'$

reduce<sub>a</sub>:  $(aw, \alpha ll_1 \dots l_n, z) \vdash (aw, \alpha l', zi)$  if  $\text{act}(l_n, a) = \text{red } i$ ,  $\pi_i = A \rightarrow Y_1 \dots Y_n$ , and  $\text{goto}(l, A) = l'$

reduce<sub>ε</sub>:  $(\varepsilon, \alpha ll_1 \dots l_n, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \alpha l', zi)$  if  $\text{act}(l_n, \varepsilon) = \text{red } i$ ,  $\pi_i = A \rightarrow Y_1 \dots Y_n$ , and  $\text{goto}(l, A) = l'$

accept:  $(\varepsilon, l_0 l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z 0)$  if  $\text{act}(l, \varepsilon) = \text{accept}$

error<sub>a</sub>:  $(aw, \alpha l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z \text{error})$  if  $\text{act}(l, a) = \text{error}$

error<sub>ε</sub>:  $(\varepsilon, \alpha l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z \text{error})$  if  $\text{act}(l, \varepsilon) = \text{error}$





# LR(1) Parsing

## LR(1) Items and Sets I

**Observation:** not every element of  $\text{fo}(A)$  can follow every occurrence of  $A$   
 $\implies$  refinement of  $LR(0)$  items by **adding possible lookahead symbols**

### Definition 10.2 ( $LR(1)$ items and sets)

Let  $G = \langle N, \Sigma, P, S \rangle \in \text{CFG}_\Sigma$  be start separated by  $S' \rightarrow S$ .

- If  $S' \Rightarrow_r^* \alpha A a w \Rightarrow_r \alpha \beta_1 \beta_2 a w$ , then  $[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2, a]$  is called an **LR(1) item** for  $\alpha \beta_1$ .
- If  $S' \Rightarrow_r^* \alpha A \Rightarrow_r \alpha \beta_1 \beta_2$ , then  $[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2, \varepsilon]$  is called an **LR(1) item** for  $\alpha \beta_1$ .
- Given  $\gamma \in X^*$ ,  $LR(1)(\gamma)$  denotes the set of all **LR(1) items** for  $\gamma$ , called the **LR(1) set** (or: **LR(1) information**) of  $\gamma$ .
- $LR(1)(G) := \{LR(1)(\gamma) \mid \gamma \in X^*\}$ .

## LR(1) Items and Sets II

### Corollary 10.3

1. For every  $\gamma \in X^*$ ,  $LR(1)(\gamma)$  is finite.
2.  $LR(1)(G)$  is finite.
3. For every  $\gamma \in X^*$ ,  $LR(1)(\gamma)$  “contains”  $LR(0)(\gamma)$ , i.e.,

$$\{[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2] \mid [A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2, x] \in LR(1)(\gamma)\} = LR(0)(\gamma).$$

4.  $[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2, x] \in I \in LR(1)(G) \implies x \in \text{fo}(A)$

# LR(1) Parsing

## LR(1) Conflicts

### Definition 10.4 (LR(1) conflicts)

Let  $G = \langle N, \Sigma, P, S \rangle \in CFG_{\Sigma}$  and  $I \in LR(1)(G)$ .

- $I$  has a **shift/reduce conflict** if there exist  $A \rightarrow \alpha_1 a \alpha_2$ ,  $B \rightarrow \beta \in P$  and  $x \in \Sigma_{\epsilon}$  such that

$$[A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot a \alpha_2, x], [B \rightarrow \beta \cdot, a] \in I.$$

- $I$  has a **reduce/reduce conflict** if there exist  $x \in \Sigma_{\epsilon}$  and  $A \rightarrow \alpha$ ,  $B \rightarrow \beta \in P$  with  $A \neq B$  or  $\alpha \neq \beta$  such that

$$[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot, x], [B \rightarrow \beta \cdot, x] \in I.$$

### Lemma 10.5

$G \in LR(1)$  iff no  $I \in LR(1)(G)$  contains conflicting items.

## Computing LR(1) Sets I

The computation of LR(0) sets (cf. Theorem 8.15) can be extended to cover right contexts:

### Theorem 10.6 (Computing LR(1) sets)

Let  $G = \langle N, \Sigma, P, S \rangle \in CFG_{\Sigma}$  be start separated by  $S' \rightarrow S$  and reduced.

1.  $LR(1)(\varepsilon)$  is the least set such that

–  $[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \varepsilon] \in LR(1)(\varepsilon)$  and

– if  $[A \rightarrow \cdot B\gamma, \mathbf{x}] \in LR(1)(\varepsilon)$ ,  $B \rightarrow \beta \in P$ , and  $y \in \text{fi}(\gamma\mathbf{x})$ , then  $[B \rightarrow \cdot\beta, \mathbf{y}] \in LR(1)(\varepsilon)$ .

2.  $LR(1)(\alpha Y)$  ( $\alpha \in X^*$ ,  $Y \in X$ ) is the least set such that

– if  $[A \rightarrow \gamma_1 \cdot Y\gamma_2, \mathbf{x}] \in LR(1)(\alpha)$ , then  $[A \rightarrow \gamma_1 Y \cdot \gamma_2, \mathbf{x}] \in LR(1)(\alpha Y)$  and

– if  $[A \rightarrow \gamma_1 \cdot B\gamma_2, \mathbf{x}] \in LR(1)(\alpha Y)$ ,  $B \rightarrow \beta \in P$ , and  $y \in \text{fi}(\gamma_2\mathbf{x})$ , then  $[B \rightarrow \cdot\beta, \mathbf{y}] \in LR(1)(\alpha Y)$ .

# LR(1) Parsing

## Computing LR(1) Sets II

### Example 10.7 (cf. Example 10.1)

$LR(1)(G_{LR})$  for  $G_{LR} : S' \rightarrow S \quad S \rightarrow L=R \mid R \quad L \rightarrow *R \mid a \quad R \rightarrow L$

$[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \varepsilon] \in LR(1)(\varepsilon) \quad [A \rightarrow \cdot B\gamma, x] \in LR(1)(\varepsilon), B \rightarrow \beta \in P, y \in \text{fi}(\gamma x) \implies [B \rightarrow \cdot \beta, y] \in LR(1)(\varepsilon) \quad [A \rightarrow \gamma_1 \cdot Y\gamma_2$

$I'_0 := LR(1)(\varepsilon) :$

$[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \varepsilon]$	$[S \rightarrow \cdot L=R, \varepsilon]$	$[S \rightarrow \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$

$I'_1 := LR(1)(S) :$

$[S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_2 := LR(1)(L) :$

$[S \rightarrow L \cdot =R, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_3 := LR(1)(R) :$

$[S \rightarrow R \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_4 := LR(1)(*) :$

$[L \rightarrow * \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow * \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$

$I'_5 := LR(1)(a) :$

$[L \rightarrow a \cdot, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow a \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_6 := LR(1)(L=) :$

$[S \rightarrow L= \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_7 := LR(1)(*R) :$

$[L \rightarrow *R \cdot, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow *R \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_8 := LR(1)(*L) :$

$[R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_9 := LR(1)(L=R) :$

$[S \rightarrow L=R \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_{10} := LR(1)(L=L) :$

$[R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_{11} := LR(1)(L=*) :$

$[L \rightarrow * \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_{12} := LR(1)(L=a) :$

$[L \rightarrow a \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_{13} := LR(1)(L=*R) :$

$[L \rightarrow *R \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I'_{14} := \emptyset$

In  $I'_2$ : shift on =/reduce on  $\varepsilon \implies G_{LR} \in LR(1)$

## The LR(1) Action Function

Definition 10.8 (LR(1) action function)

The LR(1) action function

$$\text{act} : LR(1)(G) \times \Sigma_\varepsilon \rightarrow \{\text{red } i \mid i \in [p]\} \cup \{\text{shift, accept, error}\}$$

is defined by

$$\text{act}(I, x) := \begin{cases} \text{red } i & \text{if } i \neq 0, \pi_i = A \rightarrow \alpha \text{ and } [A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot, x] \in I \\ \text{shift} & \text{if } [A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot x \alpha_2, y] \in I \text{ and } x \in \Sigma \\ \text{accept} & \text{if } [S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \varepsilon] \in I \text{ and } x = \varepsilon \\ \text{error} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Corollary 10.9

For every  $G \in CFG_\Sigma$ ,  $G \in LR(1)$  iff its LR(1) action function is well defined.

## The LR(1) goto Function

The goto function is defined in analogy to the LR(0) case (Definition 9.3).

### Definition 10.10 (LR(1) goto function)

The function  $\text{goto} : LR(1)(G) \times X \rightarrow LR(1)(G)$  is determined by

$$\text{goto}(I, Y) = I' \quad \text{iff} \quad \text{there exists } \gamma \in X^* \text{ such that} \\ I = LR(1)(\gamma) \text{ and } I' = LR(1)(\gamma Y).$$

Again, act and goto form the LR(1) parsing table of  $G$ .



# LR(1) Parsing

## The LR(1) Parsing Table

### Example 10.11 (cf. Example 10.7)

$LR(1)(G_{LR})$	act/goto  $\Sigma$				goto  $N$		
	*	=	a	$\epsilon$	S	L	R
$I'_0$	shift/ $I'_4$		shift/ $I'_5$		$I'_1$	$I'_2$	$I'_3$
$I'_1$				accept			
$I'_2$		shift/ $I'_6$		red 5			
$I'_3$				red 2			
$I'_4$	shift/ $I'_4$		shift/ $I'_5$			$I'_8$	$I'_7$
$I'_5$		red 4		red 4			
$I'_6$	shift/ $I'_{11}$		shift/ $I'_{12}$		$I'_{10}$	$I'_9$	
$I'_7$		red 3		red 3			
$I'_8$		red 5					
$I'_9$				red 1			
$I'_{10}$				red 5			
$I'_{11}$	shift/ $I'_{11}$		shift/ $I'_{12}$		$I'_{10}$	$I'_{13}$	
$I'_{12}$				red 4			
$I'_{13}$				red 3			

(empty = error/ $\emptyset$ )

## The LR(1) Parsing Automaton I

### Definition 10.12 (LR(1) parsing automaton)

The **LR(1) parsing automaton** is defined as in the **LR(0)** case (see Definition 9.8), except for the **transition relation**:

**shift**:  $(aw, \alpha l, z) \vdash (w, \alpha l', z)$  if  $\text{act}(l, a) = \text{shift}$  and  $\text{goto}(l, a) = l'$

**reduce<sub>a</sub>**:  $(aw, \alpha ll_1 \dots l_n, z) \vdash (aw, \alpha l', zi)$  if  $\text{act}(l_n, a) = \text{red } i$ ,  $\pi_i = A \rightarrow Y_1 \dots Y_n$ , and  $\text{goto}(l, A) = l'$

**reduce<sub>ε</sub>**:  $(\varepsilon, \alpha ll_1 \dots l_n, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \alpha l', zi)$  if  $\text{act}(l_n, \varepsilon) = \text{red } i$ ,  $\pi_i = A \rightarrow Y_1 \dots Y_n$ , and  $\text{goto}(l, A) = l'$

**accept**:  $(\varepsilon, l_0 l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z 0)$  if  $\text{act}(l, \varepsilon) = \text{accept}$

**error<sub>a</sub>**:  $(aw, \alpha l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z \text{error})$  if  $\text{act}(l, a) = \text{error}$

**error<sub>ε</sub>**:  $(\varepsilon, \alpha l, z) \vdash (\varepsilon, \varepsilon, z \text{error})$  if  $\text{act}(l, \varepsilon) = \text{error}$

# LR(1) Parsing

## The LR(1) Parsing Automaton II

### Example 10.13 (cf. Example 10.7)

$G_{LR} : S' \rightarrow S (0) \quad S \rightarrow L=R \mid R (1,2) \quad L \rightarrow *R \mid a (3,4) \quad R \rightarrow L (5)$

$LR(1)(G_{LR})$	act/goto   $\Sigma$				goto   $N$		
	*	=	a	$\epsilon$	S	L	R
$I'_0$	shift/ $I'_4$		shift/ $I'_5$		$I'_1$	$I'_2$	$I'_3$
$I'_1$				accept			
$I'_2$		shift/ $I'_6$		red 5			
$I'_3$				red 2			
$I'_4$	shift/ $I'_4$		shift/ $I'_5$		$I'_8$	$I'_7$	
$I'_5$		red 4		red 4			
$I'_6$	shift/ $I'_{11}$		shift/ $I'_{12}$		$I'_{10}$	$I'_9$	
$I'_7$		red 3		red 3			
$I'_8$		red 5					
$I'_9$				red 1			
$I'_{10}$				red 5			
$I'_{11}$	shift/ $I'_{11}$		shift/ $I'_{12}$		$I'_{10}$	$I'_{13}$	
$I'_{12}$				red 4			
$I'_{13}$				red 3			

(empty = error/ $\emptyset$ )

LR(1) parsing of  $a=*a$ :

( $a=*a, I'_0, \epsilon$ )  
 $\vdash (=*a, I'_0 I'_5, \epsilon)$   
 $\vdash (=*a, I'_0 I'_2, 4)$   
 $\vdash (*a, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6, 4)$   
 $\vdash (a, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6 I'_{11}, 4)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6 I'_{11} I'_{12}, 4)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6 I'_{11} I'_{10}, 44)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6 I'_{11} I'_{13}, 445)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6 I'_{10}, 4453)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, I'_0 I'_2 I'_6 I'_9, 44535)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, I'_0 I'_1, 445351)$   
 $\vdash (\epsilon, \epsilon, 4453510)$

# LALR(1) Parsing

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## LALR(1) Parsing

- **Motivation:** resolving conflicts using  $LR(1)$  too expensive
- Example 10.1/10.7:  $|LR(0)(G_{LR})| = 11$ ,  $|LR(1)(G_{LR})| = 15$
- Empirical evaluations:
  - A. Johnstone, E. Scott: *Generalised Reduction Modified LR Parsing for Domain Specific Language Prototyping*, HICSS '02, IEEE, 2002
  - X. Chen, D. Pager: *Full LR(1) Parser Generator Hyacc and Study on the Performance of LR(1) Algorithms*, C3S2E '11, ACM, 2011

Grammar	$ LR(0)(G) $	$ LR(1)(G) $
Pascal	368	1395
Ansi-C	381	1788
C++	1236	9723

## LR(0) Equivalence I

**Observation:** potential **redundancy by containment** of  $LR(0)$  sets in  $LR(1)$  sets (cf. Corollary 10.3)

### Definition 10.14 ( $LR(0)$ equivalence)

Let  $lr_0 : LR(1)(G) \rightarrow LR(0)(G)$  be defined by

$$lr_0(I) := \{[A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2] \mid [A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2, x] \in I\}.$$

Two sets  $I_1, I_2 \in LR(1)(G)$  are called  **$LR(0)$ -equivalent** (notation:  $I_1 \sim_0 I_2$ ) if  $lr_0(I_1) = lr_0(I_2)$ .

# LALR(1) Parsing

## LR(0) Equivalence II

### Example 10.15 (cf. Example 10.1/10.7)

$$\begin{array}{l}
 G_{LR} : S' \rightarrow S \quad S \rightarrow L=R \mid R \\
 \quad L \rightarrow *R \mid a \quad R \rightarrow L \\
 LR(0)(G_{LR}) : \\
 I_0(\varepsilon) : \begin{array}{ll} [S' \rightarrow \cdot S] & [S \rightarrow \cdot L=R] \\ [S \rightarrow \cdot R] & [L \rightarrow \cdot *R] \\ [L \rightarrow \cdot a] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L] \end{array} \\
 I_1(S) : [S' \rightarrow S \cdot] \\
 I_2(L) : [S \rightarrow L \cdot =R] \quad [R \rightarrow L \cdot] \\
 I_3(R) : [S \rightarrow R \cdot] \\
 I_4(*) : \begin{array}{ll} [L \rightarrow * \cdot R] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L] \\ [L \rightarrow \cdot *R] & [L \rightarrow \cdot a] \end{array} \\
 I_5(a) : [L \rightarrow a \cdot] \\
 I_6(L=) : \begin{array}{ll} [S \rightarrow L= \cdot R] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L] \\ [L \rightarrow \cdot *R] & [L \rightarrow \cdot a] \end{array} \\
 I_7(*R) : [L \rightarrow *R \cdot] \\
 I_8(*L) : [R \rightarrow L \cdot] \\
 I_9(L=R) : [S \rightarrow L=R \cdot] \\
 \implies \begin{array}{ll} I_4 \sim_0 I_{11} & I_5 \sim_0 I_{12} \\ I_7 \sim_0 I_{13} & I_8 \sim_0 I_{10} \end{array}
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 LR(1)(G_{LR}) : \\
 I'_0(\varepsilon) : \begin{array}{llll} [S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \varepsilon] & [S \rightarrow \cdot L=R, \varepsilon] & [S \rightarrow \cdot R, \varepsilon] & [L \rightarrow \cdot *R, =] \\ [L \rightarrow \cdot a, =] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon] & [L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon] & [L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon] \end{array} \\
 I'_1(S) : [S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_2(L) : [S \rightarrow L \cdot =R, \varepsilon] \quad [R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_3(R) : [S \rightarrow R \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_4(*) : \begin{array}{llll} [L \rightarrow * \cdot R, =] & [L \rightarrow * \cdot R, \varepsilon] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L, =] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon] \\ [L \rightarrow \cdot *R, =] & [L \rightarrow \cdot a, =] & [L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon] & [L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon] \end{array} \\
 I'_5(a) : [L \rightarrow a \cdot, =] \quad [L \rightarrow a \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_6(L=) : \begin{array}{ll} [S \rightarrow L= \cdot R, \varepsilon] & [R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon] \\ [L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon] & [L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon] \end{array} \\
 I'_7(*R) : [L \rightarrow *R \cdot, =] \quad [L \rightarrow *R \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_8(*L) : [R \rightarrow L \cdot, =] \quad [R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_9(L=R) : [S \rightarrow L=R \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_{10}(L=L) : [R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_{11}(L=*) : [L \rightarrow * \cdot R, \varepsilon] \quad [R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon] \quad [L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon] \quad [L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_{12}(L=a) : [L \rightarrow a \cdot, \varepsilon] \\
 I'_{13}(L=*R) : [L \rightarrow *R \cdot, \varepsilon]
 \end{array}$$

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## LALR(1) Sets I

### Corollary 10.16

For every  $G \in CFG_{\Sigma}$ ,  $|LR(1)(G) / \sim_0| = |LR(0)(G)|$ .

**Idea:** merge  $LR(0)$ -equivalent  $LR(1)$  sets

(maintaining the lookahead information, but possibly introducing conflicts)

### Definition 10.17 (LALR(1) sets)

Let  $G \in CFG_{\Sigma}$ .

- An information  $I \in LR(1)(G)$  determines the **LALR(1) set**

$$\bigcup [I]_{\sim_0} = \bigcup \{I' \in LR(1)(G) \mid I' \sim_0 I\}.$$

- The set of all **LALR(1)** sets of  $G$  is denoted by **LALR(1)(G)**.

**Remark:** by Corollary 10.16,  $|LALR(1)(G)| = |LR(0)(G)|$   
(but **LALR(1)** sets provide additional lookahead information)

# LALR(1) Parsing

## LALR(1) Sets II

### Example 10.18 (cf. Example 10.15)

$G_{LR} : S' \rightarrow S \quad S \rightarrow L=R \mid R \quad L \rightarrow *R \mid a \quad R \rightarrow L$

$LR(0)(G_{LR}) :$

$I_0(\varepsilon) :$

$[S' \rightarrow \cdot S]$	$[S \rightarrow \cdot L=R]$
$[S \rightarrow \cdot R]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot a]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L]$

$I_1(S) :$

$[S' \rightarrow S \cdot]$
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$I_2(L) :$

$[S \rightarrow L \cdot =R]$	$[R \rightarrow L \cdot]$
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$I_3(R) :$

$[S \rightarrow R \cdot]$
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$I_4(*) :$

$[L \rightarrow * \cdot R]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a]$

$I_5(a) :$

$[L \rightarrow a \cdot]$
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$I_6(L=) :$

$[S \rightarrow L= \cdot R]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a]$

$I_7(*R) :$

$[L \rightarrow *R \cdot]$
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$I_8(*L) :$

$[R \rightarrow L \cdot]$
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$I_9(L=R) :$

$[S \rightarrow L=R \cdot]$
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$LALR(1)(G_{LR}) :$

$I''_0 := I'_0 :$

$[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \varepsilon]$	$[S \rightarrow \cdot L=R, \varepsilon]$
$[S \rightarrow \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, =/\varepsilon]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, =/\varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$

$I''_1 := I'_1 :$

$[S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I''_2 := I'_2 :$

$[S \rightarrow L \cdot =R, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow L \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I''_3 := I'_3 :$

$[S \rightarrow R \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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$I''_4 := I'_4 \cup I'_{11} :$

$[L \rightarrow * \cdot R, =/\varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, =/\varepsilon]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, =/\varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, =/\varepsilon]$

$I''_5 := I'_5 \cup I'_{12} :$

$[L \rightarrow a \cdot, =/\varepsilon]$
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$I''_6 := I'_6 :$

$[S \rightarrow L= \cdot R, \varepsilon]$	$[R \rightarrow \cdot L, \varepsilon]$
$[L \rightarrow \cdot *R, \varepsilon]$	$[L \rightarrow \cdot a, \varepsilon]$

$I''_7 := I'_7 \cup I'_{13} :$

$[L \rightarrow *R \cdot, =/\varepsilon]$
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$I''_8 := I'_8 \cup I'_{10} :$

$[R \rightarrow L \cdot, =/\varepsilon]$
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$I''_9 := I'_9 :$

$[S \rightarrow L=R \cdot, \varepsilon]$
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## The LALR(1) Action Function

The LALR(1) action function is defined in analogy to the LR(1) case (Definition 10.8).

Definition 10.19 (LALR(1) action function)

The LALR(1) action function

$$\text{act} : LALR(1)(G) \times \Sigma_\varepsilon \rightarrow \{\text{red } i \mid i \in [p]\} \cup \{\text{shift, accept, error}\}$$

$$\text{is defined by } \text{act}(I, x) := \begin{cases} \text{red } i & \text{if } i \neq 0, \pi(i) = A \rightarrow \alpha \text{ and } [A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot, x] \in I \\ \text{shift} & \text{if } [A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \cdot x \alpha_2, y] \in I \text{ and } x \in \Sigma \\ \text{accept} & \text{if } [S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \varepsilon] \in I \text{ and } x = \varepsilon \\ \text{error} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Definition 10.20 (LALR(1) grammar)

A grammar  $G \in CFG_\Sigma$  has the LALR(1) property (notation:  $G \in LALR(1)$ ) if its LALR(1) action function is well defined.

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## The $LALR(1)$ goto Function

Example 10.21 (cf. Example 10.18)

$G_{LR} \in LALR(1)$

Also the  $LR(1)$  goto function (Definition 10.10) carries over to the  $LALR(1)$  case.  
Reason:

### Lemma 10.22

Let  $G \in CFG_{\Sigma}$  and  $I_1, I_2 \in LR(1)(G)$  such that  $I_1 \sim_0 I_2$ . Then, for every  $Y \in X$ ,  
 $\text{goto}(I_1, Y) \sim_0 \text{goto}(I_2, Y)$ .

Again, act and goto form the  $LALR(1)$  parsing table of  $G$ .

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## The LALR(1) Parsing Table

Example 10.23 (cf. Example 10.18)

$LALR(1)(G_{LR})$	act/goto   $\Sigma$				goto   $N$		
	*	=	a	$\epsilon$	S	L	R
$I''_0$	shift / $I''_4$		shift / $I''_5$		$I''_1$	$I''_2$	$I''_3$
$I''_1$				accept			
$I''_2$		shift / $I''_6$		red 5			
$I''_3$				red 2			
$I''_4$	shift / $I''_4$		shift / $I''_5$		$I''_8$	$I''_7$	
$I''_5$		red 4		red 4			
$I''_6$	shift / $I''_4$		shift / $I''_5$		$I''_8$	$I''_9$	
$I''_7$		red 3		red 3			
$I''_8$		red 5		red 5			
$I''_9$				red 1			

(empty = error /  $\emptyset$ )

# LALR(1) Parsing

## LALR(1) Conflicts

**But:** merging of  $LR(1)$  sets can produce new conflicts (also see exercises):

### Example 10.24

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

$LR(1)(\epsilon) : [S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \epsilon] \quad [S \rightarrow \cdot aAd, \epsilon] \quad [S \rightarrow \cdot bBd, \epsilon] \quad [S \rightarrow \cdot aBe, \epsilon] \quad [S \rightarrow \cdot bAe, \epsilon]$

$LR(1)(S) : [S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \epsilon]$

$LR(1)(a) : [S \rightarrow a \cdot Ad, \epsilon] \quad [S \rightarrow a \cdot Be, \epsilon] \quad [A \rightarrow \cdot c, d] \quad [B \rightarrow \cdot c, e]$

$LR(1)(b) : [S \rightarrow b \cdot Bd, \epsilon] \quad [S \rightarrow b \cdot Ae, \epsilon] \quad [B \rightarrow \cdot c, d] \quad [A \rightarrow \cdot c, e]$

$LR(1)(aA) : [S \rightarrow aA \cdot d, \epsilon] \quad LR(1)(aB) : [S \rightarrow aB \cdot e, \epsilon]$

$LR(1)(ac) : [A \rightarrow c \cdot, d] \quad [B \rightarrow c \cdot, e]$

$LR(1)(bB) : [S \rightarrow bB \cdot d, \epsilon] \quad LR(1)(bA) : [S \rightarrow bA \cdot e, \epsilon]$

$LR(1)(bc) : [B \rightarrow c \cdot, d] \quad [A \rightarrow c \cdot, e]$

$LR(1)(aAd) : [S \rightarrow aAd \cdot, \epsilon] \quad LR(1)(aBe) : [S \rightarrow aBe \cdot, \epsilon]$

$LR(1)(bBd) : [S \rightarrow bBd \cdot, \epsilon] \quad LR(1)(bAe) : [S \rightarrow bAe \cdot, \epsilon]$

No conflicts  $\implies G \in LR(1)$

$LR(1)(ac) \sim_0 LR(1)(bc)$ , but  $LR(1)(ac) \cup LR(1)(bc)$  has conflicts  $\implies G \notin LALR(1)$