

Tutorial 6

- Top-down Parsing (LL(1))
- ϵ -NFAs to DFAs

LL(1) Parsing

- Inputs: CFG $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ & input string $x \in \Sigma^*$
- Finds derivation from start symbol S to input string x (ie: $S \Rightarrow^* x$)

\hookrightarrow let x_i be derivation i from $S \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow x_i \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow x$,
 $i \geq 0$, $x_i \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ (origin: $A \in N, A \rightarrow x_i \in P$) rule we apply

\hookrightarrow goal: find $S \Rightarrow x_0 \Rightarrow x_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow x_n \Rightarrow x$ to prove
 $x \in L(G)$ or prove $x \notin L(G)$

\uparrow $L(G) = \text{"Language of the grammar } G \text{"}$

- LL(1) \rightarrow one symbol lookahead

\hookrightarrow parser makes decision about what rule x_i to apply based
on only the next symbol in the input

\hookrightarrow \star LL(1) parsing doesn't always work due to this limitation!

Predict Table

- Used to determine if LL(1) parsing will work for G

• let $A \in N$

$a, b, c \in \Sigma$

$\alpha, \beta \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$ strings of non-terminals & terminals

$A \rightarrow \alpha \in P$

- Predict(A, a) creates a set of production rules

↳ contains rule $A \rightarrow \alpha$ if:

① α can derive a string whose ^{1st} symbol is a

↳ We want to see a string $A \rightarrow "a B"$

② $\alpha \Rightarrow^* \epsilon$ and it is possible for a to immediately follow A in the derivation

↳ "get rid" of A, $A \Rightarrow^* "\epsilon \alpha B"$

- Formally:

$$\text{First}(\alpha) = \{ b \mid \alpha \Rightarrow^* b\beta \text{ for some } \beta \}$$

$$\text{Follow}(A) = \{ c \mid S' \Rightarrow^* \alpha A c \beta \text{ for some } \alpha, \beta \}$$

$$\text{Nullable}(\alpha) = \text{true} \text{ if } \alpha \Rightarrow^* \epsilon, \text{ false otherwise}$$

$$\text{Predict}(A, \alpha) = \{ A \rightarrow \alpha \mid (a \in \text{First}(\alpha)) \text{ or } (\text{Nullable}(\alpha) \text{ and } a \in \text{Follow}(A)) \}$$

- ★ if Predict(A, α) contains ≤ 1 rule for all pairs (A, a), we say G is LL(1) & we can use LL(1) to parse G

eg: Consider the CFG:

$$\textcircled{1} S' \rightarrow \vdash S \dashv$$

$$\textcircled{2} S \rightarrow aXYb$$

$$\textcircled{3} S \rightarrow XY$$

$$\textcircled{4} X \rightarrow pX$$

$$\textcircled{5} X \rightarrow \varepsilon$$

$$\textcircled{6} Y \rightarrow q$$

$$\textcircled{7} Y \rightarrow \varepsilon$$

Compute the predict table for this grammar.

• Tip: Compute in the order Nullable, First then Follow

↳ Use algos from class or intuition!

Nullable(A)

• $\forall A \in N$, track what rules can be used to "nullify" A (ie: $A \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$)

↳ $\text{Nullable}(X) = \text{Nullable}(Y) = \text{true}$ from rules $\textcircled{5}$ & $\textcircled{7}$

↳ " $A = S$, $\text{Nullable}(A) = \text{true}$ since $S \Rightarrow XY$ by $\textcircled{3}$ &

X, Y are nullable

↳ $\text{Nullable}(S') = \text{false}$ since S' only has rule $\textcircled{1}$, $S' \Rightarrow \vdash S \dashv$,

with terminals $\vdash, \dashv \in \Sigma$

$A \in N$	Nullable(A)	Nullable Rules
S'	False	none
S	True	$\textcircled{3}$
X	True	$\textcircled{5}$
Y	True	$\textcircled{7}$

First(A)

- $\forall A \in N$, look at the 1st symbol on the right hand side of each rule that expands A

↳ $S' \rightarrow \color{red}{\vdash} S \color{red}{\dashv}$ by ①, $\therefore \text{First}(S') = \{\vdash\}$

→ add ① to $\text{Predict}(S', \vdash)$

↳ X is expanded by ④ & ⑤

→ ④: $X \rightarrow \color{red}{p} X$, $\therefore p \in \text{First}(X)$, add ④ to $\text{Predict}(X, p)$

→ ⑤: $X \rightarrow \epsilon$, ignore

→ $\therefore \text{First}(X) = \{p\}$

↳ Y is expanded by ⑥ & ⑦

→ ⑥: $Y \rightarrow \color{red}{q}$, $\therefore q \in \text{First}(Y)$, add ⑥ to $\text{Predict}(Y, q)$

→ ⑦: $Y \rightarrow \epsilon$, ignore

→ $\therefore \text{First}(Y) = \{q\}$

↳ S is expanded by ② & ③

→ ②: $S \rightarrow \color{red}{a} X Y \color{red}{b}$, $\therefore a \in \text{First}(S)$, add ② to $\text{Predict}(S, a)$

→ ③: $S \rightarrow X Y$ ($S \Rightarrow X Y \Rightarrow \color{red}{p} X Y$ & $S \Rightarrow X Y \Rightarrow Y \Rightarrow \color{red}{q}$)

↳ Anything in $\text{First}(X)$ is in $\text{First}(S)$ (ie: $\text{First}(X) \subseteq \text{First}(S)$)

↳ $\therefore \text{Nullable}(X) = \text{true}$, Anything in $\text{First}(Y)$ is in $\text{First}(S)$

(ie: $\text{First}(Y) \subseteq \text{First}(S)$)

↳ Thus $p, q \in \text{First}(S)$, add ③ to $\text{Predict}(S, p)$ & $\text{Predict}(S, q)$

→ $\therefore \text{First}(S) = \{a, p, q\}$

$A \in N$	$\text{First}(A)$
S'	$\{ \vdash \}$
S	$\{ a, p, q \}$
X	$\{ p \}$
Y	$\{ q \}$

Partially-Filled Predict Table:

Predict	\vdash	\dashv	a	b	p	q
S'	①					
S			②	③	③	
X				④		
Y					⑥	

Follow(A)

- $\forall A \in N$, look at rules where A appears on the right hand side & figure out what symbols could appear after A
- If we add $a \in \Sigma$ to $\text{Follow}(A)$, add all nullable rules for A to $\text{Predict}(A, a) \leftarrow$ lets us get rid of A to get a on the LHS
 - $\hookrightarrow \text{Follow}(S') = \emptyset$ since S' doesn't appear in the RHS of any rule
 - $\hookrightarrow \text{Follow}(S) = \{ \vdash \}$ since by ① we get $S' \rightarrow \vdash S \dashv$ & $\text{Nullable}(S) = \text{true}$.
by ③
 - \rightarrow add ③ to $\text{Predict}(S, \dashv)$

↳ Follow(Y) = {b, -}

→ Y on RHS of $S \rightarrow aXYb$ & is followed by b, $b \in \text{Follow}(Y)$

→ Y " " " $S \rightarrow XY\epsilon$, anything in Follow(S) is in Follow(Y).

thus Follow(S) = {-} \subseteq Follow(Y)

→ ∴ Follow(Y) = {b} \cup Follow(S) = {b, -}, since

Nullable(Y) = true add ⑦ to Predict(Y, b) & Predict(Y, -)

↳ Follow(X) = {b, q, -}

→ $S \rightarrow aXYb$, anything in First(Y) \subseteq Follow(X)

→ $S \rightarrow aXYb$, $b \in \text{Follow}(X)$ ∴ Nullable(Y) = true

→ $S \rightarrow XY\epsilon$, ∴ Nullable(Y) = true, Follow(S) \subseteq Follow(X)

→ $X \rightarrow pX\epsilon$, no info on Follow(X)

→ ∴ Follow(X) = First(Y) \cup {b} \cup Follow(S) = {b, q, -}

↳ add nullable rule ⑤ to Predict(X, b), Predict(X, q) & Predict(X, -)

A ∈ N	Follow
S'	∅
S	{-}
X	{b, q, -}
Y	{b, -}

Final Predict Table:

Predict	+	-	a	b	p	q
S'	1					
S		3 2		3 3		
X			5 5	4 5		
Y		7	7			

ϵ -NFAs to DFAs

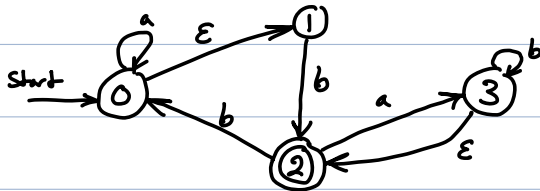
- Similar to converting an NFA to a DFA, but you need to account for ϵ -transitions when figuring out what states are reachable from a given set of states

↳ Initial State: $\{q_0\} \cup \{q_i \mid q_i \text{ reached by taking } \geq 1 \text{ } \epsilon\text{-trans from } q_0\}$

↳ For state q_i , find all transitions \forall symbols a ($\delta(q_i, a)$) & figure out what other states, q_j , are reachable by ≥ 1 ϵ -transitions

Finding the ϵ -closure \forall states q_i , $i \geq 0$

eg: Convert the ϵ -NFA to a DFA



Transition table ($\delta(q, a) \forall q \in S$ and $a \in \Sigma$) for the NFA

		a	b	ϵ ← Separate column for clarity
α	0	$\{0\}$	\emptyset	$\{1\}$ ← $0 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} 1$
	1	\emptyset	$\{2\}$	\emptyset
	2	$\{3\}$	$\{0\}$	\emptyset
β	3	\emptyset	$\{3\}$	$\{2\}$ ← $3 \xrightarrow{\epsilon} 2$

- Now we want to create the NFA to DFA translation (remove ϵ)

↳ \star Before adding a set to the table, add in all states that are reachable by states in the set by ≥ 1 ϵ -transitions.

	a	b	
<u>$\{0,1\}$</u>	$\{0,1\}$	$\{2\}$	$\leftarrow \because$ we start in $\textcircled{0}$ or $\textcircled{1}$ by ϵ (\times ref)
$\{2\}$	<u>$\{2,3\}$</u>	$\{0,1\}$	\leftarrow Add $\{2,3\}$, from $\textcircled{2}$ given a end in $\textcircled{2}$ or $\textcircled{3}$
$\{2,3\}$	$\{2,3\}$	<u>$\{0,1,2,3\}$</u>	\leftarrow on b, $\{2,3\}$ goes to $\{0,3\}$, account for
$\{0,1,2,3\}$	$\{0,1,2,3\}$	$\{0,1,2,3\}$	ϵ -trans in 0 & 3 gives us $\{0,1,2,3\}$

