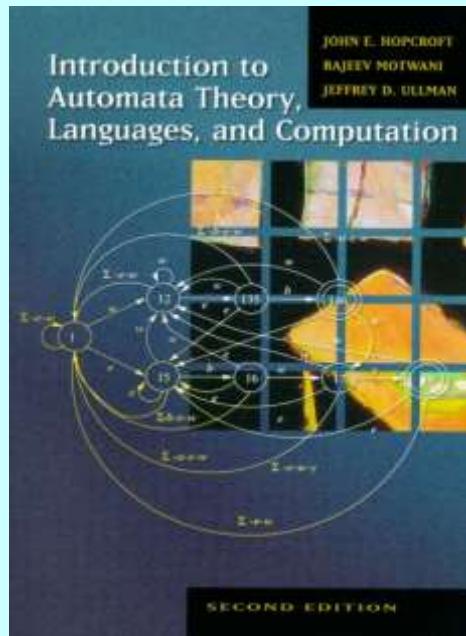
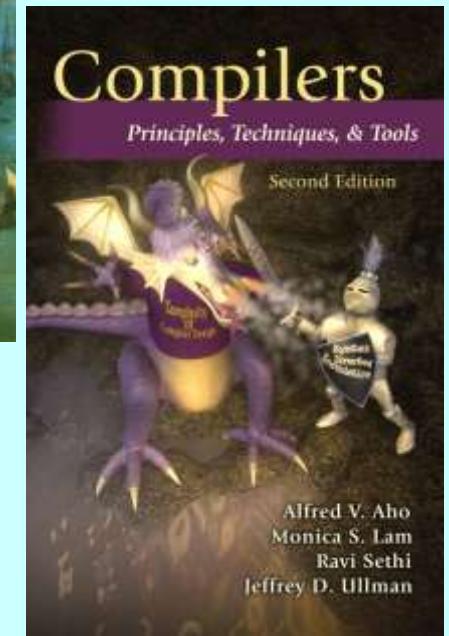


# Formal Languages and Compilers

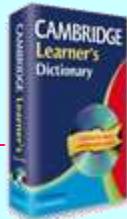


Pieter Bruegel the Elder, *The Tower of Babel*, 1563



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# Cambridge Learner's Dictionary

## Definition

**language** noun

### 1 COMMUNICATION:

communication between people, usually using words

*...She has done research into how children acquire language...*

### 2 ENGLISH/SPANISH/JAPANESE ETC:

a type of communication used by the people of a particular country

*...How many languages do you speak?...*

### 3 TYPE OF WORDS:

words of a particular type, especially the words used by people in a particular job

*...legal language...technical language...philosophical language...*

*...pictorial language...the language of business...the language of music...*

### 4 COMPUTERS:

a system of instructions that is used to write computer programs

*...Java and Perl are computer programming languages...*

See also:

*body language, modern languages, second language, sign language*

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# Formal Language Classification: definitions (1)

## ➤ Alphabet

- Finite (non-empty) set of symbols
  - $\Sigma_1 = \{0, 1\}$  the set of symbols in binary codes
  - $\Sigma_2 = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots, \omega\}$  the set of lower-case letters in Greek alphabet
  - $\Sigma_3$  = the set of all ASCII characters
  - $\Sigma_4 = \{\text{boy, girl, talks, the, ...}\}$  a set of English terms

## ➤ String (word)

- Finite sequence of symbols chosen from some alphabet
  - $s_1 = 0110001$  ;  $s_2 = \delta\varepsilon\lambda\chi\pi\lambda$  ;  $s_3 = f7\$1^\circ Zp](^*\grave{e}$  ;  $s_4 = \text{the boy talks}$

## ➤ Length of a string

- Number of positions for symbols in the string
  - $|0110001| = 7$

## ➤ Empty string ( $\varepsilon$ )

- String of length zero
  - $|\varepsilon| = 0$



## ➤ Alphabet closure

- The set of all strings over an alphabet
  - closure operator (Kleene):  $*$ 
    - $\{0, 1\}^* = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, 000, 001, \dots\}$
  - positive closure operator :  $^+$ 
    - $\Sigma^* = \Sigma^+ \cup \{\epsilon\}$
    - $\{0, 1\}^+ = \{0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, 000, 001, \dots\}$

## ➤ Language

- A set of strings over a given alphabet
- $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ 
  - $L_1 = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\} = \{01, 0011, 000111, \dots\}$
  - $L_2 = \{\epsilon\}$
  - $L_3 = \emptyset$

➤ A grammar is a 4-tuple  $G = (N, T, P, S)$

- $N$  : alphabet of **non-terminal** symbols
- $T$  : alphabet of **terminal** symbols
  - $N \cap T = \emptyset$
  - $V = N \cup T$  : alphabet (vocabulary) of the grammar
- $P$  : finite set of **rules (productions)**
  - $P = \{ \alpha \rightarrow \beta \mid \alpha \in V^+ ; \alpha \notin T^+ ; \beta \in V^* \}$
- $S$  : **start** (non-terminal) symbol
  - $S \in N$

➤ Derivation

let  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  be a production of  $G$

- if  $\sigma = \gamma\alpha\delta$  and  $\tau = \gamma\beta\delta$   
then  $\sigma \Rightarrow \tau$  ( $\sigma$  produces  $\tau$ ,  $\tau$  is derived from  $\sigma$ )
- if  $\sigma_0 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 \Rightarrow \sigma_2 \dots \Rightarrow \sigma_k$   
then  $\sigma_0 \Rightarrow^* \sigma_k$

➤ Language produced by  $G = (N, T, P, S)$

- $L(G) = \{ w \mid w \in T^* ; S \Rightarrow^* w \}$

➤ Grammars that produce the same language are said  
equivalent



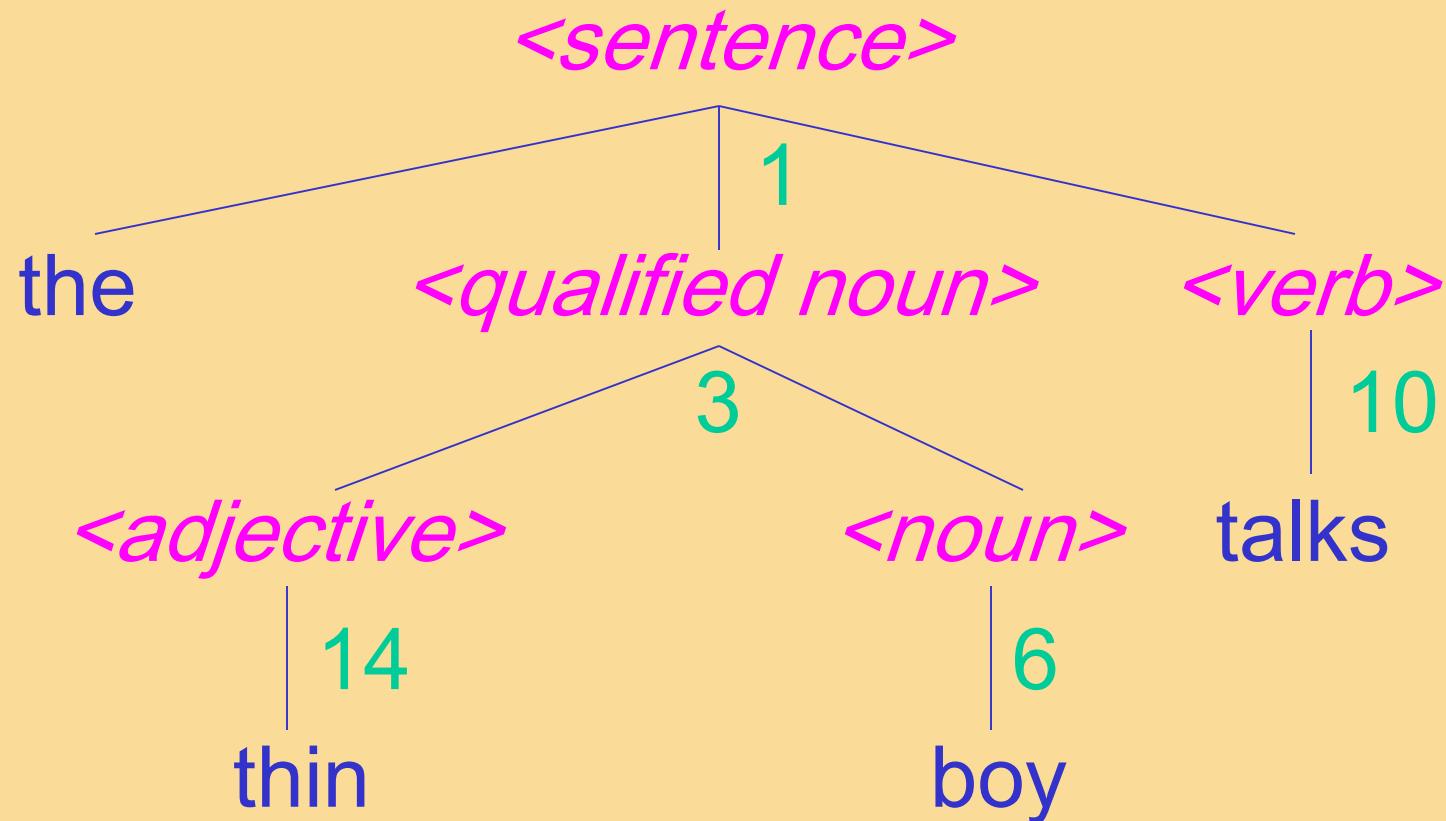
## FLC: example of grammar (1)

 $G = (N, T, P, S)$  $N = \{ \text{<sentence>} , \text{<qualified noun>} , \text{<noun>} , \text{<pronoun>} , \text{<verb>} , \text{<adjective>} \}$  $T = \{ \text{the} , \text{man} , \text{girl} , \text{boy} , \text{lecturer} , \text{he} , \text{she} , \text{talks} , \text{listens} , \text{mystifies} , \text{tall} , \text{thin} , \text{sleepy} \}$ 

$P = \{ \text{<sentence>}$	$\rightarrow \text{the } \text{<qualified noun>} \text{ <verb>}$	(1)
	$  \text{ <pronoun>} \text{ <verb>}$	(2)
$\text{<qualified noun>}$	$\rightarrow \text{<adjective>} \text{ <noun>}$	(3)
$\text{<noun>}$	$\rightarrow \text{man}   \text{girl}   \text{boy}   \text{lecturer}$	(4, 5, 6, 7)
$\text{<pronoun>}$	$\rightarrow \text{he}   \text{she}$	(8, 9)
$\text{<verb>}$	$\rightarrow \text{talks}   \text{listens}   \text{mystifies}$	(10, 11, 12)
$\text{<adjective>}$	$\rightarrow \text{tall}   \text{thin}   \text{sleepy}$	(13, 14, 15)
}		
$S = \text{<sentence>}$		



## FLC: example of grammar (2)

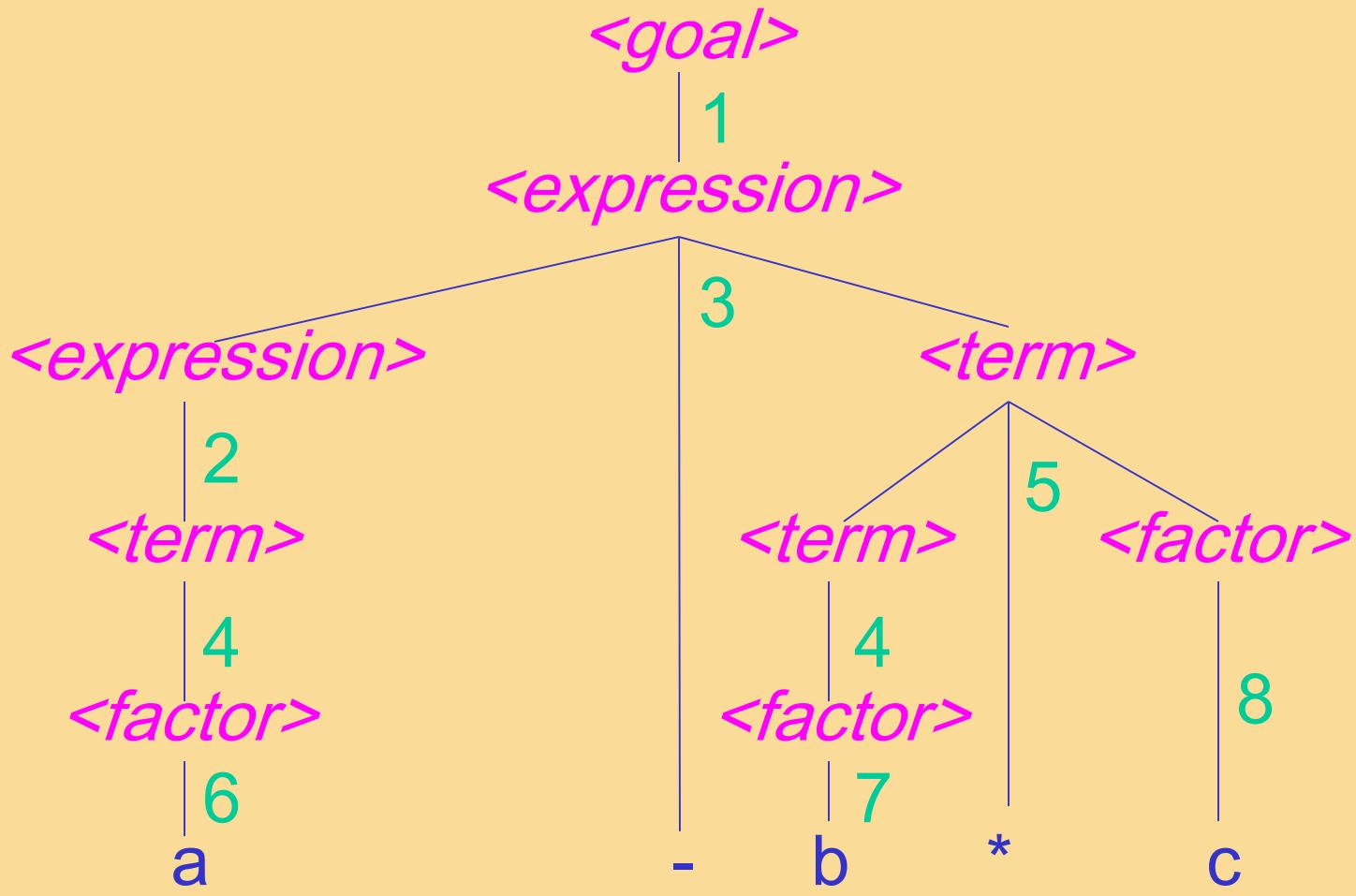


$\langle \text{sentence} \rangle \Rightarrow^* \text{the thin boy talks}$

## FLC: example of grammar (3)

 $G = (N, T, P, S)$  $N = \{ \langle goal \rangle, \langle expression \rangle, \langle term \rangle, \langle factor \rangle \}$  $T = \{ a, b, c, -, * \}$  $P = \{ \langle goal \rangle \rightarrow \langle expression \rangle \quad (1)$  $\langle expression \rangle \rightarrow \langle term \rangle \mid \langle expression \rangle - \langle term \rangle \quad (2, 3)$  $\langle term \rangle \rightarrow \langle factor \rangle \mid \langle term \rangle * \langle factor \rangle \quad (4, 5)$  $\langle factor \rangle \rightarrow a \mid b \mid c \quad (6, 7, 8)$  $}$  $S = \langle goal \rangle$ 

## FLC: example of grammar (4)


$$<\text{goal}> \Rightarrow^* a - b * c$$

## FLC: type 0 grammars (phrase-structure)

$$P = \{ \alpha \rightarrow \beta \mid \alpha \in V^+ ; \alpha \notin T^+ ; \beta \in V^* \}$$

$$G = (\{A, S\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$$

$$P = \{ S \rightarrow aAb \quad (1)$$

$$aA \rightarrow aaAb \quad (2)$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon \quad (3)$$

}

$$L(G) = \{ a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1 \}$$

$$S \rightarrow aAb \Rightarrow ab$$

$$\Rightarrow aaAb \Rightarrow aa b b$$

$$\Rightarrow aaaAb b b \Rightarrow aa a b b b$$

$\Rightarrow \dots$



## FLC: type 1 grammars (context-sensitive)

$$P = \{ \alpha \rightarrow \beta \mid \alpha \in V^+ ; \alpha \notin T^+ ; \beta \in V^+ ; |\alpha| \leq |\beta| \}$$

$$G = (\{B, C, S\}, \{a, b, c\}, P, S)$$

$$P = \{ S \rightarrow a S B C \mid a b C \} \quad (1, 2)$$

$$CB \rightarrow BC \quad (3)$$

$$b B \rightarrow b b \quad (4)$$

$$b C \rightarrow b c \quad (5)$$

$$c C \rightarrow c c \quad (6)$$

$$\}$$

$$L(G) = \{ a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 1 \}$$



## FLC: type 2 grammars (context-free) (1)

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$$P = \{ A \rightarrow \beta \mid A \in N ; \beta \in V^+ \}$$

$$G = (\{A, B, S\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P = & \{ S \rightarrow aB \mid bA & (1, 2) \\
 & A \rightarrow aS \mid bAA \mid a & (3, 4, 5) \\
 & B \rightarrow bS \mid aBB \mid b & (6, 7, 8) \\
 \}
 \end{aligned}$$

$L(G)$  = the set of strings in  $\{a, b\}^+$  where the number of "a" equals the number of "b"



## FLC: type 2 grammars (context-free) (2)

$$G = (\{ O, X \}, \{ a, +, -, *, / \}, P, X)$$

$$P = \{ X \rightarrow XXO \mid a \} \quad (1, 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} O &\rightarrow + \mid - \mid * \mid / \\ \} \end{aligned} \quad (3, 4, 5, 6)$$

$L(G)$  = the set of arithmetic expressions with  
binary operators in **postfix polish notation**



FLC: linear grammars

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$$P = \{ A \rightarrow x B y, A \rightarrow x \mid A, B \in N ; x, y \in T^+ \}$$

$$G = (\{ S \}, \{ a, b \}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P = \{ & S \rightarrow a S b \mid a b \\ & \} \end{aligned} \tag{1, 2}$$

$$L(G) = \{ a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1 \}$$



➤ Right-linear grammars

$$P = \{ A \rightarrow x B, A \rightarrow x \mid A, B \in N ; x \in T^+ \}$$

➤ Left-linear grammars

$$P = \{ A \rightarrow B x, A \rightarrow x \mid A, B \in N ; x \in T^+ \}$$



## FLC: type 3 grammars (right-regular)

$$P = \{ A \rightarrow a B, A \rightarrow a \mid A, B \in N ; a \in T \}$$

$$G = (\{A, B, C, S\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P = & \{ S \rightarrow a A \mid b C & (1, 2) \\ & A \rightarrow a S \mid b B \mid a & (3, 4, 5) \\ & B \rightarrow a C \mid b A & (6, 7) \\ & C \rightarrow a B \mid b S \mid b & (8, 9, 10) \\ & \} \end{aligned}$$

$L(G)$  = the set of strings in  $\{a, b\}^+$  where both the number of "a", and the number of "b" are even



## FLC: type 3 grammars (left-regular)

$$P = \{ A \rightarrow B a, A \rightarrow a \mid A, B \in N ; a \in T \}$$

$$G = (\{A, B, C, S\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$$

$$P = \{ S \rightarrow Aa \mid Sa \mid Sb \} \quad (1, 2, 3)$$

$$A \rightarrow Bb \quad (4)$$

$$B \rightarrow Ba \mid Ca \mid a \quad (5, 6, 7)$$

$$C \rightarrow Ab \mid Cb \mid b \quad (8, 9, 10)$$

$$\}$$

$L(G)$  = the set of strings in  $\{a, b\}^*$  containing "a b a"



# FLC: equivalence among type 3 grammars

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- ***right-linear*** and ***right-regular*** grammars are equivalent

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \rightarrow a b c B &\equiv \{ A \rightarrow a C \\
 &\quad C \rightarrow b c B \} \equiv \{ A \rightarrow a C \\
 &\quad C \rightarrow b D \\
 &\quad D \rightarrow c B \}
 \end{aligned}$$

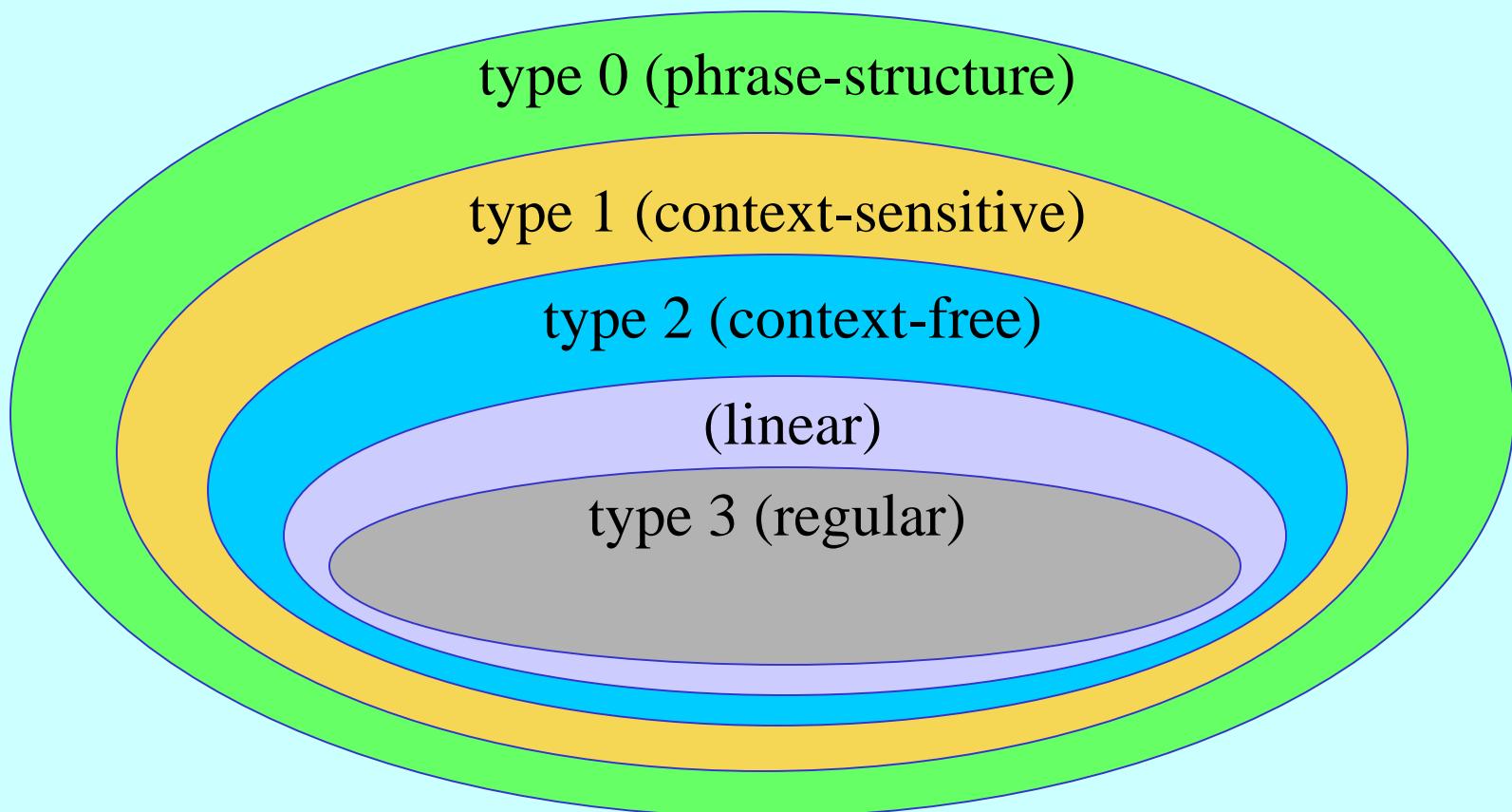
- ***left-linear*** and ***left-regular*** grammars are equivalent

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \rightarrow B a b c &\equiv \{ A \rightarrow C c \\
 &\quad C \rightarrow B a b \} \equiv \{ A \rightarrow C c \\
 &\quad C \rightarrow D b \\
 &\quad D \rightarrow B a \}
 \end{aligned}$$



## FLC: language classification (Chomsky hierarchy)

- A *language* is **type-n** if it can be produced by a **type-n grammar**



- The following sets are *regular sets* over an alphabet  $\Sigma$ 
  - the empty set  $\emptyset$
  - the set  $\{\epsilon\}$  containing the empty string
  - the set  $\{a\}$  containing any symbol  $a \in \Sigma$
- If  $P$  and  $Q$  are regular sets over  $\Sigma$ , the same is true for
  - the union  $P \cup Q$
  - the concatenation  $PQ = \{xy \mid x \in P ; y \in Q\}$
  - the closures  $P^*$  e  $Q^*$



- The following expressions are *regular expressions* over an alphabet  $\Sigma$ 
  - the expression  $\varphi$  , denoting the empty set  $\emptyset$
  - the expression  $\varepsilon$  , denoting the set  $\{\varepsilon\}$
  - the expression  $a$  , denoting the set  $\{a\}$  where  $a \in \Sigma$
- If  $p$  and  $q$  are regular expressions denoting the sets  $P$  and  $Q$  , then also the following are regular expressions
  - the expression  $p \mid q$  , denoting the set  $P \cup Q$
  - the expression  $p q$  , denoting the set  $P Q$
  - the expressions  $p^*$  e  $q^*$  , denoting the sets  $P^*$  e  $Q^*$



## RL: examples of regular expressions

- the set of strings over  $\{0,1\}$  containing two 1's
  - $0^*10^*10^*$
- the strings over  $\{0,1\}$  without consecutive equal symbols
  - $(1 \mid \epsilon) (01)^* (0 \mid \epsilon)$
- the set of decimal characters
  - **digit** =  $0 \mid 1 \mid 2 \mid \dots \mid 9$
- the set of strings representing decimal integers
  - **digit digit\***
- the set of alphabetic characters
  - **letter** =  $A \mid B \mid \dots \mid Z \mid a \mid b \mid \dots \mid z$
- the set of strings representing identifiers
  - **letter ( letter | digit )\***



## RL: regular sets / regular expressions



René Magritte, *This is not a pipe*, 1948



# RL: algebraic properties of regular expressions

- two **regular expressions** are *equivalent* if they denote the same **regular set**
- $\alpha | \beta = \beta | \alpha$  (commutative property)
- $\alpha | (\beta | \gamma) = (\alpha | \beta) | \gamma$  (associative property)
- $\alpha (\beta \gamma) = (\alpha \beta) \gamma$  (associative property )
- $\alpha (\beta | \gamma) = \alpha \beta | \alpha \gamma$  (distributive property)
- $(\alpha | \beta) \gamma = \alpha \gamma | \beta \gamma$  (distributive property)
- $\alpha | \varphi = \alpha$
- $\alpha \varepsilon = \varepsilon \alpha = \alpha$
- $\alpha \varphi = \varphi \alpha = \varphi$
- $\alpha | \alpha = \alpha$
- $\varphi^* = \varepsilon^* = \varepsilon$
- $\alpha^* = \alpha^* \alpha^* = (\alpha^*)^* = \alpha \alpha^* | \varepsilon$

## RL: equations of regular expressions

- if  $\alpha$  e  $\beta$  are regular expressions,  $\mathbf{X} = \alpha \mathbf{X} | \beta$  is an equation with unknown  $\mathbf{X}$
- $\mathbf{X} = \alpha^* \beta$  is a solution of the equation
  - $\alpha \mathbf{X} | \beta = \alpha \alpha^* \beta | \beta = (\alpha \alpha^* | \epsilon) \beta = \alpha^* \beta = \mathbf{X}$
- a set of equations with unknowns  $\{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n\}$  is composed by  $n$  equations such as:

$$\mathbf{X}_i = \alpha_{i0} | \alpha_{i1} \mathbf{X}_1 | \alpha_{i2} \mathbf{X}_2 | \dots | \alpha_{in} \mathbf{X}_n$$

where each  $\alpha_{ij}$  is a regular expression over any alphabet without the unknowns



## RL: solution of sets of equations

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{  
    for (int i=1 ; i<n ; i++) {  
        put the equation i in the form  $X_i = \alpha X_i + \beta$ ;  
        substitute  $X_i$  with  $\alpha^* \beta$  in the equations i+1...n;  
    }  
    for (int i=n ; i>0 ; i--) {  
        // the i-th equation is in the form  $X_i = \alpha X_i + \beta$   
        // where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  do not contain unknowns  
        solve the i-th equation:  $X_i = \alpha^* \beta$ ;  
        substitute  $X_i$  with  $\alpha^* \beta$  in the equations i-1...1;  
    }  
}
```



## RL: example of solution of sets of equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A = 1A \mid 0B \\ B = 1A \mid 0C \mid 0 \\ C = 0C \mid 1C \mid 0 \mid 1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$A = 1 * 0B$$

$$B = 11 * 0B \mid 0C \mid 0 \Rightarrow B = (11 * 0) * (0C \mid 0)$$

$$C = (0 \mid 1)C \mid 0 \mid 1 \Rightarrow C = (0 \mid 1) * (0 \mid 1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C = (0 \mid 1) * (0 \mid 1) \\ B = (11 * 0) * (0(0 \mid 1) * (0 \mid 1) \mid 0) \\ A = 1 * 0(11 * 0) * (0(0 \mid 1) * (0 \mid 1) \mid 0) \end{array} \right.$$



## RL: right-linear languages $\subseteq$ regular sets

- let  $G = (\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}, T, P, A_1)$  be a right-linear grammar
- let us transform each rule of the grammar:

$$A_i \rightarrow \alpha_{i0} \mid \alpha_{i1} A_1 \mid \alpha_{i2} A_2 \mid \dots \mid \alpha_{in} A_n$$

into an equation of regular expressions :

$$A_i = \alpha_{i0} \mid \alpha_{i1} A_1 \mid \alpha_{i2} A_2 \mid \dots \mid \alpha_{in} A_n$$

- let us solve the resulting set of equations
- the language  $L(G)$  generated by the grammar is denoted by the regular expression corresponding to the symbol  $A_1$



## RL: regular expression of a right-linear language

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$$G = (\{A, B, S\}, \{0,1\}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} P = \{ S \rightarrow 0A \mid 1S \mid 0 \\ \quad A \rightarrow 0B \mid 1A \\ \quad B \rightarrow 0S \mid 1B \\ \} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \{ S = 0A \mid 1S \mid 0 \\ \quad A = 0B \mid 1A \\ \quad B = 0S \mid 1B \\ \} \end{array}$$

$$B = 1^*0S$$

$$A = 1^*0B = 1^*01^*0S$$

$$S = 01^*01^*0S \mid 1S \mid 0 = (01^*01^*0 \mid 1)S \mid 0$$

$$S = (01^*01^*0 \mid 1)^*0 \text{ denotes } L(G)$$



RL: regular sets  $\subseteq$  right-linear languages (1)

➤ the *regular sets* :  $\emptyset, \{\varepsilon\}, \{ a \mid a \in \Sigma \}$  can be generated by right-linear grammars

- $G_1 = (\{S\}, \Sigma, \emptyset, S) \Rightarrow L(G_1) = \emptyset$
- $G_2 = (\{S\}, \Sigma, \{S \rightarrow \varepsilon\}, S) \Rightarrow L(G_2) = \{\varepsilon\}$
- $G_3 = (\{S\}, \Sigma, \{S \rightarrow a \mid a \in \Sigma\}, S)$   
 $\Rightarrow L(G_3) = \{a\}$  where  $a \in \Sigma$



## RL: regular sets $\subseteq$ right-linear languages (2)

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- let  $G_1 = (N_1, \Sigma, P_1, S_1)$  and  $G_2 = (N_2, \Sigma, P_2, S_2)$  be right-linear grammars where  $N_1 \cap N_2 = \emptyset$
- the language  $L(G_1) \cup L(G_2) = L(G_4)$  is a right-linear language
  - $G_4 = (N_1 \cup N_2 \cup \{S_4\}, \Sigma, P_1 \cup P_2 \cup \{S_4 \rightarrow S_1 | S_2\}, S_4)$
- the language  $L(G_1) L(G_2) = L(G_5)$  is a right-linear language
  - $G_5 = (N_1 \cup N_2, \Sigma, P_2 \cup P_5, S_1) ; P_5 = \{ A \rightarrow x B \text{ if } A \rightarrow x B \in P_1 \\ A \rightarrow x S_2 \text{ if } A \rightarrow x \in P_1 \}$
- the language  $L(G_1)^* = L(G_6)$  is a right-linear language
  - $G_6 = (N_1 \cup \{S_6\}, \Sigma, \{S_6 \rightarrow S_1 | \epsilon\} \cup P_6, S_6) ; P_6 = \{ A \rightarrow x B \text{ if } A \rightarrow x B \in P_1 \\ A \rightarrow x S_6 \text{ if } A \rightarrow x \in P_1 \}$



## RL: regular sets $\equiv$ right/left-linear languages

- *right-linear languages  $\subseteq$  regular sets*
- *regular sets  $\subseteq$  right-linear languages*
- *right-linear languages  $\equiv$  regular sets*
- *left-linear languages  $\equiv$  regular sets*
  - the equation of regular expressions  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} \alpha | \beta$  has the solution  $\mathbf{X} = \beta \alpha^*$
  - it is possible to solve sets of equations corresponding to the rules of a left-linear grammar
  - it is possible to define left-linear grammars that generate any regular set
- *right-linear languages  $\equiv$  left-linear languages*



# RL: regular expression of a left-linear language

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$$G = (\{U, V, Z\}, \{0, 1\}, P, Z)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} P = \{ Z \rightarrow U \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid V \textcolor{red}{1} \\ \quad U \rightarrow Z \textcolor{blue}{1} \mid 0 \\ \quad V \rightarrow Z \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid 1 \\ \} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \{ Z = U \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid V \textcolor{red}{1} \\ \quad U = Z \textcolor{blue}{1} \mid 0 \\ \quad V = Z \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid 1 \\ \} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= (Z \textcolor{blue}{1} \mid 0) \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid (Z \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid 1) \textcolor{red}{1} = \\ &= Z \textcolor{blue}{1} \textcolor{blue}{0} \mid 00 \mid Z \textcolor{blue}{0} \textcolor{red}{1} \mid 11 = \\ &= Z (10 \mid 01) \mid 00 \mid 11 \end{aligned}$$

$$Z = (00 \mid 11) (10 \mid 01)^* \text{ denotes } L(G)$$



➤ A DFA is a 5-tuple  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

- $Q$  : finite (non empty) set of **states**
- $\Sigma$  : alphabet of **input** symbols
- $\delta$  : **transition** function
  - $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$
- $q_0$  : **start** state
  - $q_0 \in Q$
- $F$  : set of **final states**
  - $F \subseteq Q$

## RL: an example of DFA

$$A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$$

$$Q = \{ q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3 \}$$

$$\Sigma = \{ 0, 1 \}$$

$$\delta(q_0, 0) = q_2$$

$$\delta(q_0, 1) = q_1$$

$$\delta(q_1, 0) = q_3$$

$$\delta(q_1, 1) = q_0$$

$$\delta(q_2, 0) = q_0$$

$$\delta(q_2, 1) = q_3$$

$$\delta(q_3, 0) = q_1$$

$$\delta(q_3, 1) = q_2$$

$$F = \{ q_0 \}$$

➤ transition table

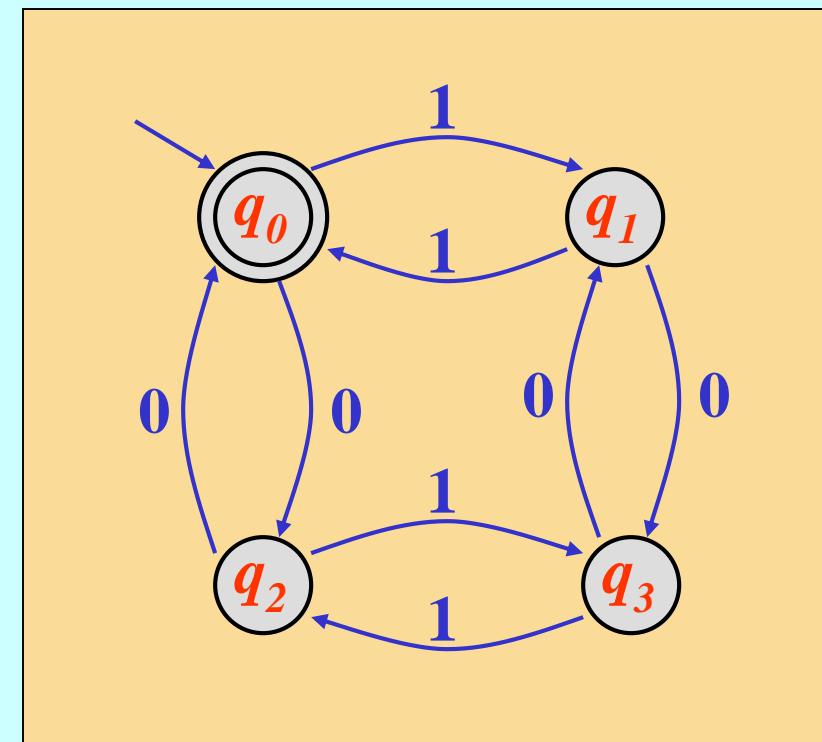
- tabular representation of the transition function

➤ transition diagram: a *graph* where

- for each state in the automaton there is a node
- for each transition  $\delta(p, a) = q$  there is an arc from  $p$  to  $q$  labeled  $a$
- the start state has an entering non labeled arc
- the final states are marked by a double circle

## RL: representations of a DFA

	0	1
$\rightarrow^* q_0$	$q_2$	$q_1$
$q_1$	$q_3$	$q_0$
$q_2$	$q_0$	$q_3$
$q_3$	$q_1$	$q_2$

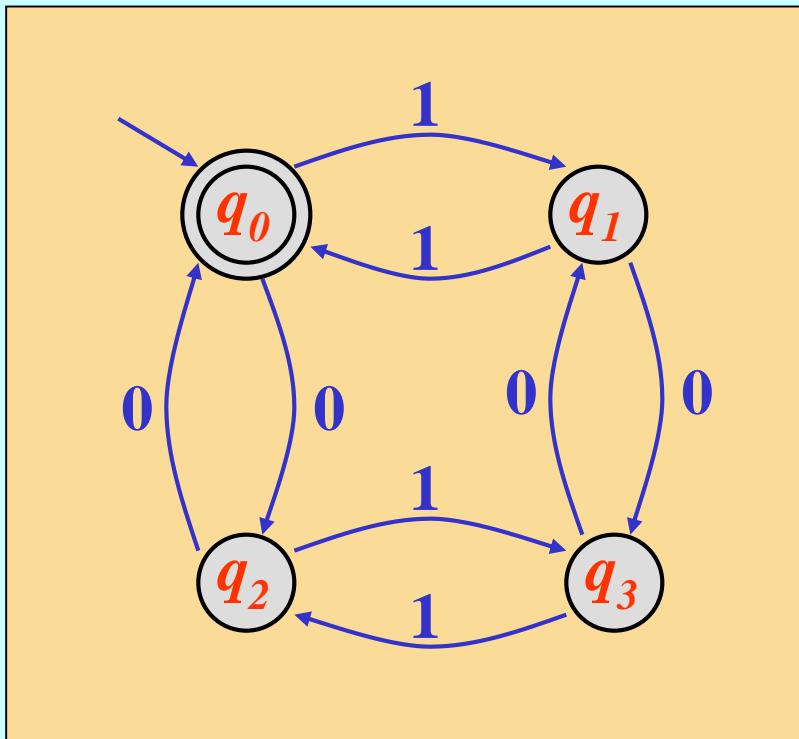


## RL: the language accepted by a DFA

- The domain of function  $\delta$  can be extended from  $Q \times \Sigma$  to  $Q \times \Sigma^*$ 
  - $\delta(q, \epsilon) = q$
  - $\delta(q, aw) = \delta(\delta(q, a), w)$  where  $a \in \Sigma$ ;  $w \in \Sigma^*$
- Language accepted by  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ 
  - $L(A) = \{ w \mid w \in \Sigma^* ; \delta(q_0, w) \in F \}$



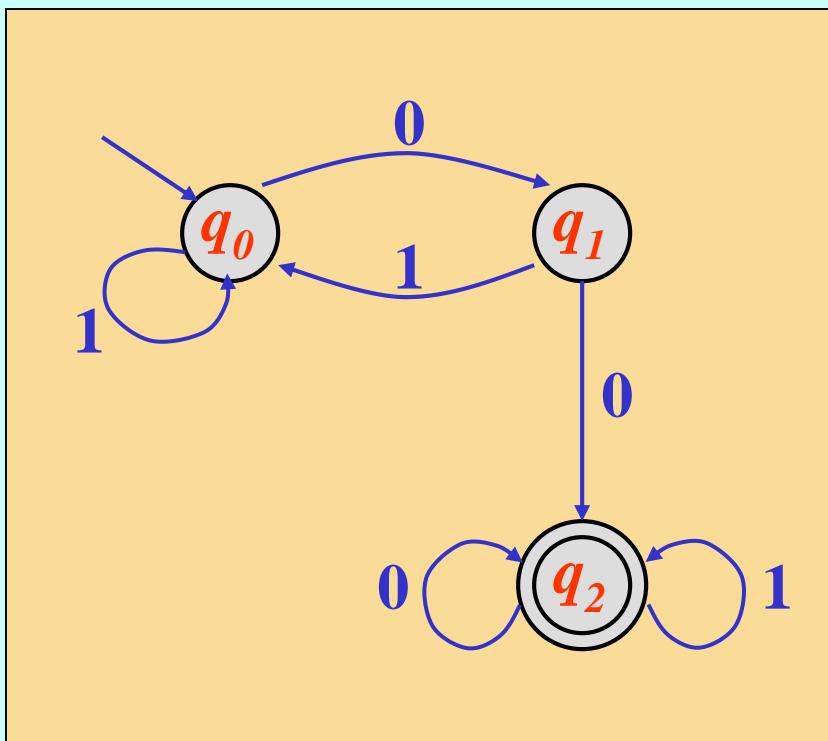
## RL: how a DFA accepts strings



$011101 \in L(A)$   
 $01101 \notin L(A)$

## RL: examples of DFA (1)

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over  $\{0,1\}$  with at least two consecutive 0's

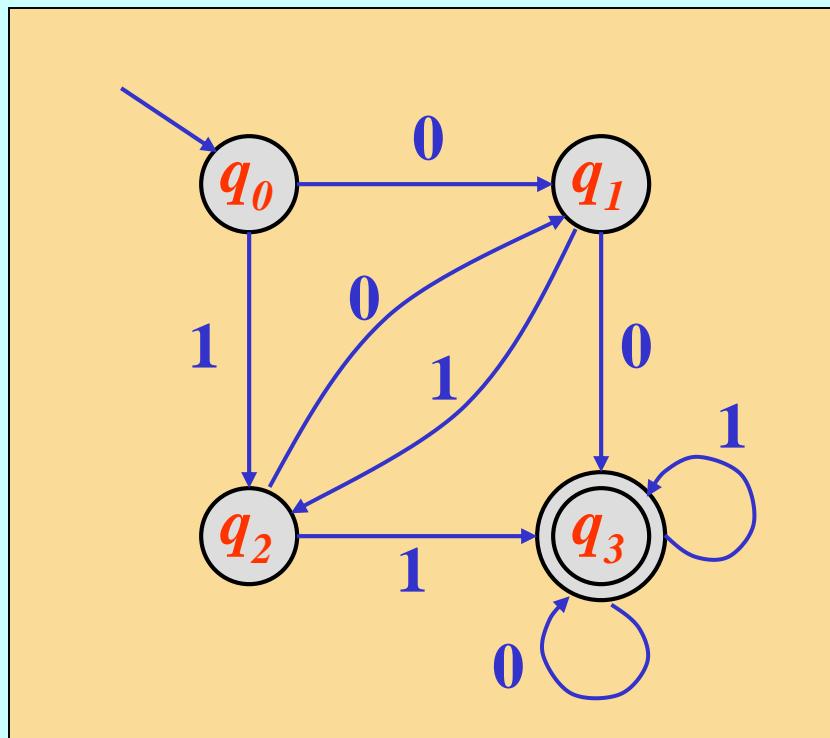


$q_0$ : strings that do not end in 0

$q_1$ : strings that end with only one 0

## RL: examples of DFA (2)

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over {0,1} with at least two consecutive 0's or two consecutive 1's



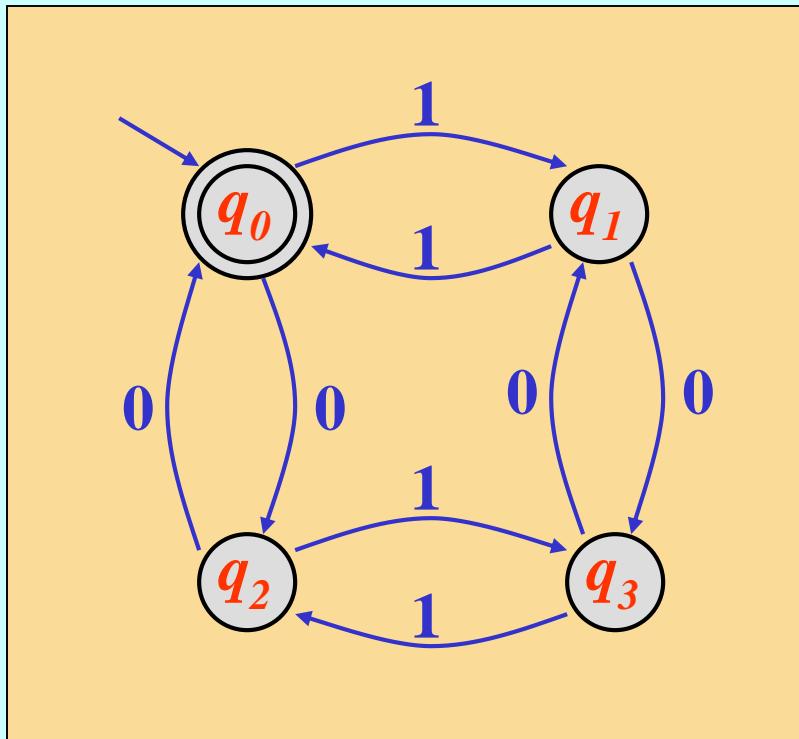
$q_0$ : strings that do not end in 0 or in 1

$q_1$ : strings that end with only one 0

$q_2$ : strings that end with only one 1

## RL: examples of DFA (3)

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over {0,1} having both an even number of 0's and an even number of 1's

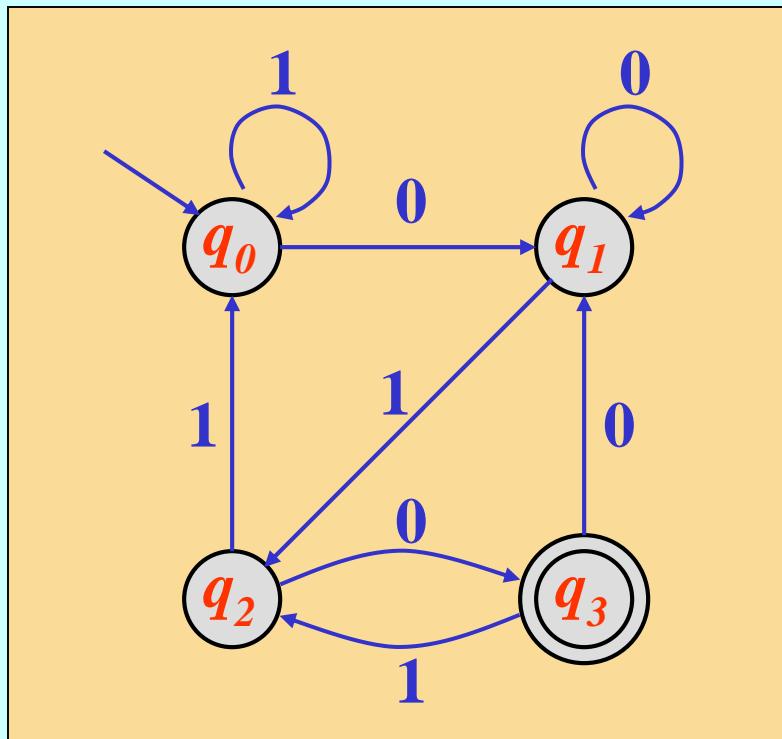


$q_1$ : strings with even # of 0's and odd # of 1's

$q_2$ : strings with odd # of 0's and even # of 1's

$q_3$ : strings with odd # of 0's and odd # of 1's

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over  $\{0,1\}$  ending in  
" 010 "



$q_0$ : strings not ending in 0 or in 01  
 $q_1$ : strings ending in 0 but not in 010  
 $q_2$ : strings ending in 01

## RL: examples of DFA (5)

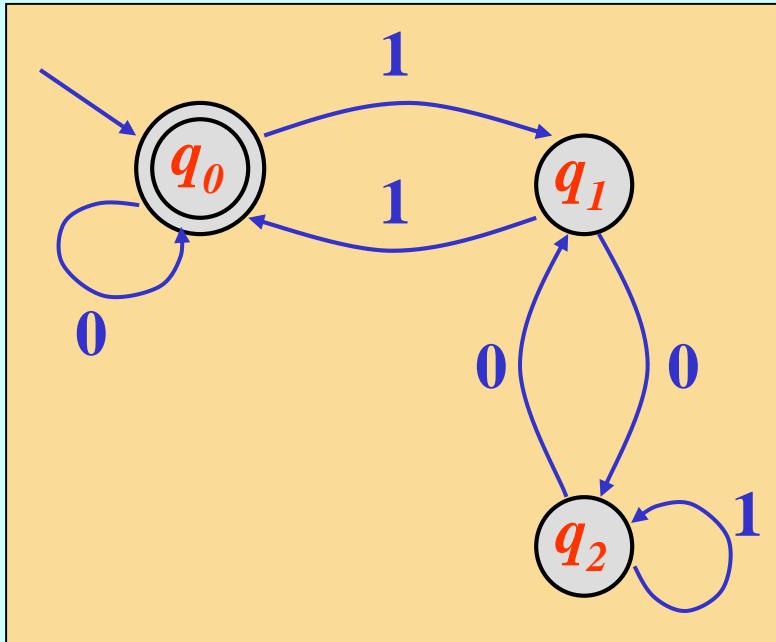
- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings that represent positive binary integers (*pbi*) multiple of 3

$$pbi \in \{0,1\}^*$$

$$\underline{pbi} = (\underline{pbi} \text{ div } 3) \times 3 + (\underline{pbi} \text{ mod } 3)$$

$$pbi \ 0 := 2 \times \underline{pbi}$$

$$pbi \ 1 := 2 \times \underline{pbi} + 1$$



$q_0$ : integers that give remainder **0** when divided by **3**

$q_1$ : integers that give remainder **1** when divided by **3**

$q_2$ : integers that give remainder **2** when divided by **3**

➤ An **NFA** is a 5-tuple  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

- $Q$  : finite (non empty) set of **states**
- $\Sigma$  : alphabet of **input** symbols
- $\delta$  : **transition** function
  - $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow \wp(Q)$
- $q_0$  : **start** state
  - $q_0 \in Q$
- $F$  : set of **final states**
  - $F \subseteq Q$

$\wp(Q)$  : **power set** of  $Q$   
(the set of all subsets)  
 $\|\wp(Q)\| = 2^{\|Q\|}$



## RL: the language accepted by an NFA

➤ The domain of function  $\delta$  can be extended from  $Q \times \Sigma$  to  $Q \times \Sigma^*$  to  $\wp(Q) \times \Sigma^*$

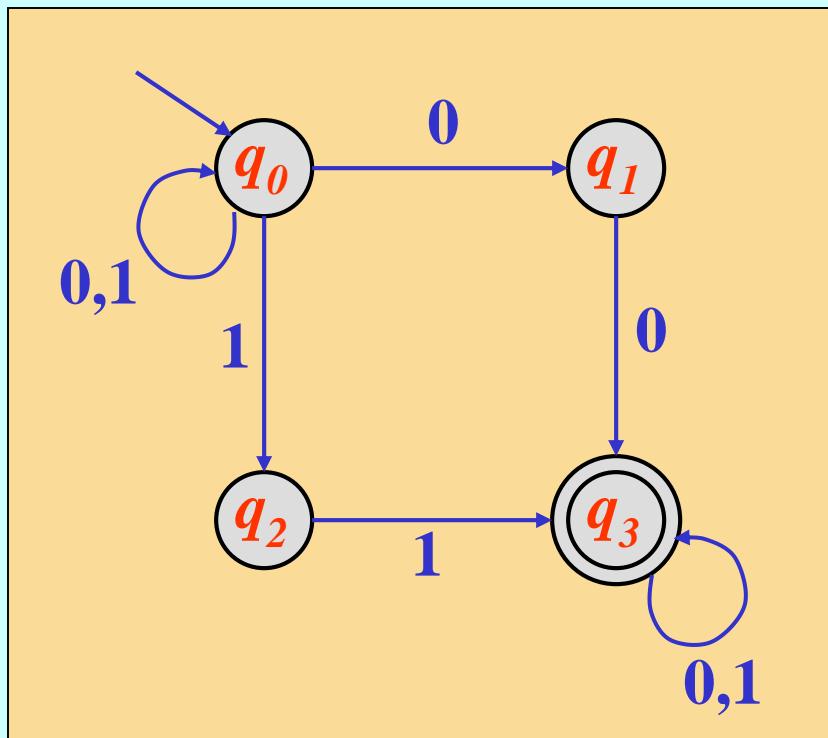
- $\delta(q, \varepsilon) = \{q\}$
- $\delta(q, aw) = \cup_i \delta(p_i, w)$  where  $p_i \in \delta(q, a)$
- $\delta(\{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n\}, w) = \cup_j \delta(q_j, w)$

➤ Language accepted by  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

- $L(A) = \{w \mid w \in \Sigma^* ; \delta(q_0, w) \cap F \neq \emptyset\}$

➤ a **DFA** is a special case of **NFA**

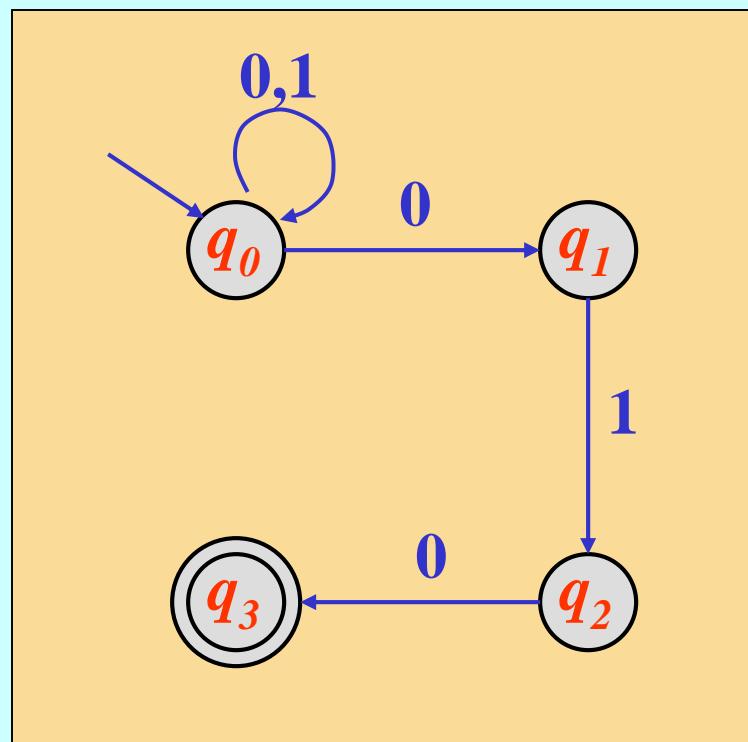
- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over  $\{0,1\}$  with at least two consecutive **0**'s or two consecutive **1**'s



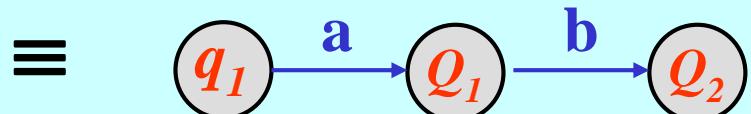
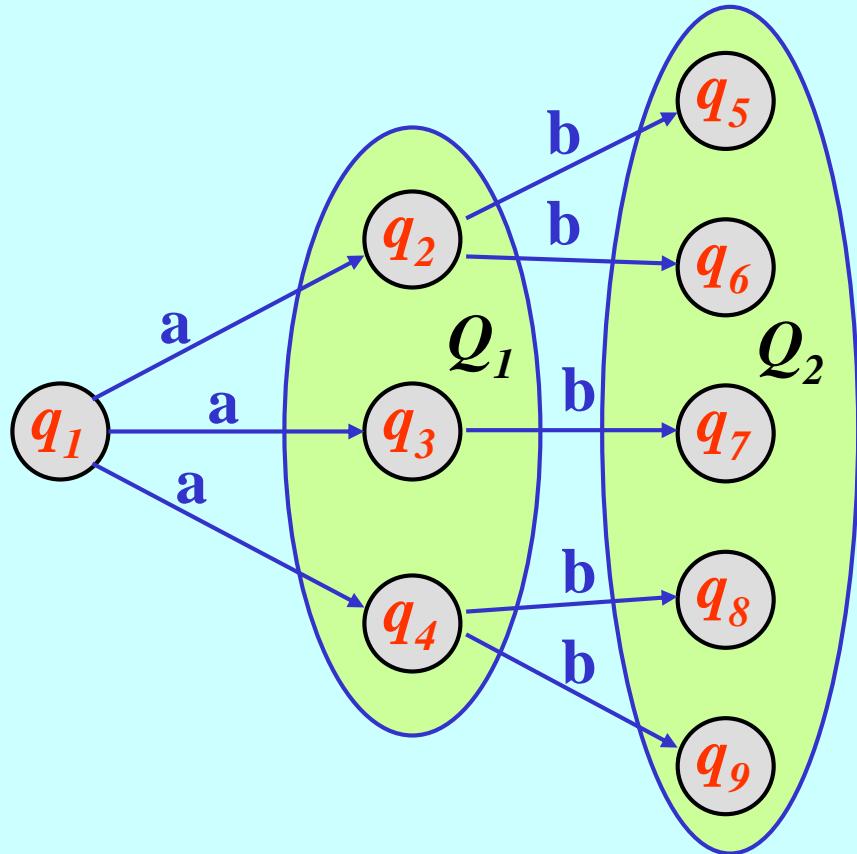
$$(0 \mid 1)^* (00 \mid 11) (0 \mid 1)^*$$

## RL: examples of NFA (2)

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over  $\{0,1\}$  ending in " 010 "


$$(0 \mid 1)^* 010$$

## RL: equivalence of NFA and DFA (1)



$$Q_1 = \{q_2, q_3, q_4\}$$

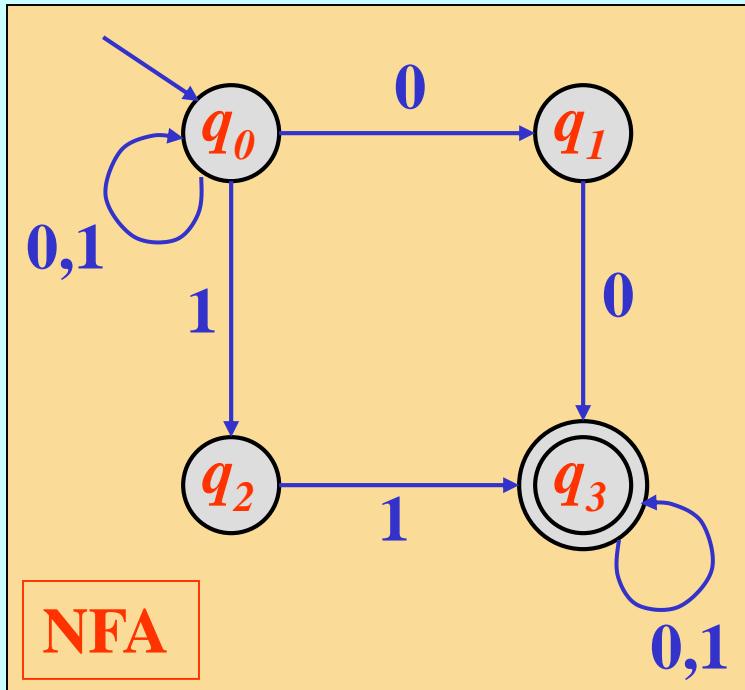
$$Q_2 = \{q_5, q_6, q_7, q_8, q_9\}$$

## RL: equivalence of NFA and DFA (2)

- let  $N = (Q_N, \Sigma, \delta_N, q_0, F_N)$  be an **NFA**
- let us construct a **DFA**  $D = (Q_D, \Sigma, \delta_D, \{q_0\}, F_D)$ 
  - $Q_D \subseteq \wp(Q_N)$
  - $\delta_D(S, a) = \cup_i \delta_N(p_i, a)$  where  $p_i \in S \in Q_D$
  - $F_D = \{ S \mid S \in Q_D ; S \cap F_N \neq \emptyset \}$
- by construction  $L(D) = L(N)$
- **NFA  $\equiv$  DFA** (**FA** : finite automata)

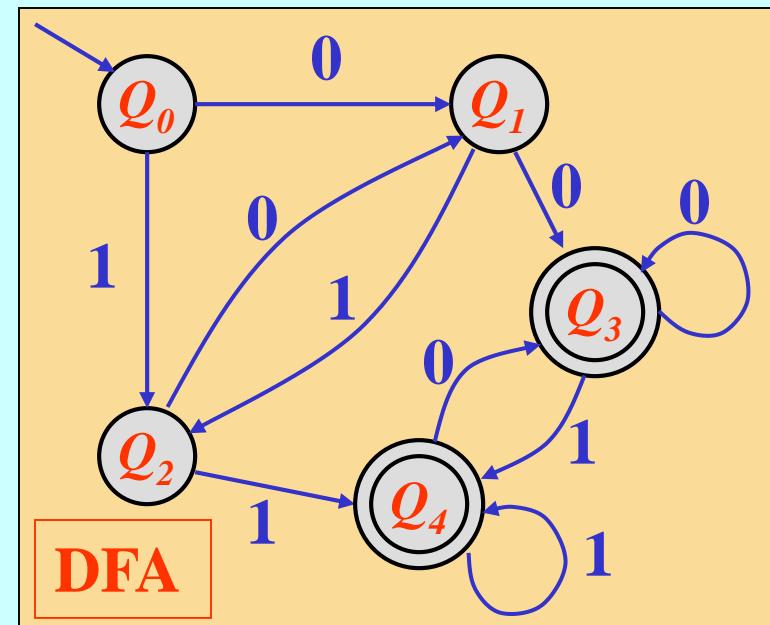


## RL: constructing a DFA from an NFA (1)

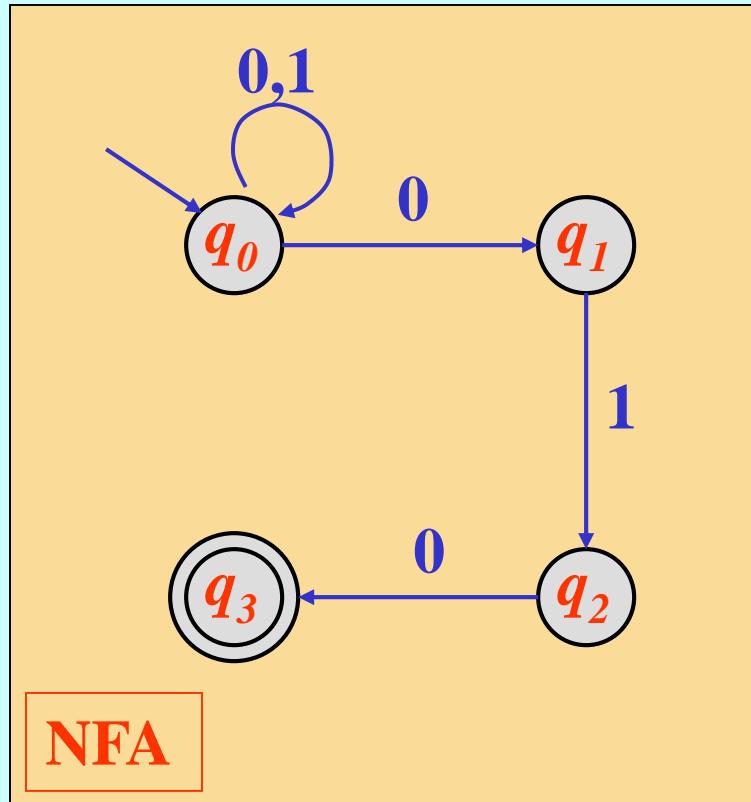


	0	1	
$Q_0$	$\rightarrow\{q_0\}$	$\{q_0, q_1\}$	$\{q_0, q_2\}$
$Q_1$	$\{q_0, q_1\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_2\}$
$Q_2$	$\{q_0, q_2\}$	$\{q_0, q_1\}$	$\{q_0, q_2, q_3\}$
$Q_3$	$*\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_2, q_3\}$
$Q_4$	$*\{q_0, q_2, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_2, q_3\}$

$(0 \mid 1)^* (00 \mid 11) (0 \mid 1)^*$

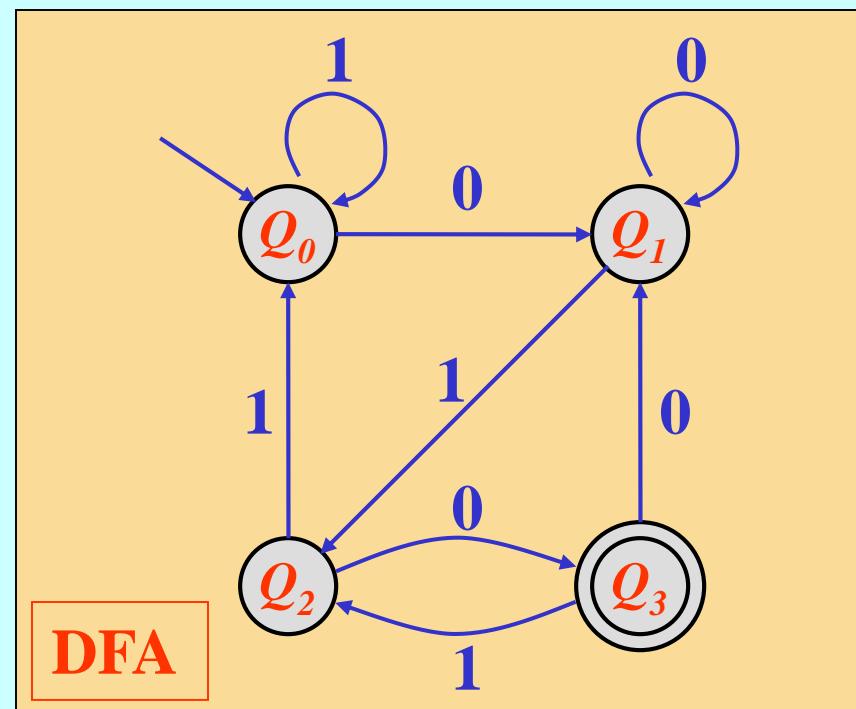


## RL: constructing a DFA from an NFA (2)



	0	1	
$Q_0$	$\rightarrow\{q_0\}$	$\{q_0,q_1\}$	$\{q_0\}$
$Q_1$	$\{q_0,q_1\}$	$\{q_0,q_1\}$	$\{q_0,q_2\}$
$Q_2$	$\{q_0,q_2\}$	$\{q_0,q_1,q_3\}$	$\{q_0\}$
$Q_3$	$*\{q_0,q_1,q_3\}$	$\{q_0,q_1\}$	$\{q_0,q_2\}$

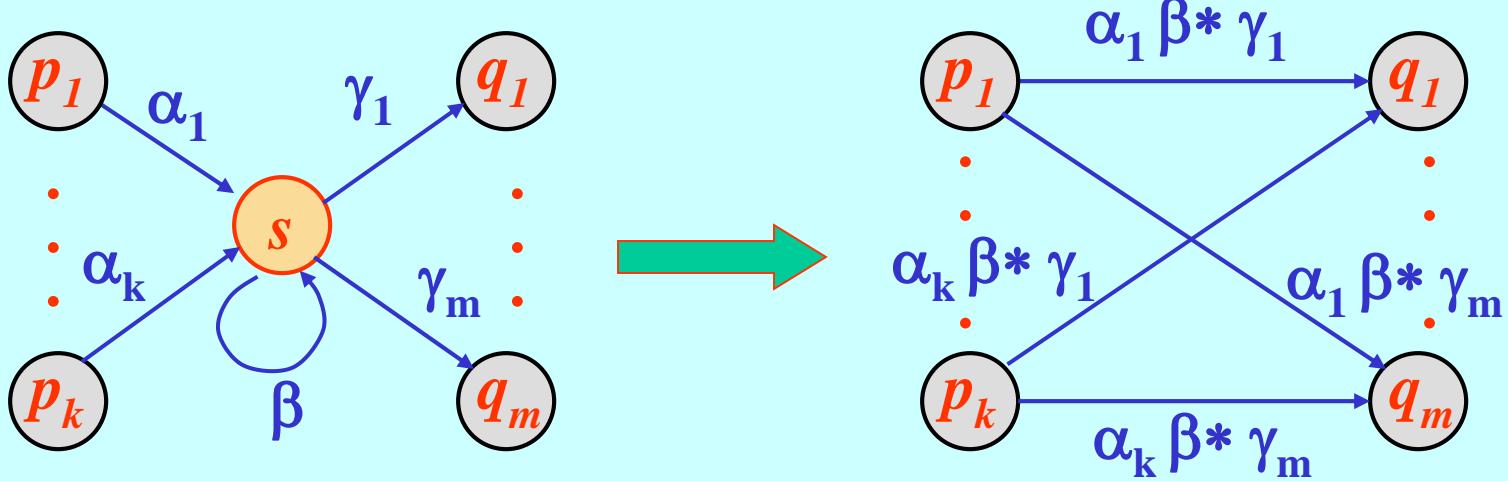
$(0 \mid 1)^* 010$



RL: FA languages  $\subseteq$  regular sets (1)

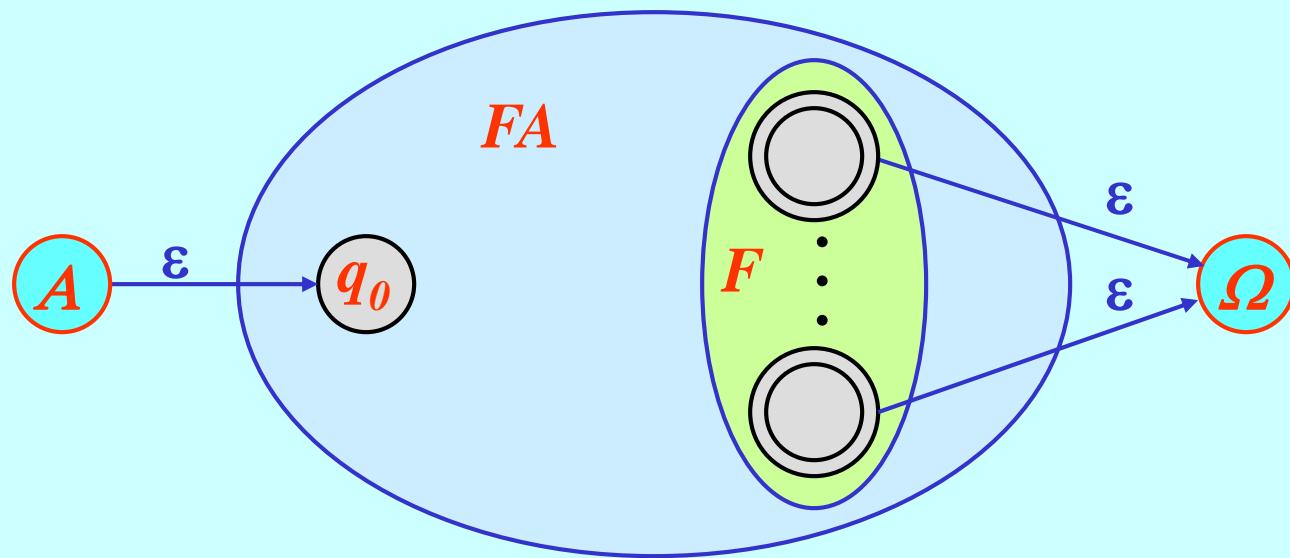
➤ it is possible to *eliminate* states in an FA

- maintaining all the paths
- labeling the transitions with regular expressions



RL: FA languages  $\subseteq$  regular sets (2)

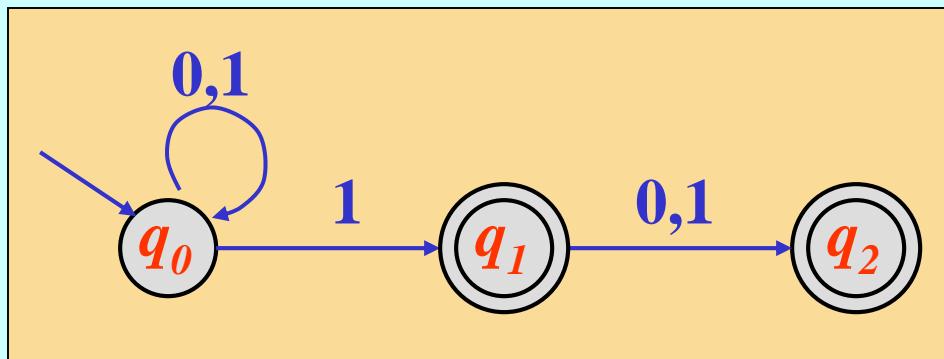
- given a finite state automaton  $FA = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ , add an initial state  $A$  and a final state  $\Omega$



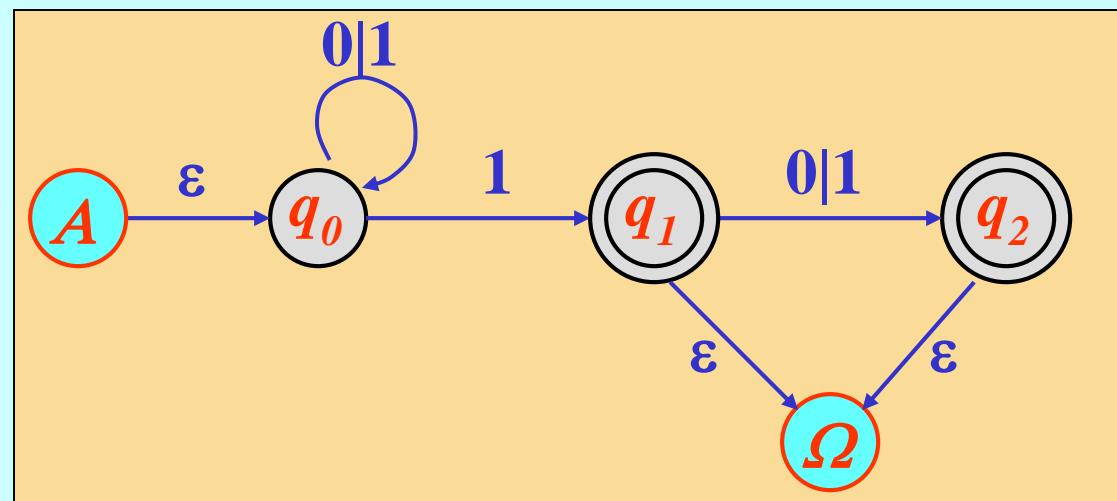
- eliminate all the states in  $FA$
- the union of the labels on the transitions from  $A$  to  $\Omega$  gives the regular expression of the language  $L(FA)$

# RL: from FA to regular expressions (1)

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over  $\{0,1\}$  containing a "1" in the first or second position from the end

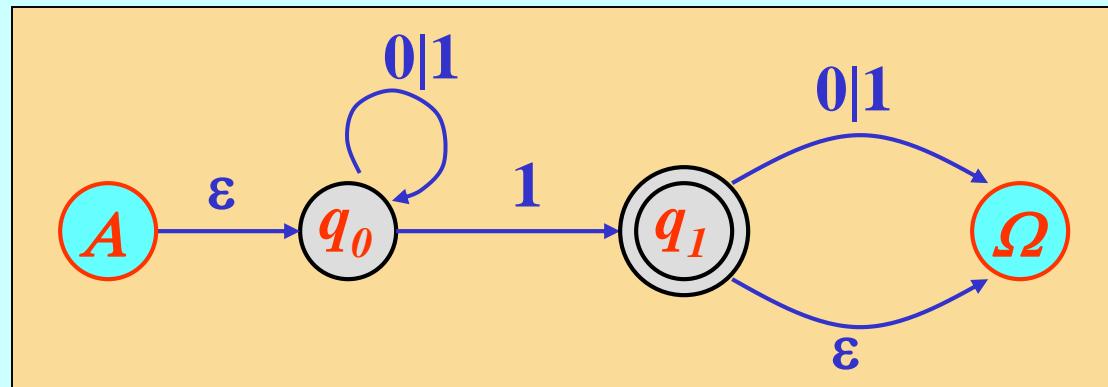


➤ adding the states  $A$  and  $\Omega$

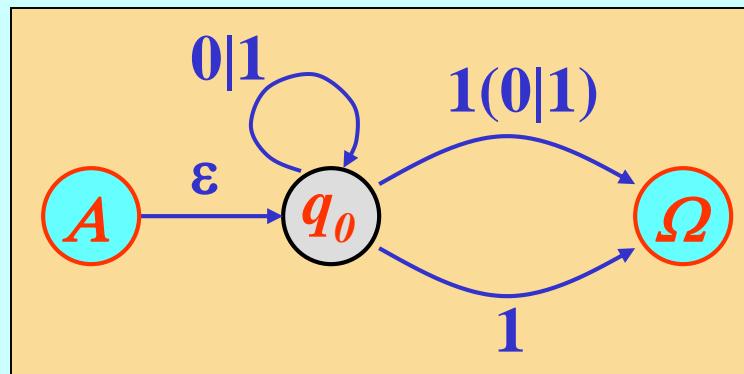


## RL: from FA to regular expressions (2)

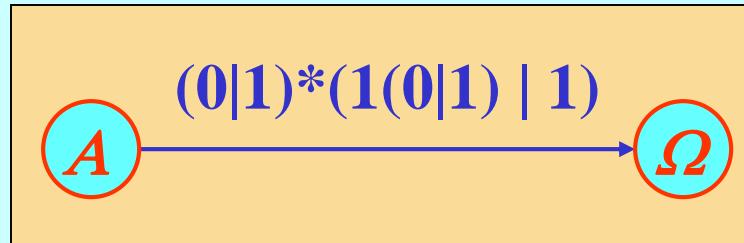
- eliminating  $q_2$



- eliminating  $q_1$

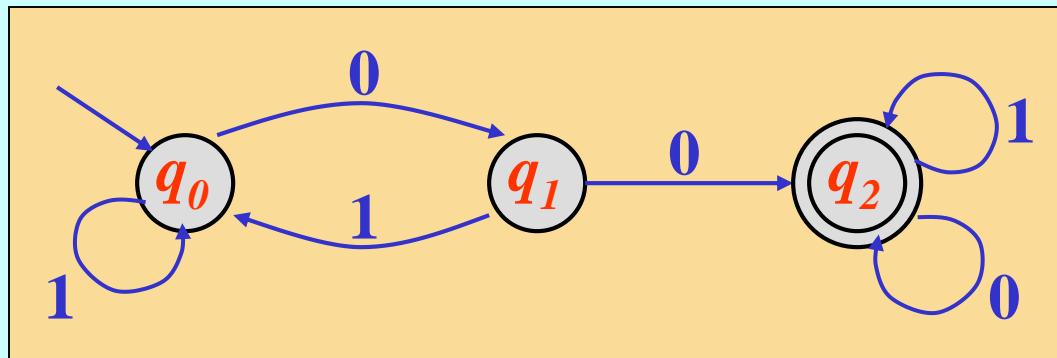


- eliminating  $q_0$

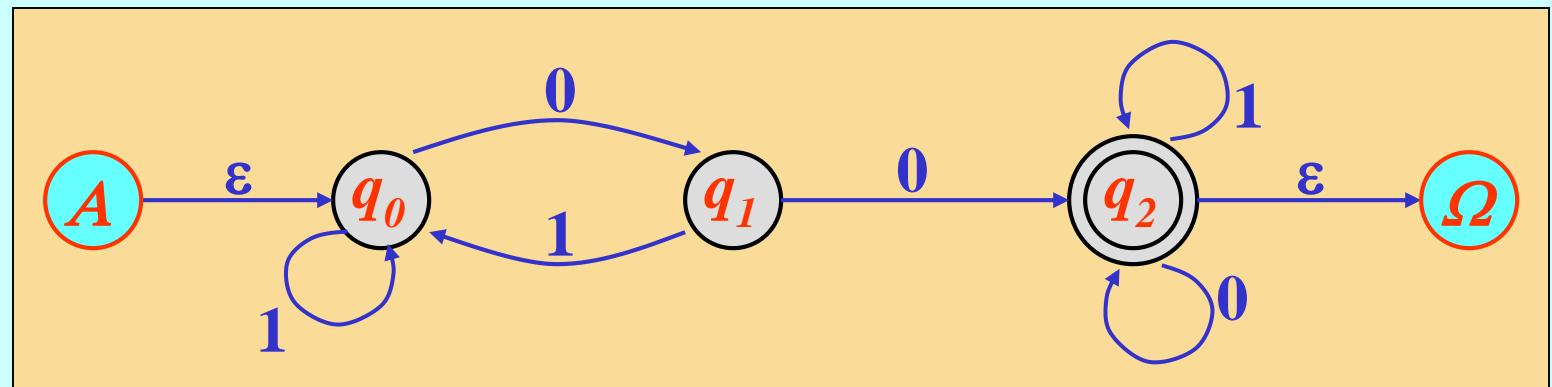
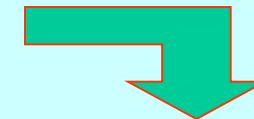


## RL: from FA to regular expressions (3)

- $L(A) =$  the set of all strings over  $\{0,1\}$  containing at least two consecutive " 0 "

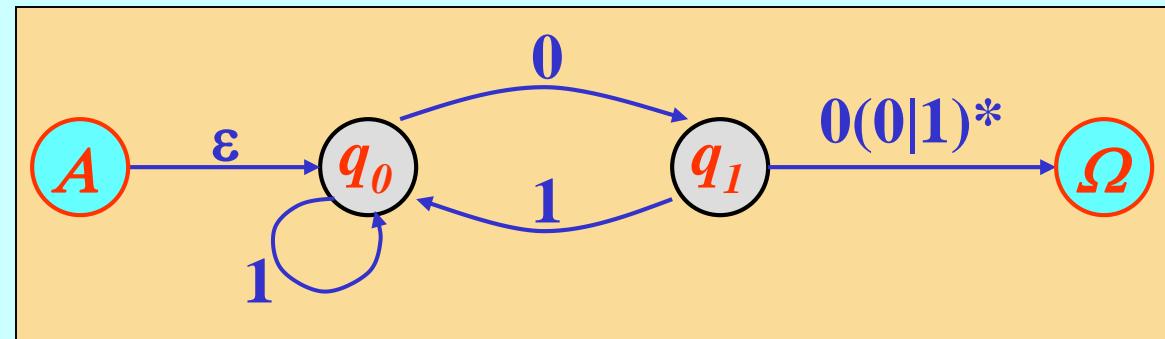


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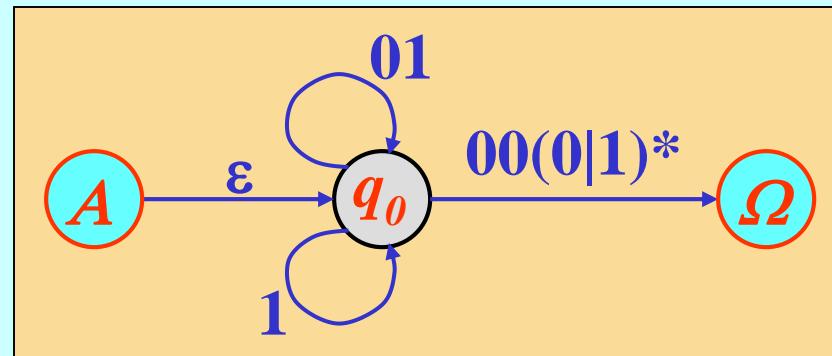


## RL: from FA to regular expressions (4)

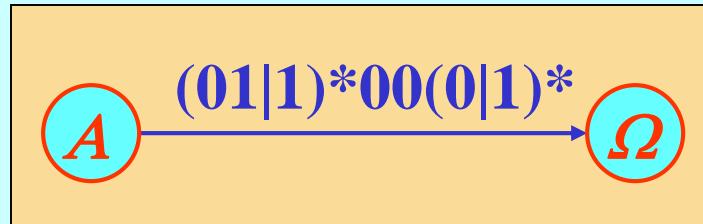
- eliminating  $q_2$



- eliminating  $q_1$

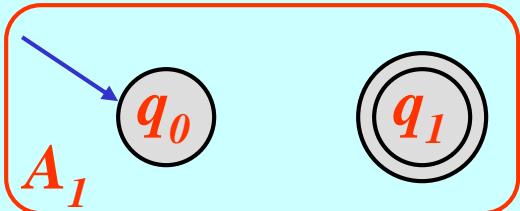
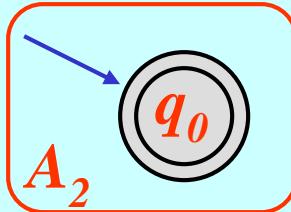
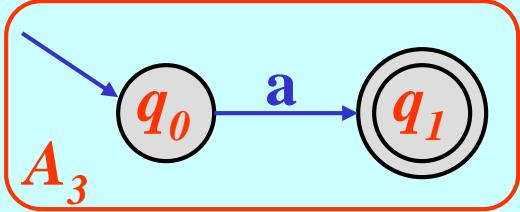


- eliminating  $q_0$



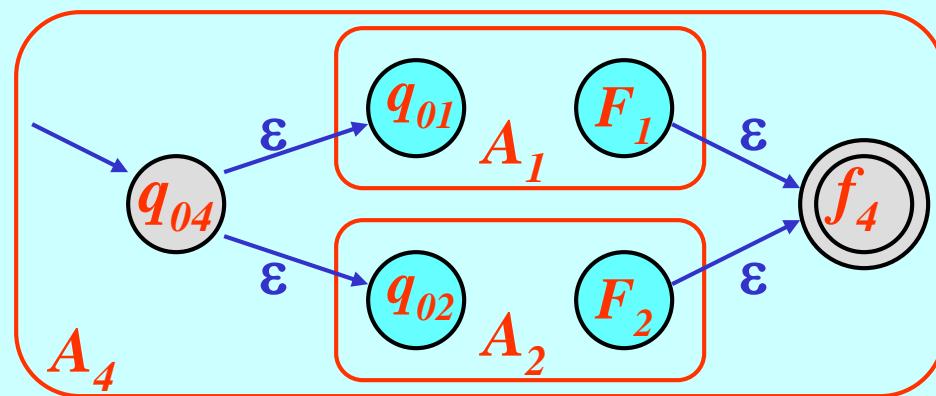
RL: regular sets  $\subseteq$  FA languages (1)

- the *regular sets* :  $\emptyset, \{\epsilon\}, \{ a \}, a \in \Sigma$  are accepted by finite state automata

-   $\Rightarrow L(A_1) = \emptyset$
-   $\Rightarrow L(A_2) = \{\epsilon\}$
-   $\Rightarrow L(A_3) = \{ a \}, a \in \Sigma$

RL: regular sets  $\subseteq$  FA languages (2)

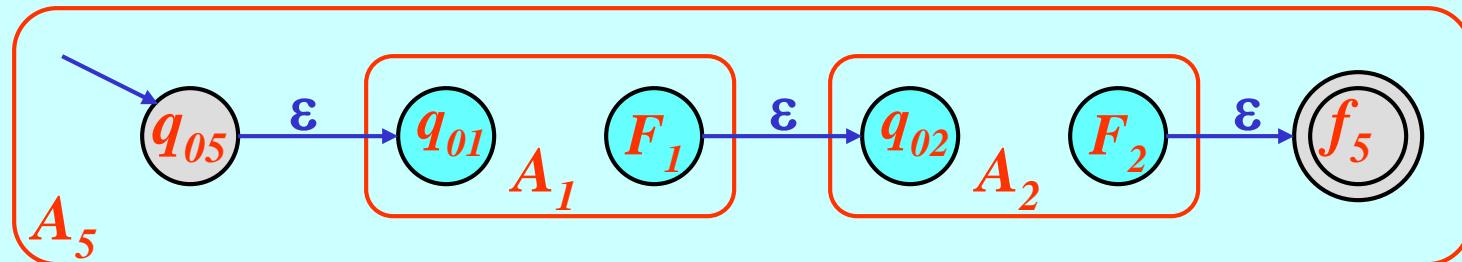
- let  $A_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_{01}, F_1)$  and  $A_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_{02}, F_2)$  be finite state automata
- the language  $L(A_1) \cup L(A_2)$  is accepted by a finite state automaton  $A_4$



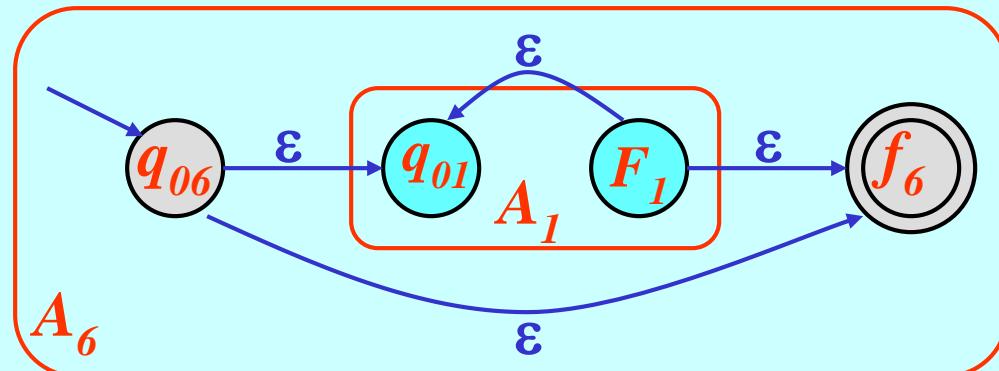
## RL: regular sets $\subseteq$ FA languages (3)

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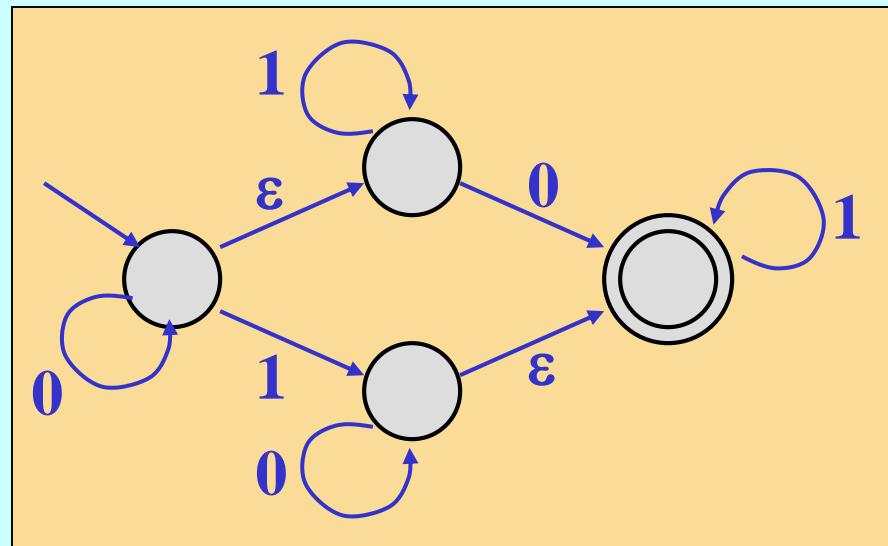
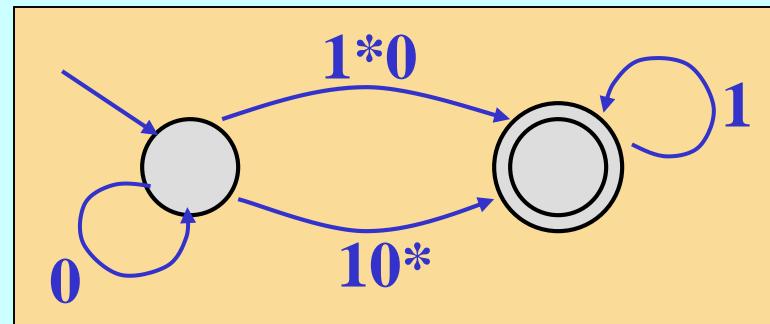
- the language  $L(A_1) L(A_2)$  is accepted by a finite state automaton  $A_5$



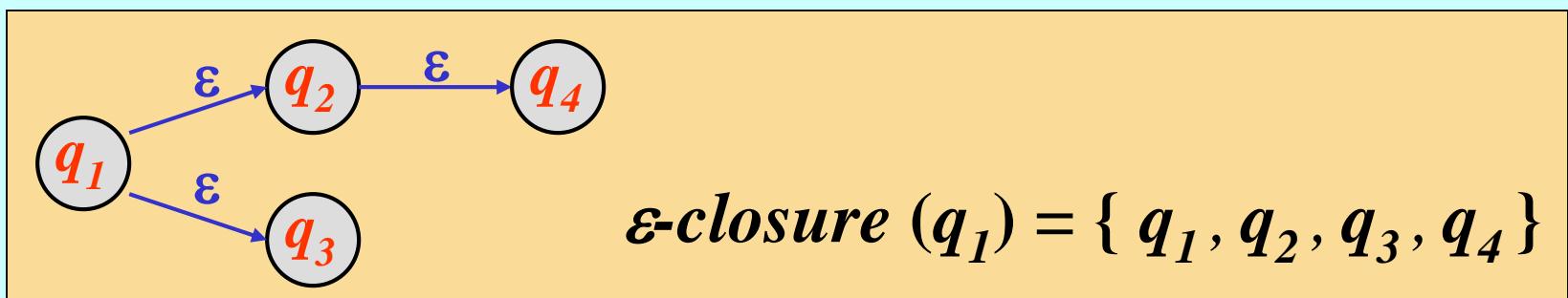
- the language  $L(A_1)^*$  is accepted by a finite state automaton  $A_6$



## RL: from regular expressions to FA

$$0^*(1^*0 \mid 10^*)1^*$$


- in the construction of **FA** from regular expressions, the  **$\varepsilon$ -transitions** make the automata non-deterministic
- the function  **$\varepsilon$ -closure** ( $q$ ) gives the set of states that can be reached (recursively) from state  $q$  with the empty string

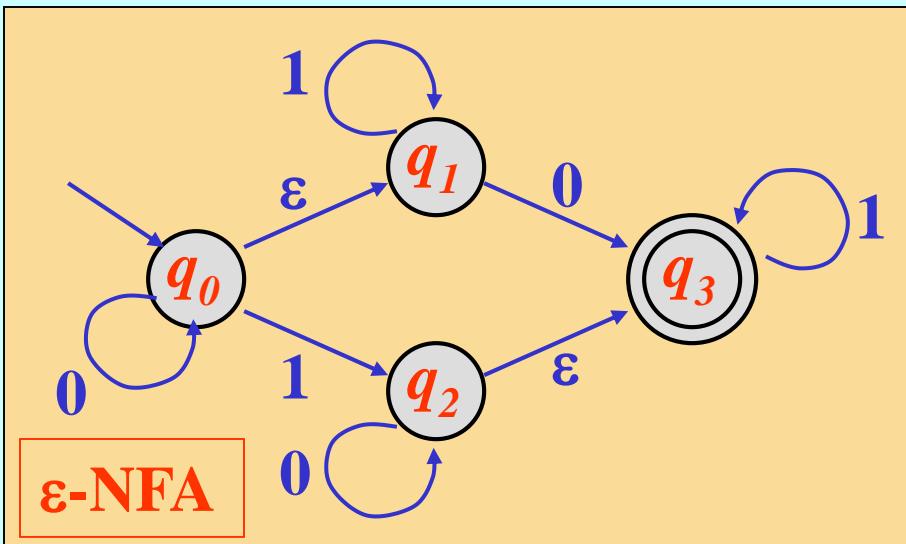


- $\varepsilon\text{-closure}(\{ q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n \}) = \cup_i \varepsilon\text{-closure}(q_i)$

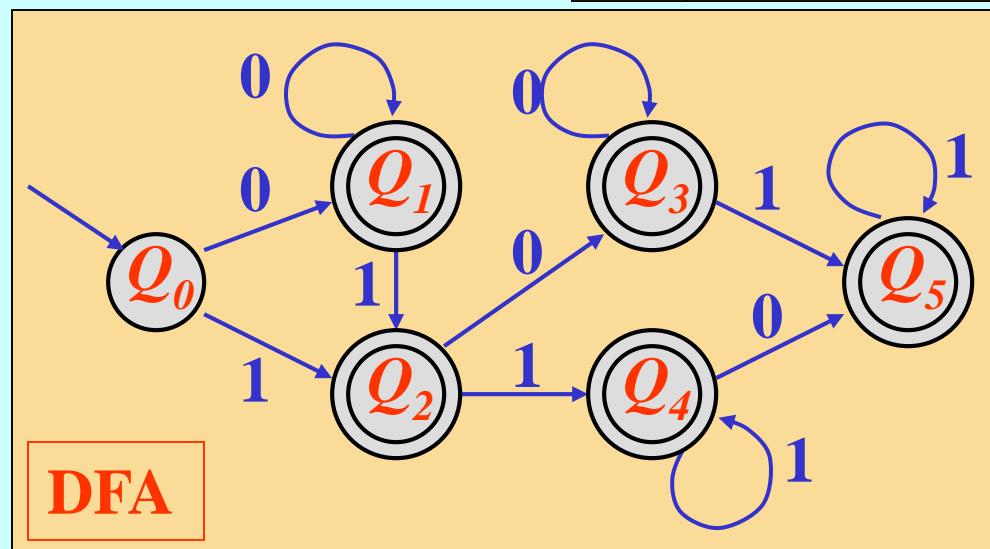
- let  $N = (Q_N, \Sigma, \delta_N, q_0, F_N)$  be an  **$\varepsilon$ -NFA**
- let us construct a **DFA**  $D = (Q_D, \Sigma, \delta_D, \varepsilon\text{-closure}(q_0), F_D)$ 
  - $Q_D \subseteq \wp(Q_N)$
  - $\delta_D(S, a) = \varepsilon\text{-closure}(\cup_i \delta_N(p_i, a))$  where  $p_i \in S \in Q_D$
  - $F_D = \{ S \mid S \in Q_D ; S \cap F_N \neq \emptyset \}$
- by construction  $L(D) = L(N)$



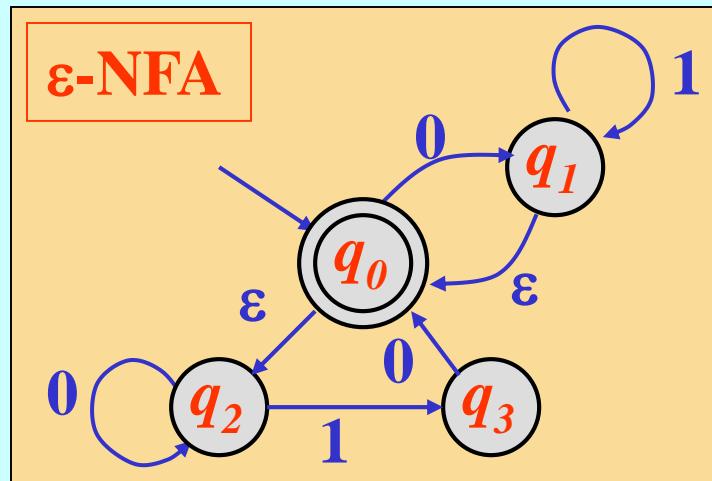
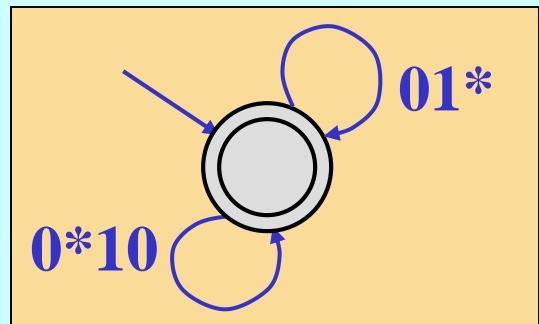
# RL: constructing a DFA from an $\varepsilon$ -NFA



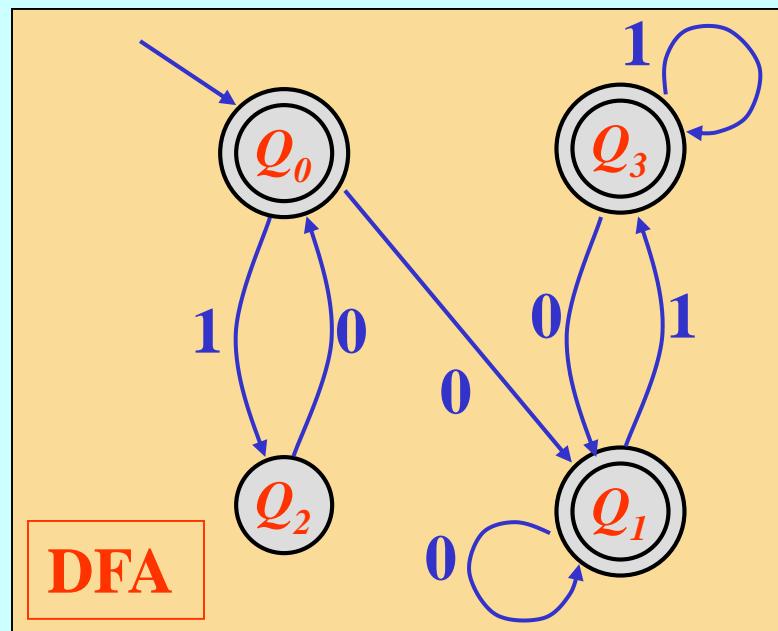
		0	1
$Q_0$	$\rightarrow\{q_0, q_1\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$
$Q_1$	$*\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$
$Q_2$	$*\{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$	$\{q_2, q_3\}$	$\{q_1, q_3\}$
$Q_3$	$*\{q_2, q_3\}$	$\{q_2, q_3\}$	$\{q_3\}$
$Q_4$	$*\{q_1, q_3\}$	$\{q_3\}$	$\{q_1, q_3\}$
$Q_5$	$*\{q_3\}$	-	$\{q_3\}$



## RL: from regular expressions to DFA

$$(0^*10 \mid 01^*)^*$$


		0	1
$Q_0$	$\rightarrow^* \{q_0, q_2\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$\{q_3\}$
$Q_1$	$* \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$
$Q_2$	$\{q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_2\}$	-
$Q_3$	$* \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$



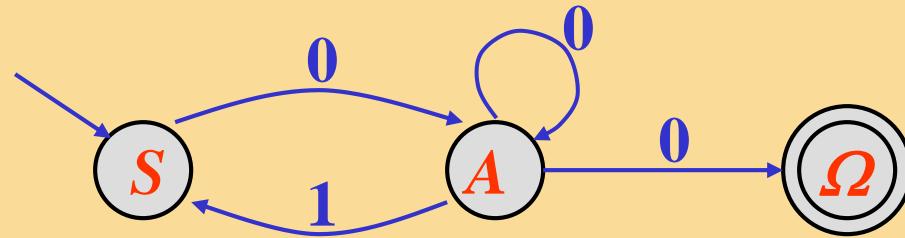
- let  $G = (N, T, P, S)$  be a right-regular grammar
- let us construct an FA  $A = (Q, T, \delta, S, F)$ 
  - $Q = N \cup \{\Omega\}$  with  $\Omega \notin N$
  - $F = \{\Omega\}$
  - $\delta = \{ \begin{array}{ll} \delta(A, a) = B & \text{if } A \xrightarrow{a} B \in P \\ \delta(A, a) = \Omega & \text{if } A \xrightarrow{a} \in P \end{array} \}$
- by construction  $L(G) = L(A)$



## RL: from right regular grammars to FA

$$G = (\{ A, S \}, \{ 0, 1 \}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P = \{ & S \rightarrow 0 A \\ & A \rightarrow 0 A \mid 1 S \mid 0 \\ \} \end{aligned}$$



$S \rightarrow 0 A \Rightarrow 00 A \Rightarrow 001 S \Rightarrow 0010 A \Rightarrow 00100$

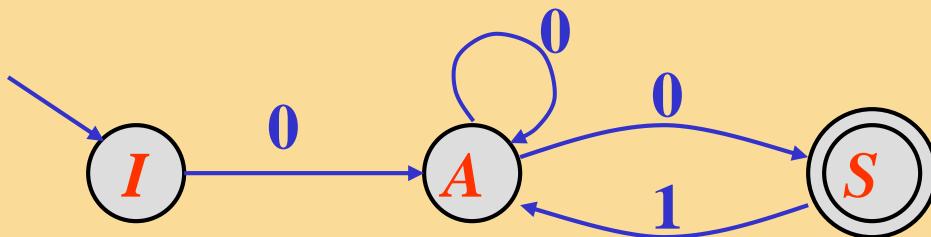
- let  $G = (N, T, P, S)$  be a left-regular grammar
- let us construct an FA  $A = (Q, T, \delta, I, \{S\})$ 
  - $Q = N \cup \{I\}$  with  $I \notin N$
  - $F = \{S\}$
  - $\delta = \{ \begin{array}{ll} \delta(B, a) = A & \text{if } A \rightarrow B \ a \in P \\ \delta(I, a) = A & \text{if } A \rightarrow a \in P \end{array} \}$
- by construction  $L(G) = L(A)$



## RL: from left regular grammars to FA

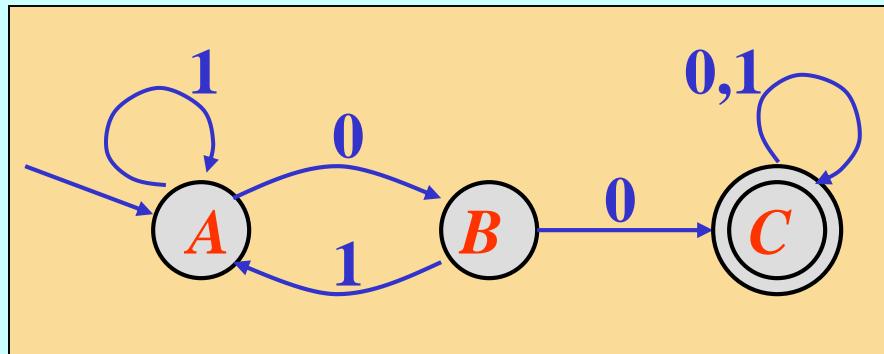
$$G = (\{ A, S \}, \{ 0,1 \}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P = \{ & S \rightarrow A \ 0 \\ & A \rightarrow A \ 0 \mid S \ 1 \mid 0 \\ \} \end{aligned}$$



$S \rightarrow A0 \Rightarrow A00 \Rightarrow S100 \Rightarrow A0100 \Rightarrow 00100$

## RL: from FA to regular grammars



$$G_1 = (\{ A, B, C \}, \{ 0,1 \}, P_1, A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 = & \{ A \rightarrow 1 A \mid 0 B \\ & B \rightarrow 1 A \mid 0 C \mid 0 \\ & C \rightarrow 0 C \mid 1 C \mid 0 \mid 1 \end{aligned}$$

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$$G_2 = (\{ A, B, C \}, \{ 0,1 \}, P_2, C)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_2 = & \{ C \rightarrow C 0 \mid C 1 \mid B 0 \\ & B \rightarrow A 0 \mid 0 \\ & A \rightarrow A 1 \mid B 1 \mid 1 \end{aligned}$$

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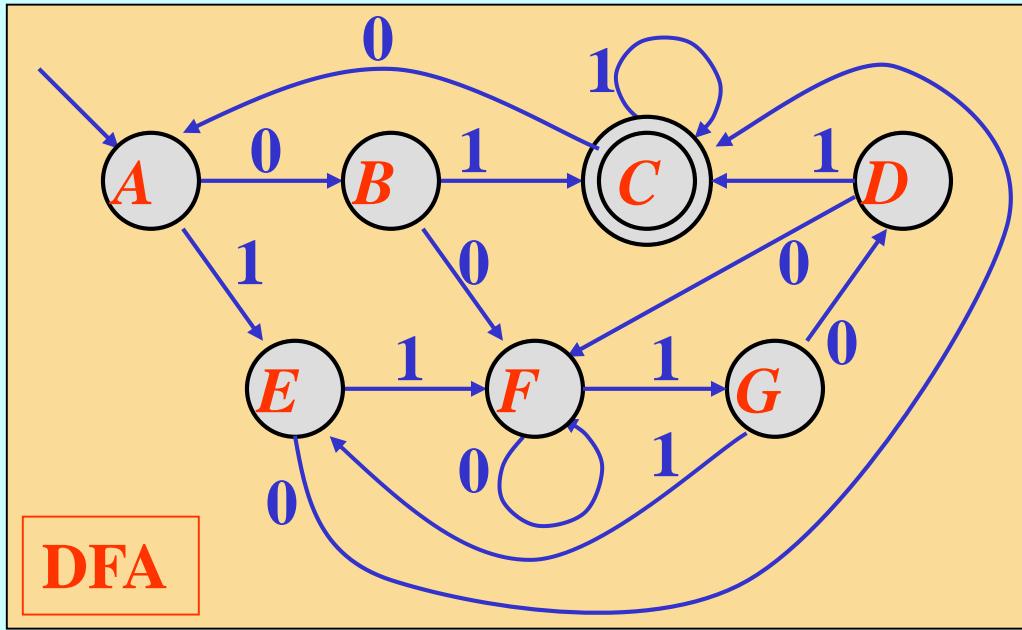
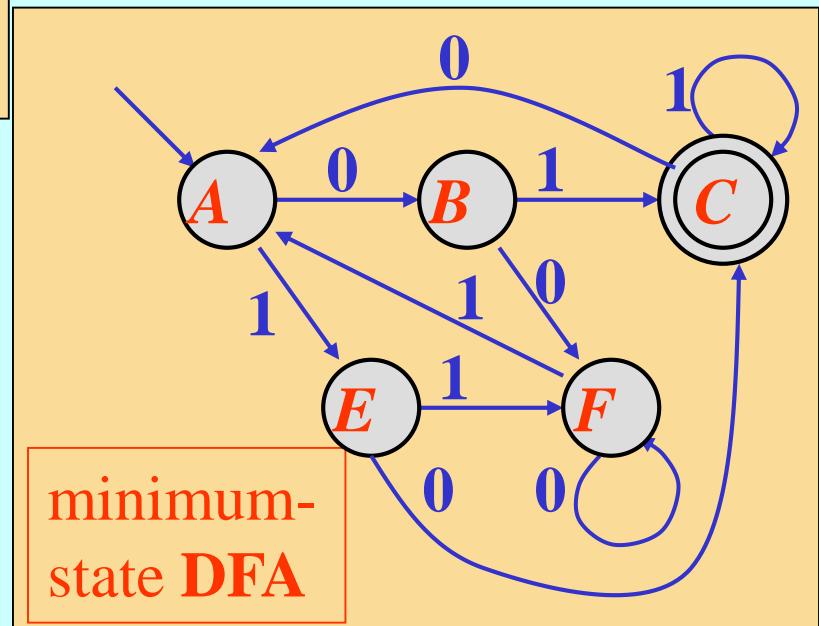
- let  $DFA = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  be a deterministic finite state automaton
- two states  $p$  and  $q$  of  $DFA$  are *distinguishable* if there is a string  $w \in \Sigma^*$  such that  $\delta(p, w) \in F$  e  $\delta(q, w) \notin F$
- two states  $p$  and  $q$  of  $DFA$  are *equivalent* ( $p \equiv q$ ) if they are *non-distinguishable* for any string  $w \in \Sigma^*$
- a  $DFA$  is *minimum-state* if it does not contain equivalent states



- two states  $p$  and  $q$  of *DFA* are *m-equivalent* ( $p \equiv_m q$ ) if they are *non-distinguishable* for all the strings  $w \in \Sigma^*$  with  $|w| \leq m$
- $p \equiv_0 q$  if  $p \in F ; q \in F$  or  $p \notin F ; q \notin F$
  - if  $p \equiv_m q$  and for any  $a \in \Sigma$ ,  $\delta(p, a) \equiv_m \delta(q, a)$   
then  $p \equiv_{m+1} q$
  - if  $p \equiv_m q$  and  $m = \|Q\| - 2$  then  $p \equiv q$
- the equivalent states can be determined by partitioning the set  $Q$  in classes of *m-equivalent* states, for  $m = 0, 1, \dots, \|Q\| - 2$



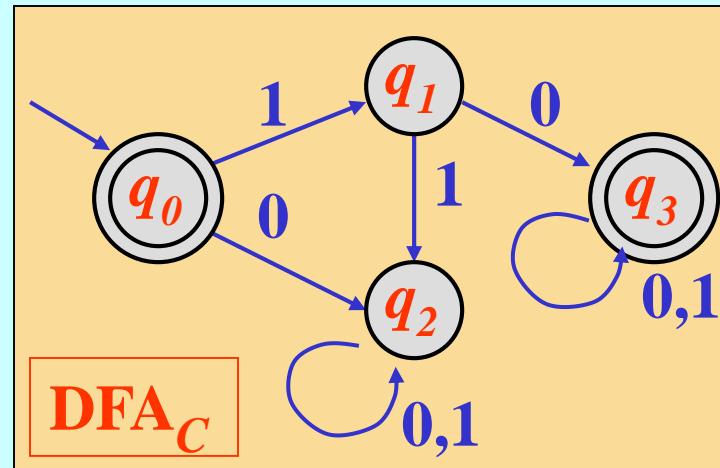
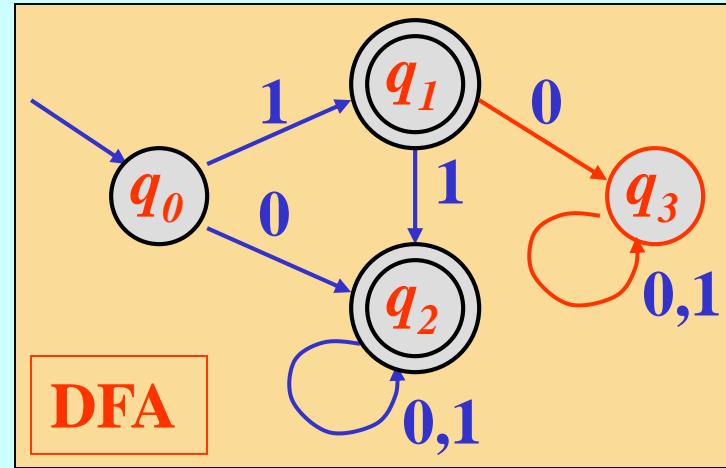
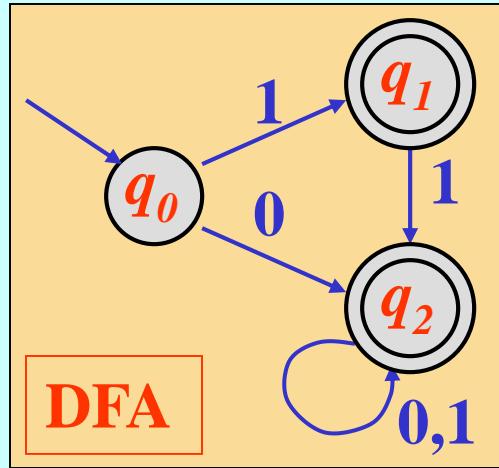
## RL: minimization of DFA (2)


 $\Pi_0 : \{C\}, \{A, B, D, E, F, G\}$ 
 $\Pi_1 : \{C\}, \{A, F, G\}, \{B, D\}, \{E\}$ 
 $\Pi_2 : \{C\}, \{A, G\}, \{F\}, \{B, D\}, \{E\}$ 
 $\Pi_3 : \{C\}, \{A, G\}, \{F\}, \{B, D\}, \{E\}$ 


- the *complement* of a regular language is a regular language
- let  $DFA = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  be a *completely specified deterministic* finite state automaton
    - there is a transition on every symbol of  $\Sigma$  from every state
  - the automaton  $DFA_C = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, Q - F)$  accepts the language
$$L(DFA_C) = \Sigma^* - L(DFA) = \neg L(DFA)$$



## RL: complement of regular languages (2)



## RL: intersection of regular languages (1)

- the *intersection* of two regular languages is a regular language

- $L_1 \cap L_2 = \neg(\neg L_1 \cup \neg L_2)$

- let  $DFA_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_{01}, F_1)$

- $DFA_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_{02}, F_2)$

- the automaton

$$DFA_I = (Q_1 \times Q_2, \Sigma, \delta, (q_{01}, q_{02}), F_1 \times F_2),$$

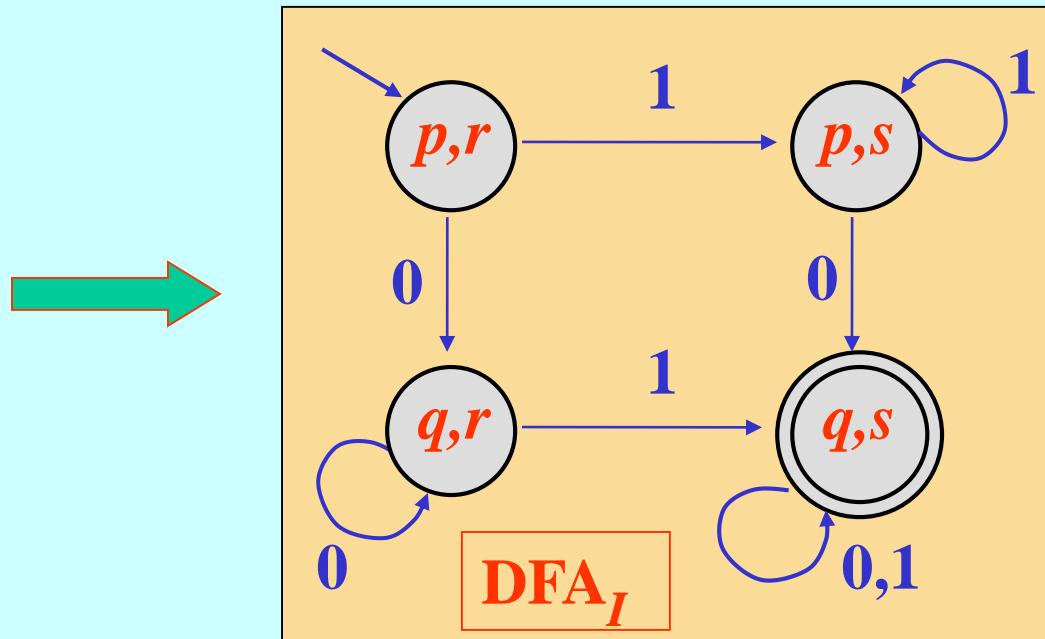
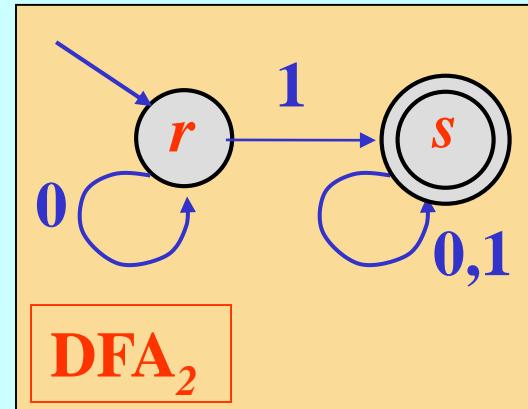
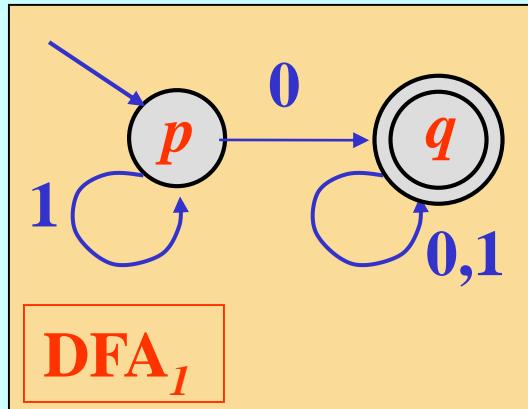
where :  $\delta((p, q), a) = (\delta_1(p, a), \delta_2(q, a)))$ ,

accepts the language :

$$L(DFA_I) = L(DFA_1) \cap L(DFA_2)$$



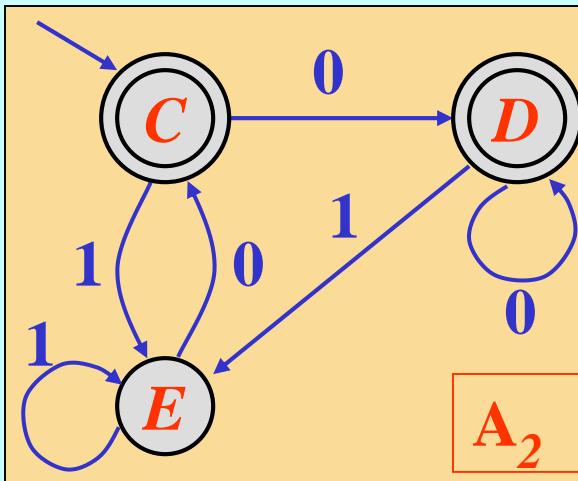
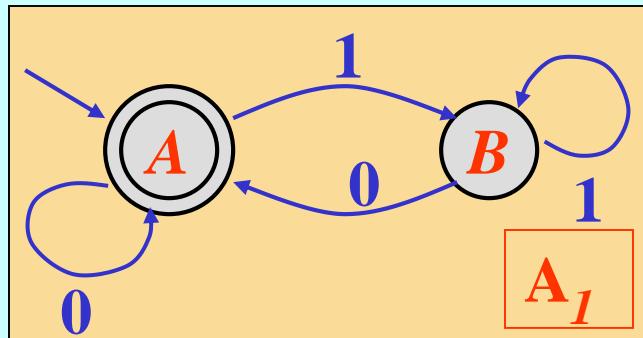
## RL: intersection of regular languages (2)



## RL: equivalence of regular languages

- it is possible to test if two regular languages are the same

- $DFA_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_{01}, F_1)$  ;  $DFA_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_{02}, F_2)$
- let us find the equivalence states in the set  $Q_1 \cup Q_2$
- if  $q_{01} \equiv q_{02}$  then  $L(DFA_1) = L(DFA_2)$

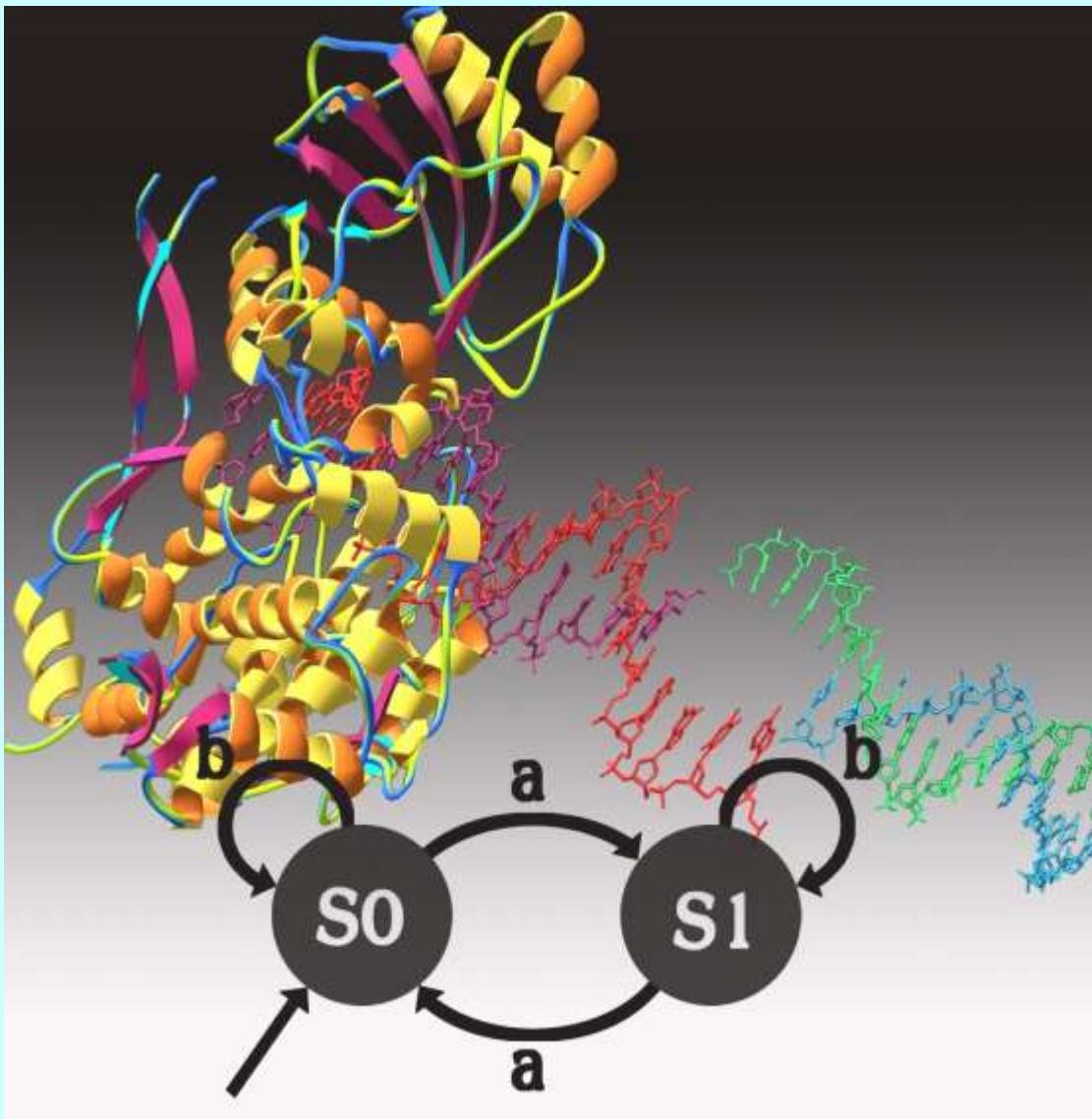


$\Pi_0: \{A, C, D\}, \{B, E\}$   
 $\Pi_1: \{A, C, D\}, \{B, E\}$   
 $L(A_1) = L(A_2)$

- Finding occurrences of words, phrases, *patterns* in a text
  - software for *editing*, *word processing*, ...
- Constructing lexical analyzers (*scanners*)
  - compiler components that break the source text into lexical elements
    - identifiers, keywords, numeric or alphabetic constants, operators, punctuation, ...
- Designing and verifying systems that have a finite number of distinct states
  - digital circuits, communication protocols, programmable controllers, ...



# RL: Molecular realization of an automaton



An input DNA molecule (green/blue) provides both data and fuel for the computation. Software DNA molecules (red/purple) encode program rules, and the restriction enzyme FokI (colored ribbons) functions as the automaton's hardware.

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# Context-Free Languages: parse trees (1)

➤ a *parse tree* for a context-free grammar (*CFG*)

$G = (N, T, P, S)$  is a tree where

- the root is labeled by the start symbol  $S$
- each interior node is labeled by a symbol in  $N$
- each leaf is labeled by a symbol in  $N \cup T \cup \{\epsilon\}$
- an interior node labeled by  $A$  has children (from left to right) labeled by  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$  only if  $A \rightarrow X_1 X_2 \dots X_k$  is a production in  $P$

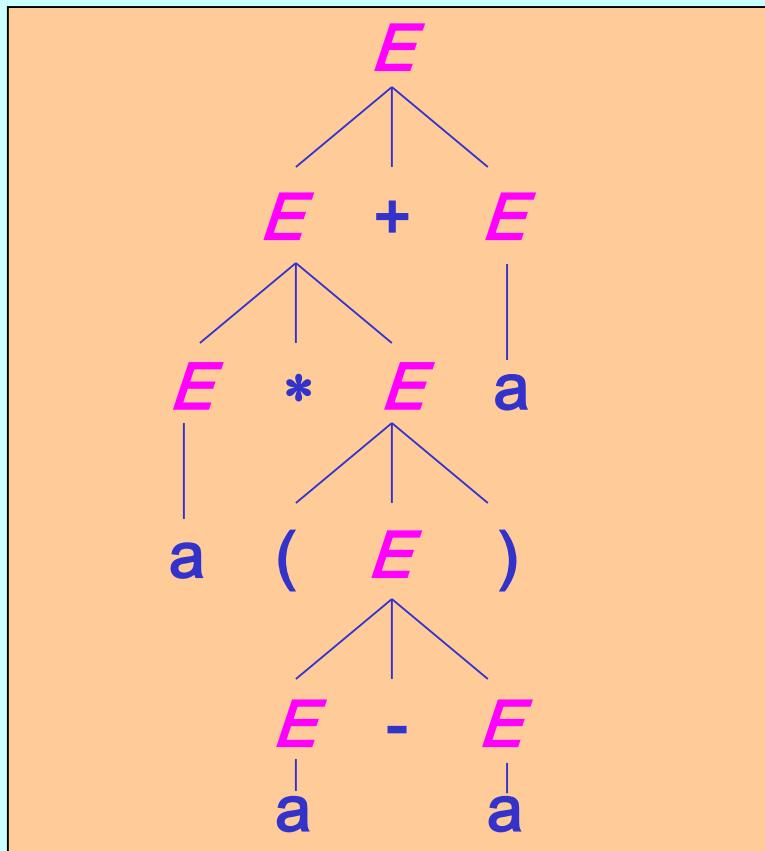
➤ *yield of a parse tree*

- string obtained by concatenating (from left to right) the labels of the leaves



## CFL: parse trees (2)

$$G = (\{E\}, \{a, +, -, *, /, (, )\}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{E \rightarrow E+E \mid E-E \mid E*E \mid E/E \mid (E) \mid a\}$$


$$E \Rightarrow^* a * (a - a) + a$$

*yield*

## ➤ leftmost derivation

- the leftmost non-terminal symbol is replaced at each derivation step

- $$\begin{aligned} E &\Rightarrow \underline{E} + E \Rightarrow \underline{E} * E + E \Rightarrow a * \underline{E} + E \Rightarrow a * (\underline{E}) + E \\ &\Rightarrow a * (\underline{E} - E) + E \Rightarrow a * (a - \underline{E}) + E \Rightarrow a * (a - a) + E \\ &\Rightarrow a * (a - a) + a \end{aligned}$$

## ➤ rightmost derivation

- the rightmost non-terminal symbol is replaced at each derivation step

- $$\begin{aligned} E &\Rightarrow E + \underline{E} \Rightarrow E + a \Rightarrow E * \underline{E} + a \Rightarrow E * (\underline{E}) + a \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow E * (\underline{E} - E) + a \Rightarrow E * (\underline{E} - a) + a \Rightarrow E * (a - a) + a \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow a * (a - a) + a \end{aligned}$$



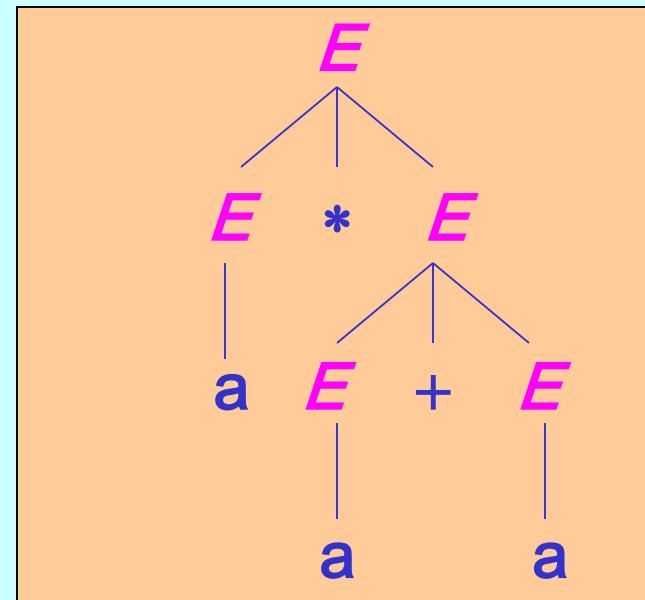
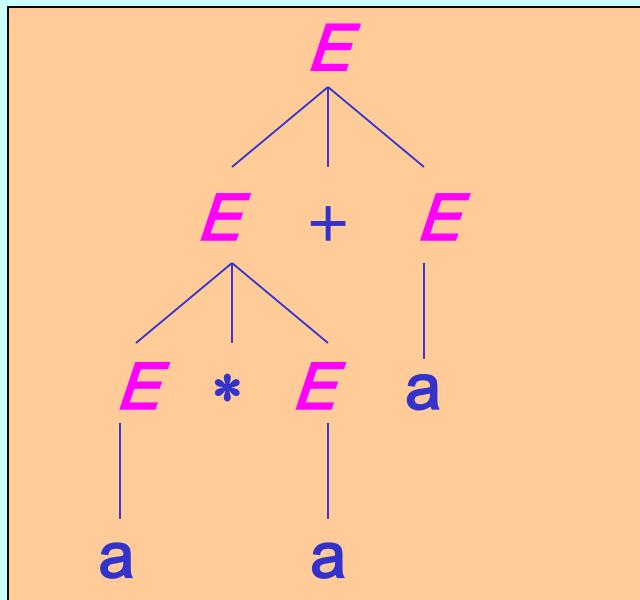
- every string in a CFL has at least one parse tree
- each parse tree has just one leftmost derivation and just one rightmost derivation
- a **CFG** is *ambiguous* if there is at least one string in its language having two different parse trees
- a **CFL** is *inherently ambiguous* if all its grammars are ambiguous



# CFL: ambiguous grammars (1)

$$G_1 = (\{E\}, \{a, +, -, *, /, (, )\}, P_1, E)$$

$$P_1 = \{E \rightarrow E+E \mid E-E \mid E*E \mid E/E \mid (E) \mid a\}$$

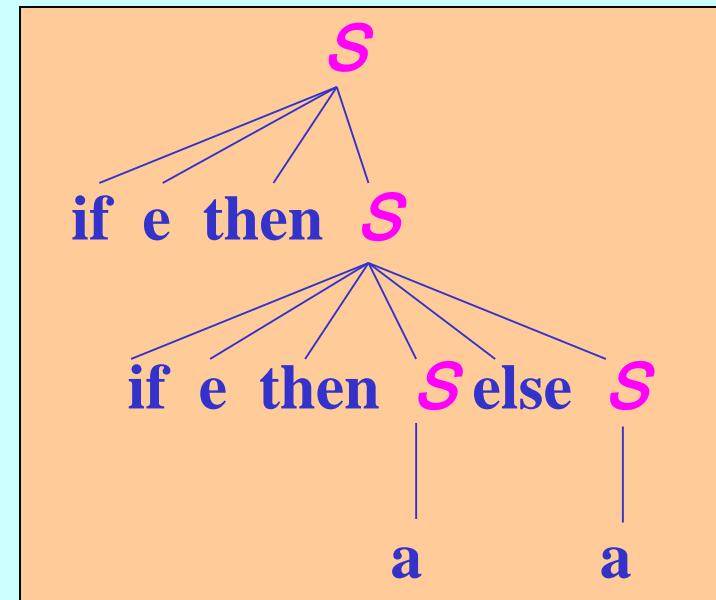
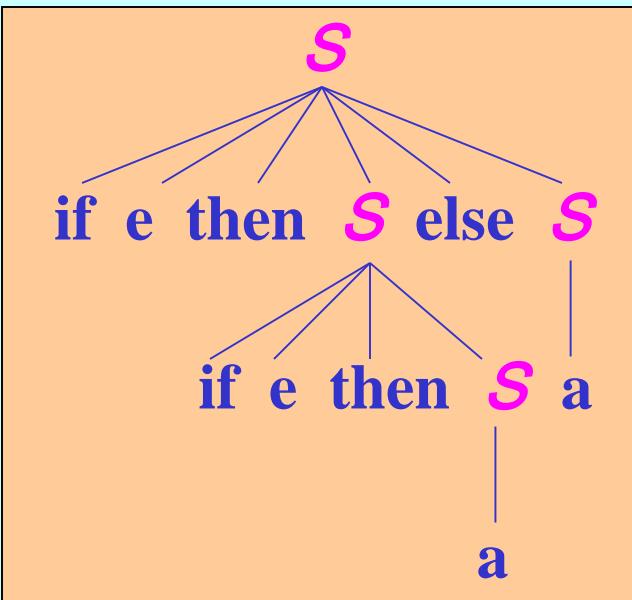


$$E \Rightarrow^* a * a + a$$

## CFL: ambiguous grammars (2)

$$G_2 = (\{S\}, \{\text{if, then, else, e, a}\}, P_2, S)$$

$$P_2 = \{S \rightarrow \text{if e then } S \text{ else } S \mid \text{if e then } S \mid a\}$$



$$S \Rightarrow^* \text{if e then if e then a else a}$$

## CFL: equivalent non-ambiguous grammars

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_3 = & (\{E, T, F\}, \{a, +, -, *, /, (, )\}, P_3, E) \\
 P_3 = & \{ E \rightarrow E+T \mid E-T \mid T \\
 & \quad T \rightarrow T*T \mid T/T \mid F \\
 & \quad F \rightarrow (E) \mid a \\
 & \}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$L(G_1) = L(G_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_4 = & (\{S, M, U\}, \{\text{if , then , else , e , a}\}, P_4, S) \\
 P_4 = & \{ S \rightarrow M \mid U \\
 & \quad M \rightarrow \text{if e then } M \text{ else } M \mid a \\
 & \quad U \rightarrow \text{if e then } M \text{ else } U \mid \text{if e then } S \\
 & \}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$L(G_2) = L(G_4)$$



## CFL: eliminating useless symbols in CFG

- a symbol  $X$  is useful for a  $CFG = (N, T, P, S)$  if there is some derivation  $S \Rightarrow^* \alpha X \beta \Rightarrow^* w \in T^*$ 
  - a useful symbol  $X$  generates a *non-empty language*:  
$$X \Rightarrow^* x \in T^*$$
  - a useful symbol  $X$  is *reachable*:  
$$S \Rightarrow^* \alpha X \beta$$
- eliminating useless symbols from a grammar will non change the generated language
  1. eliminate symbols generating an empty language
  2. eliminate unreachable symbols



➤ finding symbols generating *non-empty languages*

- every symbol of  $\mathbf{T}$  generates a non-empty language
- if  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  and all symbols in  $\alpha$  generate a non-empty language, then  $A$  generates a non-empty language

➤ finding *reachable* symbols

- the start symbol  $\mathbf{S}$  is reachable
- if  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  and  $A$  is reachable, all symbols in  $\alpha$  are reachable



# CFL: symbols generating an empty language

$$G_1 = (\{S, A, B, C\}, \{a, b\}, P_1, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned}P_1 = \{ & S \rightarrow Aa | bC \\& A \rightarrow aBA | bAS \\& B \rightarrow aS | bA | b \\& C \rightarrow aSa | a \}\end{aligned}$$

symbols generating a *non-empty language* :

$$\{a, b\} \cup \{B, C\} \cup \{S\}$$

symbols generating an *empty language* :

$$\{A\}$$

$$G_2 = (\{S, B, C\}, \{a, b\}, P_2, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned}P_2 = \{ & S \rightarrow bC \\& B \rightarrow aS | b \\& C \rightarrow aSa | a \}\end{aligned}$$

$$L(G_1) = L(G_2)$$



## CFL: unreachable symbols

$$G_2 = (\{S, B, C\}, \{a, b\}, P_2, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned}P_2 = \{ & S \rightarrow b C b \\& B \rightarrow a S | b \\& C \rightarrow a S a | a \}\end{aligned}$$

*reachable* symbols :

$$\{S\} \cup \{b, C\} \cup \{a\}$$

*unreachable* symbols :

$$\{B\}$$

$$G_3 = (\{S, C\}, \{a, b\}, P_3, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned}P_3 = \{ & S \rightarrow b C b \\& C \rightarrow a S a | a \}\end{aligned}$$

$$L(G_1) = L(G_2) = L(G_3)$$



- according to the Chomsky classification, only type 0 grammars can have  *$\varepsilon$ -productions*
- anyway the languages generated by CFG's that contain  *$\varepsilon$ -productions* are CFL
  - a CFG  $G_1$  with  *$\varepsilon$ -productions* can be transformed into an equivalent CFG  $G_2$  without  *$\varepsilon$ -productions* :  
$$L(G_2) = L(G_1) - \{\varepsilon\}$$
  - if  $A \rightarrow X_1 \dots X_i \dots X_n$  is in  $P_1$  and  $X_i \Rightarrow^* \varepsilon$  , then  $P_2$  will contain  
$$A \rightarrow X_1 \dots X_i \dots X_n$$
 and  
$$A \rightarrow X_1 \dots X_{i-1} X_{i+1} \dots X_n$$



# CFL: eliminating $\epsilon$ -productions in CFG

$$G_1 = (\{S, A, B\}, \{a, b\}, P_1, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 = \{ & S \rightarrow aA|b \\ & A \rightarrow BSB|BB|a \\ & B \rightarrow aAb|b|\epsilon \\ \} \end{aligned}$$

symbols that generate  $\epsilon$  : {B, A}

$$G_2 = (\{S, A, B\}, \{a, b\}, P_2, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_2 = \{ & S \rightarrow aA|b|a \\ & A \rightarrow BSB|BB|a|SB|BS|S|B \\ & B \rightarrow aAb|b|ab \\ \} \end{aligned}$$

$$L(G_1) = L(G_2)$$



➤ A PDA is a 7-tuple  $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$

- $Q$ : finite (non empty) set of **states**
- $\Sigma$ : alphabet of **input** symbols
- $\Gamma$ : alphabet of **stack** symbols
- $\delta$ : **transition** function
  - $\delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow \{(p, \gamma) \mid p \in Q ; \gamma \in \Gamma^*\}$
- $q_0$ : **start** state ( $q_0 \in Q$ )
- $Z_0$ : **start** stack symbol ( $Z_0 \in \Gamma$ )
- $F$ : set of **final states** ( $F \subseteq Q$ )



$$\triangleright \delta(q, a, X) = \{ (p_1, \gamma_1), (p_2, \gamma_2), \dots, (p_m, \gamma_m) \}$$

- from state  $q$ , with  $a$  in input and  $X$  on top of the stack:

- consumes  $a$  from the input string
- goes to a state  $p_i$  and replaces  $X$  with  $\gamma_i$ 
  - the first symbol of  $\gamma_i$  goes on top of the stack

$$\triangleright \delta(q, \varepsilon, X) = \{ (p_1, \gamma_1), (p_2, \gamma_2), \dots, (p_m, \gamma_m) \}$$

- from state  $q$ , with  $X$  on top of the stack:
  - no input symbol is consumed
  - goes to a state  $p_i$  and replaces  $X$  with  $\gamma_i$ 
    - the first symbol of  $\gamma_i$  goes on top of the stack



➤ *instantaneous configuration* of a PDA:  $(q, w, \gamma)$

- $q$  : current state
- $w$  : remaining input string
- $\gamma$ : current stack contents

➤ transition:

- if  $\delta(q, a, X) = \{ \dots, (p, \alpha), \dots \}$ , then

$$(q, aw, X\beta) \vdash (p, w, \alpha\beta)$$



➤ Language accepted by *final state* by the PDA

$$P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$$

- $L(P) = \{ w \mid w \in \Sigma^* ; (q_0, w, Z_0) \vdash^* (q, \epsilon, \alpha) ; q \in F \}$

➤ Language accepted by *empty stack* by the PDA

$$P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \emptyset)$$

- $N(P) = \{ w \mid w \in \Sigma^* ; (q_0, w, Z_0) \vdash^* (q, \epsilon, \epsilon) \}$



## CFL: example of PDA

$$P = (\{ q_0, q_1 \}, \{ 0, 1 \}, \{ 0, 1, Z \}, \delta, q_0, Z, \emptyset)$$

$$\delta(q_0, 0, Z) = \{(q_0, 0Z)\} \quad \delta(q_0, 1, Z) = \{(q_0, 1Z)\}$$

$$\delta(q_0, 0, 0) = \{(q_0, 00), (q_1, \varepsilon)\} \quad \delta(q_0, 1, 0) = \{(q_0, 10)\}$$

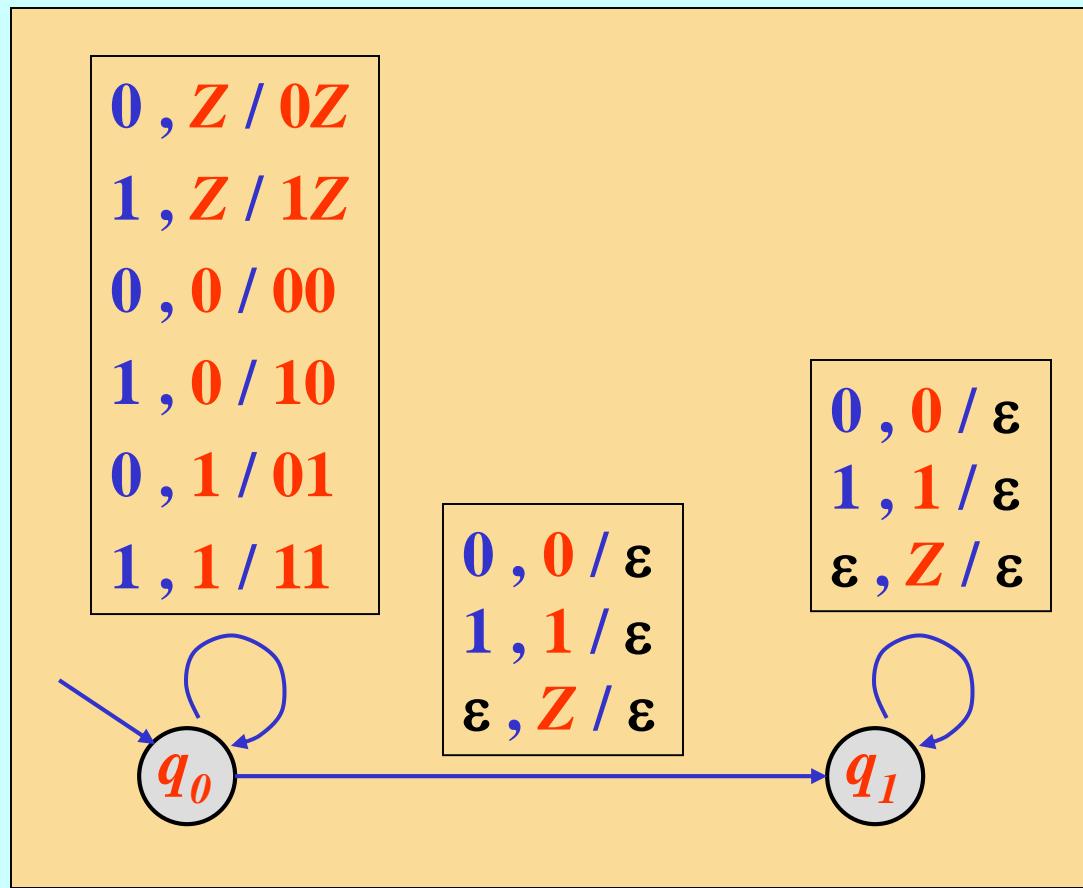
$$\delta(q_0, 0, 1) = \{(q_0, 01)\} \quad \delta(q_0, 1, 1) = \{(q_0, 11), (q_1, \varepsilon)\}$$

$$\delta(q_1, 0, 0) = \{(q_1, \varepsilon)\} \quad \delta(q_1, 1, 1) = \{(q_1, \varepsilon)\}$$

$$\delta(q_0, \varepsilon, Z) = \{(q_1, \varepsilon)\} \quad \delta(q_1, \varepsilon, Z) = \{(q_1, \varepsilon)\}$$



# CFL: graphical notation for PDA



$$N(P) = \{ w w^R \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^* \}$$

# CFL: configuration sequences of PDA

$(q_0, \textcolor{blue}{001100}, Z) \xleftarrow{\top} \text{initial configuration}$

$(q_0, \textcolor{blue}{01100}, 0Z) \vdash (q_1, \textcolor{blue}{1100}, Z) \vdash (q_1, \textcolor{blue}{1100}, \varepsilon)$

$(q_0, \textcolor{blue}{1100}, 00Z)$

$(q_0, \textcolor{blue}{100}, 100Z) \vdash (q_0, \textcolor{blue}{00}, 1100Z) \vdash (q_0, \textcolor{blue}{0}, 01100Z) \vdash (q_0, \varepsilon, 001100Z)$

$(q_1, \textcolor{blue}{00}, 00Z)$

$(q_1, \varepsilon, 1100Z)$

$(q_1, \textcolor{blue}{0}, 0Z)$

$(q_1, \varepsilon, Z)$

$(q_1, \varepsilon, \varepsilon) \xleftarrow{\top} \text{accepting configuration}$

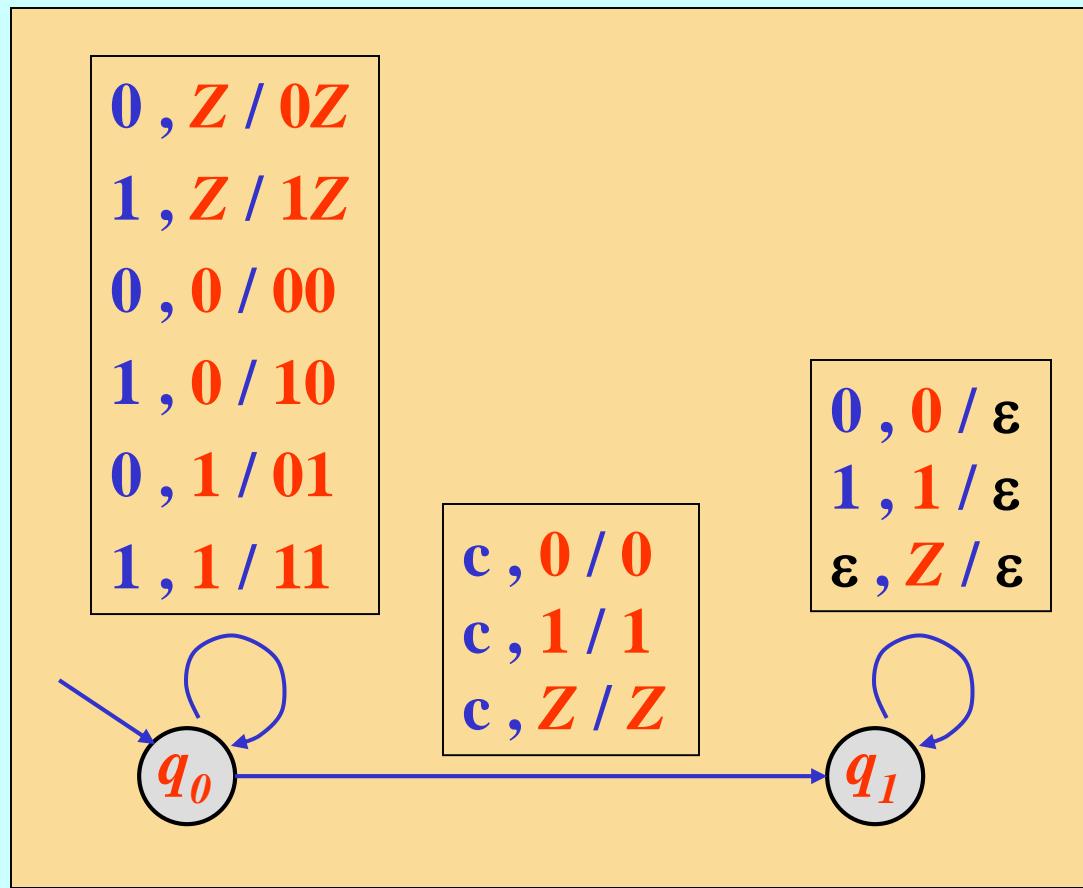


## CFL: deterministic pushdown automata (DPDA)

- A PDA  $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$  is *deterministic (DPDA)* if:
  - $\delta(q, a, X)$  has at most one member for any  $q \in Q$ ,  $a \in (\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\})$ ,  $X \in \Gamma$
  - if  $\delta(q, a, X) \neq \emptyset$  for some  $a \in \Sigma$ ,  
then  $\delta(q, \epsilon, X) = \emptyset$
- the languages accepted by DPDA are *properly included* ( $\subset$ ) in the languages accepted by PDA
  - the language  $\{ w w^R \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$  is not accepted by DPDA



## CFL: example of DPDA



$$N(P) = \{ w \text{ } c \text{ } w^R \mid w \in \{ 0, 1 \}^* \}$$

- let  $G = (N, T, P, S)$  be a context-free grammar
- let us construct a  $PDA = (\{q\}, T, \Gamma, \delta, q, S, \emptyset)$ 
  - $\Gamma = N \cup T$
  - $\delta = \{ \delta(q, \epsilon, A) = \{ (q, \alpha) \text{ for each } A \rightarrow \alpha \in P \}$   
 $\delta(q, a, a) = \{ (q, \epsilon) \} \text{ for each } a \in T$
  - }
- $PDA$  accepts  $L(G)$  by *empty stack*, making a sequence of transitions corresponding to a *leftmost derivation*



## CFL: from CFL to PDA (1)

$$L(G) = \{ w w^R \mid w \in \{ 0, 1 \}^* \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} G &= (\{ S \}, \{ 0, 1 \}, P, S) \\ P &= \{ S \rightarrow 0S0 \mid 1S1 \mid \epsilon \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow 0S0 \\ &\Rightarrow 00S00 \\ &\Rightarrow 001S100 \\ &\Rightarrow 001100 \end{aligned}$$

$$P = (\{ q \}, \{ 0, 1 \}, \{ 0, 1, S \}, \delta, q, S, \emptyset)$$

$$\delta(q, \epsilon, S) = \{ (q, 0S0), (q, 1S1), (q, \epsilon) \}$$

$$\delta(q, 0, 0) = \{ (q, \epsilon) \}$$

$$\delta(q, 1, 1) = \{ (q, \epsilon) \}$$



## CFL: from CFL to PDA (2)

↙ *initial configuration*

$(q, \textcolor{blue}{001100}, S) \vdash \dots$

⊤

$(q, \textcolor{blue}{001100}, \textcolor{red}{0}S0) \vdash (q, \textcolor{blue}{01100}, S0) \vdash \dots$

⊤

$(q, \textcolor{blue}{01100}, \textcolor{red}{0}S00) \vdash (q, \textcolor{blue}{1100}, S00) \vdash \dots$

⊤

$(q, \textcolor{blue}{1100}, \textcolor{red}{1}S100) \vdash (q, \textcolor{blue}{100}, S100) \vdash \dots$

⊤

↗  $(q, \varepsilon, \varepsilon) \dashv (q, 0, 0) \dashv (q, \textcolor{blue}{00}, \textcolor{red}{00}) \dashv (q, \textcolor{blue}{100}, \textcolor{red}{100})$

*accepting configuration*



## CFL: properties of CFL

- the CFL's are *closed* under the operations:
  - *union*
  - *concatenation*
  - *Kleene closure*
- the CFL's are *not closed* under the operations:
  - *complement*
  - *intersection*
- it is possible to decide membership of a string  $w$  in a CFL by algorithms (Cocke-Younger-Kasamy, Earley, ...) with complexity  $O(n^3)$ , where  $n = |w|$



- the *deterministic* CFL's ( the languages accepted by **DPDA**) are *closed* under the operations:
  - *complement*
- the *deterministic* CFL's are *not closed* under the operations:
  - *union*
  - *intersection*
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  - *Kleene closure*
- it is possible to decide membership of a string  $w$  in a *deterministic* CFL by algorithms with complexity  $O(n)$  , where  $n = |w|$



- Representation of programming languages
  - grammars for Algol, Pascal, C, Java, ...
- Construction of syntax analyzers (*parsers*)
  - compiler components that analyze the structure of a source program and represent it by means of a parse tree
- Description of the structure and the semantic contents of documents (*Semantic Web*) by means of *Markup Languages*
  - XML (*Extensible Markup Language*) , RDF (*Resource Description Framework*) , OWL (*Web Ontology Language*) ,  
...  
...



➤ A TM is a 6-tuple  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$

- $Q$  : finite (non empty) set of **states**
- $\Sigma$  : alphabet of **input** symbols ( $B \notin \Sigma$ )
- $\Gamma$  : alphabet of **tape** symbols ( $B \in \Gamma ; \Sigma \subset \Gamma$ )
  - the tape extends infinitely to the left and the right
  - the tape initially holds the input string, preceded and followed by an infinite number of **B** symbols
- $\delta$  : **transition** function
  - $\delta : Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$  ( $L = left, R = right$ )
- $q_0$  : **start** state ( $q_0 \in Q$ )
- $F$  : set of **final states** ( $F \subseteq Q$ )



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- from state  $q$ , having  $X$  as the current tape symbol:
  - goes to state  $p$  and replaces  $X$  with  $Y$
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➤ *instantaneous configuration* of a TM:

$$( X_1 \dots X_{i-1} q X_i \dots X_n )$$

- $q$  : current state
- $X_1 \dots X_{i-1} X_i \dots X_n$  : current string on tape
- $X_i$  : current tape symbol



➤ transition:

- if  $\delta(q, X_i) = (p, Y, L)$  , then

$$(X_1 \dots X_{i-1} q X_i \dots X_n) \vdash (X_1 \dots X_{i-2} p X_{i-1} Y X_{i+1} \dots X_n)$$

- if  $i = 1$  , then  $(q X_1 \dots X_n) \vdash (p B Y X_2 \dots X_n)$

- if  $i = n$  and  $Y = B$  , then  $(X_1 \dots X_{n-1} q X_n) \vdash (X_1 \dots X_{n-2} p X_{n-1})$

- if  $\delta(q, X_i) = (p, Y, R)$  , then

$$(X_1 \dots X_{i-1} q X_i \dots X_n) \vdash (X_1 \dots X_{i-1} Y p X_{i+1} \dots X_n)$$

- if  $i = 1$  and  $Y = B$  , then  $(q X_1 \dots X_n) \vdash (p X_2 \dots X_n)$

- if  $i = n$  , then  $(X_1 \dots X_{n-1} q X_n) \vdash (X_1 \dots X_{n-1} Y p B)$



➤ Language accepted by a TM

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$$

■  $L(M) = \{ w \mid w \in \Sigma^* ; (q_0 w) \vdash^* (\alpha q \beta) ; q \in F \}$



## TM: example of TM

$$M = (\{ q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4 \}, \{ 0, 1 \}, \{ 0, 1, X, Y, B \}, \delta, q_0, \{q_4\})$$

$\delta$	0	1	X	Y	B
$\rightarrow q_0$	$(q_1, X, R)$			$(q_3, Y, R)$	
$q_1$	$(q_1, 0, R)$	$(q_2, Y, L)$		$(q_1, Y, R)$	
$q_2$	$(q_2, 0, L)$		$(q_0, X, R)$	$(q_2, Y, L)$	
$q_3$				$(q_3, Y, R)$	$(q_4, B, R)$
$*q_4$					

$$L(M) = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1 \}$$

$(q_0 0011) \vdash (Xq_1 011) \vdash (X0q_1 11) \vdash (Xq_2 0Y1) \vdash (q_2 X0Y1) \vdash (Xq_0 0Y1) \vdash$   
 $(XXq_1 Y1) \vdash (XXYq_1 1) \vdash (XXq_2 YY) \vdash (Xq_2 XYY) \vdash (XXq_0 YY) \vdash (XXYq_3 Y)$   
 $(XXYYq_3 B) \vdash (XXYYBq_4) \vdash \leftarrow \text{accepting configuration}$

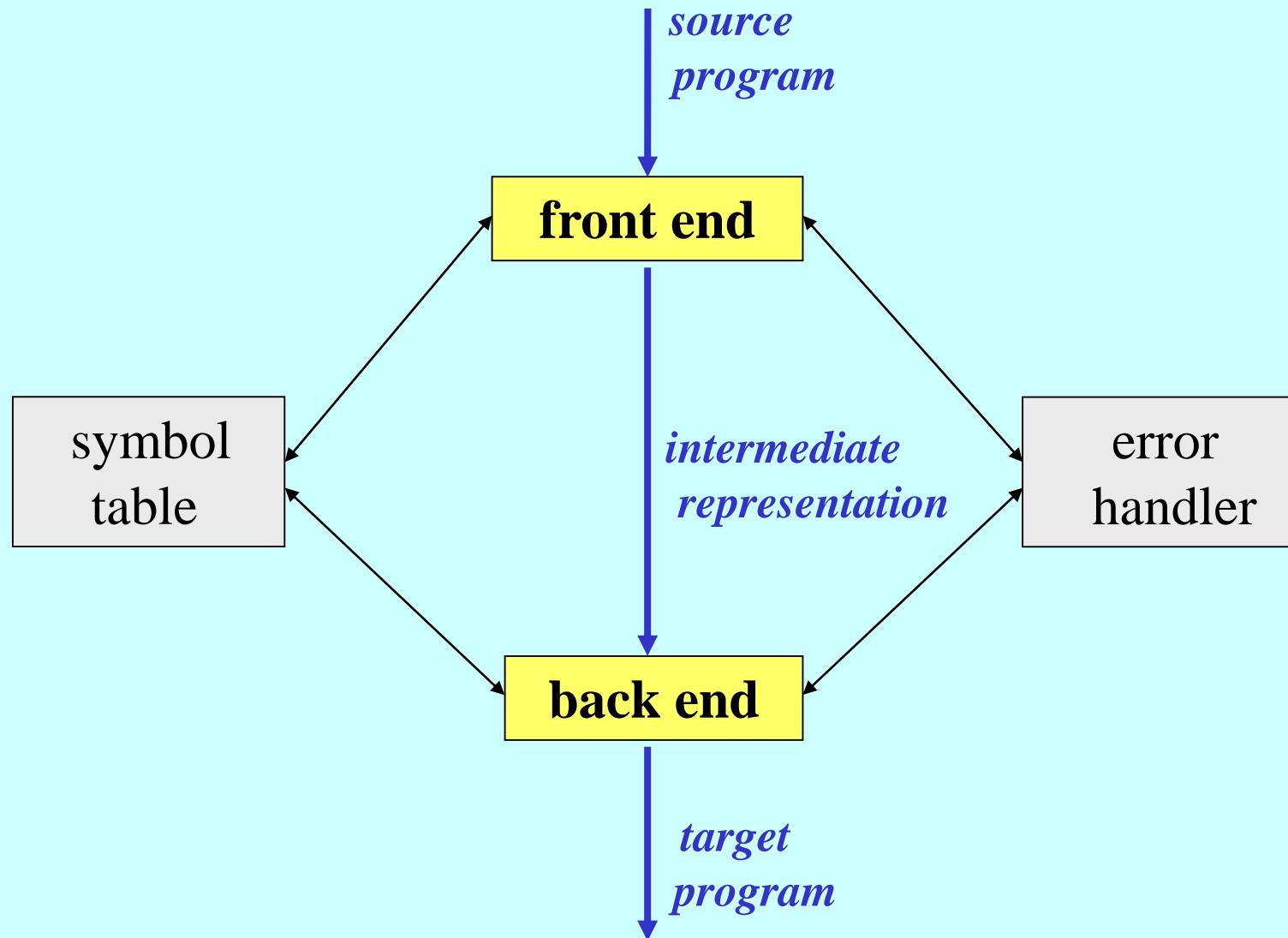
- the languages accepted by TM's are called *recursively enumerable sets* and are equivalent to the *type 0 languages (phrase structure)*
- Halting problem
  - a TM always *halts* when it is in an accepting state
  - it is not always possible to require that a TM *halts* if it does not accept
- the *membership* of a string in a *recursively enumerable set* is *undecidable*
- the languages accepted by TM's that always *halt* are called *recursive sets*
- the *membership* of a string in a *recursive set* is *decidable*



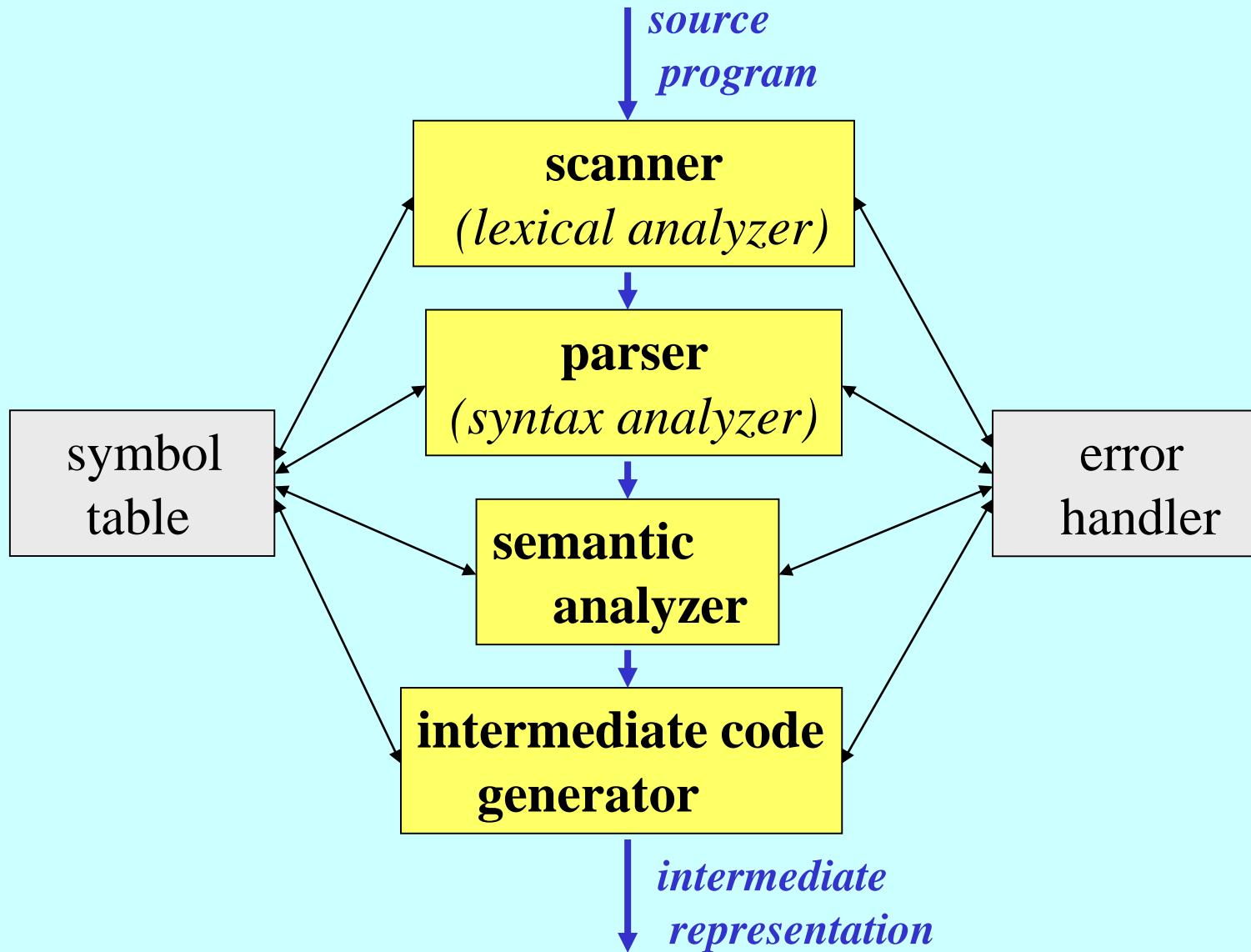
- the TM defines the most general model of computation
  - any computable function can be computed by a TM  
*(Church-Turing thesis)*
- the TM can be used to classify languages / problems / functions
  - non recursively enumerable
    - cannot be represented by any TM
  - recursively enumerable / undecidable / uncomputable
    - represented by a TM that not always halts
  - recursive / decidable / computable
    - represented by a TM that always halts (*algorithm*)



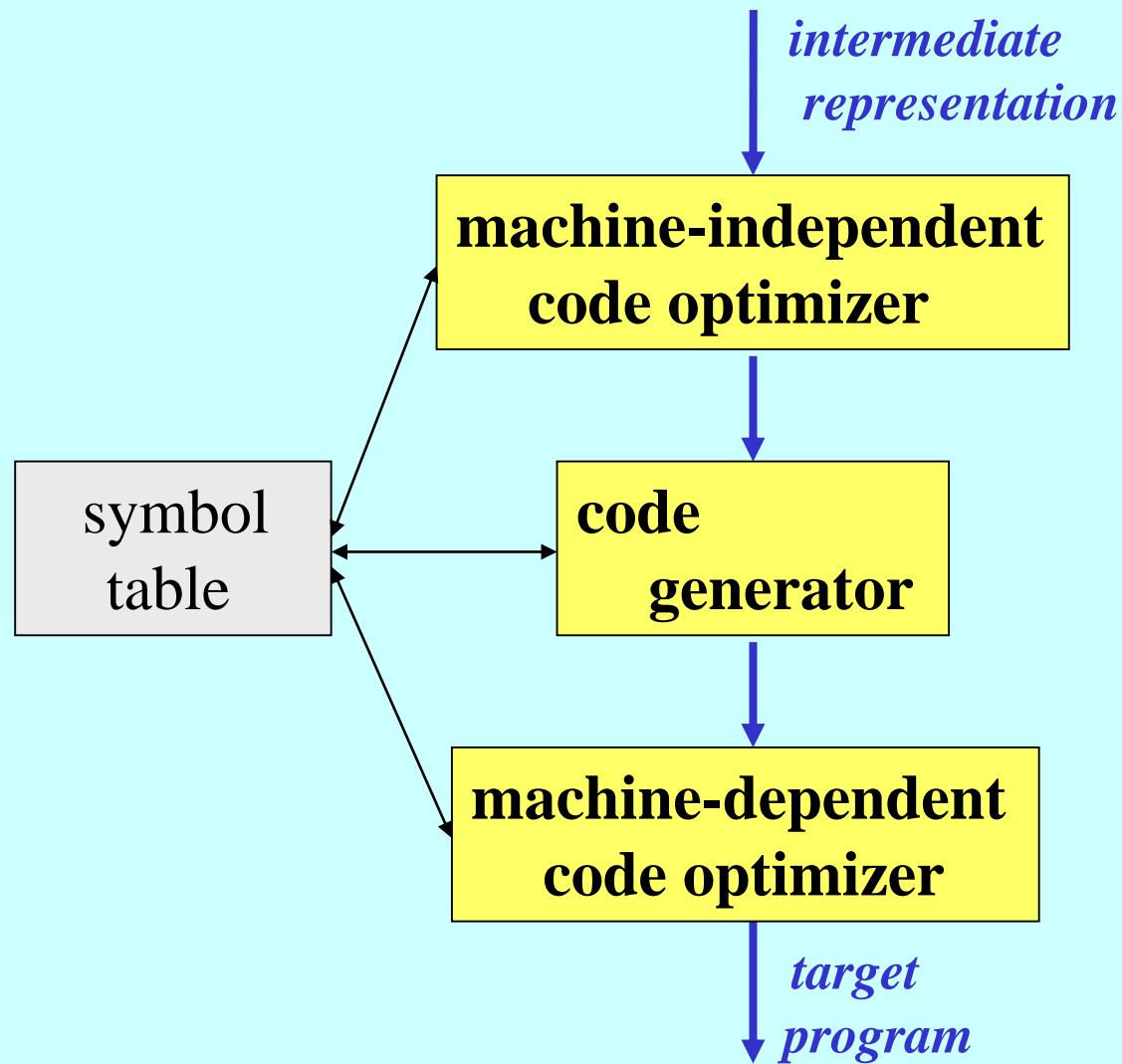
# Compiler Structure



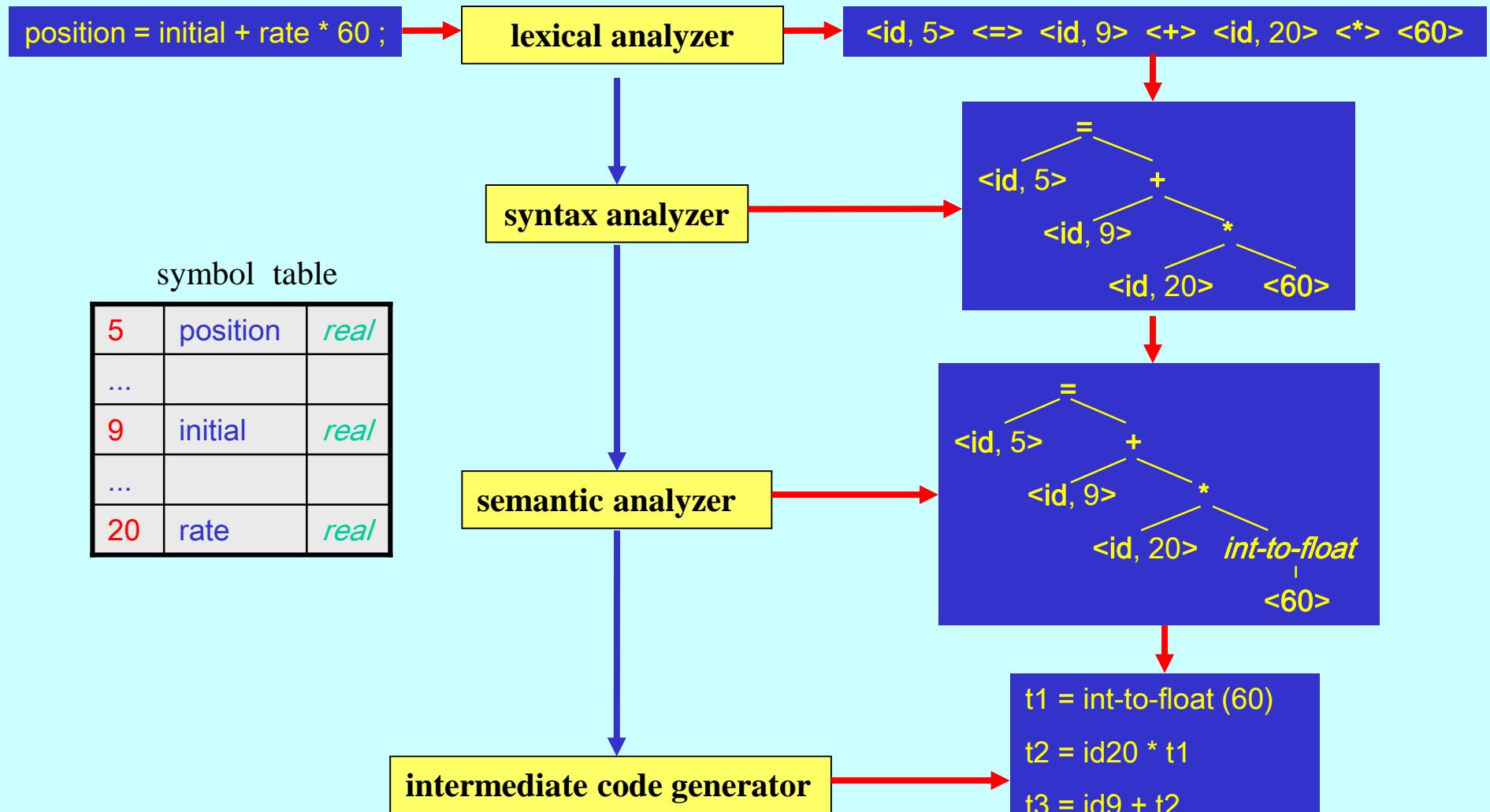
# CS: phases of a front end



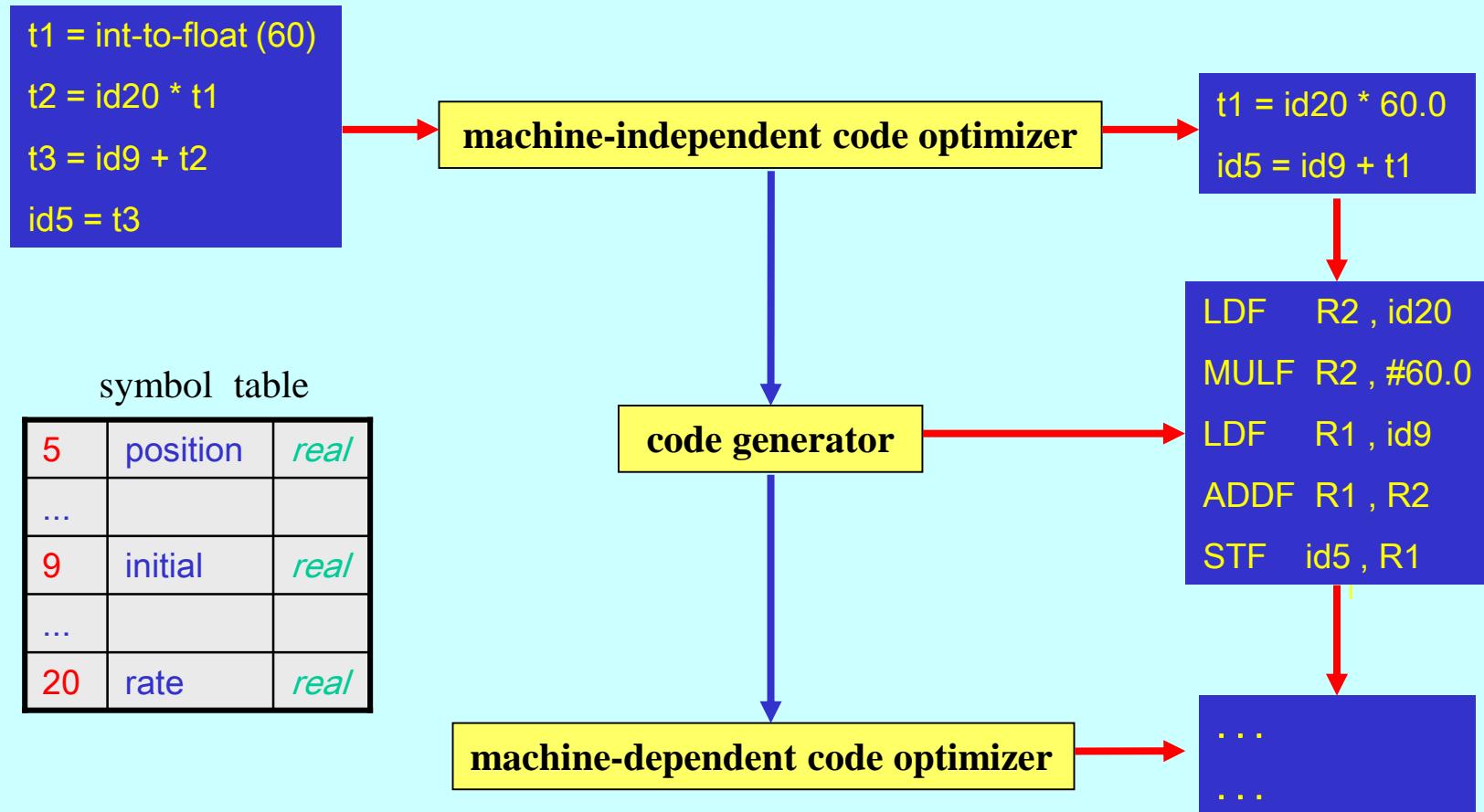
# CS: phases of a back end



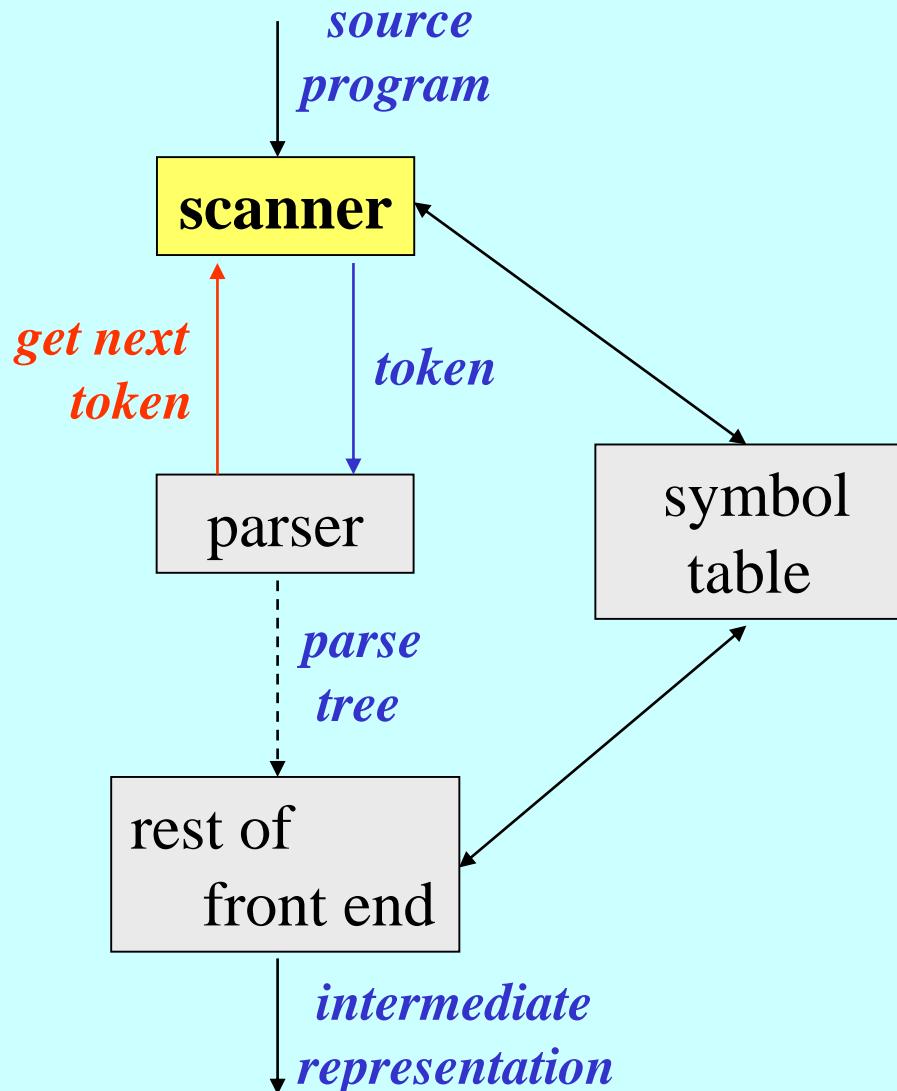
# CS: front-end translation of an assignment statement



# CS: back-end translation of an assignment statement



# Lexical Analysis



## ➤ token

- *terminal symbol* in the grammar for the source language

## ➤ lexeme

- string of characters in the source program treated as a *lexical unit*

## ➤ pattern

- representation of the *set of lexemes* associated with a token

TOKEN	PATTERN	SAMPLE LEXEMES
const	the <i>const</i> keyword	const
relop	{ < , > , == , <= , >= , != }	<= > ==
id	letter ( letter   digit )*	pi counter1 main
num	any numeric constant	3.14 25 6.02E23

- upon receiving a ***get next token*** command from the parser, the scanner reads input characters until it can identify a ***token***
- simplifies the job of the parser
  - discards as many irrelevant details as possible
    - *white space, tabs, newlines, comments, ...*
  - parser rules are only concerned with *tokens*, not with *lexemes*
    - parser does not care that an identifier is “*i*” or “*supercalifragilisticexpialidocious*”
- improves compiler efficiency
  - scanners are usually much faster than parsers



➤ a *regular definition* is a sequence of definitions

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{r}_1 \ ; \ \mathbf{d}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{r}_2 \ ; \ \dots \ ; \ \mathbf{d}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{r}_n$$

- each  $\mathbf{d}_i$  is a distinct name (*token*)
- each  $\mathbf{r}_i$  is a regular expression over  $\Sigma \cup \{\mathbf{d}_1, \dots, \mathbf{d}_{i-1}\}$  representing a *pattern*

**letter**  $\rightarrow A \mid B \mid \dots \mid Z \mid a \mid b \mid \dots \mid z$

**digit**  $\rightarrow 0 \mid 1 \mid \dots \mid 9$

**id**  $\rightarrow$  letter ( letter | digit )\*

**digits**  $\rightarrow$  digit digit\*

**optional\_fraction**  $\rightarrow$  . digits |  $\epsilon$

**optional\_exponent**  $\rightarrow$  ( E ( + | - |  $\epsilon$  ) digits ) |  $\epsilon$

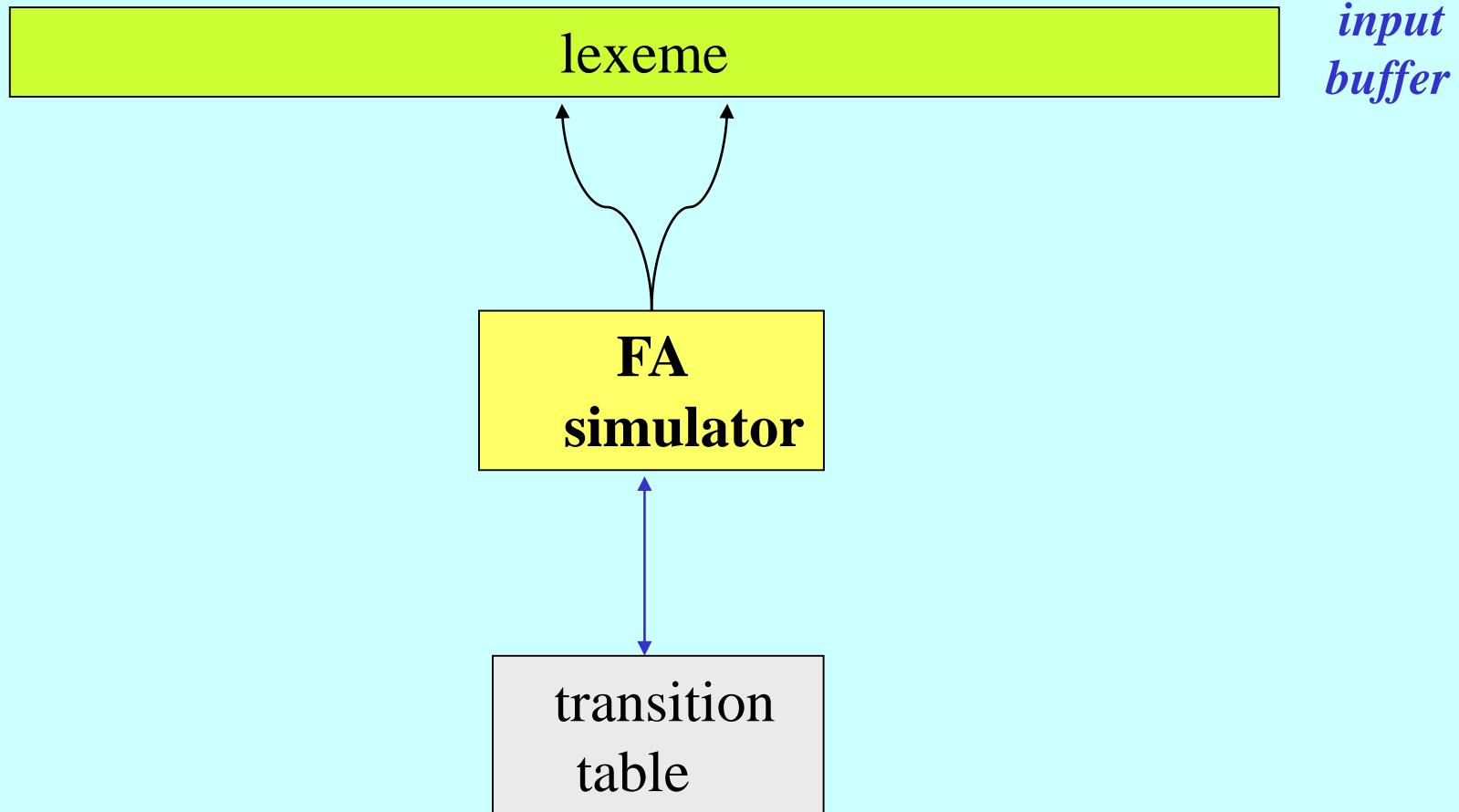
**num**  $\rightarrow$  digits optional\_fraction optional\_exponent



- the task of constructing a lexical-analyzer is simple enough to be automated
- a *lexical-analyzer generator* transforms the *specification* of a scanner (*regular definitions, actions to be executed when a matching occurs, ...*) into a program implementing a *Finite Automaton* accepting the specified lexemes
- **Lex** (UNIX) and **Flex** (GNU) produce *C programs* implementing *FA*
- **JFlex** produces *Java programs* implementing *FA*



# LA: schematic lexical analyzer



- the function ***move*** (*s, c*) gives the state reached from state ***s*** on input symbol ***c***

```
s = s0 ;  
c = nextchar ;  
while ( c ≠ eof )  
    { s = move (s, c) ;  
      c = nextchar ; }  
if (s ∈ F) return “accepted” ;
```



- the function ***move*** (*S, c*) gives the set of states reached from the set of states *S* on input symbol *c*

```
S = ε-closure (s0) ;  
c = nextchar ;  
while ( c ≠ eof )  
{ S = ε-closure (move (S, c)) ;  
  c = nextchar ; }  
if ( S ∩ F ≠ ∅ ) return “accepted” ;
```



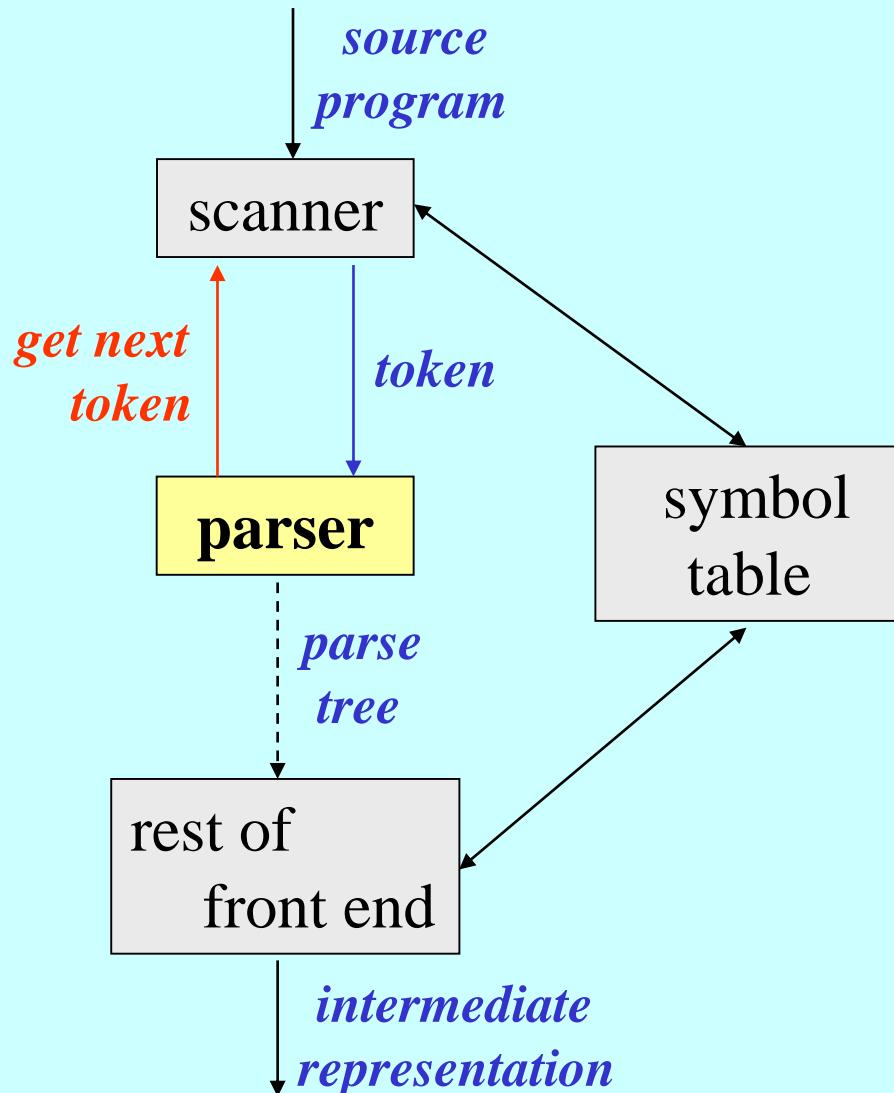
# LA: space and time to recognize regular expressions

$r$  : regular expression  
 $x$  : input string

AUTOMATON	SPACE	TIME
NFA	$O( r )$	$O( r ^*  x )$
DFA	$O(2^{ r })$	$O( x )$



# Syntax Analysis



- the parser obtains a string of ***tokens*** from the scanner and
  - verifies that the string can be generated by the **grammar** for the **source language**, trying to build a parse tree
  - reports **syntax errors** and continues processing the input
- ***bottom-up*** parsers build parse trees from the bottom (leaves) to the top (root)
- ***top-down*** parsers build parse trees from the top (root) to the bottom (leaves)

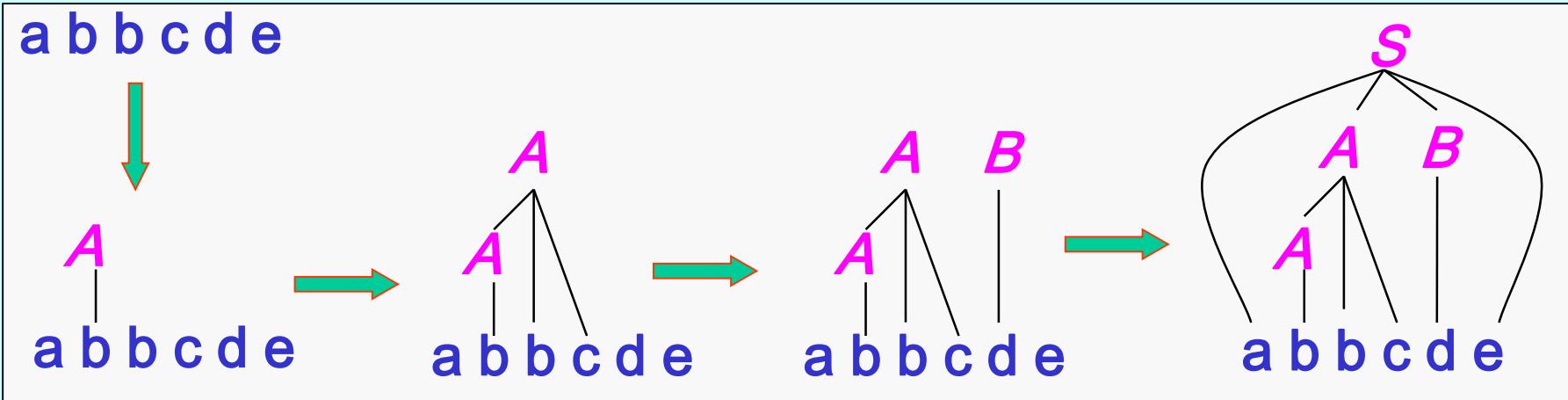


- bottom-up parsing attempts to construct a *parse tree* for an input string beginning at the *leaves* (the bottom) and working up towards the *root* in *postorder*
- this construction process *reduces* an *input string* to the *start symbol* of a grammar
- at each *reduction* step the *right side* of a production is *replaced* by its *left side symbol*, tracing out a *rightmost derivation* in *reverse*



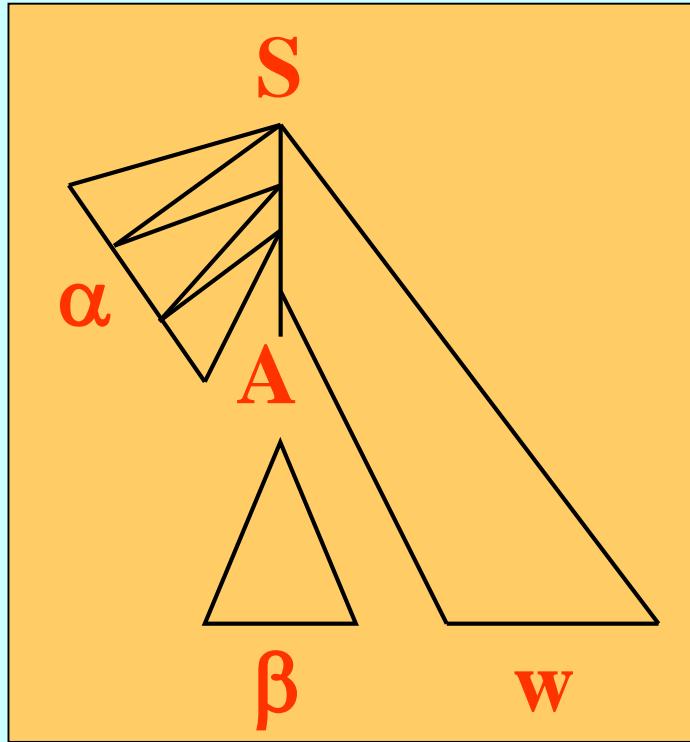
## SA: bottom-up parsing (2)

$$G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{a, b, c, d, e\}, P, S)$$

$$P = \{ S \rightarrow aABe \\ A \rightarrow Abc \mid b \\ B \rightarrow d \}$$


$$S \Rightarrow_{rm} aABe \Rightarrow_{rm} aAde \Rightarrow_{rm} aAbcde \Rightarrow_{rm} abbcde$$

## SA: handles



- if a string  $\alpha \beta w$  can be produced by a rightmost derivation  $S \xrightarrow{^*_{rm}} \alpha A w \xrightarrow{_{rm}} \alpha \beta w$ , then  $A \rightarrow \beta$  is a *handle* of  $\alpha \beta w$   
( $w \in T^*$  because  $A \rightarrow \beta$  is the last applied rule)

- bottom-up parsing can be implemented by a *shift-reduce parser* that uses:
  - a *stack* to hold grammar symbols
  - an *input buffer* to hold the string to be parsed
- the parser
  - *shifts* input symbols onto the stack until a handle  $\beta$  is on top of the stack
  - then *reduces*  $\beta$  to the left side of the appropriate production until the input is *empty* and the stack contains the *start symbol*



## SA: shift-reduce parsing (2)

$$G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{a, b, c, d, e\}, P, S)$$

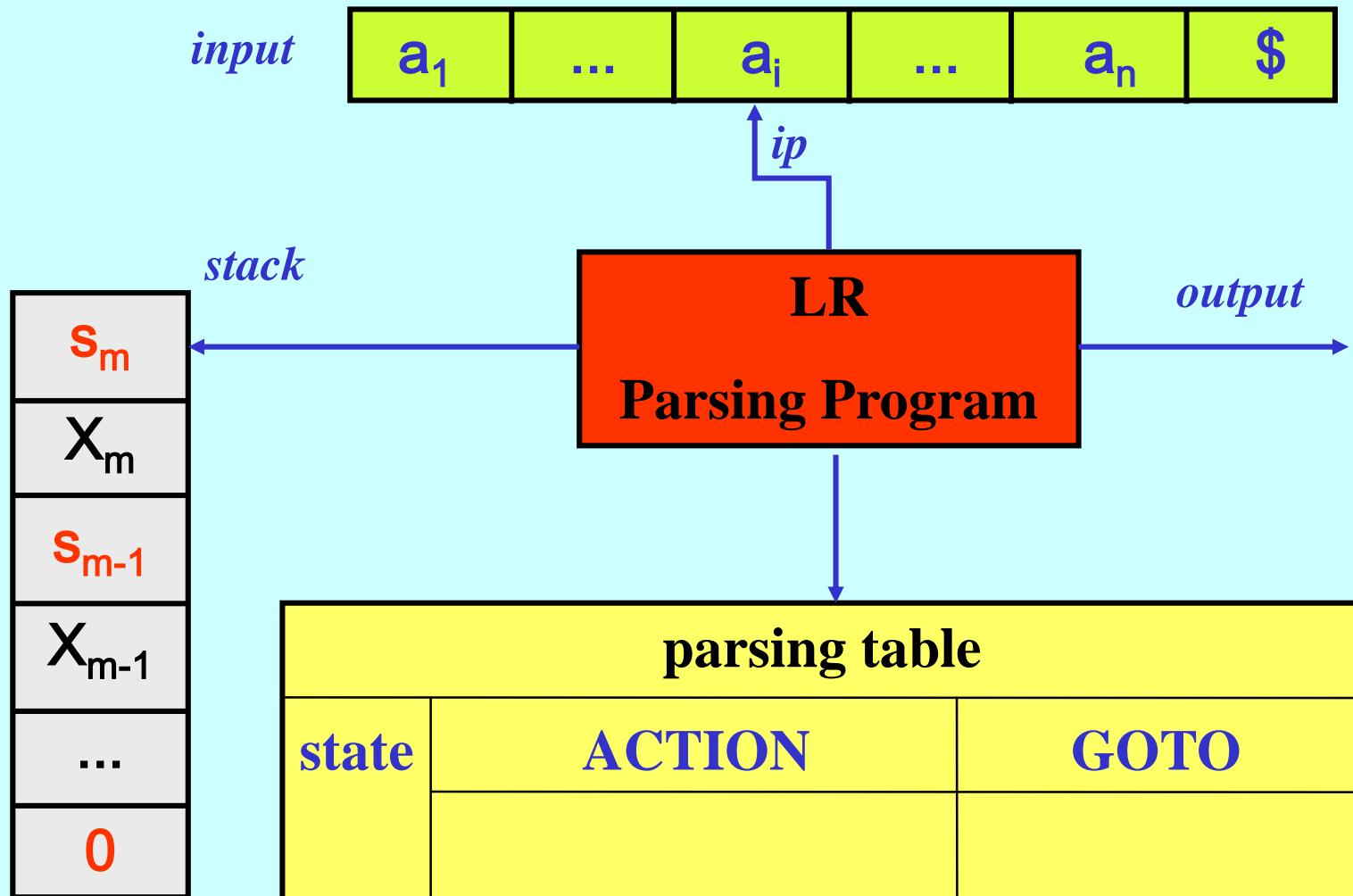
$$P = \{ S \rightarrow aABe \\ A \rightarrow Abc \mid b \\ B \rightarrow d \}$$

stack	input	action
\$	a b b c d e \$	shift
\$ a	b b c d e \$	shift
\$ a b	b c d e \$	reduce by $A \rightarrow b$
\$ a A	b c d e \$	shift
\$ a A b	c d e \$	shift
\$ a A b c	d e \$	reduce by $A \rightarrow Abc$
\$ a A	d e \$	shift
\$ a A d	e \$	reduce by $B \rightarrow d$
\$ a A B	e \$	shift
\$ a A B e	\$	reduce by $S \rightarrow aABe$
\$ S	\$	accept

- *shift*
  - the next input symbol is shifted onto the top of the stack
- *reduce*
  - the left end of the handle must be located within the stack
  - it must be decided with what non-terminal to replace the handle
- *accept*
  - parsing is successfully completed
- *error*
  - a syntax error has occurred
- a strategy for making *parsing decisions* is needed



## SA: LR parsing



# SA: LR parsing program

```

push 0 onto the stack ;
set ip to point to the first input symbol ;
repeat
{ let s be the state on top of the stack and a the symbol pointed by ip ;
  if ( ACTION[s , a] = shift t )
    { shift a onto the stack ;
      push state t onto the stack ;
      advance ip to the next input symbol }
  else if ( ACTION[s , a] = reduce A → β )
    { pop 2 * |β| symbols off the stack ;
      let u be the state now on top of the stack ;
      push A onto the stack ;
      push GOTO[u , A] onto the stack ;
      output the production A → β ; }
  else if ( ACTION[s , a] = accept )
    return ;
  else error ;
}
forever

```



# SA: an LR parser for grammar $G_0$

$$G_0 = (\{E, T, F\}, \{\text{id}, +, *, (, )\}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{ E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \quad (1, 2)$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F \quad (3, 4)$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} \quad (5, 6)$$

- **si** means *shift* and push i
- **rj** means *reduce* by production numbered j
- **acc** means *accept*
- **blank** means *error*



# SA: a parsing table for grammar G<sub>0</sub>

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state	ACTION						GOTO		
	id	+	*	(	)	\$	E	T	F
0	s5				s4		1	2	3
1		s6				acc			
2		r2	s7			r2	r2		
3		r4	r4			r4	r4		
4	s5			s4			8	2	3
5		r6	r6		r6	r6			
6	s5			s4				9	3
7	s5			s4					10
8		s6			s11				
9		r1	s7		r1	r1			
10		r3	r3		r3	r3			
11		r5	r5		r5	r5			

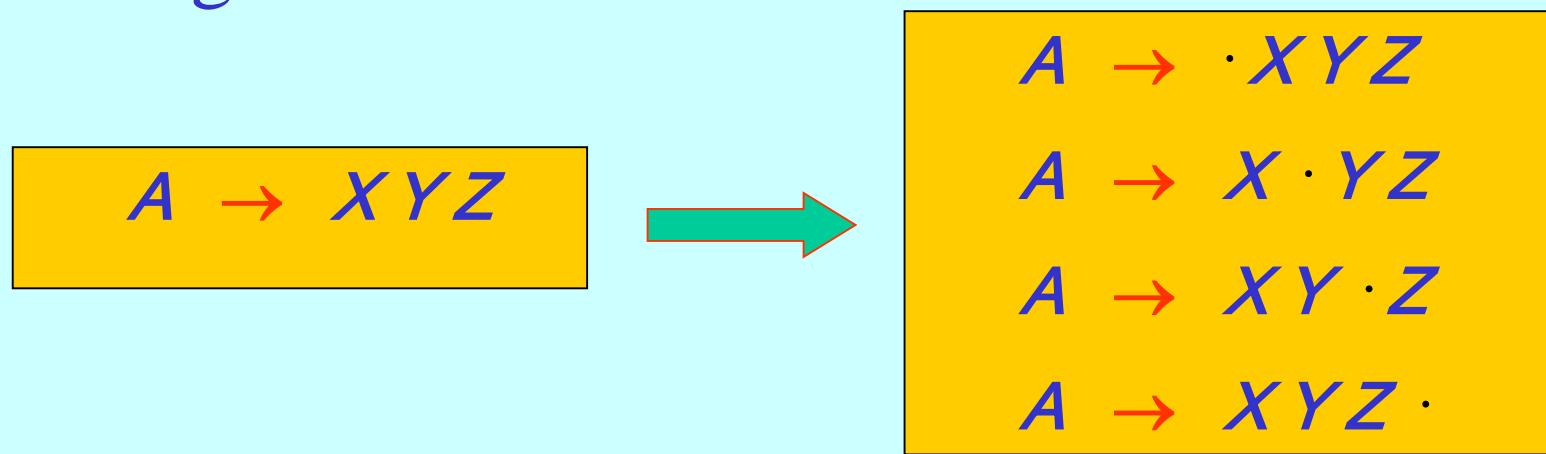


# SA: moves of an LR parser for grammar $G_0$

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stack	input	action	
0	id + id * id \$	s5	
0 id 5	+ id * id \$	r6	$F \rightarrow id$
0 F 3	+ id * id \$	r4	$T \rightarrow F$
0 T 2	+ id * id \$	r2	$E \rightarrow T$
0 E 1	+ id * id \$	s6	
0 E 1 + 6	id * id \$	s5	
0 E 1 + 6 id 5	* id \$	r6	$F \rightarrow id$
0 E 1 + 6 F 3	* id \$	r4	$T \rightarrow F$
0 E 1 + 6 T 9	* id \$	s7	
0 E 1 + 6 T 9 * 7	id \$	s5	
0 E 1 + 6 T 9 * 7 id 5	\$	r6	$F \rightarrow id$
0 E 1 + 6 T 9 * 7 F 10	\$	r3	$T \rightarrow T * F$
0 E 1 + 6 T 9	\$	r1	$E \rightarrow E + T$
0 E 1	\$	accept	

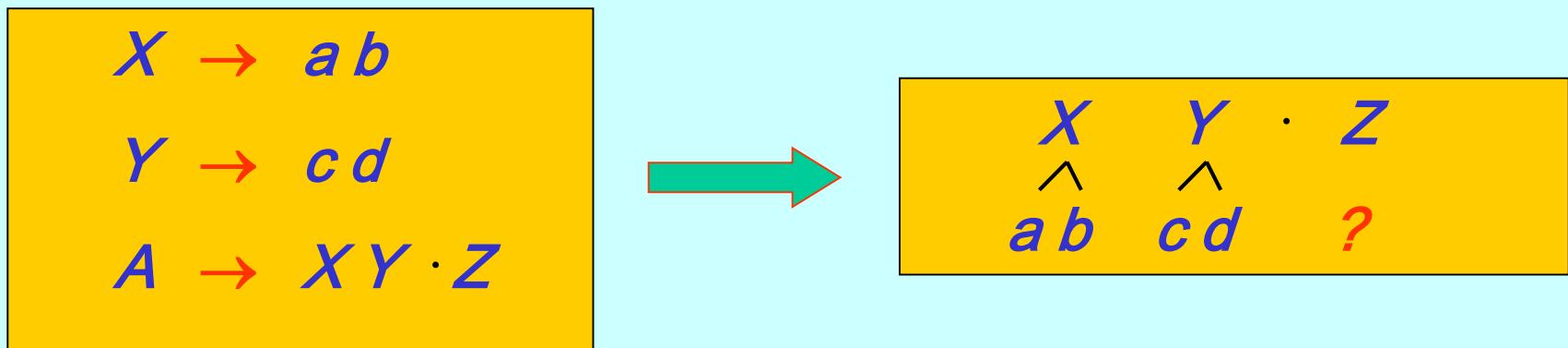
- an ***LR(0) item*** of a CFG grammar G is a production of G with a ***dot*** at some position of the right side



- an ***item*** indicates how much of a production we have seen at a given point in the parsing process



- the *dot* indicates the current position of the parser



- an *item* with the dot at the end is called *complete*
- all the right side of the production has been recognized



- a *viable prefix* of a string  $\gamma$  is a prefix that can appear on the stack of a shift-reduce parser
  - it does not continue past the right end of the rightmost *handle* of  $\gamma$
- we say that item  $A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2$  is *valid* for a *viable prefix*  $\alpha \beta_1$  if there is a derivation
$$S \xrightarrow{^*_{rm}} \alpha A w \xrightarrow{_{rm}} \alpha \beta_1 \beta_2 w$$
- if  $A \rightarrow \beta \cdot$  is a *valid complete item* for a *viable prefix*  $\alpha \beta$ , then  $S \xrightarrow{^*_{rm}} \alpha A w \xrightarrow{_{rm}} \alpha \beta w$  and therefore  $A \rightarrow \beta$  is a *handle* of  $\alpha \beta w$



## SA: recognizing viable prefixes (1)

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- the sets of *viable prefixes* are regular languages
- the *FA* that represent them can guide a parser in making parsing decisions
- the *valid LR(0) items* of a CFG grammar are the *states* of an *NFA* recognizing viable prefixes
- a *DFA* equivalent to such an NFA will have states corresponding to *sets of LR(0) items* and transitions labeled by *symbols in viable prefixes*



## SA: recognizing viable prefixes (2)

- the function *closure(I)* finds the set of *LR(0) items* that recognize the same viable prefix
- the function *goto(I, X)* finds the set of *LR(0) items* that is reached from the set *I* with symbol *X*

*Items closure (Items I) ;*

*repeat*

*for* (each item  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot X \beta$  in *I*)

*for* (each production  $X \rightarrow \gamma$ )

$I = I \cup \{ X \rightarrow \cdot \gamma \} ;$

*until* ( *I* does not change ) ;

*return I* ;

*Items goto (Items I, Symbol X) ;*

$J = \emptyset ;$

*for* (each item  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot X \beta$  in *I*)

$J = J \cup \{ A \rightarrow \alpha X \cdot \beta \} ;$

*return closure (J)* ;



## SA: recognizing viable prefixes (3)

- given a CFG grammar  $G = (N, T, P, S)$  , the function  $\text{items}(G)$  constructs the collection  $C = \{I_0, I_1, \dots, I_n\}$  of DFA states

```

ItemsCollection items (CFG G) ;
  G' = (N ∪ {S'}, T, P ∪ {S' → S}, S') ;
  C = closure ({S' → ·S }) ;
  repeat
    for ( each set I in C )
      for ( each item A → α · X β in I )
        C = C ∪ { goto (I, X) } ;
    until ( C does not change ) ;
  return C ;

```



$$G_1 = (\{ S, L \}, \{ x, (, ) \}, P, S)$$

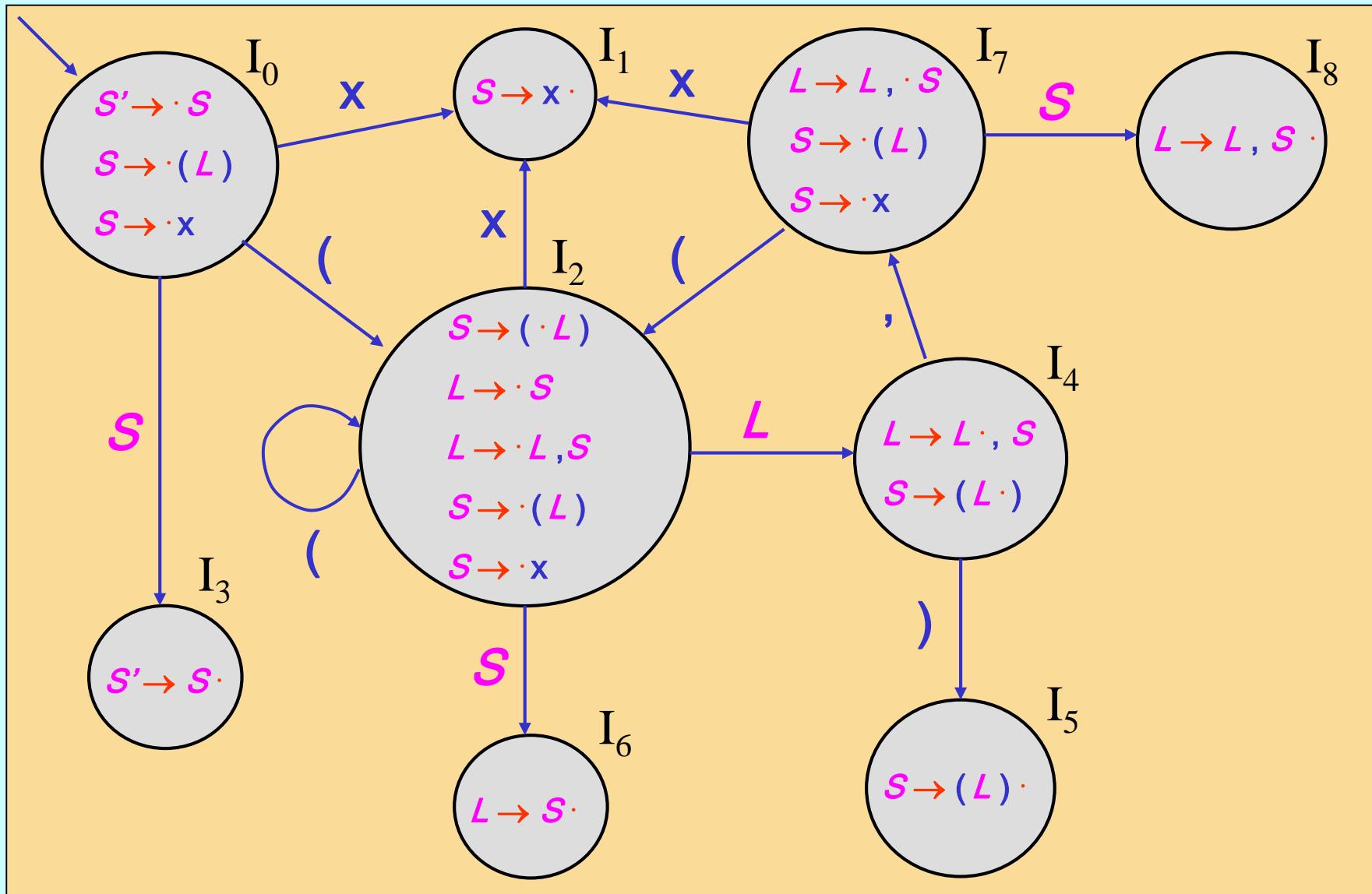
$$P = \{ S \rightarrow (L) \mid x \\ L \rightarrow S \mid L, S \}$$

$$G_1' = (\{ S', S, L \}, \{ x, (, ) \}, P', S')$$

$$P' = \{ S' \rightarrow S \quad (0) \\ S \rightarrow (L) \mid x \quad (1, 2) \\ L \rightarrow S \mid L, S \} \quad (3, 4)$$



## SA: construction of a DFA recognizing viable prefixes (2)



## SA: LR(0) parsing tables

- the function  $lr0Table(G)$  constructs the *LR(0) parsing table* for the CFG  $G$

```

void lr0Table (CFG G);
let { $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_n$ } be the result of items (G) ;
for ( i = 0 to n )
  if(  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot a \beta$  is in  $I_i$  and  $a \in T$  and  $\text{goto}(I_i, a) = I_j$  )
    set ACTION[i, a] to shift j ;
  if(  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot$  is in  $I_i$  and  $A \neq S'$ )
    set ACTION[i, a] to reduce  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  for all  $a$  in  $T \cup \{\$\}$  ;
  if (  $S' \rightarrow S \cdot$  is in  $I_i$ )
    set ACTION[i, \$] to accept ;
  if ( goto ( $I_i, X$ ) =  $I_j$  and  $X \in N$  ) set GOTO[i, X] to j ;

```



SA: construction of an LR(0) parsing table for grammar G<sub>1</sub>

state	ACTION				GOTO		
	(	)	x	,	\$	S	L
0	s2		s1			3	
1	r2	r2	r2	r2	r2		
2	s2		s1			6	4
3					acc		
4		s5		s7			
5	r1	r1	r1	r1	r1		
6	r3	r3	r3	r3	r3		
7	s2		s1			8	
8	r4	r4	r4	r4	r4		

- the initial state of the parser is the one constructed from the set of items containing  $S' \rightarrow \cdot S$



SA: moves of an LR(0) parser for grammar G<sub>1</sub>

stack	input	action	
0	( x , ( x ) , x ) \$	s2	
0 ( 2	x , ( x ) , x ) \$	s1	
0 ( 2 x 1	, ( x ) , x ) \$	r2	$S \rightarrow x$
0 ( 2 S 6	, ( x ) , x ) \$	r3	$L \rightarrow S$
0 ( 2 L 4	, ( x ) , x ) \$	s7	
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7	( x ) , x ) \$	s2	
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 ( 2	x ) , x ) \$	s1	
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 ( 2 x 1	) , x ) \$	r2	$S \rightarrow x$
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 ( 2 S 6	) , x ) \$	r3	$L \rightarrow S$
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 ( 2 L 4	) , x ) \$	s5	
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 ( 2 L 4 ) 5	, x ) \$	r1	$S \rightarrow ( L )$
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 S 8	, x ) \$	r4	$L \rightarrow L, S$
0 ( 2 L 4	, x ) \$	s7	
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7	x ) \$	s1	
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 x 1	) \$	r2	$S \rightarrow x$
0 ( 2 L 4 , 7 S 8	) \$	r4	$L \rightarrow L, S$
0 ( 2 L 4	) \$	s5	
0 ( 2 L 4 ) 5	\$	r1	$S \rightarrow ( L )$
0 S 3	\$	accept	

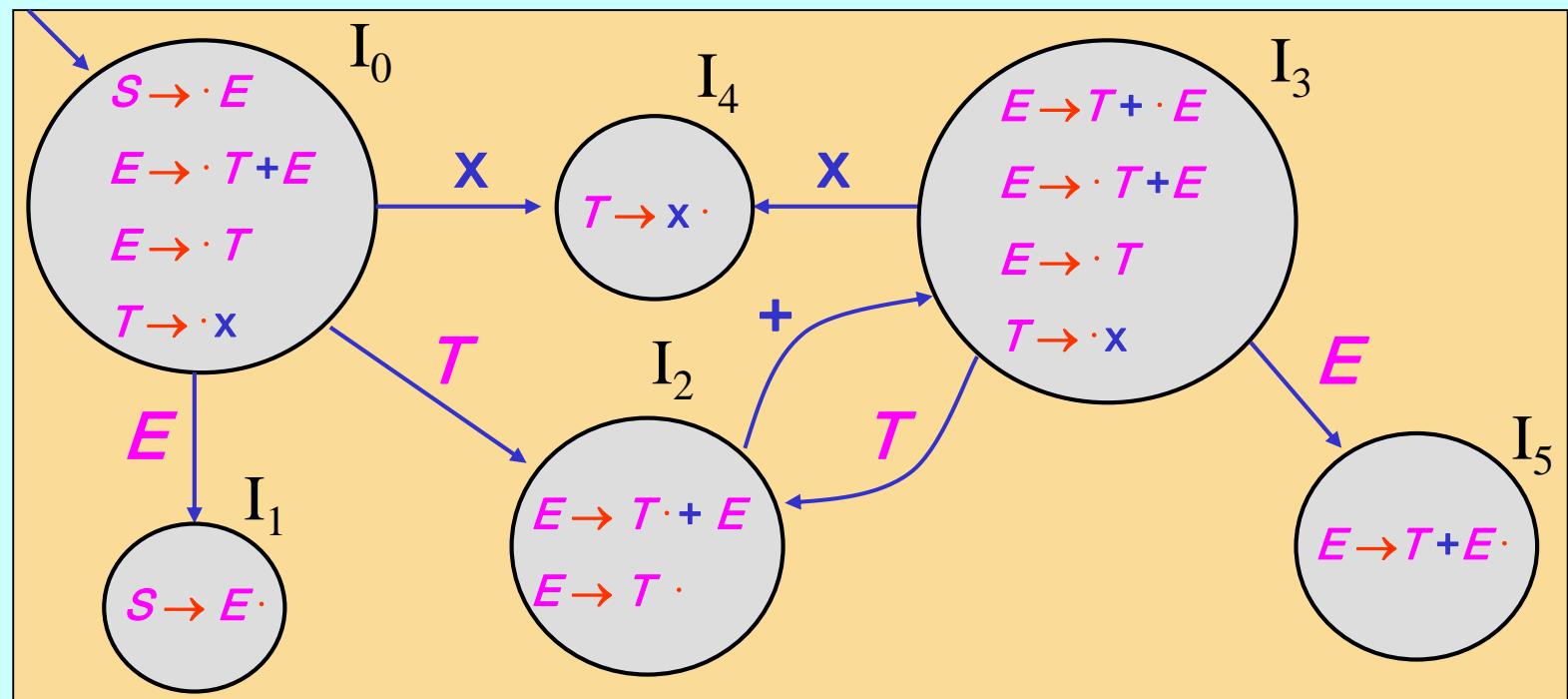
- parsing table entries defined in multiple ways determine parsing action conflicts
- *shift / reduce*
    - some entry in the ACTION table contains both a shift and a reduce action
  - *reduce / reduce*
    - some entry in the ACTION table contains more reduce actions



SA: construction of an LR(0) parsing table for grammar G<sub>2</sub> (1)

$$G_2 = (\{S, E, T\}, \{x, +\}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P = \{ & \quad S \rightarrow E & (0) \\ & \quad E \rightarrow T + E \mid T & (1, 2) \\ & \quad T \rightarrow x \} & (3) \end{aligned}$$



SA: construction of an LR(0) parsing table for grammar G<sub>2</sub> (2)

state	ACTION			GOTO	
	x	+	\$	E	T
0	s4			1	2
1					
2	r2	s3,r2	r2		
3	s4			5	2
4	r3	r3	r3		
5	r1	r1	r1		

*shift / reduce* conflict

- a *grammar G* is *LR(0)* if the ACTION table generated by function *lr0Table(G)* does not comprise conflicts
  - if any *set of LR(0) items* generated by function *items(G)* contains a *complete item*, (originating a *reduce* action) then
    - no other item in the set is complete (avoiding *reduce/reduce* conflicts)
    - no other item in the set has a terminal symbol immediately at the right of the dot (avoiding *shift/reduce* conflicts)
- *LR(0)* grammars are non-ambiguous



- an  **$LR(0)$**  parser
  - scans the input from left to right (**L**)
  - constructs a rightmost derivation in reverse (**R**)
  - uses **0** lookahead input symbols in making parsing decisions
- the class of languages that can be parsed using  **$LR(0)$**  parsers is a *proper subset* of the *deterministic* CFL's



- more powerful parsers can be constructed when more than  $0$  lookahead input symbols are used in making parsing decisions
- function  $lr0Table(G)$  sets  $ACTION[i, a]$  to **reduce**  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  for all  $a$  in  $T \cup \{\$\}$ , when  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot$  is in  $I_i$
- if the function would be informed about which input symbols *after the dot* (that is after symbol  $A$ ) are *valid*, it could set the **reduce**  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  action for them only, thus avoiding several potential conflicts



## SA: FIRST and FOLLOW sets

- with respect to a CFG grammar, given a non-terminal symbol  $X$  and a string  $\gamma$  of terminal and non-terminal symbols :
  - $\text{nullable}(X)$  is true if  $X$  can derive the empty string
  - $\text{nullable}(\gamma)$  is true if each symbol in  $\gamma$  is nullable
  - $\text{FIRST}(\gamma)$  is the set of terminals that can begin strings derived from  $\gamma$
  - $\text{FOLLOW}(X)$  is the set of terminals that can immediately follow  $X$

*if( not  $\text{nullable}(X)$  )*

*then  $\text{FIRST}(X\gamma) = \text{FIRST}(X)$*

*else  $\text{FIRST}(X\gamma) = \text{FIRST}(X) \cup \text{FIRST}(\gamma)$*



## SA: algorithm to compute FIRST, FOLLOW and nullable

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initialize all FIRST and FOLLOW to  $\emptyset$  and all nullable to false ;
set FOLLOW( S ) = $ ;
for ( each terminal symbol  $z$  ) set FIRST( z ) = z ;
repeat
    for ( each production  $X \rightarrow Y_1 Y_2 \dots Y_k$  )
        if (  $X \rightarrow \epsilon$  or  $Y_1 \dots Y_k$  are all nullable )
            set nullable( X ) = true ;
        for ( each  $i$  from 1 to  $k$  and each  $j$  from  $i+1$  to  $k$  )
            if (  $i = 1$  or  $Y_1 \dots Y_{i-1}$  are all nullable )
                set FIRST( X ) = FIRST( X )  $\cup$  FIRST(  $Y_i$  ) ;
            if (  $j = i+1$  or  $Y_{i+1} \dots Y_{j-1}$  are all nullable )
                set FOLLOW(  $Y_i$  ) = FOLLOW(  $Y_i$  )  $\cup$  FIRST(  $Y_j$  ) ;
            if (  $i = k$  or  $Y_{i+1} \dots Y_k$  are all nullable )
                set FOLLOW(  $Y_i$  ) = FOLLOW(  $Y_i$  )  $\cup$  FOLLOW(  $X$  ) ;
until ( all FIRST , FOLLOW and nullable do not change )

```



SA: computation of FIRST, FOLLOW and nullable for grammar G<sub>2</sub>

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_2 &= (\{S, E, T\}, \{x, +\}, P, S) \\
 P &= \{ \quad S \rightarrow E \quad \quad \quad (0) \\
 &\quad \quad E \rightarrow T + E \mid T \quad (1,2) \\
 &\quad \quad T \rightarrow x \} \quad \quad \quad (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
S	false		\$
E	false		
T	false		

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
S	false		\$
E	false		\$
T	false	x	+ \$

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
S	false	x	\$
E	false	x	\$
T	false	x	+ \$



## SA: Simple LR (SLR) parsing tables

- the function  $slrTable(G)$  constructs the *SLR parsing table* for the CFG  $G$

```

void slrTable (CFG G);
let { $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_n$ } be the result of items ( $G$ ) ;
for ( i = 0 to n )
  if (  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot a \beta$  is in  $I_i$  and  $a \in T$  and  $\text{goto}(I_i, a) = I_j$  )
    set ACTION[i, a] to shift j ;
  if (  $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot$  is in  $I_i$  and  $A \neq S'$  )
    set ACTION[i, a] to reduce  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  for all  $a$  in FOLLOW( $A$ ) ;
  if (  $S' \rightarrow S \cdot$  is in  $I_i$  )
    set ACTION[i, $] to accept ;
  if ( goto( $I_i, A$ ) =  $I_j$  and  $A \in N$  ) set GOTO[i, A] to j ;

```



SA: construction of an SLR parsing table for grammar G<sub>2</sub>

state	ACTION			GOTO	
	x	+	\$	E	T
0	s4			1	2
1			acc		
2		s3	r2		
3	s4			5	2
4		r3	r3		
5			r1		



SA: construction of an SLR parsing table for grammar  $G_0(1)$ 

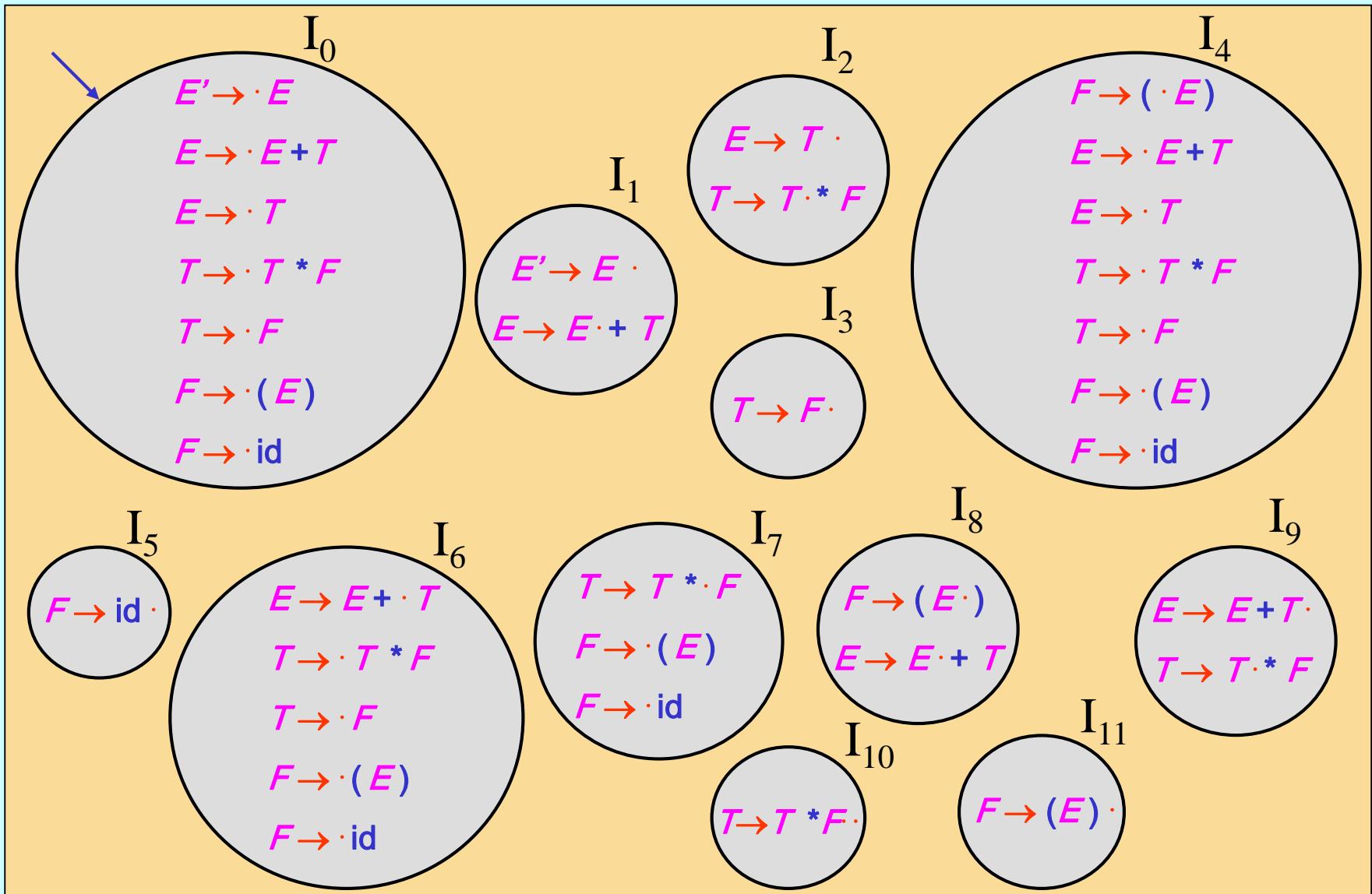
$$G_0 = (\{E, T, F\}, \{\text{id}, +, *, (,), P, E\})$$

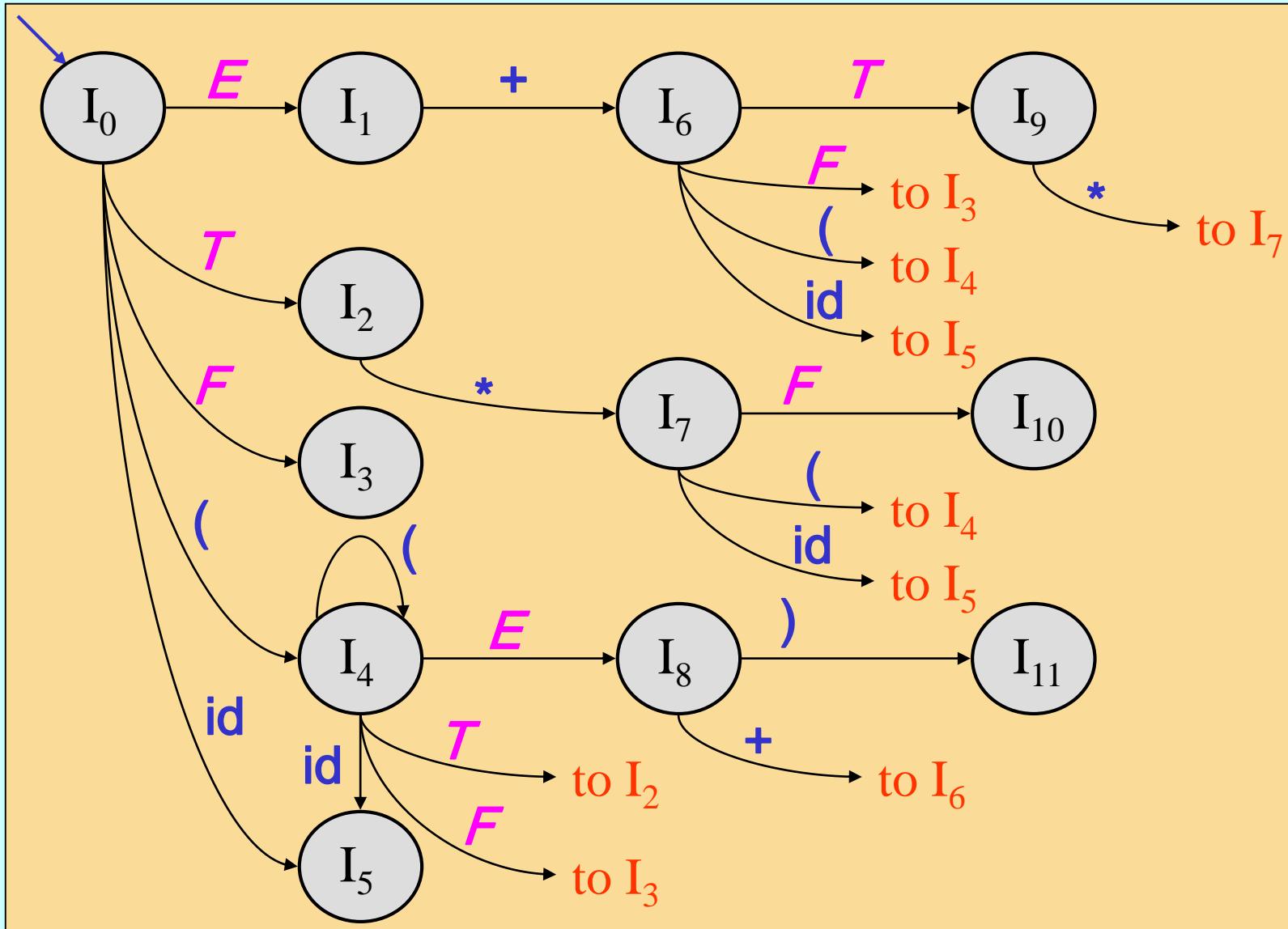
$$P = \begin{cases} E \rightarrow E + T \mid T & (1, 2) \\ T \rightarrow T * F \mid F & (3, 4) \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} & (5, 6) \end{cases}$$

$$G'_0 = (\{E', E, T, F\}, \{\text{id}, +, *, (,), P', E'\})$$

$$P' = \begin{cases} E' \rightarrow E & (0) \\ E \rightarrow E + T \mid T & (1, 2) \\ T \rightarrow T * F \mid F & (3, 4) \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} & (5, 6) \end{cases}$$



SA: construction of an SLR parsing table for grammar G<sub>0</sub> (2)

SA: construction of an SLR parsing table for grammar G<sub>0</sub> (3)

SA: construction of an SLR parsing table for grammar  $G_0$  (4)

$$G_0 = (\{ E, T, F \}, \{ \text{id}, +, *, (, ) \}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{ \quad E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \quad \quad \quad (1, 2)$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F \quad \quad \quad (3, 4)$$

$$F \rightarrow ( E ) \mid \text{id} \quad \quad \quad (5, 6)$$

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
$E$	false		$\$ + )$
$T$	false		$\$ + )^*$
$F$	false	( id	$\$ + )^*$

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
$E$	false		$\$ + )$
$T$	false	( id	$\$ + )^*$
$F$	false	( id	$\$ + )^*$

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
$E$	false	( id	$\$ + )$
$T$	false	( id	$\$ + )^*$
$F$	false	( id	$\$ + )^*$



SA: construction of an SLR parsing table for grammar G<sub>0</sub> (5)

state	ACTION						GOTO		
	id	+	*	(	)	\$	E	T	F
0	s5				s4		1	2	3
1		s6				acc			
2		r2	s7			r2	r2		
3		r4	r4			r4	r4		
4	s5			s4			8	2	3
5		r6	r6		r6	r6			
6	s5			s4				9	3
7	s5			s4					10
8		s6			s11				
9		r1	s7		r1	r1			
10		r3	r3		r3	r3			
11		r5	r5		r5	r5			



- $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$  is the set of terminals that can immediately follow  $A$  in any string generated by a given grammar  $G$
- it takes into account all the contexts where  $A$  can appear
- by taking into account the specific context of  $A$  when the rule  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  is applied, it could be possible to set a *reduce*  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  action for a subset of  $\text{FOLLOW}(A)$ , thus avoiding further potential conflicts



- an *LR(1) item* of a CFG grammar G is a production of G with a *dot* at some position of the right side, and a *lookahead* (*terminal* or \$) symbol
- an *LR(1) item*  $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot , a]$  calls for a reduction by  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  only if the next input symbol is *a*
- we say item  $[ A \rightarrow \beta_1 \cdot \beta_2 , a]$  is *valid* for a viable prefix *a*  $\beta_1$  if :
  - there is a derivation  $S \Rightarrow^*_{rm} \alpha A w \Rightarrow^*_{rm} \alpha \beta_1 \beta_2 w$
  - either *a* is the first symbol of *w*, or *w* is  $\epsilon$  and *a* is \$

- the *valid LR(1) items* of a CFG grammar are the *states* of a NFA recognizing viable prefixes
- a *DFA* equivalent to such a NFA will have states corresponding to *sets of LR(1) items* and transitions labeled by the *symbols of the viable prefixes*



## SA: recognizing viable prefixes (2)

- the function *closure1(I)* finds the set of *LR(1) items* that recognize the same viable prefix
- the function *goto1(I, X)* finds the set of *LR(1) items* that is reached from the set *I* with symbol *X*

*Items closure1 (Items I) ;*

*repeat*

*for* (each item  $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot X \beta, a]$  in I )

*for* ( each production  $X \rightarrow \gamma$  )

*for* ( each  $b \in FIRST(\beta a)$  )

$I = I \cup \{ [X \rightarrow \cdot \gamma, b] \} ;$

*until* ( I does not change ) ;

*return* I ;

*Items goto1 (Items I, Symbol X) ;*

$J = \emptyset ;$

*for* ( each item  $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot X \beta, a]$  in I )

$J = J \cup \{ [A \rightarrow \alpha X \cdot \beta, a] \} ;$

*return* closure1 (J) ;



## SA: recognizing viable prefixes (3)

- given a CFG grammar  $G = (N, T, P, S)$  , the function  $items1(G)$  constructs the collection  $C = \{I_0, I_1, \dots, I_n\}$  of DFA states

*ItemsCollection items1 (CFG G);*

$$G' = (N \cup \{S'\}, T, P \cup \{S' \rightarrow S\}, S') ;$$

$$C = \text{closure1 } (\{[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \$]\}) ;$$

*repeat*

*for* ( each set  $I$  in  $C$  )

*for* ( each item  $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot X \beta, a]$  in  $I$  )

$C = C \cup \{ \text{goto1 } (I, X) \} ;$

*until* (  $C$  does not change ) ;

*return*  $C$  ;



## SA: construction of a DFA that recognizes viable prefixes (1)

$$G_3 = (\{ S, E, V \}, \{ x, *, = \}, P, S)$$

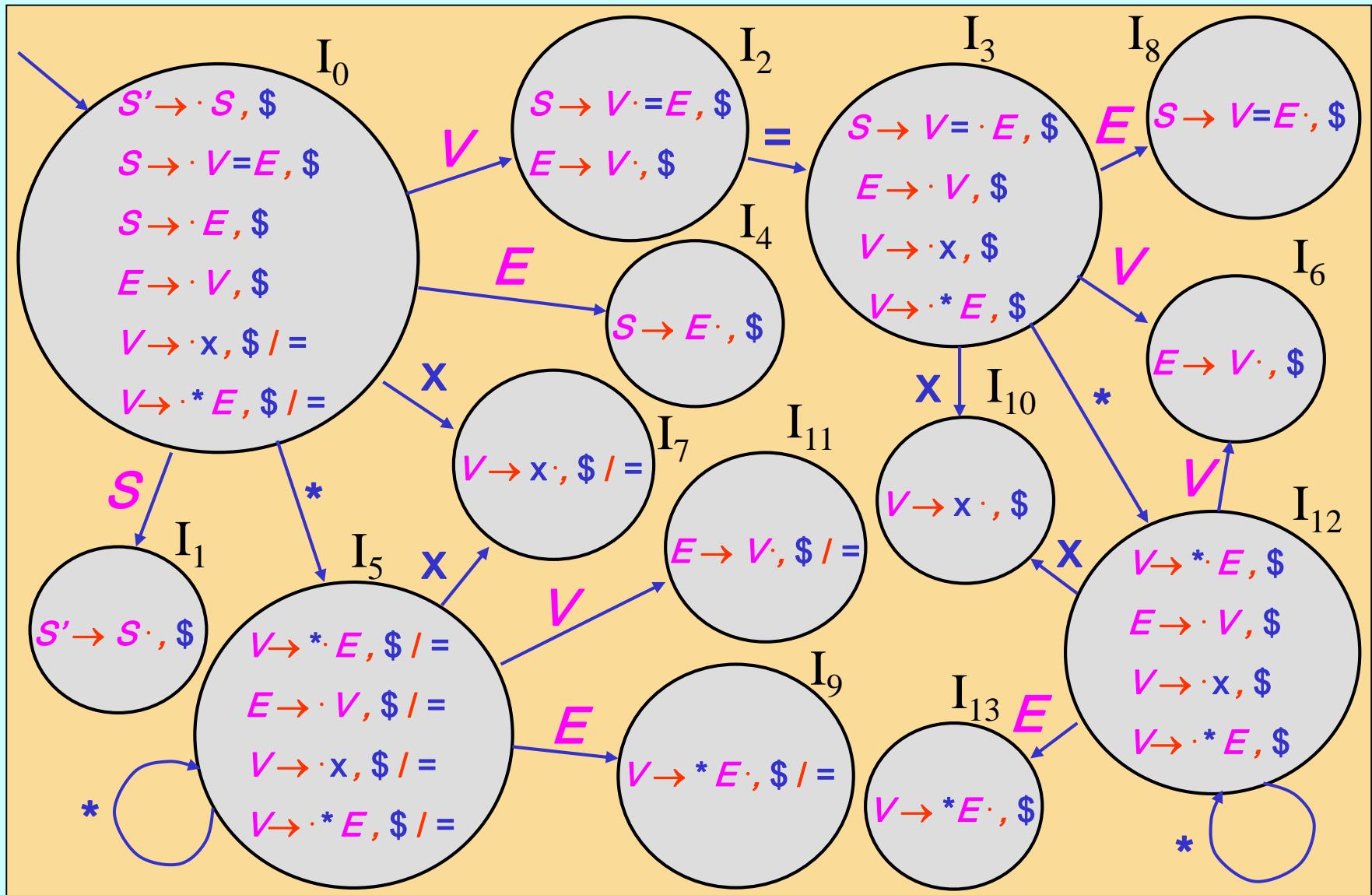
$$\begin{aligned} P = \{ & S \rightarrow V = E \mid E \\ & E \rightarrow V \\ & V \rightarrow x \mid *E \} \end{aligned}$$

$$G_3' = (\{ S', S, E, V \}, \{ x, *, = \}, P', S')$$

$$\begin{aligned} P' = \{ & S' \rightarrow S & (0) \\ & S \rightarrow V = E \mid E & (1, 2) \\ & E \rightarrow V & (3) \\ & V \rightarrow x \mid *E \} & (4, 5) \end{aligned}$$



## SA: construction of a DFA that recognizes viable prefixes (2)



## SA: LR(1) parsing tables

- the function  $lr1Table(G)$  constructs the *LR(1) parsing table* for the CFG  $G$

```

void lr1Table (CFG G);
let { $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_n$ } be the result of items1 ( $G$ ) ;
for ( i = 0 to n )
  if ( [ $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot a \beta, b$ ] is in  $I_i$  and  $a \in T$  and  $\text{goto1}(I_i, a) = I_j$  )
    set ACTION[i, a] to shift j ;
  if ( [ $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot, a$ ] is in  $I_i$  and  $A \neq S'$  )
    set ACTION[i, a] to reduce  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  ;
  if ( [ $S' \rightarrow S \cdot, \$$ ] is in  $I_i$  )
    set ACTION[i, $] to accept ;
  if ( goto1 ( $I_i, A$ ) =  $I_j$  and  $A \in N$  ) set GOTO[i, A] to j ;

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SA: construction of an LR(1) parsing table for grammar  $G_3$ 

state	ACTION				GOTO		
	x	*	=	\$	S	E	V
0	s7	s5			1	4	2
1				acc			
2			s3	r3			
3	s10	s12				8	6
4				r2			
5	s7	s5				9	11
6				r3			
7			r4	r4			
8				r1			
9			r5	r5			
10				r4			
11			r3	r3			
12	s10	s12				13	6
13				r5			

- a *grammar G* is *LR(1)* if the ACTION table generated by function *lr1Table(G)* does not comprise conflicts
  - if any *set of LR(1) items* generated by function *items1(G)* contains a *complete item*  $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot, a]$ , (originating a *reduce* action) then
    - no other complete item in the set has *a* as lookahead symbol (avoiding *reduce/reduce* conflicts)
    - no other item in the set has *a* immediately at the right of the dot (avoiding *shift/reduce* conflicts)
- *LR(1)* grammars are non-ambiguous



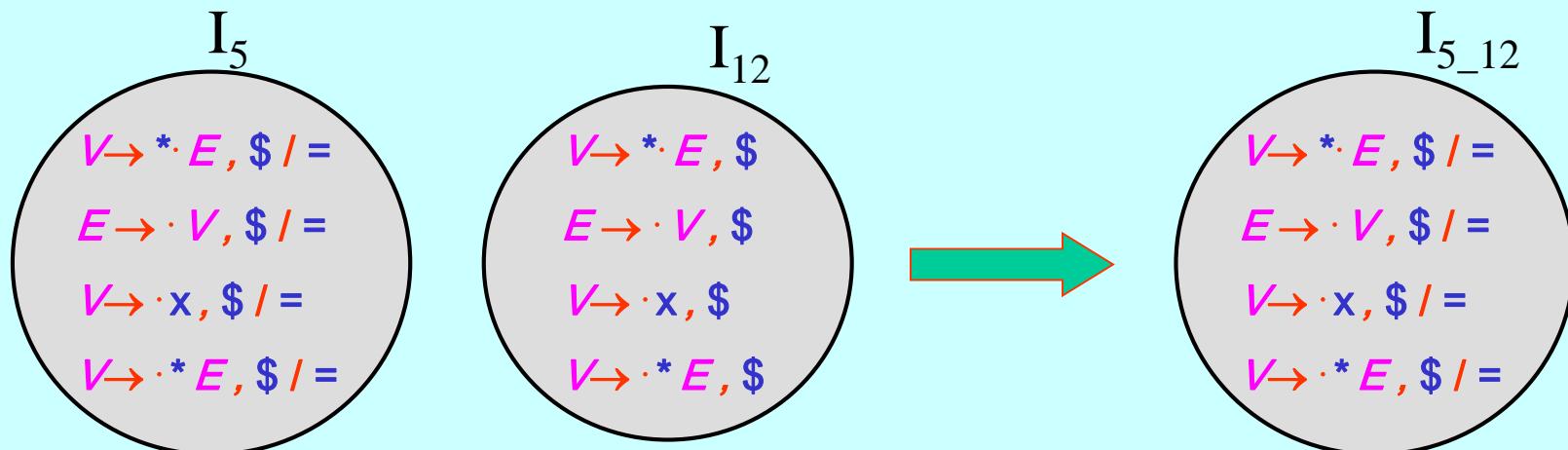
- an ***LR(1)*** parser
  - scans the input from left to right (**L**)
  - constructs a rightmost derivation in reverse (**R**)
  - uses **1** lookahead input symbols in making parsing decisions
- the class of languages that can be parsed using ***LR(1)*** parsers is exactly the class of the *deterministic* CFL's



- *LR(1) parsing tables* can be *very large* (several thousand states) for grammars generating common programming languages
- *SLR parsing tables* for the same languages are *much smaller* (several hundred states) but can contain *conflicts*
- *LALR(1) parsing tables* have the same states of *SLR tables* and can conveniently express most programming languages



- two sets of  $LR(1)$  items have the same **core** if they are identical except for the lookahead symbols
- a set of  $LALR(1)$  items is the **union** of sets of  $LR(1)$  items having the same **core**



SA: construction of an LALR(1) parsing table for grammar  $G_3$ 

state	ACTION				GOTO		
	x	*	=	\$	S	E	V
0	s7_10	s5_12			1	4	2
1				acc			
2			s3	r3			
3	s7_10	s5_12				8	6_11
4				r2			
5_12	s7_10	s5_12				9_13	6_11
6_11			r3	r3			
7_10			r4	r4			
8				r1			
9_13			r5	r5			

➤ grammar  $G_3$  is *LALR(1)* but it is not *SLR*

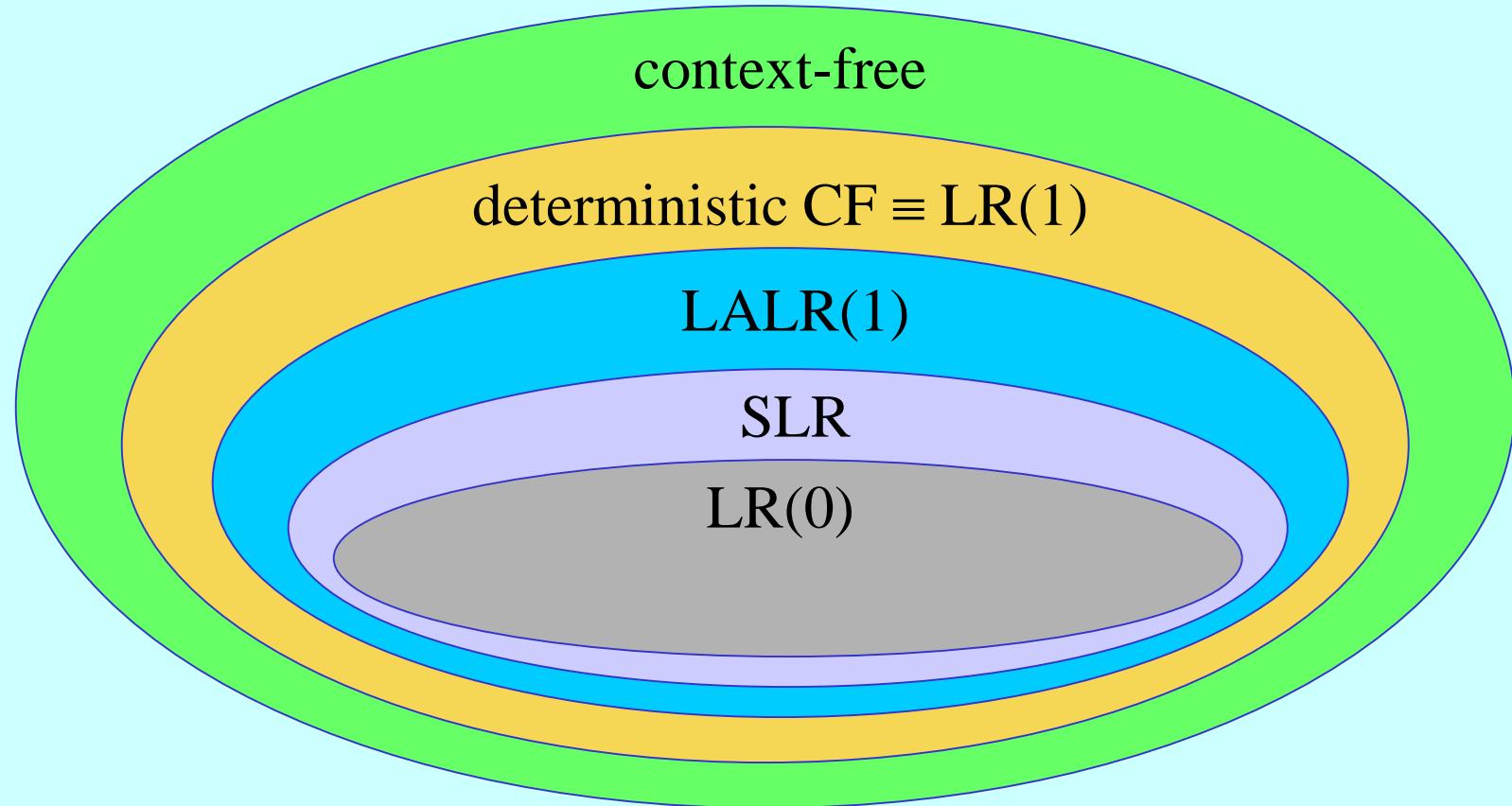
- FOLLOW( $E$ ) = { = , \$ }
- in the SLR table: ACTION[2,=] = s3 , r3

## SA: conflicts in LALR(1) parsing tables

- the merging of states with common cores can never produce a *shift/reduce* conflict which was not present in one of the original states
  - shift actions depend only on the core, not the lookahead
- it is possible that merging will produce a *reduce/reduce* conflict
- the class of languages that can be parsed using **LALR(1)** parsers is a *proper subset* of the *deterministic* CFL's



# SA: hierarchy of context-free languages



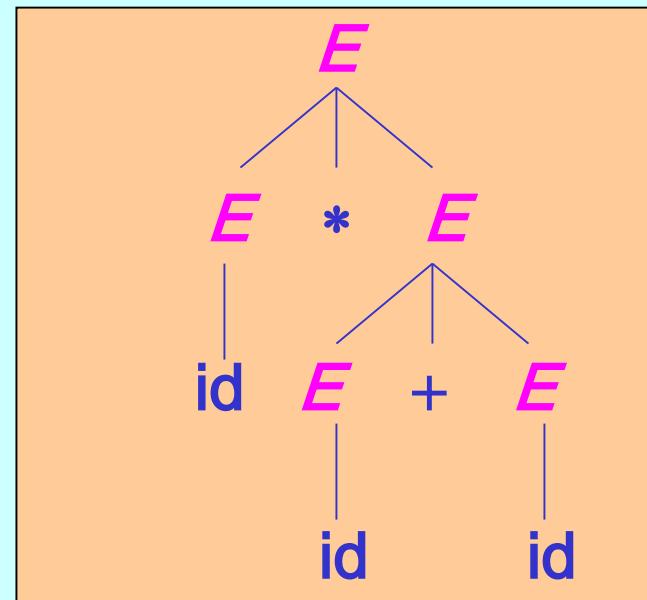
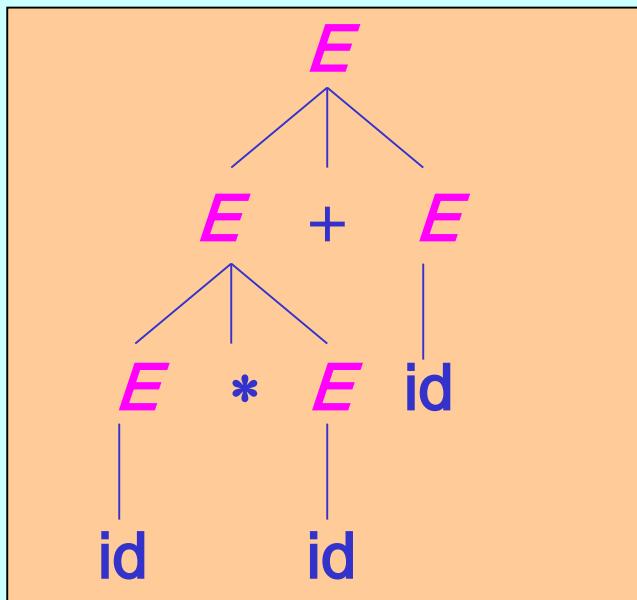
- ambiguous grammars are not  $LR(k)$
- some ambiguous grammars provide *shorter, more natural specifications* than any equivalent unambiguous grammar
- in some cases disambiguating rules, such as *precedence* and *associativity*, can be specified
- the resulting parser can be more *efficient*
- ambiguous constructs should be used *sparingly* and in a strictly controlled fashion



SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar  $G_4$  (1)

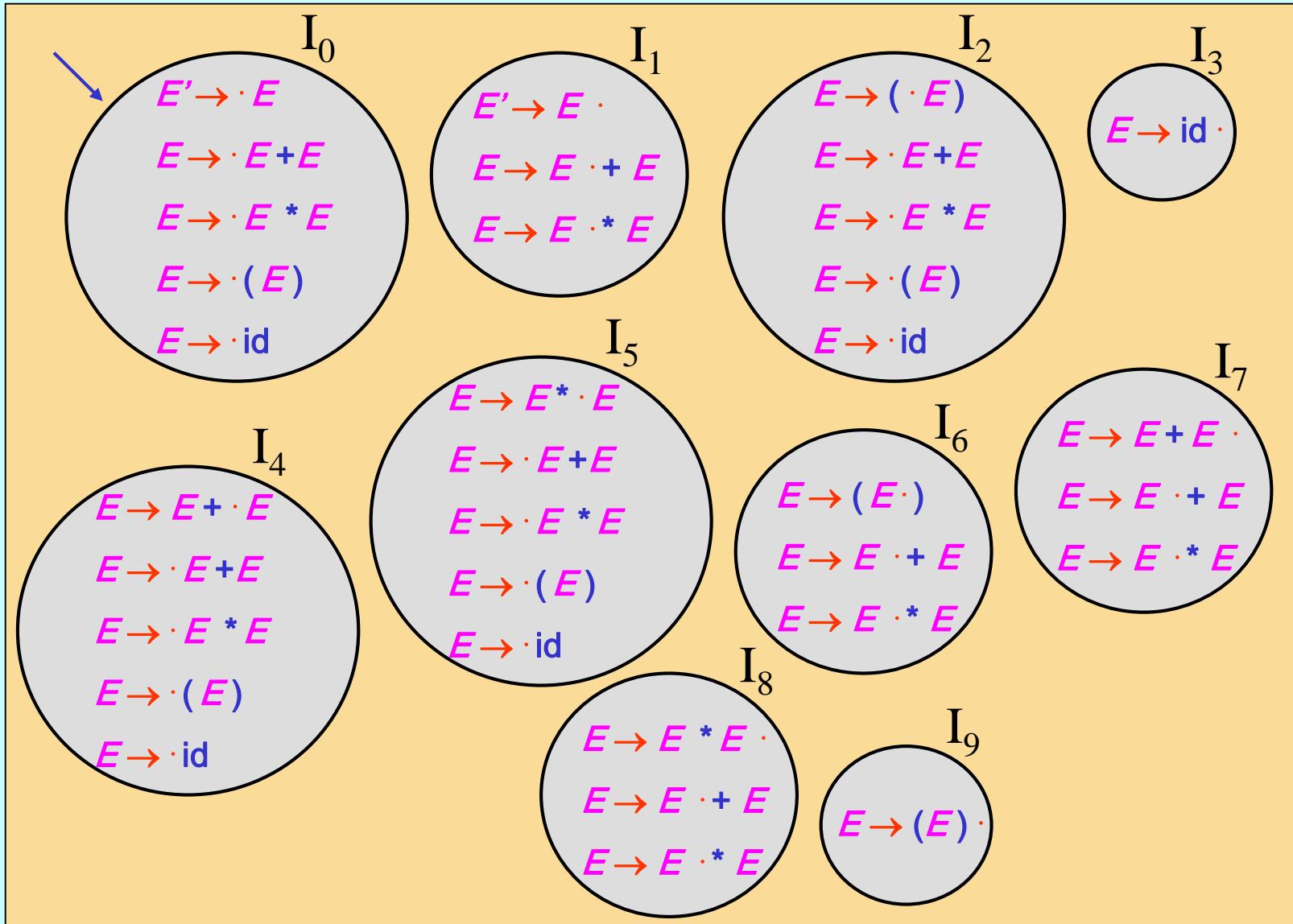
$$G_4 = (\{E\}, \{\text{id}, +, *, (, )\}, P, E)$$

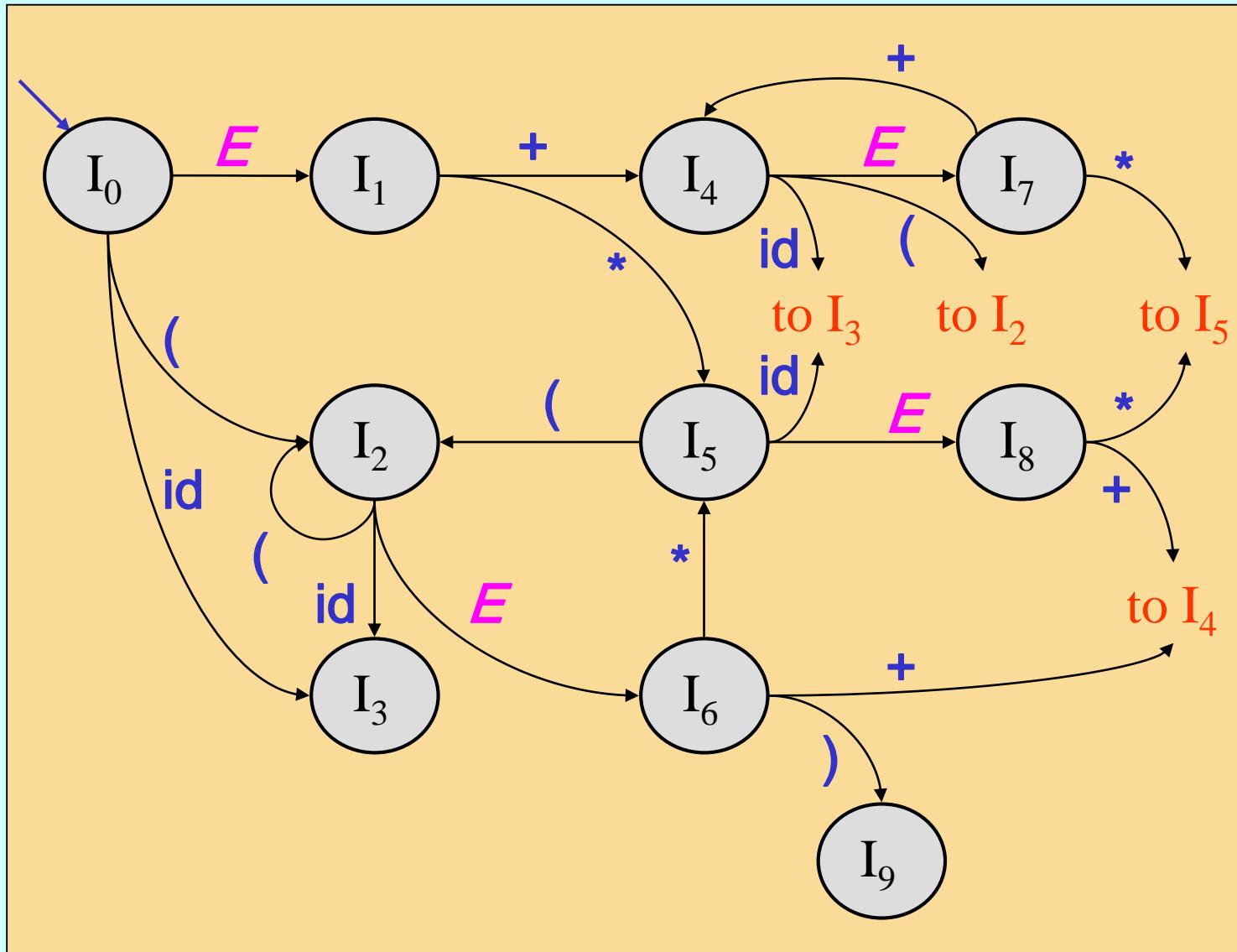
$$P = \{ E \rightarrow E+E \mid E*E \mid (E) \mid \text{id} \} \quad (1, 2, 3, 4)$$



$$G'_4 = (\{E', E\}, \{\text{id}, +, *, (, )\}, P', E')$$

$$P' = \{ E' \rightarrow E \quad (0) \\ E \rightarrow E+E \mid E*E \mid (E) \mid \text{id} \} \quad (1, 2, 3, 4)$$

SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar G<sub>4</sub> (2)

SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar  $G_4$  (3)

SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar G<sub>4</sub> (4)

**FOLLOW(  $E$  ) = { + , \* , ) , \$ }**

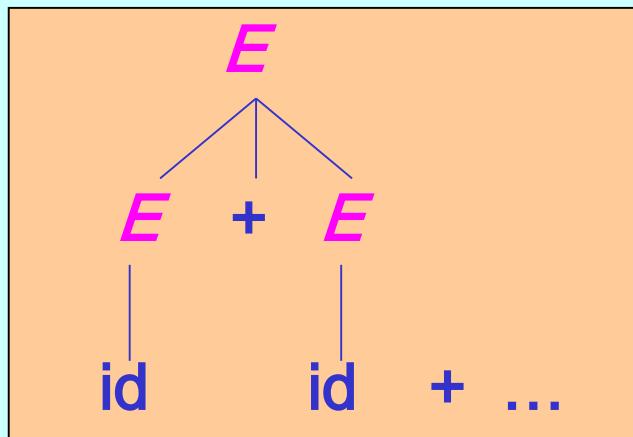
state	ACTION						$E$
	id	+	*	(	)	\$	
0	s3				s2		1
1		s4	s5			acc	
2	s3				s2		6
3		r4	r4			r4	r4
4	s3				s2		7
5	s3				s2		8
6		s4	s5			s9	
7		s4 , r1	s5 , r1			r1	r1
8		s4 , r2	s5 , r2			r2	r2
9		r3	r3			r3	r3

*shift / reduce* conflicts

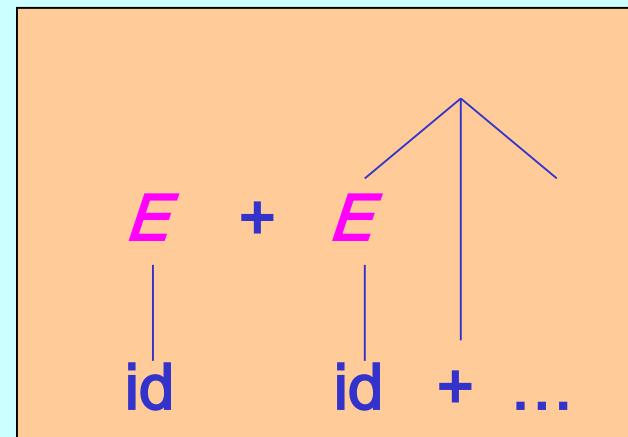


## SA: resolving conflicts by associativity directives (1)

- conflict in  $\text{ACTION}[7, +] = \text{s4, r1}$  is due to the items  $E \rightarrow E + E \cdot$  and  $E \rightarrow E \cdot + E$
- the top of the stack is  $E + E$  and the next input symbol is  $+$



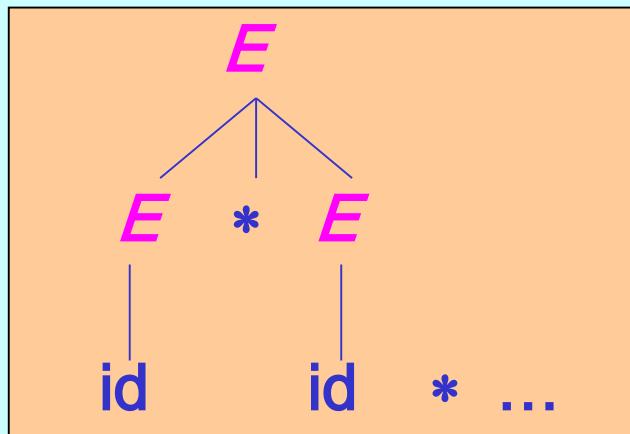
parse tree produced by  
*reducing* ( $+$  is assumed  
 to be *left-associative*)



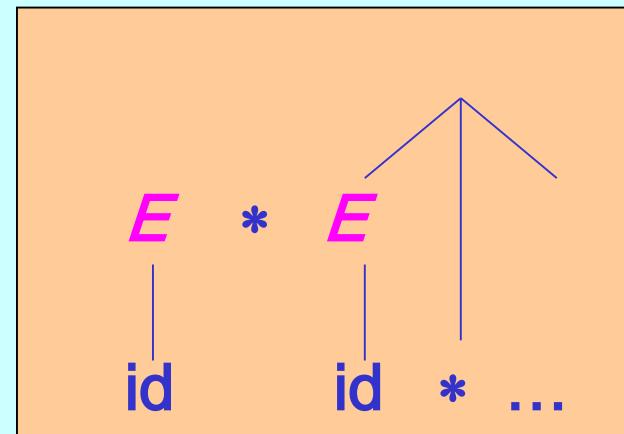
parse tree produced by  
*shifting* ( $+$  is assumed  
 to be *right-associative*)

## SA: resolving conflicts by associativity directives (2)

- conflict in  $\text{ACTION}[8, *] = \text{s5, r2}$  is due to the items  $E \rightarrow E * E \cdot$  and  $E \rightarrow E \cdot * E$
- the top of the stack is  $E * E$  and the next input symbol is  $*$



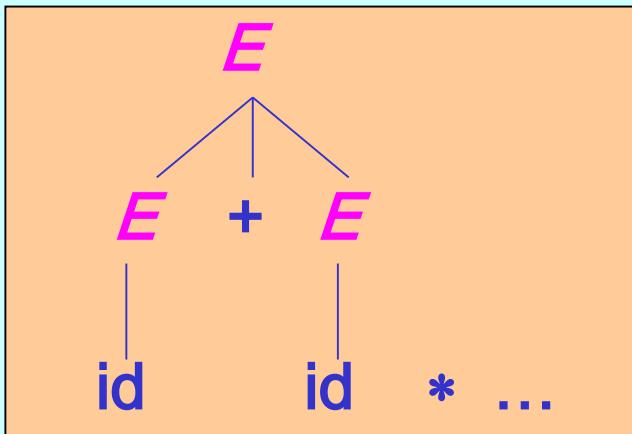
parse tree produced by  
*reducing* ( $*$  is assumed  
 to be ***left-associative***)



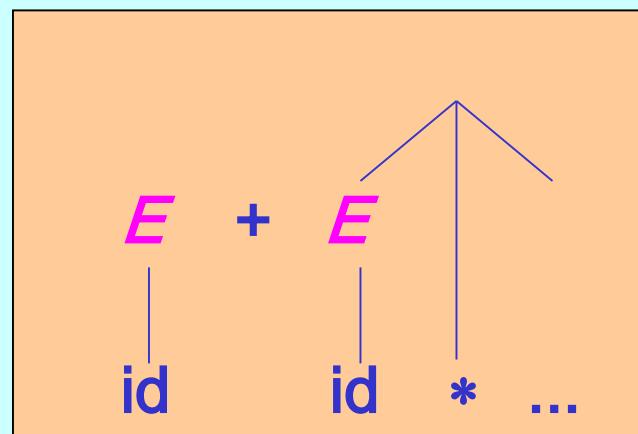
parse tree produced by  
*shifting* ( $*$  is assumed  
 to be ***right-associative***)

## SA: resolving conflicts by precedence directives (1)

- conflict in  $\text{ACTION}[7, *] = \text{s5, r1}$  is due to the items  $E \rightarrow E + E \cdot$  and  $E \rightarrow E \cdot * E$
- the top of the stack is  $E + E$  and the next input symbol is  $*$



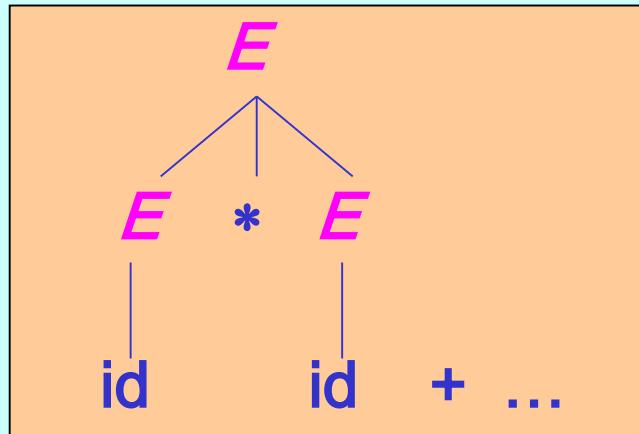
parse tree produced  
by *reducing* ( $+$  takes  
*precedence* over  $*$ )



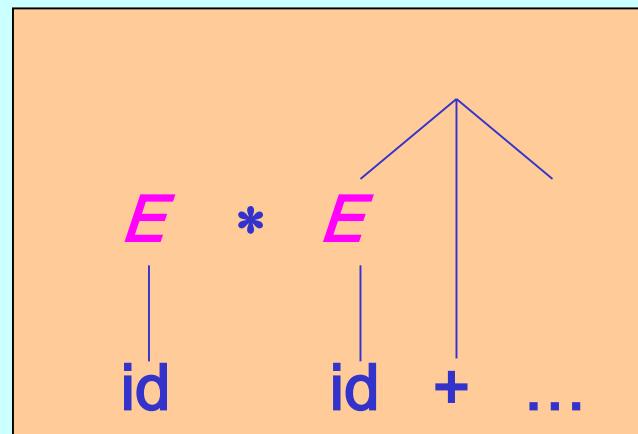
parse tree produced  
by *shifting* ( $*$  takes  
*precedence* over  $+$ )

## SA: resolving conflicts by precedence directives (2)

- conflict in  $\text{ACTION}[8, +] = \text{s4, r2}$  is due to the items  $E \rightarrow E * E \cdot$  and  $E \rightarrow E \cdot + E$
- the top of the stack is  $E * E$  and the next input symbol is  $+$



parse tree produced  
by *reducing* ( $*$  takes  
*precedence* over  $+$ )



parse tree produced  
by *shifting* ( $+$  takes  
*precedence* over  $*$ )

## SA: resolving conflicts by associativity and precedence directives

- \* and + are *left-associative*
- \* takes *precedence* over +

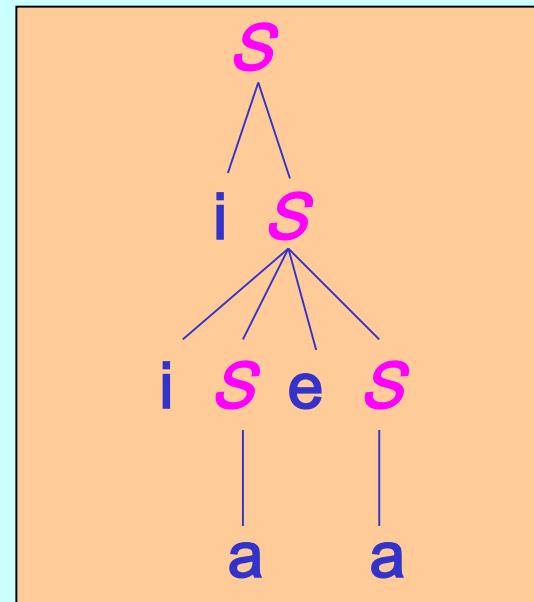
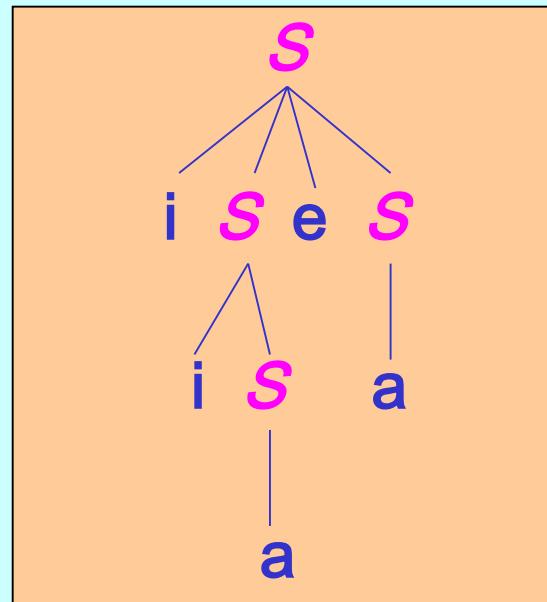
state	ACTION						GOTO <i>E</i>
	id	+	*	(	)	\$	
0	s3				s2		1
1		s4	s5			acc	
2	s3				s2		6
3		r4	r4			r4	r4
4	s3				s2		7
5	s3				s2		8
6		s4	s5		s9		
7		r1	s5		r1	r1	
8		r2	r2		r2	r2	
9		r3	r3		r3	r3	

# SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar $G_5$ (1)

$$G_5 = (\{ S \}, \{ i, e, a \}, P, S)$$

$$P = \{ S \rightarrow i S e S \mid i S \mid a \} \quad (1, 2, 3)$$

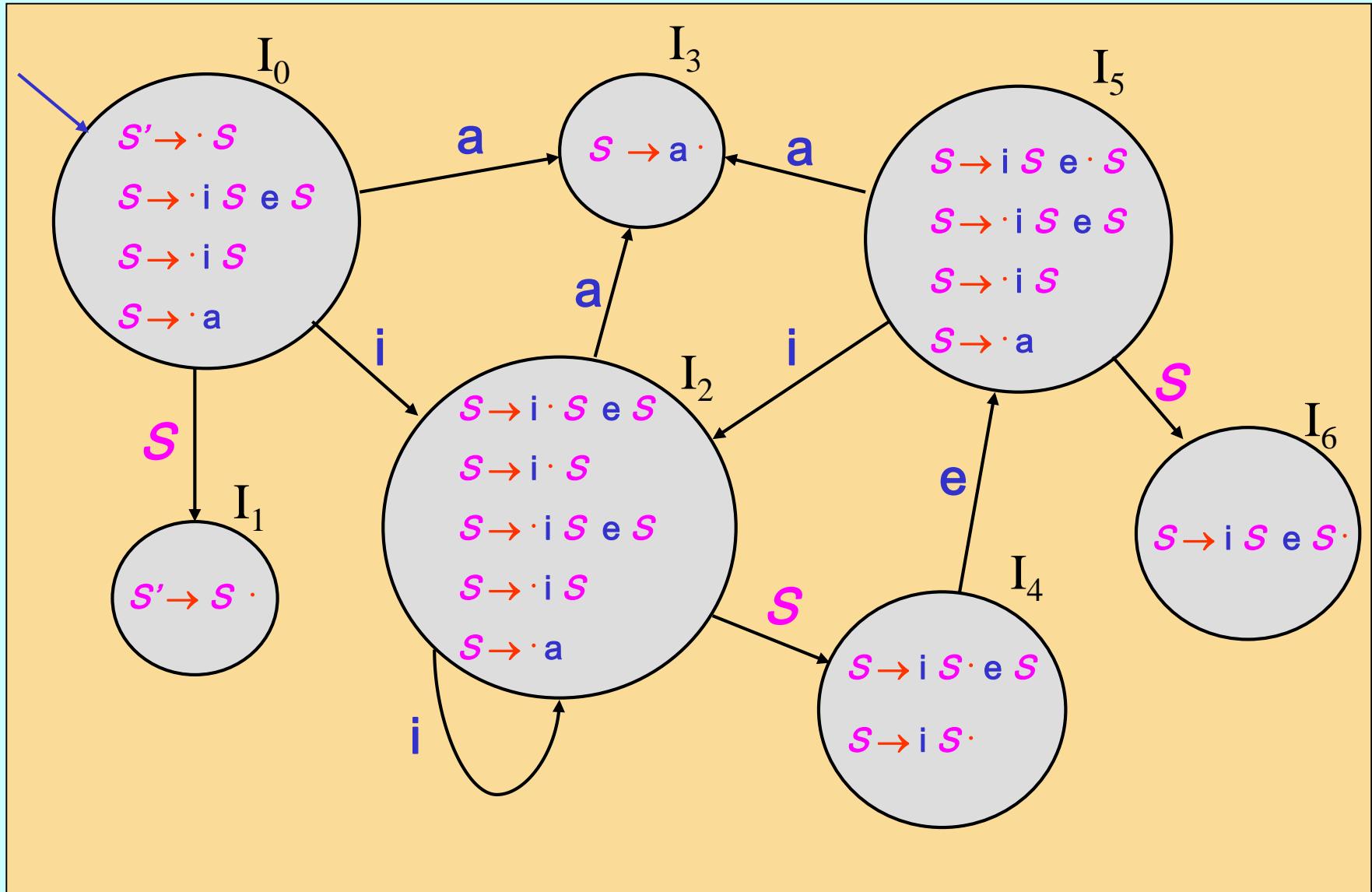
i : if exp then  
e : else



$$G'_5 = (\{ S', S \}, \{ i, e, a \}, P', S')$$

$$P' = \{ S' \rightarrow S \} \quad (0)$$

$$S \rightarrow i S e S \mid i S \mid a \} \quad (1, 2, 3)$$

SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar  $G_5$  (2)

SA: LR parsing of ambiguous grammar  $G_5$  (3)

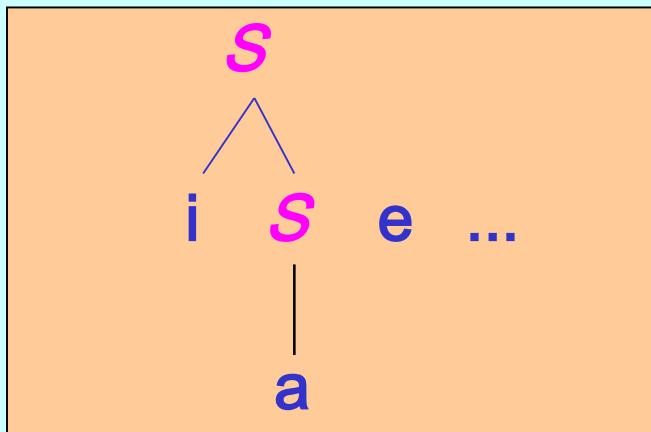
**FOLLOW(  $S$  ) = { e , \$ }**

state	ACTION				GOTO
	i	e	a	\$	
0	s2		s3		1
1				acc	
2	s2		s3		4
3		r3		r3	
4		s5 , r2		r2	
5	s2		s3		6
6		r1		r1	

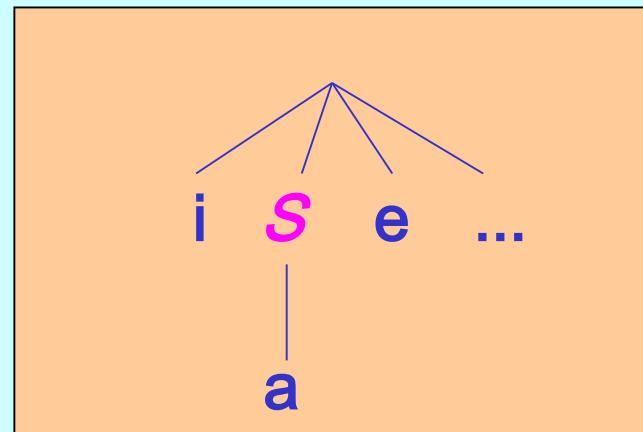
*shift / reduce* conflict

## SA: resolving shift/reduce conflicts in favor of shift (1)

- conflict in  $\text{ACTION}[4, e] = s5, r2$  is due to the items  $S \rightarrow i \ S \cdot \ e \ S$  and  $S \rightarrow i \ S \cdot$
- the top of the stack is  $i \ S$  and the next input symbol is  $e$



parse tree produced by  
*reducing* ( $e$  is not associated  
with the previous  $i$ )



parse tree produced by  
*shifting* ( $e$  is associated  
with the previous  $i$ )

# SA: resolving shift/reduce conflicts in favor of shift (2)

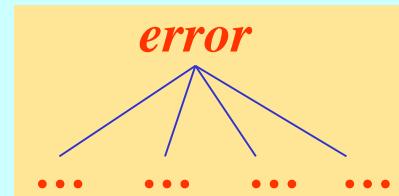
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state	ACTION				GOTO <i>s</i>
	i	e	a	\$	
0	s2		s3		1
1				acc	
2	s2		s3		4
3		r3		r3	
4		s5		r2	
5	s2		s3		6
6		r1		r1	



## SA: error recovery in LR parsing

- *blanks* in LR parsing tables mean *error actions* and cause the parser to *stop*
- this behavior would be unkind to the user, who would like to have *all the errors reported*, not just the first one
- local error recovery mechanisms use a special *error* symbol to allow *parsing to resume*
- whenever the *error* symbol appears in a grammar rule, it can *match* a sequence of *erroneous input symbols*



## SA: recovery using the error symbol (1)

$$G_6 = (\{ S, E \}, \{ \text{id}, +, *, (, ), ; \}, P, S)$$

$$P = \{ S \rightarrow S ; E \mid E \quad \quad \quad (1, 2)$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \mid \text{error} ; E \quad \quad \quad (3)$$

$$E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid ( E ) \mid \text{id} \quad (4, 5, 6, 7)$$

$$\mid ( \text{error} ) \} \quad (8)$$

- production (3):  $S \rightarrow \text{error} ; E$  specifies that the parser, encountering a syntax error, can skip to the next ; (semicolon)
- production (8):  $E \rightarrow ( \text{error} )$  specifies that the parser, encountering a syntax error after a ( (left parenthesis), can skip to the next ) (right parenthesis)



## SA: recovery using the error symbol (2)

- let  $A \rightarrow \text{error } \alpha$  be a grammar production
- in the construction of the parsing table:
  - **error** is considered a terminal symbol
  - error productions are treated as ordinary productions
- on encountering an **error action** (a blank in the table), the parser:
  - *pops* the stack until a state is reached where the action for **error** is **shift** (a state including an item  $A \rightarrow \cdot \text{error } \alpha$ )
  - *shifts* a fictitious **error** token onto the stack, as though **error** was found on input
  - *skips* ahead on the input discarding symbols until a substring is found that can be reduced to  $\alpha$
  - *reduces* the handle **error**  $\alpha$  (at this point on top of the stack) to  $A$
  - *emits* a diagnostic message
  - *resumes* normal parsing



- *error rules* may introduce both *shift/reduce* and *reduce/reduce* conflicts
- they cannot be inserted anywhere into an LALR grammar
- this error recovery mechanism is not powerful enough to correctly report all syntactic errors



- the task of constructing a parser is simple enough to be automated
- an *LR parser generator* transforms the *specification* of a parser (*grammar, conflict resolution directives, ...*) into a program implementing an LR parser
- ***Yacc*** (*UNIX*) and ***Bison*** (*GNU*) produce *C programs* implementing *LALR(1) parsers*
- ***CUP*** and ***SableCC*** produces *Java programs* implementing *LALR(1) parsers*



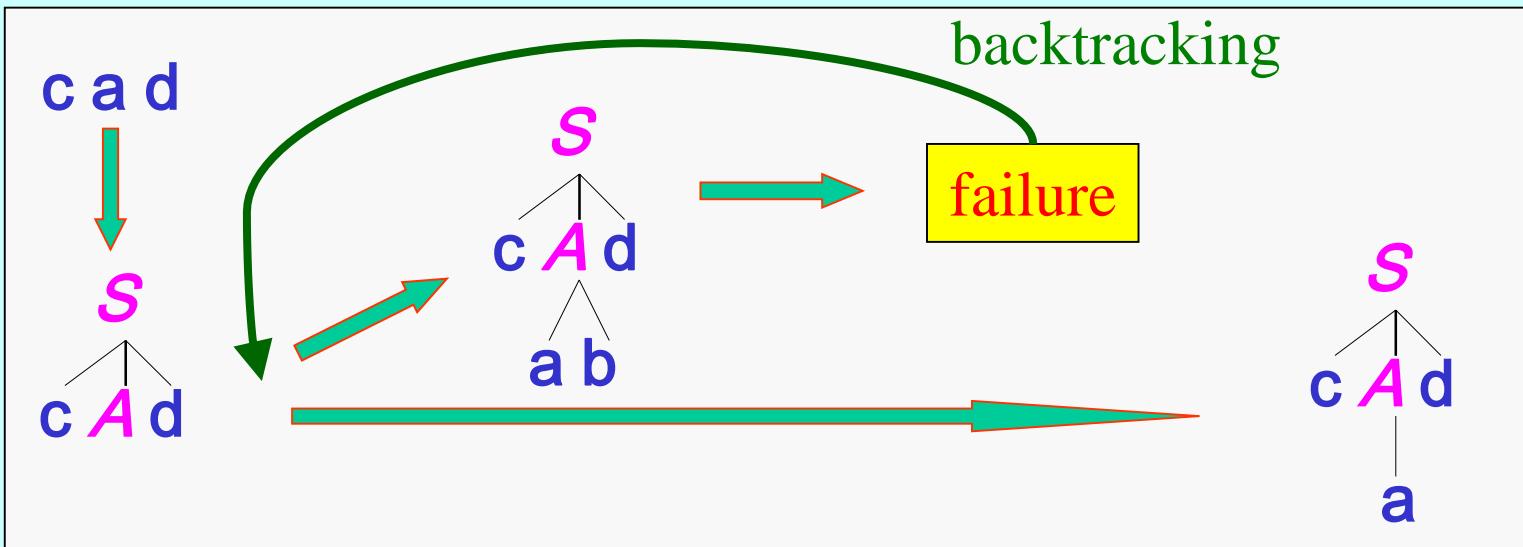
- top-down parsing attempts to construct a *parse tree* for an input string beginning at the *root* (the top) and working down towards the *leaves*
- this construction process *creates* the nodes of the tree in *preorder* until it obtains the *input string*
- at each *creation* step the *left side symbol* of a production is *replaced* by its *right side*, tracing out a *leftmost derivation*



# SA: recursive-descent parsing

$$G = (\{S, A\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, P, S)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P = & \{ S \rightarrow cAd \\ & A \rightarrow ab \mid a \} \end{aligned}$$



$$S \Rightarrow_{lm} cAd \Rightarrow_{lm} cad$$



- a production like  $A \rightarrow A \alpha$  is called a *left-recursive production*
- a *grammar* is *left-recursive* if it can generate a derivation  $A \Rightarrow^* A \alpha$
- a *left-recursive grammar* can cause a *top-down parser* to go into an *infinite loop*
  - $A \Rightarrow_{\text{lm}}^* A \alpha \Rightarrow_{\text{lm}}^* A \alpha \alpha \Rightarrow_{\text{lm}}^* A \alpha \alpha \dots \alpha$



## SA: eliminating left-recursive productions (1)

- *left-recursive* productions can be replaced by *right-recursive* productions

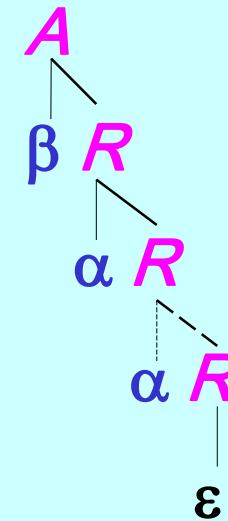
$$A \rightarrow A\alpha \mid \beta$$

( $\beta$  does not start with  $A$ )

$$= \{ \begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow \beta R \\ R \rightarrow \alpha R \mid \epsilon \end{array}$$



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



## SA: eliminating left-recursive productions (2)

$$G_0 = (\{ E, T, F \}, \{ \text{id}, +, *, (, ) \}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{ \begin{array}{l} E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \\ T \rightarrow T * F \mid F \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} \end{array} \}$$

$$G_1 = (\{ E, E', T, T', F \}, \{ \text{id}, +, *, (, ) \}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{ \begin{array}{l} E \rightarrow TE' \\ E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon \\ T \rightarrow FT' \\ T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} \end{array} \}$$


## SA: eliminating left-recursion (1)

let  $G = (\{ A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \}, T, P, A_1)$  be a CFG grammar with no  $\varepsilon$ -production ;

for ( i = 1 to n )

    for ( j = 1 to i - 1 )

        replace each production of the form  $A_i \rightarrow A_j \gamma$  by the productions  $A_i \rightarrow \delta \gamma$  where  $A_j \rightarrow \delta$  are all the  $A_j$ -productions ;

    eliminate left-recursive productions among  $A_i$ -productions ;



## SA: eliminating left-recursion (2)

$$P_1 = \{ \quad S \rightarrow A \ a \mid b \\ A \rightarrow A \ c \mid S \ d \mid c \}$$



$$P_2 = \{ \quad S \rightarrow A \ a \mid b \\ A \rightarrow A \ c \mid A \ a \ d \mid b \ d \mid c \}$$



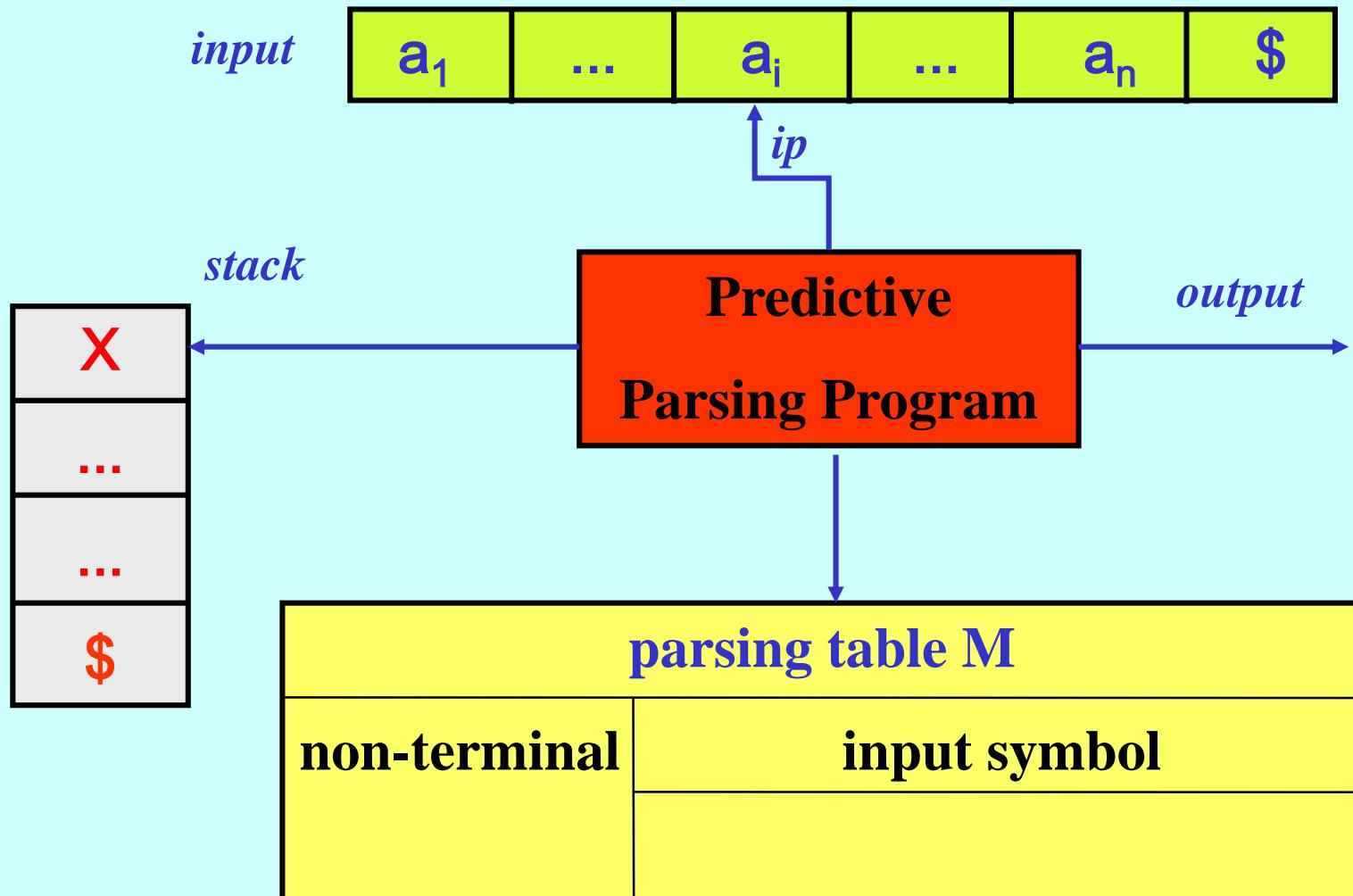
$$P_3 = \{ \quad S \rightarrow A \ a \mid b \\ A \rightarrow b \ d \ A' \mid c \ A' \\ A' \rightarrow c \ A' \mid a \ d \ A' \mid \epsilon \}$$



- *backtracking* can be avoided if it is possible to detect which alternative rule among  $A \rightarrow \alpha_1 | \alpha_2 | \dots | \alpha_n$  has to be applied, by considering the current *input symbol*

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow \text{if } (E) S \text{ else } S \\ | \text{ while } (E) S \\ | \{ S ; S \} \\ | \text{id} = E \end{array}$$


# SA: non-recursive predictive parsing



# SA: predictive parsing program

```

push $ onto the stack ;
push the start symbol of the grammar onto the stack ;
set ip to point to the first input symbol ;
repeat
  { let X be the top stack symbol and a the symbol pointed to by ip ;
    if ( X is a terminal or $ )
      if ( X = a )
        { pop X from the stack ;
          advance ip to the next input symbol }
      else error
    else /* X is a non-terminal */
      if ( M[X , a] = X → Y1 Y2 ... Yk )
        { pop X from the stack ;
          push Yk Yk-1 ... Y1 onto the stack, with Y1 on top ;
            output the production X → Y1 Y2 ... Yk ; }
      else error
    }
  until ( X = $ ) /* stack is empty */

```



# SA: a predictive parser for grammar G<sub>1</sub>

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$$G_1 = (\{ E, E', T, T', F \}, \{ \text{id}, +, *, (, ) \}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{ \begin{array}{l} E \rightarrow TE' \\ E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon \\ T \rightarrow FT' \\ T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} \end{array} \}$$

non terminal	input symbol					
	id	+	*	(	)	\$
$E$	$E \rightarrow TE'$			$E \rightarrow TE'$		
$E'$		$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$T$	$T \rightarrow FT'$			$T \rightarrow FT'$		
$T'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$F$	$F \rightarrow \text{id}$			$F \rightarrow (E)$		

SA: moves of a predictive parser for grammar  $G_1$ 

stack	input	output
\$ $E$	id + id * id \$	
\$ $E' T$	id + id * id \$	$E \rightarrow TE'$
\$ $E' T' F$	id + id * id \$	$T \rightarrow FT'$
\$ $E' T' id$	id + id * id \$	$F \rightarrow id$
\$ $E' T'$	+ id * id \$	
\$ $E'$	+ id * id \$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$ $E' T' +$	+ id * id \$	$E' \rightarrow +TE'$
\$ $E' T$	id * id \$	
\$ $E' T' F$	id * id \$	$T \rightarrow FT'$
\$ $E' T' id$	id * id \$	$F \rightarrow id$
\$ $E' T'$	* id \$	
\$ $E' T' F *$	* id \$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$
\$ $E' T' F$	id \$	
\$ $E' T' id$	id \$	$F \rightarrow id$
\$ $E' T'$	\$	
\$ $E'$	\$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
\$	\$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$

# SA: construction of predictive parsing tables

```
for ( each production  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  )  
    for ( each  $a$  in  $FIRST(\alpha)$  )  
        set  $M[A, a]$  to  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  ;  
        if (  $\alpha$  is nullable )  
            for ( each  $b$  in  $FOLLOW(A)$  )  
                set  $M[A, b]$  to  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  ;
```



SA: computation of FIRST and FOLLOW for grammar G<sub>1</sub>

$$G_1 = (\{ E, E', T, T', F \}, \{ \text{id}, +, *, (, ) \}, P, E)$$

$$P = \{ E \rightarrow TE'$$

$$E' \rightarrow +TE' \mid \epsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow FT'$$

$$T' \rightarrow *FT' \mid \epsilon$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id} \}$$

	nullable	FIRST	FOLLOW
E	false	( id	\$ )
E'	true	+	\$ )
T	false	( id	\$ ) +
T'	true	*	\$ ) +
F	false	( id	\$ ) + *



SA: construction of a predictive parsing table for grammar G<sub>1</sub>

non terminal	input symbol					
	id	+	*	(	)	\$
$E$	$E \rightarrow TE'$				$E \rightarrow TE'$	
$E'$		$E' \rightarrow +TE'$			$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$E' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$T$	$T \rightarrow FT'$			$T \rightarrow FT'$		
$T'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow *FT'$		$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$	$T' \rightarrow \epsilon$
$F$	$F \rightarrow id$			$F \rightarrow ( E )$		



- a **grammar  $G$**  is  **$LL(1)$**  if its predictive parsing table has no multiply-defined entries
  - whenever  $A \rightarrow \alpha \mid \beta$  then
    - $FIRST(\alpha) \cap FIRST(\beta) = \emptyset$
    - at most one of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  is **nullable**
    - if  $\alpha$  is **nullable** then  $FIRST(\beta) \cap FOLLOW(A) = \emptyset$
- no ambiguous or left-recursive grammar can be  **$LL(1)$**
- an  **$LL(1)$**  parser
  - scans the input from left to right ( **$L$** )
  - constructs a **leftmost derivation** ( **$L$** )
  - uses **1** lookahead input symbols in making parsing decisions
- the class of languages that can be parsed using  **$LL(1)$**  parsers is a **proper subset** of the **deterministic** CFL's

- an *LL parser generator* transforms the *specification* of a parser into a program implementing an LL parser
- **JavaCC** produces *Java programs* implementing *LL(k) parsers*
- **ANTLR** produces *Java, C++ and Python programs* implementing *recursive descent LL(k) parsers*
- **Coco/R** produces *Java, C++, C#, ... programs* implementing *recursive descent LL(k) parsers*



- a *Syntax-Directed Definition (SDD)* is a context-free grammar in which
- each *symbol* can have an associated set of *attributes*
    - numbers, types, table references, strings, memory locations, ...
  - each *production* can have an associated set of *semantic rules*
    - evaluating attributes, interacting with the symbol table, writing lines of intermediate code to a buffer, printing messages, ...



## SDT: inherited and synthesized attributes

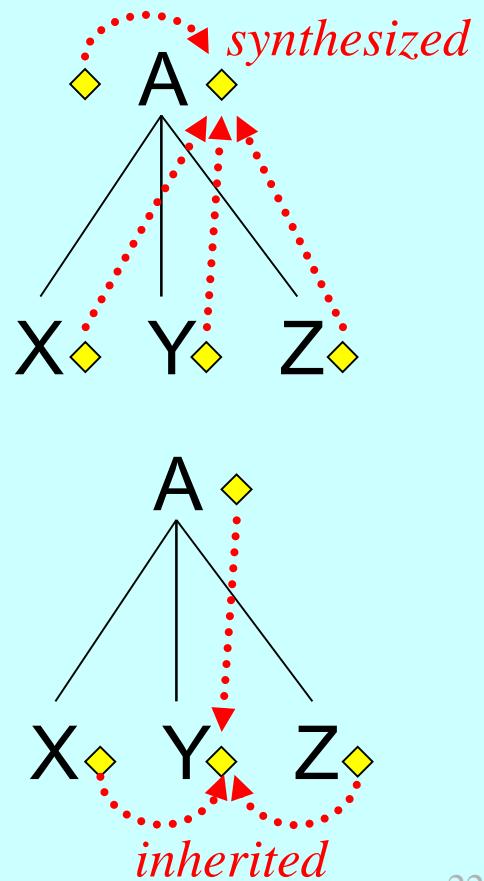
➤ a semantic rule associated with a production  $A \rightarrow X Y Z$  can refer only attributes associated with symbols in that production

- *synthesized attributes*

- are *evaluated* in rules where the *associated* symbol is on the left side of the production

- *inherited attributes*

- are *evaluated* in rules where the *associated* symbol is on the right side of the production



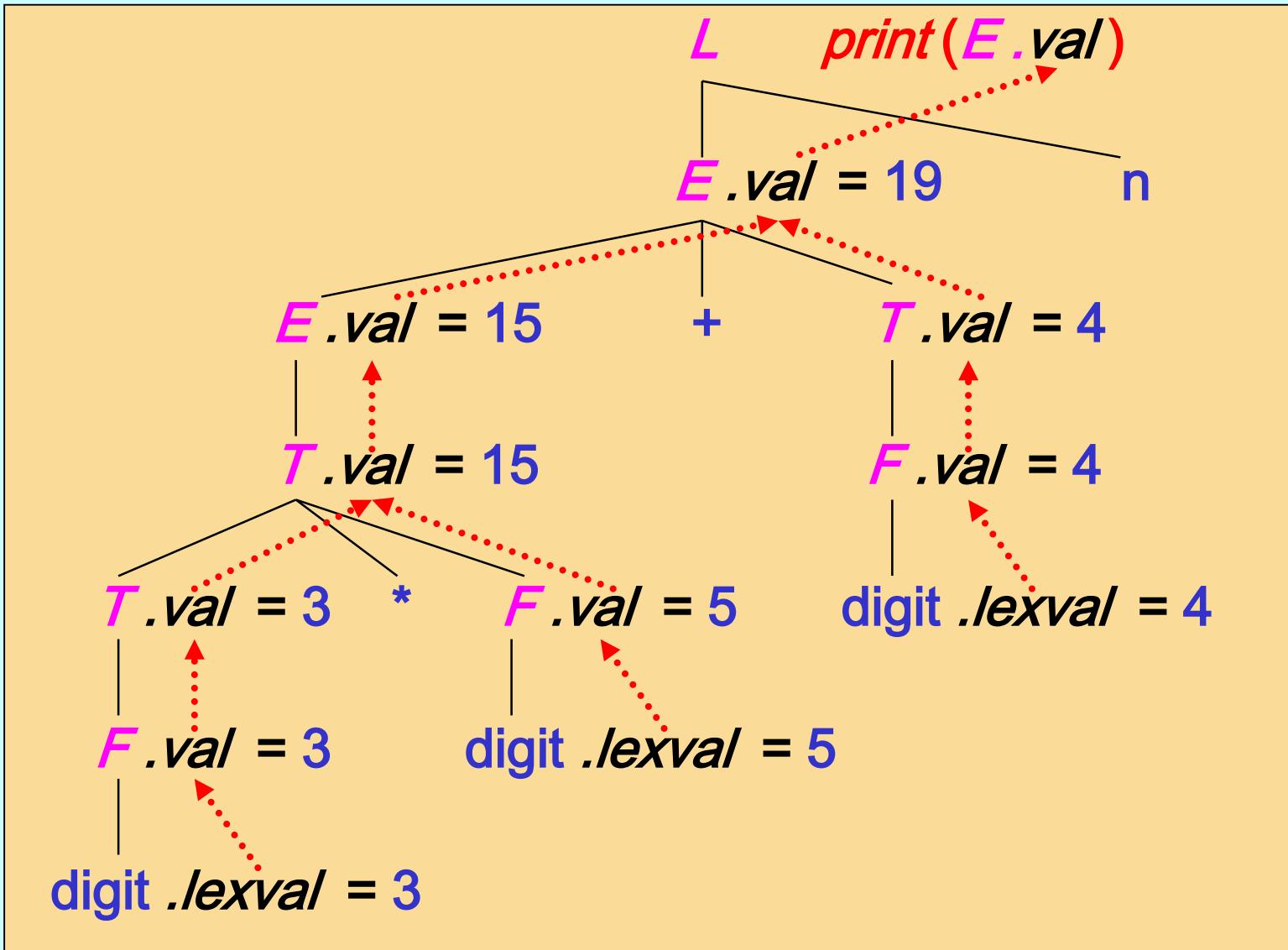
# SDT: SDD for a desk calculator

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productions	semantic rules
$L \rightarrow E \text{ n}$	$\text{print}(E.\text{val})$
$E \rightarrow E_1 + T$	$E.\text{val} = E_1.\text{val} + T.\text{val}$
$E \rightarrow T$	$E.\text{val} = T.\text{val}$
$T \rightarrow T_1 * F$	$T.\text{val} = T_1.\text{val} * F.\text{val}$
$T \rightarrow F$	$T.\text{val} = F.\text{val}$
$F \rightarrow (E)$	$F.\text{val} = E.\text{val}$
$F \rightarrow \text{digit}$	$F.\text{val} = \text{digit}.\text{lexval}$

- each of the non-terminals  $E$ ,  $T$  and  $F$  has a single *synthesized* attribute, named  $\text{val}$
- the terminal **digit** has an attribute  $\text{lexval}$  which is the integer value returned by the scanner



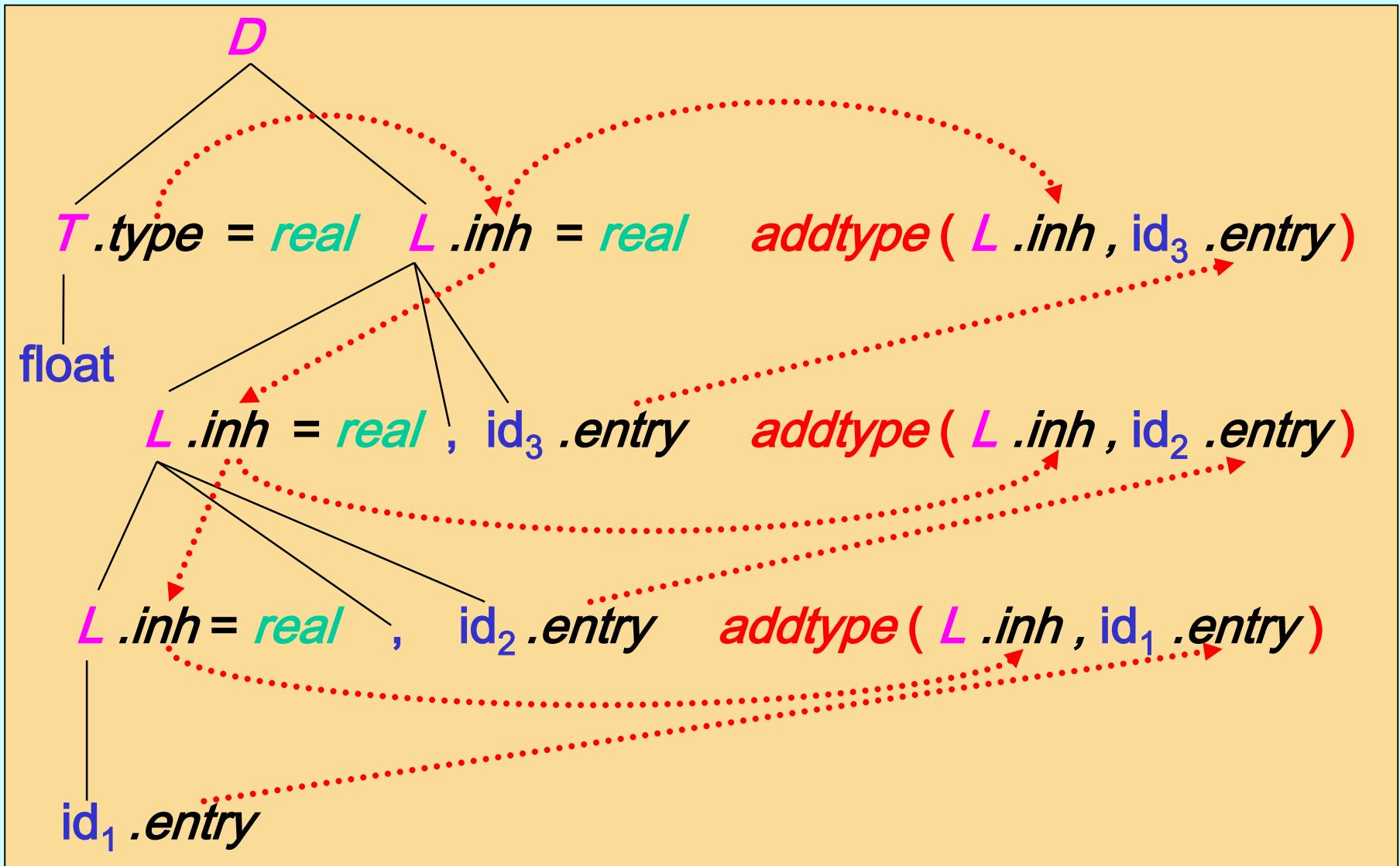
SDT: annotated parse tree for  $3 * 5 + 4n$ 

# SDT: SSD for simple declarations

productions	semantic rules
$D \rightarrow T\ L$	$L.inh = T.type$
$T \rightarrow \text{int}$	$T.type = \text{integer}$
$T \rightarrow \text{float}$	$T.type = \text{real}$
$L \rightarrow L_1, \text{id}$	$L_1.inh = L.inh ; \text{addtype}(L.inh, \text{id.entry})$
$L \rightarrow \text{id}$	$\text{addtype}(L.inh, \text{id.entry})$

- the non-terminal  $T$  has a *synthesized* attribute, named  $type$
- the non-terminal  $L$  has an *inherited* attribute, named  $inh$
- the terminal  $\text{id}$  has an attribute  $entry$  which is the value returned by the scanner
  - it points to the symbol-table entry for the identifier associated with  $\text{id}$
- the function  $\text{addtype}(L.inh, \text{id.entry})$  installs the type  $L.inh$  at the symbol-table position  $\text{id}.entry$

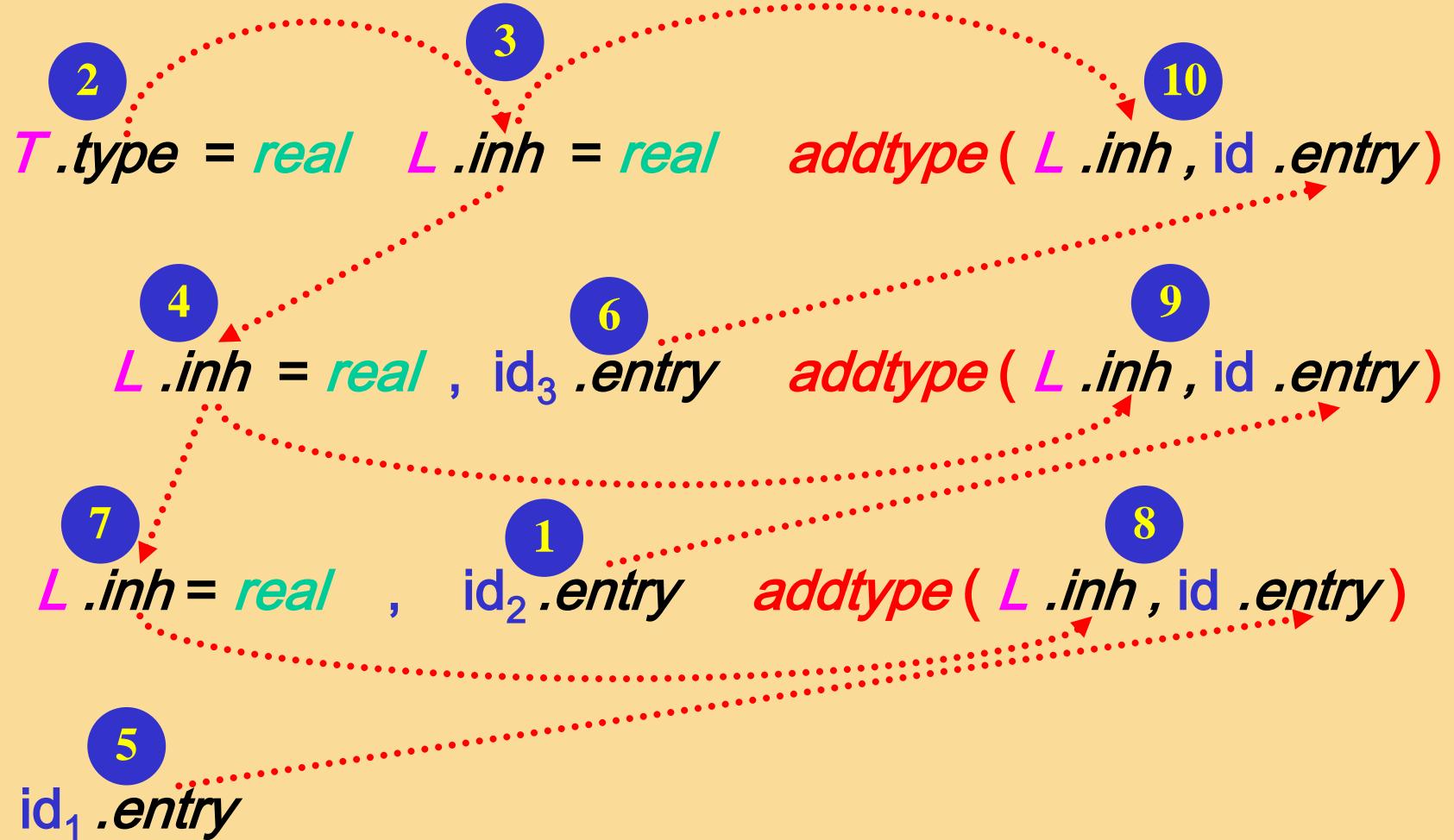


SDT: annotated parse tree for float id<sub>1</sub>, id<sub>2</sub>, id<sub>3</sub>

- an attribute at a node in an annotated parse tree cannot be evaluated before the evaluation of all attributes upon which its value *depends*
- the *dependency relations* in a parse tree define a *dependency graph* representing the flow of information among attributes and semantic rules
- any *topological sort* of the dependency graph is an allowable *order of evaluation* for an *SDD*
- any *directed acyclic graph* has at least one topological sort



# SDT: topological sorts of a dependency graph



## SDT: ordering the evaluation of SDD's

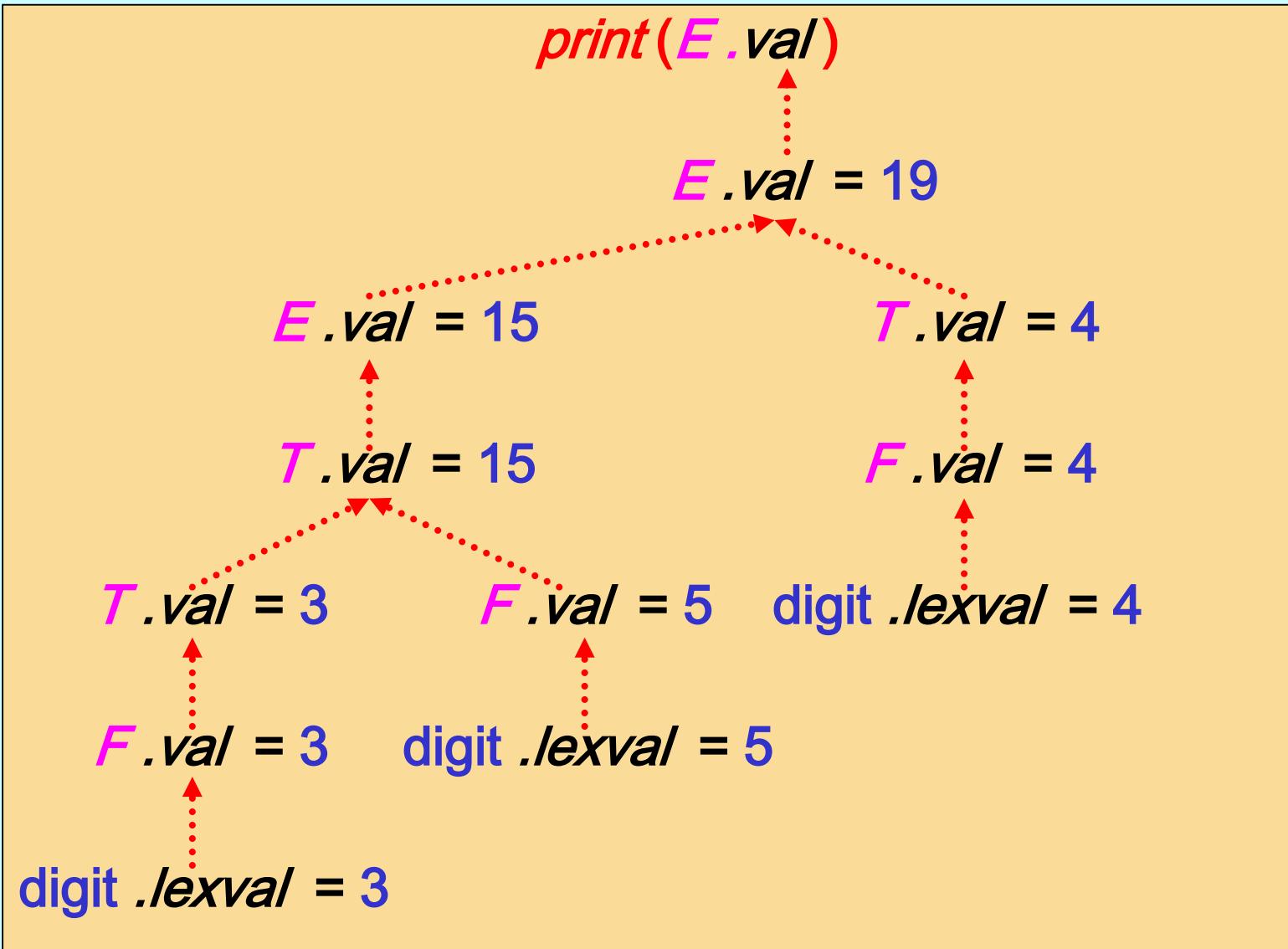
- *syntax-directed translation* can be performed by:
  - creating a *parse tree*
  - visiting the *parse tree* and evaluating an *SDD* according to a *topological sort* of the *dependency graph*
- checking if the *dependency graph* of any *parse tree* from a given *SDD* contains *cycles*, is a problem of *extreme time-complexity*
- it is possible to define *classes of SDD's* (*S-attributed* and *L-attributed*) in ways that:
  - *cycles* are not allowed
  - translation is performed in connection with *top-down* or *bottom-up* parsing, without explicitly creating the *tree nodes*



- an *SDD* is ***S-attributed*** if every attribute is ***synthesized***
  - all semantic rules use only attributes of symbols in the right side of the associated productions

productions	semantic rules
$L \rightarrow E \ n$	$print(E.\text{val})$
$E \rightarrow E_1 + T$	$E.\text{val} = E_1.\text{val} + T.\text{val}$
$E \rightarrow T$	$E.\text{val} = T.\text{val}$
$T \rightarrow T_1 * F$	$T.\text{val} = T_1.\text{val} * F.\text{val}$
$T \rightarrow F$	$T.\text{val} = F.\text{val}$
$F \rightarrow (E)$	$F.\text{val} = E.\text{val}$
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## SDT: dependency trees of S-attributed definitions



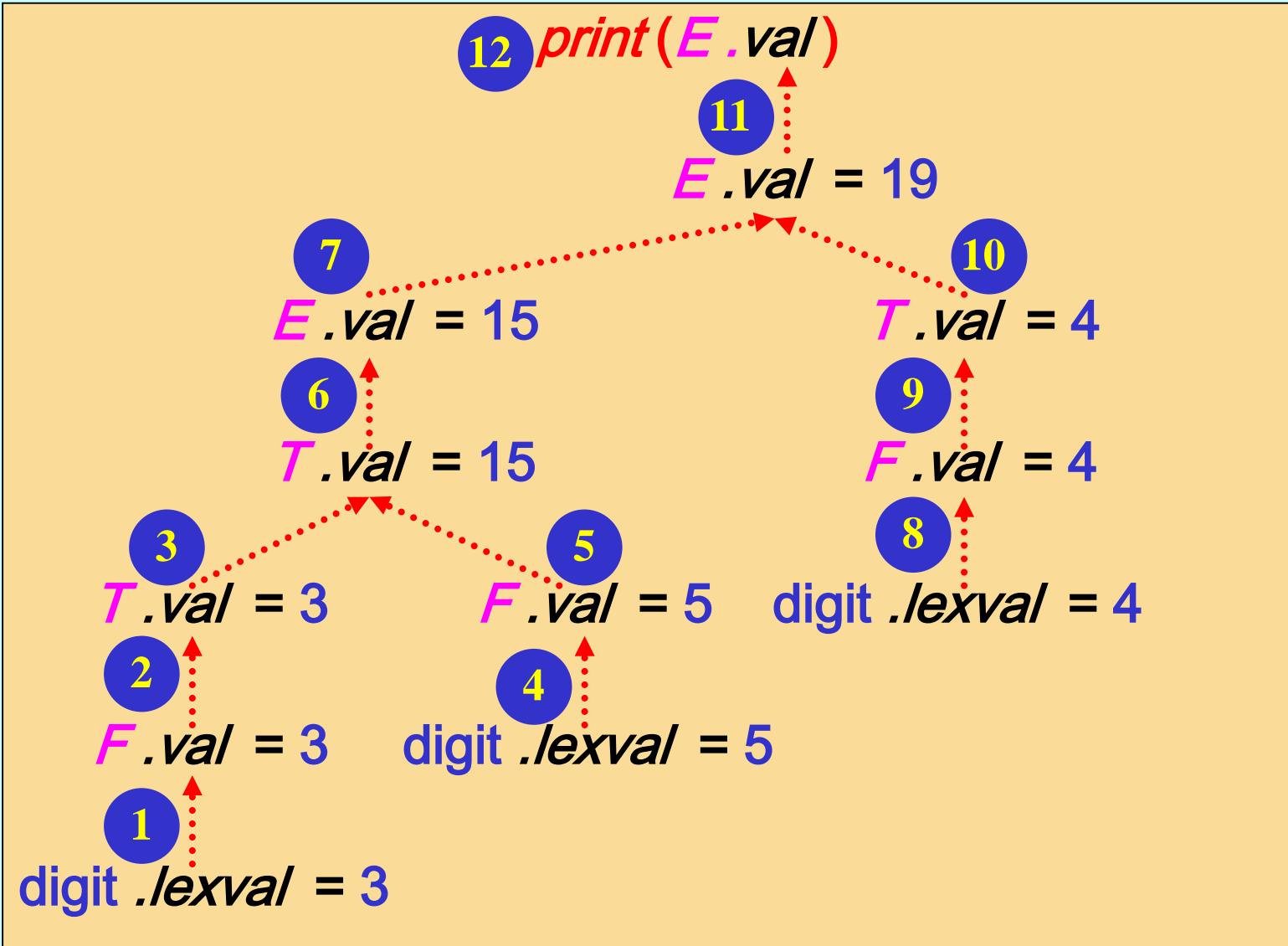
## SDT: evaluation orders for S-attributed definitions

- *S-attributed definitions* can be evaluated in any *bottom-up* order
- the evaluation order of function *postorder( rootNode )* corresponds to the order in which a *bottom-up parser* creates nodes in a *parse tree*

```
void postorder ( node N ) ;  
    for ( each child C of N , from left to right )  
        postorder ( C ) ;  
    evaluate the attributes and semantic rules  
    associated with node N ;
```



## SDT: postorder evaluation of S-attributed definitions



- a *Syntax-Directed Translation Scheme (SDT)* is an *SDD* with the actions of each semantic rule *embedded* at some positions in the right side of the associated production
- an *SDT* implementation executes each action as soon as all the grammar symbols to the left of the action are processed
  - an *SDT* having all actions at the right ends of the productions is called *postfix SDT*



- the action  $a$  in the rule  $A \rightarrow X \{ a \} Y$  should be performed:
- in *bottom-up parsing*
    - as soon as this occurrence of  $X$  appears on the top of the parsing stack
  - in *top-down parsing*
    - if  $Y$  is non-terminal
      - just before attempting to expand this occurrence of  $Y$
    - if  $Y$  is terminal
      - just before checking for  $Y$  on the input



# SDT: bottom-up evaluation of S-attributed definitions

- *S-attributed SDD's* can be converted to ***postfix SDT's*** simply by placing each *action* at the ***right end*** of the associated production
- *actions* in a ***postfix SDT*** can be executed by a ***bottom-up parser*** along with *reductions*

```

 $L \rightarrow E \text{ n } \{ \text{print}(E.\text{val}) \}$ 
 $E \rightarrow E_1 + T \{ E.\text{val} = E_1.\text{val} + T.\text{val} \}$ 
 $E \rightarrow T \{ E.\text{val} = T.\text{val} \}$ 
 $T \rightarrow T_1 * F \{ T.\text{val} = T_1.\text{val} * F.\text{val} \}$ 
 $T \rightarrow F \{ T.\text{val} = F.\text{val} \}$ 
 $F \rightarrow (E) \{ F.\text{val} = E.\text{val} \}$ 
 $F \rightarrow \text{digit } \{ F.\text{val} = \text{digit}.\text{lexval} \}$ 

```



## SDT: stack implementation of postfix SDT's (1)

- *synthesized attributes* can be placed along with the grammar symbols on the parser *stack*
  - when a handle  $\beta$  is on top of the stack, all the synthesized attributes in  $\beta$  have been evaluated
  - when the *reduction* of  $\beta$  occurs, the associated actions can be executed

*state      symbol      attributes*

*stack*

$s_m$	$X_m$	$X_m . val$
$s_{m-1}$	$X_{m-1}$	$X_{m-1} . val$
...	...	...
$s_1$	$X_1$	$X_1 . val$

*top* ←

## SDT: stack implementation of postfix SDT's (2)

```
L → E n { print( stack[top - 1].val ) }

E → E + T { n_top = top - 3 + 1 ;
              stack[n_top].val = stack[top - 2].val + stack[top].val;
              top = n_top }

E → T

T → T * F { n_top = top - 3 + 1 ;
              stack[n_top].val = stack[top - 2].val * stack[top].val;
              top = n_top }

T → F

F → ( E ) { n_top = top - 3 + 1 ;
              stack[n_top].val = stack[top - 1].val;
              top = n_top }

F → digit
```



## SDT: L-attributed definitions

➤ an *SDD* is ***L-attributed*** if any production

$A \rightarrow X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$  has:

- ***synthesized*** attributes
- ***inherited*** attributes  $X_i.a$  computed in terms of:
  - inherited attributes associated with symbol  $A$
  - inherited or synthesized attributes associated with symbols  $X_1 X_2 \dots X_{i-1}$  located at the left ( $L$ ) of  $X_i$

productions	semantic rules
$D \rightarrow T L$	$L.inh = T.type$
$T \rightarrow \text{int}$	$T.type = \text{integer}$
$T \rightarrow \text{float}$	$T.type = \text{real}$
$L \rightarrow L_1 , id$	$L_1.inh = L.inh ; \text{addtype}(L.inh, id.entry)$
$L \rightarrow id$	$\text{addtype}(L.inh, id.entry)$

## SDT: SDT's for L-attributed definitions

- to convert an *L-attributed SDD* to an *SDT*:
  - place the actions that compute an *inherited attribute* for a symbol  $X$  immediately *before* that occurrence of  $X$
  - place the actions that compute a *synthesized attribute* at the *end* of the production

```
D → T { L.inh = T.type } L
T → int { T.type = integer }
T → float { T.type = real }
L → { L1.inh = L.inh } L1 , id { addtype(L.inh, id.entry) }
L → id { addtype(L.inh, id.entry) }
```



- a *bottom-up parser* is aware of the production it is using only when it performs a *reduction*
- it can therefore *execute actions* associated with a production only when they are placed at the *end* of the production
- *actions* that compute *inherited attributes* are *not* placed at the *end* of productions
- it is possible to *transform* an *L-attributed* definition into an equivalent definition where all *actions* are placed at the *end* of productions



## SDT: inheriting attributes on the parser stack (1)

- in an *L-attributed* translation scheme with a rule
$$A \rightarrow X \{Y.i = X.s\} Y$$
 where:
  - $X.s$  is a *synthesized attribute*
  - $Y.i$  is an *inherited attribute* defined by a *copy rule*
- the value of  $X.s$  is already on the parser stack before any reduction to  $Y$  is performed
- it can then be retrieved on the stack *one position before*  $Y$  and used anywhere  $Y.i$  is called for
- the copy rule  $\{Y.i = X.s\}$  can be eliminated

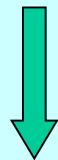


## SDT: inheriting attributes on the parser stack (2)

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 $D \rightarrow T \{ L.inh = T.type \} L$ 
 $T \rightarrow \text{int } \{ T.type = \text{integer} \}$ 
 $T \rightarrow \text{float } \{ T.type = \text{real} \}$ 
 $L \rightarrow \{ L_1.inh = L.inh \} L_1, \text{id } \{ \text{addtype}(L.inh, \text{id}.entry) \}$ 
 $L \rightarrow \text{id } \{ \text{addtype}(L.inh, \text{id}.entry) \}$ 

```



```

 $D \rightarrow T L$ 
 $T \rightarrow \text{int } \{ \text{stack}[top].val = \text{integer} \}$ 
 $T \rightarrow \text{float } \{ \text{stack}[top].val = \text{real} \}$ 
 $L \rightarrow L, \text{id } \{ \text{addtype}(\text{stack}[top - 3].val, \text{stack}[top].val) \}$ 
 $L \rightarrow \text{id } \{ \text{addtype}(\text{stack}[top - 1].val, \text{stack}[top].val) \}$ 

```



# SDT: inheriting attributes on the parser stack (3)

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stack	input	production	action
\$	float id <sub>1</sub> , id <sub>2</sub> , id <sub>3</sub> \$		
\$ float	id <sub>1</sub> , id <sub>2</sub> , id <sub>3</sub> \$	$T \rightarrow \text{float}$	$\text{stack}[\text{top}].\text{val} = \text{real}$
\$ T	id <sub>1</sub> , id <sub>2</sub> , id <sub>3</sub> \$		
\$ T id <sub>1</sub>	, id <sub>2</sub> , id <sub>3</sub> \$	$L \rightarrow \text{id}$	$\text{addtype}(\text{stack}[\text{top} - 1].\text{val}, \text{stack}[\text{top}].\text{val})$
\$ TL	, id <sub>2</sub> , id <sub>3</sub> \$		
\$ TL ,	id <sub>2</sub> , id <sub>3</sub> \$		
\$ TL , id <sub>2</sub>	, id <sub>3</sub> \$	$L \rightarrow L, \text{id}$	$\text{addtype}(\text{stack}[\text{top} - 3].\text{val}, \text{stack}[\text{top}].\text{val})$
\$ TL	, id <sub>3</sub> \$		
\$ TL ,	id <sub>3</sub> \$		
\$ TL , id <sub>3</sub>	\$	$L \rightarrow L, \text{id}$	$\text{addtype}(\text{stack}[\text{top} - 3].\text{val}, \text{stack}[\text{top}].\text{val})$
\$ TL	\$	$D \rightarrow TL$	
\$ D	\$	accept	



## SDT: inheriting attributes on the parser stack (4)

- reaching into the parser stack for an attribute value works only if the grammar allows the position of the attribute value to be predicted
- in the *SDT*:

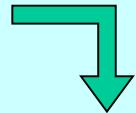
$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow a A \{ C.i = A.s \} C & (1) \\ S &\rightarrow b A B \{ C.i = A.s \} C & (2) \\ C &\rightarrow c \{ C.s = f(C.i) \} & (3) \end{aligned}$$

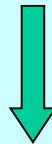
the value of  $A.s$  can be either one or two positions in the stack before  $C$

- in order to place the value of  $A.s$  always one position before  $C$ , it is possible to insert just before  $C$  in rule (2) a new *marker non-terminal*  $M$  with a synthesized attribute  $M.s$  having the same value of  $A.s$



## SDT: inheriting attributes on the parser stack (5)

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow a A \{ C.i = A.s \} C \\ S &\rightarrow b AB \{ C.i = A.s \} C \\ C &\rightarrow c \{ C.s = f(C.i) \} \end{aligned}$$


$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow a A \{ C.i = A.s \} C \\ S &\rightarrow b AB \{ M.i = A.s \} M \{ C.i = M.s \} C \\ C &\rightarrow c \{ C.s = f(C.i) \} \\ M &\rightarrow \epsilon \{ M.s = M.i \} \end{aligned}$$


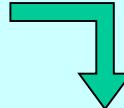
$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow a A C \\ S &\rightarrow b AB MC \\ C &\rightarrow c \{ \text{stack}[top].val = f(\text{stack}[top-1].val) \} \\ M &\rightarrow \epsilon \{ \text{stack}[top].val = \text{stack}[top-2].val \} \end{aligned}$$

## SDT: simulating the evaluation of inherited attributes (1)

- in an *L-attributed* translation scheme with a rule
$$A \rightarrow X \{ Y.i = f(X.s) \} Y$$
 where:
  - $X.s$  is a *synthesized attribute*
  - $Y.i$  is an *inherited attribute not* defined by a *copy rule*
- the value of  $Y.i$  is not just a copy of  $X.s$  and therefore it is not already on the parser stack before any reduction to  $Y$  is performed
- it is possible to insert just before  $Y$  a new *marker non-terminal*  $M$  with:
  - an inherited attribute  $M.i = X.s$
  - a synthesized attribute  $M.s$  to be copied in  $Y.i$  and to be evaluated in a new rule  $M \rightarrow \epsilon \{ M.s = f(M.i) \}$



# SDT: simulating the evaluation of inherited attributes (2)

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow a A \{ C.i = f(A.s) \} C \\ C \rightarrow c \{ C.s = g(C.i) \} \end{array}$$


$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow a A \{ M.i = A.s \} M \{ C.i = M.s \} C \\ C \rightarrow c \{ C.s = g(C.i) \} \\ M \rightarrow \epsilon \{ M.s = f(M.i) \} \end{array}$$


$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow a A M C \\ C \rightarrow c \{ stack[top].val = g(stack[top-1].val) \} \\ M \rightarrow \epsilon \{ stack[top].val = f(stack[top-1].val) \} \end{array}$$


## SDT: bottom-up evaluation of L-attributed definitions

- systematic introduction of *markers* makes it possible to evaluate *L-attributed* translation schemes during *bottom-up parsing*
- unfortunately, an *LR(1)* grammar *may not remain* *LR(1)* after *markers* introduction
- *LL(1)* grammars *remain LL(1)* even when *markers* are introduced
- since *LL(1)* grammars are a proper subset of the *LR(1)* grammars, every *L-attributed* translation scheme based on an *LL(1)* grammar can be parsed *bottom-up*



- the semantic analysis phase checks the source programs for *semantic errors* and gathers *type information* for the subsequent code-generation phase
  - type checks
    - the type of a construct must match that expected by its context
  - name-related and uniqueness checks
    - objects must be declared exactly once
  - flow-of-control checks
    - statements (such as *break* and *continue*) that cause flow of control to leave a construct must have a place where to go



## SA: type expressions (1)

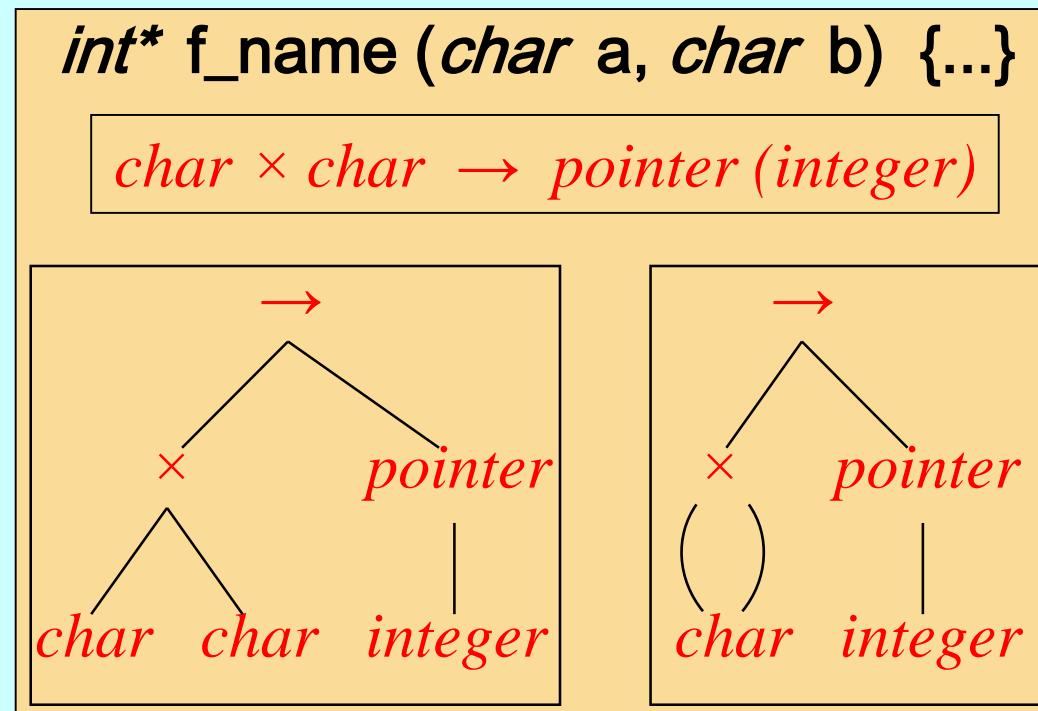
➤ a ***type expression T*** denotes the type of a language construct, that can be:

- a ***basic type***
  - *integer, real, char, boolean, void, ... , type\_error*
- a ***type constructor*** applied to *type expressions*
  - *array*
    - *array ( index-set ,T )*
  - *Cartesian product*
    - $T_1 \times T_2 \times \dots T_n$
  - *record*
    - *record (( name<sub>1</sub> × T<sub>1</sub>) × ( name<sub>2</sub> × T<sub>2</sub>) × ... ( name<sub>n</sub> × T<sub>n</sub> ))*
  - *pointer*
    - *pointer ( T )*
  - *function*
    - $T_1 \times T_2 \times \dots T_n \rightarrow T$



## SA: type expressions (2)

- *type expressions* can be conveniently represented by *trees* or *DAG's* with
- *type constructors* as *interior nodes*
  - *basic types* or *type names* as *leaves*



## SA: equivalence of type expressions

```
boolean equivalent ( Type s , Type t ) ;  
if( s and t are the same basic type ) return true  
else if( s = array (s1 , s2) and t = array (t1 , t2) )  
    return (equivalent (s1 , t1) and equivalent (s2 , t2))  
else if( s = s1 × s2 and t = t1 × t2 )  
    return (equivalent (s1 , t1) and equivalent (s2 , t2))  
else if( s = pointer (s1) and t = pointer (t1) )  
    return equivalent (s1 , t1)  
else if( s = s1 → s2 and t = t1 → t2 )  
    return (equivalent (s1 , t1) and equivalent (s2 , t2))  
else if...  
else return false
```



## SA: a simple type checker

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &\rightarrow D ; S \\
 D &\rightarrow D ; D \mid id : T \\
 T &\rightarrow \text{boolean} \mid \text{integer} \mid \text{array [ num ] of } T \mid T^* \\
 S &\rightarrow id = E \mid S ; S \mid \text{if} ( E ) S \mid \text{while} ( E ) S \\
 E &\rightarrow \text{bool} \mid \text{num} \mid id \mid E \text{ mod } E \mid E [ E ] \mid * E
 \end{aligned}$$

$P \rightarrow D ; S$	
$D \rightarrow D ; D$	
$D \rightarrow id : T$	{ <i>addtype</i> ( <i>T.type</i> , <i>id.entry</i> ) }
$T \rightarrow \text{boolean}$	{ <i>T.type</i> = <i>boolean</i> }
$T \rightarrow \text{integer}$	{ <i>T.type</i> = <i>integer</i> }
$T \rightarrow \text{array [ num ] of } T_1$	{ <i>T.type</i> = <i>array</i> ( <i>num.val</i> , <i>T<sub>1</sub>.type</i> ) }
$T \rightarrow T_1^*$	{ <i>T.type</i> = <i>pointer</i> ( <i>T<sub>1</sub>.type</i> ) }



## SA: type checking of expressions

$E \rightarrow \text{bool}$	{ $E.\text{type} = \text{boolean}$ }
$E \rightarrow \text{num}$	{ $E.\text{type} = \text{integer}$ }
$E \rightarrow \text{id}$	{ $E.\text{type} = \text{lookup}(\text{id}.\text{entry})$ }
$E \rightarrow E_1 \text{ mod } E_2$	{ $E.\text{type} = \text{if}(\ E_1.\text{type} = \text{integer} \text{ and }$ $E_2.\text{type} = \text{integer})$ $\text{then integer}$ $\text{else type\_error}$ }
$E \rightarrow E_1 [ E_2 ]$	{ $E.\text{type} = \text{if}(\ E_2.\text{type} = \text{integer} \text{ and }$ $E_1.\text{type} = \text{array}(s, t)$ ) $\text{then } t$ $\text{else type\_error}$ }
$E \rightarrow * E_1$	{ $E.\text{type} = \text{if}(\ E_1.\text{type} = \text{pointer}(t))$ $\text{then } t$ $\text{else type\_error}$ }

## SA: type checking of statements

$S \rightarrow id = E$	{ $S.type = if(\text{equivalent}(\text{id}.type, E.type))$ then $\text{void}$ else $\text{type\_error}$ }
$S \rightarrow S_1 ; S_2$	{ $S.type = if(\text{S}_1.type = \text{void} \text{ and}$ $\text{S}_2.type = \text{void})$ then $\text{void}$ else $\text{type\_error}$ }
$S \rightarrow \text{if}(\text{E}) S_1$	{ $S.type = if(\text{E.type} = \text{boolean})$ then $\text{S}_1.type$ else $\text{type\_error}$ }
$S \rightarrow \text{while}(\text{E}) S_1$	{ $S.type = if(\text{E.type} = \text{boolean})$ then $\text{S}_1.type$ else $\text{type\_error}$ }



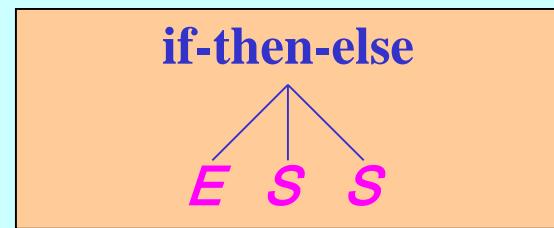
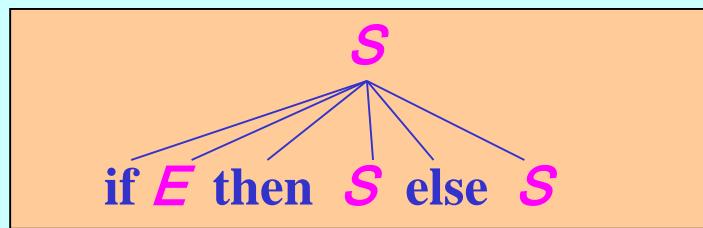
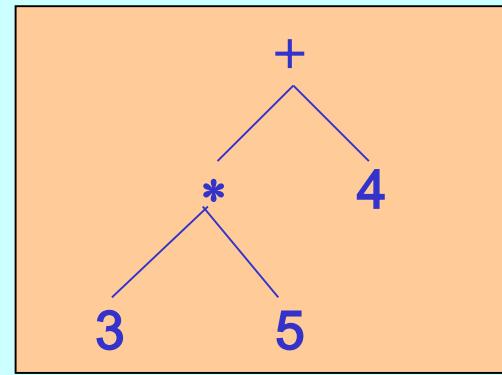
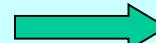
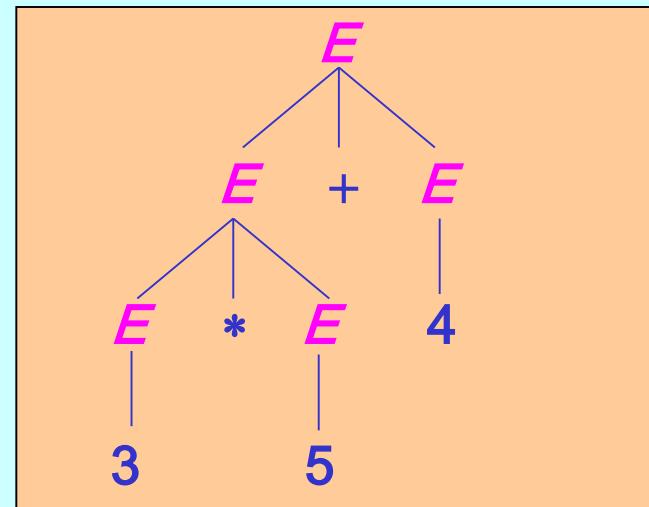
SA: type checking of functions

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$$T \rightarrow T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \quad \{ \textcolor{magenta}{T.type} = T_1.type \rightarrow T_2.type \}$$
$$E \rightarrow E_1 ( E_2 ) \quad \{ \textcolor{magenta}{E.type} = \text{if}(\textcolor{magenta}{E_2.type} = \textcolor{teal}{s} \text{ and } \\ \textcolor{magenta}{E_1.type} = \textcolor{teal}{s} \rightarrow \textcolor{teal}{t}) \\ \text{then } \textcolor{teal}{t} \\ \text{else } \textcolor{teal}{type\_error} \}$$


## ➤ *syntax tree*

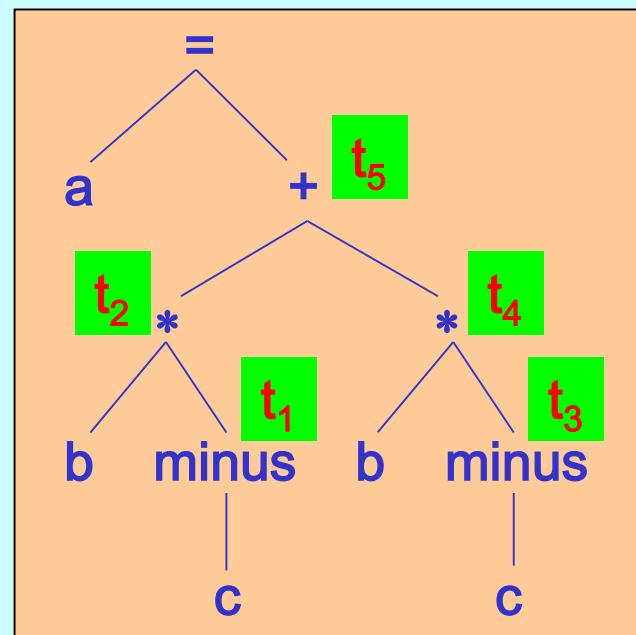
- condensed form of a *parse tree* where operators and keywords replace their non-terminal parent nodes



➤ *three-address code*

- linearized representation of a *syntax tree* in which explicit names correspond to interior nodes

a = b \* - c + b \* - c

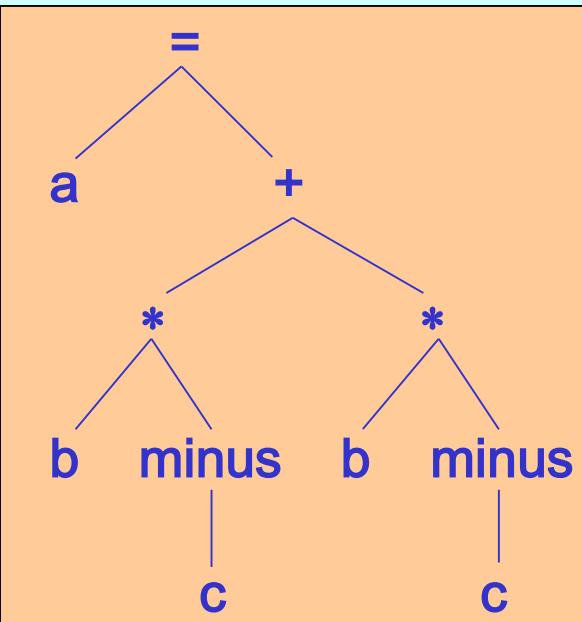


$t_1 = \text{minus } c$   
 $t_2 = b * t_1$   
 $t_3 = \text{minus } c$   
 $t_4 = b * t_3$   
 $t_5 = t_2 + t_4$   
 $a = t_5$

## ICG: construction of syntax trees

$S \rightarrow id = E$	{ $S.n = new\ Assign(\ get(id.lexeme), E.n)$ }
$E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2$	{ $E.n = new\ Op(+, E_1.n, E_2.n)$ }
$E_1 * E_2$	{ $E.n = new\ Op(*, E_1.n, E_2.n)$ }
$- E_1$	{ $E.n = new\ Minus(E_1.n)$ }
$(E_1)$	{ $E.n = E_1.n$ }
$id$	{ $E.n = get(id.lexeme)$ }

a = b \* - c + b \* - c



➤ *three-address code* is built from two concepts:

- *address*

- source-program name
- constant
- compiler-generated temporary name

- *instruction*

- *assignment*

- $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$
    - $\mathbf{x} = op_1 \mathbf{y}$
    - $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} op_2 \mathbf{z}$ 
      - »  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}$  are addresses
      - »  $op_1$  is a unary operator (minus, negation, shift, conversion , ...)
      - »  $op_2$  is a binary operator (arithmetic, logical, ...)



# ICG: three-address code instructions

- *indexed assignment*
  - $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}[\mathbf{i}]$
  - $\mathbf{x}[\mathbf{i}] = \mathbf{y}$
- *address and pointer assignment*
  - $\mathbf{x} = \&\mathbf{y}$
  - $\mathbf{x} = * \mathbf{y}$
  - $* \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$
- *unconditional jump*
  - **goto  $L$**
- *conditional jump*
  - **if  $\mathbf{x}$  goto  $L$**
  - **if  $\mathbf{x} \text{ relop } \mathbf{y}$  goto  $L$**
- *procedure call:*  $p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ 
  - **param  $\mathbf{x}$**
  - **call  $p, n$**
- *procedure return*
  - **return  $\mathbf{y}$**



➤ *quadruples*

- objects with *4 fields*
  - op , arg<sub>1</sub> , arg<sub>2</sub> , result

➤ *triples*

- objects with *3 fields*
  - op , arg<sub>1</sub> , arg<sub>2</sub>
  - the result of an operation is referred by its position

$t_1 = \text{minus } c$
$t_2 = b * t_1$
$t_3 = \text{minus } c$
$t_4 = b * t_3$
$t_5 = t_2 + t_4$
$a = t_5$

	op	arg <sub>1</sub>	arg <sub>2</sub>	result
(0)	minus	c		$t_1$
(1)	*	b	$t_1$	$t_2$
(2)	minus	c		$t_3$
(3)	*	b	$t_3$	$t_4$
(4)	+	$t_2$	$t_4$	$t_5$
(5)	=	$t_5$		a

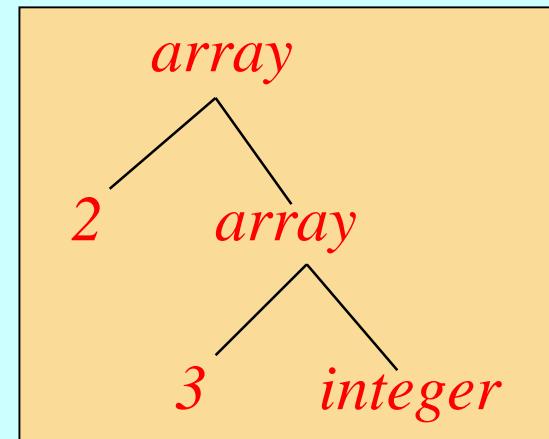
	op	arg <sub>1</sub>	arg <sub>2</sub>
(0)	minus	c	
(1)	*	b	(0)
(2)	minus	c	
(3)	*	b	(2)
(4)	+	(1)	(3)
(5)	=	a	(4)

## ICG: type width (1)

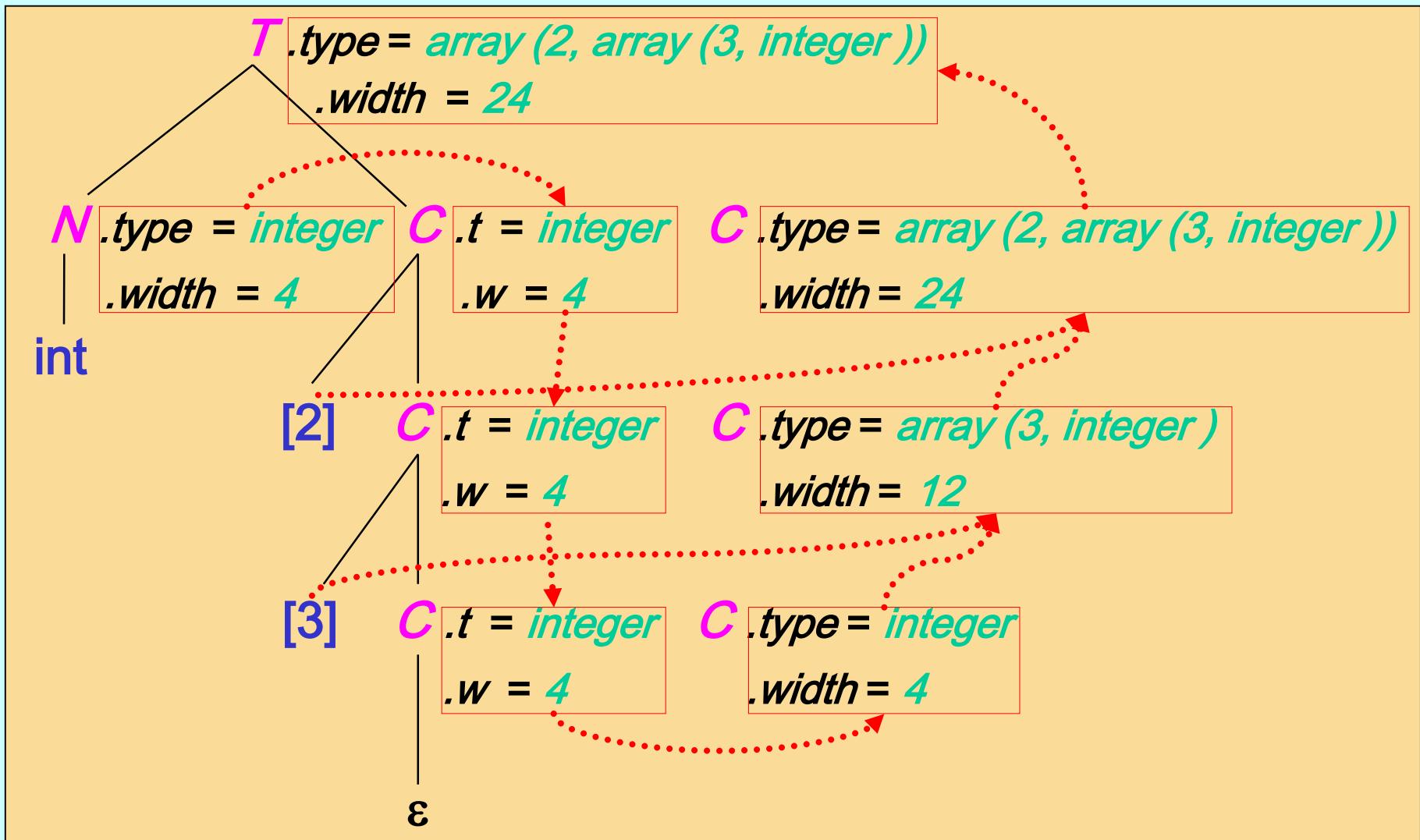
$T \rightarrow N$	{ $C.t = N.type ; C.w = N.width$ }
$C$	{ $T.type = C.type ; T.width = C.width$ }
$N \rightarrow \text{int}$	{ $N.type = \text{integer} ; N.width = 4$ }
$N \rightarrow \text{real}$	{ $N.type = \text{real} ; N.width = 8$ }
$C \rightarrow \epsilon$	{ $C.type = C.t ; C.width = C.w$ }
$C \rightarrow [\text{num}]$	{ $C_1.t = C.t ; C_1.w = C.w$ }
$C_1$	{ $C.type = \text{array}(\text{num}.val, C_1.type) ; C.width = \text{num}.val * C_1.width$ }

int [2] [3]

array ( 2 , array ( 3, integer ) )



## ICG: type width (2)



- *scope* of a declaration of an identifier  $x$ 
  - the *region of program* in which uses of  $x$  refer to this declaration
- *static (lexical) scope*
  - the scope of a declaration is determined by *where* the declaration appears in the program and by *keywords* like *public*, *private* and *protected*
- *multiple* declarations
  - *nested environments* are allowed, where identifiers can be *redeclared*
- *most-closely nested* rule
  - an identifier  $x$  is in the scope of the *most-closely nested* declaration of  $x$



# ICG: multiple declarations

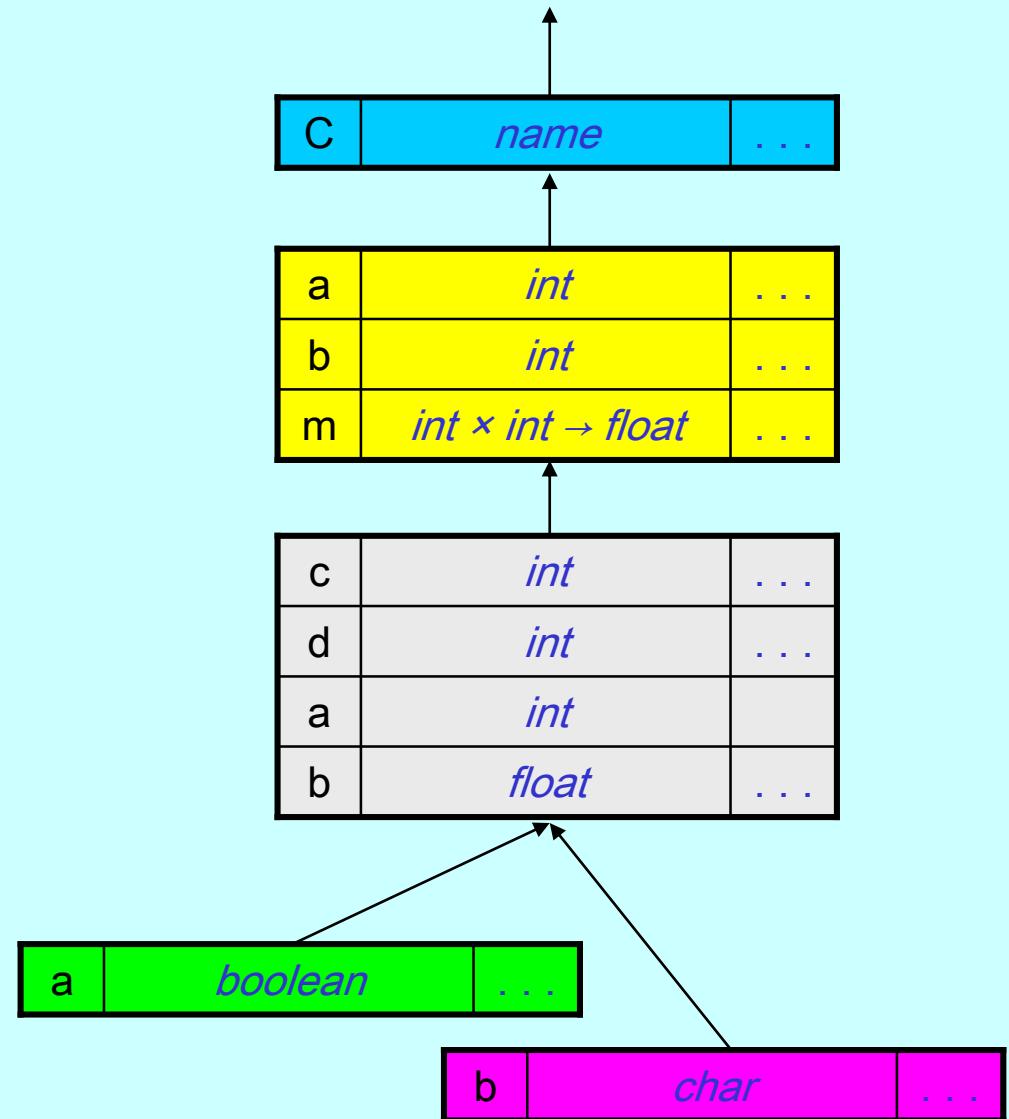
```
class C {  
    int a;  
    int b;  
    float m ( int c, int d ) {  
        int a;  
        float b;  
        ...  
        { boolean a;  
            ...  
        }  
        ...  
        { char b;  
            ...  
        }  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

- *data structures* used to *hold information* about source-program constructs
- *information* is
  - collected incrementally in the *analysis phase*
  - used in the *synthesis phase* to generate the code
- *entries* in the symbol table contain information about an *identifier*
  - *character string* (lexeme)
  - *type*
  - *position* (in storage)
  - ...
- *multiple declarations* of the same identifier can be supported by setting up a *separate* symbol table for each *scope*
- the *most-closely nested* rule can be implemented by *chaining* the symbol tables
  - the table for a *nested* scope points to the table for its *enclosing* scope



# ICG: chained symbol tables

```
class C {
    int a;
    int b;
    float m ( int c, int d ) {
        int a;
        float b;
        ...
        { boolean a;
            ...
        }
        ...
        { char b;
            ...
        }
        ...
    }
}
```



# ICG: implementation of chained symbol tables

```
public class Env {  
    Hashtable <String, Symbol> table ;  
    Env prev ;  
    // Create a new symbol table  
    public Env ( Env p ) {  
        table = new Hashtable <String, Symbol> ( ) ;  
        prev = p ;  
    }  
    // Put a new entry in the current table  
    public boolean put ( String s, Symbol sym ) {  
        if ( table.containsKey ( s ) ) return false ;  
        table.put ( s, sym ) ;  
        return true ;  
    }  
    // Get an entry for an identifier by searching the chain of tables  
    public Symbol get ( String s ) {  
        for ( Env e = this ; e != null ; e = e.prev ) {  
            Symbol found = e.table.get ( s ) ;  
            if ( found != null ) return found ;  
        }  
        return null ;  
    }  
}
```



# ICG: storage layout for sequences of declarations

$P \rightarrow \{ \text{offset} = 0 \} \ D$

$D \rightarrow D \ D$

$D \rightarrow T \ \text{id} ; \quad \{ \text{top.put}(\text{id}.lexeme}, T.type, \text{offset}) ;$   
 $\quad \text{offset} = \text{offset} + T.width \}$

- variable **offset** keeps track of the next available *relative address*
- function ***top.put( id .lexeme , T.type , offset )*** creates a symbol-table entry for **id .lexeme**, with type **T.type** and relative address **offset** in the data area of the current (**top**) symbol table



- the production  $T \rightarrow \text{record } \{ D \}$  adds ***record types***
  - since a field name **X** in a record type does not conflict with other uses of **X**, each *record type* will get *its own symbol table*
  - the **offset** for a field name is relative to the data area of its symbol table
  - a *record type* can be represented by the type expression *record ( t )*, where *t* is a symbol table that holds information about the fields of the record

$$\begin{aligned}
 T \rightarrow \text{record } \{ & \{ \text{Env.push( top )} ; \text{top = new Env( top )} ; \\
 & \text{Storage.push( offset )} ; \text{offset = 0 } \} \\
 D \} & \{ T.\text{type} = \text{record( top )} ; T.\text{width} = \text{offset} ; \\
 & \text{top = Env.pop( )} ; \text{offset = Storage.pop( )} \}
 \end{aligned}$$

- functions ***Env.push( top )*** and ***Storage.push( offset )*** save the current symbol table and offset onto stacks
- functions ***Env.pop( )*** and ***Storage.pop( )*** retrieve the saved symbol table and offset



# ICG: translation of assignment statements

$$S \rightarrow \text{id} = E ; \quad \{ \text{gen}(\text{top.get(id.lexeme)} == E.\text{addr}) \}$$

$$E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2 \quad \{ E.\text{addr} = \text{new Temp}();$$

$$\qquad \qquad \qquad \text{gen}(E.\text{addr} == E_1.\text{addr} + E_2.\text{addr}) \}$$

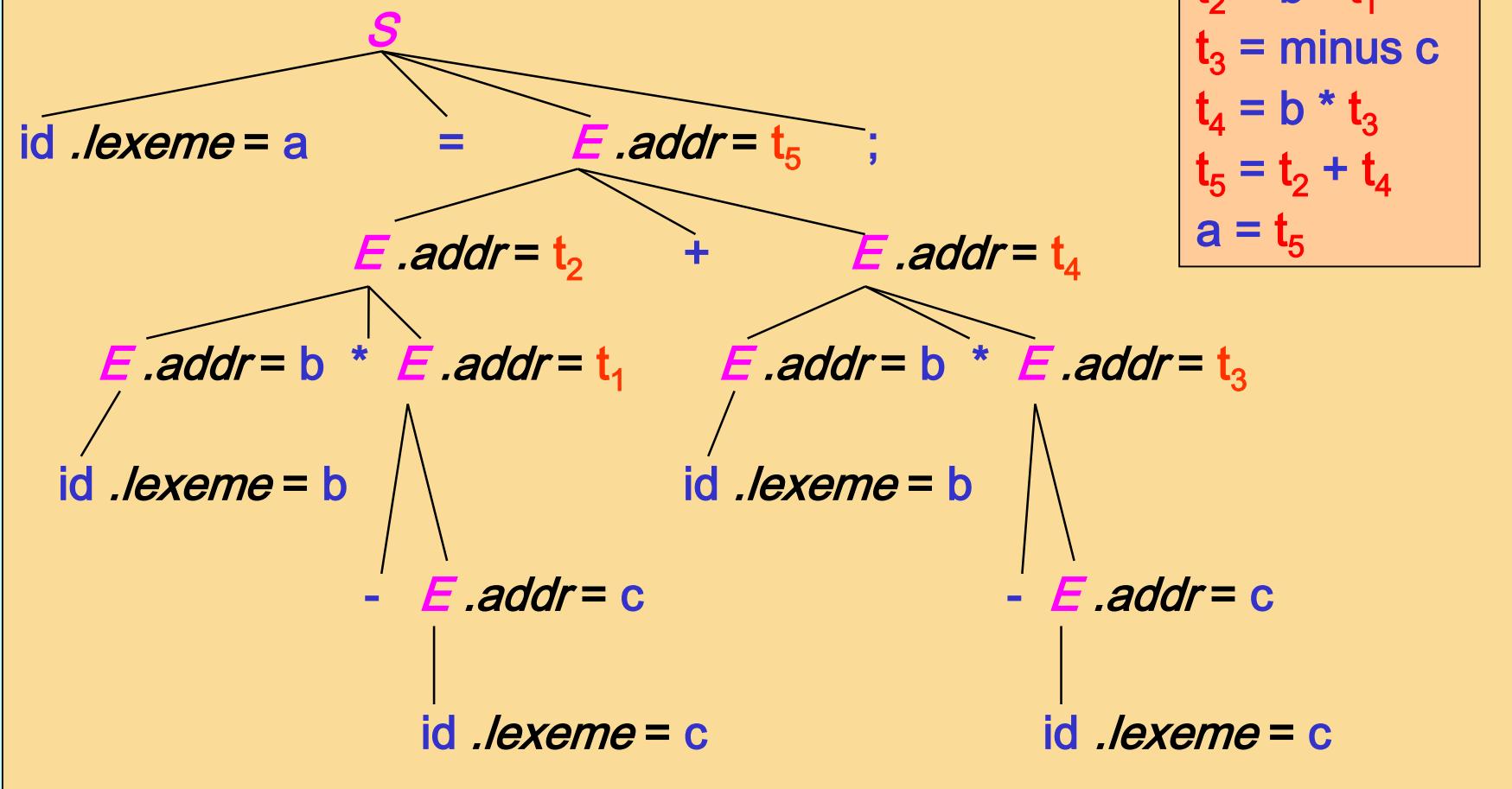
$$| - E_1 \quad \{ E.\text{addr} = \text{new Temp}();$$

$$\qquad \qquad \qquad \text{gen}(E.\text{addr} == \text{"minus"} E_1.\text{addr}) \}$$

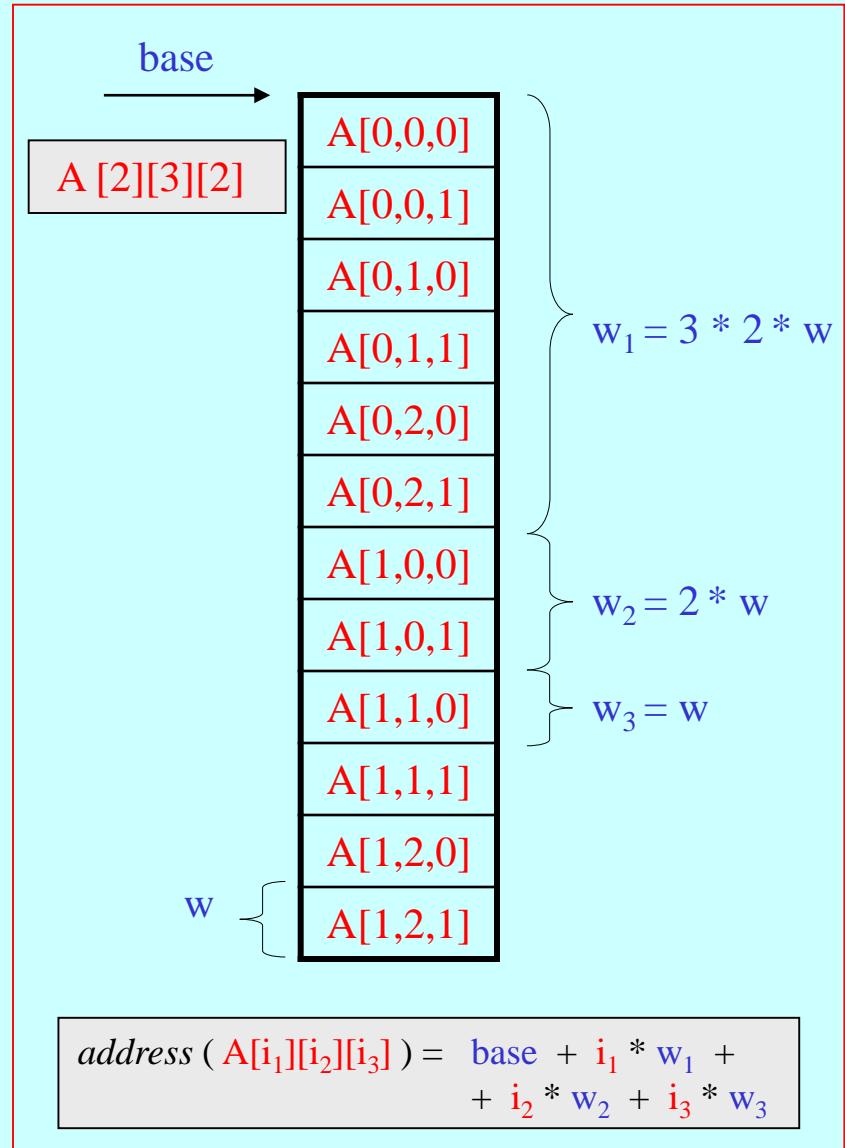
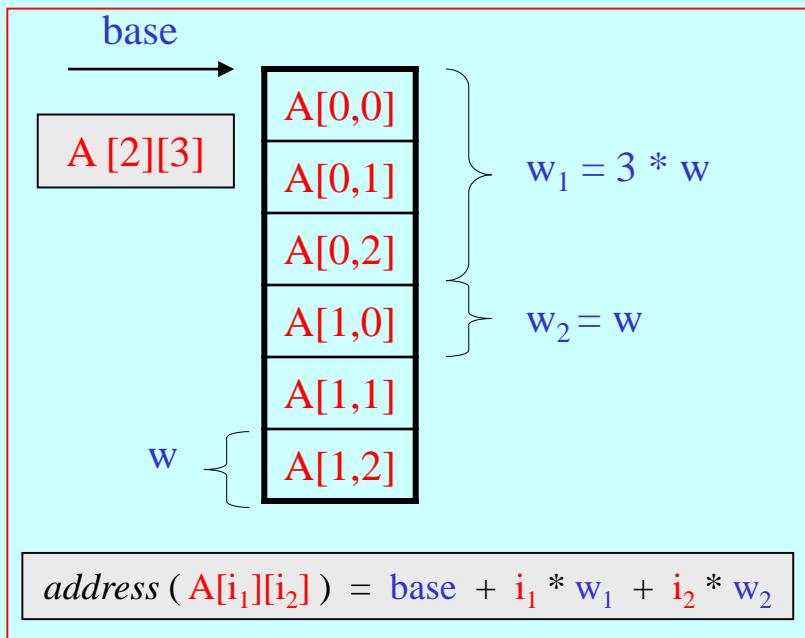
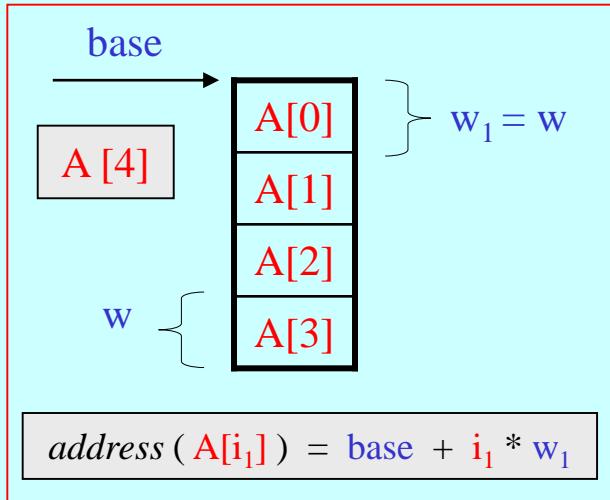
$$| ( E_1 ) \quad \{ E.\text{addr} = E_1.\text{addr} \}$$

$$| \text{id} \quad \{ E.\text{addr} = \text{top.get(id.lexeme)} \}$$

- function ***gen( three-address instruction )***  
constructs a three-address instruction and appends it to  
the sequence generated so far
- function ***top.get( id.lexeme )*** retrieves the entry for  
***id.lexeme*** in the data area of the current (***top***)  
symbol table

ICG: translation of  $a = b * - c + b * - c ;$ 

# ICG: addressing array elements (1)



## ICG: addressing array elements (2)

A [n<sub>1</sub>][n<sub>2</sub>]...[n<sub>k</sub>]

$$\text{address} (\text{A}[i_1][i_2]...[i_k]) = \text{base} + i_1 * w_1 + i_2 * w_2 + ... + i_k * w_k$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq j \leq k-1 : \quad w_j = n_{j+1} * n_{j+2} * ... * n_k * w$$

$$\text{for } j = k : \quad w_k = w$$



$$L \rightarrow L [ E ] \mid id [ E ]$$

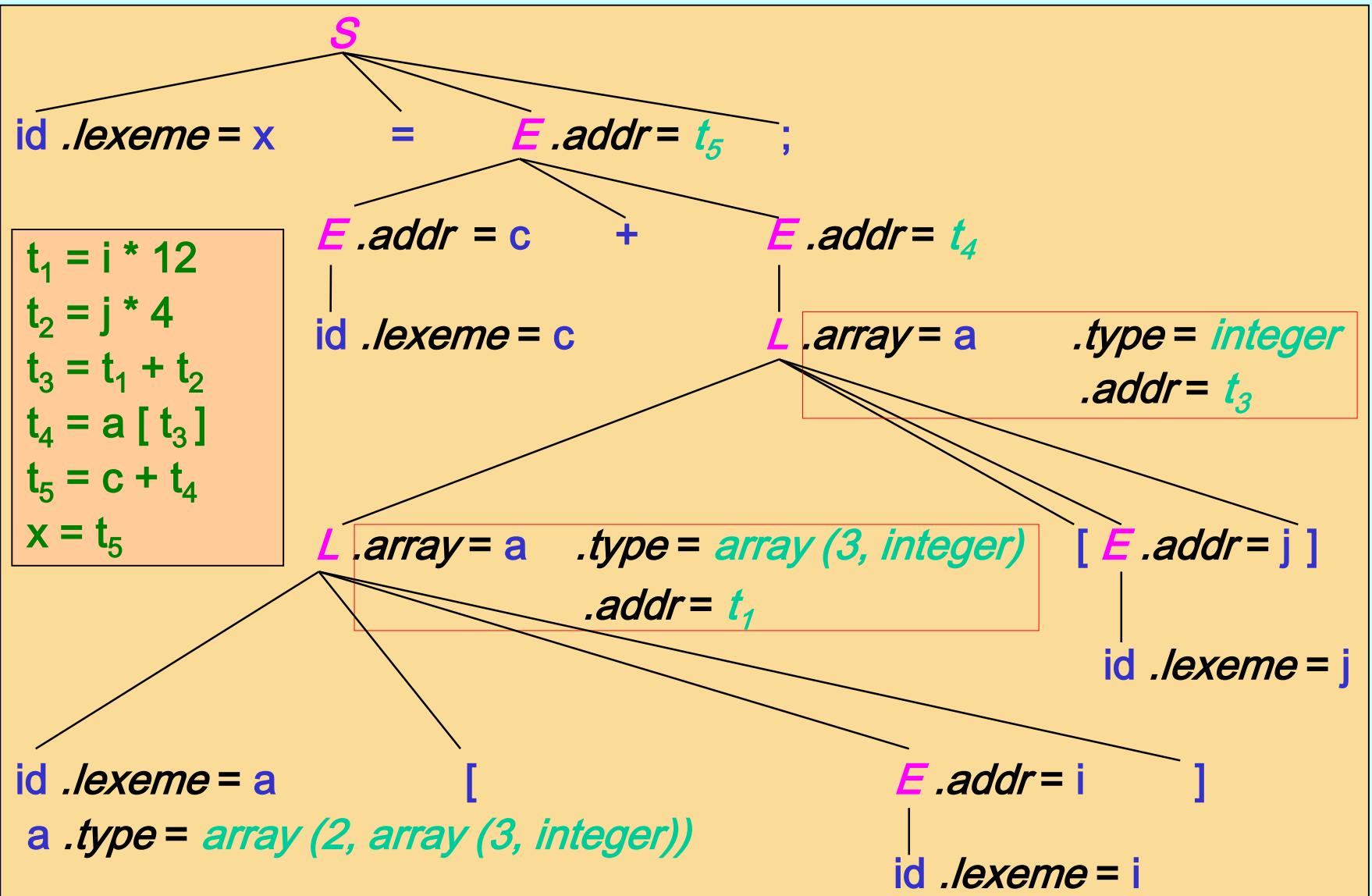
- $L.addr$ 
  - sum of the terms  $i_j * w_j$
- $L.array$ 
  - pointer to the symbol-table entry for the array name
  - $L.array.base$ 
    - base address of the array
  - $L.array.type$ 
    - type of the array
  - $L.array.type.elem$ 
    - type of the array elements
- $L.type$ 
  - type of the sub-array generated by  $L$
  - $L.type.width$ 
    - width of the sub-array generated by  $L$
  - $L.type.elem$ 
    - type of the elements of the sub-array generated by  $L$



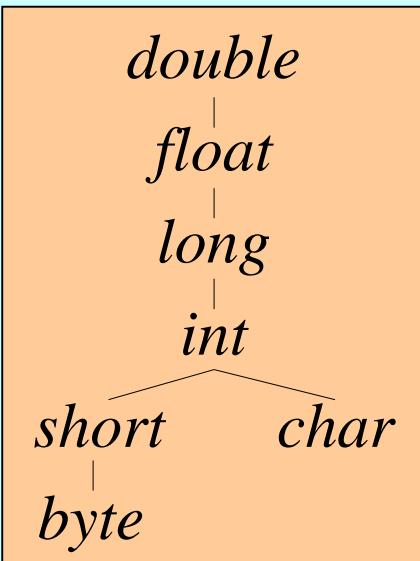
# ICG: translation of array references (2)

$S \rightarrow id = E;$	{ <i>gen</i> ( <i>top.get</i> ( <i>id.lexeme</i> ) “=” <i>E.addr</i> ) }
$L = E;$	{ <i>gen</i> ( <i>L.array.base</i> “[” <i>L.addr</i> “]” “=” <i>E.addr</i> ) }
$E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2$	{ <i>E.addr</i> = <i>new Temp()</i> ; <i>gen</i> ( <i>E.addr</i> “=” <i>E<sub>1</sub>.addr</i> “+” <i>E<sub>2</sub>.addr</i> ) }
<i>id</i>	{ <i>E.addr</i> = <i>top.get</i> ( <i>id.lexeme</i> ) }
<i>L</i>	{ <i>E.addr</i> = <i>new Temp()</i> ; <i>gen</i> ( <i>E.addr</i> “=” <i>L.array.base</i> “[” <i>L.addr</i> “]” ) }
$L \rightarrow id [ E ]$	{ <i>L.array</i> = <i>top.get</i> ( <i>id.lexeme</i> ) ; <i>L.type</i> = <i>L.array.type.elem</i> ; <i>L.addr</i> = <i>new Temp()</i> ; <i>gen</i> ( <i>L.addr</i> “=” <i>E.addr</i> “*” <i>L.type.width</i> ) }
<i>L<sub>1</sub>[E]</i>	{ <i>L.array</i> = <i>L<sub>1</sub>.array</i> ; <i>L.type</i> = <i>L<sub>1</sub>.type.elem</i> ; <i>L.addr</i> = <i>new Temp()</i> ; <i>t</i> = <i>new Temp()</i> ; <i>gen</i> ( <i>t</i> “=” <i>E.addr</i> “*” <i>L.type.width</i> ) <i>gen</i> ( <i>L.addr</i> “=” <i>L<sub>1</sub>.addr</i> “+” <i>t</i> ) }

# ICG: translation of $x = c + a[i][j];$



## SA: type conversions (1)



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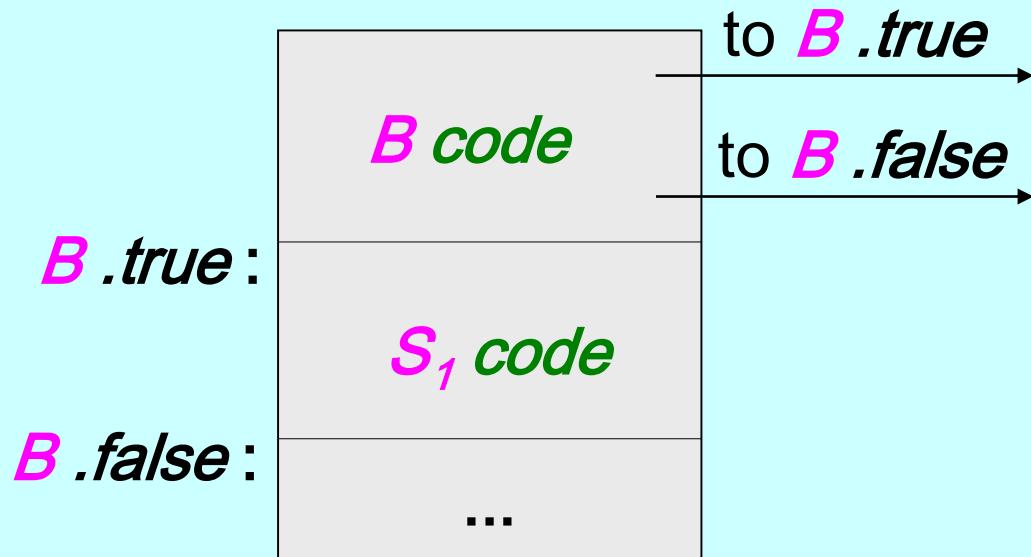
Addr widen ( Addr a , Type t , Type w ) ;
if( t = w ) return a
else if( t = integer and w = float )
{ temp = new Temp ( );
gen (temp “=” float (a));
return temp }
else if...
else error
  
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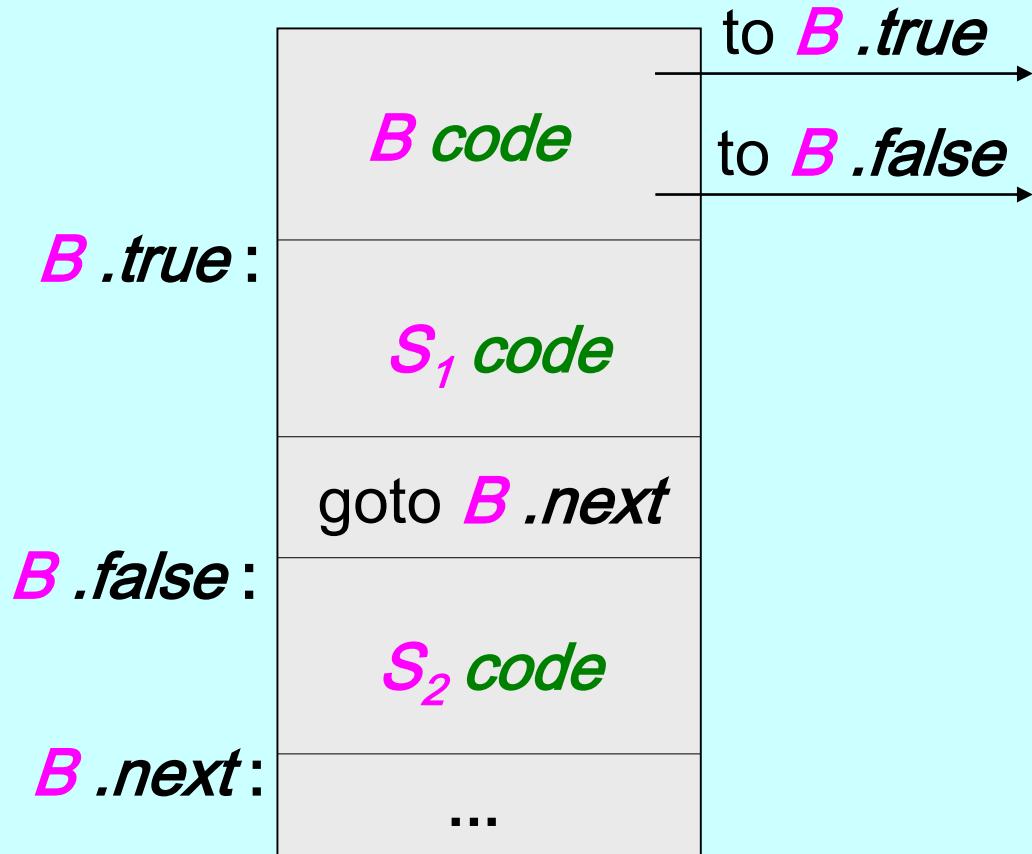
- function **widen(a, t, w)** generates type conversions if needed to widen an address **a** of type **t** into an address of type **w**
- function **max(t<sub>1</sub>, t<sub>2</sub>)** returns the maximum of two types in the widening hierarchy

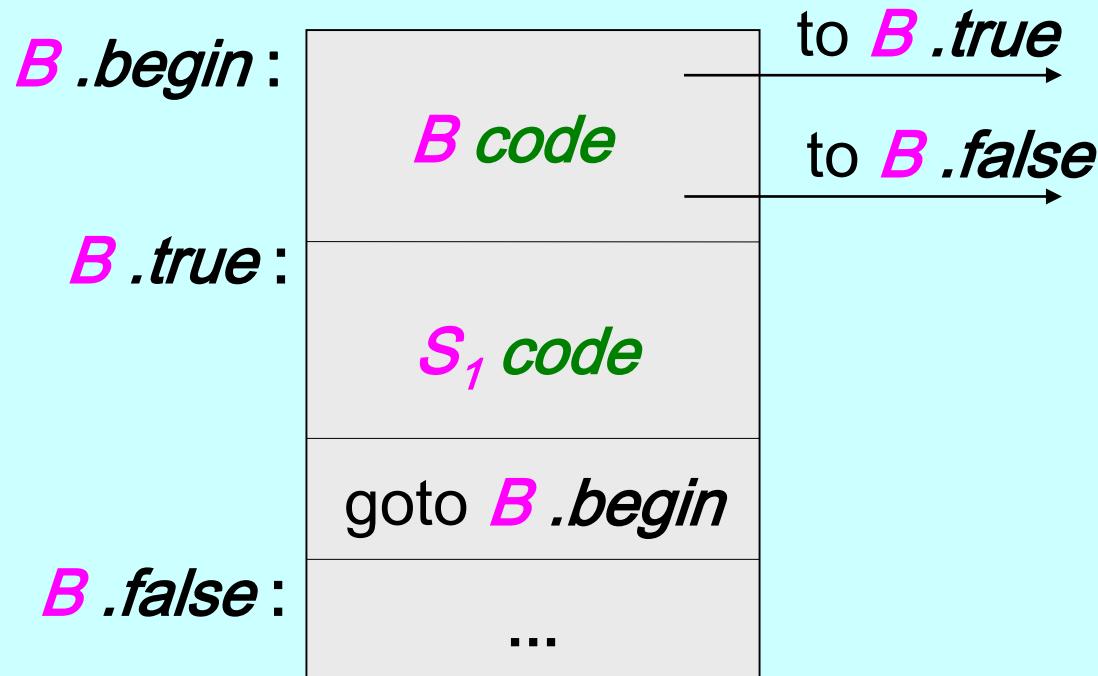
## SA: type conversions (2)

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 $E \rightarrow E_1 + E_2 \{ E.type = \max(E_1.type, E_2.type);$ 
 $a_1 = widen(E_1.addr, E_1.type, E.type);$ 
 $a_2 = widen(E_2.addr, E_2.type, E.type);$ 
 $E.addr = new Temp();$ 
 $gen(E.addr = a_1 + a_2) \}$ 
```



$$S \rightarrow \text{if}(\ B\ )\ S_1$$


$$S \rightarrow \text{if}(\ B\ )\ S_1 \text{ else } S_2$$


$$S \rightarrow \text{while} ( B ) S_1$$


# ICG: translation of flow-of-control statements (4)

$S \rightarrow \text{id} = E ; \quad \{ \text{gen}(\text{top.get(id.lexeme)} " = " E.addr) \}$

$S \rightarrow S S$

$S \rightarrow \text{if} ( \quad \{ B.\text{true} = \text{newLabel}(); B.\text{false} = \text{newLabel}() \}$   
 $\quad B) \quad \{ \text{gen}(B.\text{true}) \}$   
 $\quad S \quad \{ \text{gen}(B.\text{false}) \}$

$S \rightarrow \text{if} ( \quad \{ B.\text{true} = \text{newLabel}(); B.\text{false} = \text{newLabel}();$   
 $\quad B.\text{next} = \text{newLabel}() \}$   
 $\quad B) \quad \{ \text{gen}(B.\text{true}) \}$   
 $\quad S \text{ else } \{ \text{gen}(\text{"goto"} B.\text{next}); \text{gen}(B.\text{false}) \}$   
 $\quad S \quad \{ \text{gen}(B.\text{next}) \}$

$S \rightarrow \text{while} ( \quad \{ B.\text{begin} = \text{newLabel}(); B.\text{true} = \text{newLabel}();$   
 $\quad B.\text{false} = \text{newLabel}(); \text{gen}(B.\text{begin}) \}$   
 $\quad B) \quad \{ \text{gen}(B.\text{true}) \}$   
 $\quad S \quad \{ \text{gen}(\text{"goto"} B.\text{begin}); \text{gen}(B.\text{false}) \}$



# ICG: translation of Boolean expressions

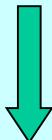
$$B \rightarrow B \parallel B \mid B \&\& B \mid !B \mid (B) \mid E \text{rel } E \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false}$$
$$\text{rel}.op \in \{ <, \leq, ==, !=, >, \geq \}$$

- *AND* ( **&&** ) and *OR* ( **||** ) operators are *left associative*
- *NOT* ( **!** ) takes *precedence* over *AND*, which takes *precedence* over *OR*
- the semantic definition of the programming language determines whether all parts of an expression must be evaluated



# ICG: evaluation of Boolean expressions

```
if ( x < 100 || x > 200 && x != y ) x = 0 ;
```



```
if x < 100 goto L1
```

```
t1 = false
```

```
goto L2
```

```
L1: t1 = true
```

```
L2: if x > 200 goto L3
```

```
t2 = false
```

```
goto L4
```

```
L3: t2 = true
```

```
L4: if x != y goto L5
```

```
t3 = false
```

```
goto L6
```

```
L5: t3 = true
```

```
L6: t4 = t2 && t3
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```
t5 = t1 || t4
```

```
if t5 goto L7
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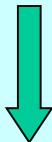
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goto L8
```

```
L7: x = 0
```

```
L8:
```



```
if ( x < 100 || x > 200 && x != y ) x = 0 ;
```



```
if x < 100 goto L2
goto L3
L3: if x > 200 goto L4
      goto L1
L4: if x != y goto L2
      goto L1
L2: x = 0
L1:
```



# ICG: control-flow translation of Boolean expressions (2)

$B \rightarrow$	$\{ B_1.\text{true} = B.\text{true} ; B_1.\text{false} = \text{newLabel}() \}$
$B_1 \parallel$	$\{ B_2.\text{true} = B.\text{true} ; B_2.\text{false} = B.\text{false} ; \text{gen}(B_1.\text{false}) \}$
$B_2$	
$B \rightarrow$	$\{ B_1.\text{true} = \text{newLabel}() ; B_1.\text{false} = B.\text{false} \}$
$B_1 \&&$	$\{ B_2.\text{true} = B.\text{true} ; B_2.\text{false} = B.\text{false} ; \text{gen}(B_1.\text{true}) \}$
$B_2$	
$B \rightarrow !$	$\{ B_1.\text{true} = B.\text{false} ; B_1.\text{false} = B.\text{true} \}$
$B_1$	
$B \rightarrow E_1 \text{ rel } E_2$	$\{ \text{gen}(\text{"if " } E_1.\text{addr} \text{ rel.op } E_2.\text{addr "goto" } B.\text{true}) ;$ $\text{gen}(\text{"goto" } B.\text{false}) \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{true}$	$\{ \text{gen}(\text{"goto" } B.\text{true}) \}$
$B \rightarrow \text{false}$	$\{ \text{gen}(\text{"goto" } B.\text{false}) \}$

## ICG: translation of flow-of-control statements (5)

```
while ( a < x )
    if ( c > d )
        x = y + z ;
    else
        x = y - z ;
```



```
L1: if a < x goto L2
      goto Lnext
L2: if c > d goto L3
      goto L4
L3: t1 = y + z
      x = t1
      goto L1
L4: t2 = y - z
      x = t2
      goto L1

Lnext:
```



- in the code for flow-of-control statements, *jump instructions* must often be generated before the *jump target* has been *determined (forward references)*
- if *labels*  $B.\text{true}$  and  $B.\text{false}$  are passed as *inherited attributes*, a separate pass of translation is needed to *bind labels* to *instruction addresses*
- a complementary approach, called *back-patching*, passes *lists of jumps*  $B.\text{truelist}$  and  $B.\text{falselist}$  as *synthesized attributes*
- when a jump to an undetermined target is generated, the *target* of the jump is temporarily left *unspecified*
- each such jump is put on a *list of jumps* having the *same target*
- jump instructions in a list are then *completed* when the *proper target* can be *determined*



- function ***makelist( i )*** creates a new list of jumps containing only the index ***i*** into the sequence of instructions
  - returns a pointer to the newly created list
- function ***merge( p<sub>1</sub>, p<sub>2</sub> )*** concatenates the lists pointed to by ***p<sub>1</sub>*** and ***p<sub>2</sub>***
  - returns a pointer to the concatenated list
- function ***backpatch( p, i )*** inserts ***i*** as the target label for each of the instructions on the list pointed to by ***p***



# ICG: back-patching for Boolean expressions

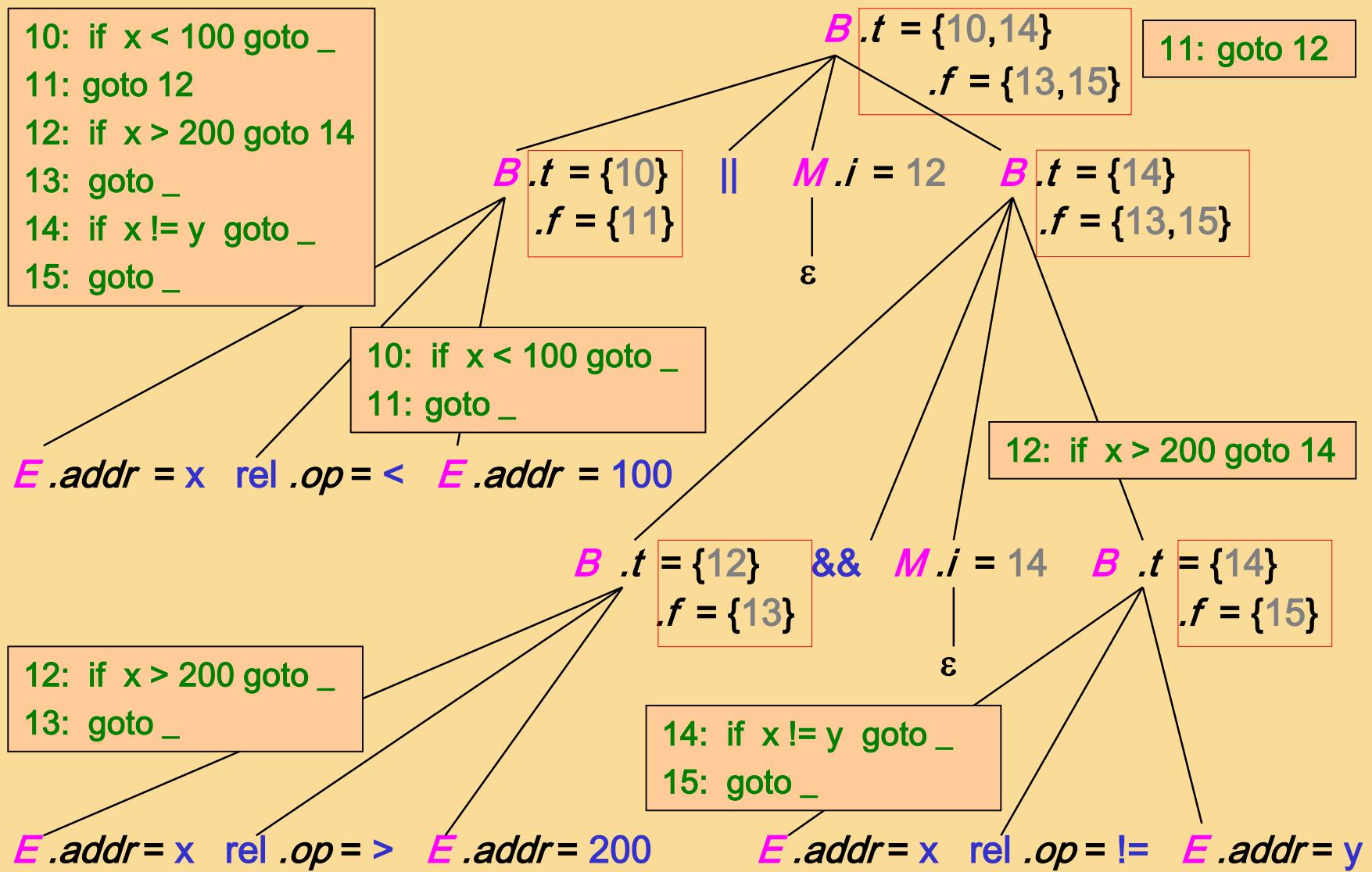
$B \rightarrow B_1 \parallel M B_2$	{ <i>backpatch</i> ( $B_1$ . <i>falselist</i> , $M$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; $B$ . <i>truelist</i> = <i>merge</i> ( $B_1$ . <i>truelist</i> , $B_2$ . <i>truelist</i> ) ; $B$ . <i>falselist</i> = $B_2$ . <i>falselist</i> }
$B \rightarrow B_1 \&& M B_2$	{ <i>backpatch</i> ( $B_1$ . <i>truelist</i> , $M$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; $B$ . <i>truelist</i> = $B_2$ . <i>truelist</i> ; $B$ . <i>falselist</i> = <i>merge</i> ( $B_1$ . <i>falselist</i> , $B_2$ . <i>falselist</i> ) }
$B \rightarrow ! B_1$	{ $B$ . <i>truelist</i> = $B_1$ . <i>falselist</i> ; $B$ . <i>falselist</i> = $B_1$ . <i>truelist</i> }
$B \rightarrow E_1 \text{ rel } E_2$	{ $B$ . <i>truelist</i> = <i>makelist</i> ( <i>nextinstr</i> ) ; $B$ . <i>falselist</i> = <i>makelist</i> ( <i>nextinstr</i> + 1 ) ; <i>gen</i> ("if" $E_1$ . <i>addr</i> <i>rel.op</i> $E_2$ . <i>addr</i> "goto _") ; <i>gen</i> ("goto _") }
$B \rightarrow \text{true}$	{ $B$ . <i>truelist</i> = <i>makelist</i> ( <i>nextinstr</i> ) ; <i>gen</i> ("goto _") }
$B \rightarrow \text{false}$	{ $B$ . <i>falselist</i> = <i>makelist</i> ( <i>nextinstr</i> ) ; <i>gen</i> ("goto _") }
$M \rightarrow \epsilon$	{ $M$ . <i>instr</i> = <i>nextinstr</i> }

# ICG: translation of $x < 100 \parallel x > 200 \&\& x \neq y$

```

10: if x < 100 goto _
11: goto 12
12: if x > 200 goto 14
13: goto _
14: if x != y goto _
15: goto _

```



# ICG: back-patching for flow-of-control statements (1)

$S \rightarrow \text{if } (\text{ } B \text{) } M S,$	{ <i>backpatch</i> ( $B$ . <i>truelist</i> , $M$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> = <i>merge</i> ( $B$ . <i>falselist</i> , $S_1$ . <i>nextlist</i> ) }
$S \rightarrow \text{if } (\text{ } B \text{) } M_1 S_1 \text{ Nelse } M_2 S_2$	{ <i>backpatch</i> ( $B$ . <i>truelist</i> , $M_1$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; <i>backpatch</i> ( $B$ . <i>falselist</i> , $M_2$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; $\text{temp} = \text{merge}(S_1.\text{nextlist}, N.\text{nextlist})$ ; $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> = <i>merge</i> ( $\text{temp}$ , $S_2$ . <i>nextlist</i> ) }
$S \rightarrow \text{while } M_1 (\text{ } B \text{) } M_2 S_1$	{ <i>backpatch</i> ( $S_1$ . <i>nextlist</i> , $M_1$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; <i>backpatch</i> ( $B$ . <i>truelist</i> , $M_2$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> = $B$ . <i>falselist</i> ; <i>gen</i> ("goto" $M_1$ . <i>instr</i> ) }
$S \rightarrow \{ L \}$	{ $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> = $L$ . <i>nextlist</i> }
$S \rightarrow \text{id} = E;$	{ $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> = <i>null</i> ; <i>gen</i> ( <i>top.get</i> ( $\text{id}$ . <i>lexeme</i> ) "=" $E$ . <i>addr</i> ) }
$L \rightarrow L, M S$	{ <i>backpatch</i> ( $L_1$ . <i>nextlist</i> , $M$ . <i>instr</i> ) ; $L$ . <i>nextlist</i> = $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> }
$L \rightarrow S$	{ $L$ . <i>nextlist</i> = $S$ . <i>nextlist</i> }
$M \rightarrow \epsilon$	{ $M$ . <i>instr</i> = <i>nextinstr</i> }
$N \rightarrow \epsilon$	{ $N$ . <i>nextlist</i> = <i>makelist</i> ( <i>nextinstr</i> ) ; <i>gen</i> ("goto _") }

# ICG: back-patching for flow-of-control statements (2)

```
while ( a < x )
    if ( c > d )
        x = y + z ;
    else
        x = y - z ;
```



```
10: if a < x goto 12
11: goto _
12: if c > d goto 14
13: goto 17
14: t1 = y + z
15: x = t1
16: goto 10
17: t2 = y - z
18: x = t2
19: goto 10
```

*S*.nextlist = {11}



# ICG: back-patching for flow-of-control statements (3)

