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# Lecture 8: Bottom-up Analysis

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# In A Nutshell

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# What is Bottom-Up Parsing?

- **Idea:** Apply productions **in reverse** to convert the user's program to the start symbol.
  - We can think of bottom-up parsing as the process of "reducing" a string  $w$  to the start symbol of the grammar. At each reduction step, a specific substring matching the body of a production is replaced by the nonterminal at the head of that production.
- Keywords
  - Reductions, handle, shift-reduce parsing, conflicts, LR grammars

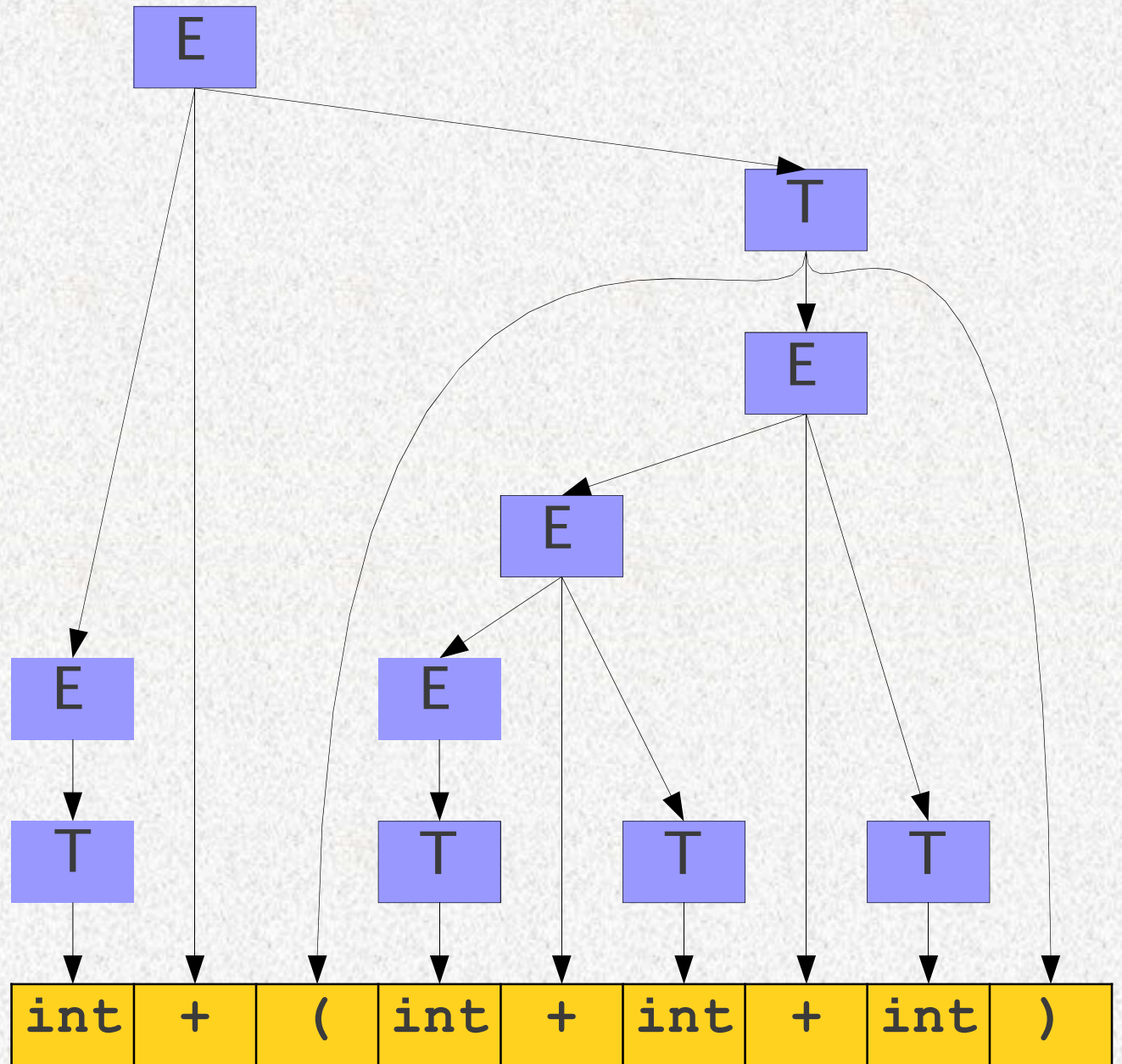
# What is Bottom-Up Parsing?

- Four major **directional**, **predictive** bottom-up parsing techniques:
  - **Directional**: Scan the input from left-to-right.
  - **Predictive**: Guess which production should be inverted.
  - The largest class of grammars for which shift-reduce parsers can be built, the LR grammars: **LR(0)**, **SLR(0)**, **LR(1)**, **LALR(1)**

# A View of a Bottom-Up Parse

$E \rightarrow T$   
 $E \rightarrow E + T$   
 $T \rightarrow \text{int}$   
 $T \rightarrow (E)$

$\text{int} + (\text{int} + \text{int} + \text{int})$   
 $\Rightarrow T + (\text{int} + \text{int} + \text{int})$   
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A left-to-right, bottom-up parse is a rightmost derivation traced in reverse.

# A View of a Bottom-Up Parse

int + (int + int + int)  
⇒ T + (int + int + int)  
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Each step in this bottom-up parse is called a reduction. We reduce a substring of the sentential form back to a nonterminal (start symbol).

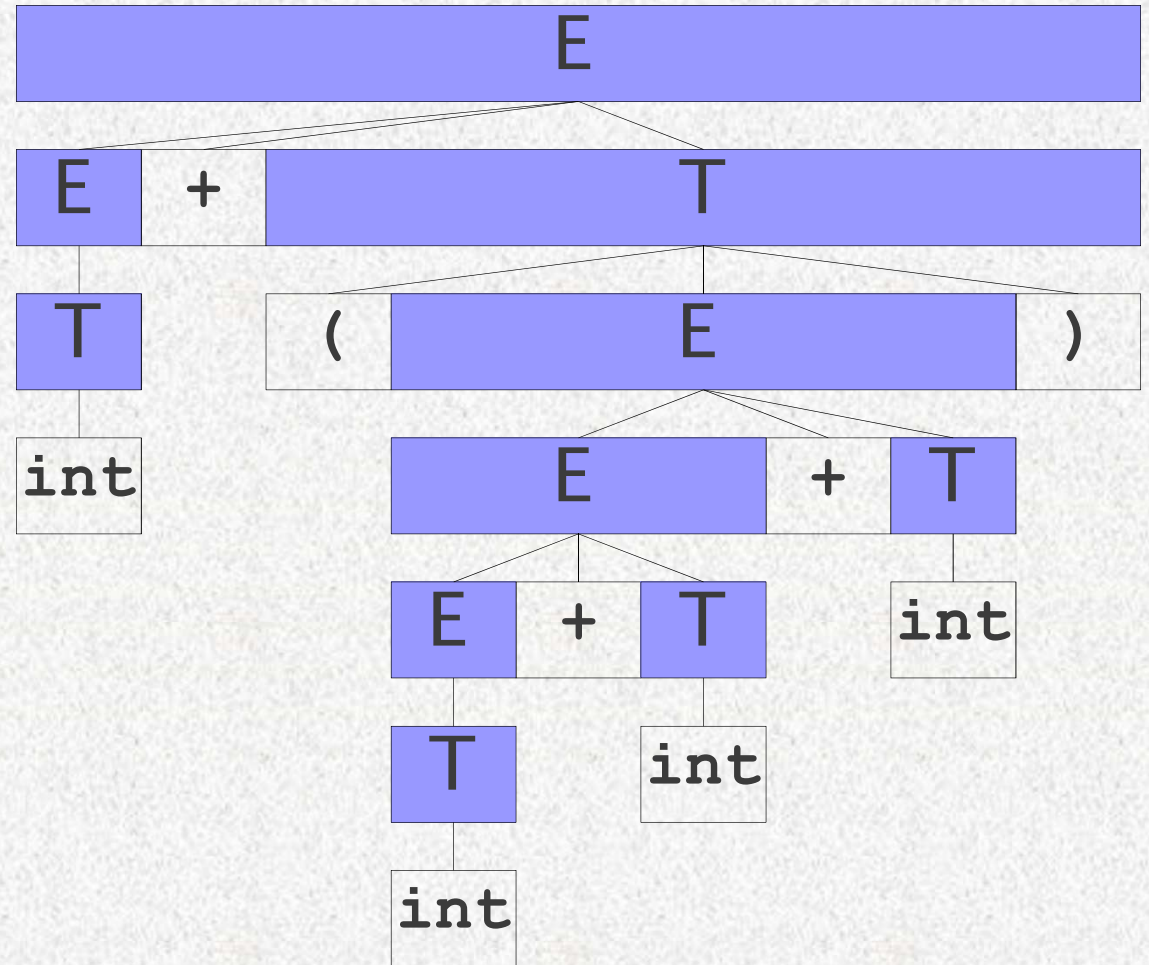
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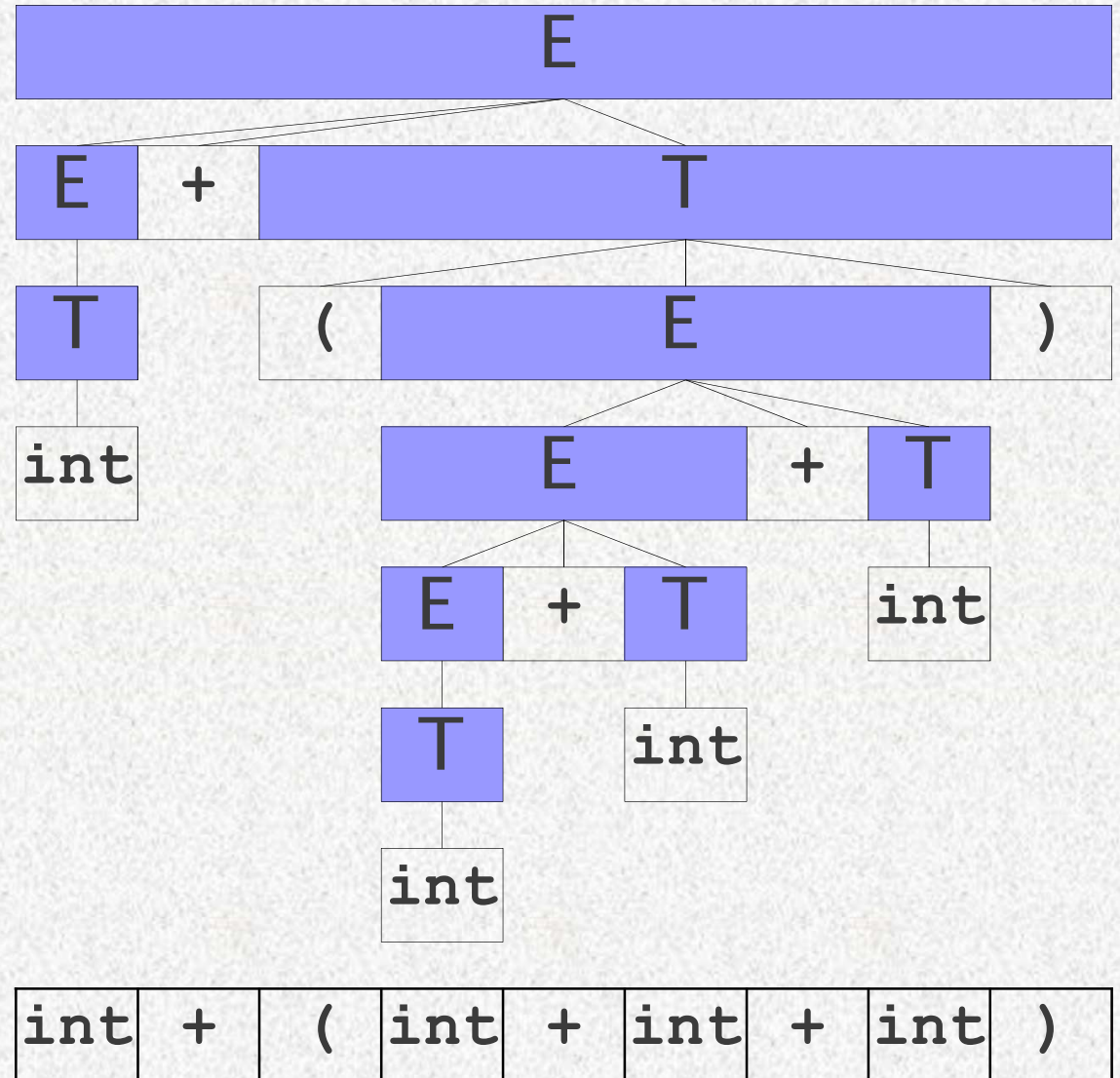
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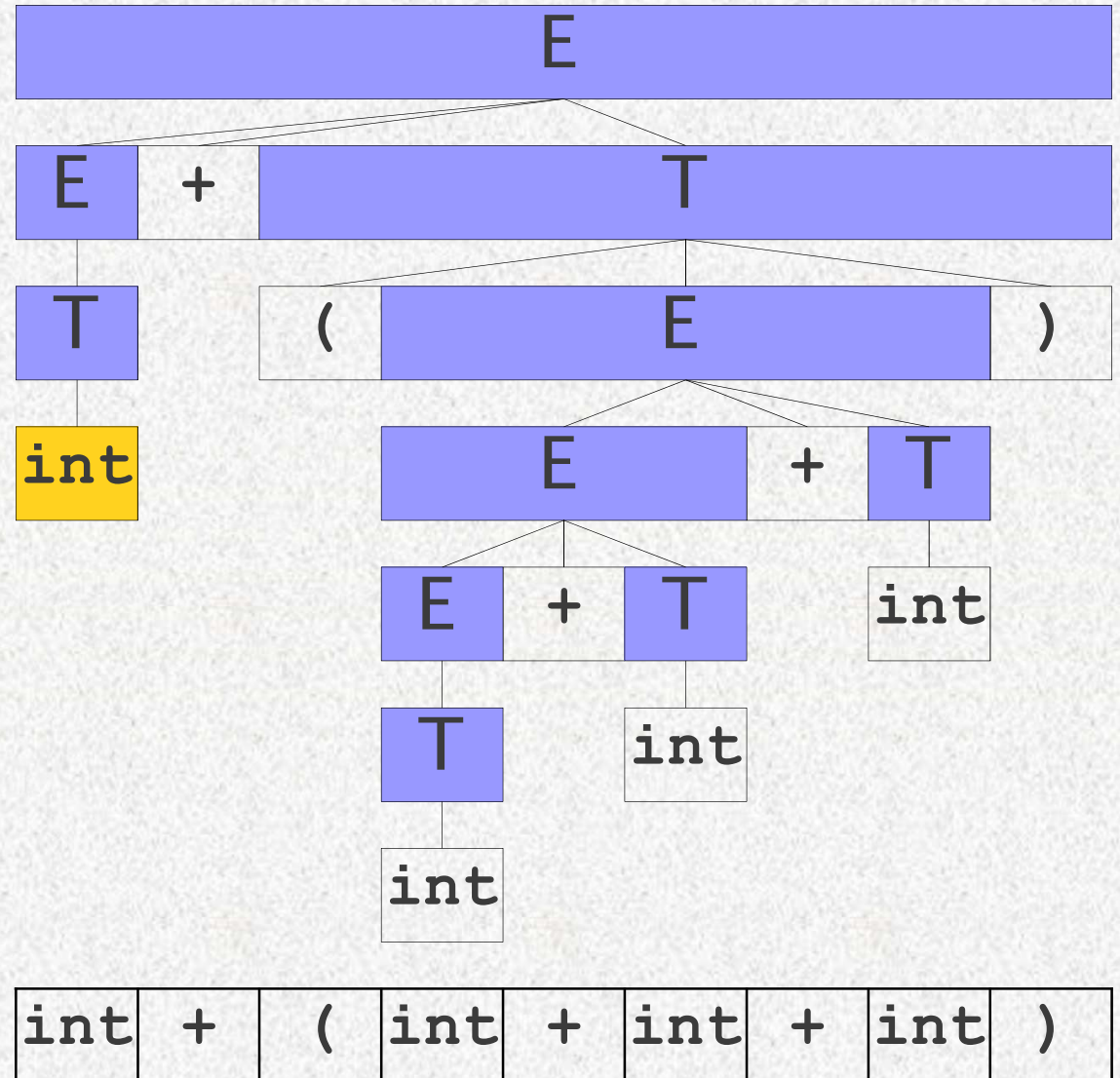
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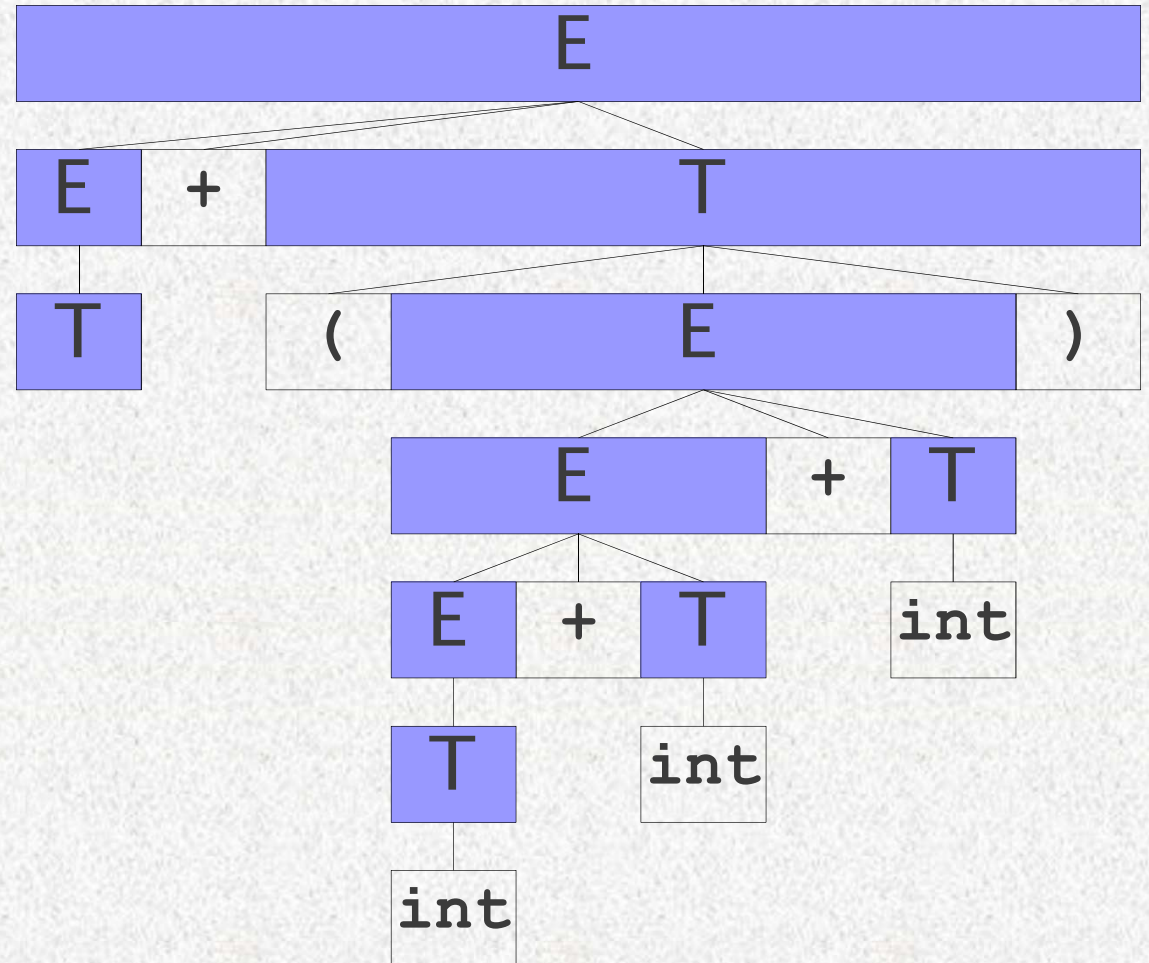
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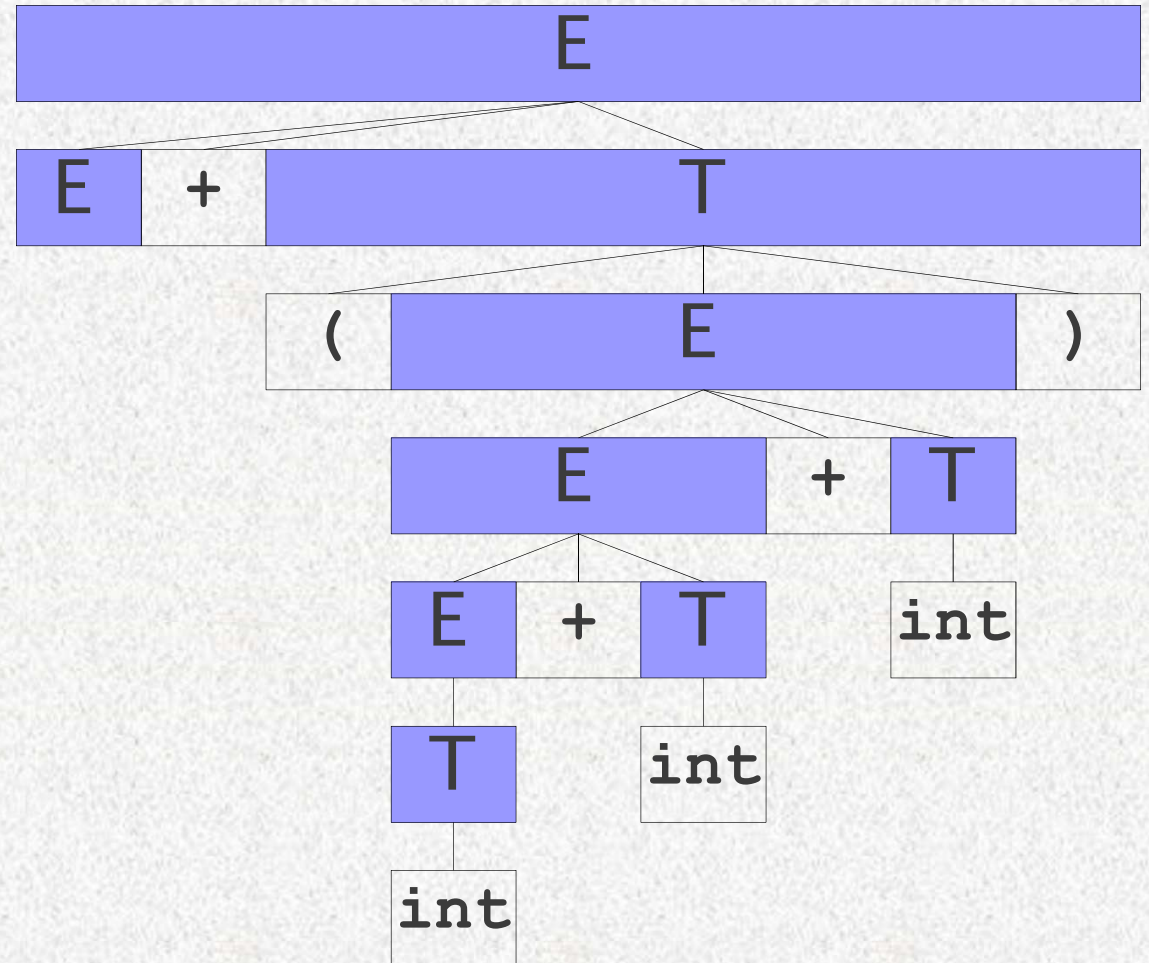
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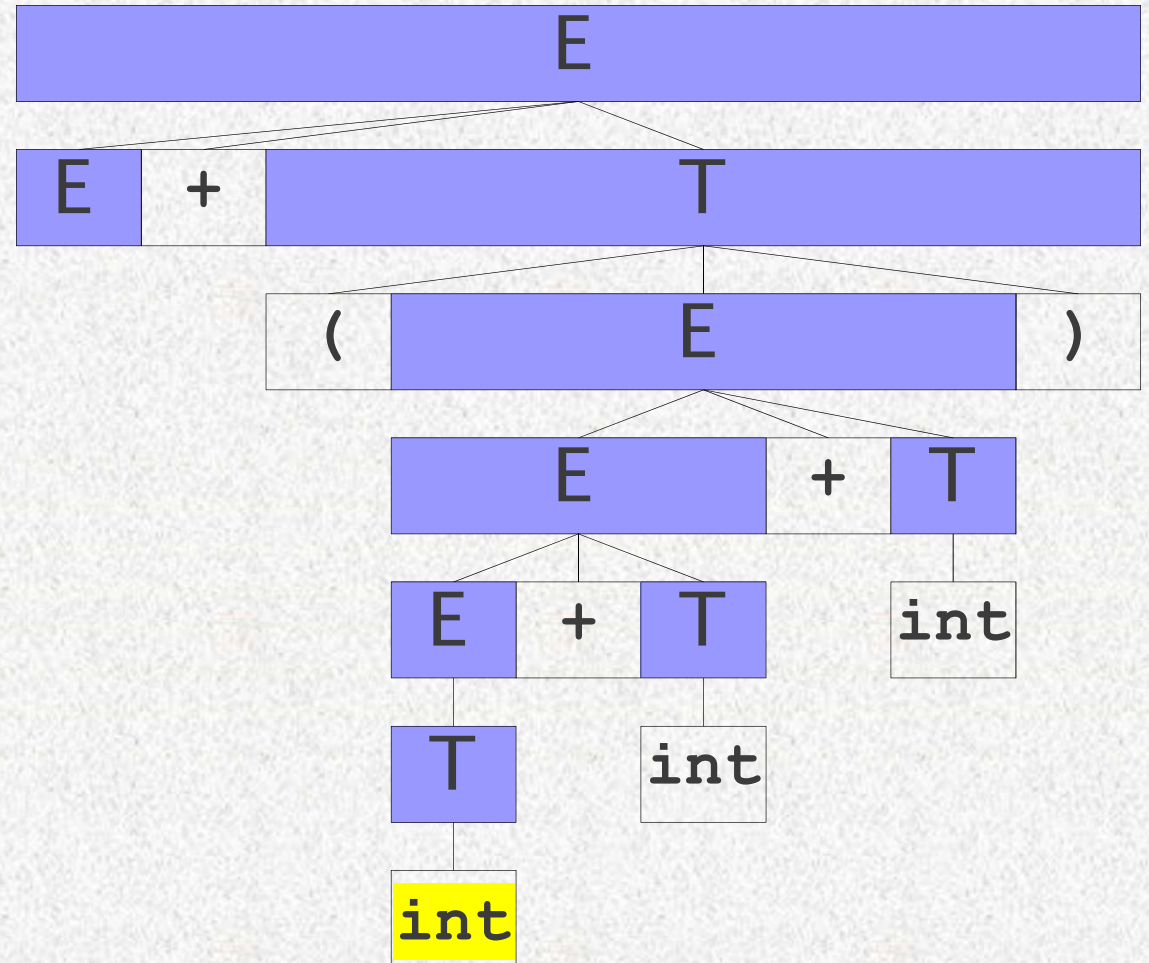
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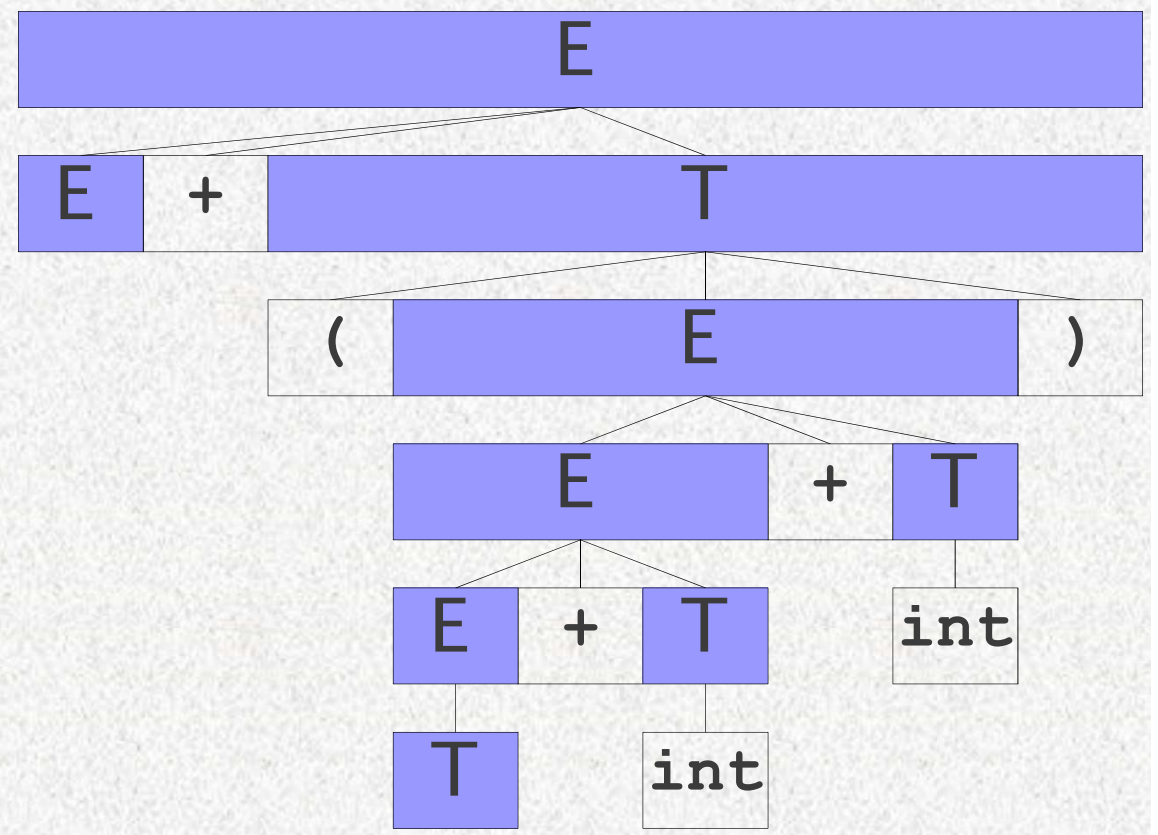
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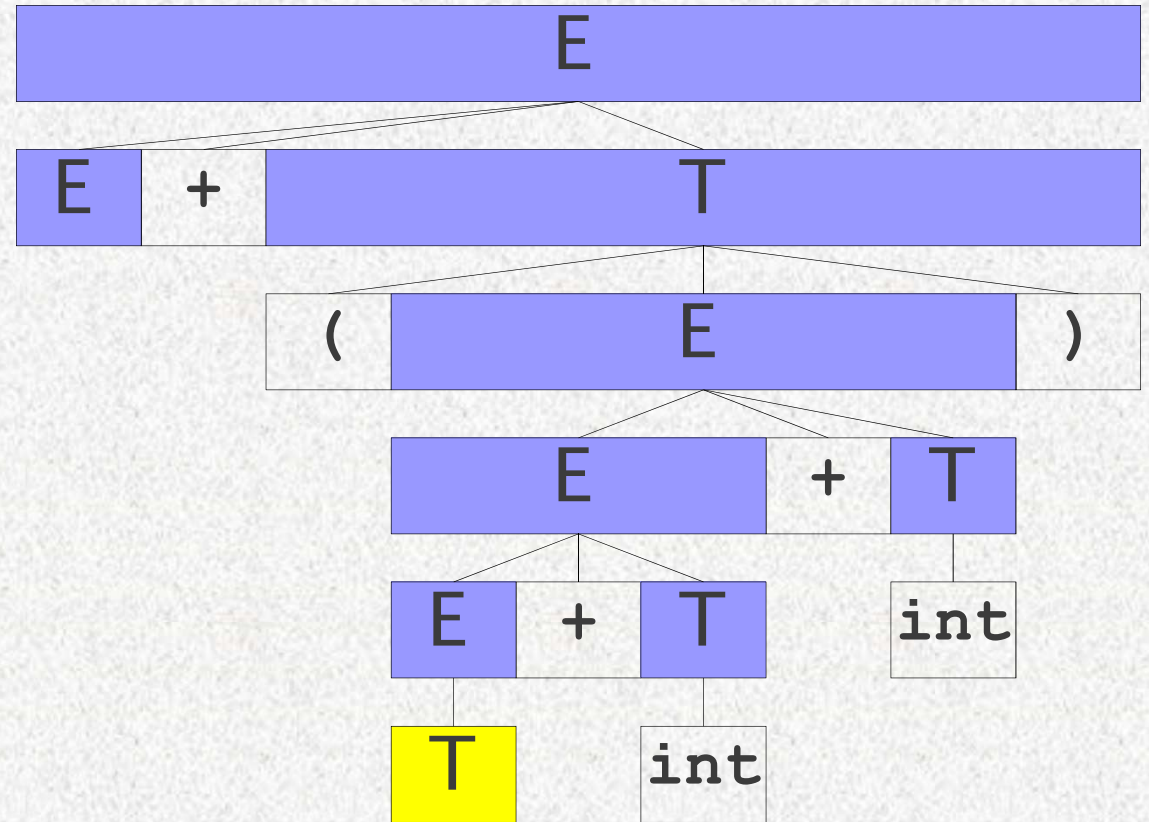
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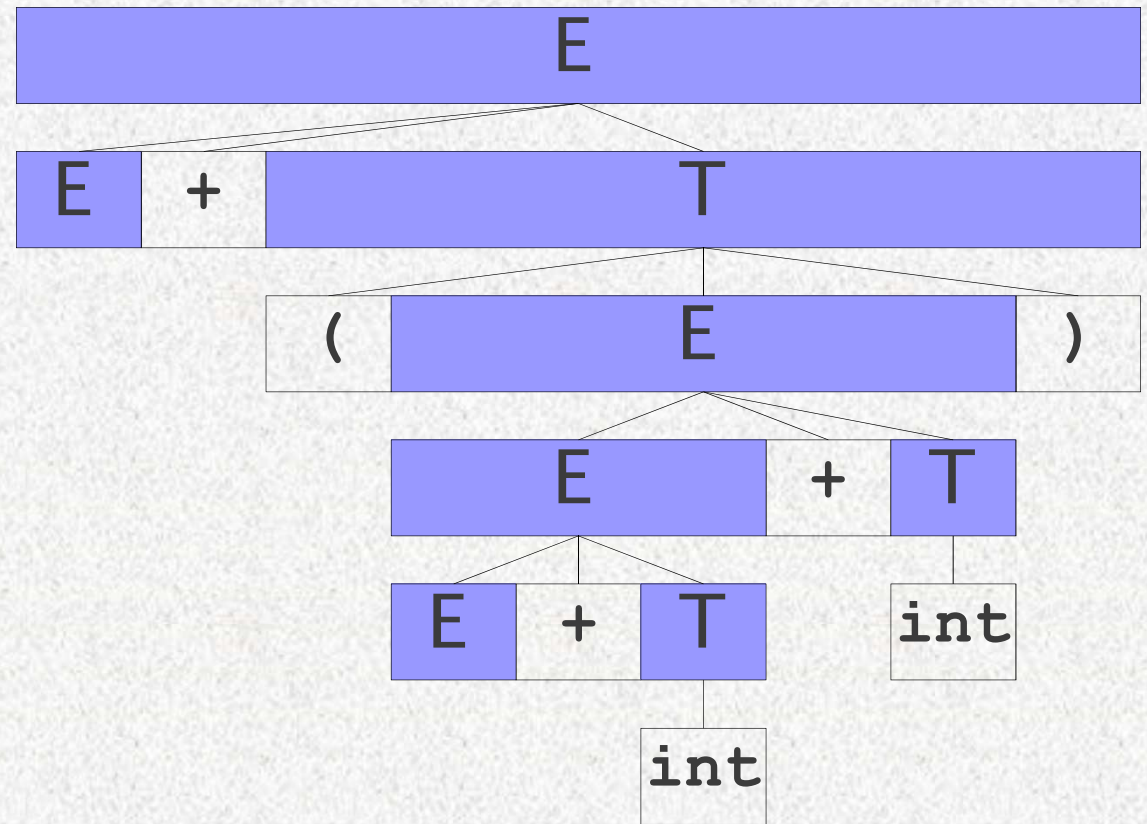
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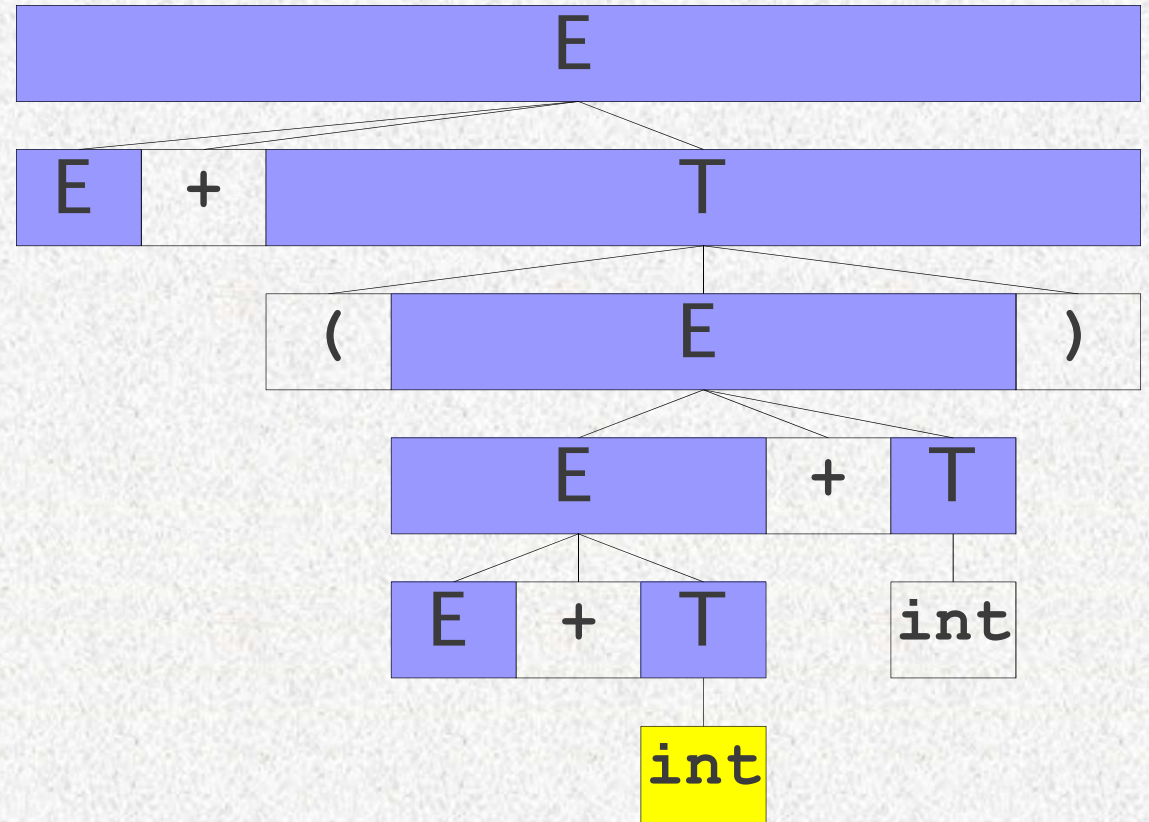
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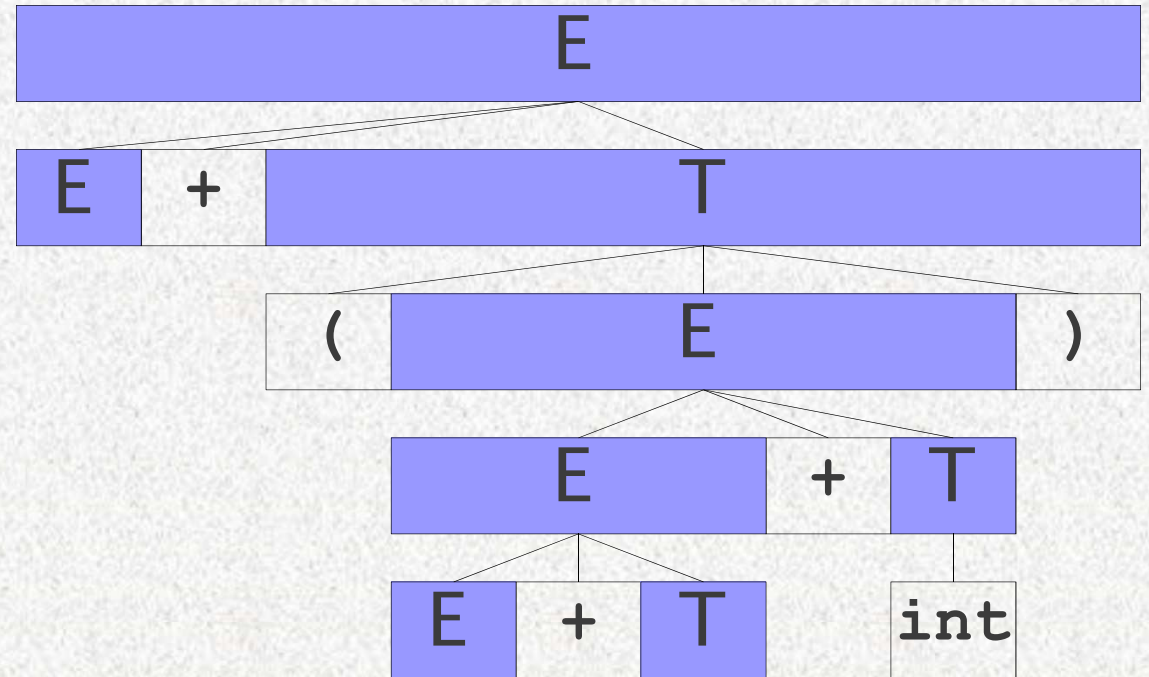
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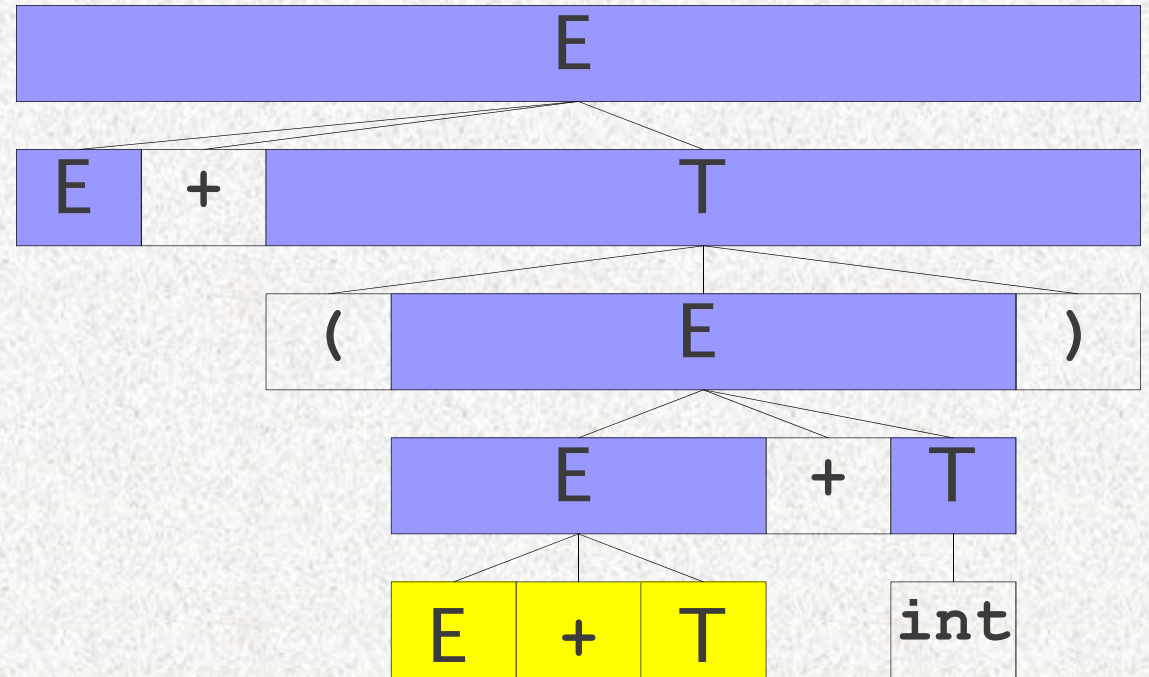
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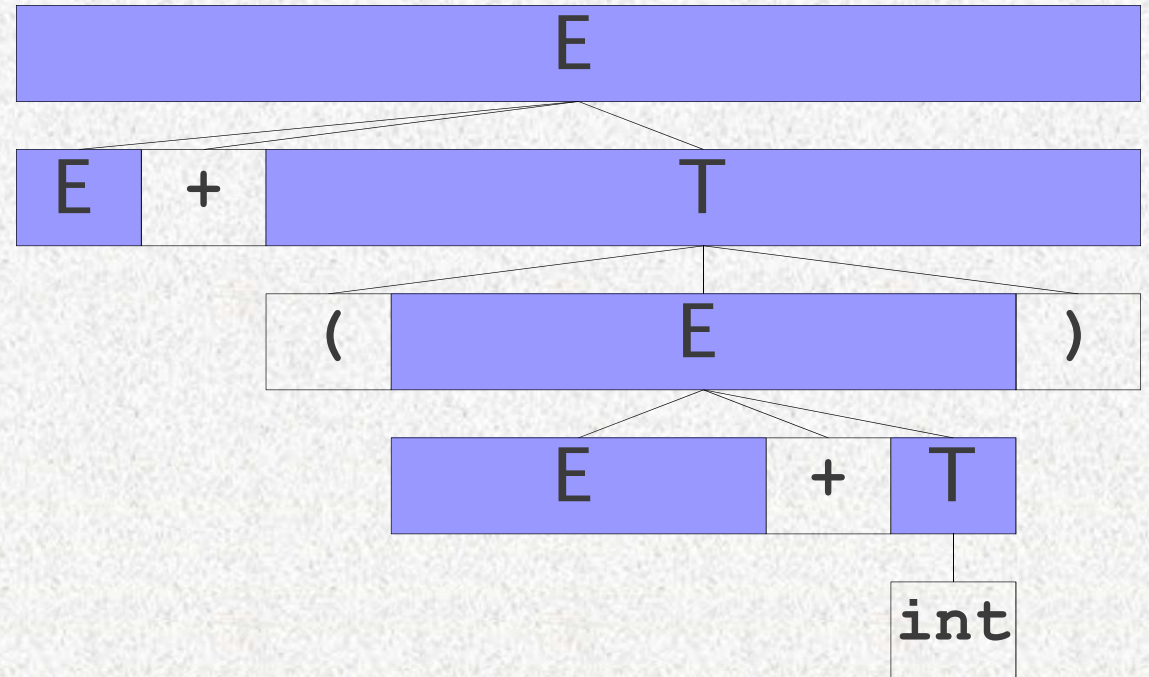
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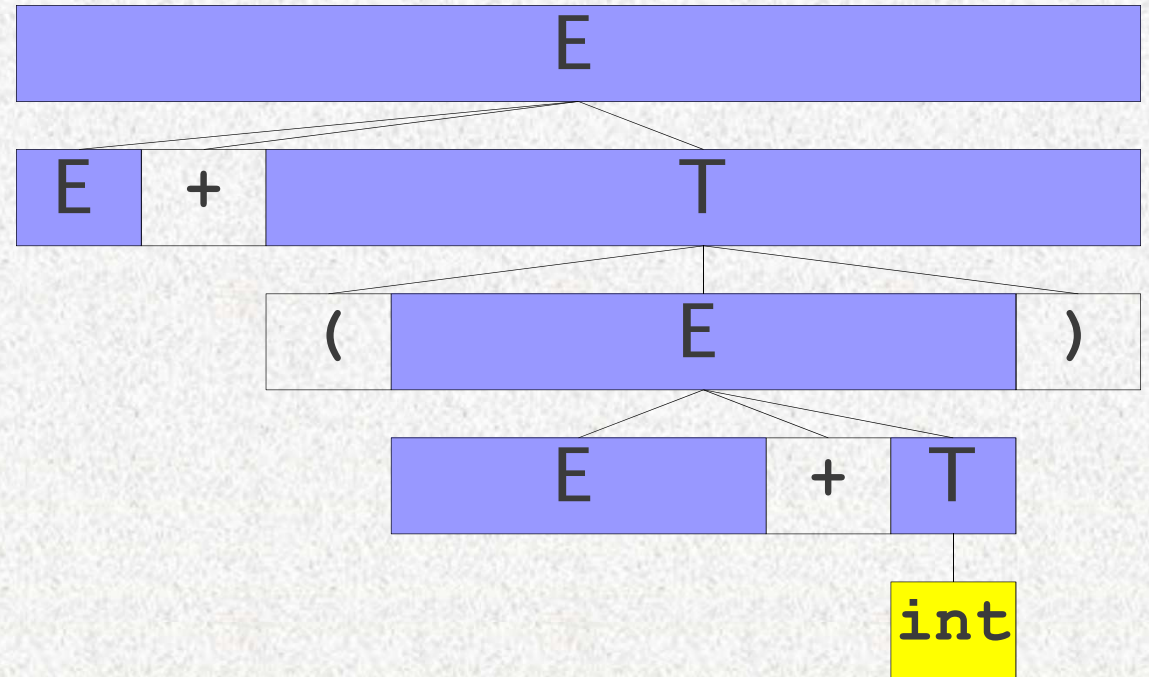
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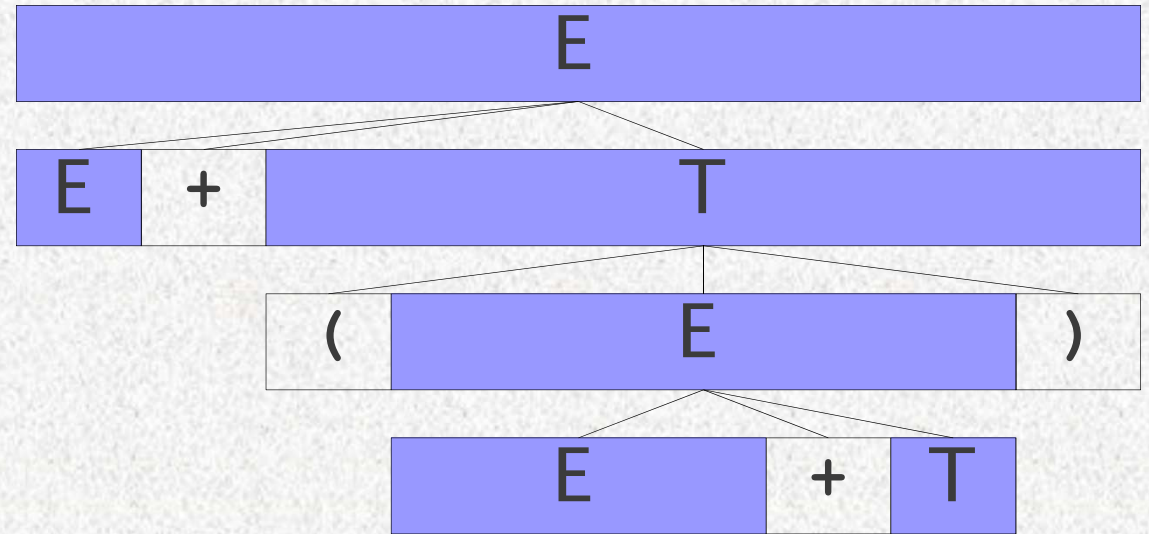
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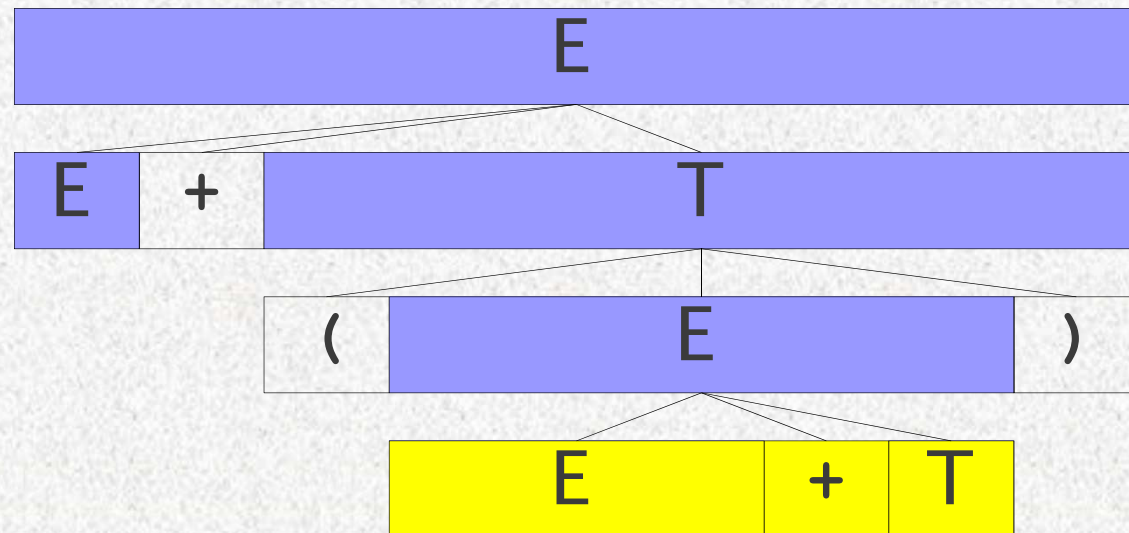
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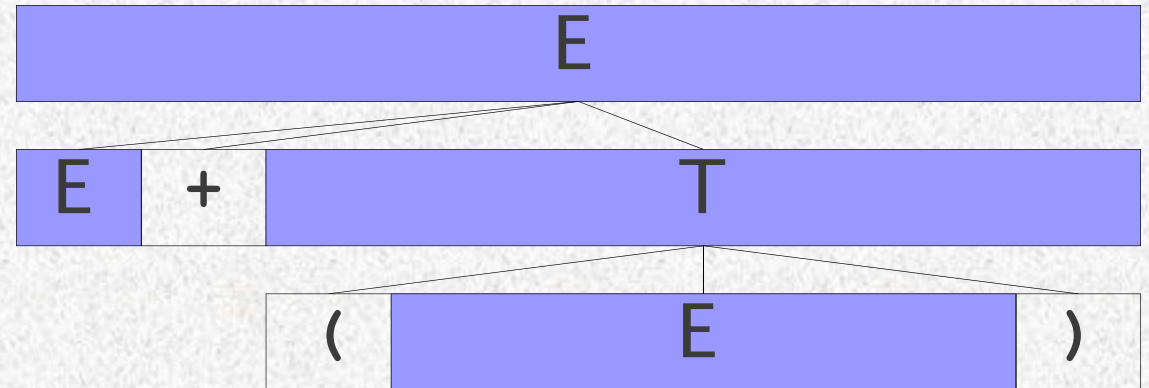
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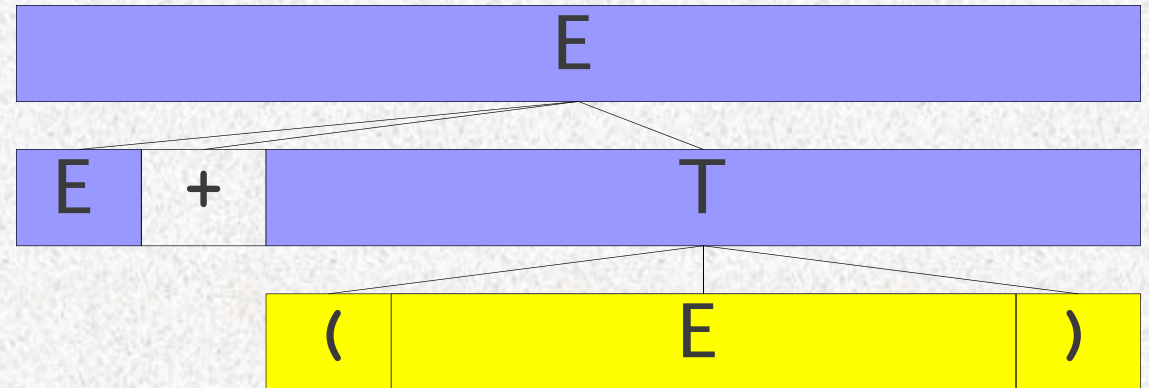


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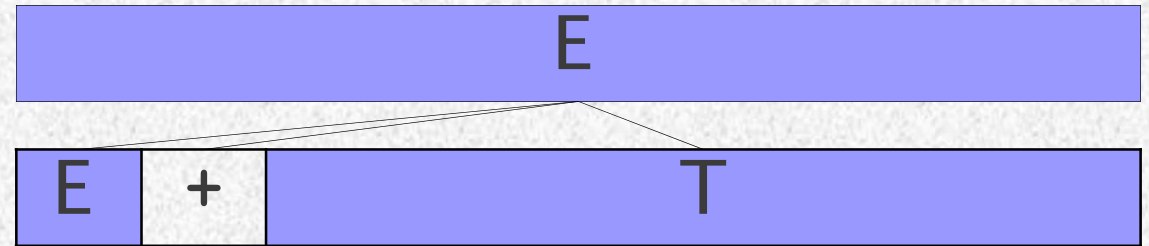
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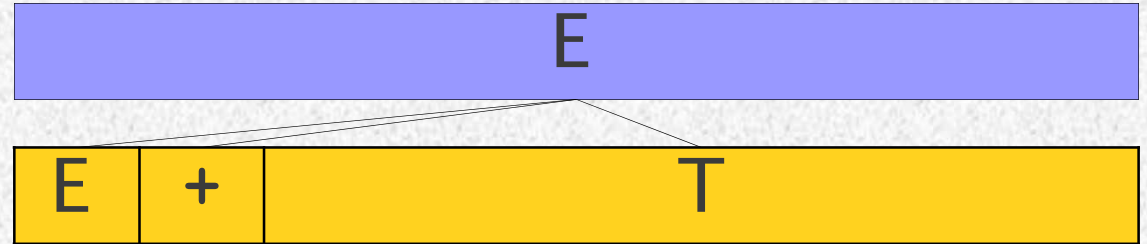


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# Preliminaries

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# Basic Concepts

- How to build a predictive bottom-up parser?
- **Sentential form**
  - For a grammar  $G$  with start symbol  $S$   
A string  $\alpha$  is a sentential form of  $G$  if  $S \Rightarrow^* \alpha$ 
    - $\alpha$  may contain terminals and nonterminals
    - If  $\alpha$  is in  $T^*$ , then  $\alpha$  is a sentence of  $L(G)$
  - Left sentential form: A sentential form that occurs in the leftmost derivation of some sentence
  - Right sentential form: A sentential form that occurs in the rightmost derivation of some sentence

# Basic Concepts

- Example of the sentential form

–  $E \rightarrow E * E \mid E + E \mid ( E ) \mid id$

– Leftmost derivation:

$E \Rightarrow E + E \Rightarrow E * E + E \Rightarrow id * E + E \Rightarrow id * id + E \Rightarrow$   
 $id * id + E * E \Rightarrow id * id + id * E \Rightarrow id * id + id * id$

- All the derived strings are of the left sentential form

– Rightmost derivation

$E \Rightarrow E + E \Rightarrow E + E * E \Rightarrow E + E * id \Rightarrow E + id * id \Rightarrow$   
 $E * E + id * id \Rightarrow E * id + id * id \Rightarrow id * id + id * id$

- All the derived strings are of the right sentential form

# A Small example

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

A Rightmost Derivation:

$$E \rightarrow \underline{E} + T$$
$$\rightarrow E + \underline{T} * F$$
$$\rightarrow E + T * \underline{\text{id}}$$
$$\rightarrow E + \underline{F} * \text{id}$$
$$\rightarrow E + \underline{\text{id}} * \text{id}$$
$$\rightarrow \underline{T} + \text{id} * \text{id}$$
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# The Parsing Problem

- Given a right sentential form,  $\alpha$ , determine what substring of  $\alpha$  is the **right-hand side (RHS)** of the rule in the grammar that must be reduced to produce the previous sentential form in the right derivation
- The correct RHS is called the handle

# Basic Concepts

- Informally, a **handle** of a string is a substring that matches the right side of a production rule.
  - *But not every substring matches the right side of a production rule is handle*
  - *Reduction of a handle represents one step along the reverse of a rightmost derivation*

# Basic Concepts

- A **handle** of a right sentential form  $\gamma (\equiv \alpha\beta\omega)$  is a production rule  $A \rightarrow \beta$  and a position of  $\gamma$  where the string  $\beta$  may be found and replaced by  $A$  to produce the previous right-sentential form in a rightmost derivation of  $\gamma$ .

$$S \xRightarrow{rm}^* \alpha \mathbf{A} \omega \xRightarrow{rm}^* \alpha \mathbf{\beta} \omega$$

- Alternatively, a handle of a right-sentential form  $\gamma$  is a production  $A \rightarrow \beta$  and a position of  $\gamma$  where the string  $\beta$  may be found, such that replacing  $\beta$  at that position by  $A$  produces the previous right-sentential form in a rightmost derivation of  $\gamma$ .

# Basic Concepts

- **Handle**

- Given a rightmost derivation

$$S \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \Rightarrow \gamma_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_k \Rightarrow \gamma_{k+1} \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_n$$

- $\gamma_i$ , for all  $i$ , are the right sentential forms

- $\gamma_k = \alpha A w$ ;  $\gamma_{k+1} = \alpha \beta w$

- From  $\gamma_k$  to  $\gamma_{k+1}$ , production  $A \rightarrow \beta$  is used

- For convenience, we refer to the body  $\beta$  rather than  $A \rightarrow \beta$  as a handle.

# Basic Concepts

– Def:  $\beta$  is the handle of the right sentential form

$\gamma = \alpha\beta w$  if and only if  $S \Rightarrow^* \alpha A w \Rightarrow \alpha\beta w$

$E \rightarrow \underline{E + T}$

$\rightarrow E + \underline{T * F}$

$\rightarrow E + T * \underline{id}$

$\rightarrow E + \underline{F * id}$

Let  $\gamma = \alpha\beta w$  be

$E + \underline{F * id}$

What is  $\beta$  ?

What is  $w$  ?

What is  $\alpha$  ? What is  $A$ ?

# Basic Concepts

- Def:  $\beta$  is a phrase of the right sentential form  $\gamma$  if and only if  $S \Rightarrow^* \gamma = \alpha_1 A \alpha_2 \Rightarrow^+ \alpha_1 \beta \alpha_2$

$E \rightarrow \underline{E + T}$

$\rightarrow E + \underline{T * F}$

$\rightarrow E + T * \underline{id}$

Let  $\gamma = \alpha_1 A \alpha_2$  be

$\underline{E + T}$

Let  $A$  be  $T$ . What is  $\alpha_1$ ?  $\alpha_2$ ?

What can  $\beta$  be?

# Basic Concepts

– Def:  $\beta$  is a simple phrase of the right sentential form  $\gamma$  if and only if  $S \Rightarrow^* \gamma = \alpha_1 A \alpha_2 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \beta \alpha_2$

$E \rightarrow \underline{E + T}$

Let  $\gamma = \alpha_1 A \alpha_2$  be

$\rightarrow E + \underline{T} * F$

$\underline{E + T}$

$\rightarrow E + T * \underline{id}$

Let  $A$  be  $T$ . What is  $\alpha_1$ ?  $\alpha_2$ ?

What can  $\beta$  be?

- The handle of any rightmost sentential form is its leftmost simple phrase

# Handles

- The **handle** of a parse tree  $T$  is the leftmost complete cluster of leaf nodes.
- A left-to-right, bottom-up parser works by iteratively searching for a handle, then reducing the handle.



# Basic Concepts

RIGHT SENTENTIAL FORM	HANDLE	REDUCING PRODUCTION
$id_1 * id_2$	$id_1$	$F \rightarrow id$
$F * id_2$	$F$	$T \rightarrow F$
$T * id_2$	$id_2$	$F \rightarrow id$
$T * F$	$T * F$	$E \rightarrow T * F$

Figure 4.26: Handles during a parse of  $id_1 * id_2$

# Basic Concepts

- Example

P:

- (1)  $E \rightarrow T$
- (2)  $E \rightarrow E + T$
- (3)  $T \rightarrow F$
- (4)  $T \rightarrow T * F$
- (5)  $F \rightarrow (E)$
- (6)  $F \rightarrow i$
- (7)  $F \rightarrow n$

Sentential Form:  $T + (E + T) * i$

A derivation of this sentential form (not a rightmost derivation)

$E \Rightarrow E + T \Rightarrow E + T * F \Rightarrow E + T * i \Rightarrow$   
 $E + F * i \Rightarrow E + (E) * i \Rightarrow E + (E + T) * i$   
 $\Rightarrow T + (E + T) * i$

Phrases:  $T + (E + T) * i$ ,  $T$ ,  $E + T$ ,  $i$ ,  $(E + T)$ ,  $(E + T) * i$

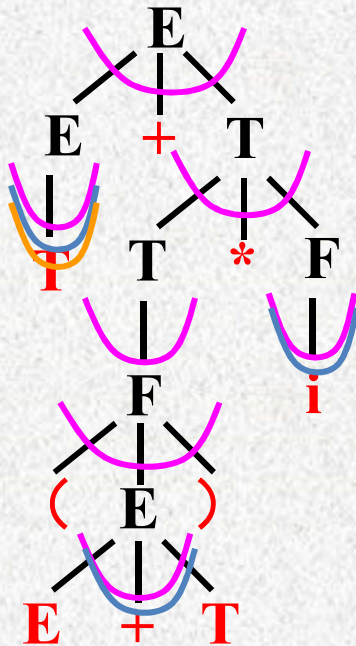
Simple phrases:  $T$ ,  $E + T$ ,  $i$

Handle:  $T$

Given a sentential form, build a parsing tree, then it will be easy to identify a handle

# Basic Concepts

- Illustration via Parse Tree



**Sentential form: leaf nodes (from left to right)**

$T + (E + T) * i$

**Phrases: leaf nodes of each subtree**

$T + (E + T) * i$ 、  $T$ 、  $(E + T) * i$ 、  $(E + T)$ 、  $E + T$ 、  $i$

**Simple phrase: leaf nodes of all simple subtree**

(i.e. a subtree with only one level of leaves)

$T$ 、  $E + T$ 、  $i$

**Handle: leaf nodes of the leftmost simple subtree**

$T$

# Handle Pruning

- A right-most derivation in reverse can be obtained by **handle-pruning**.

- $S = \gamma_0 \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \gamma_1 \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \gamma_2 \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \dots \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \gamma_{n-1} \xRightarrow{\text{rm}} \gamma_n = \omega$  ← input string

- Start from  $\gamma_n$ , find a handle  $A_n \rightarrow \beta_n$  in  $\gamma_n$ , and replace  $\beta_n$  in by  $A_n$  to get  $\gamma_{n-1}$ .
- Then find a handle  $A_{n-1} \rightarrow \beta_{n-1}$  in  $\gamma_{n-1}$ , and replace  $\beta_{n-1}$  in by  $A_{n-1}$  to get  $\gamma_{n-2}$ .
- Repeat this, until reach the start nonterminal  $S$ .

# Homework

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# LR Parsing

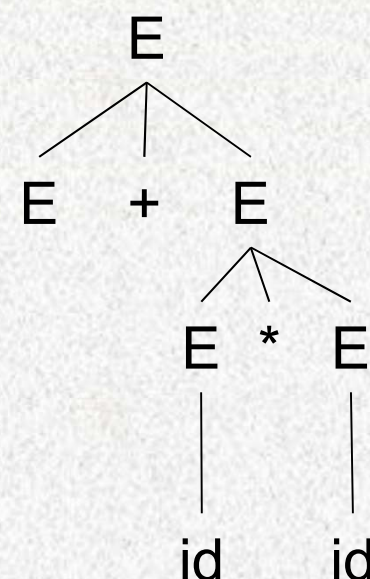
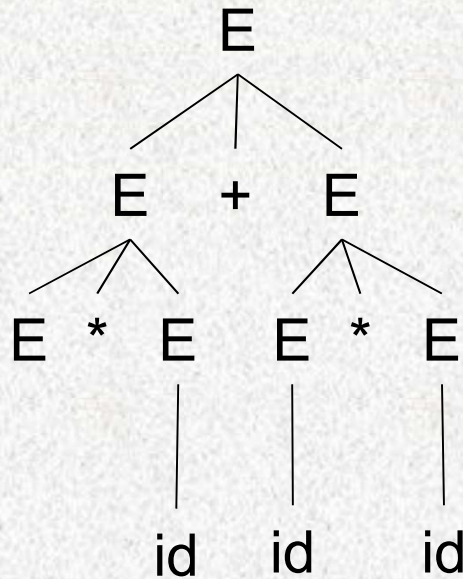
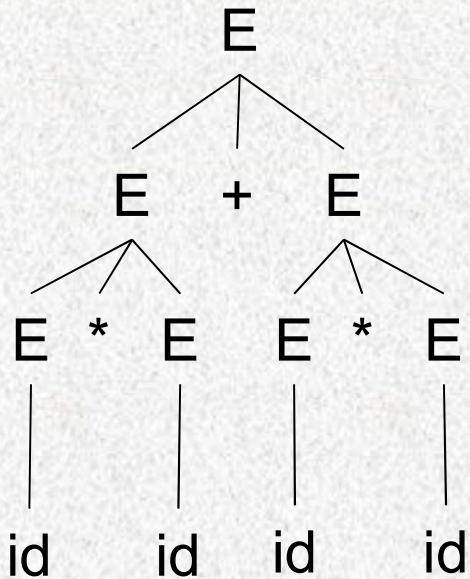
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# The Parsing Problem

- Produce a parse tree starting at the leaves
- The order will be that of a rightmost derivation
- The most common bottom-up parsing algorithms are in the LR family
  - L – Read the input left to right
  - R – Trace out a rightmost parse tree

# Meaning of LR

- L: Process input from left to right
- R: Use rightmost derivation, but in reversed order
- $E \Rightarrow E + E \Rightarrow E + E * E \Rightarrow E + E * id \Rightarrow E + id * id$   
 $\Rightarrow E * E + id * id \Rightarrow E * id + id * id \Rightarrow id * id + id * id$





# LR Parsers Use Shift-Reduce

- Shift-Reduce Algorithms
  - **Reduce**: replace the handle on the top of the parse stack with its corresponding LHS
  - **Shift**: move the next token to the top of the parse stack

# LR Parsers Use Shift-Reduce

STACK	INPUT	ACTION
\$	$\text{id}_1 * \text{id}_2 \$$	shift
$\$ \text{id}_1$	$* \text{id}_2 \$$	reduce by $F \rightarrow \text{id}$
$\$ F$	$* \text{id}_2 \$$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
$\$ T$	$* \text{id}_2 \$$	shift
$\$ T *$	$\text{id}_2 \$$	shift
$\$ T * \text{id}_2$	$\$$	reduce by $F \rightarrow \text{id}$
$\$ T * F$	$\$$	reduce by $T \rightarrow T * F$
$\$ T$	$\$$	reduce by $E \rightarrow T$
$\$ E$	$\$$	accept

Figure 4.28: Configurations of a shift-reduce parser on input  $\text{id}_1 * \text{id}_2$

Shift/Reduce/Accept/Error

# A Shift-Reduce Parser

- $E \rightarrow E+T \mid T$       Right-Most Derivation of  $id+id*id$
- $T \rightarrow T*F \mid F$        $E \Rightarrow E+T \Rightarrow E+T*F \Rightarrow E+T*id \Rightarrow E+F*id$
- $F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$        $\Rightarrow E+id*id \Rightarrow T+id*id \Rightarrow F+id*id \Rightarrow id+id*id$

<u>Right-Most Sentential Form</u>	<u>Reducing Production</u>
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<u>id</u> +id*id	$F \rightarrow id$
<u>F</u> +id*id	$T \rightarrow F$
<u>T</u> +id*id	$E \rightarrow T$
<u>E</u> + <u>id</u> *id	$F \rightarrow id$
<u>E</u> + <u>F</u> *id	$T \rightarrow F$
<u>E</u> + <u>T</u> * <u>id</u>	$F \rightarrow id$
<u>E</u> + <u>T</u> * <u>F</u>	$T \rightarrow T*F$
<u>E</u> + <u>T</u>	$E \rightarrow E+T$
<u>E</u>	

Handles are red and underlined in the right-sentential forms.

# A Detail about Handles

**E** → **F**

**E** → **E** + **F**

**F** → **F** \* **T**

**F** → **T**

**T** → **int**

**T** → (**E**)

int	+	int	*	int
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# A Detail about Handles

**E** → **F**

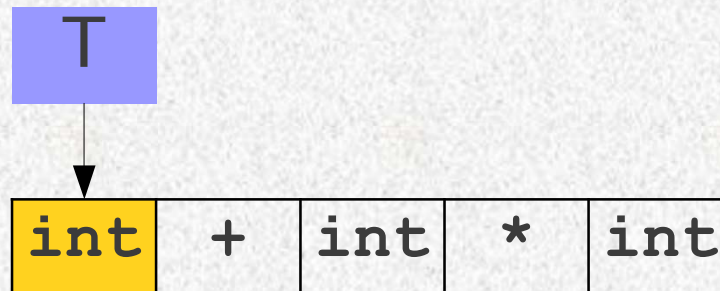
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# A Detail about Handles

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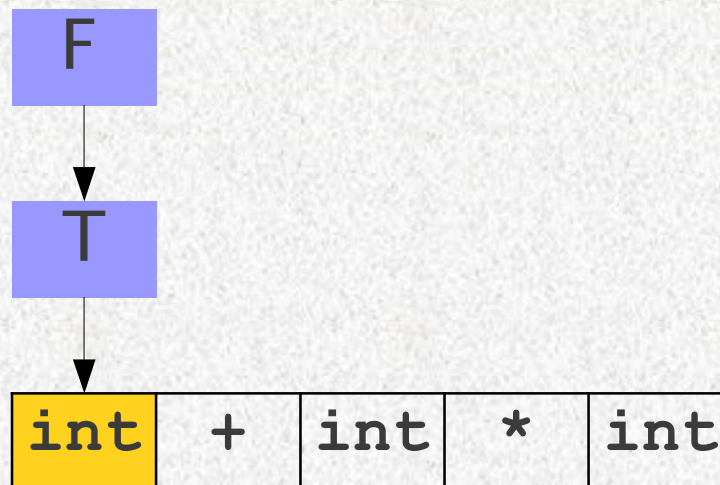
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**F** → **F** \* **T**

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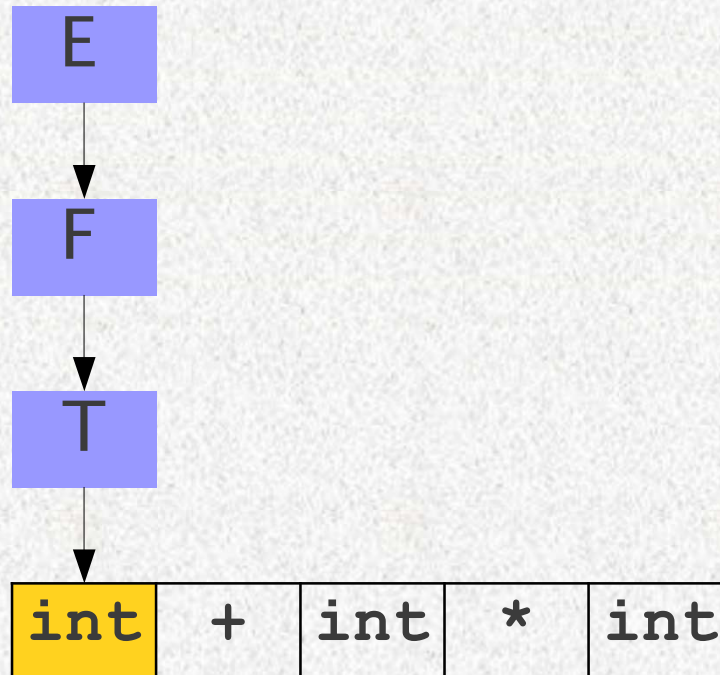
**T** → **int**

**T** → (**E**)



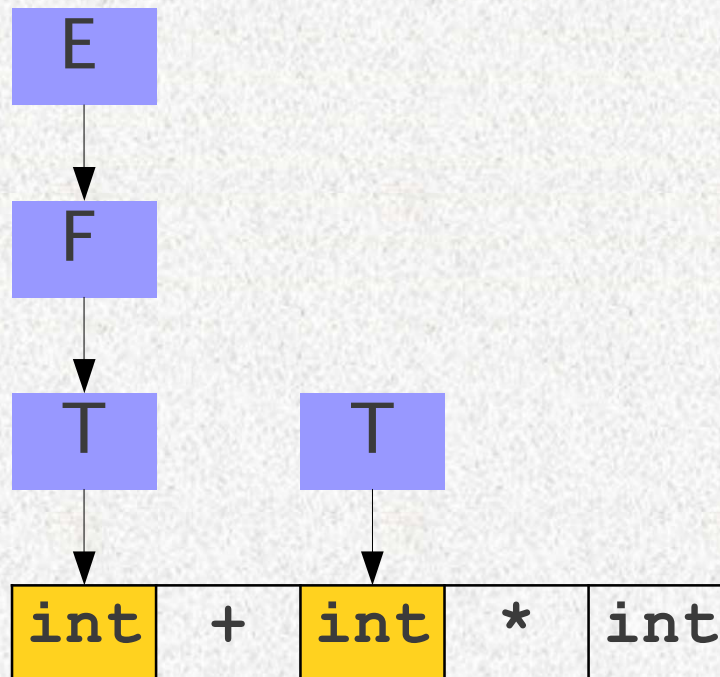
# A Detail about Handles

$E \rightarrow F$   
 $E \rightarrow E + F$   
 $F \rightarrow F * T$   
 $F \rightarrow T$   
 $T \rightarrow \text{int}$   
 $T \rightarrow (E)$



# A Detail about Handles

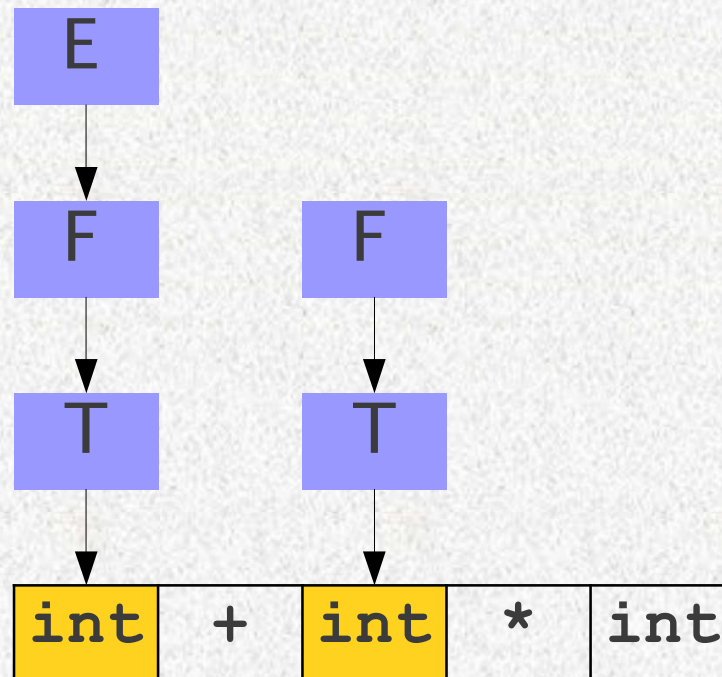
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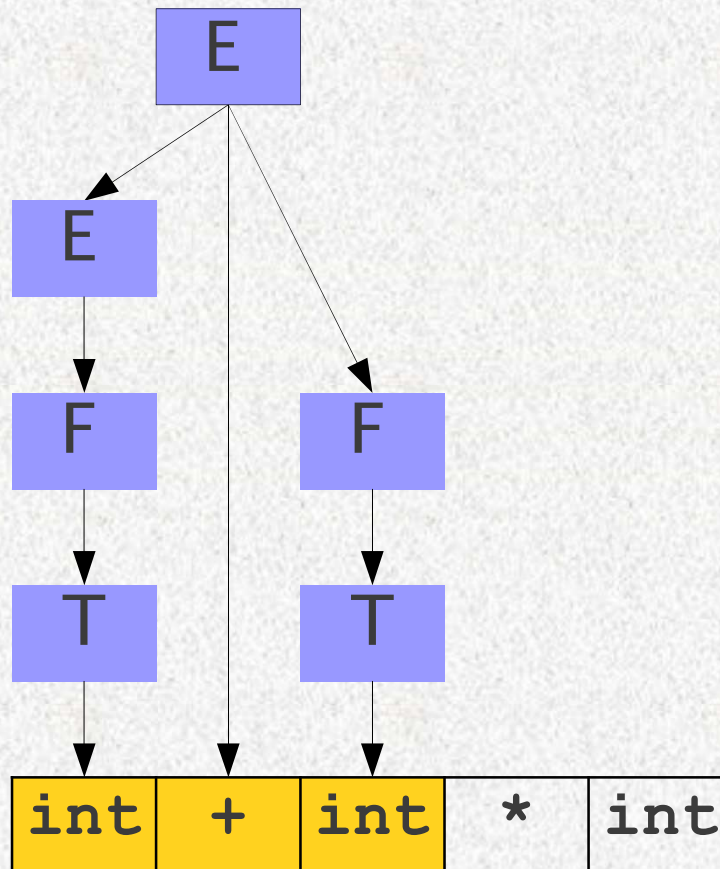
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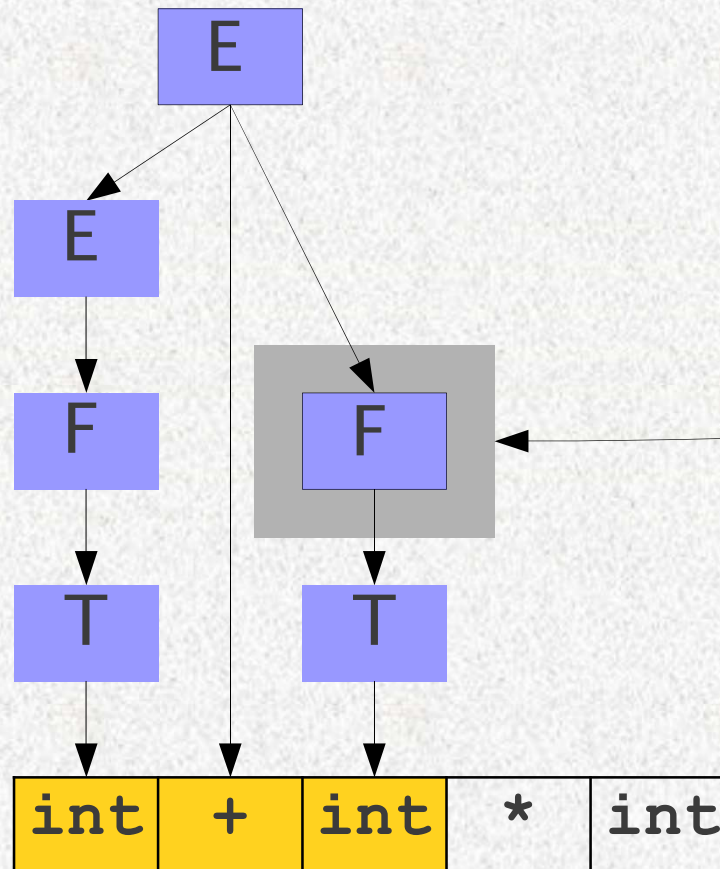
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# A Detail about Handles

$E \rightarrow F$   
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 $T \rightarrow (E)$



This reduction  
wasn't a handle!

# Bottom-up Parsing

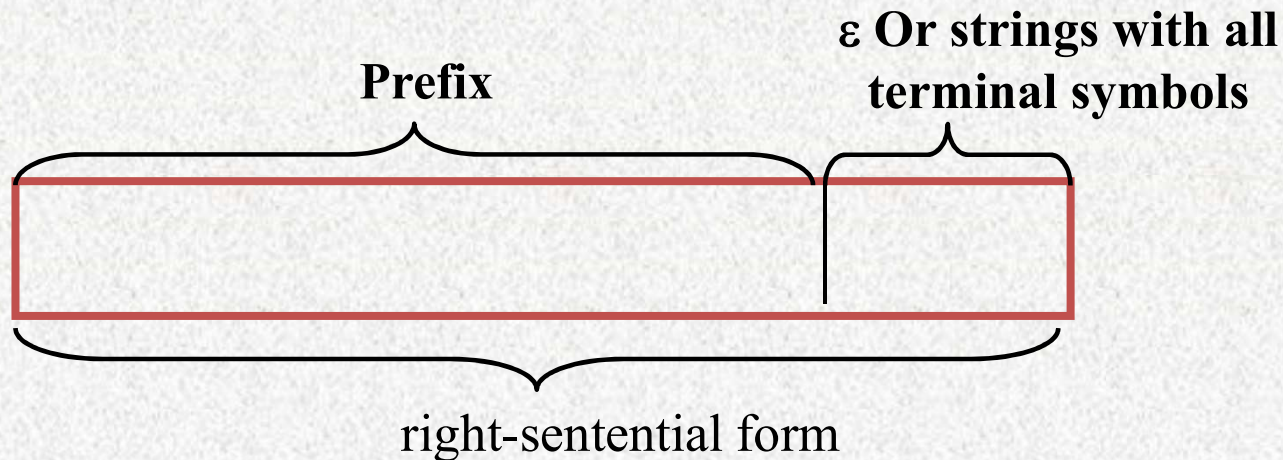
- Traverse rightmost derivation backwards
  - If reduction is done arbitrarily
    - It may not reduce to the starting symbol
    - Need backtracking
  - If we follow the path of rightmost derivation
    - All the reductions are guaranteed to be “correct”
    - Guaranteed to lead to the starting symbol without backtracking
  - That is: If it is always possible to correctly find the handle

# Key: Finding Handles

- Where do we look for handles?
  - Where in the string might the handle be?
- How do we search for possible handles?
  - Once we know where to search, how do we identify candidate handles?
- How do we recognize handles?
  - Once we've found a candidate handle, how do we check that it really is the handle?
    - Use a stack to keep track of the **viable prefix**
    - The prefix of the handle will always be at the top of the stack

# Viable prefix

- If a prefix of a right-sentential form:
  - $Z \Rightarrow ABb$ : Consider prefixes  $AB$ ,  $ABb$
  - $Z \Rightarrow^+ Acb$ : Consider prefixes  $A$ ,  $Ac$ ,  $Acb$



# Viable prefix

- **Viable prefixes are:**
  - Prefixes that do not contain simple phrases; or
  - Prefixes containing one simple phrase that are at the end of this prefix --- that is, this simple phrase is the handle.
- A viable prefix does not contain any symbol after a handle.

# Viabale prefix

## ■ Eg.

- (1)  $Z \rightarrow ABb$
- (2)  $A \rightarrow a$
- (3)  $A \rightarrow b$
- (4)  $B \rightarrow d$
- (5)  $B \rightarrow c$
- (6)  $B \rightarrow bB$

$Z \Rightarrow ABb$

Consider prefixes: AB, ABb

Viabale prefixes are: AB(no simple phrase)

**ABb** (one simple phrase, which is at the end of the prefix)

$Z \Rightarrow^+ abcb$

Consider prefixes: a, ab, abc, abcb

Viabale prefix: a (contain one simple phrase)

ab, abc, abcd are not viabale prefix



# Viable prefix

- Two types of viable prefix
  - **Nonreducible (for shift operation)**: no simple phrase, need to shift more symbols to form the first leftmost simple phrase (i.e. handle)
  - **Reducible (for reduction operation)**: contain one simple phrase, at the end of the

(1)  $Z \rightarrow ABb$   
(2)  $A \rightarrow a$   
(3)  $A \rightarrow b$   
(4)  $B \rightarrow d$   
(5)  $B \rightarrow c$   
(6)  $B \rightarrow bB$

$Z \Rightarrow ABb$  Viable prefixes:  
 $AB$ (no simple phrase) --- nonreducible  
 $ABb$  (contain a simple phrase) --- reducible

# Bottom-up Parsing

- Shift-reduce operations in bottom-up parsing
  - Shift the input into the stack
    - Wait for the current handle to complete or to appear
    - Or wait for a handle that may complete later
  - Reduce
    - Once the handle is completely in the stack, then reduce
  - The operations are determined by the parsing table

# Build the Automata

- **LR(0) Item of a grammar G**
  - Is a production of G with a distinguished position
  - Position is used to indicate how much of the handle has already been seen (in the stack)
    - For production  $S \rightarrow a B S$ , items for it include
      - $S \rightarrow \bullet a B S$
      - $S \rightarrow a \bullet B S$
      - $S \rightarrow a B \bullet S$
      - $S \rightarrow a B S \bullet$
      - Left of  $\bullet$  are the parts of the handle that has already been seen
      - When  $\bullet$  reaches the end of the handle  $\Rightarrow$  reduction
    - For production  $S \rightarrow \varepsilon$ , the single item is
      - $S \rightarrow \bullet$

# Building the Automata

- Closure function  $\text{Closure}(I)$ 
  - $I$  is a set of items for a grammar  $G$
  - Every item in  $I$  is in  $\text{Closure}(I)$ ,  
if  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet B \beta$  is in  $\text{Closure}(I)$  and  $B \rightarrow \gamma$  is a production in  $G$ , then add  $B \rightarrow \bullet \gamma$  to  $\text{Closure}(I)$ 
    - If it is not already there
    - Meaning
      - When  $\alpha$  is in the stack and  $B$  is expected next
      - One of the  $B$ -production rules may be used to reduce the input to  $B$ 
        - » May not be one-step reduction though
  - Apply the rule until no more new items can be added

# Building the Automata

## – CLOSURE(IS) Example

$V_T = \{a, b, c\}$   
 $V_N = \{S, A, B\}$   
 $S = S$   
P:  
{  $S \rightarrow aAc$   
   $A \rightarrow ABb$   
   $A \rightarrow Ba$   
   $B \rightarrow b$   
}

$IS = \{S \rightarrow \bullet aAc\}$   
 $CLOSURE(IS) = \{S \rightarrow \bullet aAc\}$

$IS = \{S \rightarrow a \bullet Ac\}$   
 $CLOSURE(IS)$   
 $= \{S \rightarrow a \bullet Ac,$   
   $A \rightarrow \bullet ABb, A \rightarrow \bullet Ba,$   
   $B \rightarrow \bullet b\}$

# Building the Automata

- Goto function  $\text{Goto}(I, X)$ 
  - $X$  is a grammar symbol
  - If  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet X \beta$  is in  $I$  then  $A \rightarrow \alpha X \bullet \beta$  is in  $\text{Goto}(I, X)$ 
    - Let  $J$  denote the set constructed by this step
  - All items in  $\text{Closure}(J)$  are in  $\text{Goto}(I, X)$
  - Meaning
    - If  $I$  is the set of valid items for some viable prefix  $\gamma$
    - Then  $\text{goto}(I, X)$  is the set of valid items for the viable prefix  $\gamma X$

# Building the Automata

- **Augmented grammar**
  - G is the grammar and S is the starting symbol
  - Construct G' by adding production  $S' \rightarrow S$  into G
    - S' is the new starting symbol
    - E.g.:  $G: S \rightarrow \alpha \mid \beta \Rightarrow G': S' \rightarrow S, S \rightarrow \alpha \mid \beta$
  - **Meaning**
    - The starting symbol may have several production rules and may be used in other non-terminal's production rules
    - Add  $S' \rightarrow S$  to force the starting symbol to have a single production
    - When  $S' \rightarrow S \bullet$  is seen, it is clear that parsing is done

# Building the Automata

- Complete process: Given a grammar  $G$ 
  - Step 1: augment  $G$
  - Step 2: initial state
    - Construct the valid item set “ $I$ ” of State 0 (the initial state)
    - Add  $S' \rightarrow \bullet S$  into  $I$ 
      - All expansions have to start from here
    - Compute  $\text{Closure}(I)$  as the complete valid item set of state 0
      - All possible expansions  $S$  can lead into
  - Step 3:
    - From state  $I$ , for all grammar symbol  $X$ 
      - Construct  $J = \text{Goto}(I, X)$
      - Compute  $\text{Closure}(J)$
    - Create the new state with the corresponding Goto transition
      - Only if the valid item set is non-empty and does not exist yet
  - Repeat Step 3 till no new states can be derived



# Building the Automata -- Example

- Grammar G:

$S \rightarrow E$

$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$

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

- Step 1: Augment G

$S' \rightarrow S \quad S \rightarrow E \quad E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \quad T \rightarrow \text{id} \mid ( E )$

- Step 2:

- Construct Closure( $I_0$ ) for State 0

- First add into  $I_0$ :  $S' \rightarrow \bullet S$

- Compute Closure( $I_0$ )

$S' \rightarrow \bullet S$

$S \rightarrow \bullet E$

$E \rightarrow \bullet E + T$

$E \rightarrow \bullet T$

$T \rightarrow \bullet \text{id}$

$T \rightarrow \bullet ( E )$

# Building the Automata -- Example

- Step 3

- $I_1$

- Add into  $I_1$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_0, S) = S' \rightarrow S \bullet$
- No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_1$ )

- $I_2$

- Add into  $I_2$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_0, E) = S \rightarrow E \bullet \quad E \rightarrow E \bullet + T$
- No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_2$ )

- $I_3$

- Add into  $I_3$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_0, T) = E \rightarrow T \bullet$
- No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_3$ )

- $I_4$

- Add into  $I_4$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_0, id) = T \rightarrow id \bullet$
- No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_4$ )

$I_0$ :

$S' \rightarrow \bullet S \quad S \rightarrow \bullet E$   
 $E \rightarrow \bullet E + T \quad E \rightarrow \bullet T$   
 $T \rightarrow \bullet id \quad T \rightarrow \bullet ( E )$

# Building the Automata -- Example

- Step 3

- $I_5$

- Add into  $I_5$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_0, "(") = T \rightarrow (\bullet E)$

- Closure( $I_5$ )

$E \rightarrow \bullet E + T$      $E \rightarrow \bullet T$

$T \rightarrow \bullet \text{id}$      $T \rightarrow \bullet ( E )$

- No more moves from  $I_0$

- No possible moves from  $I_1$

- $I_6$

- Add into  $I_6$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_2, +) = E \rightarrow E + \bullet T$

- Closure( $I_5$ )

$T \rightarrow \bullet \text{id}$      $T \rightarrow \bullet ( E )$

- No possible moves from  $I_3$  and  $I_4$

$I_0$ :

$S' \rightarrow \bullet S$      $S \rightarrow \bullet E$

$E \rightarrow \bullet E + T$      $E \rightarrow \bullet T$

$T \rightarrow \bullet \text{id}$      $T \rightarrow \bullet ( E )$

# Building the Automata -- Example

- Step 3
  - $I_7$ 
    - Add into  $I_7$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_5, E) =$   
 $T \rightarrow ( E \bullet ) \quad E \rightarrow E \bullet + T$
    - No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_7$ )
  - $\text{Goto}(I_5, T) = I_3$
  - $\text{Goto}(I_5, \text{id}) = I_4$
  - $\text{Goto}(I_5, "(") = I_5$
  - No more moves from  $I_5$
  - $I_8$ 
    - Add into  $I_8$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_6, T) = E \rightarrow E + T \bullet$
    - No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_8$ )
  - $\text{Goto}(I_6, \text{id}) = I_4$
  - $\text{Goto}(I_6, "(") = I_5$

# Building the Automata -- Example

- Step 3

- $I_9$

- Add into  $I_9$ :  $\text{Goto}(I_7, "(") =$

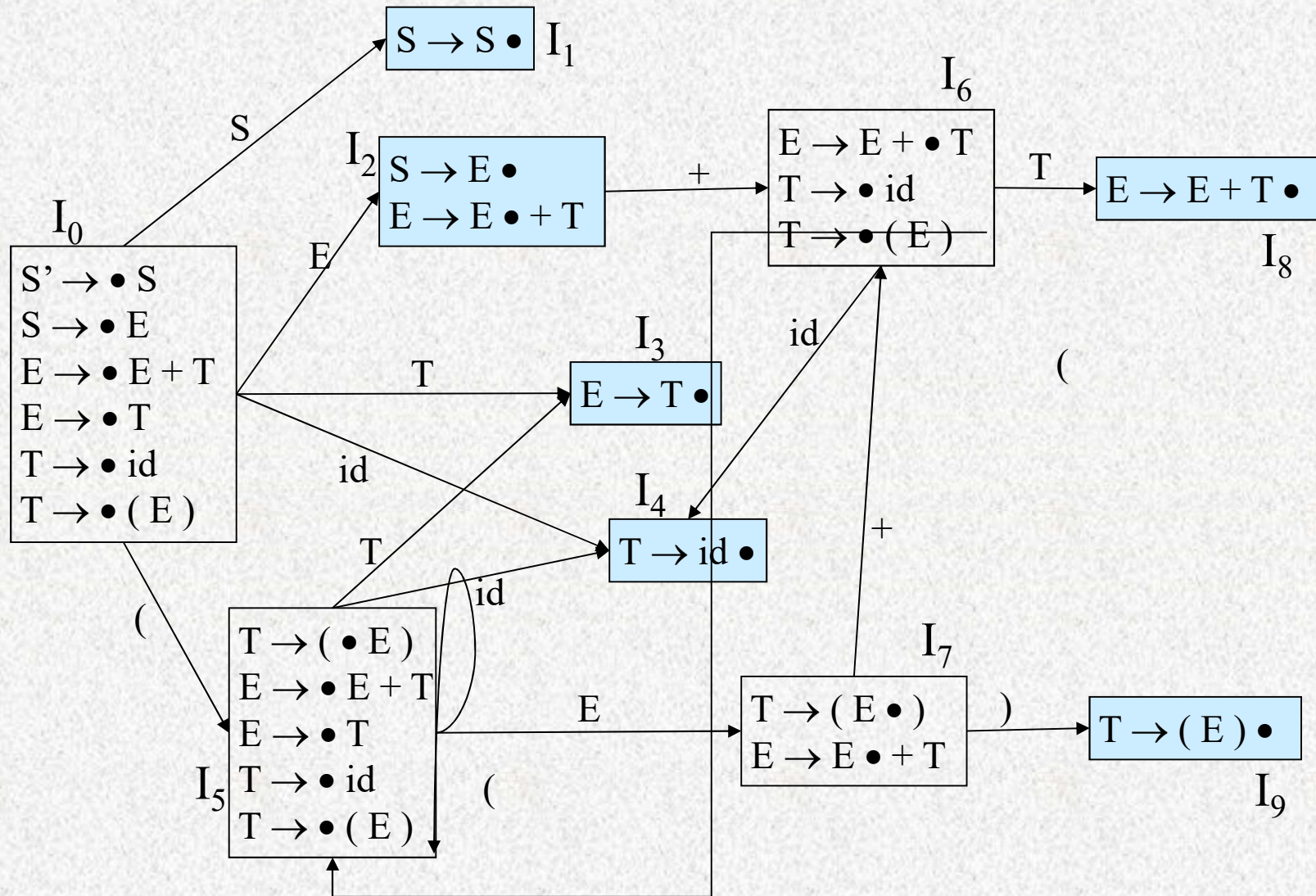
- $T \rightarrow ( E ) \bullet$

- No new items to be added to Closure ( $I_9$ )

- $\text{Goto}(I_7, +) = I_6$

- No possible moves from  $I_8$  and  $I_9$

# Building the Automata -- Example



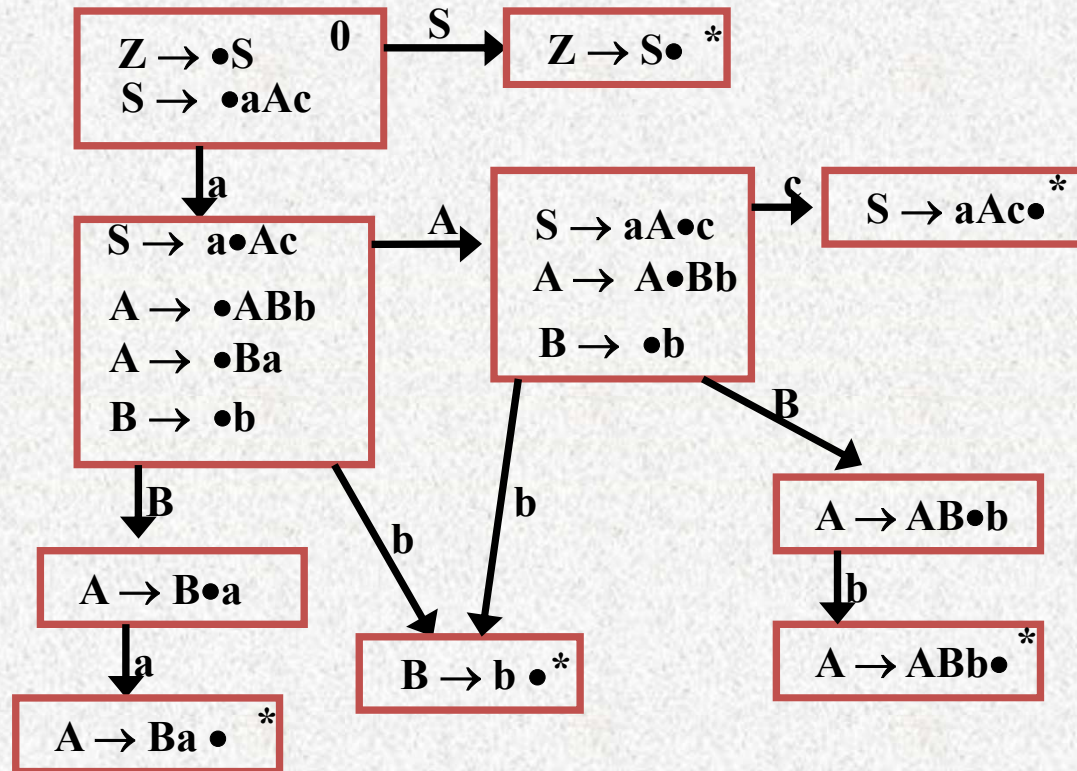
# Reducible or Nonreducible

- LR(0) parser

- Shift item:  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet a \beta$ ,  $a \in V_T$
- Reducible item:  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet$ ,
- Accepted item:  $Z \rightarrow S \bullet$ , ( $Z \rightarrow S$  is from the augmented grammar)
- Shift status: include shift item
- Reducible state: include reducible item
- Conflict state:
  - A state contains different reducible items: **reduce-reduce conflict**;
  - A state contains both shift states and reducible items: **shift-reduce conflict**

# Building the Automata – Example 2

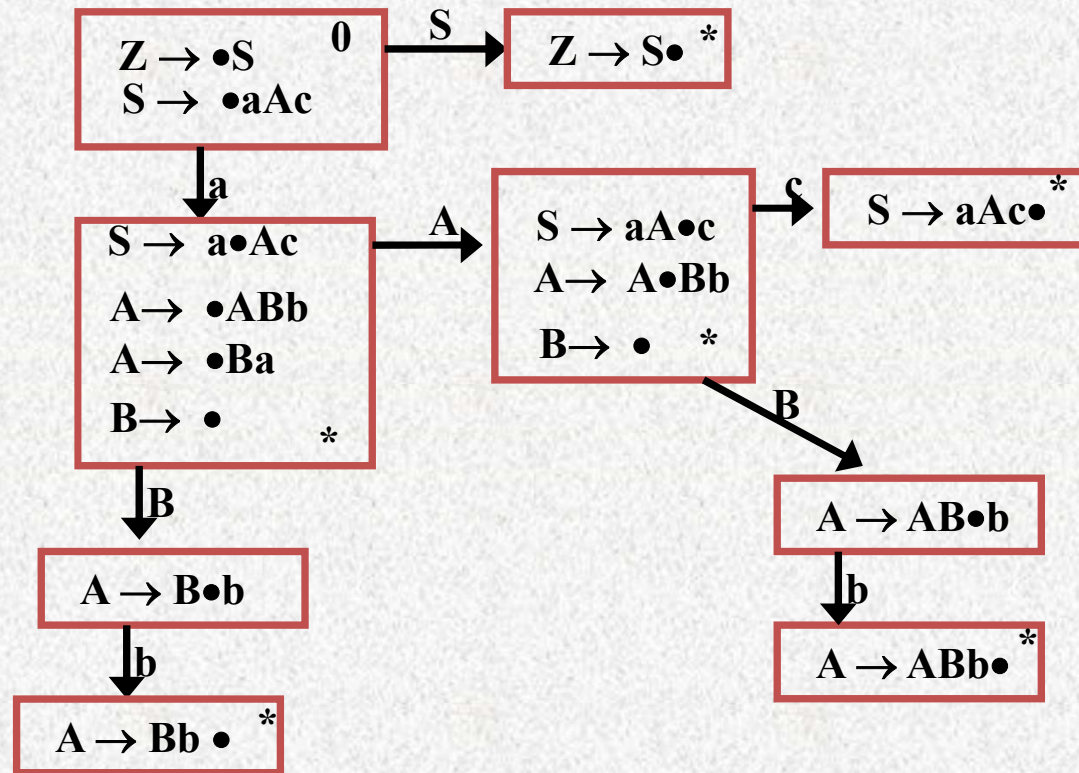
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 }





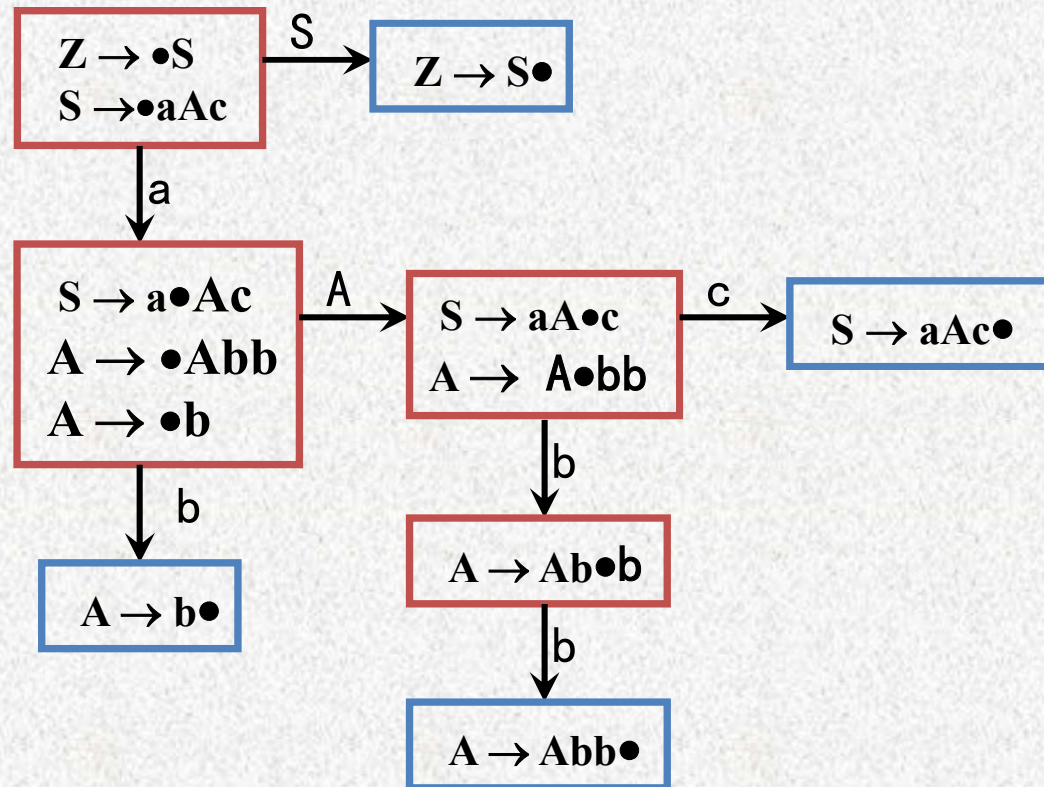
# Building the Automata – Example 3

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 $V_N = \{S, A, B\}$   
 $S = S$   
 P:  
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 $A \rightarrow ABb$   
 $A \rightarrow Ba$   
 $B \rightarrow \epsilon$   
 }



# Building the Automata – Example 4

$V_T = \{a, b, c\}$   
 $V_N = \{S, A\}$   
 $S = S$   
P:  
{  $S \rightarrow aAc$   
   $A \rightarrow Abb$   
   $A \rightarrow b$   
}



# Building the Automata – Example 5

$V_T = \{a, b, c\}$

$V_N = \{S, A, B\}$

$S = S$

P:

$\{ S \rightarrow aAc$

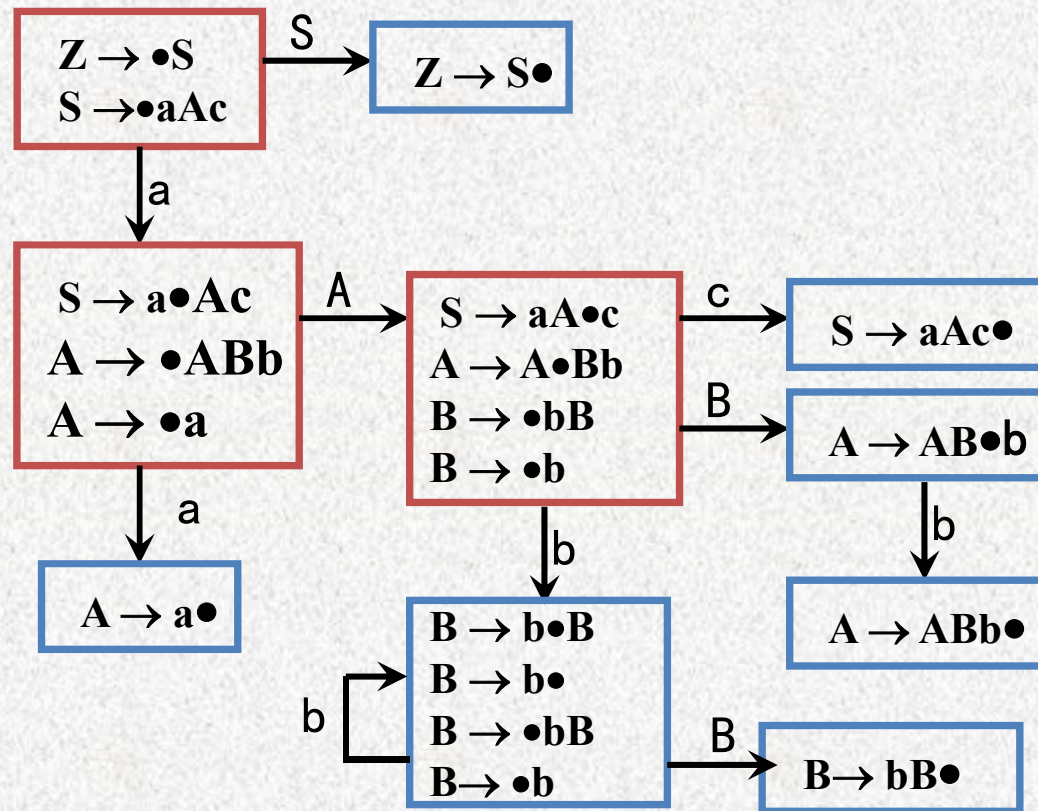
$A \rightarrow ABb$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow bB$

$B \rightarrow b$

$\}$



# LR(0) algorithm

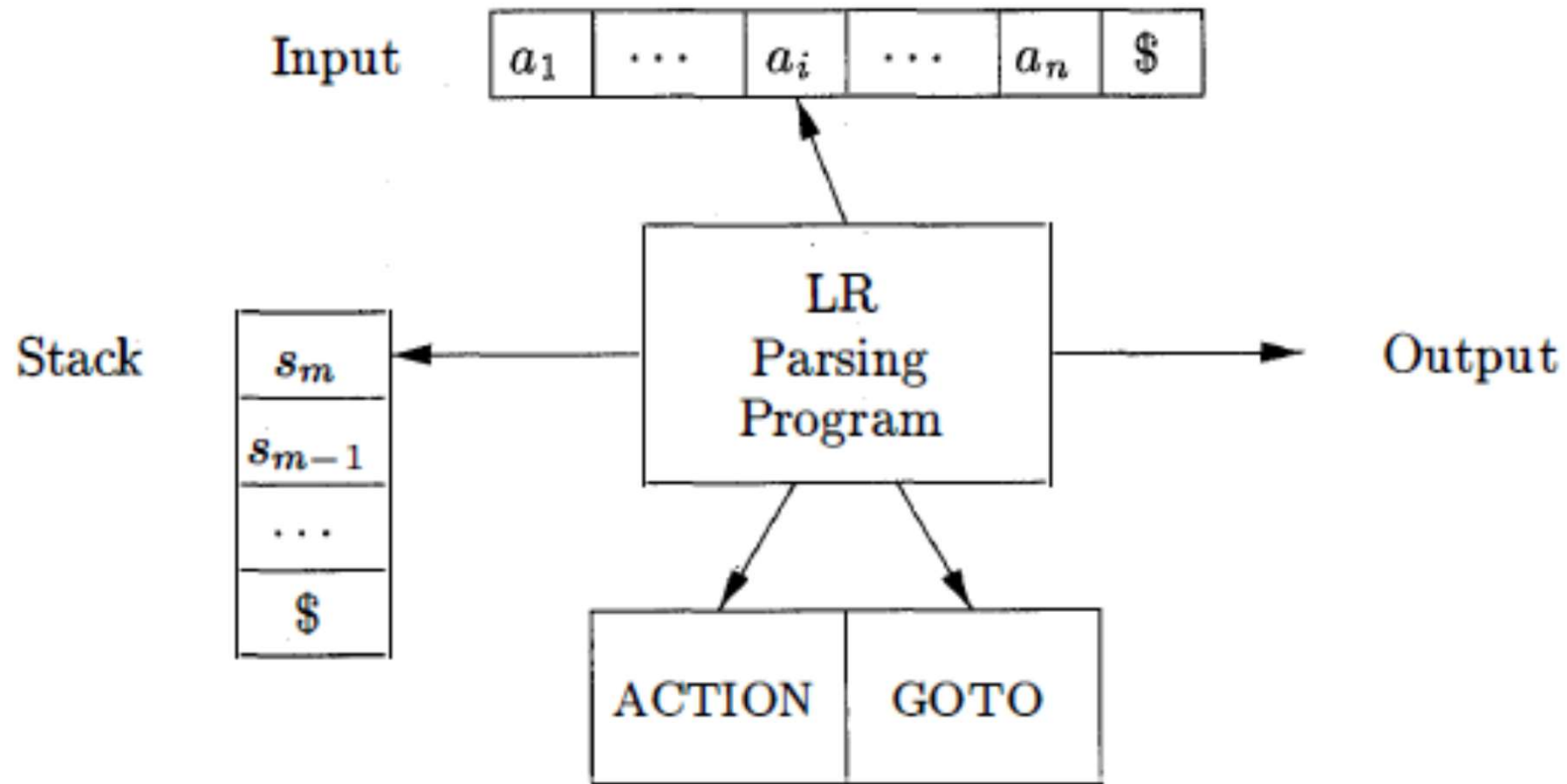


Figure 4.35: Model of an LR parser

# Building the Action Table

- If state  $I_i$  has item  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet a \beta$ , and
  - $\text{Goto}(I_i, a) = I_j$
  - Next symbol in the input is  $a$
- Then  $\text{Action}[I_i, a] = I_j$ 
  - Meaning: Shift “ $a$ ” to the stack and move to state  $I_j$ 
    - Need to wait for the handle to appear or to complete
- If State  $I_i$  has item  $A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet$
- Then  $\text{Action}[S, b] = \text{reduce using } A \rightarrow \alpha$ 
  - For all  $b$  in  $\text{Follow}(A)$
  - Meaning: The entire handle  $\alpha$  is in the stack, need to reduce
  - Need to wait to see  $\text{Follow}(A)$  to know that the handle is ready
    - E.g.  $S \rightarrow E \bullet$      $E \rightarrow E \bullet + T$
    - Current input can be either  $\text{Follow}(S)$  or  $+$

# Building the Action Table

- If state has  $S' \rightarrow S_0$  •
- Then  $\text{Action}[S, \$] = \text{accept}$
  
- Current state
  - The action to be taken depends on the current state
    - In LL, it depends on the current non-terminal on the top of the stack
    - In LR, non-terminal is not known till reduction is done
  - Who is keeping track of current state?
  - The stack
    - Need to push the state also into the stack
    - The stack includes the viable prefix and the corresponding state for each symbol in the viable prefix

# Building the Action Table

## Action Table

$\text{action}(S_i, a) = S_j$ , if there is an edge from  $S_i$  to  $S_j$  labeled as  $a$

$\text{action}(S_i, c) = R_p$ , if  $S_i$  is a reducible state,  $c \in V_t \cup \{\#\}$

$\text{action}(S_i, \#) = \text{accept}$ , if  $S_i$  is acceptance state

$\text{action}(S_i, a) = \text{error}$ , otherwise

<b>States</b> \ <b>Terminal symbols</b>	$a_1$	...	$\#$
$S_1$			
...			
$S_n$			

# Building the Goto Table

- If  $\text{Goto}(I_i, A) = I_j$
- Then  $\text{Goto}[i, A] = j$
- Meaning
  - When a reduction  $X \rightarrow \alpha$  taken place
  - The non-terminal  $X$  is added to the stack replacing  $\alpha$
  - What should the state be after adding  $X$
  - This information is kept in Goto table



# Building the Goto Table

## GOTO Table

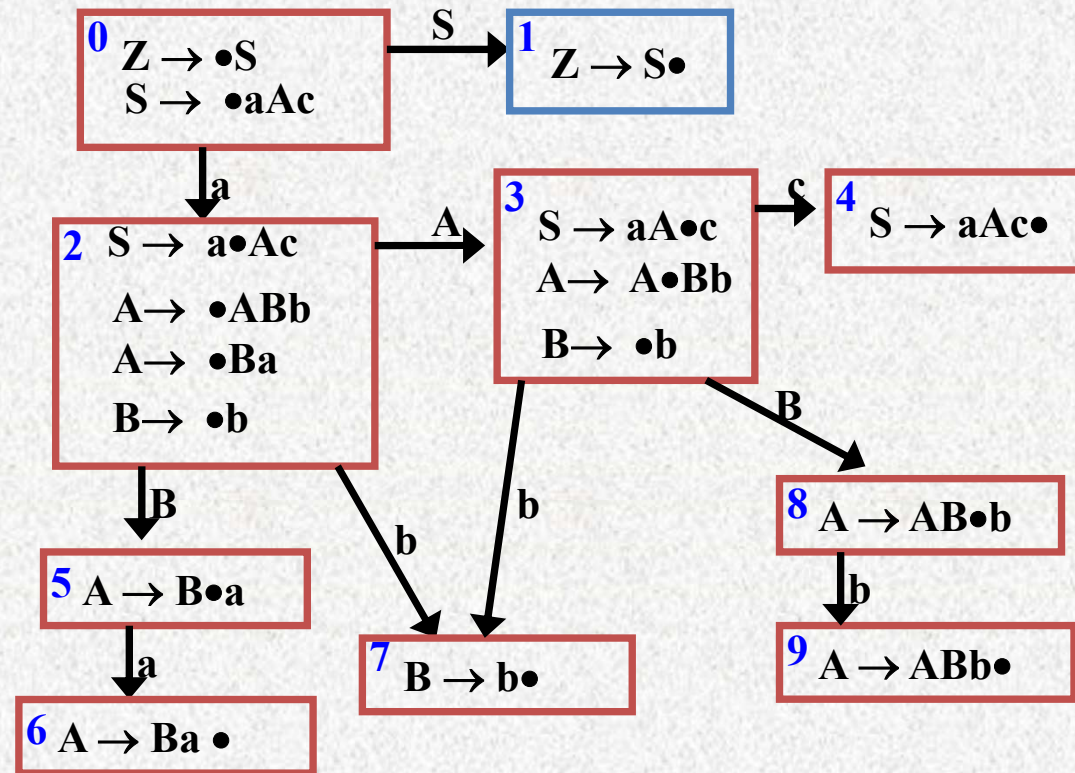
$\text{goto}(S_i, A) = S_j$ , if there is an edge from  $S_i$  to  $S_j$  labeled as  $A$   
 $\text{goto}(S_i, A) = \text{error}$ , if there is no edge from  $S_i$  to  $S_j$  labeled as  $A$

<b>State</b> \ <b>non-terminal</b>	$A_1$	...	#
$S_1$			
...			
$S_n$			

# LR(0) Parsing algorithm

- Example

$V_T = \{a, b, c\}$   
 $V_N = \{S, A, B\}$   
 $S = S$   
 P:  
 { (1)  $S \rightarrow aAc$   
 (2)  $A \rightarrow ABb$   
 (3)  $A \rightarrow Ba$   
 (4)  $B \rightarrow b$   
 }



# LR(0) Parsing algorithm

action					goto		
	a	b	c	#	S	A	B
0	S2				1		
1				accept			
2		S7				3	5
3		S7	S4				8
4	R1	R1	R1	R1			
5	S6						
6	R3	R3	R3	R3			
7	R4	R4	R4	R4			
8		S9					
9	R2	R2	R2	R2			

# LR(0) Parsing algorithm

**Algorithm 4.44:** LR-parsing algorithm.

**INPUT:** An input string  $w$  and an LR-parsing table with functions ACTION and GOTO for a grammar  $G$ .

**OUTPUT:** If  $w$  is in  $L(G)$ , the reduction steps of a bottom-up parse for  $w$ ; otherwise, an error indication.

**METHOD:** Initially, the parser has  $s_0$  on its stack, where  $s_0$  is the initial state, and  $w\$$  in the input buffer. The parser then executes the program in Fig. 4.36.  
□

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let  $a$  be the first symbol of  $w\$$ ;  
while(1) { /* repeat forever */  
    let  $s$  be the state on top of the stack;  
    if ( ACTION[ $s, a$ ] = shift  $t$  ) {  
        push  $t$  onto the stack;  
        let  $a$  be the next input symbol;  
    } else if ( ACTION[ $s, a$ ] = reduce  $A \rightarrow \beta$  ) {  
        pop  $|\beta|$  symbols off the stack;  
        let state  $t$  now be on top of the stack;  
        push GOTO[ $t, A$ ] onto the stack;  
        output the production  $A \rightarrow \beta$ ;  
    } else if ( ACTION[ $s, a$ ] = accept ) break; /* parsing is done */  
    else call error-recovery routine;  
}
```

# LR(0) Parsing algorithm

<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>c</b>
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P: (0)  $Z \rightarrow S$ ; (1)  $S \rightarrow aAc$ ; (2)  $A \rightarrow ABb$ ;  
 (3)  $A \rightarrow Ba$ ; (4)  $B \rightarrow b$

	action					goto		
	a	b	c	#		S	A	B
0	S2					1		
1				accept				
2		S7					3	5
3		S7	S4					8
4	R1	R1	R1	R1				
5	S6							
6	R3	R3	R3	R3				
7	R4	R4	R4	R4				
8		S9						
9	R2	R2	R2	R2				

Stack	Input	Actions
0	abac#	S2
02	bac#	S7
027	ac#	R4, Goto(2, B)=5
025	ac#	S6
0256	c#	R3, Goto(2, A)=3
023	c#	S4
0234	#	R1, Goto(0, S)=1
01	#	Accept

# Homework

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# Limit of LR(0)

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# LR Conflicts

A **shift/reduce conflict** is an error where a shift/reduce parser cannot tell whether to shift a token or perform a reduction.

A **reduce/reduce conflict** is an error where a shift/reduce parser cannot tell which of many reductions to perform.

A grammar whose handle-finding automaton contains a shift/reduce conflict or a reduce/reduce conflict is not LR(0).



# LR Family

- **LR Family**
  - covers wide range of grammars.
  - SLR – simple LR parser
  - LR – most general LR parser
  - LALR – intermediate LR parser (look-head LR parser)
  
  - SLR, LR and LALR work same (they used the same algorithm), only their parsing tables are different.

# Unambiguous

**LL(k)**

**LR(k)**

**LL(1)**

**LR(1)**

**LALR(1)**

**SLR(1)**

**LL(0)**

**LR(0)**

**Ambiguous**