# Programming Languages and Compilers (CS 421)

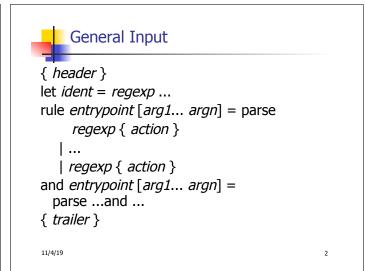


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#### Ocamllex Input

- header and trailer contain arbitrary ocaml code put at top an bottom of <filename>.ml
- let *ident* = *regexp* ... Introduces *ident* for use in later regular expressions

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# Ocamllex Input

- <filename>.ml contains one lexing function per entrypoint
  - Name of function is name given for entrypoint
  - Each entry point becomes an Ocaml function that takes n+1 arguments, the extra implicit last argument being of type Lexing.lexbuf
- arg1... argn are for use in action

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# Ocamllex Regular Expression

- Single quoted characters for letters:
- \_: (underscore) matches any letter
- Eof: special "end of file" marker
- Concatenation same as usual
- "string": concatenation of sequence of characters
- $\bullet$   $e_1 / e_2$ : choice what was  $e_1 \vee e_2$

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# Ocamllex Regular Expression

- [c<sub>1</sub> c<sub>2</sub>]: choice of any character between first and second inclusive, as determined by character codes
- [^c₁ c₂]: choice of any character NOT in set
- e\*: same as before
- e+: same as e e\*
- e?: option was  $e_1 \vee \epsilon$



# Ocamllex Regular Expression

- e<sub>1</sub> # e<sub>2</sub>: the characters in e<sub>1</sub> but not in
   e<sub>2</sub>; e<sub>1</sub> and e<sub>2</sub> must describe just sets of characters
- ident: abbreviation for earlier reg exp in let ident = regexp
- e<sub>1</sub> as id: binds the result of e<sub>1</sub> to id to be used in the associated action

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More details can be found at

<u>http://caml.inria.fr/pub/docs/manual-ocaml/</u> lexyacc.html

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# Example: test.mll

```
{ type result = Int of int | Float of float |
    String of string }
let digit = ['0'-'9']
let digits = digit +
let lower_case = ['a'-'z']
let upper_case = ['A'-'Z']
let letter = upper_case | lower_case
let letters = letter +
```

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# Exan

# Example: test.mll

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# # #use "test.ml";;

val main : Lexing.lexbuf -> result = <fun>
val \_\_ocaml\_lex\_main\_rec : Lexing.lexbuf -> int -> result = <fun>
hi there 234 5.2
 : result = String "hi"

What happened to the rest?!?

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### Example

```
# let b = Lexing.from_channel stdin;;
# main b;;
hi 673 there
- : result = String "hi"
# main b;;
- : result = Int 673
# main b;;
- : result = String "there"
```



#### Your Turn

- Work on ML5
  - Add a few keywords
  - Implement booleans and unit
  - Implement Ints and Floats
  - Implement identifiers

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#### **Problem**

- How to get lexer to look at more than the first token at one time?
  - Generally you DON'T want this
- Answer: action has to tell it to -- recursive calls
- Side Benefit: can add "state" into lexing
- Note: already used this with the \_ case

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#### Example



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#### **Example Results**

#### hi there 234 5.2

- : result list = [String "hi"; String "there"; Int
 234; Float 5.2]
#

Used Ctrl-d to send the end-of-file signal

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#### Dealing with comments



# Dealing with comments

# Dealing with nested comments

```
rule main = parse ...
                       { comment 1 lexbuf}
open comment
I eof
                 {[]}
| _ { main lexbuf }
and comment depth = parse
  open comment
                      { comment (depth+1)
  lexbuf }
                     { if depth = 1 }
| close comment
                 then main lexbuf
                else comment (depth - 1) lexbuf }
                { comment depth lexbuf }
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```

```
Dealing with nested comments
rule main = parse
  (digits) '.' digits as f { Float (float_of_string f) ::
  main lexbuf}
| digits as n
                   { Int (int of string n) :: main
  lexbuf }
                   { String s :: main lexbuf}
| letters as s
| open_comment
                       { (comment 1 lexbuf}
| eof
                  { [] }
| { main lexbuf }
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```



### Dealing with nested comments

```
and comment depth = parse
                       { comment (depth+1) lexbuf }
 open_comment
| close comment
                      \{ \text{ if depth} = 1 \}
                  then main lexbuf
                 else comment (depth - 1) lexbuf }
                { comment depth lexbuf }
1_
```

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# Types of Formal Language Descriptions

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- Regular expressions, regular grammars
- Context-free grammars, BNF grammars, syntax diagrams
- Finite state automata
- Whole family more of grammars and automata - covered in automata theory

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# Sample Grammar

- Language: Parenthesized sums of 0's and
- <Sum> ::= 0
- <Sum >::= 1
- <Sum> ::= <Sum> + <Sum>
- <Sum> ::= (<Sum>)

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# **BNF Grammars**

- Start with a set of characters, a,b,c,...
  - We call these *terminals*
- Add a set of different characters, X,Y,Z,
  - We call these nonterminals
- One special nonterminal S called start symbol

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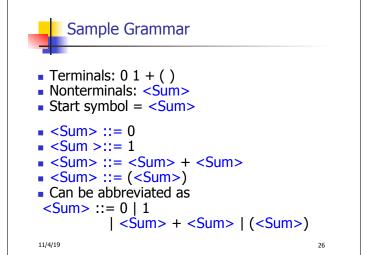
### **BNF Grammars**

BNF rules (aka *productions*) have formX ::= y

where X is any nonterminal and y is a string of terminals and nonterminals

 BNF grammar is a set of BNF rules such that every nonterminal appears on the left of some rule

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#### **BNF** Deriviations

Given rules

$$X::= yZw$$
 and  $Z::= v$ 

we may replace  $\mathbf{Z}$  by  $\mathbf{v}$  to say

$$X => yZw => yvw$$

- Sequence of such replacements called derivation
- Derivation called <u>right-most</u> if always replace the right-most non-terminal

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The meaning of a BNF gram

 The meaning of a BNF grammar is the set of all strings consisting only of terminals that can be derived from the Start symbol

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# **BNF** Derivations

Start with the start symbol:

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### **BNF** Derivations

Pick a non-terminal

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# **BNF** Derivations

- Pick a rule and substitute:
  - <Sum> ::= <Sum> + <Sum>

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# BNF Derivations

Pick a non-terminal:

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### BNF Derivations

- Pick a rule and substitute:
  - <Sum> ::= ( <Sum> )

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# **BNF** Derivations

Pick a non-terminal:

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# **BNF** Derivations

Pick a rule and substitute:

# **BNF** Derivations

Pick a non-terminal:

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#### **BNF** Derivations

- Pick a rule and substitute:
  - <Sum >::= 1

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BNF Derivations

Pick a non-terminal:

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#### **BNF** Derivations

- Pick a rule and substitute:
  - Sum >::= 0

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BNF Derivations

Pick a non-terminal:

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# **BNF** Derivations

- Pick a rule and substitute
  - <Sum> ::= 0

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BNF

# **BNF** Derivations

 $\bullet$  (0 + 1) + 0 is generated by grammar

```
<Sum> ::= 0 | 1 | <Sum> + <Sum> | (<Sum>)
<Sum> =>
```

# Regular Grammars

- Subclass of BNF
- Only rules of form
  - <nonterminal>::=<terminal><nonterminal> or
    <nonterminal>::=<terminal> or
    <nonterminal>::=<</pre>
- Defines same class of languages as regular expressions
- Important for writing lexers (programs that convert strings of characters into strings of tokens)

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#### Example

- Regular grammar:
  - <Balanced $> ::= \epsilon$
  - <Balanced> ::= 0<OneAndMore>
  - <Balanced> ::= 1<ZeroAndMore>
  - <OneAndMore> ::= 1<Balanced>
  - <ZeroAndMore> ::= 0<Balanced>
- Generates even length strings where every initial substring of even length has same number of 0's as 1's

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# **Extended BNF Grammars**

- Alternatives: allow rules of from X::=y/z
  - Abbreviates X::= y, X::= z
- Options: X := y[v]z
  - Abbreviates X::= yvz, X::= yz
- Repetition: X::= y{v}\*z
  - Can be eliminated by adding new nonterminal V and rules X::= yz, X::= yVz, V::= v, V::= vW

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### Parse Trees

- Graphical representation of derivation
- Each node labeled with either non-terminal or terminal
- If node is labeled with a terminal, then it is a leaf (no sub-trees)
- If node is labeled with a non-terminal, then it has one branch for each character in the right-hand side of rule used to substitute for it

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### Example

Consider grammar:

Problem: Build parse tree for 1 \* 1 + 0 as an <exp>



# Example cont.

■ 1 \* 1 + 0: <exp>

<exp> is the start symbol for this parse tree

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# Example cont.

Use rule: <exp> ::= <factor>

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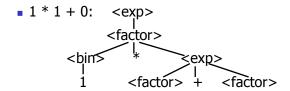
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Use rule: <factor> ::= <bin> \* <exp>

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# Example cont.



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# Example cont.

Use rule: <factor> ::= <bin>

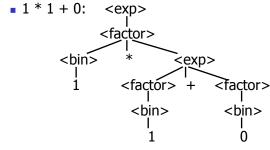
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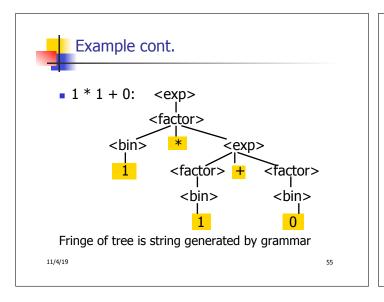
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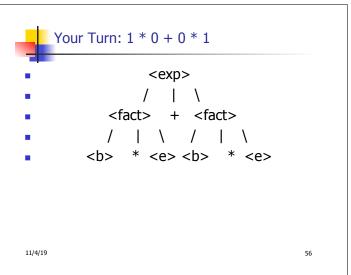
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# Example cont.



Use rules: <bin> ::= 1 | 0







#### Parse Tree Data Structures

- Parse trees may be represented by OCaml datatypes
- One datatype for each nonterminal
- One constructor for each rule
- Defined as mutually recursive collection of datatype declarations

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Recall grammar:

<exp> ::= <factor> | <factor> + <factor>
<factor> ::= <bin> | <bin> \* <exp>

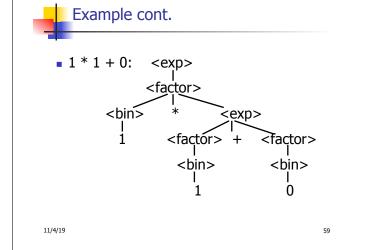
<br/><br/><br/><br/>1 = 0 | 1

type exp = Factor2Exp of factor | Plus of factor \* factor

and factor = Bin2Factor of bin | Mult of bin \* exp

and bin = Zero | One

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Example cont.

Can be represented as

Factor2Exp (Mult(One, Plus(Bin2Factor One, Bin2Factor Zero)))



#### **Ambiguous Grammars and Languages**

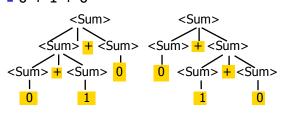
- A BNF grammar is <u>ambiguous</u> if its language contains strings for which there is more than one parse tree
- If all BNF's for a language are ambiguous then the language is *inherently ambiguous*

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# Example: Ambiguous Grammar

0 + 1 + 0



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### Example

What is the result for:

$$3 + 4 * 5 + 6$$

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# Example

What is the result for:

$$3 + 4 * 5 + 6$$

Possible answers:

- 41 = ((3 + 4) \* 5) + 6
- 47 = 3 + (4 \* (5 + 6))
- 29 = (3 + (4 \* 5)) + 6 = 3 + ((4 \* 5) + 6)
- 77 = (3 + 4) \* (5 + 6)

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# Example

What is the value of:

$$7 - 5 - 2$$



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# Example

What is the value of:

$$7 - 5 - 2$$

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- Possible answers:
  - In Pascal, C++, SML assoc. left

$$7-5-2=(7-5)-2=0$$

In APL, associate to right

$$7-5-2=7-(5-2)=4$$

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# Two Major Sources of Ambiguity

- Lack of determination of operator precedence
- Lack of determination of operator assoicativity
- Not the only sources of ambiguity

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# Disambiguating a Grammar

• Given ambiguous grammar G, with start symbol S, find a grammar G' with same start symbol, such that

language of G = language of G'

- Not always possible
- No algorithm in general

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# Disambiguating a Grammar

- Idea: Each non-terminal represents all strings having some property
- Identify these properties (often in terms of things that can't happen)
- Use these properties to inductively guarantee every string in language has a unique parse

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# Steps to Grammar Disambiguation

- Identify the rules and a smallest use that display ambiguity
- Decide which parse to keep; why should others be thrown out?
- What syntactic restrictions on subexpressions are needed to throw out the bad (while keeping the good)?
- Add a new non-terminal and rules to describe this set of restricted subexpressions (called stratifying, or refactoring)
- Replace old rules to use new non-terminals
- Rinse and repeat

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#### Example

Ambiguous grammar:

String with more then one parse:

$$0 + 1 + 0$$
  
 $1 * 1 + 1$ 

Sourceof ambiuity: associativity and precedence

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# Two Major Sources of Ambiguity

- Lack of determination of operator precedence
- Lack of determination of operator assoicativity
- Not the only sources of ambiguity

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# How to Enforce Associativity

- Have at most one recursive call per production
- When two or more recursive calls would be natural leave right-most one for right assoicativity, left-most one for left assoiciativity

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# Example

- Becomes
  - <Sum> ::= <Num> | <Num> + <Sum>
  - < <Num> ::= 0 | 1 | (<Sum>)

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# **Operator Precedence**

- Operators of highest precedence evaluated first (bind more tightly).
- Precedence for infix binary operators given in following table
- Needs to be reflected in grammar

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# Precedence Table - Sample

	Fortan	Pascal	C/C++	Ada	SML
highest	**	*, /, div, mod	++,	**	div, mod, / , *
	*,/	+, -	*,/, %	*, /, mod	+, -,
	+, -		+, -	+, -	::

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# First Example Again

- In any above language, 3 + 4 \* 5 + 6 = 29
- In APL, all infix operators have same precedence
  - Thus we still don't know what the value is (handled by associativity)
- How do we handle precedence in grammar?

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# Predence in Grammar

- Higher precedence translates to longer derivation chain
- Example:

Becomes

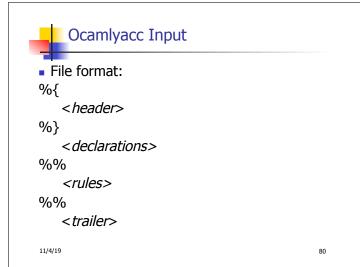
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#### Parser Code

- < grammar>.ml defines one parsing function per entry point
- Parsing function takes a lexing function (lexer buffer to token) and a lexer buffer as arguments
- Returns semantic attribute of corresponding entry point

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# Ocamlyacc < header>

- Contains arbitrary Ocaml code
- Typically used to give types and functions needed for the semantic actions of rules and to give specialized error recovery
- May be omitted
- < footer> similar. Possibly used to call parser

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# Ocamlyacc < declarations >

- %token symbol ... symbol
- Declare given symbols as tokens
- %token <type> symbol ... symbol
- Declare given symbols as token constructors, taking an argument of type <type>
- %start symbol ... symbol
- Declare given symbols as entry points; functions of same names in < grammar>.ml

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#### Ocamlyacc < declarations >

- %type <type> symbol ... symbol
  Specify type of attributes for given symbols.
  Mandatory for start symbols
- %left symbol ... symbol
- %right symbol ... symbol
- %nonassoc symbol ... symbol
   Associate precedence and associativity to given symbols. Same line, same precedence; earlier line, lower precedence (broadest scope)

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#### Ocamlyacc < rules>

nonterminal:
 symbol ... symbol { semantic\_action }
 | ...
 | symbol ... symbol { semantic\_action }

 Semantic actions are arbitrary Ocaml expressions

- Must be of same type as declared (or inferred) for nonterminal
- Access semantic attributes (values) of symbols by position: \$1 for first symbol, \$2 to second ...

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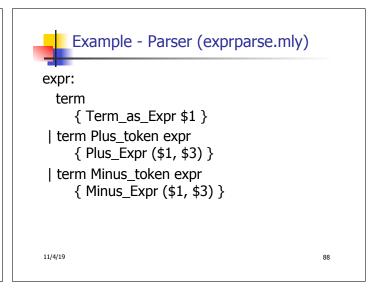
```
(* File: expr.ml *)
type expr =
    Term_as_Expr of term
    | Plus_Expr of (term * expr)
    | Minus_Expr of (term * expr)
    and term =
        Factor_as_Term of factor
    | Mult_Term of (factor * term)
    | Div_Term of (factor * term)
    and factor =
        Id_as_Factor of string
    | Parenthesized_Expr_as_Factor of expr
```

```
Example - Lexer (exprlex.mll)

{ (*open Exprparse*) }
let numeric = ['0' - '9']
let letter = ['a' - 'z' 'A' - 'Z']
rule token = parse
| "+" {Plus_token}
| "-" {Minus_token}
| "*" {Times_token}
| "/" {Divide_token}
| "(" {Left_parenthesis}
| ")" {Right_parenthesis}
| letter (letter|numeric|"_")* as id {Id_token id}
| [' ' '\t' '\n'] {token lexbuf}
| eof {EOL}
```

Example - Parser (exprparse.mly)

%{ open Expr
%}
%token <string> Id\_token
%token Left\_parenthesis Right\_parenthesis
%token Times\_token Divide\_token
%token Plus\_token Minus\_token
%token EOL
%start main
%type <expr> main
%%



```
term:
factor
{ Factor_as_Term $1 }
| factor Times_token term
{ Mult_Term ($1, $3) }
| factor Divide_token term
{ Div_Term ($1, $3) }
```

```
factor:

Id_token

{ Id_as_Factor $1 }

| Left_parenthesis expr Right_parenthesis

{Parenthesized_Expr_as_Factor $2 }

main:
| expr EOL

{ $1 }
```

```
# #use "expr.ml";;
...
# #use "exprparse.ml";;
...
# #use "exprlex.ml";;
...
# let test s =
let lexbuf = Lexing.from_string (s^"\n") in
main token lexbuf;;

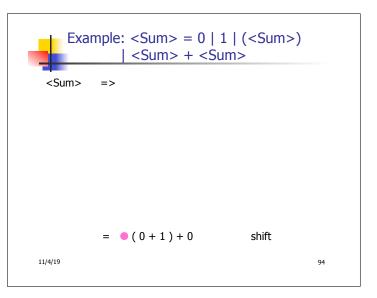
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```
# test "a + b";;
-: expr =
Plus_Expr
(Factor_as_Term (Id_as_Factor "a"),
Term_as_Expr (Factor_as_Term
(Id_as_Factor "b")))
```



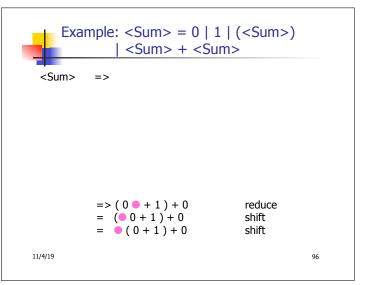
- Read tokens left to right (L)
- Create a rightmost derivation (R)
- How is this possible?
- Start at the bottom (left) and work your way up
- Last step has only one non-terminal to be replaced so is right-most
- Working backwards, replace mixed strings by non-terminals
- Always proceed so that there are no nonterminals to the right of the string to be replaced



```
Example: \langle Sum \rangle = 0 \mid 1 \mid (\langle Sum \rangle) \mid \langle Sum \rangle + \langle Sum \rangle

\langle Sum \rangle = \rangle

= (0 \mid 0 \mid 1) + 0 \quad \text{shift}
= (0 \mid 1) + 0 \quad \text{shift}
= (0 \mid 1) + 0 \quad \text{shift}
= (11/4/19) \quad \text{shift}
```



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Example: \langle Sum \rangle = 0 \mid 1 \mid (\langle Sum \rangle) \mid \langle Sum \rangle + \langle Sum \rangle

= (\langle Sum \rangle + 1) + 0 shift
= (0 + 1) + 0 reduce
= (0 + 1) + 0 shift
= (0 + 1) + 0 shift
```

```
Example: <Sum> = 0 | 1 | (<Sum>)
             | <Sum> + <Sum>
 <Sum>
          =>
                                   shift
          = ( <Sum > +  1 ) + 0
          = ( <Sum >   + 1 ) + 0
                                   shift
          => (0 + 1) + 0
                                   reduce
          = (0 0 + 1) + 0
                                   shift
          = (0+1)+0
                                   shift
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Example: <Sum> = 0 | 1 | (<Sum>)
               <Sum> + <Sum>
 <Sum>
          =>
          => ( <Sum> + <Sum> • ) + 0 reduce
          => ( <Sum> + 1 • ) + 0
                                   reduce
          = ( <Sum > +  1 ) + 0
                                   shift
          = (Sum > 0 + 1) + 0
                                   shift
                                   reduce
          => (0  + 1) + 0
          = (0 0 + 1) + 0
                                   shift
          = (0+1)+0
                                   shift
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                <Sum> + <Sum>
 <Sum>
           =>
           = ( <Sum >   ) + 0
                                     shift
           => ( <Sum> + <Sum> • ) + 0 reduce
           => ( <Sum> + 1 • ) + 0
                                     reduce
           = ( <Sum > +  1 ) + 0
                                     shift
           = (\langle Sum \rangle + 1) + 0
                                     shift
           => (0 • + 1) + 0
                                     reduce
           = (0 + 1) + 0
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          => ( <Sum > )  + 0
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                                    reduce
          = ( <Sum > +  1 ) + 0
                                    shift
          = ( <Sum > ( + 1) + 0)
                                    shift
                                    reduce
          => (0  + 1) + 0
          = (0 0 + 1) + 0
                                    shift
          = (0+1)+0
                                    shift
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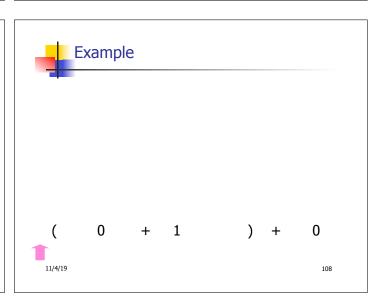
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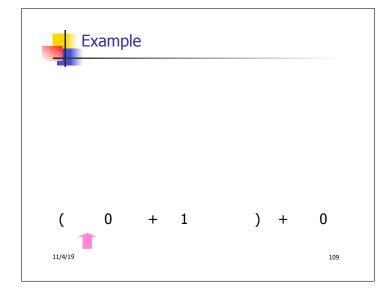
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              <Sum> • + 0
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                                    reduce
           = ( <Sum >   ) + 0
                                    shift
                                       reduce
           => ( <Sum> + <Sum> • ) + 0
                                    reduce
           => ( <Sum > + 1  ) + 0
           = ( <Sum > +  1 ) + 0
                                    shift
           = ( <Sum >   + 1 ) + 0
                                    shift
           => (0 + 1) + 0
                                    reduce
           = (00 + 1) + 0
                                    shift
           = (0+1)+0
                                    shift
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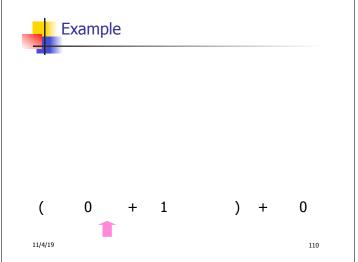
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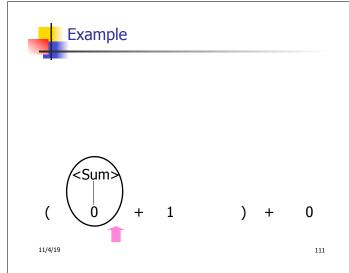
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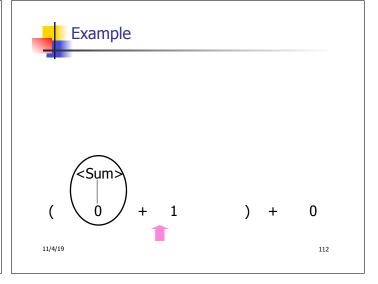
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           => ( <Sum> + 1 • ) + 0
                                     reduce
           = ( <Sum > +  1 ) + 0
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           = (\langle Sum \rangle + 1) + 0
                                     shift
           => (0 • + 1) + 0
                                     reduce
           = (00+1)+0
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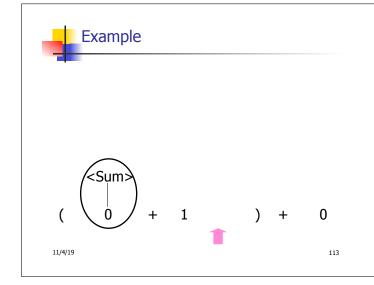


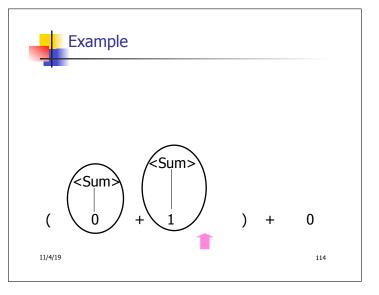


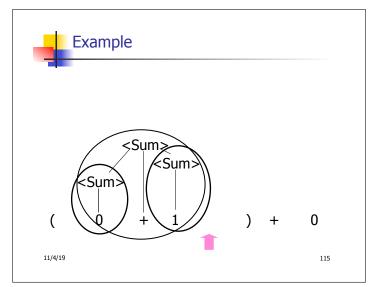


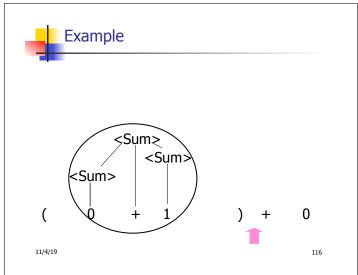


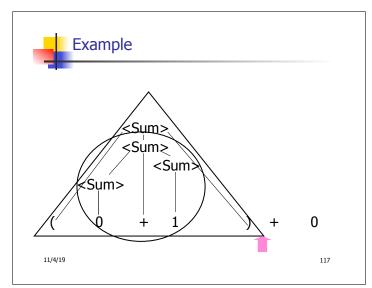


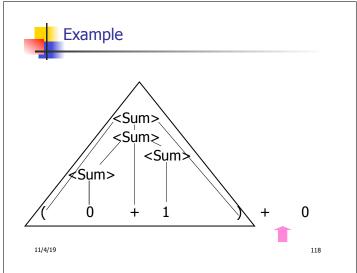


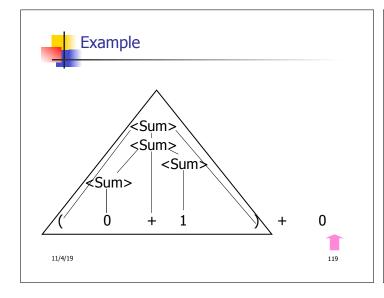


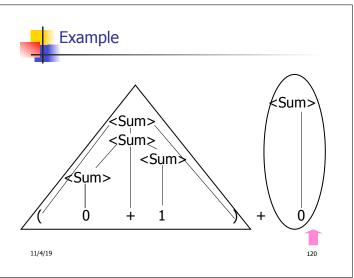


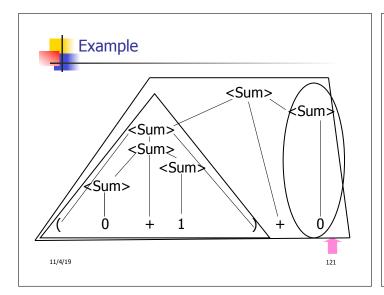


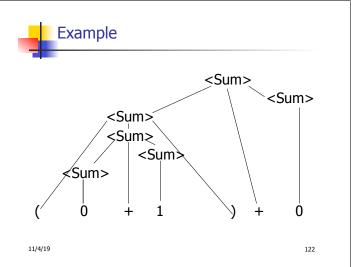














# LR Parsing Tables

- Build a pair of tables, Action and Goto, from the grammar
  - This is the hardest part, we omit here
  - Rows labeled by states
  - For Action, columns labeled by terminals and "end-of-tokens" marker
    - (more generally strings of terminals of fixed length)
  - For Goto, columns labeled by nonterminals

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#### **Action and Goto Tables**

- Given a state and the next input, Action table says either
  - shift and go to state n, or
  - reduce by production k (explained in a bit)
  - accept or error
- Given a state and a non-terminal, Goto table says
  - go to state m

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# LR(i) Parsing Algorithm

- Based on push-down automata
- Uses states and transitions (as recorded in Action and Goto tables)
- Uses a stack containing states, terminals and non-terminals



# LR(i) Parsing Algorithm

- 0. Insure token stream ends in special "endof-tokens" symbol
- 1. Start in state 1 with an empty stack
- 2. Push **state**(1) onto stack
- →3. Look at next *i* tokens from token stream (*toks*) (don't remove yet)
  - 4. If top symbol on stack is **state**(*n*), look up action in Action table at (*n*, *toks*)

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# LR(i) Parsing Algorithm

- 5. If action = **shift** m,
  - a) Remove the top token from token stream and push it onto the stack
  - b) Push **state**(m) onto stack
  - c) Go to step 3

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# LR(i) Parsing Algorithm

- 6. If action = **reduce** *k* where production *k* is E ::= u
  - a) Remove 2 \* length(u) symbols from stack (u and all the interleaved states)
  - b) If new top symbol on stack is **state**(*m*), look up new state *p* in Goto(*m*,E)
  - c) Push E onto the stack, then push **state**(*p*) onto the stack
  - d) Go to step 3

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# LR(i) Parsing Algorithm

- 7. If action = **accept** 
  - Stop parsing, return success
- 8. If action = error,
  - Stop parsing, return failure

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### Adding Synthesized Attributes

- Add to each **reduce** a rule for calculating the new synthesized attribute from the component attributes
- Add to each non-terminal pushed onto the stack, the attribute calculated for it
- When performing a reduce,
  - gather the recorded attributes from each nonterminal popped from stack
  - Compute new attribute for non-terminal pushed onto stack

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# **Shift-Reduce Conflicts**

- Problem: can't decide whether the action for a state and input character should be shift or reduce
- Caused by ambiguity in grammar
- Usually caused by lack of associativity or precedence information in grammar

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Example: <Sum> = 0 | 1 | (<Sum>) | <Sum> + <Sum>

0 + 1 + 0 shift -> 0 + 1 + 0 reduce -> <Sum> 0 + 1 + 0 shift -> <Sum> 0 + 1 + 0 shift

-> <Sum> + 1 • + 0 reduce -> <Sum> + <Sum> • + 0



# Example - cont

- Problem: shift or reduce?
- You can shift-shift-reduce-reduce or reduce-shift-shift-reduce
- Shift first right associative
- Reduce first- left associative

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# Reduce - Reduce Conflicts

- Problem: can't decide between two different rules to reduce by
- Again caused by ambiguity in grammar
- **Symptom:** RHS of one production suffix of another
- Requires examining grammar and rewriting it
- Harder to solve than shift-reduce errors

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### Example

■ S ::= A | aB A ::= abc B ::= bc

abc shifta bc shiftab c shift

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Problem: reduce by B ::= bc then by S ::= aB, or by A::= abc then S::A?