

Lecture 8:

- Quiz 2
- Derivations (cont)
- Onto Parsing

Announcements:

- HW-1 out (due Mon)

Check In: How can we represent $S \rightarrow aa^*$ using recursion?

$$S \rightarrow a \mid aS$$

- sometimes denoted as $S \rightarrow a^+$

Check In: Define a grammar for strings $a^i b^j c^i$ where $i > 0$, $j \geq 0$, and i is even.

$$S \rightarrow aaTcc \mid aaScc$$

$$T \rightarrow bT \mid \epsilon$$

... or $T \rightarrow b^*$

Types of Derivations:

- Left-most: replace left-most non-terminal at each step
- Right-most: replace right-most non-terminal at each step
- Neither left- nor right-most: doesn't follow either pattern

Note: Can help to rewrite Kleene star and alternation when learning derivations

Check In: Give a left-most derivation of $abcd$ starting from S using grammar:

$$S \rightarrow aT U d$$

$$T \rightarrow bT \mid \epsilon$$

$$U \rightarrow U c \mid c$$

$$S \Rightarrow aT U d \Rightarrow abT U d \Rightarrow abU d \Rightarrow abcd$$

Parsing: An example grammar

Simple list of assignment statements

$\langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle ::= \langle \text{stmt} \rangle \mid \langle \text{stmt} \rangle \text{' ; ' } \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$

$\langle \text{stmt} \rangle ::= \langle \text{var} \rangle \text{' = ' } \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

$\langle \text{var} \rangle ::= \text{' A ' } \mid \text{' B ' } \mid \text{' C '}$

$\langle \text{expr} \rangle ::= \langle \text{var} \rangle \mid \langle \text{var} \rangle \text{' + ' } \langle \text{var} \rangle \mid \langle \text{var} \rangle \text{' - ' } \langle \text{var} \rangle$

– Note: many possible grammars for this language!

Recall: using grammars to generate strings (derivations)

1. choose a rule (e.g., with start symbol on left-hand side)
2. replace with right-hand side (of rule)
3. pick a non-terminal N and rule with N on left side
4. replace N with rule's right-hand side
5. repeat from 3 until only terminals remain

Whereas \rightarrow (or $::=$) denotes a rule, \Rightarrow denotes a derivation

Example derivation of “A = B + C; B = A”

$\langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{stmt} \rangle ; \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow \langle \text{var} \rangle = \text{expr} ; \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = \text{expr} ; \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = \langle \text{var} \rangle + \langle \text{var} \rangle ; \langle \text{stmt} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + \langle \text{var} \rangle ; \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + C ; \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + C ; \langle \text{stmt} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + C ; \langle \text{var} \rangle = \langle \text{expr} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + C ; B = \langle \text{expr} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + C ; B = \langle \text{var} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow A = B + C ; B = C$

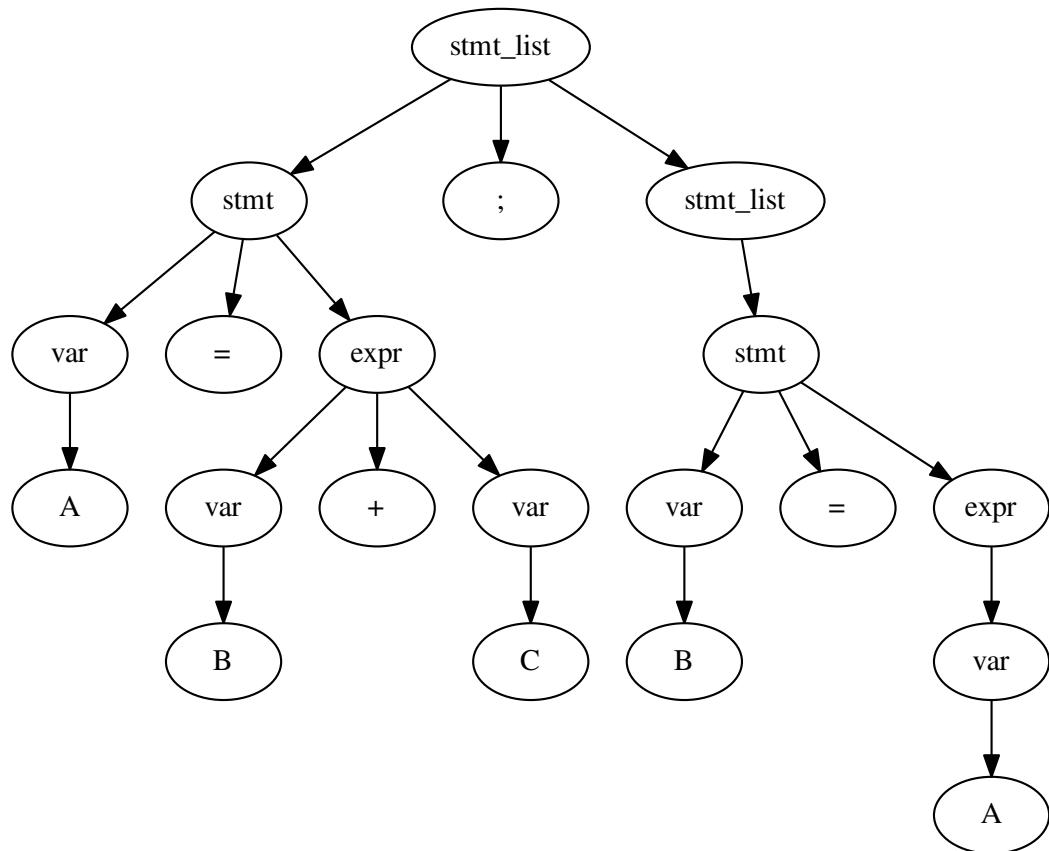
- This is a “left-most” derivation
 - derived the string by replacing left-most non-terminals
- The opposite is a “right-most” derivation

$\langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \text{stmt} \rangle ; \langle \text{stmt_list} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow \langle \text{stmt} \rangle ; \langle \text{stmt} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow \langle \text{stmt} \rangle ; \langle \text{var} \rangle = \langle \text{expr} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow \langle \text{stmt} \rangle ; \langle \text{var} \rangle = \langle \text{var} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow \langle \text{stmt} \rangle ; \langle \text{var} \rangle = B$
 $\Rightarrow \dots$

- Can also have derivations that are neither left-most nor right-most

Derivations can also be written as “parse trees”

- Using the previous example derivation of “A = B + C; B = A”



Summary – Things to Know

1. Derivations
2. Types of derivations (left-most, right-most, neither)
3. Be able to give a different type of derivation given a grammar and string to derive.
4. Understand the different notation for grammars ($::=$ and $\langle \rangle$) and the simple language.
5. Parse (syntax) trees and their relationships to derivations.
6. Be able to generate a parse tree from a grammar and string.