

# L-Attributed Grammars

L-Attributed Grammars is a class of Attributed Grammars (or SDD) that has **Depth-First** as a **Topological Sort** of the **Dependency Graph** of the **Parse-Tree attributes** of the grammar.

Let  $G^A = \{\Sigma, V, s, P^A, \{a_i\}\}$  be an attribute grammar.  
Let  $p \equiv B := B_1 \dots B_n \{ \alpha \} \in P^A$ .  
 $G^A$  is L-attributed if and only if:  
 $\forall X_i \cdot a_{ij} = e_{ij} \in \{ \alpha \}$  for  $X_i \in \text{Sym}(B_1 \dots B_n)$ :  
if  $X_k \cdot a_{ik} \in \text{Var}(e_{ij})$  then:  
- either  $X_i \equiv B_{h_i}, X_k \equiv B_{h_k}$  and  $1 \leq h_k \leq h_i \leq n$   
- or  $X_k \equiv B$  and  $a_{ik} \in A\text{-Inh}(B)$

- **S-attributed Grammars** are containing only synthesized attributes
- S-attributed are L-attributed.

**Theorem.** If  $G$  has Top-Down/Bottom-up Parser and  $G^A$  is L-attributed then  $G^A$  has **Top-Down/Bottom-up oblivious evaluator**

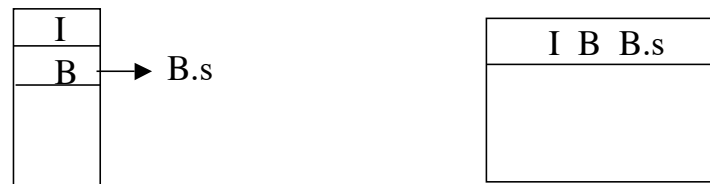
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# Bottom-Up Evaluator for S-attributed

## How do it by extending LR Parsers

Extend the values of the push-down automata, LR control stack:

- Associate to each grammatical symbol B:
  - the synthesized attributes or none (if it has no attribute)
  - the transition state of LR analysis



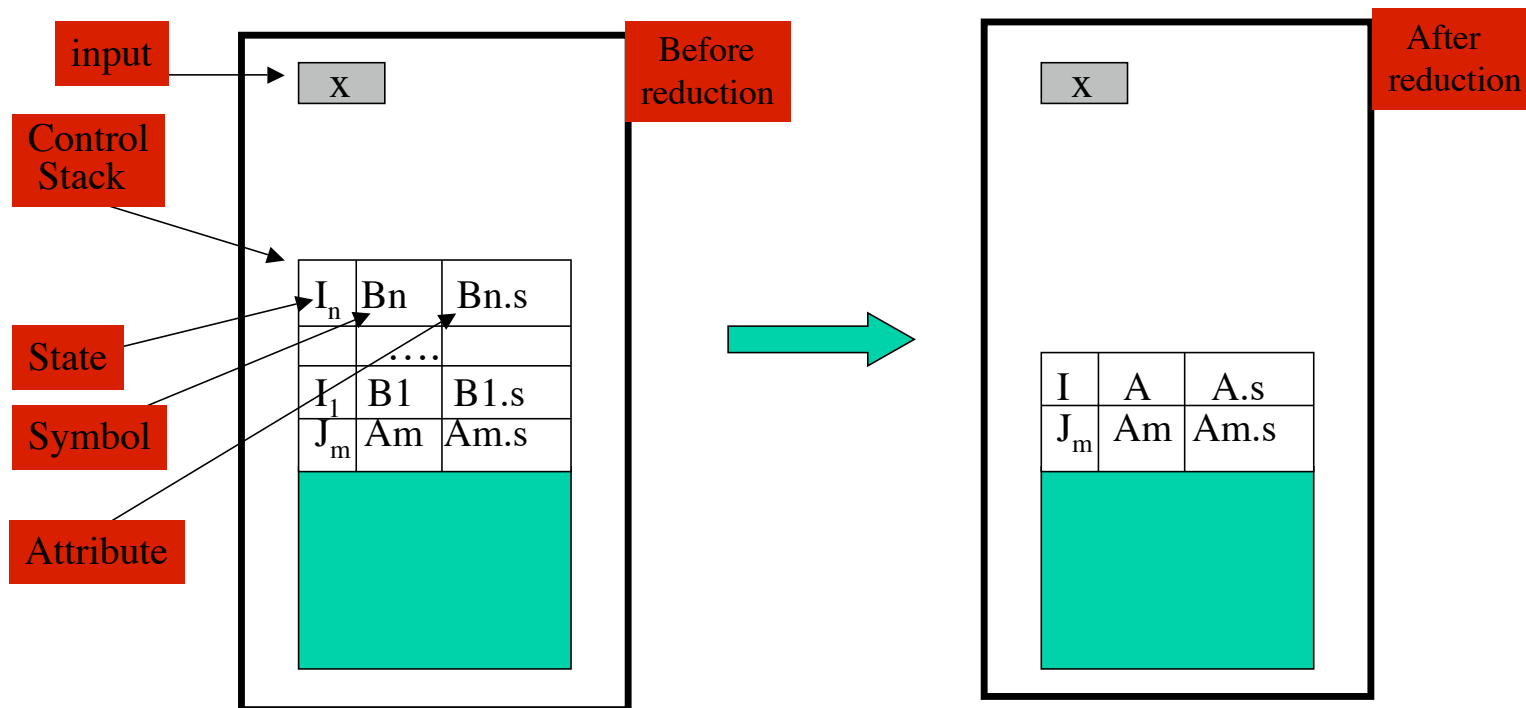
- At each reduction with handle  $A ::= B_1 \dots B_n$   $\{\alpha\}$  compute all the actions in  $\{\alpha\}$ .
  - Let  $A.a_i = e_i$  be one of them.
    - If  $e_i$  contains occurrences of attributes of the grammatical  $B_i$  then:
      - access  $(n-i)$ -th position, below the top of the stack, and
      - select the value  $I_i B_i [v_i]$  (where  $[v_i] \equiv v_{i1} \dots v_{in}$ ) and find the correct  $v_{ij}$
    - Let  $[v] \equiv v_1 \dots v_m$  be the values resulting for the attributes  $a_1 \dots a_m$  of  $A$ .
  - Reduce and insert  $I_j A [v]$ , where  $I_j$  is the transition state of LR analysis.

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# How do it: LR Control Stack

production  
(k)  $A ::= B_1 \dots B_n \{ \alpha \}$

LR Table  
Action( $I_n, x$ )=R/k    Goto( $J_m, A$ )=I



Each  $B_i$  and its attributes  $B_i.s$  are computed by the previous reductions (sons - depth first)

$A.s = \alpha$  has been just computed: It can only depend 4 from  $A\text{-Syn}(B_i)$  ( $A$ 's sons) that are in the stack

**EXAMPLE.** We apply the obvious approach in implementing an evaluator for an S-structured (only synthesized attributes)

a) A (language of expressions and its) grammar,  $G$

$G$ :  
 0:  $E ::= E + N$   
 1:  $E ::= N$

$ColP_G(1)$ :

$I_0 = \{E' \rightarrow \cdot E, E \rightarrow \cdot E + N, E \rightarrow \cdot N\}$   
 $G \circ T_0(0, E) = \{E' \rightarrow E \cdot, E \rightarrow E \cdot + N\}$   
 $= I_1$   
 $G \circ T_0(0, N) = \{E \rightarrow N \cdot\}$   
 $= I_2$   
 $G \circ T_0(1, +) = \{E \rightarrow E \cdot + N\}$   
 $= I_3$   
 $G \circ T_0(3, N) = \{E \rightarrow E + N \cdot\}$   
 $= I_4$

SLR-Prüfungstabelle

	+ N \$	E
0	- S/2 -	1
1	S/3 - Acc	-
2	R/1 R/1	-
3	- S/4 -	-
4	R/0 - R/0	-

b) An attribute  $G^A$  that extends  $G$  with own INTERPRETER of the expressions

$G^A$ :  
 $E_1 ::= E_2 + N \{E_2.V := E_2.V + N.VAL;\}$   
 $E ::= N \{E.V := N.VAL;\}$

- where,  $N.VAL$  is the integer that is associated to token  $N$  in the Symbol table (lexer may provide for the conversion of the lexeme in a machine representation of int.)

c) The PARSER of  $G$  during the analysis of:  $3+7+5$  i.e.  $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$

b) An attribute grammar that extends G with an INTERPRETER of the expressions

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c) The PARSER of G during the analysis of: 3+7+5 i.e.  $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$

$N_1 + N_2 \$$	+ $N_2 \$$	+ $N_2 \$$	$N_2 \$$	$\$$	$\$$
0 \$	2 $N_1$ 0 \$	1 E 0 \$	3 + 1 E 0 \$	4 $N_2$ 3 + 1 E 0 \$	1 E 0 \$

Stop: ACCEPT

d) The EVALUATOR during the analysis of: 3+7+5 i.e.  $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$

b) An attribute grammar that extends  $G$  with an INTERPRETER of the expressions

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$$E ::= N \quad \{E.V := N.VAL;\}$$

	+	N	\$	E
0	-	S/2	-	1
1	S/3	-	Acc	-
2	R/1	R/1	-	-
3	-	S/4	-	-
4	R/0	-	R/0	-

4) The EVALUATOR during the analysis of:  $3+7+5 \dots N_1 + N_2 + N_3$

$N_1 + N_2$	\$	+	$N_2$	\$	+	$N_2$	\$	$N_2$	\$	\$	\$	
0	\$ -	2	$N_1$ 3	1	E 3	3	+	-	4	$N_2$ 7	1	E 10
		0	\$ -	0	\$ -	1	E 3	3	+	-	0	\$ -
						0	\$ -	1	E 3			
								0	\$ -			

Stop: ACCEPT

# Top-Down Evaluators for L-Attributed From L-Attributed to Translation Schemes

**Translation Schemes** = Grammars with Productions where actions and grammatical symbols are mixed

$$A ::= \{\beta_1\} B_1 \dots \{\beta_k\} B_k \{\alpha\}$$

in a way that:

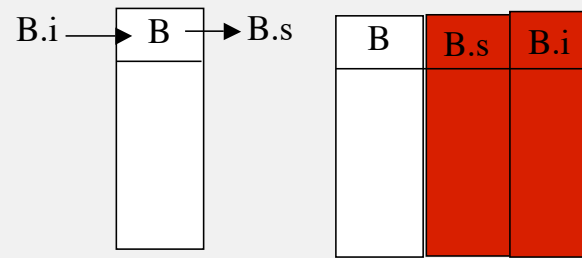
- $A\text{-Inh}(B_i)$  are defined only in actions  $\{\beta_i\}$  that precede  $B_i$  (for each  $i$ )
- $A\text{-Syn}(A)$  are defined in  $\{\alpha\}$

If  $G$  is L-attributed, its TS has actions that can use only, attributes of symbols that precede the actions.

# Top-Down Evaluator for L-attributed

## How do it by extending LL Parsers

- **Transform L-attributed in Translation Scheme**
- **Pair** the LL control stack,  $C$ , with
  - one data **stack** for **synthesized** values,  $S$ ,
  - one data **stack** for **inherited** values,  $I$ .
- **Extend  $C$  to contain actions:**
  - **At each derivation** with  $A ::= \{\beta_1\}B_1 \dots \{\beta_k\}B_k \{\alpha\}$ ,
    - $\{\beta_1\}B_1 \dots \{\beta_k\}B_k \{\alpha\}$
  - (Let  $B_0 \equiv A$  and  $\beta_{k+1} \equiv \alpha$ )



**When an action  $\beta_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq k+1$ ) is selected from the top of  $C$**

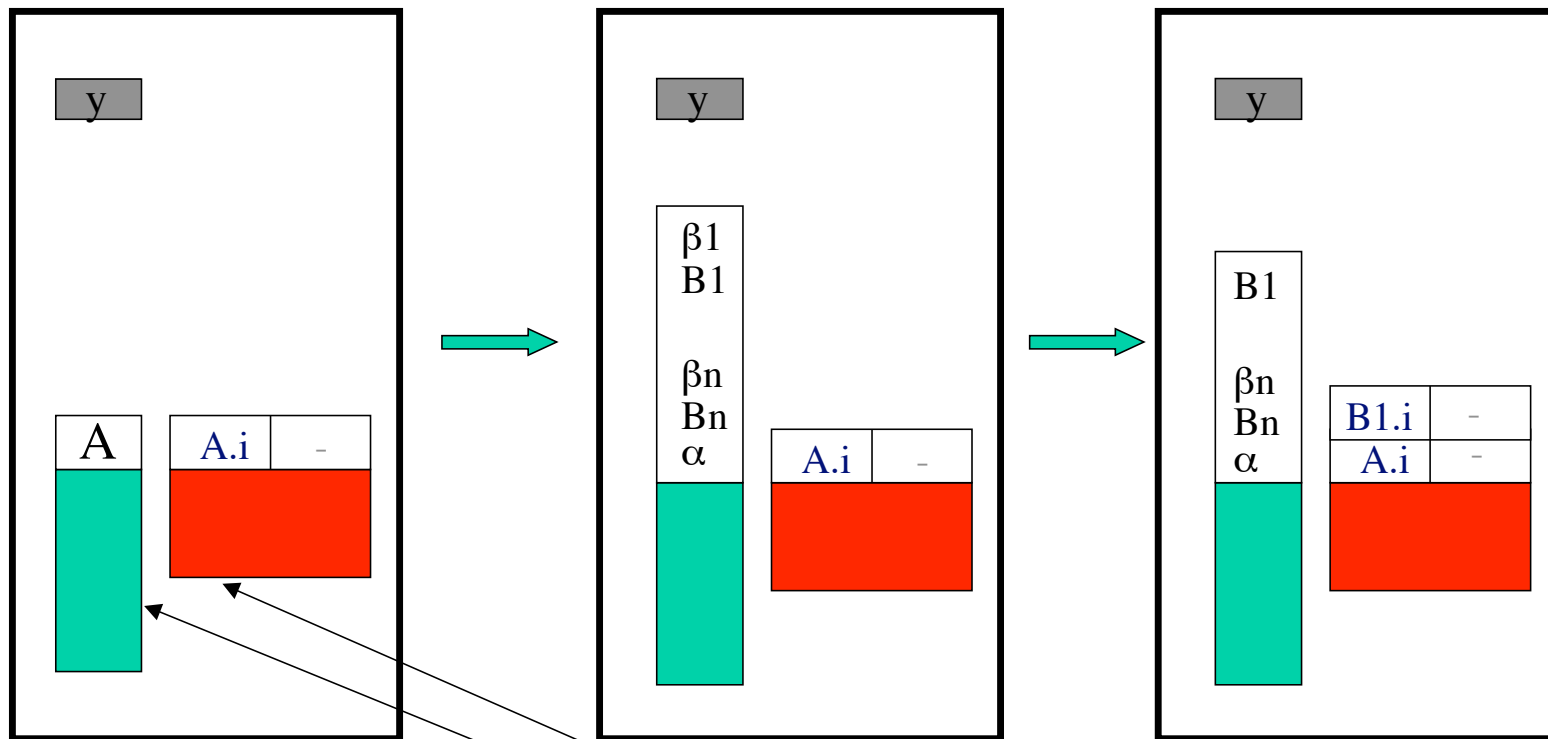
- **Action is evaluated:**
  - **by using the evaluator** of Meta, and
  - **by replacing attributes of:**
    - $B_j$  ( $j < i$ ) with the values extracted, from  $I$  or  $S$ , at the  $(i-j-1)$ -th position from top
    - $A$  - as above, by letting:  $B_0 \equiv A$  and  $\beta_{k+1} \equiv \alpha$
  - **by putting its result on:**
    - the **top of  $I$** , if action is  $\beta_i$
    - **$k$ -th position below top of  $S$** , if action is  $\alpha$



# How do it: LL Control Stack - 1

(k)  $A ::= \{\beta_1\} B_1 \dots \{\beta_n\} B_n \{\alpha\}$

$M(A, y) = k$



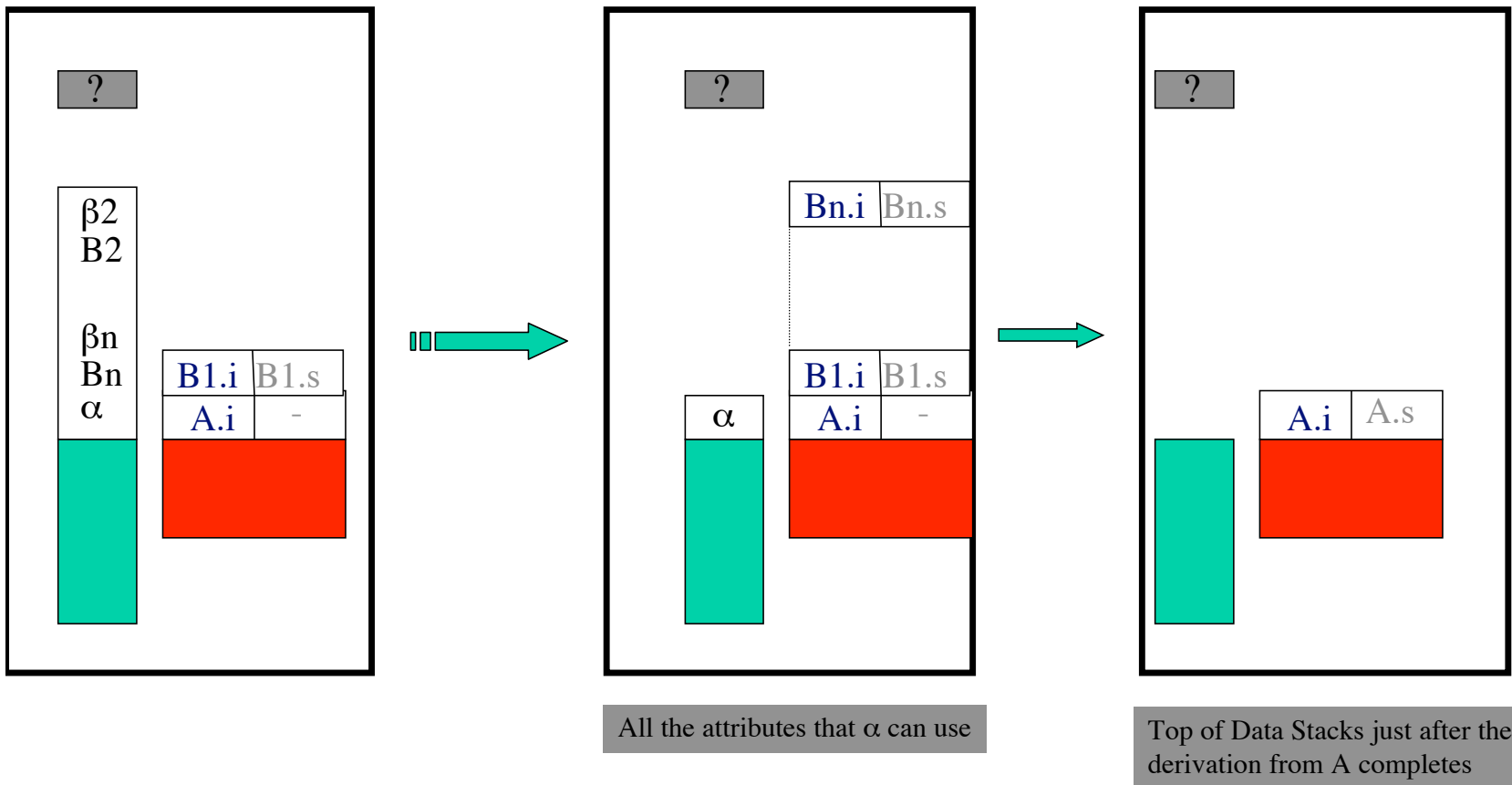
A.i comes in from the previous derivation that involved its brothers at left

**Stack C**

**Stack I/S**

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B<sub>1</sub>.i=β<sub>1</sub> can contain only inherited of A

# How do it: LL Control Stack - 2



**EXAMPLE.** We apply the obnoxious approach in implementing a Top-down evaluator for an L-structured (only syntactical attributes)

a) A (language of expressions and its) grammar  $G$

$G:$	$F ::= N * F$	0 $F ::= N G$	L L-prim T alle
	$F ::= N$	1 $G ::= * F$	* N \$
		2 $G ::= \epsilon$	F - 0 -
			G 1 - 2

b) An attribute  $G^A$  that extends  $G$  with an INTERPRETER of the expressions

$F ::= N \{ G.inl := N.val; \}$   
 $G \{ F.v := G.v; \}$   
 $G ::= * \{ G.v := G.inl * F.v; \}$   
 $G ::= \epsilon \{ G.v := G.inl; \}$

-where, N.VAL is the value that is associated to token N in the symbol table (lexer may provide for the conversion of the lexeme in a machine representation of int.)

c) The PARSER of  $G$  during the analysis of:  $3+7+5$ , i.e.:  $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$

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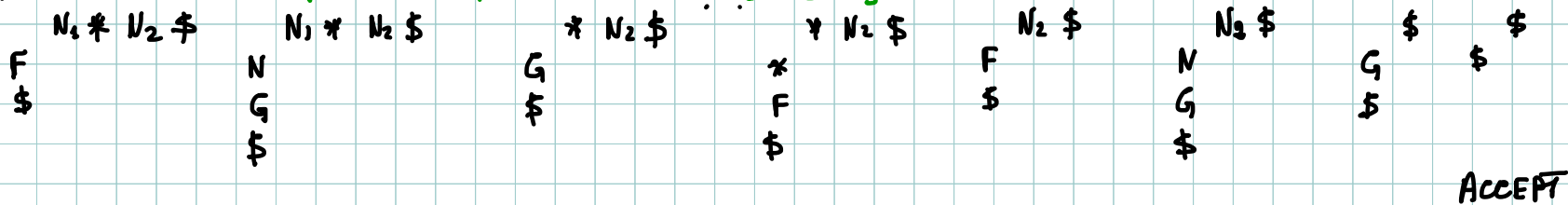
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 $G \{ F.V := G.V; \}$

$G ::= * F \{ G.V := G.inl * F.V; \}$

$G ::= \{ G.V := G.inl; \}$

L-Parser Table  
 $* N \$$   
 $F - 0 -$   
 $G 1 - 2$

c) The PARSER of  $G$  during the analysis of:  $3+7+5$  i.e.  $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$



d) The EVALUATOR during the analysis of:  $3+7+5$  i.e.  $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$  [in the data stack, only attributes for  $\underline{N}$ ,  $\underline{F}$ ,  $\underline{G}$ ]

b) An attribute  $G^A$  that extends  $G$  with an INTERPRETER of the expressions

$$F ::= N \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G.\text{int} := N.\text{Voe}; \\ G \end{array} \right\}^{\beta_1}$$

$$G ::= * F \left\{ G.V := G.\text{int} * F.V; \right\}^{\beta_2}$$

$$G ::= \left\{ G.V := G.\text{int}; \right\}^{\beta_4}$$

L-Forming Table

*	N	\$
F	-	0 -
G	1	- 2

c) The EVALUATOR during the analysis of:  $3+7+5 \dots N_1+N_2+N_3$  [in the data stack, only attributes for  $N, F, G$ ]

$N_1 * N_2 \$$	$N_1 * N_2 \$$	$* N_2 \$$	$* N_2 \$$	$* N_2 \$$	$N_2 \$$	$N_2 \$$
F	N	$\beta_1$	G	*	F	N
\$ - -	$\beta_1$	G	3 -	F	- -	$\beta_1$
Int Sys	G	$\beta_2$ - 3	\$ - -	$\beta_3$ 3 -	$\beta_3$ 3 -	G - -
	$\beta_2$ - -	\$ - -		$\beta_2$ - 3	\$ - -	$\beta_2$ - -
	\$ - -			\$ - -		$\beta_3$ 3 -
						$\beta_2$ - 3
						\$ - -

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b) An attribute  $\rho^A$  that extends  $G$  with an INTERPRETER of the expressions

$$F ::= N \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G.\text{val} := N.\text{val}; \\ G \end{array} \right\}^{\beta_1}$$

$$G ::= * F \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G.V := G.\text{val} * F.V; \\ F \end{array} \right\}^{\beta_3}$$

$$G ::= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G.V := G.\text{val}; \\ G \end{array} \right\}^{\beta_4}$$

L-Forming Table

*	N	\$
F	-	0
G	1	-2

\$	
$\beta_1$	
G	- 7
$\beta_2$	- -
$\beta_3$	3 -
$\beta_2$	- 3
\$	- -

\$	
	7 -
G	- 7
$\beta_2$	- -
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