## The LR parsing algorithm (edited from a current Wikipedia article on LR parsing)

- 1. The stack is initialized with [0]. The top of the stack is tos; tos is the current state.
- 2. Lookup action [tos, input]
  - There are four cases:
  - a. shift sn:
    - i. the current terminal is removed from the input stream
    - ii. the state n is pushed onto the stack and becomes the current state
  - b. reduce rm:
    - i. the number m is written to the output stream
    - ii. for every symbol in the right-hand side of rule m, a state is removed from the stack
    - iii. given the state that is then on top of the stack is tos, and the lefthand side of rule m is lhs, push goto [tos, lhs] to stack
  - c. *accept:* the string is accepted
  - d. no action: a syntax error is reported
- 3. Step 2 is repeated until either the string is accepted or a syntax error is reported.