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procedure derivesToLambda (  $L \in N$  a non-terminal of grammar ,
 $T$  a stack )
returns true if  $\exists \{p_i\} \subseteq P$  permitting  $L \Rightarrow^* \lambda$ .

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Given P the production rules of a reduced grammar and the stack T is empty on the first call of procedure.

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foreach (  $p \in P$  with LHS  $L$  ) do (
  if (  $p$  in  $T$  ) then (
    continue loop
  )
  if (  $p$  is  $L \rightarrow \lambda$  ) then (
    return true
  )
  if ( RHS of  $p$  contains a terminal ) then (
    continue loop
  )
  let allderivelambda  $\leftarrow$  true
  foreach (  $X_i \in N$  in RHS of  $p$  ) do (
    push  $p$  onto  $T$ 
    allderivelambda  $\leftarrow$  derivesToLambda ( $X_i, T$ )
    pop  $T$ 
    # it takes just one  $X_i \not\Rightarrow^* \lambda$  to mean LHS of  $p \not\Rightarrow^* \lambda$ 
    if ( allderivelambda is false ) then (
      break loop
    )
  )
  if ( allderivelambda is true ) then (
    return true
  )
)
return false

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