

## Announcements:

- HW 1 - Review 5:30pm Thurs.
- HW 2 - due tonight.
- COVID

## Today:

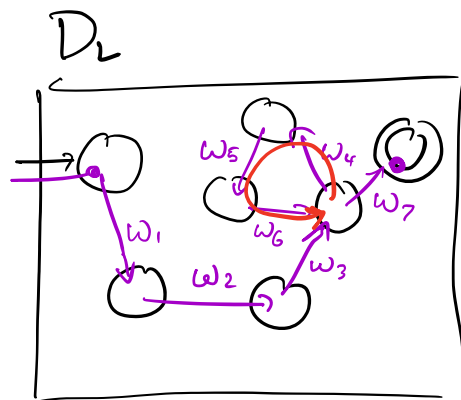
1. Using the Pumping Lemma to show nonregularity.
2. Context-Free Grammars — a new way to generate languages.

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### 1. Using the Pumping Lemma.

- Let  $L$  be a regular language, w/ DFA  $D_L$ , and  $D_L$  has the state set  $Q$ .

- If  $D_L$  accepts any string  $w$  with  $|w| \geq |Q|$ , our computation must touch some state twice and make a loop.



$$w = w_1 \dots w_7$$



Pumping Lemma. For any regular language  $L$ , there exists some number  $p$  (the "pumping length") such that all strings  $w \in L$  with  $|w| \geq p$  can be divided into three parts  $w = xyz$  such that

$$(1) xy^i z \in L \text{ for all } i \geq 0,$$

$$(2) |y| > 0$$

$$(3) |xy| \leq p.$$

$$\begin{array}{c} w_1 w_2 w_3 w_4 w_5 w_6 w_7 \\ \hline x \qquad \qquad \qquad y \qquad \qquad \qquad z \end{array}$$

[skeleton proof]

Goal: Proving  $A$  is nonregular

1. Assume for contradiction  $A$  regular.
2. So, by assumption,  $A$  satisfies the PL
3. Find some long string  $w \in A$  that doesn't meet the PL conditions
4. Contradiction  $\rightarrow$   $A$  doesn't satisfy the PL,  
 $A$  not regular.

Example.

Show  $B = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  is not regular.

1. Assume for contradiction that  $B$  is regular.
  2.  $\therefore B$  satisfies the PL, and has a pumping length  $p$ .
- So, by assumption, any string  $w \in B$ ,  $|w| \geq p$ ,  
 $w$  can be broken into  $x, y, z$   
 with (1)  $xy^i z \in B$  for all  $i \geq 0$ ,

$$(2) |y| > 0$$

$$(3) |xy| \leq p.$$

(\*)

3. Pick a contradiction string.

$$w = \underbrace{0^p}_{p \text{ times}} 1^p, \in B, |w| \geq p,$$

$$w = \underbrace{000000}_{x} \dots \underbrace{000}_{y} \underbrace{111}_{z} \dots 111$$

- By (3),  $|xy| \leq p$ , so any way of dividing  $w$  into  $x, y, z$  makes  $y$  all zeroes.

- By (2),  $|y| > 0$ , so  $y$  contains  $\geq 1$  zero.

- By (1),  $xy^2z = xygz \in B$

$$xygz = 0^{p+|y|} 1^p \notin B.$$

4. This is a contradiction, so my assumption that  $B$  is regular is false.  $\square$

Example 2. Show  $E = \{0^i 1^j \mid i > j\}$  is not regular.

1. Assume  $E$  regular.  $\therefore$  PL holds, so there exists a number  $p$  such that all  $w \in E$  with  $|w| \geq p$  can be broken into substrings  $x, y, z$  satisfying:

$$(1) xy^2z \in E \text{ for all } i \geq 0$$

$$(2) |y| > 0$$

$$(3) |xy| \leq p.$$

2. Pick my contradiction string.

$$w = 0^{p+1} 1^p. \text{ So:}$$

(Q: why not just show we can't build a DFA?)

- $|xy| \leq p$  by (3), so  $x, y$  are all zeros
- $|y| > 0$ , so  $y$  contains at least one zero
- $xyyz \in \mathcal{E}$ .  $xyyz = 0^{p+1+|y|} 1^p \in \mathcal{E}$ . ☹️
- instead, try  $i=0$ .
- (1) tells me  $xy^0z = xz \in \mathcal{E}$ .
- $xz = 0^{p+1-|y|} 1^p \notin \mathcal{E}$ .

"pumping"  $\approx$  "going around the loop"  
 "pumping"  $xyz$  means  $xyz \rightarrow xy^2z \rightarrow xy^3z \rightarrow \dots$   
 "pumping down" means  $xyz \rightarrow xz$

3. So:  $w$  can't be pumped down; so  $\mathcal{E}$  does not satisfy the PL;  $\mathcal{E}$  is not regular.  $\square$

### Example 3.

$L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 3\}$  is nonregular.

- Know:  $A = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  is nonregular.

- Know:  $B = \{\epsilon, 01, 0011\}$  is regular.

Observe:  $L \cup B = A$ .

By closure of the regular languages under union  $\cup$ ,

- If  $B, L$  are regular,  $A$  is regular.

-  $A$  is not regular  $\Rightarrow$  either  $B$  or  $L$  is not regular  
 $\therefore L$  is nonregular.

5 mins — start at 1:59

$F := \{ww \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$  // the language of repeated binary strings twice

- (1) Suppose (for contradiction)  $F$  satisfies PL. Then there exists  $p$  s.t. for all  $s \in F$  with  $|s| \geq p$ ,  $s$  can be divided into  $xyz$  with
- (1)  $xy^i z \in F$  for all  $i \geq 0$
  - (2)  $|y| > 0$
  - (3)  $|xy| \leq p$ .

$0^p 1 0^p 1$   ~~$000 \dots 000 1$~~   
 $|s| = p$

- Come up w/ 3-5 candidate contradiction strings.
- Find one that violates at least one of (1)-(3) any way you split it.

(+) Is  $G = \{0^n 1^m \mid n \geq m\} \cup \{0^n 1^m \mid m \geq n\}$  regular? Show either way.

(++) Show  $D = \{1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  is nonregular. ~~\*~~ and possibly

contradiction strings:  $0^{2p} 1^{2p}$   $(01)^p$   $0^p 1 0^p 1$

Choose  $w = 0^p 1 0^p 1$ .

By (3),  $|xy| \leq p$ , so  $x$  and  $y$  are all zeroes.

$$\therefore xy^2z = 0^{2p+|y|} 1 0^p 1 \notin F.$$

-  $0^p 1 0^p 1^p$

-  $0^{2p} \times 0^{2p+|y|}$

$G' := \{0^n 1^m \mid n \geq m \text{ or } m \geq n\}$

regular.  $(n, m \geq 0)$   
 (equiv  $0^* 1^*$ )

# Context-Free Grammar

A new, more powerful way of describing languages.

A CFG starts with a single start variable and repeatedly substitutes according to rules to generate a string.

Example.

Variables:  
usually capital  
letters

- (1)  $S \rightarrow OS1$
- (2)  $S \rightarrow B$
- (3)  $B \rightarrow \#$

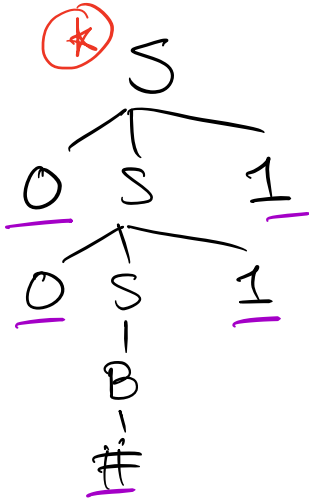
terminals:  
can't be transformed,  
end with all terminals  
{0, 1, #}

Stop when all I have left are 0's, 1's, and #'s.

$$\textcircled{*} - S \rightarrow OS1 \rightarrow \underline{O}OS1\underline{1} \rightarrow \underline{OO}B\underline{11} \rightarrow \underline{OO\#11}$$

$$- S \rightarrow B \rightarrow \#$$

$$- S \rightarrow OS1 \rightarrow OB1 \rightarrow O\#1$$



The language of our grammar is

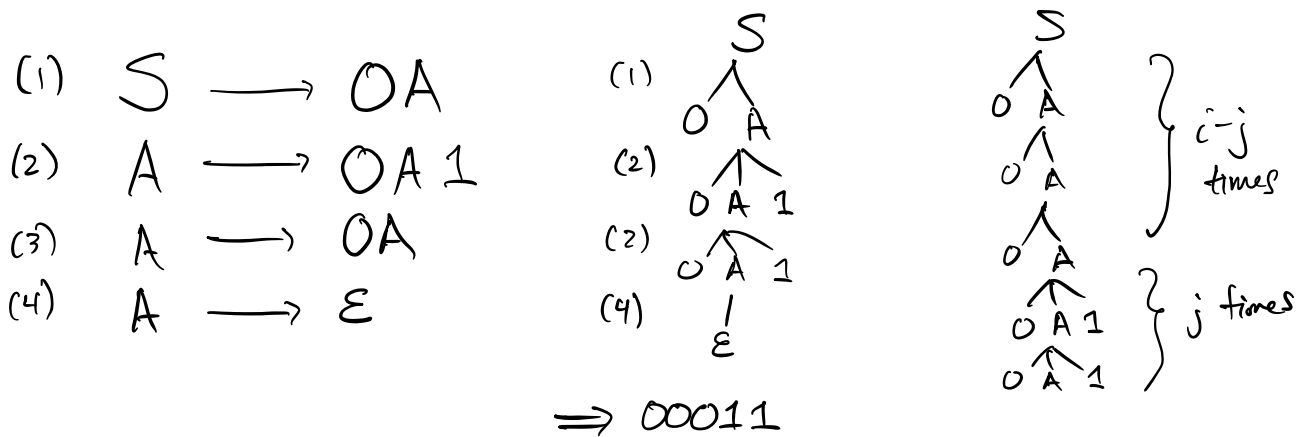
$$\{0^n \# 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$$

Def. The language of all strings that can be derived from the start state is the language  $L(G)$  of the grammar  $G$ .

(derived = obtained by applying rules until we have only terminals left.)

By our example: CFGs can represent some nonregular languages!

$$\mathcal{E} = \{0^i 1^j \mid i > j\}$$



Claim: this CFG produces exactly the language  $\mathcal{E}$ .

make  $0^i 1^j$  as follows:  $(0^i 1^j \in \mathcal{E})$   
 $\Rightarrow$ .

$$0^i 1^j = 0^{i-j} 0^j 1^j$$

To make this string: use rules (1) and (3) a total of  $(i-j)$  times, and rule (2) a total of  $j$  times.

$\Leftarrow$ . Any string that comes out of my CFG is in  $\mathcal{E}$ .

(1) I must start with the rule  $S \rightarrow OA$ .

(2) Every subsequent rule keeps the total number of zeros larger than the total number of ones.

Brief form:

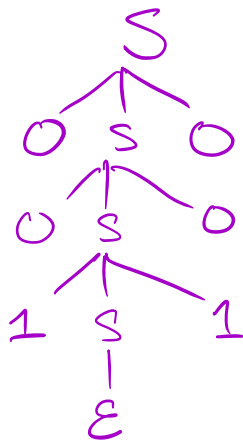
$$S \rightarrow OA$$

$$A \rightarrow OA1 \mid \delta A \mid \epsilon$$

✓ "or"

$$H = \{ww^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$$

$$S \rightarrow OSO \mid 1S1 \mid \epsilon$$



Say  $w = 001$

$$\text{so } ww^R = \underline{001100} \in H.$$

$$S \Rightarrow OSO \Rightarrow 00S00$$

$$\Rightarrow 001S100 \Rightarrow 001100.$$

"grammar"?

$$S \rightarrow N_p V_p$$

$$N_p \rightarrow A N$$

$$V_p \rightarrow V \mid V N_p$$

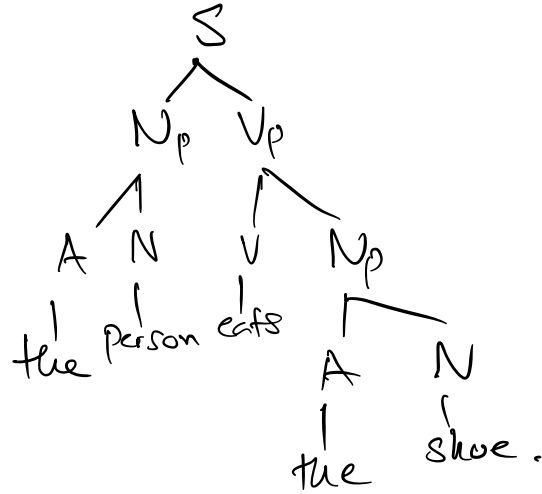
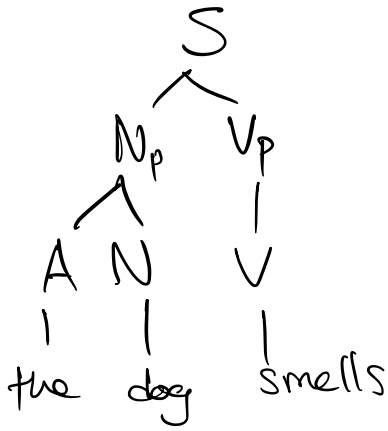
$$V \rightarrow \text{sees} \mid \text{smells} \mid \text{eats}$$

$$N \rightarrow \text{dog} \mid \text{cat} \mid \text{shoe} \mid \text{person}$$

$$A \rightarrow \text{a} \mid \text{the}$$

Adj's





Ex puzzles:

- Derive "the cat sees"
- Add rule(s) that let you make adjectives, which modify nouns
- Add rule(s) that let you make adverbs, that modify verbs & adjectives.

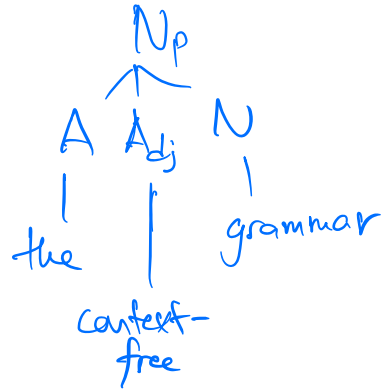
slowly  
almost  
always  
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well

(+) "the student quickly learned context-free grammars"

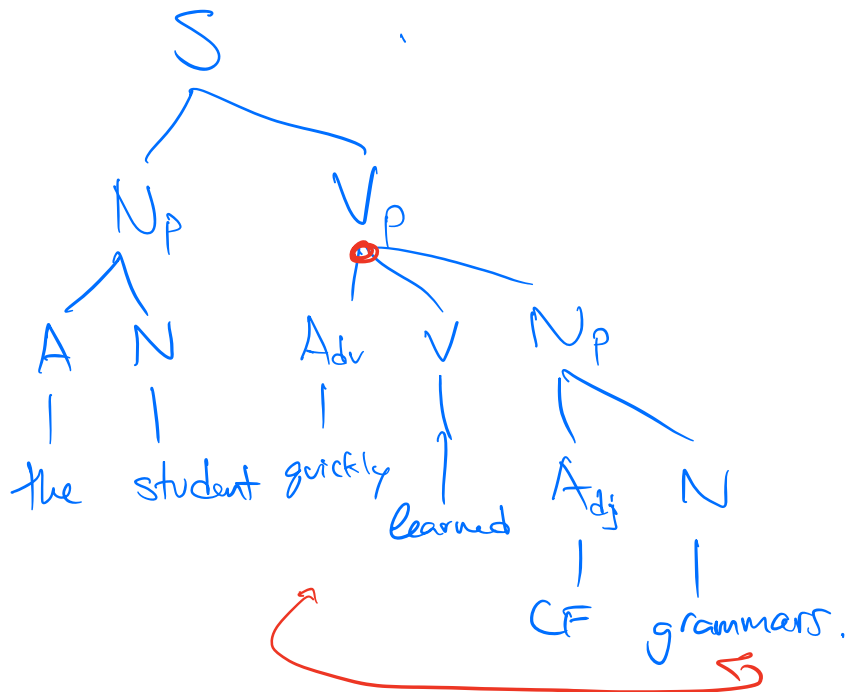
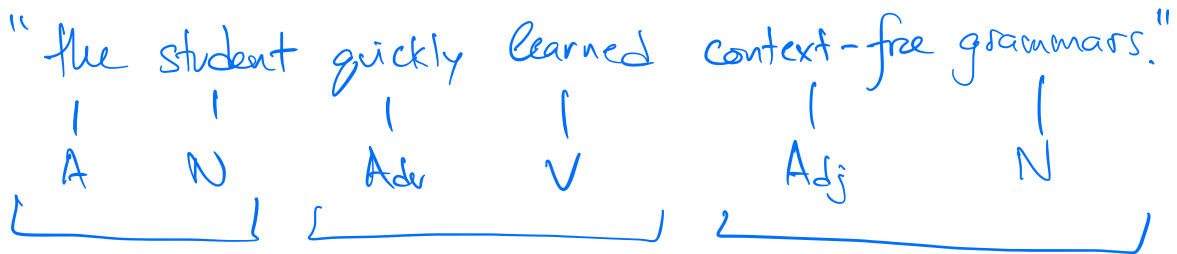
(+) build a CFG for strings like

"ata", "(axa)ta", "(atata)xa",  
"(axa)+(axa)", etc.

$N_p \rightarrow A A_{dj} N$   
 $A_{dj} \rightarrow A_{dj} A_{dj}$   
 $A_{dj} \rightarrow \text{context-free}$



$A_{dj} \rightarrow Adv A_{dj}$   
 $V_p \rightarrow Adv V \mid Adv V N_p$   
 $Adv \rightarrow Adv Adv$   
 $Adv \rightarrow \text{quickly} \mid \text{slowly} \mid \text{well}$



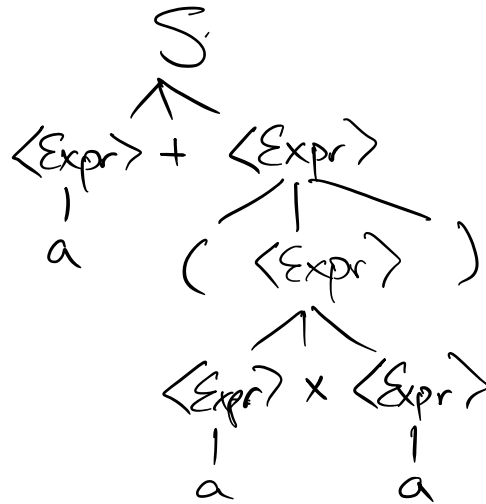
Math CFG:

$$S \rightarrow \langle \text{Expr} \rangle$$

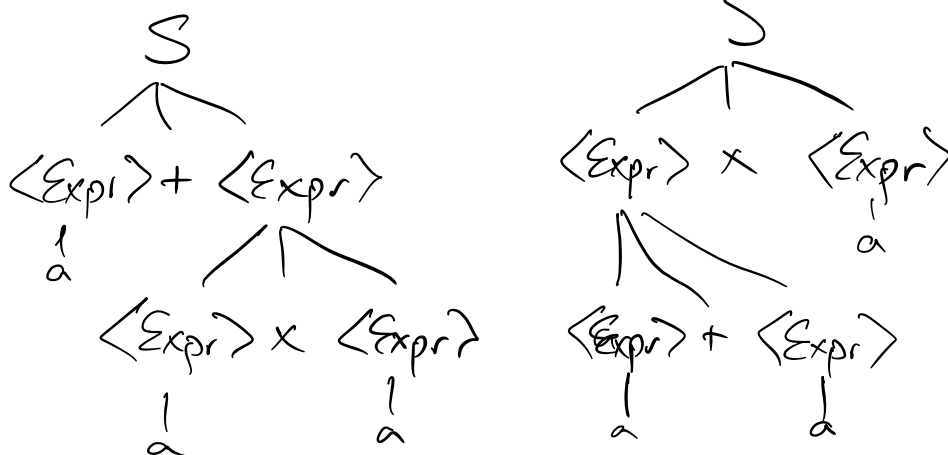
$$\langle \text{Expr} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{Expr} \rangle + \langle \text{Expr} \rangle \mid \langle \text{Expr} \rangle \times \langle \text{Expr} \rangle$$

$$\langle \text{Expr} \rangle \rightarrow (\langle \text{Expr} \rangle) \mid a$$

$a + (a \times a)$



Derive  $a + a \times a$ .



Takeaway: derivations are not always unique.

A grammar with multiple derivations for a string

is ambiguous. (For more: Sipser pp. 108-111 for details.)

————— break: 5 minutes —————  
back at 3:30.

Def (CFG, Formal.) A Context-Free Grammar

is a 4-tuple  $(V, \Sigma, R, S)$ , where:

$V$  is a finite set of variable symbols,

$\Sigma$  is a set of terminal symbols,

$S$  is the start variable,

and  $R$  is a finite set of substitution rules, where each rule consists of one input variable  $v \in V$ , and an output string over  $V \cup \Sigma$ .

Short form:

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{start} \\ \text{variable} \\ \text{at top left} \\ \\ V, \text{ set} \\ \text{of variables} \end{array} \right\}$	$S \rightarrow OAO$	$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Sigma, \text{ the terminals,} \\ \text{are all symbols} \\ \text{that are not} \\ \text{variables} \\ \\ \{0, 1, +, *\} \\ \\ \text{"00AB+"} \end{array} \right\}$
	$A \rightarrow OAO \mid 1A1$	
	$A \rightarrow B+ \mid B*$	
	$B \rightarrow \epsilon$	

Also:

If  $A$  is a variable, and  $u, v$ , and  $w$  are strings over  $V \cup \Sigma$ , and  $A \rightarrow w$  is a rule, we write

$uAv \Rightarrow u w v$       "uAv yields u w v"

If  $u$  and  $v$  are strings over  $V \cup \Sigma$ , can write

$$u \xRightarrow{*} v \quad \text{"u derives v"}$$

if there is a sequence of rules that transforms  $u$  to  $v$ .

Finally: CFG tricks

1. CFG union trick. Given

$$G_1 = \{V_1, \Sigma_1, R_1, S_1\}$$

$$G_2 = \{V_2, \Sigma_2, R_2, S_2\}$$

$$G_3. \quad S \rightarrow S_1 \mid S_2$$

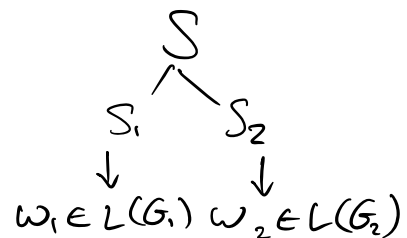
$\vdots$

$$R_1, R_2.$$

$$(V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset \\ \Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2 = \emptyset)$$

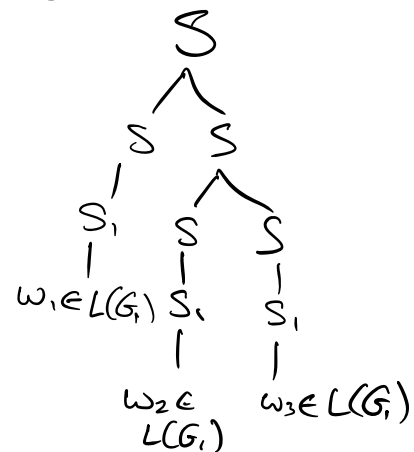
2. CFG concatenation trick.

$$S \rightarrow S_1 S_2$$



3. CFG star trick

(Grammar for  $L(G_1)^*$ )  $S \rightarrow \epsilon \mid S_1 \mid SS_1$



Prop. CFGs can represent every regular language

Proof sketch: we'll show how to build a CFG for any regular expression.

Regular expressions come in 6 types:

$a \in \Sigma$	$\longrightarrow$	$S \rightarrow a$	
$\epsilon$	$\longrightarrow$	$S \rightarrow \epsilon$	any CFG that makes no valid strings.
$\emptyset$	$\longrightarrow$	$S \rightarrow S,$	
$R_1 \cup R_2$	$\longrightarrow$		union trick
$R_1 R_2$	$\longrightarrow$		concat trick
$R^*$	$\longrightarrow$		star trick. <span style="float: right;">□</span>

Takeaway: CFGs can represent all regular languages, and some nonregular languages too!

