



# CSC-257

# Theory Of Computation

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# Context Sensitive Grammars(CSG)

- is a formal grammar in which the left-hand sides and right-hand sides of any production rules may be surrounded by a context of terminal and nonterminal symbols
- Is a grammar in which all the productions are of form  
 $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  where  $\alpha, \beta \in (V \cup T)^*$  and  $|\alpha| \leq |\beta|$   
( Here,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are strings of non-terminals and terminal )
- Context-sensitive grammars are more powerful than CFGs because there are some languages that can be described by CSG but not by CFG and CSGs are less powerful than Unrestricted grammar(recognized by Turing Machines).

# Context Sensitive Grammars(CSG)

- Context-sensitive grammar has 4-tuples :  $G = \{V, T, P, S\}$  where :

$V$  = Set of non-terminal symbols

$T$  = Set of terminal symbols

$P$  = Finite set of productions

$S$  = Start symbol of the production

- Example :

$S \rightarrow abc \mid aAbc$

$Ab \rightarrow bA$

$Ac \rightarrow Bbcc$

$bB \rightarrow Bb$

$aB \rightarrow aa \mid aaA$

# Pumping lemma for Context Free Language

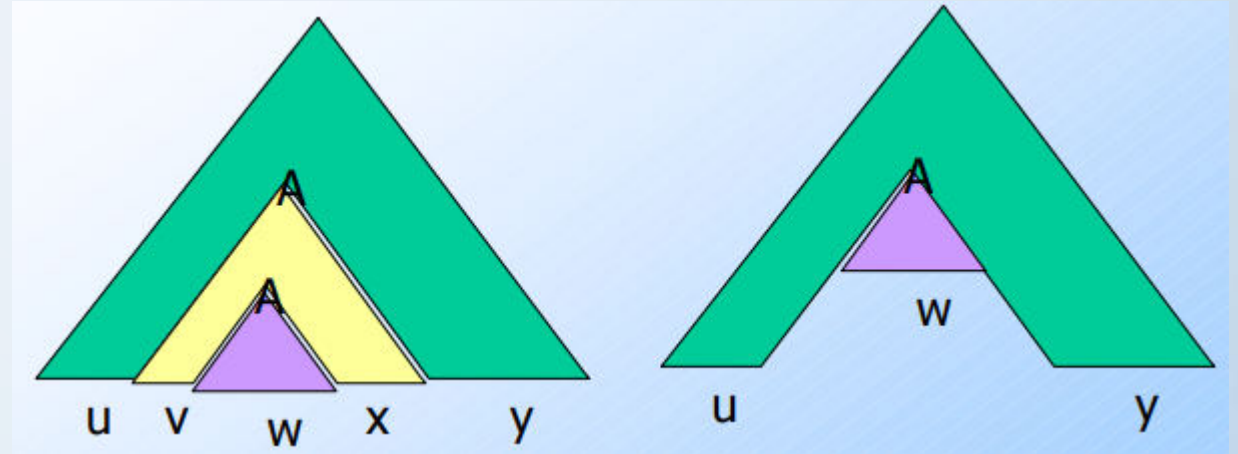
- Pumping Lemma for CFL states that for any CFL  $L$ , it is possible to find two substrings that can be 'pumped' any number of times and still be in the same language.
- For any language  $L$ , we break its strings into five parts and pump second and fourth substring.
- Pumping Lemma, here also, is used as a tool to prove that a language is not CFL.
- Because, if any one string does not satisfy its conditions, then the language is not CFL

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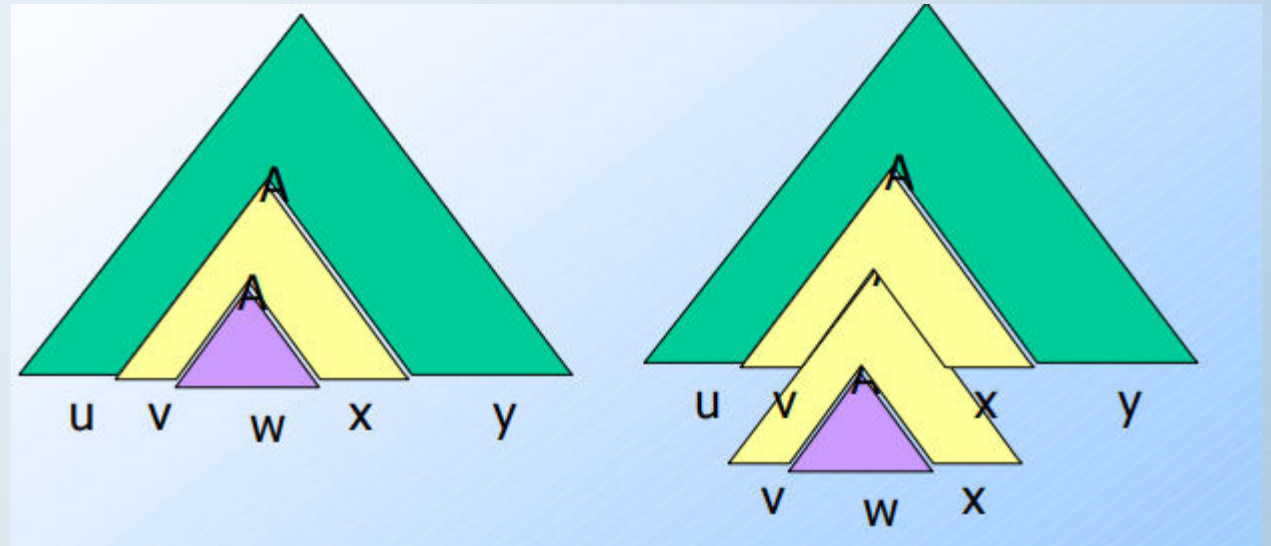
- Thus, if  $L$  is a CFL, there exists an integer  $n$ , such that for all strings  $z \in L$  with  $|z| \geq n$ , there exists  $u, v, w, x, y \in T^*$ , such that  $z = uvwxy$ , and
  - i)  $|vwx| \leq n$
  - ii)  $|vx| \geq 1$
  - iii) for all  $i \geq 0$  :  $uv^iwx^iy \in L$

# Pumping lemma for Context Free Language

Pumping 0 times



Pumping 2 times



# Pumping lemma for Context Free Language

- **Example :**  $L = \{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  is not Context-free
- **Proof :** Let us assume that  $L$  is CFL, then by Pumping Lemma should hold.
- Now, let, string  $z = a^k b^k c^k \in L$  and  $|z| \geq k$  for some  $k$ . So, by Pumping Lemma, there exists  $u, v, w, x, y$  such that :
  - i)  $|vwx| \leq k$
  - ii)  $|vx| \geq 1$
  - iii) for all  $i \geq 0 : uv^i wx^i y \in L$
- Now, we show that for all  $u, v, w, x, y$  above points from (i) to (iii) do not hold.
- If (i) and (ii) hold then  $z = a^k b^k c^k = uvwx y$  with  $|vwx| \leq k$  and  $|vx| \geq 1$



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- Here, we have five cases :
- **Case 1** : Suppose,  $vwx$  can contain only  $a$ 's
  - By (ii),  $vx$  contains  $aa$ .
  - Thus  $uwy$  has  $k$   $b$ 's and  $k$   $c$ 's but less than  $k$   $a$ 's.
  - But (iii) tells us that  $uwy = uv^0wx^0y \in L$ . This gives contradiction.
- **Case 2 and 3** : Suppose,  $vwx$  can contain only  $b$ 's or  $c$ 's
  - These cases also give contradiction in similar way as case 1.
- **Case 4** : Suppose  $vwx$  can contain only  $b$  and  $c$ .
  - By (ii),  $vx$  contains single  $b$  or single  $c$ . Thus  $uwy$  has  $k$   $a$ 's and  $uwy$  either has less than  $k$   $b$ 's or has less than  $k$   $c$ 's.
  - But (iii) tells us that  $uwy = uv^0wx^0y \in L$ . This gives contradiction.



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- **Case 5 :** Suppose  $vwx$  can contain only  $a$  and  $b$ .
  - Similar to case 4 and also gives us a contradiction.
- Here, in all five cases, lemma did not hold for  $L$ , so,  $L$  is not context free grammar.

# Pumping lemma for Context Free Language

- **Exercise :** Show that language  $L = \{ ww \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^* \}$  is not context free grammar.
- **Solution :** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DPs8sBcIjs8>