## 1. Context free grammer

The following are data concerning transitive sentences in a verb-final language with argument markers (or case markers) a and o. The markers are separate words. The subject and object can come in either order:

Gloss:	Jack admires Amy
(i)	Jack a Amy o admires
(ii)	Amy o Jack a admires
*	Jack a Amy a admires
*	Jack o Amy o admires
*	Amy o Jack o admires
*	Amy a Jack a admires

The verbs require two arguments:

- \* Jack a respects
- \* Amy o admires

The conjunction an is used to combine a phrase consisting of a verb and one argument with one (or more) similar phrases. In (iii), 'Jack' is a subject and 'Amy' and 'Sandy' are objects. In (iv), 'Amy' is an object, while 'Jack' and 'Sandy' are subjects.

Gloss:	Jack admires Amy and respects Sandy	
(iii)	Jack a Amy o admires an Sandy o respects	
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Gloss:	Jack admires Amy and Sandy respects Amy	

There can be any number of conjuncts:

Gloss: Jack admires Amy and respects Sandy and respects Amy

(v) Jack a Amy o admires an Sandy o respects an Amy o respects

Markers on the phrases combined by an must match, these are not possible:

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* .... Jack a admires an Sandy o respects
* .... Jack o admires an Sandy a respects
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Write a context free grammar in NLTK notation for the above sentences and similar ones.

```
[9]: import nltk
```

The productions introducing terminals are as follows, do not add to them.

```
[10]: Gt = """

... N -> 'Jack' | 'Amy' | 'Sandy'

... V -> 'respects' | 'admires'

... A -> 'a'

... O -> 'o'

... CONJ -> 'an'
```

## Part A

Define a string Gn for the remaining productions. We have provided some of the left hand sides. You need two productions for each variety of VP.

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VPa ->

VPo ->
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[12]: Gnt = Gn + Gt
G = nltk.CFG.fromstring(Gnt)
parser = nltk.ChartParser(G)
```

### PartB

Draw the tree for sentence (i) that is licensed by your grammar. In our solution we do this using the parser, you should just draw the tree.

```
[13]: # Gloss: Jack admires Amy
s1 = 'Jack a Amy o admires'.split()
gen = parser.parse(s1)
```

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[14]: print('\n\n\n\n')
next(gen)
```

[14]:

Draw the tree for sentence (iv) that is licensed by your grammar. In our solution we do this using the parser, you should just draw the tree.

```
[15]: # Gloss Jack admires Amy and Sandy respects Amy
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s4 = 'Amy o Jack a admires an Sandy a respects'.split()
gen = parser.parse(s4)
print('\n\n\n')
next(gen)
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# 2. Feature constraint grammar and semantics

This is a semantically interpreted feature grammar in NLTK notation.

```
[10]: import nltk
      from nltk import grammar, parse
      from nltk.parse.util import load_parser
[11]: nltk.data.show_cfg('/local/teach/cl23/T/semantics-midterm.fcfg')
     % start S
     # Grammar Rules
     S[SEM=<?subj(?vp)>] -> DP[SEM=?subj] VP[SEM=?vp]
     S[SEM=<?p \& ?q>] -> S[SEM=?p] 'and' S[SEM=?q]
     VP[SEM=?Q] -> 'is' NP[SEM=?Q]
     DP[SEM=<?X(?P)>] \rightarrow Det[SEM=?X]N[SEM=?P]
     NP[SEM=?Q] \rightarrow 'a' N[SEM=?Q]
     # Lexical Rules
     Det[SEM=<\P Q.all n.(P(n) -> Q(n))>] -> 'every'
     Det[SEM=<\P Q.exists n.(P(n) & Q(n))>] -> 'some'
     N[SEM=<\x.cat(x)>] -> 'cat'
     N[SEM=<\x.dog(x)>] -> 'dog'
     N[SEM=<\x.mammal(x)>] -> 'mammal'
     Here is an example of a feature trees licensed by the grammar.
[12]: s1 = 'every cat is a mammal'.split()
      s2 = 'some cat is a mammal and some dog is a mammal'.split()
[13]: pr = load parser('/local/teach/cl23/T/semantics-midterm.fcfg', u
       →trace=0,cache=False)
[14]: gen = pr.parse(s1)
      next(gen)
[14]:
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[ *type* = 'S'
                                              [ SEM = <all n.(cat(n) -> mammal(n))> ]
                    [ *type* = 'DP'
                                                                               [ *type* = 'VP'
                   [SEM = \langle Q.all n.(cat(n) -> Q(n)) \rangle]
                                                                             [ SEM = < \x.mammal(x) > ]
                                               [ *type* = 'N' ]
                                                                                         [ *type* = 'NP'
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[ SEM = <\P Q.all n.(P(n) -> Q(n))> ]
                                              [ SEM = < \x.cat(x) > ]
                                                                                         [ SEM = < \x.mammal(x) > ]
                                                                                                    [ *type* = 'N'
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               every
                                                        cat
                                                                                                   [ SEM = < x.mammal(x) > ]
                                                                                                             mammal
```

```
[15]: # gen = pr.parse(s2)
# next(gen)
```

## Part A

These are some additional data, involving the new terminals *happy* and *sad*. Notice that they can occur in either the DP or the VP.

```
[16]: s3 = 'every happy cat is a cat'.split()
s4 = 'some cat is a sad cat'.split()
```

Add productions at the bottom to this grammar that will allow \$3 and \$4 to be parsed and assigned a correct semantics. You need one production for each adjective, and one to three non-lexical productions, depending on your strategy.

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## Part B

Draw the feature tree for s3 that is licensed by your grammar. Include a SEM and \*type\* feature on each vertex. Make sure that the semantics for S is plausible, and that the tree shape and semantics on each node correspond to the grammar. The VP is provided. (In our solution the tree is generated with a parser, loading the grammar from a file. You should just draw the tree.)

every happy cat is a cat

