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Section 5.1 #9 b) #12 b) #22

Section 5.2 #20 (please show the grammar in example 5.5 is ambiguous.)

Section 5.1

9b. Find context-free grammars for the following languages (with $n \geq 0$, $m \geq 0$).

$$L = \{a^n b^m : n = m - 1\}.$$

Answer

$$S \rightarrow aSb \mid b$$

12b. Find context-free grammars for the following languages (with $n \geq 0$, $m \geq 0$, $k \geq 0$).

$$L = \{a^n b^m c^k : n = m \text{ or } m \neq k\}.$$

Answer

$$S \rightarrow S1 \mid S2$$

$$S1 \rightarrow S1c \mid A$$

$$A \rightarrow aAb \mid \lambda$$

$$S2 \rightarrow aS2 \mid B$$

$$B \rightarrow CD \mid DE$$

$$C \rightarrow bC \mid b$$

$$D \rightarrow bDc \mid \lambda$$

$$E \rightarrow cE \mid c$$

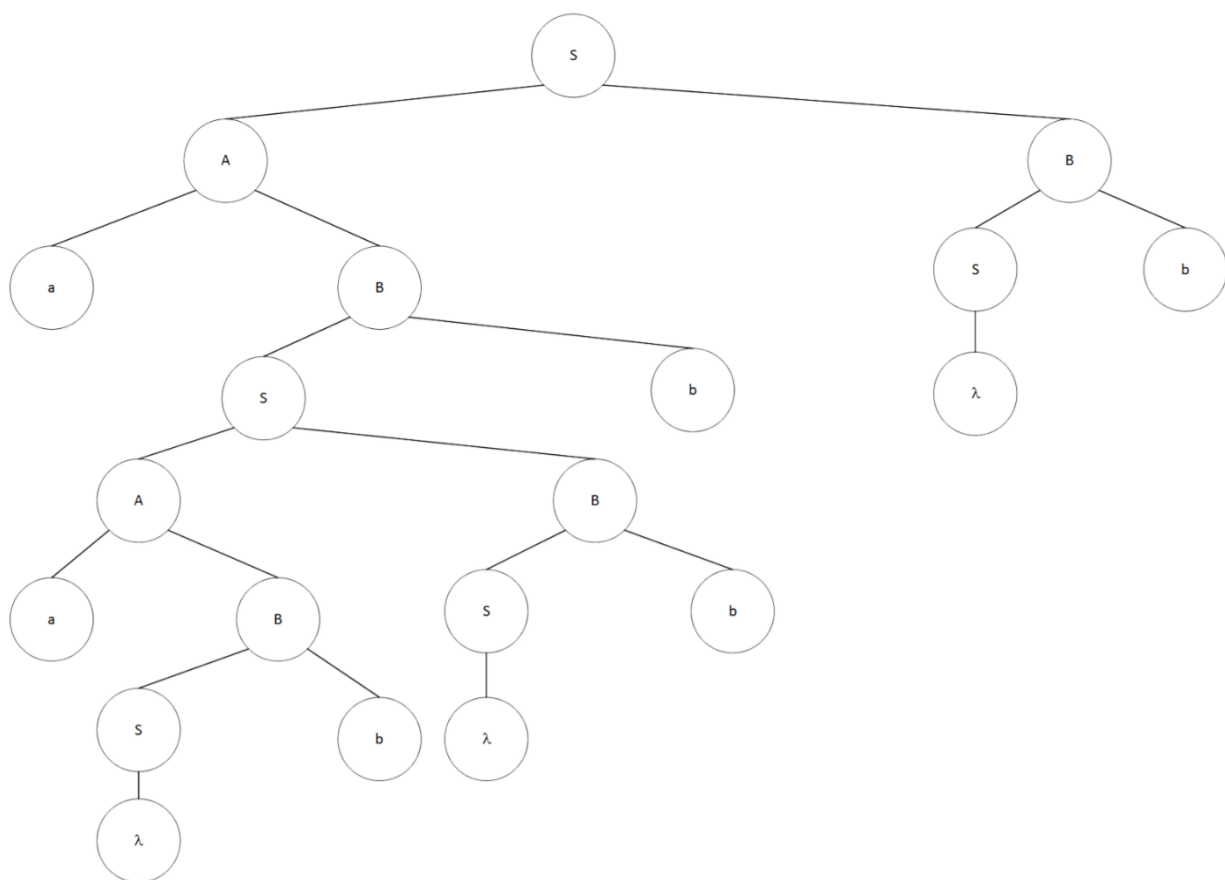
22. (4pts) Show a derivation tree for the string aabbbb with grammar

$$S \rightarrow AB \mid \lambda,$$

$$A \rightarrow aB,$$

$$B \rightarrow Sb.$$

Answer



Section 5.2

20. (4pts) Show that the following grammar is ambiguous.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow aAB \\ A &\rightarrow bBb \\ B &\rightarrow A \mid \lambda \end{aligned}$$

Answer

Derivation 1

$$S \Rightarrow aAB \Rightarrow abBbB \Rightarrow abAbB \Rightarrow abbBbbB \Rightarrow abbAbb \Rightarrow abbbBbbbB \Rightarrow abbbbbb$$

Derivation 2

$$S \Rightarrow aAB \Rightarrow abBbB \Rightarrow abbB \Rightarrow abbbAb \Rightarrow abbbbBbb \Rightarrow abbbbbb$$

There exists 2 left-most derivations for the string abbbbbb, so the grammar is ambiguous.

Grading: students can also draw two different parse trees to show the grammar is ambiguous.