

2.27 Let $G = (V, \Sigma, R, \langle STMT \rangle)$ be the following grammar.

$$\begin{aligned}\langle STMT \rangle &\rightarrow \langle ASSIGN \rangle | \langle IF-THEN \rangle | \langle IF-THEN-ELSE \rangle \\ \langle IF-THEN \rangle &\rightarrow \text{if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle \\ \langle IF-THEN-ELSE \rangle &\rightarrow \text{if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle \text{ else } \langle STMT \rangle \\ \langle ASSIGN \rangle &\rightarrow \mathbf{a:=1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma &= \{\text{if, condition, then, else, a:=1}\} \\ V &= \{\langle STMT \rangle, \langle IF-THEN \rangle, \langle IF-THEN-ELSE \rangle, \langle ASSIGN \rangle\}\end{aligned}$$

G is a natural-looking grammar for a fragment of a programming language, but G is ambiguous.

a. Show that G is ambiguous.

Solution. G is ambiguous with the string "if condition then if condition then a:=1 else a:=1". One derivation to get the string is:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle STMT \rangle &\rightarrow \langle IF-THEN \rangle \\ \langle IF-THEN \rangle &\rightarrow \text{if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then } \langle IF-THEN-ELSE \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle \text{ else } \langle STMT \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then if condition then } \langle ASSIGN \rangle \text{ else } \langle ASSIGN \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then if condition then a:=1 else a:=1}\end{aligned}$$

Another derivation to get the string is:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle STMT \rangle &\rightarrow \langle IF-THEN-ELSE \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle \text{ else } \langle STMT \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then } \langle IF-THEN \rangle \text{ else } \langle ASSIGN \rangle \\ &\quad \text{if condition then if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle \text{ else a:=1} \\ &\quad \text{if condition then if condition then } \langle ASSIGN \rangle \text{ else a:=1} \\ &\quad \text{if condition then if condition then a:=1 else a:=1}\end{aligned}$$

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b. Give a new unambiguous grammar for the same language.

Solution. An unambiguous grammar $G' = (V', \Sigma, R', \langle STMT \rangle)$, where $V' = \{\langle STMT \rangle, \langle NIT \rangle, \langle NITE \rangle, \langle ASSIGN \rangle\}$, $\Sigma = \{\text{if, condition, then, else, a:=1}\}$, and R' is described as:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle STMT \rangle &\rightarrow \langle ASSIGN \rangle | \langle NIT \rangle | \langle NITE \rangle \\ \langle NIT \rangle &\rightarrow \text{if condition then } \langle STMT \rangle | \text{if condition then } \langle NITE \rangle \text{ else } \langle NIT \rangle \\ \langle NITE \rangle &\rightarrow \text{if condition then } \langle NITE \rangle \text{ else } \langle NITE \rangle | \langle STMT \rangle \\ \langle ASSIGN \rangle &\rightarrow \text{a:=1} \end{aligned}$$

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2.30d Use the pumping lemma to show that the following languages are not context free.

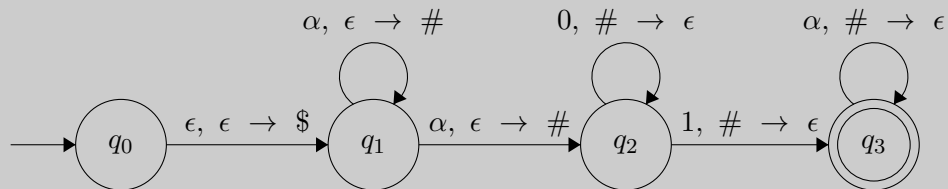
- d. $\{t_1 \# t_2 \# \dots \# t_k \mid k \geq 2, \text{ each } t_i \in \{a, b\}^*, \text{ and } t_i = t_j \text{ for some } i \neq j\}$

Solution. Assume $L = \{t_1 \# t_2 \# \dots \# t_k \mid k \geq 2, \text{ each } t_i \in \{a, b\}^*, \text{ and } t_i = t_j \text{ for some } i \neq j\}$ is context-free and let p be its pumping length. Let $s = 0^p 1^p \# 0^p 1^p \in L$ and by the pumping lemma, s can be written as $uvxyz$ where $|vxy| \leq p$ and $|vy| > 1$. Suppose vxy lies on one side of the $\#$ symbol. Then, pumping once to uv^2xy^2z gives us a result in a string where $t_1 \neq t_2$, so $uv^2xy^2z \notin L$. Now suppose that vxy contains the $\#$ symbol. If either v or y contains the $\#$ symbol, then s can be pumped down to uv^0xy^0z , which won't contain the $\#$ symbol and will not be in L . Otherwise, the $\#$ symbol is contained in x , v is a substring of 1^p , and y is a substring of 0^p , and pumping s down to uv^0xy^0z reduces either the total number of ones in t_1 or the total number of zeroes in t_2 . This means that $t_1 \neq t_2$ for uv^0xy^0z and the string is not in L . ■

2.47 Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ and let B be the collection of strings that contain at least one 1 in their second half. In other words, $B = \{uv \mid u \in \Sigma^*, v \in \Sigma^* 1 \Sigma^* \text{ and } |u| \geq |v|\}$.

- a. Give a PDA that recognizes B .

Solution.



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- b. Give a CFG that generates B .

Solution. $S \rightarrow UV$

$U \rightarrow AB$

$V \rightarrow A1A|A1B|A1U|B1U|U1U$

$A \rightarrow 00^*$

$B \rightarrow 11^*$

