

DERIVATION TREE

Also called parse tree of a grammar G .

Capital letters \rightarrow variables

small letters \rightarrow terminals

variables can also be called non-terminals

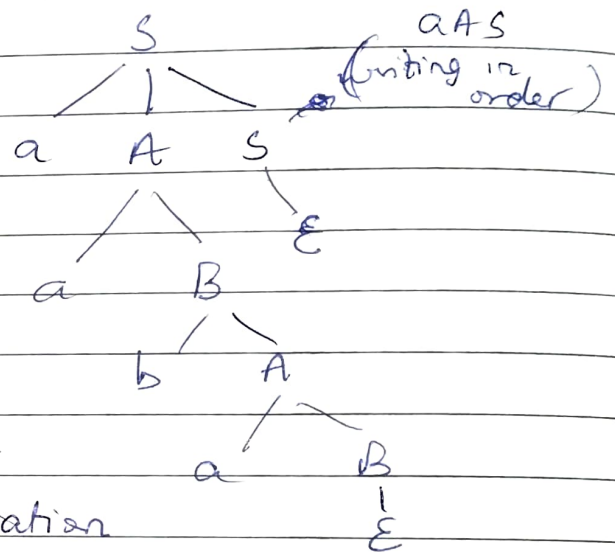
Making a ^{derivation} tree.

$$S \rightarrow aAS \mid \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow aB$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

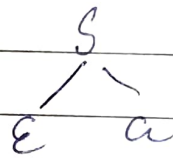
$$B \rightarrow bA$$



so all the leaves in order
~~are~~ is called yield of derivation
 Here yield is aaba.

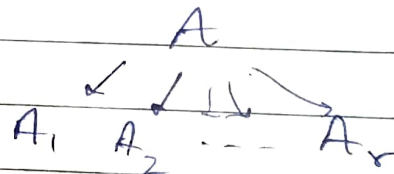
ϵ only occurs at leaves and it doesn't have any siblings

like eg



$S \rightarrow \epsilon a$ doesn't make any sense

$$A \rightarrow A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_r$$

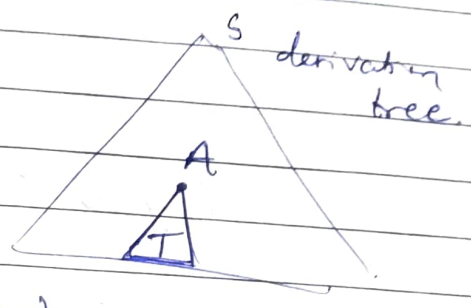


We can say one from other

Theorem

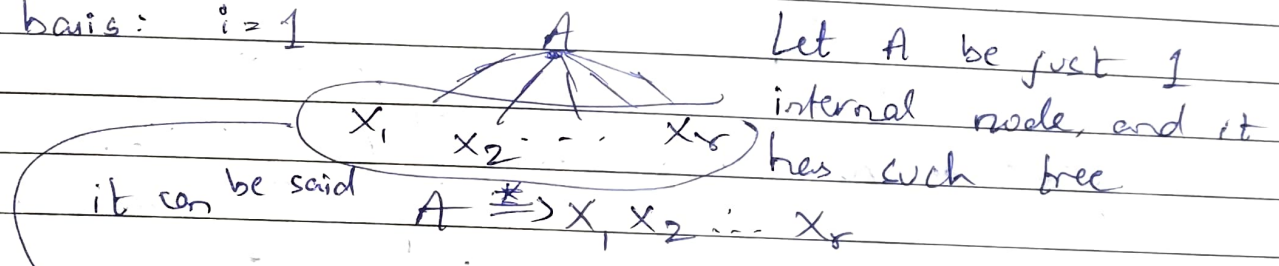
Let $G(V, T, P, S)$ be a context free grammar (CFG).
 Then for any $A \in V$, $A \xRightarrow{*} \alpha$ iff there is a subtree T of derivation tree with its root labelled A whose yield is α .

Theorem Means \bullet $A \xRightarrow{*} \alpha \iff$



For iff. lets prove " \Leftarrow " part
 induction on internal nodes of T

basis: $i = 1$

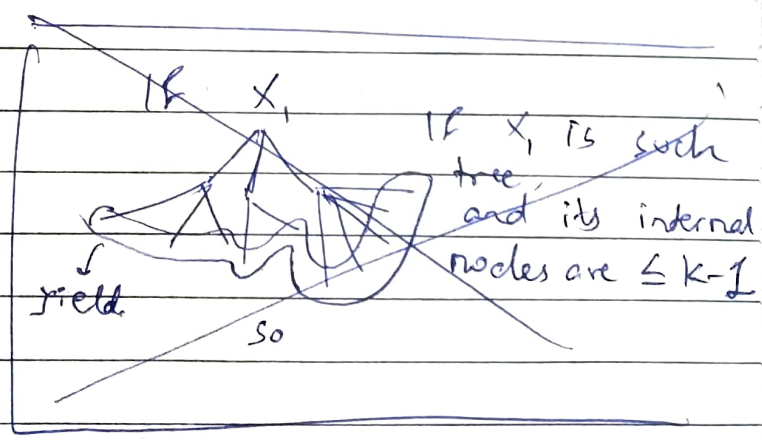
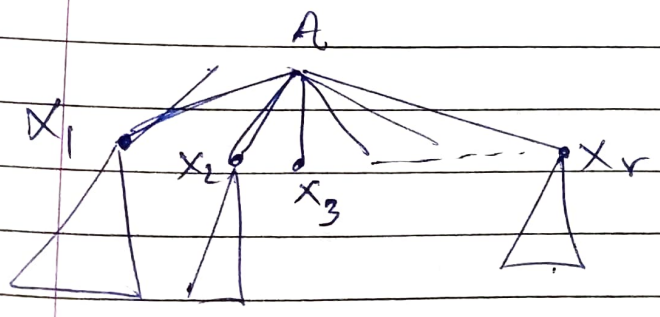


~~Let $x_1 x_2 \dots x_r$~~
 Suppose this yield is α , so $A \xRightarrow{*} \alpha$.

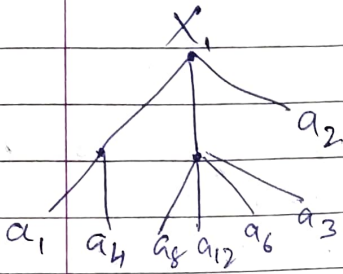
IH: For $i < k$, this is true.

IS: For $i = k$.

Let the tree be like



So apart from A , there are $k-1$ internal nodes.



Let X_1 be such a tree

So yield of X_1 is $a_1 a_4 a_8 a_{12} a_6 a_3 a_2$
~~yield of~~
 internal nodes of $X_1 \leq k-1$

We can say, from IH

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{*} a_1 a_4 a_8 a_{12} a_6 a_3 a_2$$

Similarly

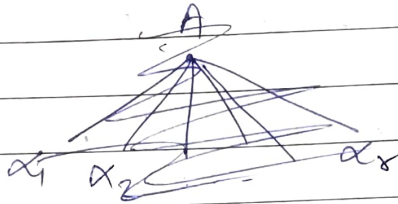
$$X_2 \xrightarrow{*} \alpha_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$X_r \xrightarrow{*} \alpha_r$$

X_i yield is α_i , then $X_i \xrightarrow{*} \alpha_i$

let by doing this for all children of A



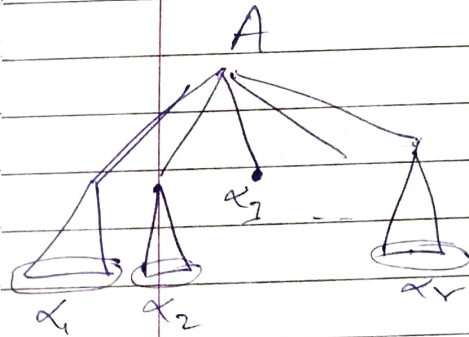
~~yield of A = $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r$~~

Production

STEP I $A \Rightarrow X_1 X_2 \dots X_r$

(in 0 or more steps) $\xrightarrow{*} \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha$

(as at one time only one transition is done in sentential form)



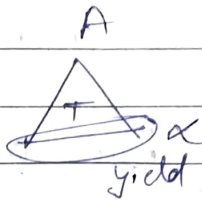
So yield of A from graph = $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \dots \alpha_r$
 $= \alpha$

~~Here proved //~~

Part 2 " \Rightarrow "

We have to prove

$$A \xRightarrow{*} \alpha \Rightarrow$$



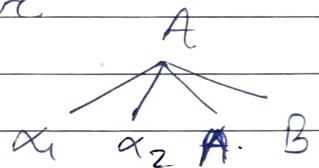
we need to focus on this and prove other

induction on number of steps of the derivation of $A \xRightarrow{*} \alpha$

basis: In 1 step.

$$A \Rightarrow \underbrace{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}_{\text{taken arbitrarily}} A B$$

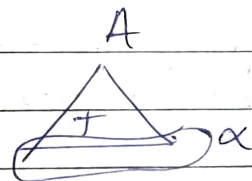
So $A \rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2 A B$ must be there and thus we must have a tree



for given production α , we found a tree with root A having yield α

IH: If "no. of steps $< k$ " then $A \xRightarrow{<k} \alpha$

symbol for number here describes no. of steps for production



IS: no. of steps is k .

$$A \xRightarrow{k} \alpha \text{ (given)}$$

we split it into first step and rest $k-1$ steps.

$$A \Rightarrow A_1 A_2 \dots A_r \xRightarrow{k-1} \alpha$$

Let α be concatenation of $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r$
 $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r = \alpha$

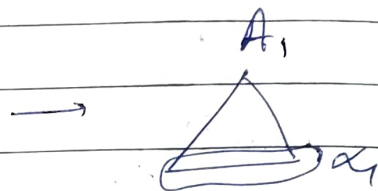
We can say

$$A \Rightarrow A_1 A_2 \dots A_r \stackrel{k-1}{\Rightarrow} \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r$$

Let A_1 have a ~~y~~ production of α_1 and it will be in $(\leq k-1)$ steps

Remember, this is just an existential proof. We just need to prove there exists...

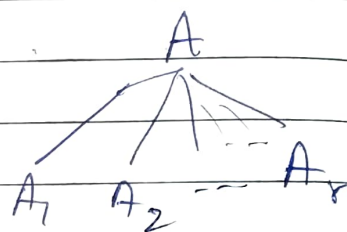
$A_1 \stackrel{\leq k-1}{\Rightarrow} \alpha_1$, by IH we can have a tree



Similarly we have for A_2, A_3, \dots, A_r

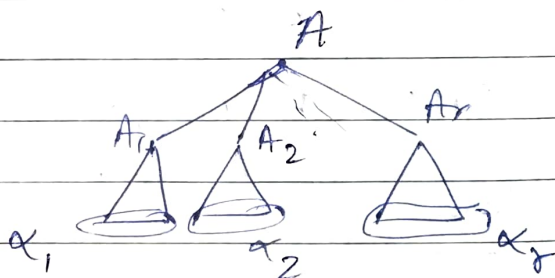
reviewing our first step.

$A \Rightarrow A_1 A_2 \dots A_r$ corresponding tree is



and now substituting A_1, A_2, \dots, A_r rooted subtrees

According to the main statement



~~$A \Rightarrow \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r$~~

Yield of this tree

is $\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \dots \alpha_r$

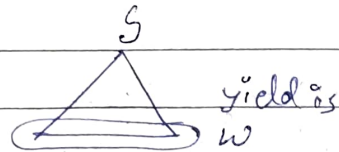
which is equal to α

So ~~we~~ according to our production, we have a ~~series~~ subtree rooted at A , having yield α .

Hence Proved//

Corollary

If $w \in L(G)$ for CFG, then w has at least one parse tree
 $S \xRightarrow{*} w$



Parse tree definition: Ordered, rooted tree that represents a structure (here our branched tree structure) of a string according to some production of CFG.

~~You may get confused between parse tree and derivation tree, but here in parse tree, S is not necessarily said to be a start point.~~

2 parse trees having different structures (depending on order of derivation) are called different parse trees, but both are derivation tree.

• Leftmost derivation

(substituting, expanding leftmost variable)

eg.

$$S \rightarrow aAS \mid a$$

$$A \rightarrow SbA \mid SS \mid ba$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\Rightarrow aAS \Rightarrow aSbAS \Rightarrow aabAS \\ &\Rightarrow aabbaS \\ &\Rightarrow aabbaa \end{aligned}$$

Similar logic for rightmost derivation

$$\begin{aligned} S &\Rightarrow aAS \Rightarrow aAaAS \Rightarrow aAaAa \Rightarrow aAaaba \\ &\Rightarrow aabaaba \end{aligned}$$

Third one is arbitrary production.

Corresponding to a parse tree, there is a unique leftmost derivation

(To have example, look at first one ^{we took} while deriving derivation tree, 6 pages back, yield was aaba)

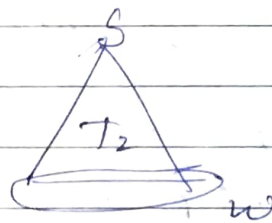
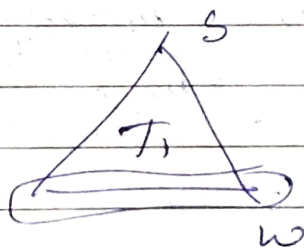
Similarly ~~there~~ corresponding to a parse tree there exists a unique rightmost derivation

~~AMBIGUOUS~~

Ambiguous grammar

$w \in L(G)$

There exist multiple derivations to same w .
So there may be different parse trees



Both derived using G .

As w has multiple derivations and multiple parse trees; it is said to have ambiguous grammar

Inherently ambiguous language: For a language L , it is not possible to come up with a non-ambiguous grammar