A Simple One-Pass Compiler:

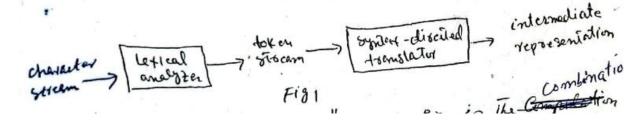
Programming Language = Syntax + Semantics

Context-Free Grammar:

- It is a notation to specify the syntax of language
- Also known as Bakus Naur Form

Syntax-directed translation:

- A grammar oriented compiling technique
- Helpful for organizing Compiler frontend



Syntax Definition:

a notation to specify the syntax of language.

Notation for if else statement:

if (expression) statement else statement

It can also be expressed as:

stmt -> if (expr) stmt else stmt

Above rule is also called **production**.

In above production, lexical elements like if keyword and parenthesis are **tokens / terminal** and variables like expr and stmt are called **non-terminals**.

Components of Context free grammar:

- 1. Set of tokens (terminals)
 - E.g., keywords
- 2. Set of non-terminals
 - E.g., variables
- 3. Set of Productions

Non-terminals -> left-side of production Terminals -> right-side of production

- **4.** Designation of one of non-terminal as the start symbol
- List of digits separated by plus or minus signs
- Productions:

List -> list + digit

List -> list - digit

List -> digit

Digit -> 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9

Above productions can be represented as:

List -> list + digit | list - digit | list

The tokens of the grammars are the symbols:

- +123456789
- Empty string of tokens represented by E abs lawn
- A grammar derives strings by replacing non-terminals with the right-side of the production
- The expression can be represented by a parse tree using defined productions of grammar. Each node in the tree is grammar symbol.

Each interior node and its children correspond to a production. Interior node corresponds to left-side of production and children of node corresponds to right-side of production.

Parse Tree:

• Shows how the start symbol of a grammar derives in the language.

Language generated by grammar:

• The set of strings that can be generated by same parse tree.

Parsing:

• The process of finding a parse tree from a given string of tokens

Ambiguity:

• More than one parse trees from a single string of tokens cause ambiguity

Associativity of operators:

- Evaluation will be takes place from left to right
- +, -, *, / is left associative
- Exponents and = is right associative.