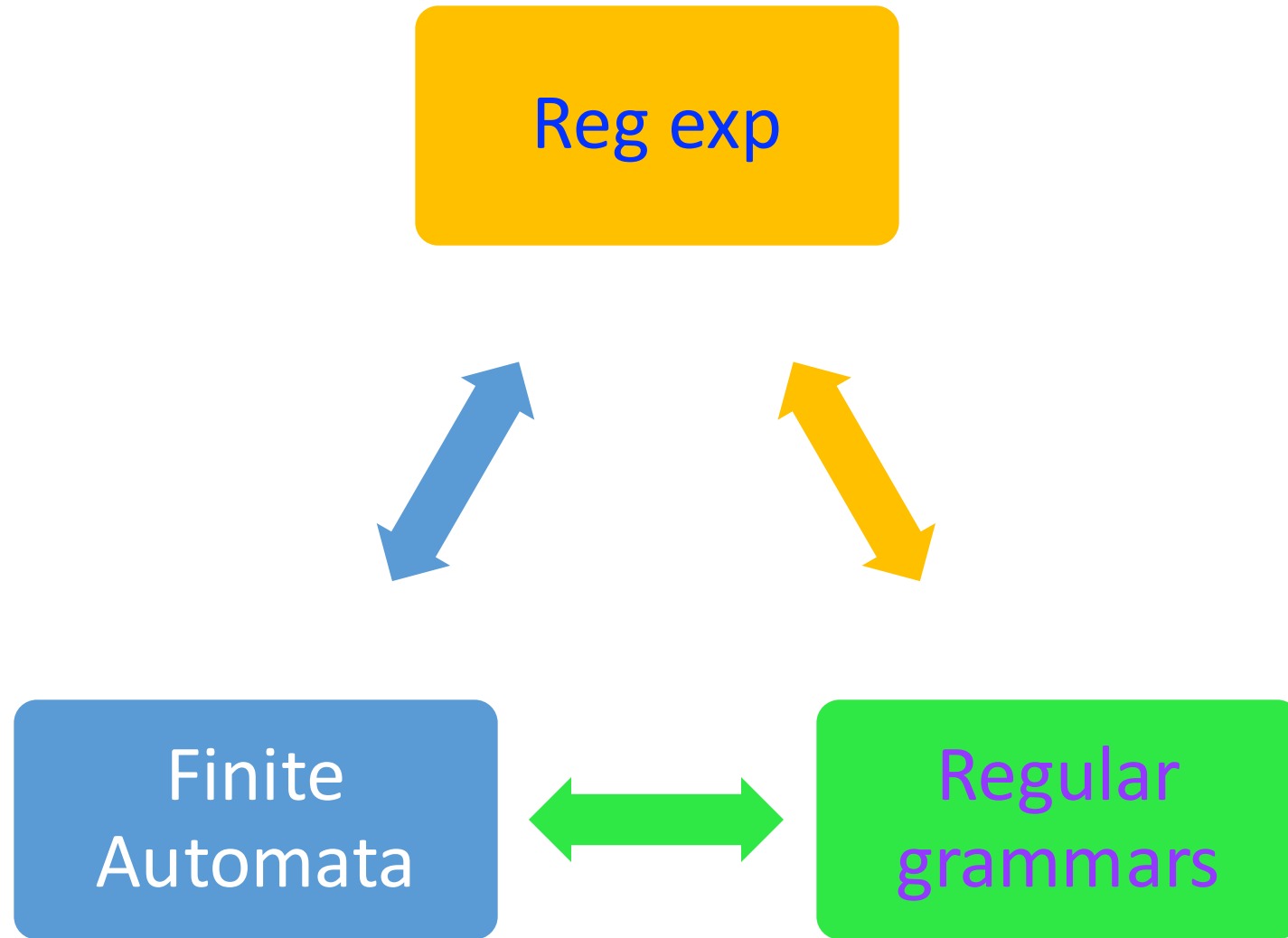


# Course 5



# Pumping Lemma

- Not all languages are regular
- How to decide if a language is regular or not?
- Idea: pump symbols

Example:  $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

**Theorem:** (Pumping lemma, Bar-Hillel)

Let  $L$  be a regular language.  $\exists p \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that if  $w \in L$  with  $|w| > p$ , then

$w = xyz$ , where  $0 < |y| \leq p$

and

$xy^iz \in L, \forall i \geq 0$

# Proof

$L$  regular  $\Rightarrow \exists M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  such that  $L = L(M)$

Let  $|Q| = p$

If  $w \in L(M)$ :  $(q_0, w) \xrightarrow{*} (q_f, \epsilon)$ ,  $q_f \in F$   
and  
 $|w| > p$

} process at least  $p+1$  symbols  
p states

$\Rightarrow \exists q_1$  that appear in at least 2 configurations

$(q_0, xyz) \xrightarrow{*} (q_1, yz) \xrightarrow{*} (q_1, z) \xrightarrow{*} (q_f, \epsilon)$ ,  $q_f \in F \Rightarrow 0 \leq |y| \leq p$

# Proof (cont)

$$\begin{aligned}(q_0, xy^iz) \quad & \vdash^* (q_1, y^iz) \\ & \vdash^* (q_1, y^{i-1}z) \\ & \vdash^* \dots \\ & \vdash^* (q_1, yz) \\ & \vdash^* (q_1, z) \\ & \vdash^* (q_f, \varepsilon), q_f \in F\end{aligned}$$

So, if  $w=xyz \in L$  then  $xy^iz \in L$ , for all  $i>0$

If  $i=0$ :  $(q_0, xz) \vdash^* (q_1, z) \vdash^* (q_f, \varepsilon), q_f \in F$

*Example:*  $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

Suppose  $L$  is regular  $\Rightarrow w = xyz = 0^n 1^n$

Consider all possible decomposition  $\Rightarrow$

Case 1.  $y = 0^k$

$$xyz = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^n; xy^i z = 0^{n-k} 0^{ik} 1^n \notin L$$

Case 2.  $y = 1^k$

$$xyz = 0^n 1^k 1^{n-k}; xy^i z = 0^n 1^{ik} 1^{n-k} \notin L$$

Case 3.  $y = 0^k 1^l$

$$xyz = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^l 1^{n-l}; xy^i z = 0^{n-k} (0^k 1^l)^i 1^{n-l} \notin L$$

Case 4.  $y = 0^k 1^K$

$$xyz = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^K 1^{n-k}; xy^i z = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^K 0^k 1^K \dots 1^{n-l} \notin L$$

$\Rightarrow L$  is not regular

# Context free grammar (cfg)

- Productions of the form:  $A \rightarrow \alpha$ ,  $A \in N$ ,  $\alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$
- More powerful
- Can model programming language:  
 $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$  s.t.  $L(G) = \text{programming language}$



# Syntax tree

**Definition:** A syntax tree corresponding to a cfg  $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$  is a tree obtained in the following way:

1. Root is the starting symbol  $S$
2. Nodes  $\in N \cup \Sigma$ :
  1. Internal nodes  $\in N$
  2. Leaves  $\in \Sigma$
3. For a node  $A$  the descendants in order from left to right are  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  only if  $A \rightarrow X_1 X_2 \dots X_n \in P$

## Remarks:

- a) Parse tree = syntax tree – result of parsing (syntactic analysis)
- b) Derivation tree – condition 2.2 not satisfied
- c) Abstract syntax tree (AST)  $\neq$  syntax tree (semantic analysis)

# Syntax tree (cont)

***Property:*** In a cfg  $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ ,  $w \in L(G)$  if and only if there exists a syntax tree with frontier  $w$ .

Proof: HW

**Definition:** A cfg  $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$  is ambiguous if for a  $w \in L(G)$  there exists 2 distinct syntax tree with frontier  $w$ .

Example:

# Parsing (syntax analysis) modeled with cfg:

cfg  $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ :

- $N$  – nonterminal: syntactical constructions: declaration, statement, expression, a.s.o.
- $\Sigma$  – terminals; elements of the language: identifiers, constants, reserved words, operators, separators
- $P$  – syntactical rules – expressed in BNF – simple transformation
- $S$  – syntactical construct corresponding to program

THEN

Program syntactical correct  $\Leftrightarrow w \in L(G)$

Back to compiler construction