

PROOF

Let L be a language on some alphabet T such that $\epsilon \in L$ and let $G=(V,T,P,S)$ be a grammar such that $L(G)=L-\{\epsilon\}$.

Prove that the grammar $G'=(V'=V \cup \{S'\}, T, P'=P \cup \{S' \rightarrow S | \epsilon\}, S')$ satisfies $L(G')=L$

Proof that $L(G') \subseteq L$:

Let $w \in L(G')$, there are two case: $w=\epsilon \vee w \neq \epsilon$

If $w=\epsilon$:

Since $\epsilon \in L$ we get that $w \in L$

If $w \neq \epsilon$:

Since $w \in L(G')$ we get that $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^* w$ and so: $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}, S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^n w$

It must be the case that $n \neq 0$ because if $n = 0$ we get $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^0 w$ and so $w = S'$, Since $|S'|=1$ we get that $w \in T$, Also since $S' \in V'$ we get that $w \in V'$ and so $w \in T \cap V'$ and we get that $T \cap V' \neq \emptyset$ which contradicts the fact $T \cap V' = \emptyset$.

Also it must be the case that $n \neq 1$ because if $n = 1$ we get $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^1 w$,

There are two cases for the production rules used: $(S' \rightarrow S)$ or $(S' \rightarrow \epsilon)$

If the rule used was $S' \rightarrow S$ then we get that $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^1 S$ and so we get that $w=S$, Since $|S|=1$ we get that $w \in T$, Also since $S \in V$ we get that $w \in V$ and so $w \in T \cap V$ and we get $T \cap V \neq \emptyset$ which contradicts the fact $T \cap V = \emptyset$.

If the rule used was $S' \rightarrow \epsilon$ then we get that $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^1 \epsilon$ and so we get that $w=\epsilon$ but this contradicts the facts that $w \neq \epsilon$.

We've shown that $n \neq 0, 1$ and so $\exists 2 \leq n \in \mathbb{N}, S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^n w$.

And so, The first rule applied to S' must be the rule $S' \rightarrow S$ and we get that $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^1 S \Rightarrow_{G'}^{n-1} w$, In particular $S \Rightarrow_{G'}^{n-1} w$, Since all the production rules used in this derivation sequence must be production rules from the set P we get that $S \Rightarrow_{G'}^{n-1} w$ and so $S \Rightarrow_G^* w$, Now by definition of the set $L(G)$ we get that $w \in L(G)=L-\{\epsilon\}$ and so $w \in L$.

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Proof that $L \subseteq L(G')$:

Let $w \in L$, there are two cases $w = \epsilon \vee w \neq \epsilon$.

If $w = \epsilon$:

Since $(S' \rightarrow \epsilon) \in P'$ we get that $S' \Rightarrow_{G'} \epsilon = w$ and so $w \in L(G')$.

If $w \neq \epsilon$:

We get that $w \in L - \{\epsilon\} = L(G)$ and so $S \Rightarrow_G^* w$,

Now since G is sub grammar of G' we get that $S \Rightarrow_{G'}^* w$,

Also since $S' \Rightarrow_{G'} S$ we get $S' \Rightarrow_{G'} S \Rightarrow_{G'}^* w$ and so $S' \Rightarrow_{G'}^* w$,

Now by definition of the set $L(G')$ we get that $w \in L(G')$.

Q.E.D.