

## 01 NLTK (Lab)

This question use the Python Natural Language Toolkit. If needed, install by `pip3 install nltk` or `pip install nltk`. You may need to use `python3 -m pip install nltk` if you have multiple versions of Python. Following example is from the NLTK Book. It shows the ambiguity of the sentence:

I shot an elephant in my pajamas

This is from the Groucho Marx movie, *Animal Crackers* (1930): “While hunting in Africa, I shot an elephant in my pajamas. How he got into my pajamas, I don’t know.” First, a grammar is defined that is sufficient to show the ambiguity and a parser for that grammar is created:

```
import nltk
groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
S -> NP VP
PP -> P NP
NP -> Det N | Det N PP | 'I'
VP -> V NP | VP PP
Det -> 'an' | 'my'
N -> 'elephant' | 'pajamas'
V -> 'shot'
P -> 'in'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
```

Now all parse trees for this sentence are created and printed:

```
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
trees = list(parser.parse(['I', 'shot', 'an', 'elephant', 'in', 'my', 'pajamas']))
for t in trees: print(t)
```

The output shows that there are two parse trees, printed with indentation. They can also be graphically visualized:

```
# trees[0] # draws graphically inline; works only locally, not on JupyterHub
# trees[0].draw() # draws graphically in separate windows, works only locally, not on Jupyter
trees[0].pretty_print() # draws textually, can sometimes be confusing, needs monospaced font
# trees[0].pprint() # prints textually, same as print(...)

trees[1].pretty_print()
```

### Part 1

Let  $G = (T, N, P, S)$  where  $T = \{a, b\}$ ,  $N = \{S\}$ , and productions  $P$  are:

```
S →
S → aSbS
S → bSaS
```

Draw all parse trees for the sentence abab with NLTK!

```
import nltk
groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
S -> A S B S | B S A S |
A -> 'a'
B -> 'b'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
trees = list(parser.parse(['a', 'b', 'a', 'b']))
for t in trees: print(t)
trees[0].pretty_print()
trees[1].pretty_print()
```

## Part 2

Draw the parse tree of  $\text{id} \times (\text{id} + \text{id})$  in grammar G using NLTK!

```
import nltk
groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
E -> T | E N T
T -> F | T N F
F -> N | N E N
N -> 'id' | '+' | 'x' | '(' | ')'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
trees = list(parser.parse(['id', 'x', '(', 'id', '+', 'id', ')']))
# for t in trees: print(t)
trees[0].pretty_print()
```

## 02 Precedence and Associativity with NLTK

Consider expression made up of identifiers a, b, c, d and operators +, -, like

$a - b + c - d$

Write grammars as below with NLTK and draw the parse trees with NLTK.

1. Write a grammar such that + binds tighter than -, i.e. the above sentence would be evaluated as  $(a - (b + c)) - d$ . Draw the parse tree for  $a - b + c - d$ !

```
import nltk
groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
E -> E N T | T
T -> T P F | F
F -> T | N | 'a' | 'b' | 'c' | 'd'
N -> '-'
```

```

P -> '+'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
trees = list(parser.parse(['a', '-', 'b', '+', 'c', '-', 'd']))
trees[0].pretty_print()

```

2. Write a grammar such that  $-$  binds tighter than  $+$ , i.e. the above sentence would be evaluated as  $(a - b) + (c - d)$ . Draw the parse tree for  $a - b + c - d$ !

```

groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
E -> E N T | T
T -> T P F | F
F -> T | N | 'a' | 'b' | 'c' | 'd'
N -> '+'
P -> '-'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
trees = list(parser.parse(['a', '-', 'b', '+', 'c', '-', 'd']))
# for t in trees: print(t)
trees[0].pretty_print()

```

3. Write a grammar such that  $+$  and  $-$  bind equally strong but associate to the left, i.e. the above sentence would be evaluated as  $((a - b) + c) - d$ . Draw the parse tree for  $a - b + c - d$ !

```

groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
E -> E P T | T
T -> T N F | F
F -> E | N | 'a' | 'b' | 'c' | 'd'
N -> '+'
P -> '-'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)
trees = list(parser.parse(['a', '-', 'b', '+', 'c', '-', 'd']))
# for t in trees: print(t)
trees[0].pretty_print()

```

4. Write a grammar such that  $+$  and  $-$  bind equally strong but associate to the right, i.e. the above sentence would be evaluated as  $a - (b + (c - d))$ . Draw the parse tree for  $a - b + c - d$ !

```

groucho_grammar = nltk.CFG.fromstring("""
E -> T | E N T
T -> F | T N F
F -> N | N E N
N -> 'a' | 'b' | 'c' | 'd' | '+' | '-'
""")
parser = nltk.ChartParser(groucho_grammar)

```

```
trees = list(parser.parse(['a', '-', 'b', '+', 'c', '-', 'd']))
# for t in trees: print(t)
trees[0].pretty_print()
```

## 04 Grammar for a b c d

Procedure `derivable` from the course notes can be used for unrestricted grammars, not just for context-sensitive grammar. The procedure will terminate with `true` or `false` for context-sensitive grammars (*decision procedure*) but may or may not terminate for unrestricted grammars (*semi-decision procedure*).

```
def derivable(S, P, ):
    # S: start symbol, a string, P: productions, a set of pairs of strings, : string
    d0, d = {}, {S} # set of strings
    while d != d0:
        d0 = d #; print(d)
        for ( , ) in P:
            for in d0:
                i = .find( , 0) #print(' , i' , , i)
                while i != - 1:
                    = [0:i] + + [i + len():] #print(' ', )
                    if == : return True
                    elif len() <= len(): d = d.union({ })
                    i = .find( , i + 1) #print('d, i' , d, i)
    return False
```

Use procedure `derivable` to show that `abc`, `aabbcc`, `aaabbbccc` are derivable in  $G$  but `aabc` and `abbc` are not! Define `S` and `P` in the cell below and run the next cell for testing.

```
S = ('S')
P = {('S', 'abc'), ('S', 'aBSc'), ('Ba', 'aB'), ('Bb', 'bb')}
```

```
assert derivable(S, P , 'abc')
assert derivable(S, P , 'aabbcc')
assert derivable(S, P , 'aaabbbccc')
assert not derivable(S, P , 'aabc')
assert not derivable(S, P , 'abbc')
```

Use procedure `derivable` to show that `abc`, `aabbcc`, `aaabbbccc` are derivable in  $G'$ , the context-sensitive version of  $G$ , but `aabc` and `abbc` are not!

```
S = ('S')
P = {('S', 'Abc'), ('S', 'ABSc'), ('BA', 'BX'), ('BX', 'AX'), ('AX', 'AB'), ('Bb', 'bb'), (

assert derivable(S, P , 'abc')
assert derivable(S, P , 'aabbcc')
assert derivable(S, P , 'aaabbbccc')
```

```

assert not derivable(S, P , 'aabc')
assert not derivable(S, P , 'abbc')

```

Now consider the language  $\{a^n b^i c^d \mid i, n \geq 1\}$ . Write a grammar for this language by defining  $S$  and  $G$  below and use procedure `derivable` to check that `abcd`, `aabccd`, `aabbbccddd` are derivable in but `aabbcd`, `abccdd`, `acbd` are not! The grammar does not have to be context-sensitive, but procedure `derivable` has to terminate.

```

S = ('S')
P = {('S', 'abcd'), ('S', 'aXbcd'), ('S', 'abcYd'), ('S', 'aXbcYd'), ('X', 'aXc'), ('X', 'ac')}

assert derivable(S, P , 'abcd')
assert derivable(S, P , 'aabccd')
assert derivable(S, P , 'aabbbccddd')
assert not derivable(S, P , 'aabbcd')
assert not derivable(S, P , 'abccdd')
assert not derivable(S, P , 'acbd')

```