

CS 291  
Homework 6

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**Section 3.3, Exercise 4.d** Find a grammar for each language.  
 $\{a^m b^n | m, n \in N, \text{ where } n > 0\}$ .

**Answer:**

let  $L = \{a^m b^n | m, n \in N, \text{ where } n > 0\}$ .

We notice that  $L$  can be written as a product  $L = MN$ , where  $M = \{a^m | m \in N\}$ , and  $N = \{b^n | n \in N\}$  where  $n > 0$ .

Thus we can write the following grammar for  $L$ :

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow AB \text{ product rule,} \\ A &\rightarrow \wedge | aA \text{ grammar for } M, \\ B &\rightarrow b | bB \text{ grammar for } N. \end{aligned}$$

**Section 3.3, Exercise 4.e** Find a grammar for each language.  
 $\{a^m b^n | m, n \in N, \text{ where } m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$

**Answer:**

let  $L = \{a^m b^n | m, n \in N, \text{ where } n > 0\}$ .

We notice that  $L$  can be written as a product  $L = MN$ , where  $M = \{a^m | m \in N\}$  where  $m > 0$ , and  $N = \{b^n | n \in N\}$  where  $n > 0$ .

Thus we can write the following grammar for  $L$ :

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow AB \text{ product rule,} \\ A &\rightarrow a | aA \text{ grammar for } M, \\ B &\rightarrow b | bB \text{ grammar for } N. \end{aligned}$$

**Section 3.3, Exercise 5.a** Find a grammar for each language.  
The even palindromes over  $\{a, b, c\}$ .

**Answer:**

We can use Closure Rule for this question, here even palindromes over  $\{a, b, c\}$  contains a string of from  $\wedge$  or  $aSa$  or  $bSb$  or  $cSc$ .

Therefore, we can get grammars follow by:

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow \wedge | ASA \\ A &\rightarrow a | b | c \end{aligned}$$

On simplifying by substitution for  $A$ , we can get:

$$S \rightarrow \wedge | aSa | bSb | cSc.$$

**Section 3.3, Exercise 5.b** Find a grammar for each language. The odd palindromes over  $\{a, b, c\}$ .

We can use Closure Rule for this question, here odd palindromes over  $\{a, b, c\}$  contains a string of from  $a$  or  $b$  or  $c$  or  $\wedge$  or  $aSa$  or  $bSb$  or  $cSc$ .

Therefore, we can get grammars follow by:

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow a|b|c|ASA \\ A &\rightarrow aSa|bSb|cSc \end{aligned}$$

On simplifying by substitution for  $A$ , we can get:

$$S \rightarrow a|b|c|aSa|bSb|cSc.$$

**Section 3.3, Exercise 6.b** Find a grammar for each of the following languages.

The set of binary numerals that represent even natural numbers

**Answer:**

we know that:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow 0000 \\ 2 &\rightarrow 0010 \\ 4 &\rightarrow 0100 \\ 6 &\rightarrow 0110 \\ 8 &\rightarrow 1000 \end{aligned}$$

If  $E$  is the start symbol of even natural number, then the grammar is

$$E \rightarrow B0 \text{ and } B \rightarrow \wedge|B0|B1$$

**Section 3.3, Exercise 11.d** Show that each of the following grammars is ambiguous.

In otherwords, find a string that has two different parse trees (equivalently, two different leftmost derivations or two different rightmost derivations).

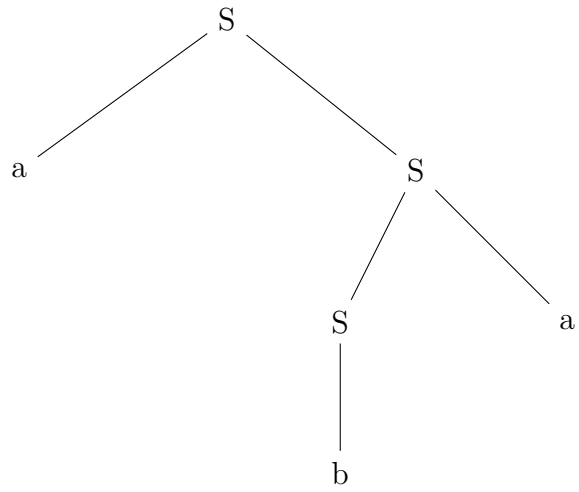
$$S \rightarrow aS|Sa|b.$$

**Answer:**

There are two different left most derivations to get the language of  $aba$ .

$$\begin{aligned} S &\Rightarrow aS \Rightarrow aSa \Rightarrow aba \\ S &\Rightarrow Sa \Rightarrow aSa \Rightarrow aba \end{aligned}$$

First tree:



Second tree:

