

*Afternoon*



# *Properties of CFL*

- ◆ *Pumping lemma for CFL*
- ◆ *Closure properties*



## *Pumping lemma for CFL*

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$$R = \{ S \rightarrow OB, B \rightarrow 1 \mid OBC, C \rightarrow 1 \} \quad L = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

## Pumping lemma for CFL

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Let  $L$  be a CFL . Then there exists some positive integer  $n$  such that any  $w \in L$  with  $|w| \geq n$  can be decomposed as

$$w = uvxyz$$

with

$$|vxy| \leq n$$

and

$$|vy| \geq 1$$

such that

$$uv^i xy^i z \in L$$

for all  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

## Proof

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$L$  is a CFL  $\Rightarrow$  There is a CFG  $G=(V,T,R,S)$  generating  $L$ .

$V$  is finite  $\Rightarrow m=|V|$

$|\alpha|$  is finite for all  $A \rightarrow \alpha \Rightarrow k = \max\{|\alpha| \text{ for all } A \rightarrow \alpha\}$

Let  $n = k^m$   $k(m-1)+1$

For any  $w \in L$  with  $|w| \geq n$ , there must be some variable  $A$  that appears at least two times in the parse tree.

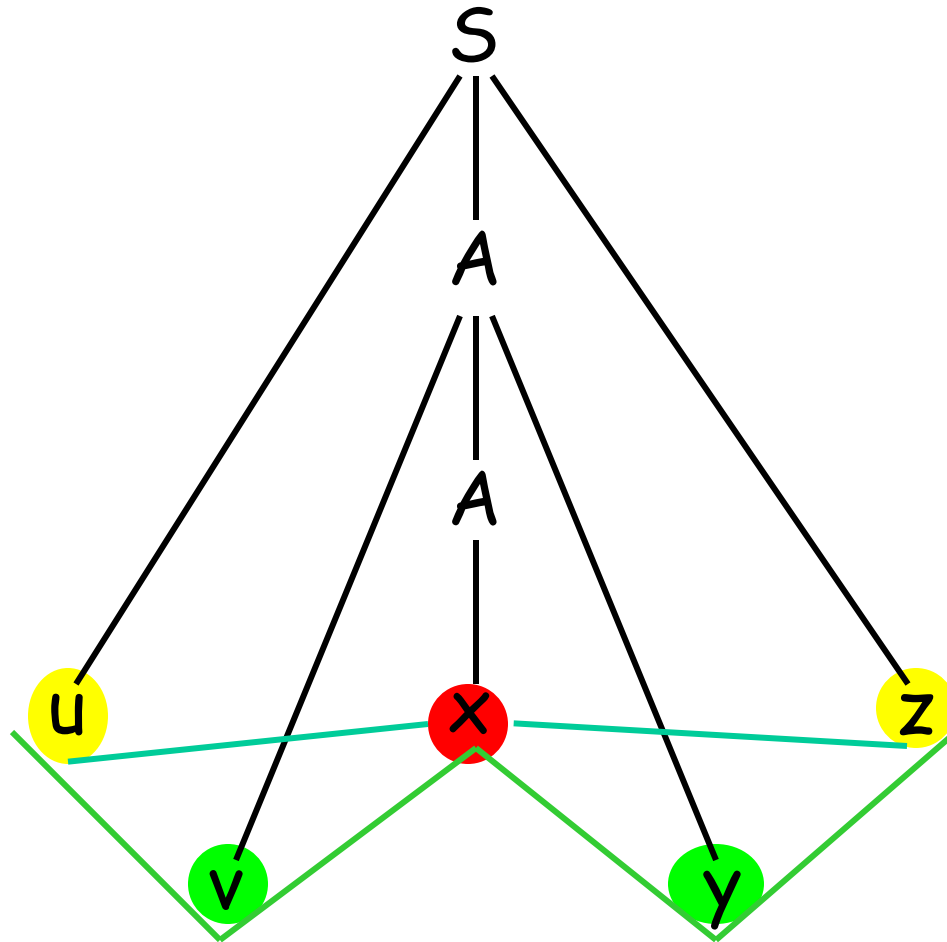
That is :  $S \xRightarrow{*} uAz \xRightarrow{*} uvAyz \xRightarrow{*} w$



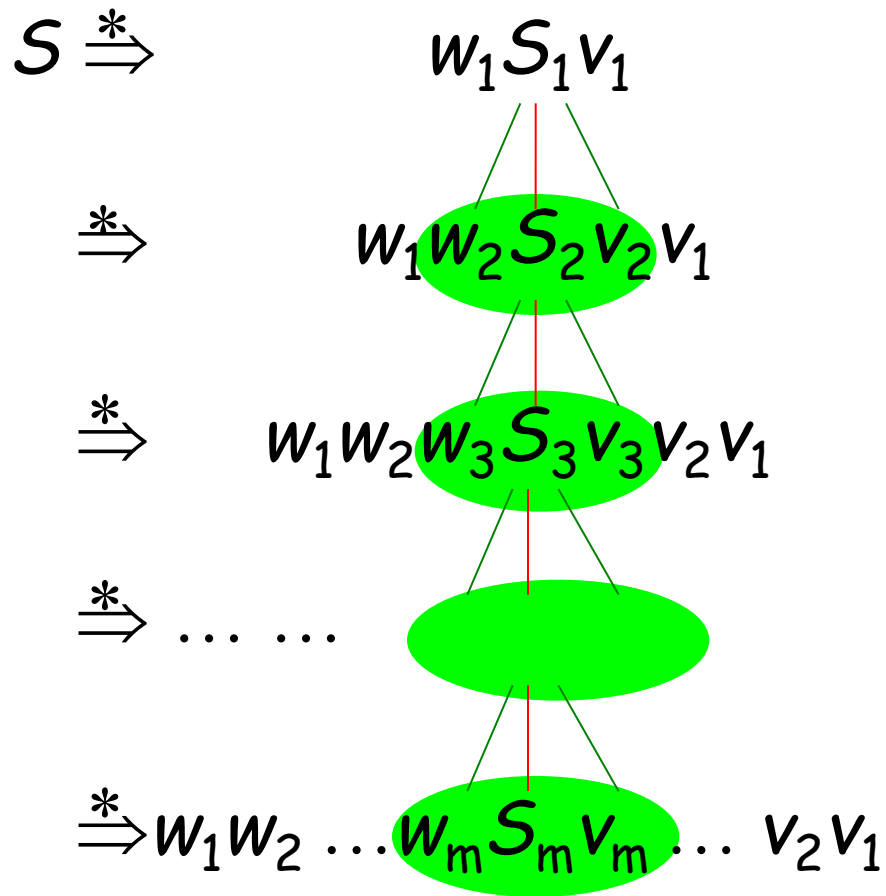
$S \Rightarrow uA$

$|V| = 1$

$N = 2^1 = 2$

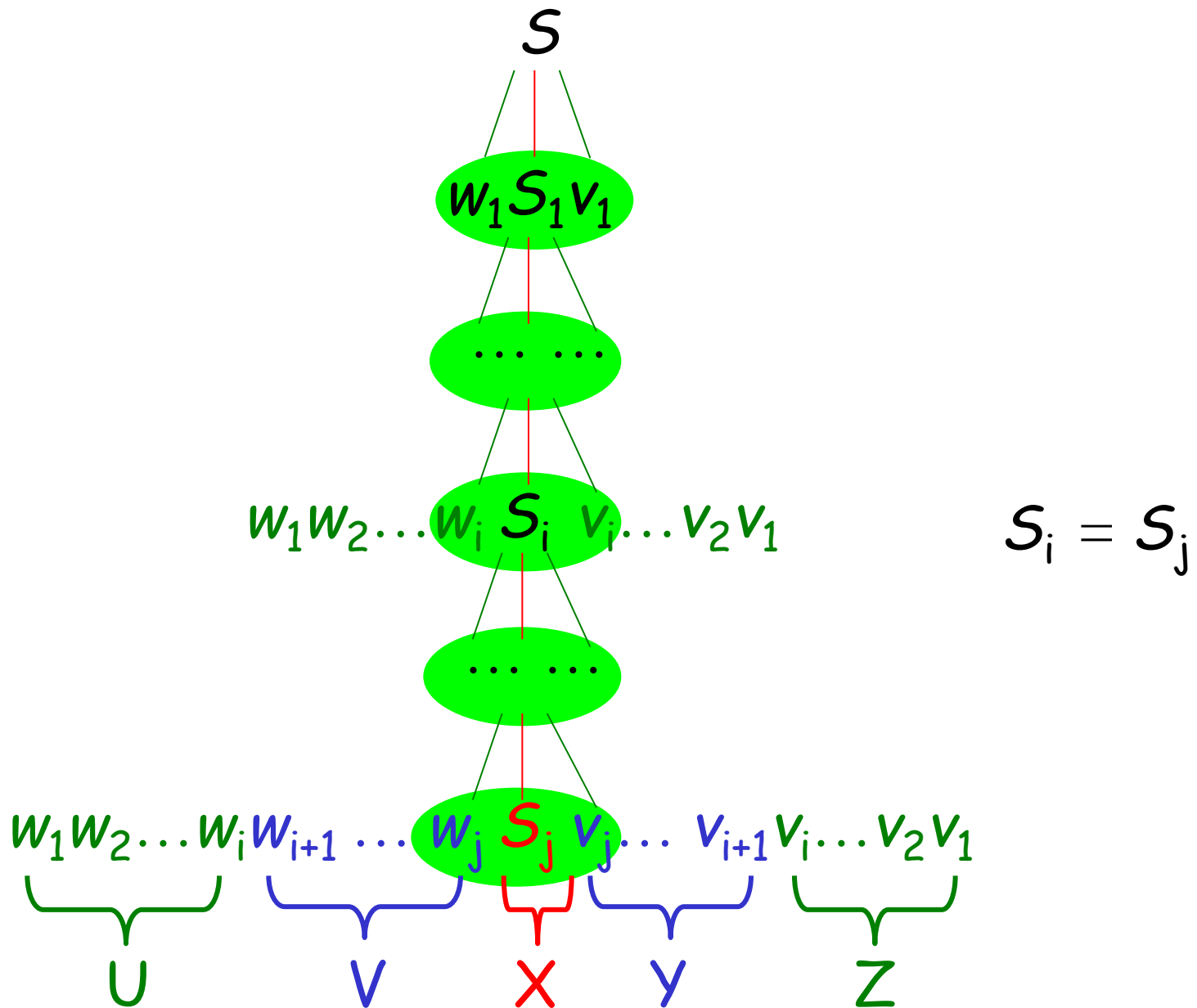


$$S \xRightarrow{*} uAz \xRightarrow{*} uvAyz \xRightarrow{*} w$$



where

$$w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m \in T^*, S_1, S_2, \dots, S_m \in V_7$$





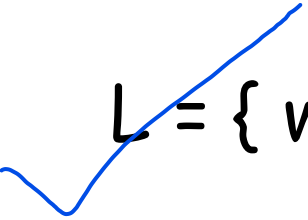
## Example 1 Show $L$ is not CFL

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$$L = \{ a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

## Example 2 Show L is not CFL

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$$L = \{ ww \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \}$$

## Example 2 Show $L$ is not CFL

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$$\underline{L = \{ 0^n 1^m \mid n=m^2 \}}$$

## Closure properties

- union :  $L \cup M$
- concatenation
- closure(star)
- reversal
- intersection :  $L \cap M$
- complement
- difference :  $L - M$
- homomorphism
- inverse homomorphism

## Closure properties

- Union

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are CFL , then so is  $L_1 \cup L_2$  .

### Proof

Let  $G(L_1)=(V_1, T_1, R_1, S_1)$ ,  $G(L_2)=(V_2, T_2, R_2, S_2)$

Then  $G(L_1 \cup L_2)=(V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \{ S \}, T_1 \cup T_2, R, S)$

$$R = \{ S \rightarrow S_1 \mid S_2 \} \cup R_1 \cup R_2$$

## Closure properties

- Concatenation

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are CFL , then so is  $L_1 L_2$  .

### Proof

Let  $G(L_1)=(V_1, T_1, R_1, S_1)$ ,  $G(L_2)=(V_2, T_2, R_2, S_2)$

Then  $G(L_1 L_2)=(V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \{ S \}, T_1 \cup T_2, R, S)$

$$R = \{ S \rightarrow S_1 S_2 \} \cup R_1 \cup R_2$$

## Closure properties

- Star

If  $L$  is a CFL , then so is  $L^*$  .

### Proof

Let  $G(L)=(V,T,R,S)$

Then  $G(L^*)=(V,T, \{S \rightarrow SS \mid \varepsilon\} \cup R, S)$

## Closure properties

- Reversal

If  $L$  is a CFL, then so is  $L^R$ .

### Proof

Let  $G(L) = (V, T, R, S)$

Then  $G(L^R) = (V, T, \{A \rightarrow \alpha^R \mid A \rightarrow \alpha \in R\}, S)$



## Closure properties

- Intersection

CFL is not closed under intersection.

### Proof

$$L_1 = \{ a^n b^n c^m \mid n \geq 0, m \geq 0 \}$$

$$L_2 = \{ a^n b^m c^m \mid n \geq 0, m \geq 0 \}$$

$$L_1 \cap L_2 = \{ a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

## • Intersection

If  $L_1$  is a CFL and  $L_2$  is a RL, then  $L_1 \cap L_2$  is CFL.

### Proof

$\text{PDA}$

$$P(L_1) = (Q_1, \Sigma_1, \Gamma, \delta_1, q_1, z_0, F_1)$$

$\text{NFA} / \text{NFA}$

$$A(L_2) = (Q_2, \Sigma_2, \delta_2, q_2, F_2)$$

$$P(L_1 \cap L_2) = (Q_1 \times Q_2, \Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2, \Gamma, \delta, (q_1, q_2), z_0, F_1 \times F_2)$$

$$\delta((q, p), \underline{a}, X) = \{((r, s), \alpha) \mid \dots\}$$

where  $\delta_1(q, a, X) = (r, \alpha)$ ,  $\delta_2(p, a) = s$

Example 4 Show that the language

$$L = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0, n \neq 100 \}$$

is context-free.

$$L = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0 \} \text{ CFL}$$

$$\underline{0^{100} 1^{100}} \text{ RL}$$

$$\text{∴ } \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0, n \neq 100 \}$$

~~Example 5~~ Show that the language

$$L = \{ w \mid w \in \{a,b,c\}^*, n_a(w) = n_b(w) = n_c(w) \}$$

is not context-free.

# MATHEMATICAL PROOFS

A good proof should be:

Clear -- easy to understand

Correct

Here's an example.

Suppose  $A \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$  with  $|A| = n+1$

TRUE or FALSE?

There are always two numbers in  $A$  such that one number divides the other number

TRUE

Example:  $A \subseteq \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

1 divides every number.

If 1 isn't in  $A$  then  $A = \{2, 3, 4\}$ , and 2 divides 4

In writing mathematical proofs, it can be very helpful to provide **three levels of detail**

- ◆ **The first level:** a short phrase/sentence giving a 'hint' of the proof 方法、工夫  
(e.g. "Proof by contradiction," "Proof by induction," "Follows from the pigeonhole principle")
- ◆ **The second level:** a short, one paragraph description of the main ideas 思路：
- ◆ **The third level:** the full proof (and nothing but)

## Level 1

Hint 1 :

### THE PIGEONHOLE PRINCIPLE

If you drop  $n+1$  pigeons in  $n$  holes then at least one hole will have more than one pigeon

Hint 2 :

Every integer  $a$  can be written as  $a = 2^k m$ , where  $m$  is an odd number ( $k$  is an integer)

Call  $m$  the "odd part" of  $a$



## Level 2

### Proof Idea

Given  $A \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$  with  $|A| = n+1$

Using the pigeonhole principle,  
we'll show there are elements  $a_1 \neq a_2$  of  $A$

such that  $a_1 = 2^i m$  and  $a_2 = 2^k m$   
for some odd  $m$  and integers  $i$  and  $k$

## Level 2

### Proof

Suppose  $A \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$  with  $|A| = n+1$

Write each element of  $A$  in the form  $a = 2^k m$   
where  $m$  is an odd number in  $\{1, \dots, 2n\}$

Observe there are  $n$  odd numbers in  $\{1, \dots, 2n\}$

Since  $|A| = n+1$ , there must be two distinct numbers  
in  $A$  with the same odd part

Let  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  have the same odd part  $m$ .

Then  $a_1 = 2^i m$  and  $a_2 = 2^k m$ , so one must divide  
the other (e.g., if  $k > i$  then  $a_1$  divides  $a_2$ )

Good good study  
day day up!