

▪ **Pumping Lemma for CFL** - a proof, a Language is not Context Free

If L is a Context Free Language, the, L has Pumping Length 'P' such that any string 'S', where  $|S| \geq P$  may be divided into 5 pieces  $S = u v x y z$  such that the following conditions must be true:

1.  $u v^i x y^i z$  is in L for every  $i \geq 0$
2.  $|v y| > 0$
3.  $|v x y| \leq P$

**Example:**

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

- Assume L is context Free
- Pumping length  $P = 4$

$S = a^4 b^4 c^4$ $= \text{aaaabbbbcccc}$						
u	v	x	y	z	i	
∈	∈	∈	aaaa	bbbbcccc	2	aaaa aaaa bbbb cccc
∈	a	∈	aaa	bbbbcccc	2	a a aaa aaa bbbb cccc
∈	aa	∈	aa	bbbbcccc	2	aa aa aa aa bbbb cccc
∈	aaa	∈	a	bbbbcccc	2	aaa aaa a a bbbb cccc
∈	aaaa	∈	∈	bbbbcccc	2	aaaa aaaa bbbb cccc
a	∈	∈	aaaa	bbbbcccc	2	a aaaa aaaa bbbb cccc
a	a	∈	aa	bbbbcccc	2	a a a aa aa bbbb cccc
a	aa	∈	a	bbbbcccc	2	a aa aa a a bbbb cccc
a	aaa	∈	∈	bbbbcccc	2	a aaa aaa bbbb cccc
a	a	a	a	bbbbcccc	2	a a a a a bbbb cccc
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aaa	ab	bb	bc	ccc	2	aaa ab ab bb bc bc ccc

**Example:**

$$L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

- Assume L is context Free
- Pumping length  $P = 4$
- $u v^i x y^i z$  is in L for every  $i \geq 0$

$S = a^4 b^4$ $= \text{aaaabbbb}$						
u	v	x	y	z	i	
ε	ε	ε	aaaa	bbbb	2	aaaa aaaa bbbb
ε	a	ε	aaa	bbbb	2	a a aaa aaa bbbb
ε	aa	ε	aa	bbbb	2	aa aa aa aa bbbb
ε	aaa	ε	a	bbbb	2	aaa aaa a a bbbb
ε	aaaa	ε	ε	bbbb	2	aaaa aaaa bbbb
a	ε	ε	aaaa	bbbb	2	a aaaa aaaa bbbb
a	a	ε	aa	bbbb	2	a a a aa aa bbbb
a	aa	ε	a	bbbb	2	a aa aa a a bbbb
a	aaa	ε	ε	bbbb	2	a aaa aaa bbbb
a	a	a	a	bbbb	2	a a a a a bbbb
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:						
aa	aa	ε	bb	bb	2	aa aa aa bb bb bb
					3	aa aa aa aa bb bb bb bb

**Example:**

- $L = \{0^i 1 0^i 1 0^i \mid i \geq 1\}$
- $L = \{ww \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$  that is  $w = 0^i 1^i$  the  $ww = 0^i 1^i 0^i 1^i$

- **Properties of Context Free Language (CFL)**

- A. Decision Properties**

- **Emptiness: Decidable**

- Remove all “Useless” symbols
      - If a CFG (G) holds the Starting symbol as “Useless” then the  $L(G) = \emptyset$  otherwise  $L(G) \neq \emptyset$

- **Finiteness: Decidable**

- If in the normal form of CFG(G) holds loop (cycle) then the  $L(G)$  is infinite otherwise finite

- Example:**

- $S \rightarrow AB$

- $A \rightarrow XB$

- $B \rightarrow XA$

- $X \rightarrow \alpha$

- **Membership: Decidable**

- If  $L(G)$ , of the normal form of CFG(G), contains the “w” then  $w \in L(G)$  (**CYK Algorithm**)

- **Equivalence: Undecidable**

- There is no such algorithm that prove the equivalency of 2 CFL's

## B. Closure Properties

### ▪ Union:

- $L_1 = \text{CFL}$  and  $L_2 = \text{CFL}$
- Starting symbol is  $S_1$  of  $G_1$  for  $L_1(G_1)$
- Starting symbol is  $S_2$  of  $G_2$  for  $L_2(G_2)$
- $L_1 \cup L_2$
- $S \rightarrow S_1 \mid S_2$  is also in CFG

$\therefore$  So, CFL is closed under Union operation

### ▪ Concatenation:

- $L_1 = \text{CFL}$  and  $L_2 = \text{CFL}$
- Starting symbol is  $S_1$  of  $G_1$  for  $L_1(G_1)$
- Starting symbol is  $S_2$  of  $G_2$  for  $L_2(G_2)$
- $L_1 \cdot L_2$
- $S \rightarrow S_1 S_2$  is also in CFG

$\therefore$  So, CFL is closed under Concatenation operation

### ▪ Transpose/ Reversal:

- $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$  is CFL
- $S \rightarrow 0S1 \mid 01$
- Reversal  $S \rightarrow 1S0 \mid 10$
- $L^T = \{1^n 0^n \mid n \geq 1\}$  is also CFL

$\therefore$  So, CFL is closed under Transpose operation

### ▪ Kleene star:

- $L = \text{CFL}$
- Starting symbol is  $S$  of  $G$  for  $L(G)$
- $S' \rightarrow SS' \mid \epsilon$  [consider a new Starting symbol  $S'$ ]
- $\{\epsilon, SS', SSS', SSSS', \dots\}$
- $\{\epsilon, S, SS, SSS, \dots\}$
- $S^* \Rightarrow L^*$  is also CFL

$\therefore$  So, CFL is closed under Kleene star operation

▪ **Intersection:**

- $L_1 = \{0^m 1^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$  and  $L_2 = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$
  - $L_1 \cap L_2 = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$  is also CFL
  
  - $L_3 = \{0^m 1^n 2^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$  and  $L_4 = \{0^m 1^m 2^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$
  - $L_3 \cap L_4 = \{0^n 1^n 2^n \mid n \geq 1\}$  is not CFL
- ∴ CFL is not closed under Intersection operation

▪ **Complement:**

- Assume Complement of CFL is also CFL
  - $L_1 = \text{CFL}$  and  $L_2 = \text{CFL}$
  - $\overline{L_1} = \text{CFL}$  and  $\overline{L_2} = \text{CFL}$
  - $\overline{L_1} \cup \overline{L_2} = \text{CFL}$
  - $\overline{\overline{L_1} \cup \overline{L_2}} = \text{CFL}$
  - $L_1 \cap L_2 \neq \text{CFL}$  [applying De Morgan's law]
- ∴ CFL is not closed under Complement operation