


Chomsky Classification of Grammar

Type 0 Grammar : Unrestricted Grammar

- In this grammar $G=(N,T,P,S)$ production rules are of the form
- $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$
- LHS of the rule $\alpha \in V^*NV^*$ ($V= N \cup T$, α is a string of symbols of the alphabet $N \cup T$ and α must contain at least one non terminal)
- RHS of the rule $\beta \in V^*$ (β is a string over alphabet V)
- No restriction on the rules of the grammar



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➤ $AB \rightarrow CD$

➤ $AaBD \rightarrow defBD$

➤ $ASB \rightarrow aS$






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Type 1 Grammar : Context Sensitive Grammar

- In this grammar $G=(N,T,P,S)$ production rules are of the form
- $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$
- $\alpha \in V^*NV^*$ ($V= N \cup T$, α is a string of symbols of the alphabet $N \cup T$ and it must contain at least one non terminal)
- $\beta \in V^+$ (β is a string over alphabet V and it cannot be empty string)
- Restriction on rules - $|\alpha| \leq |\beta|$ (length of LHS of the rule is less than equal to RHS of the rule)
- Length Increasing Grammar



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Type 1 Grammar : Context Sensitive Grammar

➤ $ASB \rightarrow AcB$

➤ $aABCc \rightarrow aAbdCc$


➤ $A \rightarrow ab$



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Type 1 Grammar : Context Sensitive Grammar


- In this grammar $G=(N,T,P,S)$ production rules are of the form
- $\alpha A \beta \rightarrow \alpha \gamma \beta$
- $\alpha, \beta \in V^*$ ($V=N \cup T$, α and β are strings of symbols of the alphabet $N \cup T$)
- $A \in N$ (A is a symbol over alphabet N)
- $\gamma \in V^+$ ($V=N \cup T$, γ is a string over alphabet $N \cup T$, and it can not be empty string)
- We read rule $\alpha A \beta \rightarrow \alpha \gamma \beta$ as A is rewritten as γ in the context of α and β .
- α is called left context and β is called right context of the production rule.
- Indian languages are CSL



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Type 2 Grammar : Context Free Grammar

- In this grammar $G=(N,T,P,S)$ production rules are of the form
- $A \rightarrow \alpha$
- $A \in N$ (A is a symbol of alphabet N)
- $\alpha \in V^*$ ($V=N \cup T$, α is a string over alphabet $N \cup T$)
- There is no concept of left or right context in the grammar rules.
- LHS of the rule is context free
- Note – The rule $S \rightarrow \epsilon$ is allowed only if S does not appear on the RHS of any rule in the grammar.
- Most European languages are CFL



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Type 2 Grammar : Context Free Grammar

➤ $A \rightarrow aAa$


➤ $S \rightarrow ab$

➤ $A \rightarrow abB$

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Type 3 Grammar : Regular Grammar

- In this grammar $G=(N,T,P,S)$ production rules are of the form
- $A \rightarrow aB$ or $A \rightarrow b$
- $A, B \in N$ (A is a symbol of alphabet N)
- $a \in T$ and $b \in T \cup \epsilon$ (a, b are symbols over alphabet T and b can be empty string also)
- RHS of the rule must contain a terminal followed by non terminal or only terminal symbol
- Note – The rule $S \rightarrow \epsilon$ is allowed only if S does not appear on the RHS of any rule in the grammar.



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Type 3 Grammar : Regular Grammar

- $A \rightarrow a$
- $A \rightarrow bC$
- $B \rightarrow c$
- $S \rightarrow aS$

Chomsky Classification of Grammar Summary

Type	Rules of the form	Restriction	Examples
Type 0 Unrestricted Grammar	$\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ $\alpha \in V^*NV^* (V=N \cup T)$ $\beta \in V^*$	No restriction	$AB \rightarrow CD$ $AaBD \rightarrow defBD$ $ASB \rightarrow aS$
Type 1 Context Sensitive Grammar	$\alpha A\beta \rightarrow \alpha\gamma\beta$ $\alpha, \beta \in V^*$ $A \in N$ and $\gamma \in V^+$	Length of LHS of the rule \leq length of RHS of the rule	$ASB \rightarrow AcB$ $aABCc \rightarrow aAbdCc$ $A \rightarrow ab$
Type 2 Context Free Grammar	$A \rightarrow \alpha$ $A \in N$ $\alpha \in V^*$	LHS of the rule is context free	$A \rightarrow aAa$ $S \rightarrow ab$ $A \rightarrow abB$
Type 3 Regular Grammar	$A \rightarrow aB$ Or $A \rightarrow b$ $A, B \in N$ $a \in T$ and $b \in T \cup \epsilon$	RHS of the rule has either terminal or terminal followed by non terminal	$A \rightarrow a$ $A \rightarrow bC$ $B \rightarrow c$ $S \rightarrow aS$

Grammar

Notation Convention

- **Non terminal symbols** are denoted by upper case alphabets A,B,C,D,...
- **Terminal symbols** are denoted by lower case alphabets a,b,c,d...
- A **sentential form** α is a string of non terminal and terminal symbols that can be derived from start symbol S in the grammar G [$\alpha \in (N \cup T)^*$ and $S \Rightarrow^* \alpha$]
- It is usually denoted by symbols α, β, γ .
- A **sentence** w is a string consisting of terminal symbols only that can be derived from start symbol S in the grammar G [$w \in T^*$ and $S \Rightarrow^* w$]
- It is usually denoted by symbols w, x, y, z
- **Notation \Rightarrow directly derives or derives in one step**
- **Notation \Rightarrow^* derives in zero or more steps (Reflexive transitive closure of \Rightarrow)**