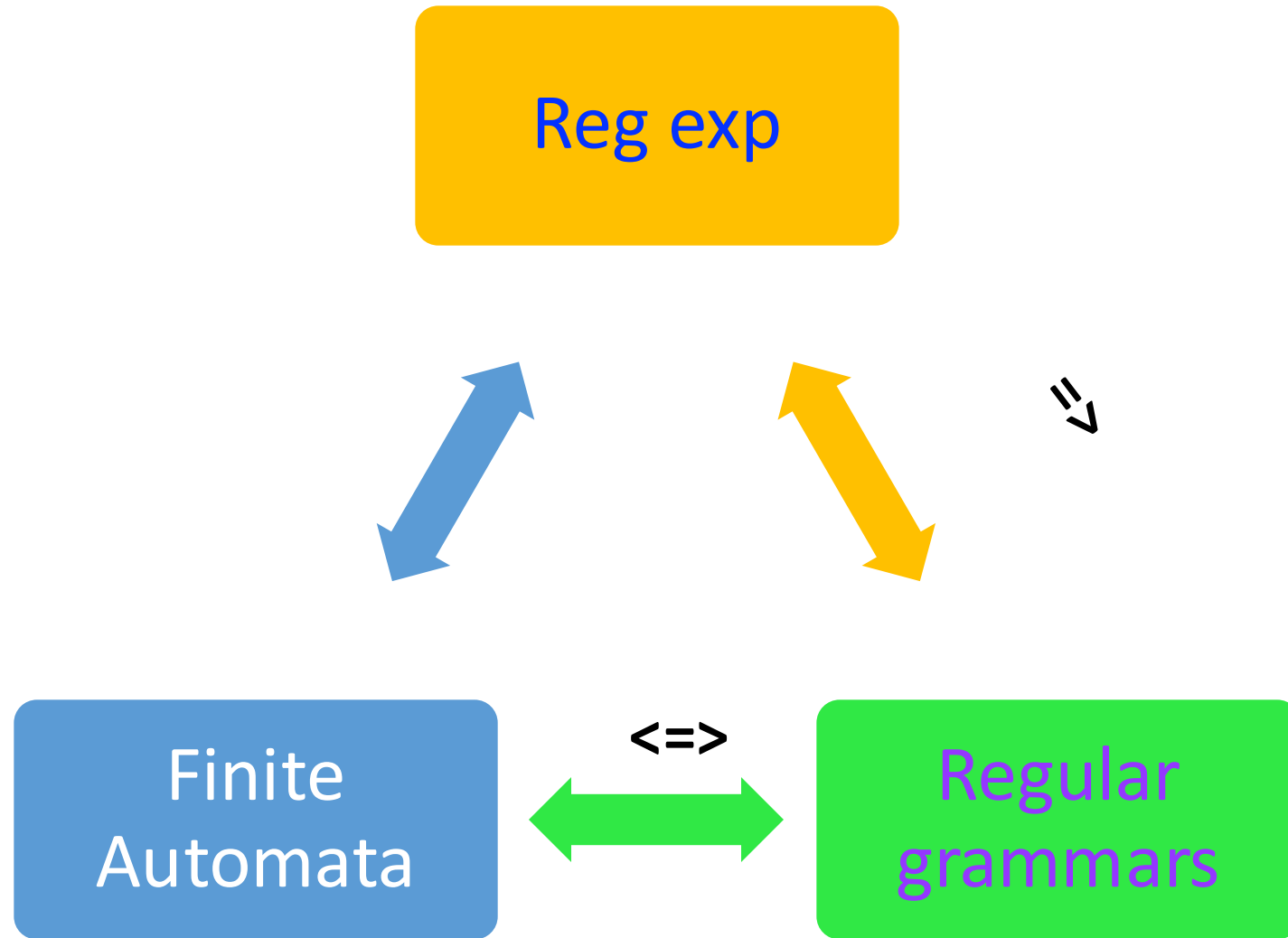


Course 4

Formal Languages

- *Regular Languages* -



Prop: *Regular sets are right linear languages*

Lemma 1': $\Phi, \{\epsilon\}, \{a\}, \forall a \in \Sigma$ are right linear languages

Proof: constructive

- i. $G = (\{S\}, \Sigma, \Phi, S)$ – regular grammar such that $L(G) = \Phi$
- ii. $G = (\{S\}, \Sigma, \{S \rightarrow \epsilon\}, S)$ – regular grammar such that $L(G) = \{\epsilon\}$
- iii. $G = (\{S\}, \Sigma, \{S \rightarrow a\}, S)$ – regular grammar such that $L(G) = \{a\}$

Lemma 2': If L_1 and L_2 are right linear languages then:
 $L_1 \cup L_2$, L_1L_2 and L_1^* are right linear languages.

Proof: constructive

L_1, L_2 right linear languages $\Rightarrow \exists G_1, G_2$ such that

$G_1 = (N_1, \Sigma_1, P_1, S_1)$ and $L_1 = L(G_1)$

$G_2 = (N_2, \Sigma_2, P_2, S_2)$ and $L_2 = L(G_2)$ assume $N_1 \cap N_2 = \emptyset$

i. $G_3 = (N_3, \Sigma, P_3, S_3)$

$$N_3 = N_1 \cup N_2 \cup \{S_3\}; \Sigma_3 = \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2$$

$$P_3 = P_1 \cup P_2 \cup \{S_3 \rightarrow S_1 \mid S_2\}$$

$$\{S_3 \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mid S_1 \rightarrow \alpha_1 \in P_1\} \cup \{S_3 \rightarrow \alpha_2 \mid S_2 \rightarrow \alpha_2 \in P_2\}$$

G_3 – right linear language
and

$$L(G_3) = L(G_1) \cup L(G_2)$$

PROOF!!! Homework

$$\text{ii. } G_4 = (N_4, \Sigma, P_4, S_4)$$

$$N_4 = N_1 \cup N_2; S_4 = S_1; \Sigma_4 = \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2$$

$$P_4 = \{A \rightarrow aB \mid \text{if } A \rightarrow aB \in P_1\} \cup \\ \{A \rightarrow aS_2 \mid \text{if } A \rightarrow a \in P_1\} \cup \\ P_2 \cup \\ \{S_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2 \mid \text{if } S_1 \rightarrow \epsilon \in P_1 \text{ and } S_2 \rightarrow \alpha_2 \in P_2\}$$

G_4 – right linear language
and

$$L(G_4) = L(G_1) L(G_2)$$

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$$\text{iii. } G_5 = (N_5, \Sigma_1, P_5, S_5)$$

//IDEA: concatenate L_1 with itself

$$N_5 = N_1 \cup \{S_5\};$$

$$P_5 = P_1 \cup \{S_5 \rightarrow \epsilon\} \cup \\ \{S_5 \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mid S_1 \rightarrow \alpha_1 \in P_1\} \cup \\ \{A \rightarrow aS_1 \mid \text{if } A \rightarrow a \in P_1\}$$

G_5 – right linear language
and

$$L(G_5) = L(G_1)^*$$

PROOF!!! Homework

Theorem: *A language is a regular set if and only if it is a right linear language*

Proof:

=> Apply lemma 1' and lemma 2'

<= construct a system of regular exp equations where:

- Indeterminants – nonterminals
- Coefficients – terminals
- Equation for A: all the possible rewritings of A

Example: $G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{0, 1\}, P, S)$

P: $S \rightarrow 0A \mid 1B \mid \epsilon$

$A \rightarrow 0B \mid 1A$

$B \rightarrow 0B \mid 1$

$$\begin{cases} S = 0A + 1B + \epsilon \\ A = 0B + 1A \\ B = 0B + 1 \end{cases}$$

**Regular exp = solution
corresponding to S**

Pumping Lemma

- Not all languages are regular
- How to decide if a language is regular or not?
- Idea: pump symbols

Example: $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

Theorem: (Pumping lemma, Bar-Hillel)

Let L be a regular language. $\exists p \in \mathbb{N}$, such that if $w \in L$ with $|w| > p$, then

$w = xyz$, where $0 < |y| \leq p$

and

$xy^iz \in L, \forall i \geq 0$

Proof

L regular $\Rightarrow \exists M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ such that $L = L(M)$

Let $|Q| = p$

If $w \in L(M)$: $(q_0, w) \xrightarrow{*} (q_f, \epsilon)$, $q_f \in F$ } process at least $p+1$ symbols
and
 $|w| > p$ } p states

$\Rightarrow \exists q_1$ that appear in at least 2 configurations

$(q_0, xyz) \xrightarrow{*} (q_1, yz) \xrightarrow{*} (q_1, z) \xrightarrow{*} (q_f, \epsilon)$, $q_f \in F \Rightarrow 0 \leq |y| \leq p$

Proof (cont)

$$\begin{aligned}(q_0, xy^iz) \quad & \vdash^* (q_1, y^iz) \\ & \vdash^* (q_1, y^{i-1}z) \\ & \vdash^* \dots \\ & \vdash^* (q_1, yz) \\ & \vdash^* (q_1, z) \\ & \vdash^* (q_f, \varepsilon), q_f \in F\end{aligned}$$

So, if $w=xyz \in L$ then $xy^iz \in L$, for all $i>0$

If $i=0$: $(q_0, xz) \vdash^* (q_1, z) \vdash^* (q_f, \varepsilon), q_f \in F$

Example: $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

Suppose L is regular $\Rightarrow w = xyz = 0^n 1^n$

Consider all possible decomposition \Rightarrow

Case 1. $y = 0^k$

$$xyz = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^n; xy^i z = 0^{n-k} 0^{ik} 1^n \notin L$$

Case 2. $y = 1^k$

$$xyz = 0^n 1^k 1^{n-k}; xy^i z = 0^n 1^{ik} 1^{n-k} \notin L$$

Case 3. $y = 0^k 1^l$

$$xyz = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^l 1^{n-l}; xy^i z = 0^{n-k} (0^k 1^l)^i 1^{n-l} \notin L$$

Case 4. $y = 0^k 1^K$

$$xyz = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^K 1^{n-k}; xy^i z = 0^{n-k} 0^k 1^K 0^k 1^K \dots 1^{n-l} \notin L$$

$\Rightarrow L$ is not regular

Context free grammars (cfg)

Context free grammar (cfg)

- Productions of the form: $A \rightarrow \alpha$, $A \in N$, $\alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$
- More powerful
- Can model programming language:
 $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ s.t. $L(G) = \text{programming language}$

Syntax tree

Definition: A syntax tree corresponding to a cfg $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is a tree obtained in the following way:

1. Root is the starting symbol S
2. Nodes $\in N \cup \Sigma$:
 1. Internal nodes $\in N$
 2. Leaves $\in \Sigma$
3. For a node A the descendants in order from left to right are X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n only if $A \rightarrow X_1 X_2 \dots X_n \in P$

Remarks:

- a) Parse tree = syntax tree – result of parsing (syntactic analysis)
- b) Derivation tree – condition 2.2 not satisfied
- c) Abstract syntax tree (AST) \neq syntax tree (semantic analysis)

Syntax tree (cont)

Property: In a cfg $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$, $w \in L(G)$ if and only if there exists a syntax tree with frontier w .

Proof: HomeWork

Example: $S \rightarrow aSbS \mid c$; $w = aacbcabc$

Leftmost derivations

$S \Rightarrow aSbS \Rightarrow aaSbSbS \Rightarrow aacbSbS$
 $\Rightarrow aacbcS \Rightarrow aacbcabc$

Rightmost derivations

$S \Rightarrow aSbS \Rightarrow aSbc \Rightarrow aaSbSbc$
 $\Rightarrow aaSbcbcb \Rightarrow aacbcabc$

Definition: A cfg $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$ is ambiguous if for a $w \in L(G)$ there exists 2 distinct syntax tree with frontier w .

Example: