

Seminar 7

CONTEXT-FREE GRAMMARS (CFG)

- Productions of the form $A \rightarrow \alpha$, $A \in N$ and $\alpha \in (N \cup \Sigma)^*$

SYNTAX TREE (PARSE TREE)

→ result of parsing (syntactic analysis)

→ S is the root, nodes $\in N \cup \Sigma$

! In a CFG, a word $w \in L(G) \Leftrightarrow \exists$ a syntax tree with frontier w

(Ex 1) Given the CFG below, give the leftmost and rightmost derivations for w and draw the syntax tree.

a) $G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{0, 1\},$
 $\{S \rightarrow 0B^1 | 1A^2,$
 $A \rightarrow 0^3 | 0S^4 | 1AA^5,$
 $B \rightarrow 1^6 | 1S^7 | 0BB^8\})$
 $w = 0001101110$

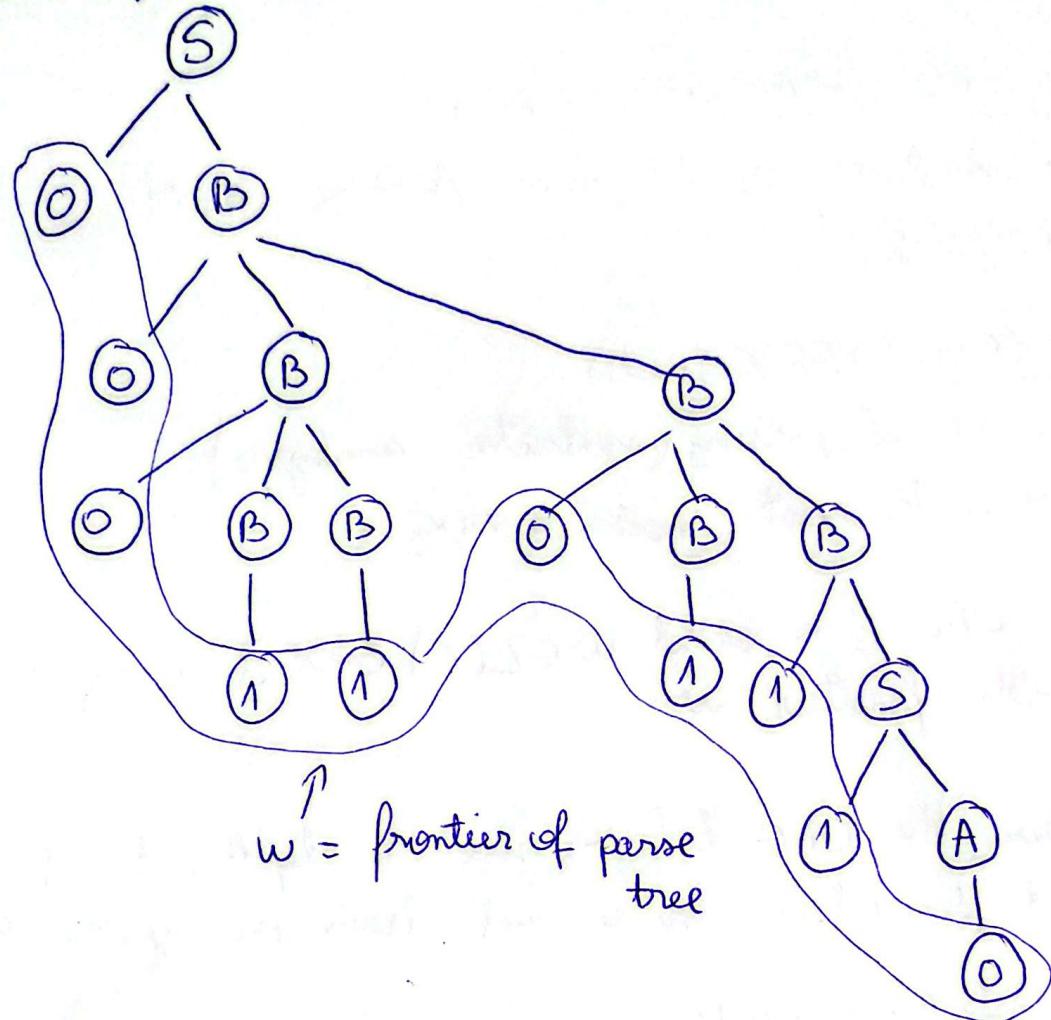
• leftmost: 1826686723

$$\begin{aligned} S &\xrightarrow{1} 0\underline{B} \xrightarrow{8} 00\underline{B}B \xrightarrow{8} 000\underline{B}BB \xrightarrow{6} 0001\underline{B}B \xrightarrow{6} 00011\underline{B} \xrightarrow{7} \\ &\xrightarrow{2} 000110\underline{B}B \xrightarrow{6} 0001101\underline{B} \xrightarrow{7} 00011011\underline{S} \xrightarrow{2} 000110111A \\ &\xrightarrow{3} 0001101110 \end{aligned}$$

• rightmost: 1827236866

$$\begin{aligned} S &\xrightarrow{1} 0\underline{B} \xrightarrow{8} 00\underline{B}B \xrightarrow{8} 00B\underline{0}BB \xrightarrow{7} 00B0\underline{B}1S \xrightarrow{2} 00B0B11\underline{A} \\ &\xrightarrow{3} 00B0B110 \xrightarrow{6} 00\underline{B}01110 \xrightarrow{8} 000\underline{B}B01110 \xrightarrow{6} 000\underline{B}101110 \\ &\xrightarrow{6} 0001101110 \end{aligned}$$

parse/syntax tree



b) $G = (\{E, T, F\}, \{a, +, *, (,), \})$,

$$\{E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid a\}$$

$$w = a * (a + a)$$
 Homework

Ambiguous grammars

Def: A CFG is ambiguous if \exists at least one word $w \in L(G)$ that admits two distinct syntax trees.

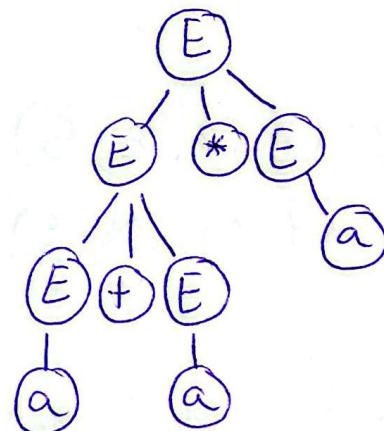
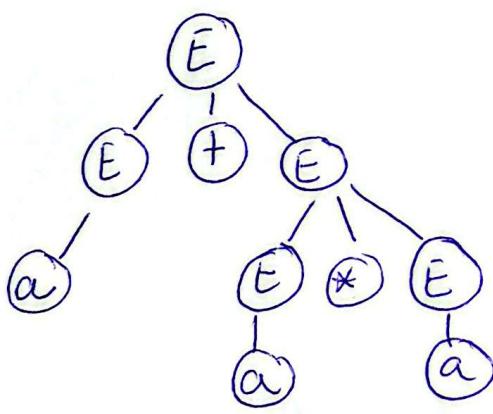
Ambiguous language = language generated by an ambiguous CFG

(Ex 2) Prove that the following grammars are ambiguous

a) $G_1 = (\{S, B, C\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{S \rightarrow abC | aB, B \rightarrow bC, C \rightarrow \lambda, S\})$

b) $G_2 = (\{E\}, \{a, +, *, (), *\}, \{E \rightarrow E+E | E * E | (E) | a\})$

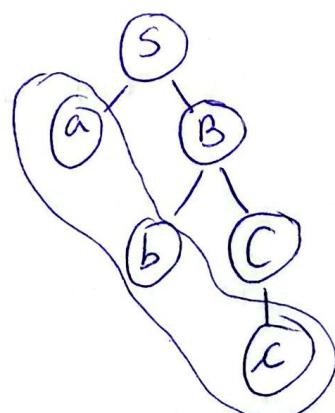
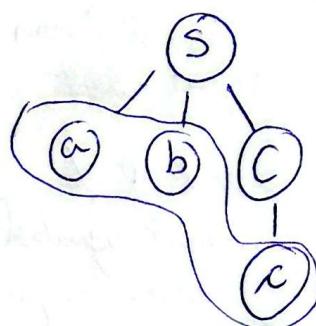
b) $w = a * a + a$



a) $w = abc$

$S \rightarrow abC \rightarrow abc$

$S \rightarrow aB \rightarrow bC \rightarrow abc$



c) $G_3 = \{S\}, \{ \text{if, then, else, a, b} \},$
 $\{ S \rightarrow \text{if } b \text{ then } S \mid \text{if } b \text{ then } S \text{ else } S \mid a \}, S \}$ HW

RECURSIVE DESCENT PARSER

Configuration

The diagram illustrates a parser configuration with two stacks:

- working stack**: Contains symbols s, i, α, β . The symbol i is annotated with a downward arrow labeled "position of current symbol in the sequence".
- input stack**: Contains the part of the tree "to be built".

Annotations provide additional context:

- A bracket labeled "part of the tree to be built" spans the bottom of the input stack.
- A bracket labeled "input stack" spans the bottom of the working stack.
- An arrow labeled "part of the tree to be built" points from the input stack to the working stack.
- A bracket labeled "position of current symbol in the sequence" spans the bottom of the working stack, pointing to the symbol i .

Below the configuration, parsing state is indicated by an arrow pointing to the working stack, with the label "state: ←".

Definitions for symbols in the stack:

- g = normal
- b = back
- f = final
- e = error

- initial config: $(q_0, 1, \varepsilon, S)$
 - final config: $(f, m+1, \alpha, \varepsilon)$

Moves

- EXPAND if head of input stack is nonterminal
 $(q, i, \alpha, A\beta) \vdash (q, i, \alpha A_1, \beta)$
where $A \rightarrow \gamma_1 | \gamma_2 | \dots$
 - ADVANCE if head of input stack is terminal = current symbol from input
 $(q, i, \alpha, a_i \beta) \vdash (q, i+1, \alpha a_i \beta)$
 - MOMENTARY INSUCCESS if head of input stack is terminal \neq current symbol from input
 $(q, i, \alpha a_i \beta) \vdash (b, i, \alpha, a_i \beta)$

- BACK if head of working stack is a terminal
 $(b, i, \alpha a, \beta) \leftarrow (b, i-1, \alpha, a\beta)$
- ANOTHER TRY if head of working stack is a non-terminal
 $(b, i, \alpha A_j, \gamma_j \beta) \leftarrow (g, i, \alpha A_{j+1}, \gamma_{j+1} \beta)$
if $\exists A \rightarrow \gamma_{j+1}$
 $\vdash (b, i, \alpha, A\beta)$ otherwise

- SUCCESS

$$(g, m+1, \alpha, \epsilon) \leftarrow (f, m+1, \alpha, \epsilon)$$

What you have to know:

- from state g you can
 - expand
 - advance
 - momentary insuccess
 - will change the state to b
- from state b you can
 - another try
 - ↳ if you still have productions for that non terminal it will change the state back to g
 - ↳ if not state b remains
 - back

Recursive descent parser example

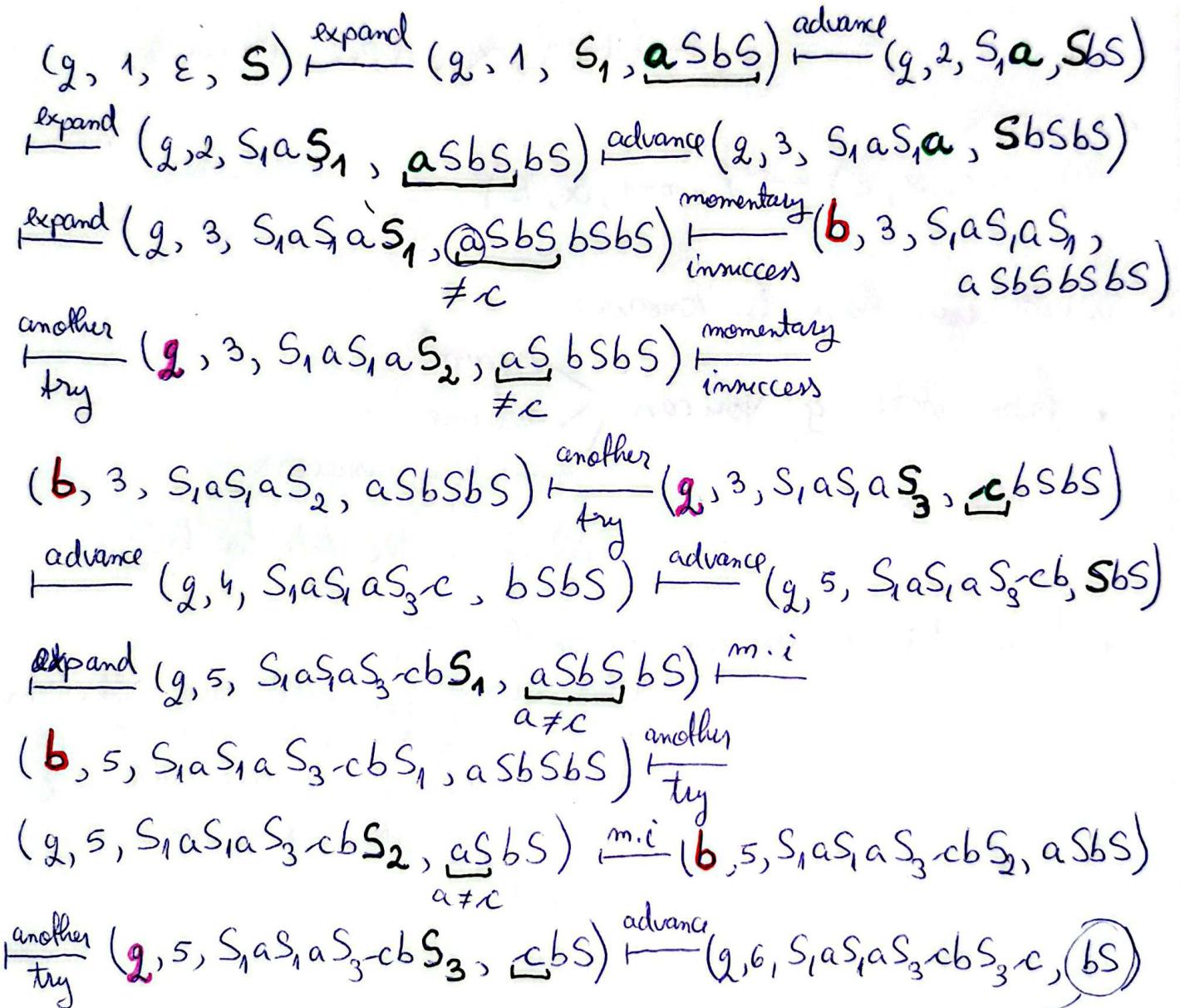
$$G = (N, \Sigma, P, S), N = \{S\}, \Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$$

$$P: S \rightarrow aSbS \quad (1)$$

$$S \rightarrow aS \quad (2)$$

$$S \rightarrow c \quad (3)$$

$$w = aaacbcb$$



←
we parsed the entire word and we still have elements in β
 \Rightarrow we have to go back.

? β has to be empty at the end

$\xleftarrow{mi} (b, 6, S_1 a S_1 a S_3 - cb S_3 \cancel{S_3}, b S)$

$\xleftarrow{back} (b, 5, S_1 a S_1 a S_3 c b \cancel{S_3}, \cancel{b S})$

$\xleftarrow{\text{another try}}$ because here we have a non-terminal we have to do another try, but S_3 is the last production of S (we don't have $S_4, S_5 \dots$, so we will move S_3 back to β and delete its production. This operation is also called another try)

$(b, 5, S_1 a S_1 a S_3 \cancel{b}, S b S)$

\hookrightarrow because another try did not use other productions of S and put S_3 in β , the state stays as b

$\xleftarrow{back} (b, 4, S_1 a S_1 a S_3 \cancel{c}, b S b S)$

$\xleftarrow{back} (b, 3, S_1 a S_1 a \cancel{S_3}, b S b S)$ when we are in state b and at end of α is a terminal the only possible move is back

this is non-terminal and we are still in state $b \Rightarrow$ the only move we can do is another try

$\xleftarrow{\text{another try}} (b, 3, S_1 a S_1 a, \cancel{S b S b S})$

$\xleftarrow{back} (b, 2, S_1 a S_1, \cancel{a S b S b S})$

$\xleftarrow{\text{another try}} (g, 2, S_1 a \cancel{S_2}, \cancel{a S b S})$

\hookrightarrow state changed to g again because we had S_2 to use

$\xleftarrow{\text{advance}} (g, 3, S_1 a S_2 a, S b S) \xleftarrow[\text{a} \neq c]{\text{expand}} (g, 3, S_1 a S_2 a \cancel{S}, \cancel{a S b S} b S)$

$\xleftarrow{mi} (b, 3, S_1 a S_2 a S_1, a S b S b S)$

$\xleftarrow{\text{another try}} (g, 3, S_1 a S_2 a S_2, a S b S) \xleftarrow[\text{a} \neq c]{mi} (b, 3, S_1 a S_2 a S_2, \cancel{a S b S})$

another try ($g, 3, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S$)

advance ($g, 4, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 c, b S$)

advance ($g, 5, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b, S$)

expand ($g, 5, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_1, a S b S$)

mc ($b, 5, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_1, a S b S$)

another try ($g, 5, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_2, a S$)

mc ($b, 5, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_2, a S$)

another try ($g, 5, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_3, c$)

advance ($g, 6, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_3 \rightarrow c, \epsilon$)

success ($f, 6, S_1 a S_2 a S_3 \rightarrow c b S_3 \rightarrow c, \epsilon$)

$\Rightarrow w$ is syntactically correct

parse tree: $S_1 S_2 S_3 S_3$

