

## Unit-3

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### Context Free Grammars

#### Content free grammar (CFG):

A CFG is a grammar  $G$  is defined as 4-tuple notation i.e.  $G = (V, T, P, S)$

Where  $V$  is a set of variables or non-terminals

$T$  is a terminals

$P$  is Production rules or grammar rules of the

form  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$

$\alpha \in V$

$\beta \in (V \cup T)^*$

$S \rightarrow$  Start symbol

eg:- Identify the grammar  $G$  for the following  $P$

$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$

$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$

$F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$

$G = (\{E, T, F\}, \{+, *, (, ), id\}, E \rightarrow E + T \mid T, \{E\})$   
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$   
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$

eg:-  $E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid (E) \mid id$

$G = (\{E\}, \{+, *, (, ), id\}, E \rightarrow E + E, \{E\})$   
 $E \rightarrow E * E$   
 $E \rightarrow (E)$   
 $E \rightarrow id$

## Derivation:-

Derivation is a process of deriving strings from start symbol of the grammar using production rules on grammar rules.

$$\boxed{S \xrightarrow{*} w}$$

eg:- Consider the following production rules

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

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

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$$

To derive the string  $w$  is  $id * id + id$

$$E \rightarrow E + T \quad [ \because E \rightarrow T ]$$

$$E \rightarrow T + T \quad [ \because T \rightarrow T * F ]$$

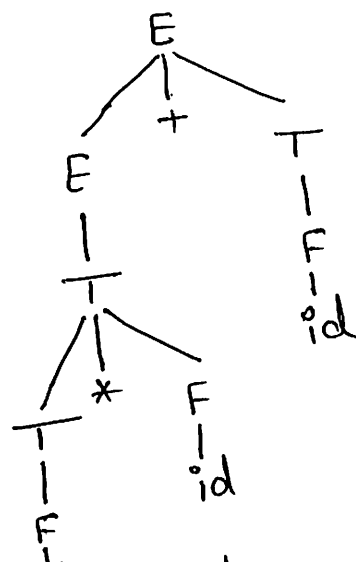
$$E \rightarrow T * F + T \quad [ \because T \rightarrow id ]$$

$$E \rightarrow id * F + T \quad [ \because F \rightarrow id ]$$

$$E \rightarrow id * id + T \quad [ \because T \rightarrow F ]$$

$$E \rightarrow id * id + F \quad [ \because F \rightarrow id ]$$

$$E \rightarrow id * id + id$$



Derivation can be classified into  $id$  two types.

- 1) Left most derivation (LMD) or Left Sentential form
- 2) Right most derivation (RMD) or Right Sentential form

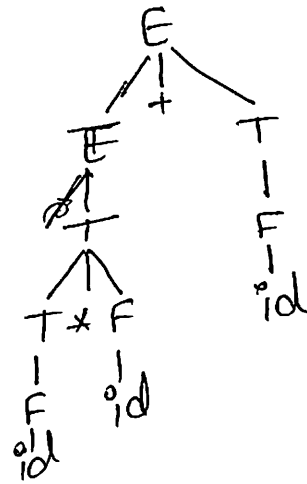
## Left most derivation:

A derivation in which left most variable is replaced at every step of the derivation process

### Right most derivation:

A derivation in which right most variable is replaced at every step of the derivation process.

$E \rightarrow E + T$   
 $\rightarrow E + F \quad \therefore T \rightarrow F$   
 $E + id \quad \therefore F \rightarrow id$   
 $T + id \quad \therefore E \rightarrow T$   
 $T * F + id \quad \therefore T \rightarrow T * F$   
 $T * id + id \quad \therefore F \rightarrow id$   
 $F * id + id \quad \therefore T \rightarrow F$   
 $id * id + id \quad \therefore F \rightarrow id$



### Derivation Tree (or) Parse Tree:

It is a graphical representation of the derivation process.

(or)  
Representation of string derivation in the form of tree is called Parse Tree.

It is a simple way to show how the derivation can be done using production rules.

### Derivation tree Properties:

- 1) Every node is labelled by either variable or terminal or  $\epsilon$ .
- 2) Root node is labelled by start symbol of the grammar i.e.  $S$ .
- 3) Every internal node or interior node is labelled by non-terminals of the grammar.

- 4) Every leaf node is labelled by either terminals or  $\epsilon$ .
- 5) The leaf nodes are also called as terminal nodes.
- 6) The derivation can be read from left to right direction.
- 7) The derivation tree can be classified into 2 types
  - left most derivation tree
  - Right most derivation tree

Consider the following grammar

$$S \rightarrow aB/bA$$

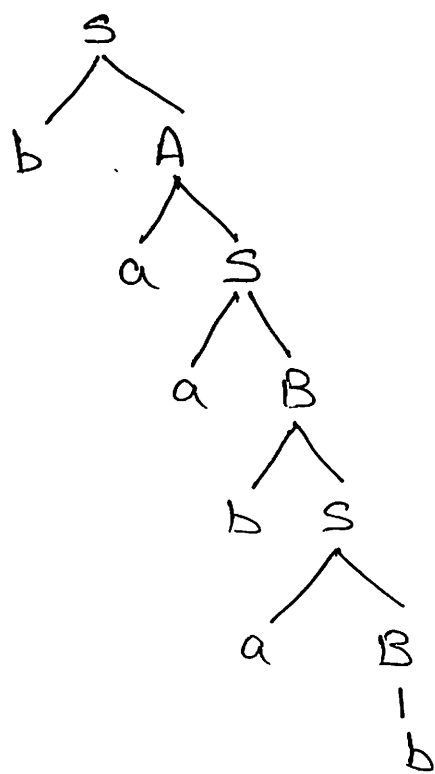
$$A \rightarrow a/aS/bAA$$

$$B \rightarrow b/bS/aBB$$

- 1) Derive the string  $w = baabab$
- 2) Construct derivation tree for the above string

Sol:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\rightarrow bA & (\because S \rightarrow bA) \\
 S &\rightarrow baS & (\because A \rightarrow aS) \\
 S &\rightarrow baaB & (\because S \rightarrow aB) \\
 S &\rightarrow baabS & (\because B \rightarrow bS) \\
 S &\rightarrow baabaB & (\because S \rightarrow aB) \\
 S &\rightarrow baabab & (\because B \rightarrow b)
 \end{aligned}$$



— Find the LMD & RMD and LMDT & RMDT for

1)  $S \rightarrow AA$

$A \rightarrow aB$  w: abba

$B \rightarrow bB | \epsilon$

2)  $S \rightarrow 0B | 1A$

$A \rightarrow 0 | 0S | 1AA$

$B \rightarrow 1 | 1S | 0BB$

w: 00110101

sol LMD for abba

$S \rightarrow AA$  ( $A \rightarrow aB$ )

$\rightarrow aBA$  ( $B \rightarrow bB$ )

$\rightarrow abBA$  ( $B \rightarrow bB$ )

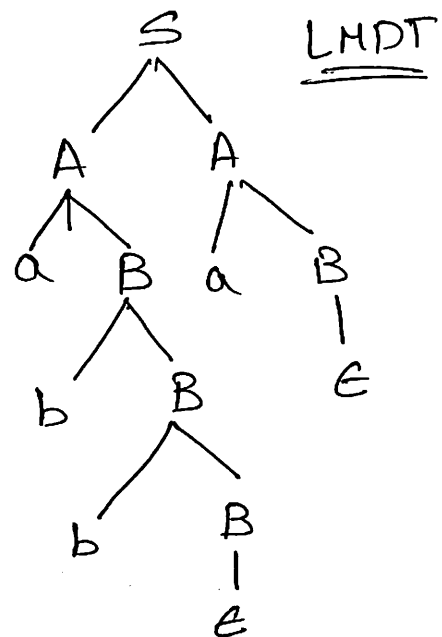
$\rightarrow abbBA$  ( $B \rightarrow \epsilon$ )

$\rightarrow abb\epsilon A$  ( $A \rightarrow aB$ )

$\rightarrow abbaB$  ( $B \rightarrow \epsilon$ )

$\rightarrow abba\epsilon$

$\therefore abba //$



RMD:-

$S \rightarrow AA$  ( $\therefore A \rightarrow aB$ )

$S \rightarrow AaB$  ( $\therefore B \rightarrow \epsilon$ )

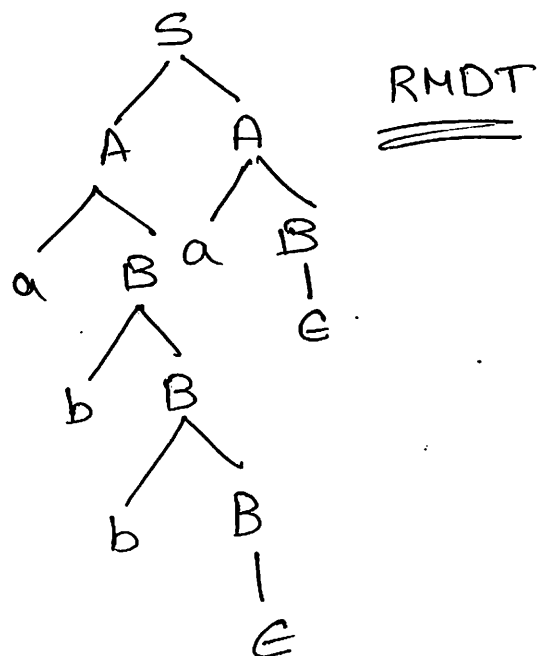
$S \rightarrow Aa\epsilon$  ( $A \rightarrow aB$ )

$S \rightarrow aBa$  ( $B \rightarrow bB$ )

$S \rightarrow abBa$  ( $\therefore B \rightarrow bB$ )

$S \rightarrow abbBa$  ( $\therefore B \rightarrow \epsilon$ )

$\rightarrow abba //$



250 |  $S \rightarrow 0B1A$   
 $A \rightarrow 0|0S|1AA$        $w: 0011010$   
 $B \rightarrow 1|1S|0BB$

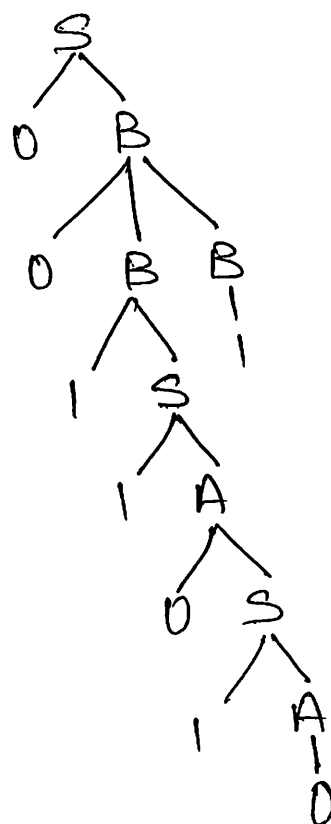
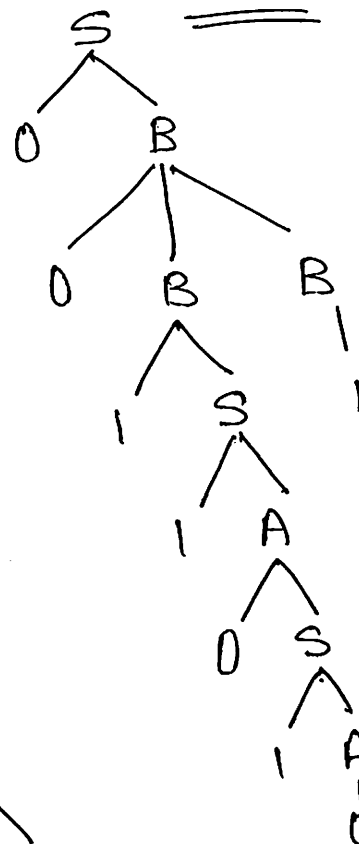
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$S \rightarrow 0B$  ( $\because B \rightarrow 0BB$ )  
 $\rightarrow 00BB$  ( $\because B \rightarrow 1S$ )  
 $\rightarrow 001SB$  ( $\because S \rightarrow 1A$ )  
 $\rightarrow 0011AB$  ( $\because A \rightarrow 0S$ )  
 $\rightarrow 00110SB$  ( $\because S \rightarrow 1A$ )  
 $\rightarrow 001101AB$  ( $A \rightarrow 0$ )  
 $\rightarrow 0011010B$  ( $\because B \rightarrow 1$ )  
 $\rightarrow 00110101 //$

RMD:

$S \rightarrow 0B$  ( $B \rightarrow 0BB$ )  
 $S \rightarrow 00BB$  ( $B \rightarrow 1$ )  
 $S \rightarrow 00B1$  ( $\because B \rightarrow 1S$ )  
 $\rightarrow 001S1$  ( $\because S \rightarrow 1A$ )  
 $\rightarrow 0011A1$  ( $\because A \rightarrow 0S$ )  
 $\rightarrow 00110S1$  ( $\because S \rightarrow 1A$ )  
 $\rightarrow 001101A1$  ( $\because A \rightarrow 0$ )  
 $\rightarrow 00110101 //$

LMDT



Language of a Context Free Grammar (CFG):

Find out the language for the following CFG:

1)  $S \rightarrow asa / \epsilon$

$S \rightarrow \epsilon$

$S \rightarrow asa [S \rightarrow \epsilon]$

$\rightarrow a\epsilon a$

$\rightarrow aa$

$S \rightarrow asa [S \rightarrow asa]$

$\rightarrow aasaa [S \rightarrow \epsilon]$

$\rightarrow aa\epsilon aa$

$\rightarrow aaaa$

$\therefore L = \{\epsilon, aa, aaaa, \dots\}$

i.e.  $L = (aa)^*$

2)  $S \rightarrow asb / ab$

$S \rightarrow ab$

$S \rightarrow asb [S \rightarrow ab]$

$\rightarrow aabb$

$S \rightarrow asb [S \rightarrow asb]$

$\rightarrow aasbbb [S \rightarrow ab]$

$\rightarrow aaabbbb$

$\therefore L = \{ab, aabb, aaabbb, \dots\}$

i.e.  $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n > 0\}$

3)  ~~$S \rightarrow a\epsilon a$~~

$S \rightarrow aCa$

$C \rightarrow aCa / b$

$S \rightarrow aCa [C \rightarrow b]$

$aba$

$S \rightarrow aCa [C \rightarrow aCa]$

$\rightarrow aacaa [C \rightarrow b]$

$\rightarrow aabaa$

$\therefore L = \{aba, aabaa, \dots\}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 4) \quad S &\rightarrow aAB \\
 A &\rightarrow bBb \\
 B &\rightarrow A \mid \epsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \{abb, abbbb, abbbbbb, \dots\} \\
 &= (abb)^+
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5) \quad S &\rightarrow aB \mid bA \\
 A &\rightarrow a \mid aS \mid bAA \\
 B &\rightarrow b \mid bS \mid aBB
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \{ab, ba, abab, baba, \dots\} \\
 &= \{n_a(w) = n_b(w) \mid w \in (a,b)^+\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 6) \quad S &\rightarrow 0A \\
 A &\rightarrow 0AB \mid 0A \mid 1 \\
 B &\rightarrow 1 \\
 S &\rightarrow 0A[A \rightarrow 1] \\
 &\quad 01
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\rightarrow 0A[A \rightarrow 0A] \\
 &\quad 00A[A \rightarrow 1] \\
 &\quad 001
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\rightarrow 0A[A \rightarrow 0AB] \\
 &\quad 00AB[A \rightarrow 1] \\
 &\quad 001B[B \rightarrow 1] \\
 &\quad 0011
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore L = \{01, 001, 0011, 00011, 000011, \dots\}$$

$$L = \{0^m 1^n \mid m \geq n, m, n > 0\}$$

### Applications of context free grammars:

- In early application, grammars are used to describe the structure of programming languages.
- In newer application, they are used in an essential part of the Extensible Markup Language (XML) called the 'Document Type Definition'.
- In most programming languages opening & closing of braces, curly brackets is taken care.



## Ambiguity in CFG:

### Ambiguous grammar:-

A grammar is said to be ambiguous if there exist more than one parse tree (or) derivation tree for some string generated by the language.

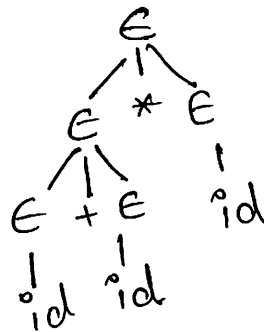
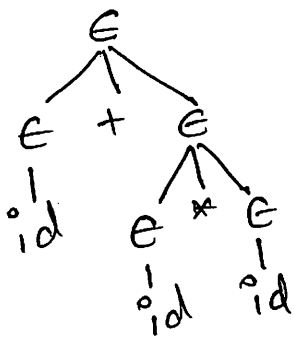
- ) check whether the following grammar is ambiguous or not.

$$E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid (E) \mid id$$

$$w: id + id * id \times id * id * id$$

$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow E + E \quad [E \rightarrow id] \\ id + E &\quad [E \rightarrow E * E] \\ id + E * E &\quad [E \rightarrow id] \\ id + id * E &\quad [E \rightarrow id] \\ id + id * id \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow E * E \quad [E \rightarrow E + E] \\ &\rightarrow E + E * E \quad [E \rightarrow id] \\ &\rightarrow id + E * E \quad [E \rightarrow id] \\ &\rightarrow id + id * E \quad [E \rightarrow id] \\ &\rightarrow id + id * id \end{aligned}$$



As the grammar is having more than one parse tree it is ambiguous grammar.

→ find whether the following grammar is ambiguous or not

$$S \rightarrow AB \mid aAB$$

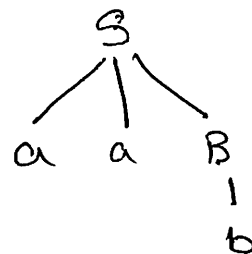
$$A \rightarrow a \mid Aa$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

Sol Consider the production for string aab

$$S \rightarrow aaB \quad \therefore B \rightarrow b \quad S \rightarrow aab$$

$$S \rightarrow aab \quad \therefore B \rightarrow b$$

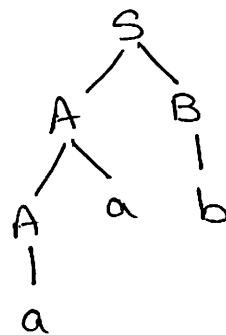


$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$S \rightarrow AaB \quad \therefore A \rightarrow Aa$$

$$S \rightarrow aaB \quad \therefore A \rightarrow a$$

$$S \rightarrow aab \quad \therefore B \rightarrow b$$



$\therefore$  It is an ambiguous grammar

→ Construct CFG which generates  $(0+1)^*$

Sol  $S \rightarrow 0S \mid 1S$   
 $S \rightarrow \epsilon$

→ Construct CFG which generates set of Palindrome strings over  $\{a, b\}$

$$S \rightarrow aSa$$

$$S \rightarrow bSb$$

$$S \rightarrow a \mid b \mid \epsilon$$

eg aabbbaa

$$S \rightarrow aSa$$

$$S \rightarrow aSa \quad \therefore S \rightarrow aSa$$

$$S \rightarrow aababaa \quad \therefore S \rightarrow bSb$$

$$S \rightarrow aab\epsilon baa \quad \therefore S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

- aabbbaa //

a  
b  
aa  
bb  
aba  
bab

Write a CFG which generates equal no. of 'a's & 'b's.

$$S \rightarrow SaSbS$$

$$S \rightarrow SbSaS$$

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

→ check whether the following grammar is ambiguous or not.

1)  $S \rightarrow S(S) | \epsilon$  -  $( ), ( )( )$

2)  $S \rightarrow AA$   
 $A \rightarrow AAA | a | bA | Ab$  i/p - aba & baa

3)  $S \rightarrow i c t s | i c t s e s | a$   
 $C \rightarrow b$  - Ambiguous

4)  $S \rightarrow a S b | a A b | a B b$   
 $A \rightarrow a A | a$   
 $B \rightarrow B b | b$

### Minimization of CFG:-

In Context free grammar it may not be necessary to use all the symbols or all productions in 'P' for deriving sentences

A grammar may have extra symbols or unnecessary symbols or productions which increases the length of the grammar, hence we can eliminate such symbols.

In order to minimize the CFG we can follow the below steps:

Step 1: Elimination of useless symbols

Step 2: Elimination of  $\epsilon$ -Productions  $[A \rightarrow \epsilon]$

Step 3: Elimination of Unit Productions  $[A \rightarrow B]$

## Elimination of useless symbols:-

A variable is said to be Useless if it cannot derive a terminal string or if it cannot be derived from starting symbol.

eg:-  $S \rightarrow aS \mid A \mid C$   $\rightarrow$  As  $B \rightarrow aa$ ,  $B$  is not derived from starting symbol it is useless, so we can remove it.  
 $A \rightarrow a$   
 $B \rightarrow aa$   
 $C \rightarrow acb$

$\rightarrow C \rightarrow acb \Rightarrow aaacb \Rightarrow aaacbbb$

Therefore  $C$  is derived from starting symbol, but it cannot derive a terminal string. Hence we can remove  $C \rightarrow acb$  Production.

$\therefore S \rightarrow aS \mid A$   
 $A \rightarrow a$

$\rightarrow$  Eliminate the useless symbols from the following grammar.

$S \rightarrow AB \mid CA$   
 $B \rightarrow BC \mid AB$   
 $A \rightarrow a$   
 $C \rightarrow aB \mid b$

$S \rightarrow AB \mid CA$  shows  $A, B, C$  are derived from starting symbol

$A \rightarrow a$ :  $A$  gives terminal string, hence  $A$  is useful symbol.

$B \rightarrow BC$ :  $B \rightarrow Bb \therefore C \rightarrow b$   
 $B \rightarrow ABb \therefore B \rightarrow AB \Rightarrow B \rightarrow aBb \therefore A \rightarrow a$

Hence we cannot derive terminal string B is useless symbol. Therefore we remove all B's production from the grammar.

$C \rightarrow b$ : C derives terminal string

$$\therefore S \rightarrow CA$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$C \rightarrow b$$

→ Eliminate the useless symbols from the following grammar.

$$S \rightarrow ABa \mid BC$$

$$A \rightarrow aC \mid BCC$$

$$C \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow bCC$$

$$D \rightarrow E$$

$$E \rightarrow d$$

$$F \rightarrow e$$

Sol: In the above grammar A, B, C are derived from starting symbol 'S' where as D, E, F are not derived.

$$\therefore S \rightarrow ABa \mid BC$$

$$A \rightarrow aC \mid BCC$$

$$C \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow bCC$$

## Elimination of $\epsilon$ -Productions:

- ① In a given CFG a non-terminal or variable 'x' is said to be nullable if there exists a production of the form  $x \rightarrow \epsilon$ .
- ② If there is a derivation starts with x  
 $x \Rightarrow x_1 \Rightarrow x_2 \Rightarrow \dots \in$  i.e.  $x \xRightarrow{*} \epsilon$

## Elimination of $\epsilon$ :-

- Construct  $V_n$  with set of nullable variables
- For each production at the right hand side replace nullable variable by  $\epsilon$  & add all possible combinations.
- Do not include  $\epsilon$ -Productions (or)  $x \rightarrow \epsilon$

Eliminate  $\epsilon$ -Productions from the following grammar.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow aA \\ A &\rightarrow BB \\ B &\rightarrow aBb \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Sol! Consider  $\epsilon$  Productions

$$\begin{aligned} B &\rightarrow \epsilon \\ A &\rightarrow BB \Rightarrow \epsilon \\ \therefore V_n &= \{A, B\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow aA \mid a \\ A &\rightarrow BB \\ B &\rightarrow aBb \mid aBb // \end{aligned}$$

② Eliminate  $\epsilon$ -Productions from the following grammar

$$S \rightarrow ABAC$$

$$A \rightarrow BC$$

$$B \rightarrow b|\epsilon$$

$$C \rightarrow D|\epsilon$$

$$D \rightarrow d$$

Sol:  $B \rightarrow \epsilon$

$$C \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow BC \Rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\therefore V_n = \{A, B, C\}$$

$$S \rightarrow ABAC | BAC | AAC | ABA | ac | Aa | Ba | a$$

$$A \rightarrow BC | B | C$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

$$C \rightarrow D$$

$$D \rightarrow d //$$

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$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow aA|\epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon, V_n = \{A\}$$

$$S \rightarrow AB | B$$

$$A \rightarrow aA | a$$

$$B \rightarrow b //$$

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$$S \rightarrow ABAC$$

$$B \rightarrow bB|\epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow aA|\epsilon$$

$$C \rightarrow c$$

$$\Rightarrow B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$V_n = \{A, B\}$$

$$S \rightarrow ABAC | BAC | AAC | AB$$

$$\Rightarrow |AC | c | BC$$

$$B \rightarrow bB | b$$

$$A \rightarrow aA | a$$

$$C \rightarrow c //$$

## Elimination of Unit Productions:-

A unit production is a production of the form  $A \rightarrow B$ . Assume that there are no  $\epsilon$ -productions. 'A' after finite no. of steps gives B —  $A \xRightarrow{*} B$  is a unit production and  $B \rightarrow w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$  then while removing unit production A we include  $A \rightarrow w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$  where  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$  are terminals.

① Eliminate Unit Productions from the following grammar.

$$S \rightarrow A | bb$$

$$A \rightarrow B | b$$

$$B \rightarrow S | a$$

Sol:-  $S \rightarrow A \Rightarrow S \rightarrow b \therefore A \rightarrow b$

$$A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow A \rightarrow a \therefore B \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow S \Rightarrow B \rightarrow bb \therefore S \rightarrow bb$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow a | b | bb$$

$$A \rightarrow a | b | bb$$

$$B \rightarrow b | a | bb$$

② Eliminate Unit Productions from the following grammar

$$S \rightarrow Aa | B$$

$$B \rightarrow A | bb$$

$$A \rightarrow a | bc | B$$



Sol :

$$S \rightarrow B$$

$$S \rightarrow bb \Rightarrow S \rightarrow Aa|bb$$

$$B \rightarrow A$$

$$B \rightarrow a|bc \Rightarrow B \rightarrow a|bc$$

$$A \rightarrow B$$

$$A \rightarrow a|bc \Rightarrow A \rightarrow a|bc|a|bc$$

$$\Rightarrow A \rightarrow a|bc$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow Aa|bb|a|bc$$

$$B \rightarrow a|bc|bb$$

$$A \rightarrow a|bc //$$

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$$\text{CFG: } S \rightarrow 0A|1B|C$$

$$A \rightarrow 0S|00$$

$$B \rightarrow 1|A$$

$$C \rightarrow 01$$

$$S \rightarrow C \therefore C \rightarrow 01$$

$$S \rightarrow 01$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow 0A|1B|01$$

$$B \rightarrow A \therefore A \rightarrow 0S|00$$

$$B \rightarrow 0S|00$$

$$\therefore B \rightarrow 1|0S|00$$

Therefore CFG is

$$S \rightarrow 0A|1B|01$$

$$A \rightarrow 0S|00$$

$$B \rightarrow 1|0S|00$$

$$C \rightarrow 01 //$$

Q, Eliminate Unit Productions

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow C|b$$

$$C \rightarrow D$$

$$D \rightarrow E|bc$$

$$E \rightarrow d|Ab$$

sol:  $B \rightarrow C \quad \therefore C \rightarrow D$

$$C \rightarrow D \quad \therefore D \rightarrow E|bc$$

$$C \rightarrow E|bc$$

$$C \rightarrow E \quad \therefore E \rightarrow d|Ab$$

$$\therefore C \rightarrow d|Ab|bc$$

$$\therefore B \rightarrow d|Ab|bc|b$$

$$D \rightarrow E \quad \therefore E \rightarrow d|Ab$$

$$\therefore D \rightarrow d|Ab|bc$$

After removing unit productions

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow d|Ab|bc|b$$

$$C \rightarrow d|Ab|bc$$

$$D \rightarrow d|Ab|bc$$

$$E \rightarrow d|Ab$$

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⑤ Simplify the grammar

$G = \{ \{S, A, B, C, E\}, \{a, b, c\}, P, S \}$  where  $P$  is

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$

$B \rightarrow C$

$E \rightarrow C \mid \Lambda$

Sol: For simplifying the grammar

- 1) we must eliminate null productions
- 2) we must remove unit productions
- 3) we must remove useless symbols

1) There is no null productions

2)  $E \rightarrow C \mid \Lambda$  is not derived from starting symbol 'S' hence  $E$  can be eliminated

3)  $B \rightarrow C$  is a unit production. There is no rule for deriving  $C$  hence we can eliminate it

$\therefore$  Simplified grammar is

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$  //

## Normal Forms:

At the right hand side of production there are any no. of terminals & non-terminals. If we want grammar in some specific format i.e. there should be some fixed no. of variables & terminals in context free grammar.

Grammar with these conditions are called Normal forms. There are two types of Normal forms:

- ① Chomsky normal form (CNF)
- ② Greibach normal form (GNF)

## Chomsky normal form (CNF) :-

A context free grammar without  $\epsilon$  productions and also of the form  $NT \rightarrow NTNT$  or  $NT \rightarrow T$  is called Chomsky normal form.

eg:-  $A \rightarrow BC$  (Non-Terminal  $\rightarrow$  exact 2 non-terminals)

or  
 $A \rightarrow a$  (Non-Terminal  $\rightarrow$  terminal)

## Conversion of CFG to CNF:-

Step 1: Eliminate null, unit and useless production

Step 2: Include production of the form  
 $A \rightarrow BC | a$

Step 3: Eliminate strings of terminals on the RHS of the Production if they are of the form  $S \rightarrow a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n$  where  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  are terminals. Then add productions as

$$\begin{aligned} Ca_1 &\rightarrow a_1 \\ Ca_2 &\rightarrow a_2 \\ &\vdots \\ Ca_n &\rightarrow a_n \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: To restrict the no. of non-terminals on the right hand side we introduce new variables / NT & separate them as follows

Consider the production  $A \rightarrow A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$ , can be replaced by

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A_1 B \\ B &\rightarrow A_2 C \\ C &\rightarrow A_3 D \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

1) Convert the following grammar into CNF:

$$S \rightarrow bA \mid aB$$

$$A \rightarrow bAA \mid aS \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow aBB \mid bS \mid b$$

$$G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$$

Step 1: No  $\epsilon$ -Productions, unit productions & useless productions.

Step 2: (Eliminate) Replace the terminals on the RHS  $S \rightarrow bA \mid aB$  can be replaced by

$$S \rightarrow CbA \mid CaB$$

$$Cb \rightarrow b$$

$$Ca \rightarrow a$$

Consider the production  $A \rightarrow bAA \mid aS \mid a$  can be replaced by

$$A \rightarrow CbAA \mid CaS \mid a$$

$$Cb \rightarrow b$$

$$Ca \rightarrow a$$

$B \rightarrow aBB \mid bS \mid b$  can be replaced

$$B \rightarrow CaBB \mid CbS \mid b$$

$$Ca \rightarrow a$$

$$Cb \rightarrow b$$

Step 4: Restricting the no of variables at the RHS

Consider  $A \rightarrow CbAA$

$$A \rightarrow CbA'$$

$$A' \rightarrow AA$$

Consider  $B \rightarrow CaBB$

$$B \rightarrow CaB'$$

$$B' \rightarrow BB$$

Therefore resultant grammar is

$$S \rightarrow CbA \mid CaB$$

$$A \rightarrow CbA' \mid CaS \mid a$$

$$A' \rightarrow AA$$

$$B \rightarrow CaB \mid CbS \mid b$$

$$B' \rightarrow BB$$

$$Ca \rightarrow a$$

$$Cb \rightarrow b$$

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② Convert given CFG to CNF

$$S \rightarrow ASA | aB$$

$$A \rightarrow B | S$$

$$B \rightarrow b | \epsilon$$

Step 1: Eliminate  $\epsilon$ -Productions

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow A \rightarrow \epsilon \quad \therefore \forall n = \{A, B\}$$

Identify all possibilities

$$S \rightarrow ASA | AS | SA | S | aB | a$$

$$A \rightarrow B | S$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

Eliminate unit productions

$$S \rightarrow S, A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow S$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow ASA | AS | SA | aB | a$$

$$A \rightarrow b | ASA | AS | SA | aB | a$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

Step 2: replace the productions in the form of

$$A \rightarrow BC$$

$$S \rightarrow AX | AS | SA | aB | a$$

$$S \rightarrow ASA \Rightarrow A \rightarrow AX | SA | AS | aB | a | b$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

$$X \rightarrow SA$$

$$S \rightarrow aB, A \rightarrow aB$$

$$S \rightarrow yB \Rightarrow S \rightarrow Ax | SA | AS | yB | a$$

$$A \rightarrow b | Ax | SA | AS | yB | a$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

$$x \rightarrow SA$$

$$y \rightarrow a //$$

$$(3) S \rightarrow ASB | \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow aAS | a$$

$$B \rightarrow Sbs | A | bb$$

$$(4) \text{ Convert CFG to CNF}$$

$$\{S \rightarrow \sim S | [S \supset S] | P | a\} \sim, [, ], \supset, P, a \text{ are terminals}$$



## Greibach Normal Form (GNF):

A context free grammar without  $\epsilon$  productions is said to be in GNF if all the productions are of the form  $A \rightarrow a\alpha$

where  $A \in V$  (Variables)

$a \in T$  (Terminal)

$\alpha \in \text{String of 0 or more variables}$

i.e. 
$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow b \\ A \rightarrow bC_1C_2 \dots C_n \text{ where } C \text{ is NT} \end{array}$$

## Lemma 1: (Substitution)

Let  $G = (V, T, P, S)$  be the given context free grammar  
Consider productions

$$A \rightarrow B\alpha$$

$$B \rightarrow \beta_1 | \beta_2 | \dots | \beta_n \text{ then the equivalent}$$

grammar can be obtained by Substitution

i.e.  $A \rightarrow B_1\alpha | B_2\alpha | \dots | B_n\alpha$

## Lemma 2: (Elimination of left recursion)

Let  $G = (V, T, P, S)$  be given context free grammar  
Consider the productions

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | \dots | A\alpha_n$$

$$A \rightarrow B_1 | B_2 | \dots | B_n$$

let  $z$  be a new variable then equivalent productions can be written as

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B_1 | B_2 | \dots | B_n \\ A \rightarrow B_1 z | B_2 z | \dots | B_n z \end{array} \right\} A's \text{ Productions}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} z \rightarrow \alpha_1 | \alpha_2 | \dots | \alpha_n \\ z \rightarrow \alpha_1 z | \alpha_2 z | \dots | \alpha_n z \end{array} \right\} z's \text{ Productions}$$

Conversion from CFA to CNF:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow BA' | B \\ A' \rightarrow \alpha A' | \alpha \end{array} \right.$

Step 1: Eliminate null & unit productions

Step 2: check whether the CFA is already in CNF or not if not convert it to CNF.

Step 3: change the names of non-terminals in to some  $A$ , in ascending order of  $i$

Step 4: Alter the rules so that non-terminals are in ascending order, such that, if a production is of the form  $A_i \rightarrow A_j \alpha$  then  $i < j$  & should never be  $i \geq j$

if a)  $i < j$  leave the production as it is

b)  $i = j$  Apply lemma 2

c)  $i > j$ , apply lemma 1

Step 5: Remove left recursion, by introducing a new variable.

Given  $S \rightarrow AA|a$   
 $A \rightarrow SS|b$

Step 1:- check the given grammar is in CNF or not  
 given grammar is in CNF

Step 2:- change the names of NT

$S \rightarrow A_1 \Rightarrow A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 | a$   
 $A \rightarrow A_2 \Rightarrow A_2 \rightarrow A_1 A_1 | b$

Step 3:- Consider  $i < j$  condition

$A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 | a$   $i < j = 1 < 2 \checkmark$

leave as it is

$A_2 \rightarrow A_1 A_1 | b$   $i < j = 2 < 1$  apply lemma 1

$A_2 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 A_1 | a A_1 | b$   $i < j$   $2 = 2$  apply lemma 2

Eliminate left recursion

$A \rightarrow A\alpha | B$

$A_2 \rightarrow \frac{A_2}{A} \frac{A_2}{A} \frac{A_1}{\alpha} | \frac{a A_1}{B_1} | \frac{b}{B_2}$

$A_2 \rightarrow a A_1 A_2' | b A_2' | a A_1 | b$  - GNF

$A_2' \rightarrow A_2 A A_2' | A_2 A_1$  - not in GNF

Sub  $A_2$  in  $A_2'$

$A \rightarrow A\alpha | B$

$A \rightarrow B A'$

$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' | \epsilon$

$\therefore A \rightarrow B A' | B$

$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' | \alpha$

$$A_2' \rightarrow aA_1A_2'A_1A_2' \mid bA_2'A_1A_2' \mid aA_1A_1A_2' \mid bA_1A_2' \mid aA_1A_2'A_1 \\ \mid bA_2'A_1 \mid aA_1A_1 \mid bA_1 - \text{GNF}$$

$$A_1 \rightarrow A_2A_2 \mid a \rightarrow \text{not in GNF}$$

Sub  $A_2$  in  $A_1$

$$A_1 \rightarrow aA_1A_2'A_2 \mid bA_2'A_2 \mid aA_1A_2 \mid bA_2 \mid a - \text{GNF}$$

Therefore GNF form of given grammar is

$$A_1 \rightarrow aA_1A_2'A_2 \mid bA_2'A_2 \mid aA_1A_2 \mid bA_2 \mid a$$

$$A_2 \rightarrow aA_1A_2' \mid bA_2' \mid aA_1 \mid b$$

$$A_2' \rightarrow aA_1A_2'A_1A_2' \mid bA_2'A_1A_2' \mid aA_1A_1A_2' \mid bA_1A_2' \mid aA_1A_2'A_1 \\ \mid bA_2'A_1 \mid aA_1A_1 \mid bA_1$$

① Given

$$S \rightarrow CA \mid BB$$

$$B \rightarrow b \mid SB$$

$$C \rightarrow b$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

Step 1: No  $\epsilon$  or unit productions & also the given grammar is in CNF

Step 3: change the names of NT in ascending

order  
 $\rightarrow$   
 $S \rightarrow CA \mid BB$

replace  $S \rightarrow A_1$

$$C \rightarrow A_2$$

$$A \rightarrow A_3$$

$$B \rightarrow A_4$$

$$\therefore A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_3 \mid A_4 A_4$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow b \mid A_1 A_4$$

$$A_2 \rightarrow b$$

$$A_3 \rightarrow a$$

Step 4: check the condition  $i < j$  else replace the NT

Consider  $A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_3$

$$i=1 \text{ \& } j=2$$

$$i < j = 1 < 2 \checkmark$$

Consider  $A_1 \rightarrow A_4 A_4$

$$i=1 \text{ \& } j=4$$

$$1 < 4 \checkmark$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow b \checkmark$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow A_1 A_4$$

$$4 < 1 \times$$

replace  $A_1$  with  $A_1$  Productions

$$A_4 \rightarrow b \mid A_2 A_3 \mid A_4 A_4 A_4$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow A_2 A_3 A_4$$

$$4 < 2 \times$$

replace  $A_2$  with  $A_2$  productions

$$A_4 \rightarrow b \mid bA_3A_4 \mid A_4A_4A_4$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow A_4A_4A_4 \quad 4 < 4 \text{ left recursion} \\ \text{hence eliminate it}$$

Steps: Remove left Recursion (apply lemma 2)

Introduce new variable to remove left recursion

$$A_4 \rightarrow b \mid bA_3A_4 \mid A_4A_4A_4$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow \underbrace{A_4A_4A_4}_A \mid \underbrace{bA_3A_4}_{B_1} \mid \underbrace{b}_{B_2}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow A\alpha \mid B \\ \boxed{A' \rightarrow BA' \\ A' \rightarrow \alpha A' \mid \epsilon} \end{array}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \therefore A_4 \rightarrow bA_3A_4A_4' \mid bA_4' \\ A_4' \rightarrow A_4A_4A_4' \mid \epsilon \end{array} \right\}_\alpha$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow BA' \mid B \\ A' \rightarrow \alpha A' \mid \alpha \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{rule}$$

$$\boxed{A_4 \rightarrow bA_3A_4A_4' \mid bA_4' \mid bA_3A_4 \mid b - \text{GNF}}$$

$$A_4' \rightarrow A_4A_4A_4' \mid A_4A_4 - \text{not in GNF}$$

To bring  $A_4'$  in GNF sub  $A_4$  in  $A_4'$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} A_4' \rightarrow bA_3A_4A_4'A_4A_4' \mid bA_4'A_4 \mid bA_3A_4A_4' \mid bA_4A_4' \mid \\ bA_3A_4A_4'A_4 \mid bA_4'A_4 \mid bA_3A_4A_4 \mid bA_4 - \text{GNF} \end{array}}$$

As  $A_1$  is not in GNF

$$A_1 \rightarrow A_2A_3 \mid A_4A_4 \quad \text{sub } A_2 \text{ in } A_1$$

$$A_1 \rightarrow bA_3 \mid A_4A_4 \quad \text{sub } A_4 \text{ in } A_1$$

$$A_1 \rightarrow bA_3 \mid bA_3A_4A_4'A_4' \mid bA_4'A_4 \mid bA_3A_4 \mid bA_4$$

Therefore GNF form for given grammar is

$$A_1 \rightarrow bA_3 \mid bA_3A_4A_4'A_4 \mid bA_4'A_4 \mid bA_3A_4A_4 \mid bA_4$$

$$A_4 \rightarrow bA_3A_4A_4' \mid bA_4' \mid bA_3A_4 \mid b$$

$$A_4' \rightarrow bA_3A_4A_4'A_4A_4' \mid bA_4'A_4A_4' \mid bA_3A_4A_4A_4' \mid bA_4A_4' \mid \\ bA_3A_4A_4'A_4 \mid bA_4'A_4 \mid bA_3A_4A_4 \mid bA_4$$

$$A_2 \rightarrow b$$

$$A_3 \rightarrow a$$

→

Given ①  $A_1 \rightarrow A_2A_3$

$$A_2 \rightarrow A_3A_1 \mid b$$

$$A_3 \rightarrow A_1A_2 \mid a$$

②  $S \rightarrow ABA$

$$A \rightarrow aA \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow bB \mid \epsilon$$

# Pumping lemma for context free languages:-

A Context free language (CFL) is a language generated by Context free grammar.

Pumping lemma is used to prove that certain languages are not context free. It is a negative test.

Let 'L' be any CFL then choose a string 'z' such that length of 'z' i.e.  $|z| \geq n$

Using Pumping lemma we can divide 'z' into five parts as  $z = uvwxy$  in such that it should satisfy following conditions

- i)  $|vwx| \leq n$
- ii)  $|vx| \geq 1$
- iii) for all  $i \geq 0$   $z = uv^iwx^iy$  is not belongs to 'L'

1) P.T the language  $L = \{a^n b^n c^n / n \geq 0\}$  is not a CFL.

let us assume that  $L = a^n b^n c^n$  is a CFL  
strings that can be derived are

$$L = \{ \epsilon, abc, aabbcc, aaabbbccc, \dots \}$$

$$\text{let } z = abc \quad n=1$$

$$|z| \geq n \quad 3 \geq 1 \checkmark$$

Divide the  $z$  into 5 parts

$$z = \underset{\substack{u \quad v \quad w \quad x \quad y}}{a \epsilon b \epsilon c}$$

i)  $|vwx| \leq n$  (consider Powers of  $i=1$ )

$$|0+0+0| \leq 1 = 1 \leq 1 \checkmark$$



$$ii) |vx| \geq 1$$

$$|0+0| \geq 1$$

$$0 \geq 1 \quad \times$$

$$iii) z = uv^iwx^iy$$

Consider  $i = 0, 1, 2$

Case 1: let  $i = 0$  then

$$\times \quad n = 2$$

$$z = \underbrace{a}_{u} \underbrace{ab}_{v} \underbrace{bc}_{w} \underbrace{c}_{x} \underbrace{c}_{y}$$

$$i = 0 \text{ then } z = aab^0bc^0c \quad (\because b, c \text{ are null})$$

$$= aabc \notin L$$

$$\text{let } i = 2 \text{ then } z = aab^2bc^2c$$

$$= aabbbccc$$

$$= a^2b^3c^3 \notin L$$

$\therefore$  It proves that given lang is not Content free

② PT  $L = a^n$  is a Prime number is not content free.

$$L = a^n, \quad n \text{ is a Prime no. } \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, \dots\}$$

$$L = \{aa, aaa, aaaaa, \dots\}$$

$$\text{let } z = \underbrace{aaaaa}_{u} \underbrace{a}_{v} \underbrace{aaaa}_{w} \underbrace{a}_{x} \underbrace{a}_{y}$$

i)  $|vwx| \leq n$   
 $|1+1+1| \leq 5$   
 $3 \leq 5 \checkmark$

ii)  $|vx| \geq 1$   
 $|1+1| \geq 1$   
 $2 \geq 1 \checkmark$

iii)  $z = uv^iwx^iy$

if  $i=1$   $aa^1aa^1a = aaaaa \in L$

if  $i=2$   $aa^2aa^2a = a^7 \in L$

if  $i=3$   $aa^3aa^3a = a^9 \notin L$

$\therefore$  The language is not Content free.

(3) PT  $L = \{www \mid w \in (a,b)^*\}$  is not CFL

let  $w = a^n b^n$  then

$$L = \frac{a^n b^n}{u} \frac{a^n b^n}{v} \frac{a^n b^n}{w} \frac{a^n b^n}{x} \frac{a^n b^n}{y}$$

i)  $|vwx| \leq n$   
 $|n+n+n| \leq n$   
 $3n \leq n \checkmark$

ii)  $|vx| \geq 1$   
 $|n+n| \geq 1$   
 $2n \geq 1 \checkmark$

iii)  $z = uv^i w n^i y$

if  $i=0$   $a^n b^n a^0 b^n a^0 b^n$

$L = a^n b^n b^n b^n \notin L$

$\therefore$  it is not a CFL

### Applications of CFL:-

- Language designing
- Syntax analysis designing
- Natural language processing
- Syntax verification

### Enumeration of Properties of Content Free languages:-

Content free languages are closed under

- Union
- Concatenation
- Kleene closure

CFL are not closed under

- Intersection
- Intersection with Regular language
- Complement