

## **Racket-CFG**

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### **Purpose**

The goal of this library is to create a simulation of the following in Racket: 1) Context-Free Grammars 2) Push-Down Automata 3) Earley Parser for efficient Context-Free Grammar parsing

### **Why?**

I wrote a library that is a music theory API to Racket's Rsound. As part of that library, I wrote a simple psuedo-random music generator, however, all of the valid chord progressions that it uses must be written out by hand.

This library will ultimately be used with racket-synthesis to create a wider variety of harmonic progressions for the generator, using Context-Free Grammars to specify the procedural generation of the harmonic progressions.

It will also allow the racket-synthesis users the opportunity to create their own progression generators and checkers.

### **Current Status**

The project is currently unfinished. It is a larger project than I originally anticiated, and is taking longer than originally expected.

What is done so far: \* Structure and organization of PDA data \* Structure and organization of CFG data \* Some structure and organization of Earley parser data

What needs to be done: \* PDA machine accepts \* CFG accepts (via Earley Parser) \* PDA  $\leftrightarrow$  CFG conversion