Theoretical homework #2, TTTV 2017

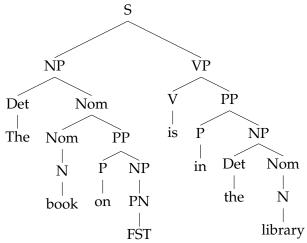
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Exercise 1

- (a) (1) 1
 - (2) 2
 - (3) 2
- (b) (1)



(2) S ΝP ŶΡ pro ÑΡ I returned det Nom PΡ Nom P N ÑΡ det Nom book to the Ń

library

S (3) ŃΡ ŶΡ pro ŃΡ İ read Nom det a PΡ Nom Ń ÑΡ book PN about linguistics

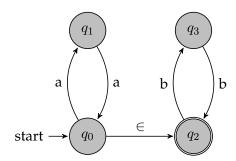
- (c) The rule nom \rightarrow nom PP makes this possible. This rule is a direct recursion because nom appears on both the left hand side and the right hand side of the rule. This can be used ad infinitum to make a sentence longer. Example:
 - (a) I returned a book about linguistics.
 - (b) I returned a book about linguistics to you.
 - (c) I returned a book about linguistics to you in the library.
 - (d) I returned a book about linguistics to you in the library on tuesday.
 - (e) I returned a book about linguistics to you in the library on tuesday ... (when it was silent)
- (d) Assuming 'do' and 'like' are verbs too:

 $VP \rightarrow V NP V$

This accepts the proposed 'do you like?'

Exercise 2

- (a) (i) / (aa) * (bb) */
 - (ii) L:



(iii) S -> A B A -> a A | eps

(b) The pumping lemma describes that somewhere in a language, something can be repeated *ad infinitum*. In a regular expression, this is represented as a Kleene star (*). This definitely describes L.

Exercise 3

- (a) It is not a regular language; it involves memory (of what n is). In $a^nb^2a^n$, there have to be two b's, and if something like xy^nz would be tried within the first or second series of a's, the series would not be of equal length.
- (b) L is a context-free grammar, because it can be generated with:

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S \rightarrow a S a \mid b b
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