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Formal Grammar

• Formal grammar describes how to form valid strings in a language from an alphabet of symbols.

Chapter 4 minic and parsing

- Parsing is done recursively via recursive descent.
- recusrion can be right recursive or left recursive.
- Derivation tree
 - takes some program source as input, parsing while applying grammar.
 - forms tree that represents symbols in program and program structure.
 - parser will incrementally build tree, then reduce, and repeat
- Cocke-Younger-Kasami (CYK) Parsing Algorithm
- Informally, this algorithm considers every possible substring of the input string and sets P[l, s, v] to be true if the

substring of length l starting from s can be generated from the nonterminal R_v . once all substrings of length 1 have been considered then substrings of length 2 are considered.

• yak is precursor of bison

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• STUDY CYK algorithm. It will be on the test.

Auto grader.

• Term matching, use study guide, take practice test.