

Problem 1.

Define a context-free grammar for the language $L = \{0^n 1^m 0^m 1^n : n, m \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

Solution

Assumes $0 \in \mathbb{N}$.

$G = (\{S, X\}, \{0, 1\}, P, S)$ with productions P given by

$$S \rightarrow 0S1$$

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$S \rightarrow X$$

$$X \rightarrow 1X0$$

$$X \rightarrow \epsilon$$

Here, S is used to create the string $0^n 1^n$. Once these have been created, S transfers control to X who creates $1^m 0^m$ exactly in the middle of the string created by S . When put together we end up with $0^n 1^m 0^m 1^n$. Note that $0^n 1^n$ can be created by sending $S \rightarrow \epsilon$ and the string $1^m 0^m$ can be created by immediately sending $S \rightarrow X$.

Problem 2.

Define a context-free grammar for the language $L = \{a^n b^m : n \leq 3m\}$.

Solution

Assumes $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \in \mathbb{N}$.

$G = (\{S\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$ with productions P given by

$$S \rightarrow Sb$$

$$S \rightarrow aSb$$

$$S \rightarrow aaSb$$

$$S \rightarrow aaaSb$$

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

My approach here is pretty simple, first note that we can have any number of a 's that we want so long as we don't have more than 3 for every b at the end of the string. Thus we can say that for every b , there are no more than 3 a 's present in the string. This is exactly what my grammar shows, along with the requirement that all a 's precede all b 's. Note that the empty string is of course allowed, with $n = m = 0$.

Problem 3.

Define a CFG that generates the following language over $\{t, f, \wedge, \vee, \neg, (,), =\}$:

$L = \{w = x : w \text{ is a logical expression over } \{t, f\}, x \in \{t, f\} \text{ and } x \text{ is the truth value of } w\}$

Solution

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