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Product a context-free grammar (CFG) for each of the following languages, assuming $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$:

1. $\{w \mid w \text{ starts and ends with the same symbol}\}$
 - $S \rightarrow 0S0 \mid 1S1 \mid 0A0 \mid 1A1$
 - $A \rightarrow 0A \mid 1A \mid \epsilon$
2. $\{w \mid \text{the length is odd}\}$
 - $S \rightarrow 0A \mid 1A$
 - $A \rightarrow 0S \mid 1S \mid \epsilon$
3. $\{ww^R \mid \text{i.e., a word followed by that word reverse}\}$
 - $S \rightarrow 1S1 \mid 0S0 \mid \epsilon$

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Let $G = (\{S,A,B,C,D,E,Z\}, (0,1), R, S)$, where $R = \{S \rightarrow E \mid Z; E \rightarrow A \mid C; A \rightarrow 01B \mid 0A \mid \epsilon; B \rightarrow 1B \mid 10A; C \rightarrow 10D \mid 1C \mid \epsilon; D \rightarrow 01C \mid 0D; Z \rightarrow 0Z1 \mid \epsilon\}$.

1. Describe the language L (in English) that is generated by the CFG G .
 - The language either produces strings with equal numbers of 0's and 1's, with 1's always following 0's (or an empty string), or it produces strings starting with either 0, 1, or the empty string . If the string is non-empty and starts with a 0 it will not contain the substring 010. If the string is non-empty and starts with a 1 it will not contain the substring 101.
2. Assume L is a regular language and let p be the pumping length of A . Choose s to be $= 0^p 1^p \in L$. Clearly $|0^p 1^p| > p$. According to the pumping lemma, s can be partitioned into $s = xyz \in L$ such that for all $i \geq 0$, we have the following $xy^i z \in L$. By condition 3 of the pumping lemma, we must also have $|xy| \leq p$. Therefore y must consist only of 0s and subsequently $xyyz = xy^2z \notin L$ since the first part of the string s would now have a greater number of 0's than 1's meaning the string $s \notin L$. Hence, s cannot be pumped and that is a violation of our assumption that L is regular. By this contradiction we can conclude that the language L is not regular. #