NTIN071 A&G: Tutorial 8 – Chomsky normal form, The CYK algorithm

Solve 1, 2ab, 3ab first (the rest is for practice).

**Problem 1** (Useless symbols). Answer the following questions. Justify your answer.

- (a) Find an example of a grammar in which there is a generating variable only reachable via nongenerating variables.
- (b) When reducing a grammar, which variables do we need to remove first: nongenerating or unreachable?
- (c) Is it possible for a reachable generating variable to become nongenerating after the removal of unreachable variables?

**Problem 2** (Convert to ChNF). Convert the following context-free grammar to Chomsky normal form:

(a) 
$$G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{0, 1\}, S, \mathcal{P}) \qquad G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{0, 1\}, S, \mathcal{P}) \\ \mathcal{P} = \{S \to 0AB, \qquad \mathcal{P} = \{S \to 0A10B10, \\ A \to 0A0 \mid 11, \qquad A \to 1A0 \mid \epsilon, \\ B \to 0\} \qquad B \to 1B00 \mid \epsilon\}$$
 (b) 
$$G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{0, 1\}, S, \mathcal{P}) \qquad G = (\{S, E, F\}, \{(,), *, +, 1\}, S, \mathcal{P}) \\ \mathcal{P} = \{S \to A \mid 0SA \mid \epsilon, \qquad \mathcal{P} = \{S \to (E), \\ A \to 1A \mid 1 \mid B1, \qquad E \to F + F \mid F * F, \\ B \to 0B \mid 0 \mid \epsilon\} \qquad F \to S \mid 1\}$$

**Problem 3** (The CYK algorithm). Using the CYK algorithm determine if  $w \in L(G)$ .

(a) 
$$w = 0110, G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{0, 1\}, S, \mathcal{P}),$$

$$\mathcal{P} = \{S \to 0 \mid AB,$$

$$A \to 1 \mid SA \mid SB,$$

$$B \to AS \mid BA \mid 0\}$$

(b) 
$$w = abcbb$$
,  $G = (\{S, A, B, C\}, \{a, b, c\}, S, \mathcal{P})$ , 
$$\mathcal{P} = \{S \to CA \mid CB, \\ B \to CBA \mid CB \mid BA \mid BB, \\ C \to ABC \mid BC, \\ A \to a, B \to b, C \to c\}$$

(c) 
$$w = abcbb$$
,  $G = (\{S, A, B, C\}, \{a, b, c\}, S, \mathcal{P})$ , 
$$\mathcal{P} = \{S \rightarrow CA \mid CB,$$
 
$$B \rightarrow CBA \mid CB \mid BA \mid BB,$$
 
$$C \rightarrow ABC \mid BC,$$
 
$$A \rightarrow a, B \rightarrow b, C \rightarrow c\}$$