



Computing Theory

COMP 147

Chapter 2: Context-Free Languages
CYK algorithm

Notes on CFL and CFG

- 2 definitions for Context Free Languages
 - Languages definable by CFG
 - nondeterministic PDA defines all the CFL's.
- Equivalence between PDA's and CFG's
 - Given a PDA can construct a CFG and vice versa
- Hierarchy of grammars (context-sensitive, unrestricted)

Non-Context Free Languages

- Example: $L = \{0^n 1^n 2^n \mid n \geq 0\}$
- How to show a language is not context-free?
 - There is a pumping lemma

Pumping Lemma for CFLs

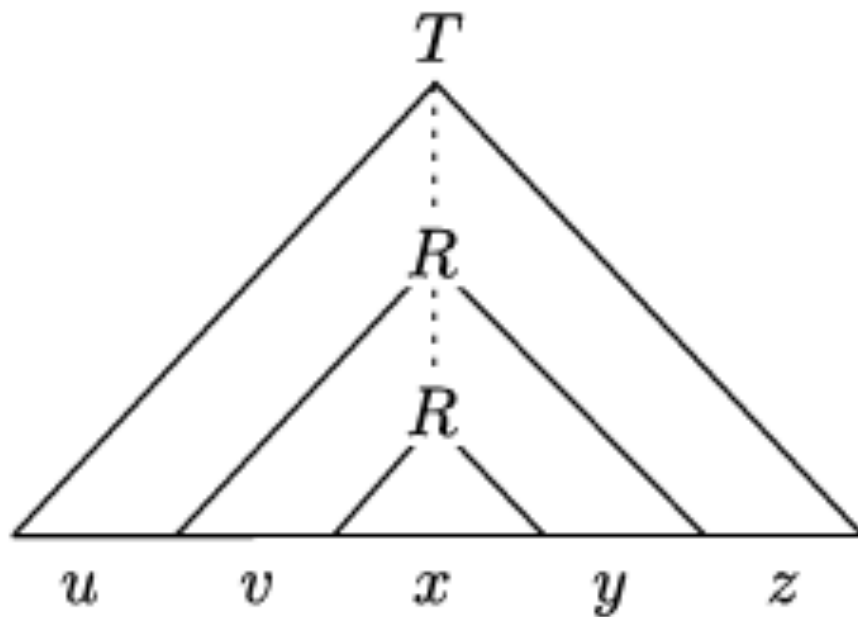
If A is a CFL,
then $\exists p$, such that $\forall s \in A$,
if $|s| \geq p$, then $\exists u, v, x, y, z$, such that

- ♦ $s = uvxyz$
- ♦ for each $i \geq 0$, $uv^i xy^i z \in A$
- ♦ $|vy| > 0$
- ♦ $|vxy| \leq p$

PL for CFL: Proof Idea

Consider a parse tree for $s \in A$.

- ◆ For a sufficiently deep tree, there must be some repeated variable.



$$R \stackrel{*}{\Rightarrow} vRy$$

$$R \stackrel{*}{\Rightarrow} x$$

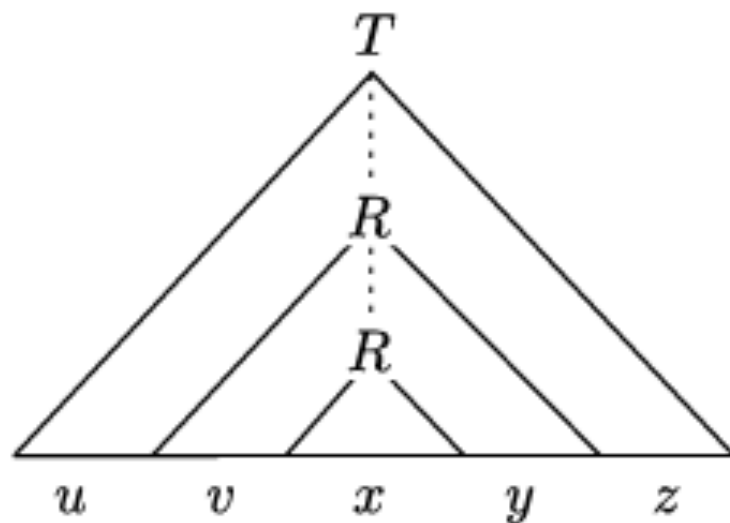
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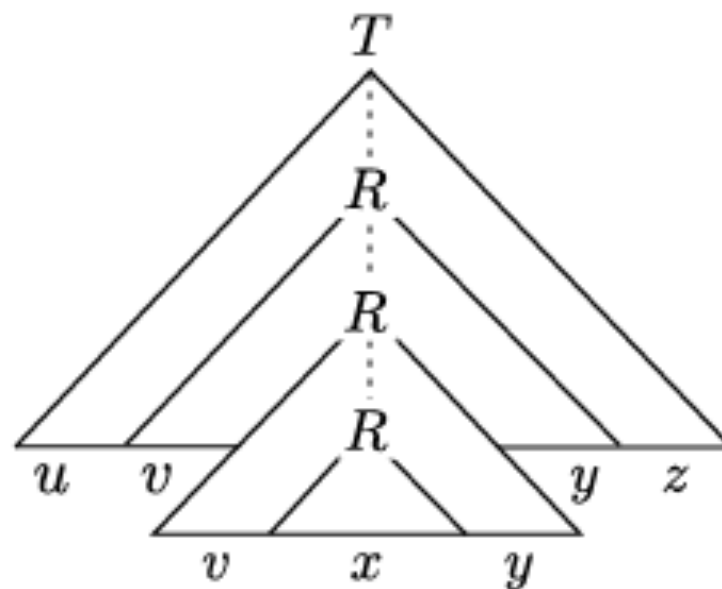
- ♦ For a sufficiently deep tree, there must be some repeated variable.
- ♦ Pumping adds or removes subtrees

$$R \xRightarrow{*} vRy$$

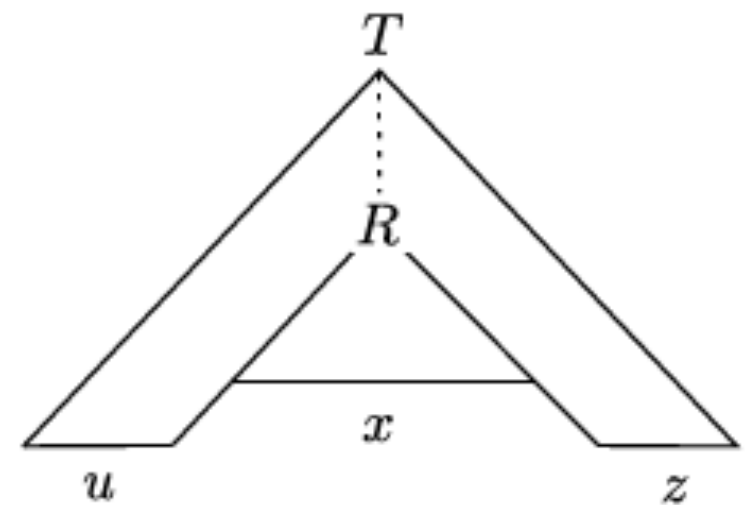
$$R \xRightarrow{*} x$$



uv^1xy^1z



Pump up: uv^2xy^2z



Pump down: uv^0xy^0z

CYK Parsing Algorithm

Cocke-**Y**oung-**K**asami Algorithm for parsing

The CYK Algorithm

- Membership problem:
 - Given grammar and string w , is w in $L(G)$?
- Bottom-up parsing: start with the string
 - Top-down parsing: Number of subtrees can be exponential
- Dynamic programming:
 - save the results in a table/chart
re-use these results in finding larger constituents
- Complexity: $O(n^3|G|)$
 n : length of string, $|G|$: size of grammar)
- Presumes G is in CNF

Construct a triangular table

- Each row corresponds to one length of substrings
 - a Bottom Row – Strings of length 1
 - Second from Bottom Row – Strings of length 2
 - .
 - .
 - Top Row – string 'w'

The CYK Algorithm

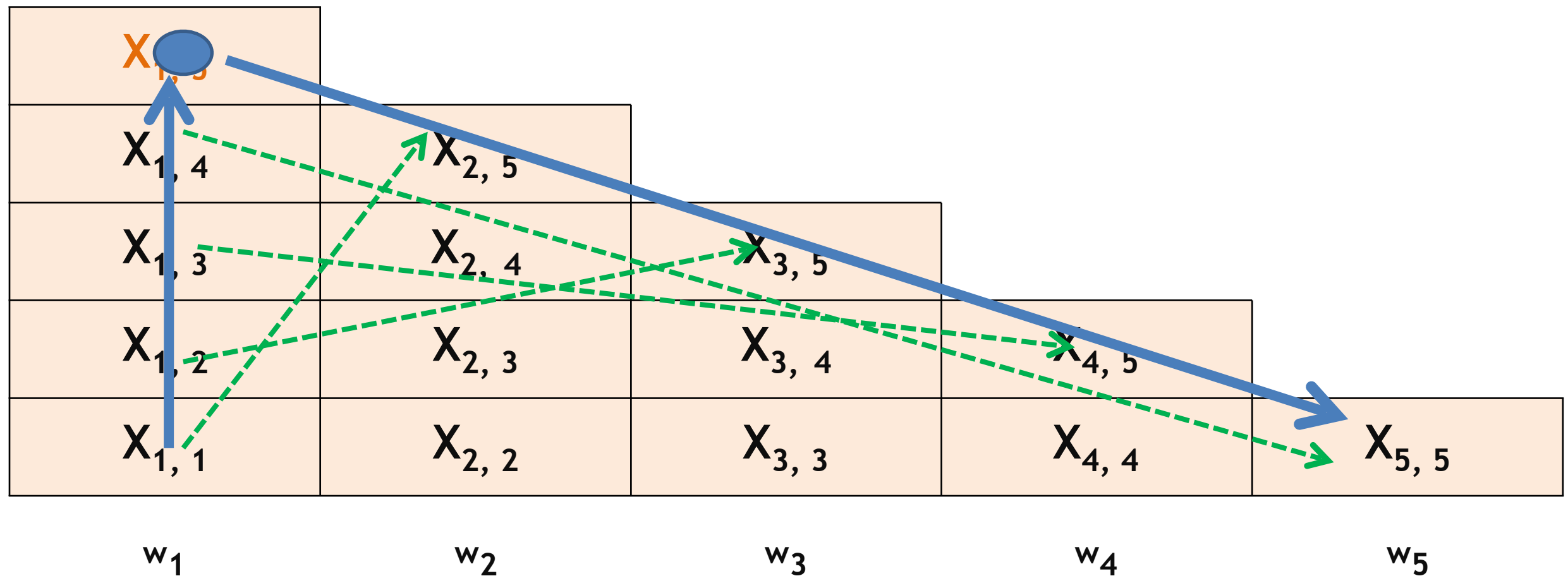
- Notation X_{ij} : set of variables that generate symbols starting from symbol i to symbol j
- $A \rightarrow BC \mid AB \mid 1, B \rightarrow AA \mid 0, C \rightarrow CB \mid 1 \mid 0$
- String 110100
- $X_{4,4}: \{A, C\}$
- $X_{3,3}: \{B, C\}$
- find $X_{1,6}$ and see if it has A
- Compare at most n pairs of previously computed sets:
 $(X_{i,i}, X_{i+1,j}), (X_{i,i+1}, X_{i+2,j}) \dots (X_{i,j-1}, X_{j,j})$

Construct a Triangular Table

$X_{1, 5}$				
$X_{1, 4}$	$X_{2, 5}$			
$X_{1, 3}$	$X_{2, 4}$	$X_{3, 5}$		
$X_{1, 2}$	$X_{2, 3}$	$X_{3, 4}$	$X_{4, 5}$	
$X_{1, 1}$	$X_{2, 2}$	$X_{3, 3}$	$X_{4, 4}$	$X_{5, 5}$
w_1	w_2	w_3	w_4	w_5

Table for string '**w**' that has length 5

Construct a Triangular Table



Looking for pairs to compare

Example CYK Algorithm

- Show the CYK Algorithm with the following example:
 - CNF grammar G
 - $S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$
 - $A \rightarrow BA \mid a$
 - $B \rightarrow CC \mid b$
 - $C \rightarrow AB \mid a$
 - w is baaba
 - Question Is baaba in $L(G)$?

Constructing The Triangular Table

{B}	{A, C}	{A, C}	{B}	{A, C}
b	a	a	b	a

$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$

$A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow CC \mid b$

$C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

Calculating the Bottom ROW

Constructing The Triangular Table

$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$

$A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow CC \mid b$

$C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

{S, A}				
{B}	{A, C}	{A, C}	{B}	{A, C}
b	a	a	b	a

Constructing The Triangular Table

$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$

$A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow CC \mid b$

$C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

{S, A}	{B}			
{B}	{A, C}	{A, C}	{B}	{A, C}
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Constructing The Triangular Table

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{S, A}	{B}	{S, C}		
{B}	{A, C}	{A, C}	{B}	{A, C}
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Constructing The Triangular Table

$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$
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{S, A}	{B}	{S, C}	{S, A}	
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Constructing The Triangular Table

$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$

$A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

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$C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

\emptyset				
$\{S, A\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{S, C\}$	$\{S, A\}$	
$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$
b	a	a	b	a

Constructing The Triangular Table

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$A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow CC \mid b$

$C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

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$\{S, A\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{S, C\}$	$\{S, A\}$	
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$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$
b	a	a	b	a

Final Triangular Table

$\{S, A, C\}$	$\leftarrow X_{1,5}$			
\emptyset	$\{S, A, C\}$			
\emptyset	$\{B\}$	$\{B\}$		
$\{S, A\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{S, C\}$	$\{S, A\}$	
$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$
b	a	a	b	a

$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$
 $A \rightarrow BA \mid a$
 $B \rightarrow CC \mid b$
 $C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

- Table for string 'w' that has length 5
- The algorithm populates the triangular table