# $D^3$ as a 2-MCFL

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#### 1.3 Challenge

[This is not a hand-in exercise. If you can solve it by Dec 5, there will be a present for you!]

Let  $D^n$  be the language over an n-symbol alphabet, lexicographically ordered  $a_1 < \cdots < a_n$ , where words satisfy the following conditions:

- 1. each word contains an equal number of the n alphabet symbols
- 2. for every prefix p of a word, the number of  $a_i$  in  $p \ge$  the number of  $a_{i+1}$   $(1 \le i \le n-1)$

 $D^n$  generalizes the familiar language of balanced brackets, in which case you have an alphabet of size 2, say  $\{a,b\}$ , with 'opening bracket' a preceding 'closing bracket' b in the lexicographic ordering.

The conjecture (Makoto Kanazawa, p.c.) is that for  $n \ge 2$ ,  $D^n$  is the language of a non-wellnested (n-1)-MCFG.

Give a 2-MCFG for  $D^3$ , i.e. words over a 3-letter alphabet  $\{a, b, c\}$  (with the usual lexicographic order) satisfying conditions (1) and (2) above. Give the ACG encoding of your MCFG for  $D^3$ .

Reference M. Moortgat (2014), A note on multidimensional Dyck languages.

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$$S(xy) \leftarrow W(x, y). \tag{1}$$

$$W(\epsilon, xyabc) \leftarrow W(x, y). \tag{2}$$

$$W(\epsilon, xaybc) \leftarrow W(x, y). \tag{3}$$

$$\dots \dots$$

$$W(abxcy, \epsilon) \leftarrow W(x, y). \tag{60}$$

$$W(abcxy, \epsilon) \leftarrow W(x, y). \tag{61}$$

$$W(\epsilon, abc). \tag{62}$$

$$W(a, bc). \tag{63}$$

$$W(abc, \epsilon). \tag{64}$$





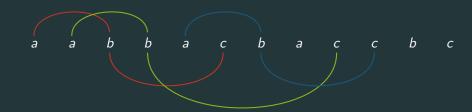
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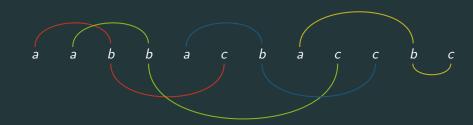
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$$\mathcal{O}_{2}[W \leftarrow W_{xy}, W_{zw} \mid \{x < y, \ z < w\}]].$$
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## **G**<sub>2</sub>: Adding states

$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
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\mathcal{O}_{2}[C^{+} \leftarrow \epsilon \mid \{c\}]].
\end{array} \right\} \text{BASE CASES}$$

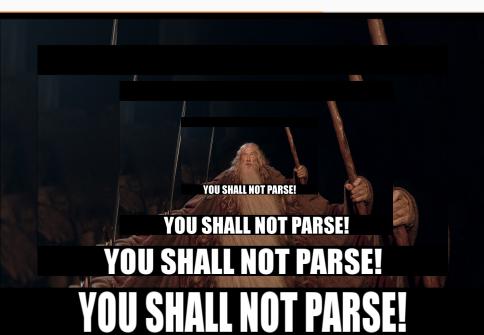
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$$\mathcal{O}_2[W \leftarrow A^+, A^- \mid \{x < y < z < w\}]].$$

$$\mathcal{O}_2[W \leftarrow C^-, C^+ \mid \{x < y < z < w\}]].$$
CLOSURES

# $G_3$ : $G_2$ + Universal triple insertion

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{G}_3 &= \mathsf{G}_2 \, + \, \forall \,\, \mathrm{K} \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathrm{W} : \\ & \mathcal{O}_2 \llbracket \mathrm{K} \leftarrow \mathrm{K}_{xy} \mid \{x < y, \,\, a < b < c\} \rrbracket. \end{split}$$



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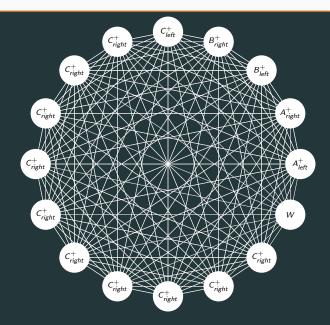
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NEW ORDERS IN INTERACTIONS

$$C^-(xz, wy) \leftarrow A^+_{left}(x, y), B^+_{left}(z, w).$$

# Refining states II





### **Overview**

- Background
- G0: Triple insertion
- Meta-grammar notation
- $G'_0$ : Triple insertion (in  $O_2$  notation)
- $G_1$ : G0' + interleavings
- *G*<sub>2</sub>: incomplete words
- $G_3$ : G2 + 3-ins
- DEMO: dyck
- Refined states
- Constraints (notation)
- ARIS
- Results
- Road to completeness
- Correspondences
- DEMO: dyckviz