

Unit-3, Context free Grammar

* Grammar

Language generator.

Components

1. Variables
2. Terminals
3. Production
4. Start State

1. Variables

To store data and can be replaced.
Represented with capital letters.

2. Terminals

End point of production.
Represented with small letters.

3. Production

Give new value / state.
Represented with '→'.

4. Start state

First production.

Represented with 'S'.

Representation of Grammar

$$G = (V, T, P, S)$$

Note:

Terminals — keywords (if, else if, do, while, do while)

digits (0-9)

symbols (+, -, *, /)

Lowercase letters (a-z)

Chomsky hierarchy of Generative grammar / Types of grammar

Noam Chomsky — founder

1. Type 0 grammar (Phrase structure)
2. Type 1 grammar (Context sensitive grammar)
3. Type 2 grammar (Context free grammar)
4. Type 3 grammar (Regular grammar)

1. Type 0 grammar

- A grammar $G = (V, T, P, S)$ is said to be type 0 if all the productions are of the form $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ where,

$$\alpha \in (V \cup T)^+ \text{ and } \beta \in (V \cup T)^*$$

Example -
 $S \rightarrow aAb \mid \epsilon$
 $aA \rightarrow bAA$
 $bA \rightarrow a$

- No restrictions on length
- β can have ϵ , ϵ can appear on RHS.
- α cannot have ϵ , LHS cannot be ϵ .

2. Type 1 grammar

- A grammar $G = (V, T, P, S)$ is said to be type 1 if the productions are of the form $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ where,
 $\alpha \in (V \cup T)^+$ and $\beta \in (V \cup T)^+$
- Length of β must be at least the length of α . $|\beta| \geq |\alpha|$
- ϵ cannot be on LHS as well as RHS $\Rightarrow \epsilon$ -free grammar

~~RHS $\Rightarrow \epsilon$~~

Example -

$$S \rightarrow aAb$$

$$aA \rightarrow bAA$$

$$bA \rightarrow aa$$

2. Type 2 grammar

- A grammar $G = (V, T, P, S)$ is said to be type 2 if all productions are of the form $A \rightarrow \alpha$ where
 $\alpha \in (V \cup T)^*$
- LHS should be variables or Non-terminals.
- RHS can be ϵ .

Example -

$$S \rightarrow aB \mid bA \mid \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow aB$$

$$B \rightarrow bA \mid \epsilon$$

Type 3 grammar

- A grammar $G = (V, T, P, S)$ is said to be Type 3 if grammar is said to be right linear or left linear.

Example -

$$A \rightarrow wB \text{ (right linear)}$$

$$A \rightarrow Bw \text{ (left linear)}$$

- Right linear - If NT (non-terminals) or variables is present towards the RHS

Example -

$$S \rightarrow aaB | bbA | \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow aA | b$$

$$B \rightarrow bB | a | \epsilon$$

- Left linear - If NT or variables appears towards LHS.

Example -

$$S \rightarrow BaA | Abb | \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow Aa | b$$

$$B \rightarrow Bb | a | \epsilon$$

* Design Language from CFG

1. $G = (V, T, P, S)$

$$V = \{S\}$$

$$T = \{a, b\}$$

$$P = \{S \rightarrow as | b\}$$

$$S = \{S\}$$

$\rightarrow S \rightarrow as$ ~~$S \rightarrow ab$~~ $S \rightarrow b$

$S \rightarrow aas$ $S \rightarrow as$

$S \rightarrow aaas$ $S \rightarrow ab$

$$S \rightarrow aaab$$

$$S \rightarrow a^*b$$

$$L(G) = a^*b | ab$$

2. $G = (V, T, P, S)$

$V = \{S\}$

$T = \{a\}$

$S = \{S\}$

$P = \{S \rightarrow aS \mid \epsilon\}$

$S \rightarrow aS$	$S \rightarrow aS$	$S \rightarrow aS$
$S \rightarrow a\epsilon$	$S \rightarrow aaS$	$S \rightarrow aaS$
$S \rightarrow a$	$S \rightarrow aa\epsilon$	$S \rightarrow aaas$
	$S \rightarrow aa$	$S \rightarrow aa \dots S$
		$S \rightarrow aaa \dots aa$

i.e., $S \rightarrow a^* \epsilon$
 $\rightarrow a^*$

$\therefore L(G) = a^*$

3. $V = \{S\}$

$T = \{a\}$

$S = \{S\}$

$P = \{S \rightarrow aas \mid aa\}$

$S \rightarrow aas$	$S \rightarrow aas$
$\rightarrow aaaa$	$\rightarrow aaaaaS$
	$\rightarrow aaaaaaas$
	$\rightarrow aaaaaaaaaa$

i.e., $S \rightarrow (aa)^+$

$L(G) = (aa)^+$

4. $G = (\{S, T\}, \{a, b, c\}, P, S)$

$P = \{S \rightarrow aT, T \rightarrow bbbT \mid c\}$

$S \rightarrow aT$	$S \rightarrow aT$
$\rightarrow abbT$	$\rightarrow abbT$
$\rightarrow abbc$	$\rightarrow abbbbT$
	$\rightarrow abbbbbbbT$
	$\rightarrow abbbbbbbbc$

i.e., $S \rightarrow a(bbb)^+c$

$\therefore L(G) = a(bbb)^+c$

5. $S \rightarrow aCa$
 $C \rightarrow aCa \mid b$

→ $S \rightarrow aca$
 $\rightarrow aaCaa$
 $\rightarrow aaaCa aa$
 $\rightarrow aaabaaa$

i.e., $S \rightarrow a^+ba^+$

$\therefore L(G) = a^+ba^+$

$S \rightarrow aCa$
 $\rightarrow aba$

* Design CFG from FA

1. 

→ Transitions:

$\delta(S, a) = S$

Grammar:

$S \rightarrow aS$

$\therefore S$ is final state

$S \rightarrow \epsilon$

$G = (V, T, P, S)$

$V = \{S\}$

$T = \{a\}$

$P = \{S \rightarrow aS \mid \epsilon\}$

$S = \{S\}$

2. 

→ Transitions:

$\delta(S, a) = A$

$\delta(A, a) = A$

Grammar:

$S \rightarrow aA$

$A \rightarrow aA$

$\therefore A$ is final state

$A \rightarrow \epsilon$

The grammar is defined as,

$G = (V, T, P, S)$

$V = \{S, A\}$

$T = \{a\}$

$P = \{S \rightarrow aA, A \rightarrow aA \mid \epsilon\}$

$S = \{S\}$

3.



→ Transitions:

$$\delta(S, a) = A$$

$$\delta(S, b) = S$$

$$\delta(A, a) = A$$

$$\delta(A, b) = A$$

∴ A is final state

Grammar:

$$S \rightarrow aA$$

$$S \rightarrow bS$$

$$A \rightarrow aA$$

$$A \rightarrow bA$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

The grammar is defined as:

$$G = (V, T, P, S)$$

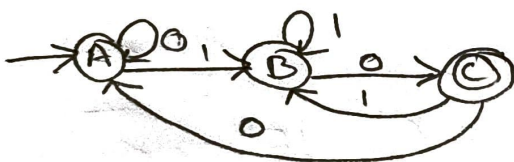
$$V = \{S, A\}$$

$$T = \{a, b\}$$

$$P = \{S \rightarrow aA | bS, A \rightarrow aA | bA | \epsilon\}$$

$$S = \{S\}$$

4.



→ Transitions:

$$\delta(A, 0) = B$$

$$\delta(A, 1) = A$$

$$\delta(B, 0) = C$$

$$\delta(B, 1) = A$$

$$\delta(C, 0) = A$$

$$\delta(C, 1) = B$$

∴ C is the final state

Grammar:

$$A \rightarrow 0A$$

$$A \rightarrow 1B$$

$$B \rightarrow 0C$$

$$B \rightarrow 1A$$

$$C \rightarrow 0A$$

$$C \rightarrow 1B$$

$$C \rightarrow \epsilon$$

The grammar is defined as:

$$G = (V, T, P, S)$$

$$V = \{A, B, C\}$$

$$T = \{0, 1\}$$

$$P = \{A \rightarrow 0A | 1B, B \rightarrow 1B | 0C, C \rightarrow 0A | 1B | \epsilon\}$$

$$S = \{A\}$$

5. $\rightarrow \textcircled{S} \xrightarrow{a} \textcircled{A} \xrightarrow{a} \textcircled{B} \xrightarrow{\epsilon} a$

\rightarrow Transitions:

$$\delta(S, a) = A$$

$$\delta(A, a) = B$$

$$\delta(B, a) = B$$

$\therefore B$ is final state

Grammar:

$$S \rightarrow aA$$

$$A \rightarrow aB$$

$$B \rightarrow aB$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

The grammar is defined as:

$$G = (V, T, P, S)$$

$$V = \{S, A, B\}$$

$$T = \{a\}$$

$$P = \{S \rightarrow aA, A \rightarrow aB, B \rightarrow aB | \epsilon\}$$

$$S = \{S\}$$

* Parsing / Derivation

The sequence of substitutions used to obtain a particular string is called parsing / derivation.

$$S \rightarrow x\alpha y$$

$$\alpha \rightarrow \beta$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow x\beta y$$

Note:

Substitute for variables only.

Types of Substitution.

1. Left most derivation
2. Right most derivation

1. LMD

Productions are applied from the left most production.

Example -

$$S \rightarrow XYX$$

$$X \rightarrow a$$

$$Y \rightarrow a$$

To derive aba

$S \rightarrow \underline{x}yx$

$\rightarrow ayx$

$\rightarrow abx$

$\rightarrow aba$

2. RMD

$S \rightarrow xyx ; x \rightarrow a, y \rightarrow b$

$S \rightarrow xya$

$\rightarrow xba$

$\rightarrow aba$

1. $S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow aaA | \epsilon$

$B \rightarrow Bb | \epsilon$

To derive: aab

\rightarrow LMD:

$S \rightarrow AB$

$\rightarrow aa B (A \rightarrow aaA)(A \rightarrow \epsilon)$

$\rightarrow aa Bb (B \rightarrow \epsilon)$

$\rightarrow aab$

RMD:

$S \rightarrow AB \quad (B \rightarrow Bb)$

$S \rightarrow ABb \quad (B \rightarrow \epsilon)$

$S \rightarrow Ab \quad (A \rightarrow aaA)$

$S \rightarrow aaAb \quad (A \rightarrow \epsilon)$

$S \rightarrow aab$

2. $S \rightarrow aB | bA$

$A \rightarrow a | aS | bAA$

$B \rightarrow b | bS | aBB$

To derive: aaabbaabba

→ LMD:

$S \rightarrow aB$ ($B \rightarrow aBB$)
 $\rightarrow aaBB$ ($B \rightarrow aBB$)
 $\rightarrow aaaBB$ ($B \rightarrow bS$)
 $\rightarrow aaabS$ ($S \rightarrow bA$)
 $\rightarrow aaabBA$ ($A \rightarrow aS$)
 $\rightarrow aaabbas$ ($S \rightarrow bA$)
 $\rightarrow aaabbabA$ ($A \rightarrow bAA$)
 $\rightarrow aaabbabbAA$ ($A \rightarrow bAA$)
 $\rightarrow aaabbabbba$ ($A \rightarrow a$)
 $\rightarrow aaabbabbba$

RMD:

$S \rightarrow aB$ ($B \rightarrow aBB$)
 $\rightarrow aaBB$ ($B \rightarrow aBB$)
 $\rightarrow aaBabbB$ ($B \rightarrow bS$)
 $\rightarrow aaBaBbs$ ($S \rightarrow bA$)
 $\rightarrow aaBaBbba$ ($A \rightarrow a$)
 $\rightarrow aaBaBbbba$ ($B \rightarrow b$)
 $\rightarrow aaBabbbba$ ($B \rightarrow aBB$)
 $\rightarrow aaabBbbba$ ($B \rightarrow b$)
 $\rightarrow aaabBabbba$ ($B \rightarrow b$)
 $\rightarrow aaabbabbba$

3. $S \rightarrow aAB$
 $A \rightarrow bBb$
 $B \rightarrow A \mid \epsilon$

To derive: $abbbb$

→ LMD:

$S \rightarrow aAB$ ($A \rightarrow bBb$)
 $\rightarrow abBbB$ ($B \rightarrow A$)
 $\rightarrow abAbB$ ($A \rightarrow aBb$)
 $\rightarrow abbBbbb$ ($B \rightarrow \epsilon$)
 $\rightarrow abbbbbB$ ($B \rightarrow \epsilon$)
 $\rightarrow abbbb$

RMD;

$S \rightarrow aAB(B \rightarrow A)$
 $\rightarrow aAA (A \rightarrow bBb)$
 $\rightarrow aAbBb (B \rightarrow \epsilon)$
 $\rightarrow aAbb (A \rightarrow bBb)$
 $\rightarrow abBbbb (B \rightarrow \epsilon)$
 $\rightarrow abbbb$

4. $G = (\{S, B\}, \{c, d\}, P, S)$

$P = \{S \rightarrow cBS \mid c$

$B \rightarrow sdB \mid ss \mid dc\}$

To derive: $ccd cdd cc$

\rightarrow LMD;

$s \rightarrow cBS (B \rightarrow sdB)$
 $\rightarrow cSdBS (S \rightarrow c)$
 $\rightarrow ccdBS (B \rightarrow sdB)$
 $\rightarrow ccdsdBS (S \rightarrow c)$
 $\rightarrow ccdcdBS (B \rightarrow dc)$
 $\rightarrow ccdcdcdS (S \rightarrow c)$
 $\rightarrow ccdcdcc$

~~RMD:~~

~~$s \rightarrow cBS (S \rightarrow cBS)$
 $s \rightarrow cBcBS (S \rightarrow c)$
 $\rightarrow cBcBc (B \rightarrow dc)$
 $\rightarrow cBcdcc (B \rightarrow cBS)$
 $\rightarrow ccBScdcc (S \rightarrow$~~

* Parse Tree / Derivation Tree

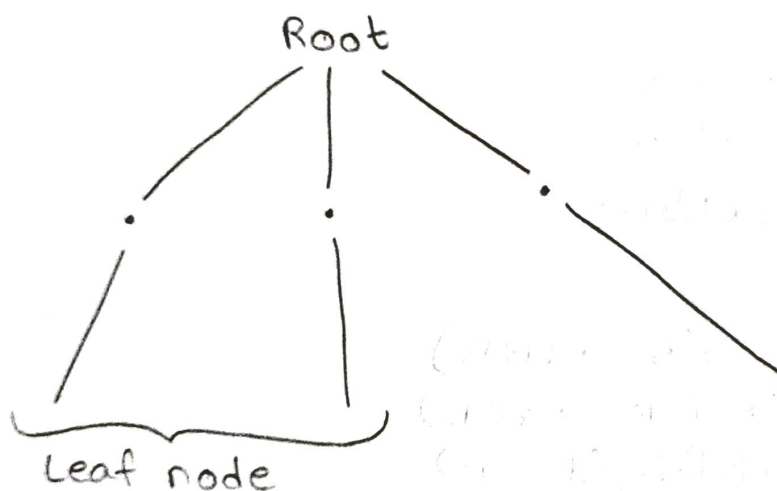
The derivation or parsing process in CFG is represented in the form of a tree.

Root which is labelled as 'S'.

Label of internal vertex is 'variable'.

Each vertex can be either variable / Terminal / ϵ

The leaf node should always be a terminal.

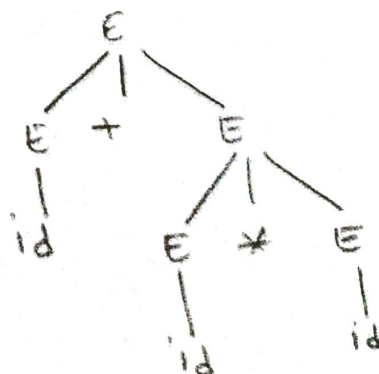


1. $E \rightarrow E + E$
 $E \rightarrow E * E$
 $E \rightarrow id$
 $V = \{E\}, T = \{id\}, S = \{E\}$
 $W = id + id * id$

→ ~~PMD~~!

$E \rightarrow E + E$
 $\rightarrow E + E * E$
 $\rightarrow E + E * id$
 $\rightarrow E + id * id$
 $\rightarrow id + id * id$

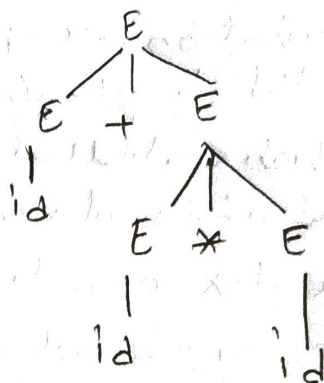
Parse tree:



RMD:

$E \rightarrow E + E$
 $\rightarrow id + E$
 $\rightarrow id + E * E$
 $\rightarrow id + id * E$
 $\rightarrow id + id * id$

Parse tree:



2. $S \rightarrow aB|bA$

$A \rightarrow a|aS|bAA$

$B \rightarrow b|bS|aBB$

$w = aaabbaabbba$

→ LMD:

$S \rightarrow aB \quad (B \rightarrow aBB)$
 $\rightarrow aaBB \quad (B \rightarrow aBB)$
 $\rightarrow aaaBBB \quad (B \rightarrow b)$
 $\rightarrow aaabBB \quad (B \rightarrow b)$
 $\rightarrow aaabbB \quad (B \rightarrow aBB)$
 $\rightarrow aaabb aBB \quad (B \rightarrow b)$
 $\rightarrow aaabb a bB \quad (B \rightarrow b)$
 $\rightarrow aaabb abbS \quad (B \rightarrow bA)$
 $\rightarrow aaabb a b bA \quad (A \rightarrow a)$
 $\rightarrow aaabb a b b b a$

Parse Tree:

