

→ Type-2 or Context free Grammar (CFG) -

$$A \rightarrow \alpha$$

$$\text{where } A \in V \\ \alpha \in (V \cup T)^*$$

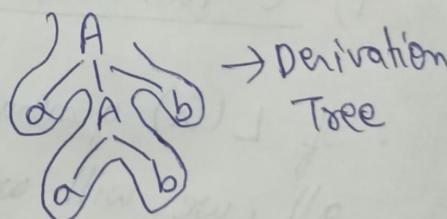
It is called context-free because whenever you see A, you did not worry about context it is appearing on, you can directly replace it with any of right.

→ All Regular Grammars are CFG but not vice-versa.



$$A \rightarrow aAb \mid ab$$

$$A \Rightarrow aAb \\ aabb$$



→ Class of language \rightarrow CFL generated by CFG
MC that accept CFL \rightarrow PDA (push down Automata)

CFG -

$w \in L(G)$

Does word belong to language?

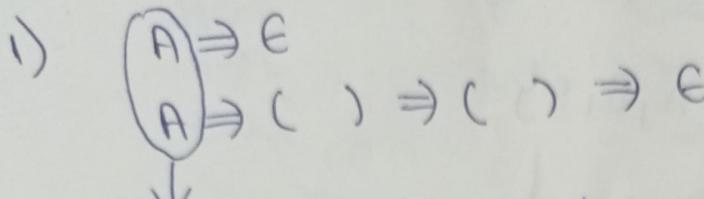
- we use CYK algorithm but to use CYK algorithm, we first need to eliminate ϵ , unit & useless symbol.
- Time = $O(|w|^3)$

→ Elimination of ϵ , unit & useless-

i) ϵ -Production -

- If $L(G)$ generate ϵ , we cannot eliminate all, we will ~~not~~ have atleast one production $s \rightarrow \epsilon$.
- If $L(G)$ does not contain ϵ , we can eliminate all ϵ -productions.

Method -



Nullable variable \rightarrow If a variable can directly generate ϵ or after few derivation can generate ϵ .

2) Go to RHS of every production, write it with $\{A\}$ and without $\{A\}$, whenever nullable variable present

3) Eliminate $A \rightarrow \epsilon$

Note- whenever start symbol produces ϵ , it means language contain ϵ so we cannot eliminate all ϵ -productions.

Q1)

$$S \rightarrow aSb \mid aAb$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

Nullable variable = $\{A\}$

$$S \rightarrow aSb \mid a \cancel{A} b \mid ab$$

~~$A \rightarrow \epsilon$~~

$$\underline{\underline{S \rightarrow aSb \mid ab}}$$

Q S \rightarrow AB

A \rightarrow aAA|ε

B \rightarrow bBB|ε

Nullable = {A, B, S}

S \rightarrow AB|B|A|ε

A \rightarrow aAA|aA|a|ε

B \rightarrow bBB|bB|b|ε

↓

S \rightarrow AB|B|A|ε

A \rightarrow aAA|aA|a

B \rightarrow bBB|bB|b

Q

S \rightarrow AbaC

A \rightarrow BC

B \rightarrow b|ε

C \rightarrow D|ε

D \rightarrow a

1. {B, C, A}

2. S \rightarrow AbaC|baC|Aba|ba

A \rightarrow BC|B|C

B \rightarrow b|ε

C \rightarrow D|ε

D \rightarrow a

Ans

2) unit-production -

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B \\ B \rightarrow C \\ C \rightarrow \delta \end{array}$$

A
|
B
|
C
|
 δ

(neither length
nor terminal
is increasing)

Q $S \rightarrow A \alpha B$
 $B \rightarrow A \beta bb$
 $A \rightarrow \alpha b c \mid B$

$$S \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{bb} A \xrightarrow{\alpha} bc$$

$$B \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{a} bc$$

$$A \rightarrow B \rightarrow bb$$

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow A \alpha B \beta bb \gamma b c \\ B \rightarrow A \beta bb \gamma b c \\ A \rightarrow \alpha b c \mid bb \end{array}$$

Q $S \rightarrow AB$
 $A \rightarrow a$
 $B \rightarrow C \mid b \rightarrow b \alpha$
 $C \rightarrow D \rightarrow a$
 $D \rightarrow E \rightarrow a$
 $E \rightarrow a$

Q $S \rightarrow AB$

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow a \\ B \rightarrow \alpha b \\ C \rightarrow a \\ D \rightarrow a \\ E \rightarrow a \end{array}$$

3) Eliminate useless production

• not reachable from start symbol.

$$A \xrightarrow{*} w$$

\downarrow
A is useful if derive some terminal or part of terminal and reachable from start symbol.

$$S \rightarrow AB | a$$

$$A \rightarrow BC | b$$

$$B \rightarrow aB | C$$

$$C \rightarrow aC | B$$

useful $\rightarrow \{a, b, S, A\}$

① terminal always useful.

② if RHS is terminal, odd LHS as useful variable.

③ if RHS are made of useful only, then odd LHS also,

④ delete all productions having non-useful on LHS as well as RHS.

~~$S \rightarrow A | a$~~

~~$A \rightarrow B | b$~~

~~$B \rightarrow aB | C$~~

~~$C \rightarrow aC | B$~~

$$S \rightarrow a$$

$$A \rightarrow b$$

⑤ Reachability from

$$S \rightarrow A$$

$$S \rightarrow A \rightarrow b$$

$S \rightarrow a$ final

Q $S \rightarrow AB \mid AC$

$A \rightarrow aAb \mid bAa \mid a$

$B \rightarrow \underline{bbA} \mid aaB \mid AB$

$C \rightarrow abcA \mid adb$

$D \rightarrow bD \mid ac$

useful = { a, b, A, B, S }

$S \rightarrow AB \mid AC$

$A \rightarrow aAb \mid bAa \mid a$

$B \rightarrow bbA \mid aaB \mid AB$

$C \rightarrow abcA \mid adb$

$\cancel{D \rightarrow bD \mid ac}$

Q $S \rightarrow ABC \mid BaB$

$A \rightarrow aA \mid BaC \mid aaa$

$B \rightarrow bBb \mid a$

$C \rightarrow CA \mid AC$

{ a, b, B, A, S }

$S \rightarrow ABC \mid BaB$

$A \rightarrow aA \mid BaC \mid aaa$

$B \rightarrow bBb \mid a$

$\cancel{C \rightarrow CA \mid AC}$

\Rightarrow

$S \rightarrow BaB$

$\cancel{A \rightarrow aA \mid aaa}$

$B \rightarrow bBb \mid a$

\Downarrow

$S \rightarrow BaB$

$B \rightarrow bBb \mid a$

Ambiguity -

$\{V, T, P, S\}$

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

$V = \{E\}$

$T = \{+, *, id\}$

$id + id * id$

LMD (Leftmost Derivation) -

$E \rightarrow E+E$

$\rightarrow id + E$

$\rightarrow id + E*E$

$\rightarrow id + id * E$

$\rightarrow id + id * id$

$E \rightarrow E*E$

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RMD (Rightmost Derivation) -

$E \Rightarrow E+E$

$\Rightarrow E+E*E$

$\Rightarrow E+E*id$

$\Rightarrow E+id*id$

$\Rightarrow id+id*id$

$E \Rightarrow E*E$

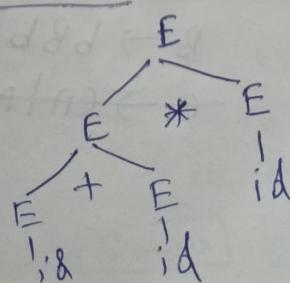
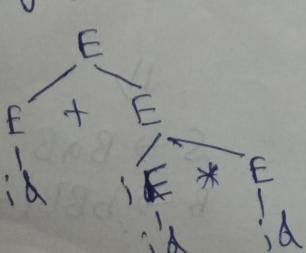
$\Rightarrow E*id$

$\Rightarrow E+E*id$

$\Rightarrow E+id*id$

$\Rightarrow id+id*id$

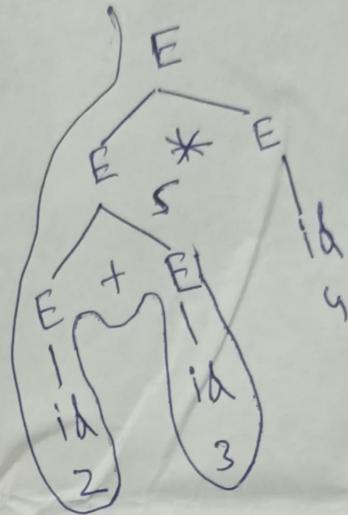
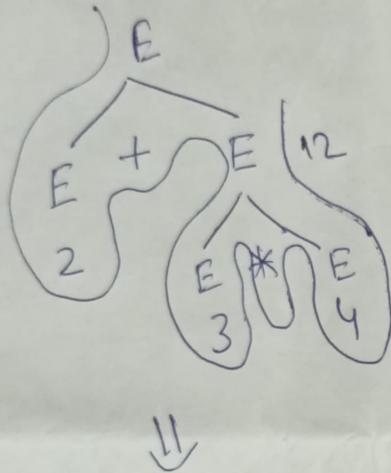
using parse tree / derivation tree



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for given grammar, if we get more than one LMD or RMD or parse tree, then the given grammar is ambiguous

Ex $2 + 3 * 4$



so, parser gets confused, it doesn't know which one to use.

→ Problems in Ambiguous Grammar -

- Rule of associativity fails.
- Rule of precedence fails.

→ How to find, grammar is ambiguous ~~or not~~?

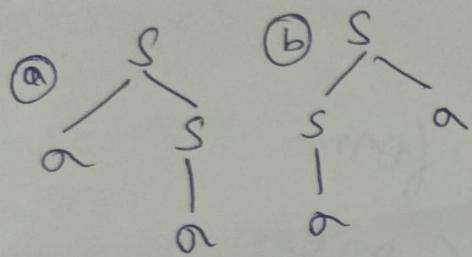
- no algorithm exist so hit & trial.
- it is an undecidable problem.

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O Identify grammar is ambiguous or not?

$$\textcircled{1} \quad S \rightarrow aS|Sa|a$$

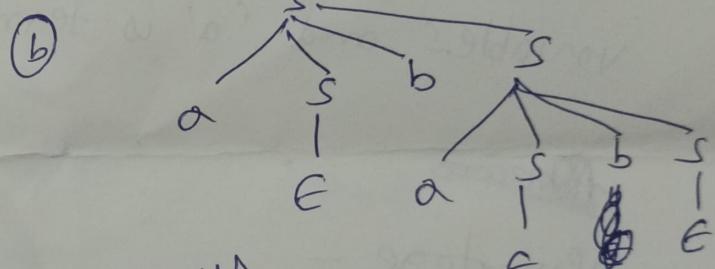
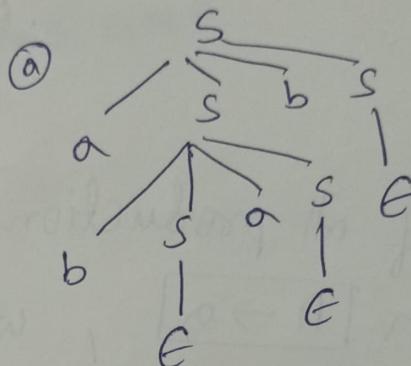
$$w = a^a$$



Ambiguous

$$\textcircled{2} \quad S \rightarrow aSbS|bSaS|\epsilon$$

$$abab$$



Ambiguous

Grammars

Q $a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1$

$S \rightarrow aSb \mid ab$

Q $ww^R \cup \underbrace{waw^R \cup wbw^R}_{\text{odd length}} \downarrow$

even length palindrome odd length palindrome

$$w = abab \quad w^R = baba$$

$S \rightarrow aSa \mid bSb \mid a \mid b \mid \epsilon$

odd length palindrome even length palindrome

Q $a^n b^n c^m \mid n, m \geq 1$

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow aAb \mid ab$

$B \rightarrow cB \mid c$

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Q $a^n c^m b^n \mid n, m \geq 1$

$S \rightarrow aSb \mid aAb$

$A \rightarrow cA \mid c$

Q $a^m b^m c^n d^n \mid n, m \geq 1$

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow aAb \mid ab$

$B \rightarrow cBd \mid cd$

Q $a^n b^{2n} \mid n \geq 1$

$S \rightarrow aSbb \mid abb$

Q $a^n b^m c^m d^n$

$S \rightarrow aSd \mid aAd$

$A \rightarrow bAc \mid bc$

Q $a^{m+n} b^m c^n$

$a^n a^m b^m c^n$

$S \rightarrow aSb \mid aAb$

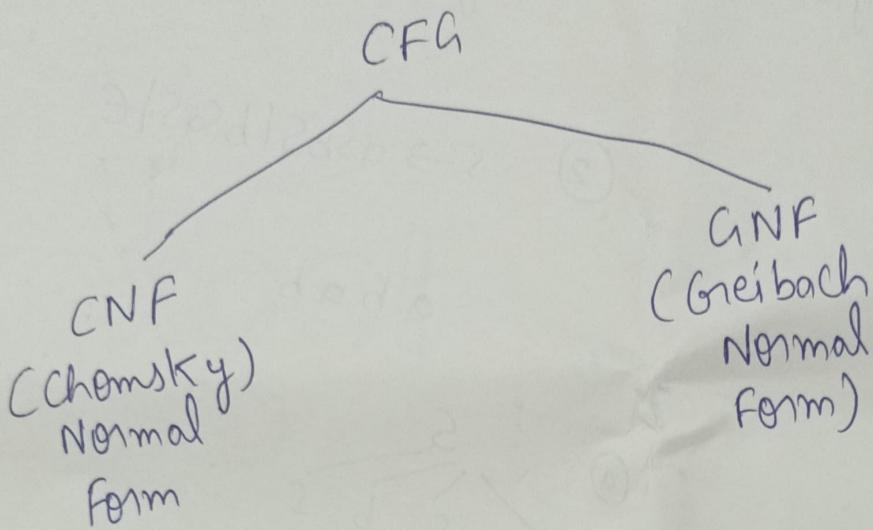
$A \rightarrow aAc \mid ac$

Q $a^n b^m c^{n+m}$

$a^n b^m c^m c^n$

$S \rightarrow aSc \mid aAc$

$A \rightarrow bAc \mid bc$



① CNF - If all productions are of form
 $[A \rightarrow BC]$ or $[A \rightarrow a]$, where A, B, C are variables and ' a ' is terminal.

~~Process~~

Advantage -

- String length will increase by 1 in every step or no of terminals increase by by 1
- Easy to apply CYK membership algorithm.

→ Ex-

$S \rightarrow AB$
$A \rightarrow a$
$B \rightarrow b$
$A \rightarrow AB$

abb

$S \rightarrow AB$
 $\rightarrow ABB$
 $\rightarrow aBB$
 $\rightarrow abB$
 $\rightarrow abb$

$$2(3)-1 = \underline{\underline{5}}$$

ab

$S \rightarrow AB$
 $\rightarrow aB$
 $\rightarrow ab$

$$2(2)-1 = \underline{\underline{3}}$$

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So, # steps required to derive a string of length $|w|$, is $(2|w|-1)$.

② GNF (Greibach Normal form) -

of all the productions one of form $[A \rightarrow \alpha]$ where $\alpha \in V^*$, then it is called GNF.

Ex - $A \rightarrow aBCDE$

$A \rightarrow a$

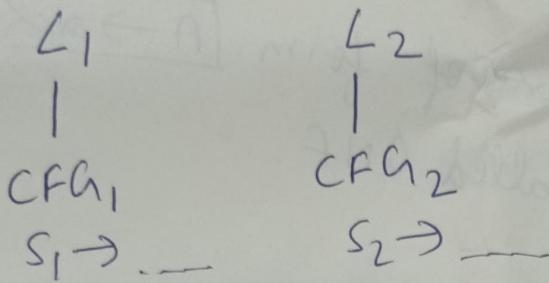
Adv -

① # step required to generate a string of length $|w|$ is $|w|$ because in every step one terminal, w terminal w step.

② GNF is useful to convert CFG to PDA.

Closure Properties of CFL

1) Union - closed



$S \rightarrow S_1 | S_2$
 (Resultant
 Grammar)

2) $L_1 \cdot L_2$ (Concatenate) - closed

$S \rightarrow S_1 \cdot S_2$
 $S_1 \rightarrow \dots$
 $S_2 \rightarrow \dots$

3) Kleene Closure \rightarrow

$L_1 = \frac{CFG_1}{S_1}$

$L_1^* \rightarrow S \rightarrow S_1 S_1^* \epsilon$

④ Intersection -

$L_1 \cap L_2$ (may or may not be CFL)

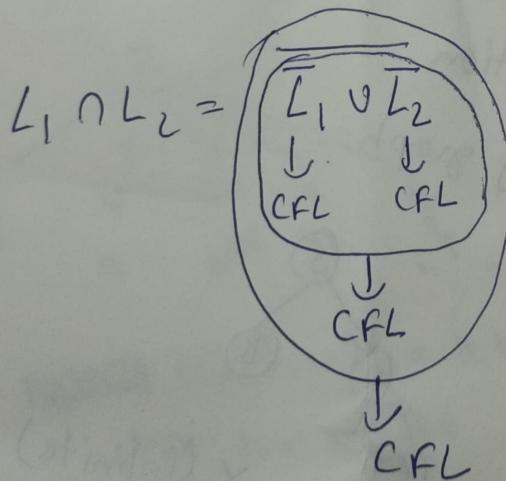
$$L_1 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid n, m \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid n, m \geq 0\}$$

$$L_1 \cap L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0\} \text{ CFL X}$$

⑤ Complement -

~~Lemma~~ Assume complement is closed,



but we proved $L_1 \cap L_2$ is not CFL

so our assumption is wrong.

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Decidable Problem on CFL's

① Membership - decidable

$w \in L ?$

CYK algo

② Emptiness - decidable

gs $L = \emptyset ?$

CFG \rightarrow simplification
(\in eliminate, useless symbol)



if start symbol is useless, then nothing can be generated so $L \neq \emptyset$ else not.

③ finiteness -

1) CFG \rightarrow simplification

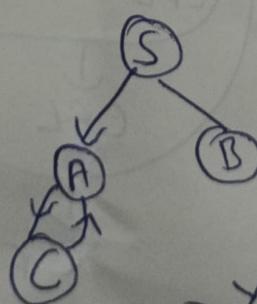
2) Draw dependency graph

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow aC \mid a$$

$$C \rightarrow aAb$$

$$B \rightarrow a$$



if DG has cycle \Rightarrow L (infinite)
if DG has no cycle \Rightarrow L (finite)

Pumping Lemma for CFL's

for all CFL, $L \exists$ an integer $n \geq 1$ such that $\forall z \in L$
and $|z| \geq n$ and

$$(i) z = uvwxy$$

$$(ii) |vwxi| \leq |z|$$

$$(iii) |vxi| \neq 0 \text{ or } |vxi| \geq 1$$

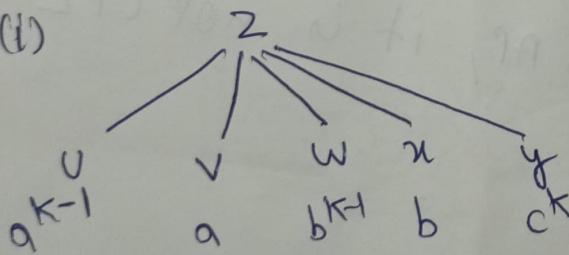
that $uv^iw^xv^y \in L \quad \forall i \geq 0$

Q $L = \{a^m b^m c^m \mid m > 0\}$

Assume L to be CFL

$$z = a^k b^k c^k \text{ and there exist } n \\ |z| = 3k \geq n$$

(i)



~~(ii)~~ $|vwxi| = k+1 \leq 3k$

~~(iii)~~ $|vxi| = 2 \neq 0$

$$a^{k-1} a^i b^{k-1} b^i c^k \in L \quad \forall i \geq 0$$

$$i=2, a^{k+1} b^{k+1} c^k \notin L$$

Hence our assumption is wrong

therefore not CFL.

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Special Case -

If $\Sigma = \{a\}^3$ and L is defined over Σ
 then L is CFL iff lengths of strings in L
 are in AP.

Ex- $L = \{a^{3n} \mid n \geq 0\}$

$$L = \{a^0, a^3, a^6, a^9, \dots\}$$

Since AP, it is CFL

Ex- $L = \{a^{3m!} \mid m \geq 0\}$

$$L = \{a^0, a^3, a^6, a^{18}, a^{72}, \dots\}$$

not in AP, it is not CFL

Closure Property Table (to remember)

	RL	CFL
union	✓	✓
Intersection	✓	✗
set difference	✓	✗
Complement	✓	✗
Concatenation	✓	✓
Kleene Closure	✓	✓
Reversal	✓	✓
Intersection with RL	✓	✓
union with RL	✓	✓
Subset	✗	✗

Note-

→ No languages are closed under subset & infinite union.