

Context free grammar and Context free languageObjectives

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(without any proves)
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Objective-1

Context Free grammar (CFG)

Definition of CFG:

A grammar $G = (N, T, P, S)$ is said to be context free if all productions in P are in the following form.

$$A \rightarrow x.$$

where $A \in N$ (i.e. set of all nonterminals)

$$x \in (N \cup T)^*$$

P is a set of all production rules.

$S \in N$ is a starting symbol.

Example of CFG:

A grammar $G = (\{S\}, \{ab\}, \{P\}, S)$

with production,

$$S \rightarrow ASA$$

$$S \rightarrow BSB$$

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

is context free.

A typical derivation of this grammar is,

$$S \rightarrow ASA$$

$$S \rightarrow AASA [S \rightarrow ASA]$$

$$S \rightarrow AABBSBAA [S \rightarrow BSB]$$

$$S \rightarrow AAABSA [S \rightarrow \epsilon]$$

Note: CFGs derive their name from the fact, that substitution of the variable on the leftmost of a production can be made any time. such a variable appears in a sentinel form. It does not depend on the symbols in the rest of the sentinel form (context). This feature is the consequence of allowing only a single variable on the left side of the production.

Leftmost & Rightmost Derivation

- 1) A CFG may not be linear.
- 2) A derivation may involve a sentinel form with more than one variable.
- 3) In such cases (more than 1 non terminal in right side)
we have to choose which variable to replace.
- 4) The order of replacement specifies the leftmost or rightmost derivation.
(This replacement should be recursive in nature)

Problem:

A grammar $G = (A, B, S), \{a, b\}, P, S$

with productions,

$$1) S \rightarrow AAB$$

$$2) A \rightarrow aaA$$

$$3) A \rightarrow E$$

$$4) B \rightarrow Bb$$

$$5) B \rightarrow E$$

- i) Calculate the leftmost derivation for the above grammar G .
- ii) Calculate the rightmost derivation for above grammar G .
- iii) State the language for the grammar G .

$$i) S \rightarrow AB \quad (1)$$

$$ii) S \rightarrow A_\underline{B} \quad (1)$$

$$S \rightarrow a\underline{a}AB \quad (2)$$

$$S \rightarrow A_\underline{Bb} \quad (4)$$

$$S \rightarrow a\underline{a}B \quad (3)$$

$$S \rightarrow A\underline{b} \quad (5)$$

$$S \rightarrow a\underline{a}Bb \quad (4)$$

$$S \rightarrow a\underline{a}A\underline{b} \quad (2)$$

$$S \rightarrow aab \quad (5)$$

$$S \rightarrow aab \quad (3)$$

iii) Language

Let us assume b will be repeated m times & a will be repeated n times
 The condition is, $\underline{m} = 2n$.

$$\therefore \text{Language is } L(G) = \{ a^n b^m \mid n \geq 0, m \geq 0 \}$$

$$= \{ a^{2m} b^m \mid m \geq 0 \}$$

Derivation/Parse tree.

what is the use of Derivation/parse tree?

With the help of parse tree/derivation tree, we can show the derivations independent of the order in which productions are used.

what do you mean by leftmost derivation?

A derivation is called a leftmost derivation if we replace only the leftmost terminal by some production rule at each step of the generating process of the language from the grammar.

what do you mean by rightmost derivation?

A derivation is said to be rightmost, iff we replace the ~~only~~ rightmost nonterminal by some production rule at each step of the generating process of the language from the grammar.

what is parsing?

Parsing a string means finding a derivation for that string from a given grammar.

Parse tree / Derivation tree

A parse tree is an ordered tree in which left hand side of a production represents a parent node and children nodes are represented by the production's right hand side.

What are the conditions for constructing a parse tree from a CFG?

i) Each vertex of the tree must have a label.

The label is a terminal or non-terminal or null (ε).

ii) The root of the tree is the start symbol i.e. (s)

iii) Label of the internal vertices are non-terminal symbols belongs to V_N (set of all vertices)

iv) If there is a production, $A \rightarrow X_1 X_2 X_3 \dots X_k$ then for a vertex label A, the children of that node will be $X_1, X_2, X_3 \dots, X_k$.

v) A vertex n. is called a leaf of the parse tree if its label is a terminal symbol belongs to $\Sigma \cup \epsilon$

Why parse tree construction is only possible for CFG?

Parse tree construction is only possible for CFG. This is because the properties of a tree match with the properties of a CFG.

Here we are describing the similar properties of a tree & a CFG.

i) For a tree there must have a root.

Similarly for every CFG there is a single starting symbol.

- 2) Each node in a tree has a single label.
 For every CFG at the left hand side of ~~each~~
 each production, there is a single non production.
- 3) A child ~~node~~ is derived from a single parent.
 For constructing a CFL for a given CFG,
 a non terminal is replaced by a suitable
 string at the right hand side. Each of the
 character of the string is generating a
 node. i.e. to say for each single node
 there is a parent.

Problem - 1

Find the parse tree for generating the
 string 0100110 from the grammar given
 below,

$$S \rightarrow OS / IAA \quad \dots(i)$$

$$A \rightarrow O / IA / OB \quad \dots(ii)$$

Left

$$S \rightarrow O \underline{S} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I \underline{AA} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O \underline{BA} \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O \underline{B} BA \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O I \underline{B} A \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O I I \underline{A} \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O I I O \quad \dots(ii)$$

Right

$$S \rightarrow O \underline{S} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I \underline{AA} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$S \rightarrow O I A \underline{O} \quad \dots(ii) [A \rightarrow O]$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O \underline{B} \underline{D} \quad \dots(ii) [B \rightarrow OB]$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O \underline{B} \underline{B} O \quad \dots(iii) [B \rightarrow OBB]$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O B \underline{I} O \quad \dots(iii) [B \rightarrow I]$$

$$S \rightarrow O I O O I I O \quad \dots(iii) [B \rightarrow I]$$

Right

~~$$S \rightarrow OS$$~~

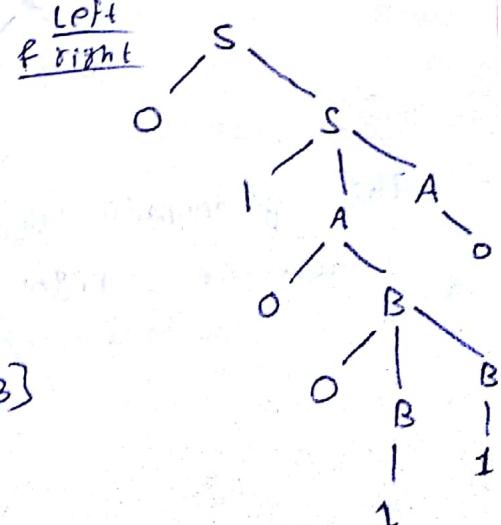
~~$$S \rightarrow OIAA$$~~

~~$$S \rightarrow OIAOIA$$~~

~~$$S \rightarrow OIAIIA$$~~

~~$$S \rightarrow OIAIII$$~~

Parse Tree



: since parse tree for both
 are same .. it is not ambiguous

Find the parse trees for leftmost and right most derivations for generating the string, 11001010 for the given grammar.

$$S \rightarrow 1B/0A$$

$$A \rightarrow 1/1S/0AA$$

$$B \rightarrow 0/0S/1BB$$

Left

$$S \rightarrow 1\underline{B}$$

$$S \rightarrow 11\underline{BB} [B \rightarrow 1BB]$$

$$S \rightarrow 110\underline{S}B [B \rightarrow 0S]$$

$$S \rightarrow 1100\underline{A}B [S \rightarrow OA]$$

$$S \rightarrow 11001\underline{S}B [A \rightarrow 1S]$$

$$S \rightarrow 110010\underline{A}B [A \rightarrow 1]$$

$$S \rightarrow 1100101\underline{B} [B \rightarrow 0]$$

$$S \rightarrow 11001010 [B \rightarrow 0]$$

Right

$$S \rightarrow \underline{1}B$$

$$S \rightarrow 11\underline{B}B [B \rightarrow 1BB]$$

$$S \rightarrow 11\underline{B}O [B \rightarrow 0S]$$

$$S \rightarrow 110\underline{S}O [B \rightarrow 0A]$$

$$S \rightarrow 1100\underline{AO} [S \rightarrow OA]$$

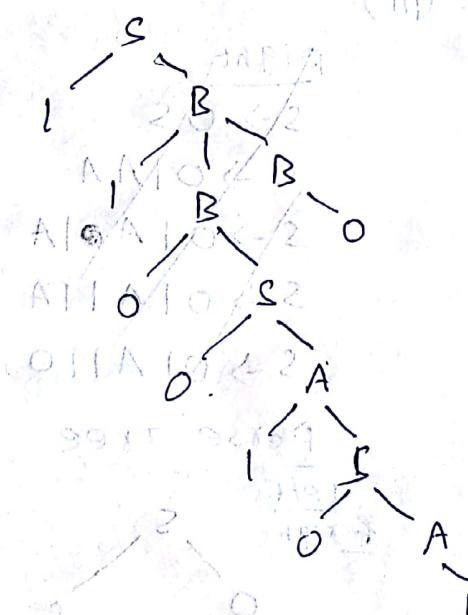
$$S \rightarrow 11001\underline{SO} [A \rightarrow 1S]$$

$$S \rightarrow 110010\underline{AO} [A \rightarrow 1S]$$

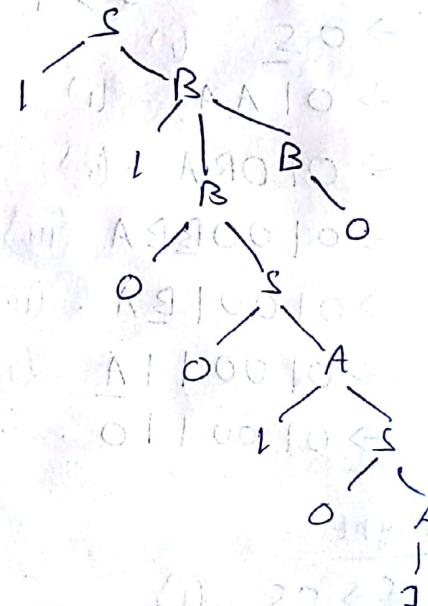
$$S \rightarrow 1100101\underline{O} [A \rightarrow 1]$$

$$S \rightarrow 11001010 [A \rightarrow 1]$$

Tree (Left)



Tree (Right)



This grammar is ambiguous as it has multiple right/leftmost derivations.

Construct a parse tree for the string abbaa from the grammar given below.

$$S \rightarrow a / aAS$$

$$A \rightarrow SS / SBBA / ba$$

Derivation

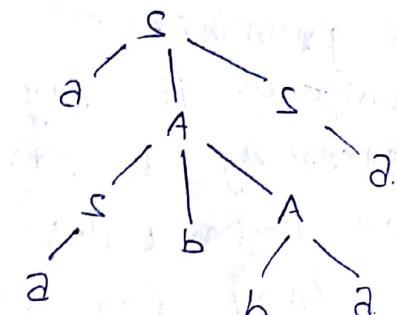
$$S \rightarrow aAS$$

$$S \rightarrow a \underline{S} BA S [A \rightarrow SB A]$$

$$S \rightarrow a ab AS [S \rightarrow a]$$

$$S \rightarrow a ab ba \underline{S} [A \rightarrow ba]$$

$$S \rightarrow aabbbaa [S \rightarrow a]$$



Construct a ~~parse tree~~ ~~string~~ ~~abbba~~ ~~abbbb~~ from the grammar given below

a) Left most derivative

b) Right most derivative

$$S \rightarrow aAB$$

$$A \rightarrow bBb$$

$$B \rightarrow A / \epsilon$$

left

$$\cancel{S \rightarrow aAB}$$

$$\cancel{S \rightarrow A \cancel{b} B b B}$$

$$\cancel{S \rightarrow A b \cancel{b} B}$$

$$\cancel{S \rightarrow A bb}$$

$$S \rightarrow aAB$$

$$S \rightarrow a bBb B$$

$$S \rightarrow a bA b B$$

$$S \rightarrow a b bB b b B$$

$$S \rightarrow a b b b B$$

$$S \rightarrow a b b b b$$

right

$$S \rightarrow aAB$$

$$S \rightarrow aAA$$

$$S \rightarrow aA bBb$$

$$S \rightarrow aAbb$$

$$S \rightarrow a bBb b b$$

$$S \rightarrow a b b b b$$

Ambiguity

what do you mean by ambiguous language or ambiguous grammar? Explain with example.

i) A grammar of a language is called ambiguous if any of the cases for generating a particular string, more than one leftmost derivation or more than one rightmost derivation or more than one parse tree can be generated.

2) Ambiguous Language

i) Ambiguous language is generated from an ambiguous grammar.

ii) An ambiguous language can be generated using either of the following cases:-

a) It is generated through more than one leftmost derivations.

b) It is generated through more than one rightmost derivations.

c) It is generated through more than one parse tree/derivation tree.

3) Example

Let us assume there is a grammar,

$$S \rightarrow aS / AS / A$$

$$A \rightarrow AS / a.$$

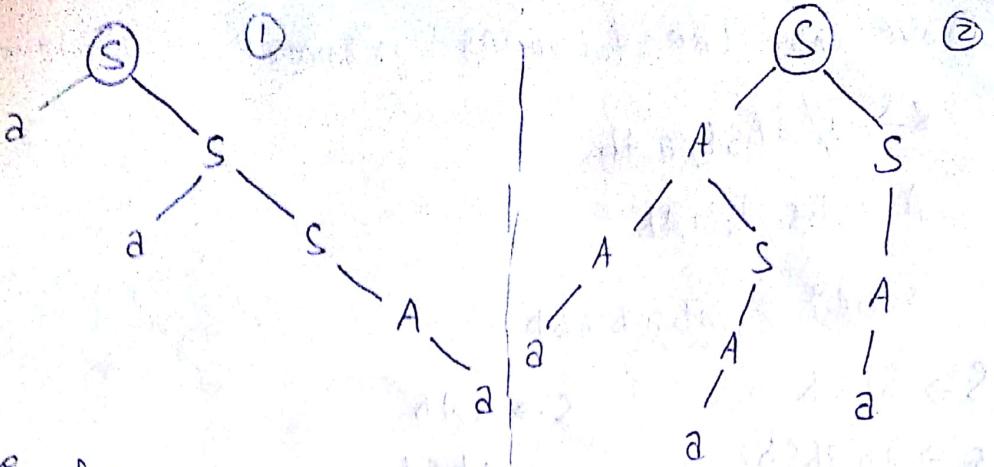
Now generate the string aaa from the grammar.

① $S \rightarrow aS \rightarrow aAS \rightarrow aaA \rightarrow aaa$

[$S \rightarrow aS$] [$S \rightarrow A$] [$A \rightarrow a$]

② $S \rightarrow AS \rightarrow ASS \rightarrow aSS \rightarrow aAS \rightarrow aAS \rightarrow aA \rightarrow aaa$

[$A \rightarrow AS$] [$A \rightarrow a$] [$S \rightarrow A$] [$A \rightarrow a$] [$S \rightarrow A$] [$A \rightarrow a$]



Here for the same string derived from the same grammar, we are getting more than one leftmost derivations as well as more than one tree, so the grammar is ambiguous.

~~Prove that the following grammar is ambiguous~~

$V_N : \{S\} \rightarrow$ set of set variables

$\Sigma : \{id, +, *\} \rightarrow$ set of all terminals

$P : S \rightarrow S+S / S*S / id \rightarrow$ production rules

$S : \{S\}$

String

$id + id * id.$

$S \rightarrow S+S$

$S \rightarrow S*S$

$\textcircled{1} \rightarrow id + S$

$S \rightarrow S+S*S$

$\rightarrow id + S*S$

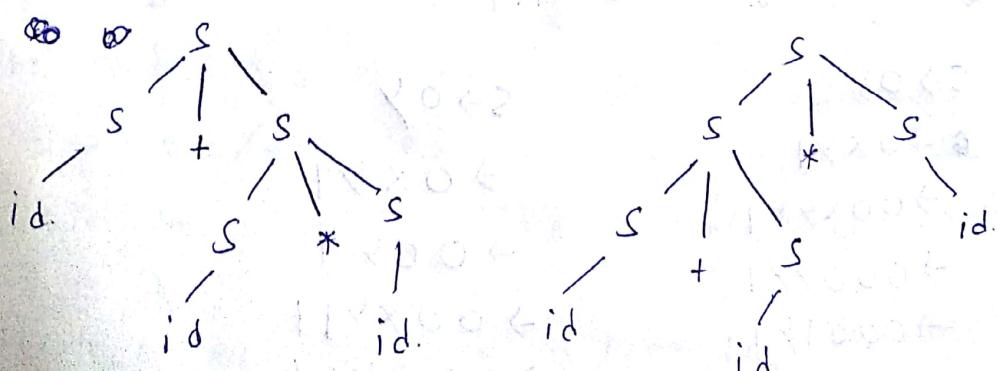
$S \rightarrow id + S * S$

$\rightarrow \textcircled{2} id + id * S$

$S \rightarrow id + id * S$

$\rightarrow id + id * id.$

$S \rightarrow id + id * id.$



two different leftmost generation parse trees are possible for same string. \therefore Ambiguous.

Prove that the following grammar is ambiguous

$$S \rightarrow a / abSb / aAb$$

$$A \rightarrow bS / aAb$$

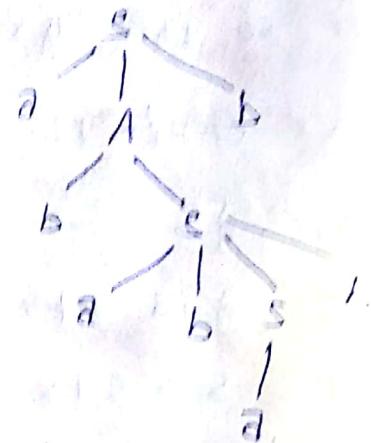
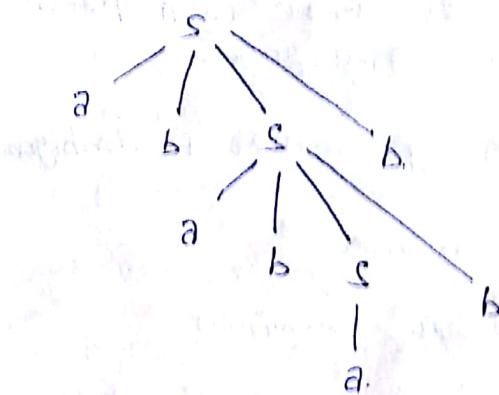
string $\overline{abababb}$

$$S \rightarrow abSb \quad S \rightarrow aAb$$

$$S \rightarrow ababSbb \quad \rightarrow abSb$$

$$\rightarrow abababb \quad \rightarrow ababSbb$$

$$\rightarrow abababb$$



Since more than one leftmost derivations and parse trees are possible for a single string
is ambiguous.

Prove ambiguous.

$$S \rightarrow 0Y / 0I$$

$$0X \rightarrow 0XY / 0I$$

$$Y \rightarrow XY / I$$

Let string is 000111

$$S \rightarrow 0Y$$

$$0 \rightarrow 0XY_1$$

$$\rightarrow 00XY_1$$

$$\rightarrow 000YY_1$$

$$\rightarrow 0001Y_1$$

$$\rightarrow 00011I$$

$$S \rightarrow 0Y$$

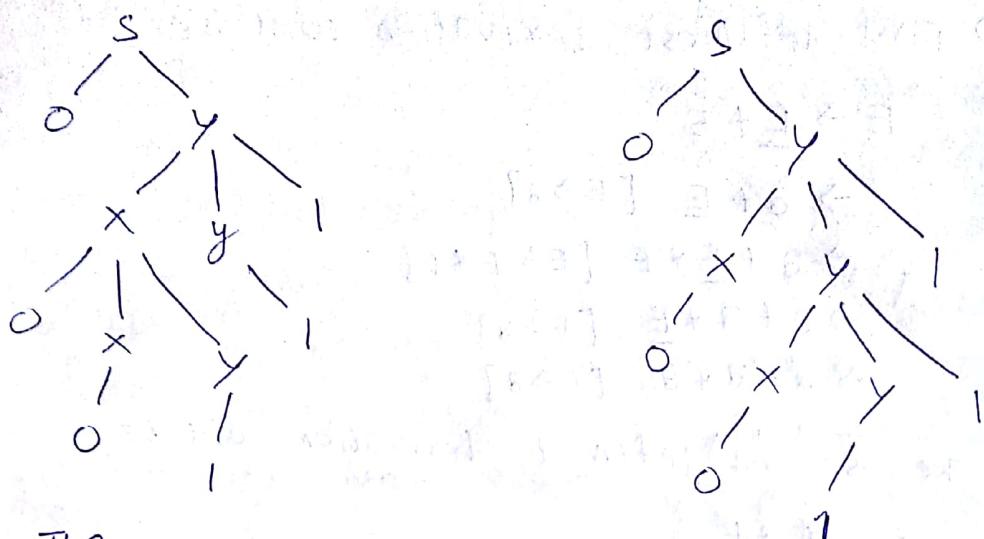
$$\rightarrow 0XY_1$$

$$\rightarrow 00Y_1$$

$$\rightarrow 00XY_1$$

$$\rightarrow 000Y_1$$

$$\rightarrow 00011I$$



∴ The grammar is ambiguous

Define:

Inherently ambiguous CFL

A CFL ' L ' is said to be inherently ambiguous if all ~~of~~ of its grammars are ambiguous.

Define: Unambiguous CFL

If ' L ' is a CFL, for which there exists an unambiguous grammar ' G ', then ' L ' is said to be an unambiguous grammar.

Does ambiguous grammar create problem? Explain with a suitable example.

Yes an ambiguous grammar creates problem. We can prove that an ambiguous grammar creates problem with the following example,

Let us assume ' G ' be a CFG, the production rules of this grammar is,

$$E \rightarrow E+E / E*E / \alpha\alpha$$

We have to construct $\alpha\alpha * \alpha\alpha$ where the value of α is 2.

1) First of all we need to prove that for the grammar ' G ' ~~exists~~ ~~exists~~ \exists more than 1 leftmost derivations.

2) First leftmost derivation will be

$$E \rightarrow E + E$$

$$\rightarrow a + E [E \rightarrow a]$$

$$\rightarrow a + E * E [E \rightarrow E * E]$$

$$\rightarrow a + a * E [E \rightarrow a]$$

$$\rightarrow a + a * a. [E \rightarrow a]$$

3) The second leftmost derivation will be

$$E \rightarrow E * E$$

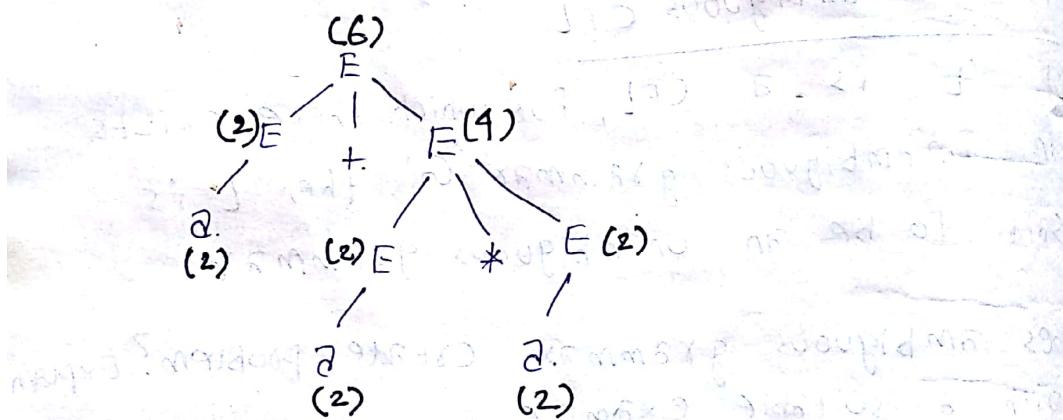
$$\rightarrow E + E * E [E \rightarrow E + E]$$

$$\rightarrow a + E * E [E \rightarrow a]$$

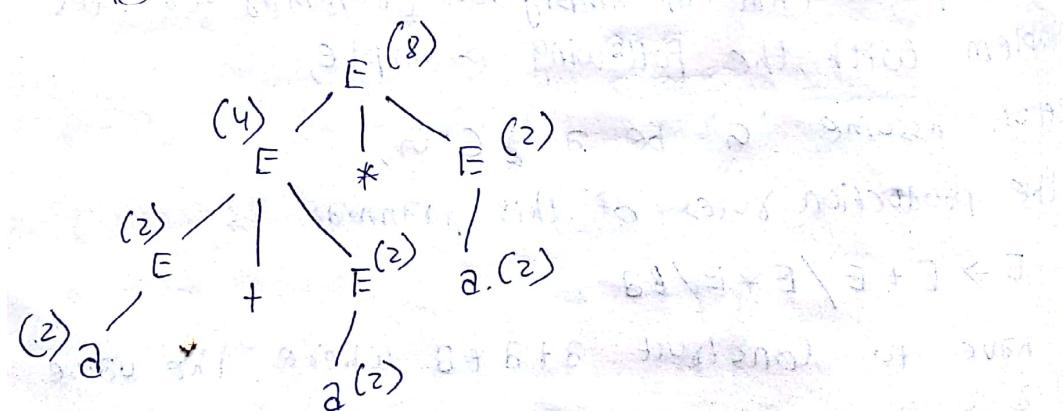
$$\rightarrow a + a * E [E \rightarrow a]$$

$$\rightarrow a + a * a. [E \rightarrow a]$$

4) Design the parse tree for the 1st leftmost derivation.



5) Design the parse tree for the 2nd leftmost derivation.



6) We are observing that for the 1st parse tree the value of the root is 6 and for the 2nd parse tree, the value of the root is 8.

but the answer will be 6, as because, according to the operator precedence (* multiplication operator should be preferred over (+) addition operator, but here according to the parse tree logically we are correct so the computer is confused regarding selection of the parse tree. That leads to undecidability hence ambiguous grammar creates problem for a computer system.

How can we remove ambiguity from a grammar?

There is no particular rule to remove ambiguity from a CFG.

Though we can apply the following procedures.

- 1) Ambiguity can be removed by setting priority to the operators.
- 2) Ambiguity can be removed by changing the production rule (if possible)
- 3) If some CFL for which there is only ambiguous grammar. For this case, the ambiguity cannot be removed.

Left Recursion & Left Factoring

Q1) What is left recursion?

Definition) A grammar 'G' is left recursive if it has a non-terminal 'A', such that there is a derivation as follows,

$$A \xrightarrow{+} A\alpha$$

where ' α ' is a string

Definition

2) A CFG is called left recursive if a non-terminal 'A' as a leftmost symbol appears alternately at the time of derivation,

either immediately (called direct left recursive)
or through some other non terminal definitions
(called indirect or hidden left recursive).

$$A \rightarrow \underline{A}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\underline{A}}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\underline{\underline{A}}}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\underline{\underline{\underline{A}}}}$$

.....

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{A}\alpha\alpha$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\underline{A}}\alpha\alpha\alpha$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\underline{\underline{A}}}\alpha\alpha\alpha\alpha$$

.....

what are the different types of left recursive grammar?

1) Direct left recursive grammar

2) Hidden / Indirect left recursive grammar

Direct left Recursive grammar

Let a grammar is $A \rightarrow A\alpha/\beta$

where α & β ~~are~~

consist of terminals ~~and~~ and/or

non terminals.

but β does not start with A

At the time of derivation if we start

from A and replace A by the production

$A\alpha$, then for all the time A will be
the leftmost non terminal symbol.

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha$$

$$A \rightarrow A_\alpha$$

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow A\alpha \\ A \rightarrow \beta \end{array}$$

In direct left recursion.

$$A \rightarrow B\alpha / \gamma$$

$$B \rightarrow A\beta / \delta$$

$$A \rightarrow B\alpha$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{A}\beta\alpha$$

Let us consider a grammar with the following production rule,

$$A \rightarrow B\alpha / \gamma$$

$$B \rightarrow AB\beta / \delta$$

where α, β, γ and δ consist of terminal or nonterminal

At the time of derivation, if we start from A , and replace A by the production,

$$A \rightarrow B\alpha$$

and after that the B is replaced by the production $B \rightarrow AB$, then A will appear again as a leftmost nonterminal symbol in the RHS of the production.

This kind of recursion is known as indirect left recursion, and this type of grammar is known as indirect left recursive grammar.

Simplification of CFG

i) why do we need to simplify a CFG?

- CFG may contain different types of useless symbols, unit productions and null productions.

These types of symbols and productions increases number of steps in generating a language from a CFG.

Reduced grammar contains less number of non terminals and production.

So the time complexity for language generating process becomes less for reduced grammar.

2) what are the processes of simplification of a CFG?

- CFG can be simplified in the following 3 processes,

i) Removal of useless symbols

a) Removal of non generating symbols

b) Removal of non reachable symbols.

ii) Removal of unit productions

iii) Removal of null Production.

3) Define Non generating & Non reachable symbols.

- Non generating symbols

Non generating symbols are those symbols which directly does not produce any terminal string.

Example:- $S \rightarrow AC$ $B \rightarrow aC$

$S \rightarrow BA$

$B \rightarrow b$

$C \rightarrow CB$

$C \rightarrow AC$

$A \rightarrow a$.

In this CFG, the symbol that does not produce any terminal string are S and C, as we do not get any terminal from S and C

Non reachable symbols

Non reachable symbols are those symbols which cannot be reached, at any time starting from the start symbol.

$$S \rightarrow bX$$

$$A \rightarrow bSX/a.$$

$$X \rightarrow ad.$$

In this CFG, the symbol A cannot be reached by any path at any point of time, starting from start symbol S. Hence A is a non reachable symbol.

u) How useless symbols can be removed from a given CFG.

- step 1: Find the non generating symbol in the production rule 'P'. If start symbol is found non generating, then leave that symbol. Start symbol cannot be removed as the language generating process starts from that symbol.

Step 2: For removing non generating symbols remove those productions whose RHS or LHS contain those symbols.

Step 3: Find the non reachable symbols from the production rules of the grammar.

Step 4: Remove the non reachable symbols, applying the same rule as explained in step 2.

Example

1) Remove useless symbols from the given CFG.

$$S \rightarrow AC$$

$$S \rightarrow BA$$

$$C \rightarrow CB$$

$$C \rightarrow AC$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow BC$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

Step 1: Here non generating symbols are S and C. as because in RHS of S & C there is only set of non terminals.

Step 2: Remove (Let us delete the productions that contain C in RHS)

$$C \rightarrow CB \quad \text{or LHS}$$

$$C \rightarrow AC$$

$$B \rightarrow BC$$

Step 3: Here the production rules left after deletion, donot any any non reachable symbols.

∴ there is no non reachable symbol in minimized grammar.

∴ we ignore step 4.

The CFG after eliminating useless symbols

is,

$$S \rightarrow BA$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

2) Remove useless symbols from given CFG

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\rightarrow aB/bX \\
 A &\rightarrow BA\bar{d}/bSX/\bar{a} \\
 B &\rightarrow ASB/bBX \\
 X &\rightarrow SBD/aBX/\bar{ad}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Step 1: Here non generating symbols are
~~S, B~~

Step 2: Let us delete all production rules
 containing ~~A~~B on both LHS & RHS
 ∴ we delete.

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{Left} & \text{Right} \\
 \cancel{S \rightarrow bX} & \cancel{S \rightarrow aB} \\
 \cancel{A \rightarrow bSX/a} & \cancel{A \rightarrow BA\bar{d}} \\
 \cancel{X \rightarrow \bar{ad}} & \cancel{B \rightarrow ASB/bBX} \\
 & \cancel{X \rightarrow SBD/aBX} \\
 & \cancel{X \rightarrow \bar{ad}}
 \end{array}$$

Step 3: Here the minimized grammar has one
 non reachable symbol,

A.

Step 4: Let us delete all symbols having A on
 both LHS & RHS. ~~contain~~

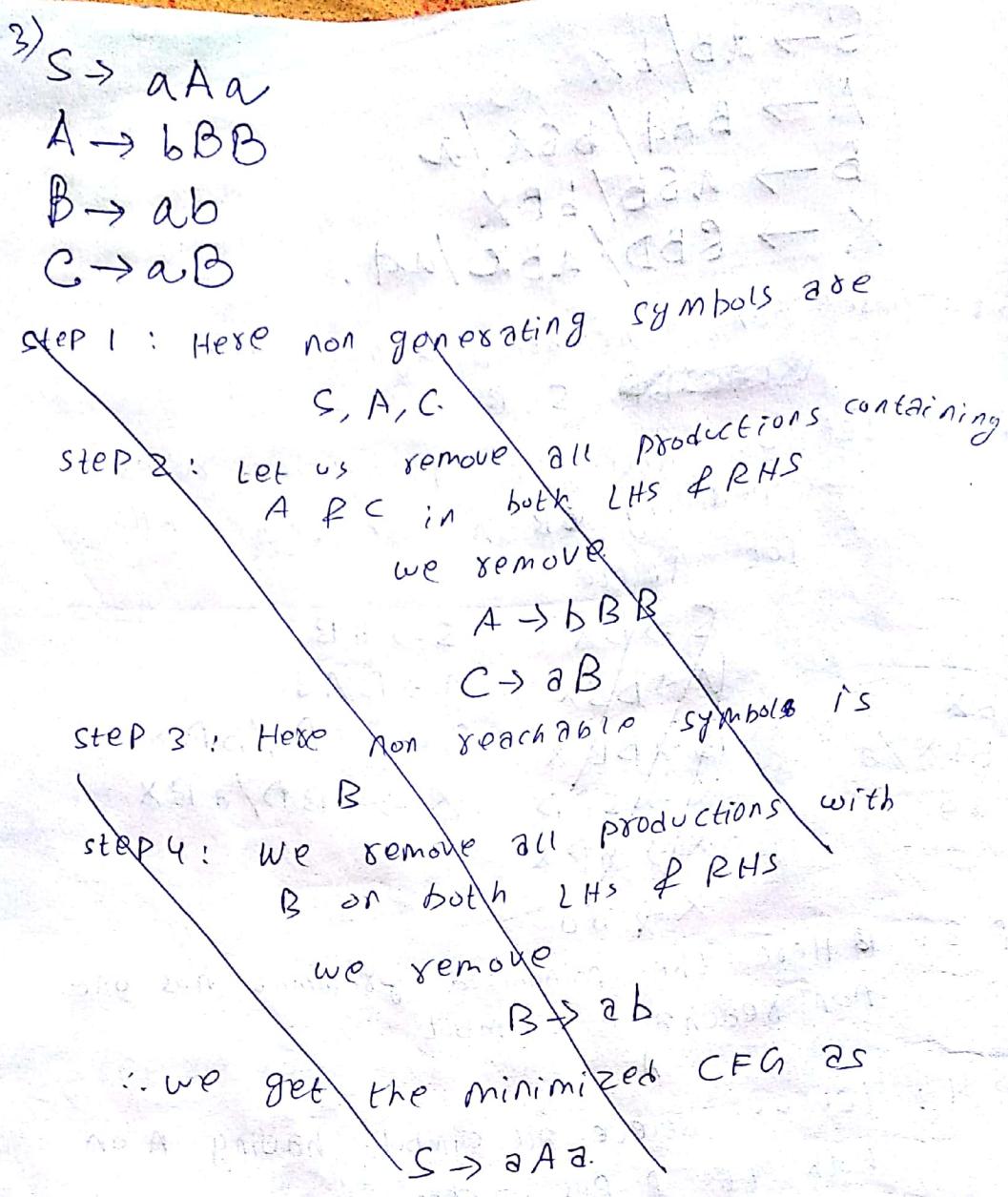
∴ we delete.

$$A \rightarrow bSX.$$

$$A \rightarrow \bar{a}$$

∴ The CFG after eliminating useless
 symbols is.

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\rightarrow bX \\
 X &\rightarrow \bar{ad}.
 \end{aligned}$$



Step 1: First we are going to remove non generating symbols, i.e. which do not produce any terminal string.

Here S, A, C are non generating symbols.

As S is the start symbol, so it cannot be removed.

However $A \& C$ can be removed.

The production rules containing A or C or both should be removed.

But if we remove $A \& C$ from the set of production rules 'P'. Then 'P' becomes $B \rightarrow ab$.

However there is no meaning of the grammar containing this single production rule and no start symbol.

∴ we have to first remove the non-reachable symbols and then non-generating symbols.

Step 2: Here non-reachable symbols ~~is~~ is C.

so we have to delete the non-reachable symbol C from the given grammar.

After deleting C from RHS & LHS of production rule, the grammar is

$$S \rightarrow aAa$$

$$A \rightarrow bBb$$

$$B \rightarrow ab$$

Step 3: Now we can remove the non-generating symbol S, A.

But if we remove S & A then the grammar will have no meaning.

∴ the production rule remains.

4) remove the useless symbols from the grammar.

$$S \rightarrow aC / SB$$

$$A \rightarrow bSCa / ad$$

$$B \rightarrow aSB / bBC$$

$$C \rightarrow abc / ad$$

Step 1: Here the non-generating symbols are.

S, B ~~and~~.

Step 2: we remove all those productions containing

B ~~and~~

we get,

$$S \rightarrow aC$$

$$A \rightarrow bSCa / ad$$

$$C \rightarrow ad$$

Step 3: Here non reachable symbol is

A.

Step 4: We remove all productions containing A or LHS of RHTS

∴ we get the minimized CFG as

$$S \rightarrow aC$$

$$C \rightarrow ad.$$

Unit production Removal.

1) What is unit production?

- A production in the form:

Non terminal \rightarrow single non terminal

is called an unit production.

Example,

$$B \rightarrow C$$

$$C \rightarrow A.$$

2) What are the problems with unit production?

- Unit production increases the number of steps as well as complexity at the time of generating language from the grammar.

3) What is the procedure to remove unit production from a given CFG?

- Algorithm

while (there exist a unit production)

$$\{ \quad NT \rightarrow NT \}$$

select a unit production $A \rightarrow B$

for (every non-unit production $B \rightarrow \alpha$)

{ add production $A \rightarrow \alpha$ to the grammar

eliminate $A \rightarrow B$ from the grammar.

problems unit production from the grammar.

1) Remove

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow E$$

$$B \rightarrow C$$

$$C \rightarrow D$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

$$E \rightarrow a$$

Step 1: In this CFG, the unit productions are,

$$A \rightarrow E$$

$$B \rightarrow C$$

$$C \rightarrow D$$

of the ~~while~~ loop

Step 2: In the first iteration, we select the unit production $A \rightarrow E$

Now we have to find whether there exists a production as follows in the above CFG.

$E \rightarrow$ string of terminal/non-terminal

For a production of the above form

$$E \rightarrow a$$

Hence the new production rule will be generated and added to the grammar, i.e. $A \rightarrow a$.

We shall delete $A \rightarrow E$

Step 3: In the second iteration of the while loop, we select the unit production $B \rightarrow C$

Now we have to find whether there is a production as follows in the above CFG.

$C \rightarrow$ string of terminals/non-terminals and non-terminals

No such production rule is found

so we shall eliminate $B \rightarrow C$ later on.

Step 4: In the third iteration of the while loop, we select the unit production $C \rightarrow D$. Now we need to find whether ~~exists~~ \exists a production as follows in the above CFG.

$D \rightarrow$ string of terminals/non-terminal.

$D \rightarrow b$ is an example of that.

So the new production rule can be generated as $C \rightarrow b$.

We will eliminate $C \rightarrow D$.

Step 5: Now $B \rightarrow C$ can be deleted as

$C \rightarrow b$ is generated and added

to the CFG.

We delete $B \rightarrow C$

and we add $B \rightarrow b$.

Step 6: After deleting all the unit production 1 by 1, the modified production rule of the CFG will be

$S \rightarrow A B$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$

$C \rightarrow b$

$D \rightarrow b$

$E \rightarrow a$

Step 7: This grammar does not have any unit production but it is not normalised as there are non-reachable symbols C, D, E .
∴ we have to eliminate them.

so the final CFG after removing the non reachable symbols are.

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

2) Remove unit production from the following grammar:

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow C$$

$$C \rightarrow D$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

Step 1: In this CFG the unit productions are,

$$B \rightarrow C$$

$$C \rightarrow D$$

~~$$D \rightarrow b$$~~

Step 2: Now in the first iteration we cannot do anything so we leave

$$B \rightarrow C$$

Step 3: Now in the second iteration we remove $C \rightarrow D$

we get $C \rightarrow b$.

Step 4: Thus $B \rightarrow b$ is added.

Step 5: $C \rightarrow b$ is not reachable from S

Step 6: Final grammar
is

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

3) Remove unit production from the following grammar,

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow AA \\ A \rightarrow BB/AB/bf \end{array}$$

$$S \rightarrow aX/\gamma b/\gamma$$

$$X \rightarrow S$$

$$\gamma \rightarrow \gamma b/b$$

$$S \rightarrow \gamma$$

$$X \rightarrow S$$

↓

$$S \rightarrow b.$$

$$X \rightarrow b.$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow aX/\gamma b/b.$$

$$X \rightarrow aX/\gamma b/b. [\because X \rightarrow S]$$

$$\gamma \rightarrow \gamma b/b.$$

Removal of Null Production.

1) What do you mean by Null Production?

A production in the form:

Non-terminal \rightarrow Null (ϵ)

is called Null Production.

2) When Null Production cannot be removed?

- i) If Null string (ϕ) is in the language set generated from the grammar, then Null production cannot be removed.
- ii) If we get $S \xrightarrow{*} \epsilon$, then the Null Production cannot be removed

3) What is the procedure to remove Null Production?

Step 1: If $A \rightarrow \epsilon$ is a production to be eliminated, then we look for all productions whose RHS contains A

Step 2: Replace each occurrence of A in each of these productions to obtain the non null production.

Step 3: These non null productions must be added to the grammar to keep the language generating power same.

Example

1) Remove null production from the following grammar.

$$S \rightarrow aA$$

$$A \rightarrow b / \epsilon$$

Ans Step 1: In the production rule of the grammar, the production rule with null production is $A \rightarrow \epsilon$

Step 2: The grammar does not produce null string as a language so this null production can be removed.

Step 3: According to the step 1 of this algorithm we need to look for all the productions whose RHS contains A. There exists only 1 production like that in the above CFG, which is $S \rightarrow aA$.

Step 4: According to step 2 of the algorithm we need to replace each occurrence of A in each of the productions.

There is only 1 occurrence of A in $S \rightarrow aA$.

So after replacing A with ϵ , in this production rule it becomes

$$S \rightarrow a$$

Step 5: According to step 3 of algorithm $S \rightarrow a$ will be added to the CFG and $A \rightarrow \epsilon$ will be deleted from the CFG.

so the new production will be

$$S \rightarrow aA / a$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

2) Remove null production from the following grammar.

$$S \rightarrow aX / bX$$

$$X \rightarrow a / b / \epsilon$$

$$X \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow aX / a$$

$$S \rightarrow bX / b$$

$\therefore S \rightarrow a/b/ax/bx$

$x \rightarrow a/b.$

Normal Form

1) What do you mean by normal form of a grammar?

- For a grammar, the RHS of a production can be any string of variables ~~or~~ terminals i.e. to say $(V_n \cup \Sigma)^*$

A grammar is said to be in normal form when every production of the grammar has some specific form, this means, except allowing any number of

$(V_n \cup \Sigma)$ or the RHS of the production we permit only specific numbers on the RHS of the production.

But these restrictions should not hamper the language generating power of the grammar.

*2) Define Chomsky Normal Form.

- A CFG is said to be in CNF if all productions of the grammar are in the following form,

i) Non-terminal \rightarrow string of exactly 2 non-terminals

ii) Non-terminal \rightarrow single terminal. ($A \rightarrow a$)

3) How to convert a CFG into a CNF?

Step 1: Eliminate all null production

Eliminate all unit production

Eliminate all ~~useless~~ symbols

Step 2: If all productions are in the form,

- i) $NT \rightarrow$ string of exactly 2 NTs
or
ii) $NT \rightarrow$ single Terminal.

Then declare the CFG is already in CNF and stop the algorithm
else or Follow step 3. and /or step 4 and
~~step 5~~

Step 3: Elimination of terminals on the RHS of length 2 or more

Step 4: Restriction of no. of variables on the RHS to 2.

Step 5: Conversion of string containing terminals and nonterminals to string of non-terminals on the RHS.

Problem:

Convert the following grammars into CNF.

$$S \rightarrow bA/aB$$

$$A \rightarrow bAA/\alpha S/\alpha$$

$$B \rightarrow \alpha BB/\beta S/\alpha$$

Step 1: In the above CFG there is no null production, no unit productions or no useless symbols.

Step 2: The productions

$$S \rightarrow bA \checkmark \quad B \rightarrow \alpha BB \checkmark$$

$$S \rightarrow \alpha B \checkmark \quad B \rightarrow \beta S.$$

$$A \rightarrow bAA \checkmark$$

$$A \rightarrow \alpha S \checkmark$$

are not in the form of CNF.

~~Step~~ so we have to convert these into CNF.

Step 3: Let us replace terminal a by non terminal Ca

Let us replace the terminal b by non terminal c_b .

Hence 2 new production rules will be added to the grammar.

$$C_a \rightarrow a$$

$$C b \rightarrow b.$$

By replacing $a \neq b$ by new nonterminals
and including 2 new productions in the
grammar, the modified grammar will
be.

$$\hookrightarrow C_b A / C_a B$$

$$A \rightarrow C_pAA / C_aS / \text{O}_a$$

$B \rightarrow C_{\alpha}BB/C_B S/a$

$$C_a \rightarrow a$$

$$C_b \rightarrow b$$

Step 4: In the modified grammar all the productions are not in CNF, for example

$$A \rightarrow C_B A A$$

$$B \rightarrow C \alpha B B$$

\neg are not in CNF

Because they contain more than 2 nonterminals at the RHS.

Let's replace AA by a new non-terminal

D. so we add a new rule,

$\text{A} \rightarrow \text{AA}$

Replace BB by new non terminal E.

so we add a gulp

$$E \rightarrow B\bar{B}$$

\therefore The modified grammar will be

$$S \rightarrow C_b A / C_a B$$

$$A \rightarrow C_b D / C_a S / a$$

$$B \rightarrow C_a E / C_b S / a$$

$$C_a \rightarrow a$$

$$C_b \rightarrow b$$

$$D \rightarrow AA$$

$$E \rightarrow BB$$

2) Convert the following grammar into CNF

$$S \rightarrow ABA$$

$$A \rightarrow aa'b$$

$$B \rightarrow AC$$

$$\boxed{C \rightarrow a}$$

There is no null production
no unit symbol
no useless symbol

$$\text{Let } D \rightarrow b.$$

$$\text{Let } E \rightarrow AB$$

$$S \rightarrow \bar{A} B \bar{a}$$

$$\text{Let } F \rightarrow CC$$

$$\rightarrow ABC \quad [\because C \rightarrow a]$$

$$\rightarrow EC \quad [\because E \rightarrow AB]$$

$$A \rightarrow a a b$$

$$\rightarrow CC \bar{D} \quad [C \rightarrow a, D \rightarrow b]$$

$$\rightarrow FD \quad [F \rightarrow CC]$$

\therefore Final grammar

$$S \rightarrow EC \quad E \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow FD \quad F \rightarrow CC$$

$$B \rightarrow AC$$

$$C \rightarrow a$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

(ii) $S \rightarrow ABa$ is not in CNF

So, we assume, $A \Rightarrow D_a \rightarrow a$

$S \rightarrow ABD_a$

(iii) $A \rightarrow aab$ is not in CNF

So, we assume $D_b \rightarrow b$

$A \rightarrow D_a D_a D_b$

So, CFG will be,

$S \rightarrow AB D_a$

$A \rightarrow D_a D_a D_b$

$B \rightarrow AC$

$C \rightarrow a$

$D_a \rightarrow ab$

$D_b \rightarrow b$

In the above grammar
 $S \rightarrow ABDA$ is not in CNF.
We assume, $E \rightarrow AB$,

$$S \rightarrow EDA$$

$$E \rightarrow AB$$

In the above grammar
 $A \rightarrow D_a D_a D_b$ is not in CNF
We assume, $F \rightarrow D_a D_a$

$$A \rightarrow FD_b$$

$$F \rightarrow D_a D_a$$

Now, CFG is

$$S \rightarrow EDA$$

$$E \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow FD_b$$

$$F \rightarrow D_a D_a$$

$$B \rightarrow AC$$

$$D_a \rightarrow a$$

$$D_b \rightarrow b$$

$$C \rightarrow a$$

Convert the given CFG into CNF.

$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow E+E \\ E &\rightarrow E * E \\ E &\rightarrow \text{id} \end{aligned}$$

$$P \rightarrow +$$

$$M \rightarrow *$$

$$\therefore E \rightarrow E+E$$

$$E \rightarrow E * E$$

$$\textcircled{A} A \rightarrow EP$$

$$E \rightarrow EPE$$

$$E \rightarrow EME$$

$$\textcircled{B} B \rightarrow EM$$

$$E \rightarrow AE$$

$$E \rightarrow BE$$

$$\therefore E \rightarrow AE$$

$$E \rightarrow BE$$

$$E \rightarrow id$$

$$P \rightarrow +$$

$$M \rightarrow *$$

$$A \rightarrow EP$$

$$B \rightarrow EM$$

Convert the given grammar into CNF.

$$S \rightarrow abAB$$

$$A \rightarrow bAB / \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow BAa / \epsilon$$

There are 2 null productions.

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

Putting them in RHS and removing them.

$$S \rightarrow abAB / abB / abA / ab$$

$$A \rightarrow bAB / bB / bA / b$$

$$B \rightarrow BAa / Ba / Aa / a$$

$C_a \rightarrow a$
 $C_b \rightarrow b$

$D \rightarrow C_a C_b$
 $E \rightarrow A B$
 $F \rightarrow B A$

$S \rightarrow C_a C_b A B$ ✓
 $S \rightarrow C_a C_b A$ ✓
 $S \rightarrow C_a C_b B$ ✓
 $S \rightarrow C_a C_b$ ✓

$A \rightarrow C_b A B$ ✓
 $A \rightarrow C_b A$ ✓
 $A \rightarrow C_b B$ ✓
 $A \rightarrow B$ ✓

$B \rightarrow B A C_a$ ✓
 $B \rightarrow B C_a$ ✓
 $B \rightarrow A C_a$ ✓
 $B \rightarrow a$ ✓

~~$S \rightarrow D E / D A / D B / C_a C_b$~~
∴ $S \rightarrow D E / D A / D B / C_a C_b$
 $A \rightarrow C_b E / C_b A / C_b B$
 $B \rightarrow F C_a / B C_a / A C_a / a$

$C_a \rightarrow a$

$C_b \rightarrow b$

$D \rightarrow C_a C_b$

$E \rightarrow A B$

$F \rightarrow B A$

Greibach Normal form.

Definition (GNF): A grammar is said to be a GNF if every production(s) of the grammar of the form,

- $NT \rightarrow (\text{single } T)(\text{string of } NT)$
- $NT \rightarrow \text{single } T$.

In one line it can be said that all productions will be in the form -

$$NT \rightarrow (\text{single terminal})(NT)^*$$

Note! where closure (*) indicates any combination of non terminals including null.

What is the application of GNF?

If a CFG is converted to GNF, then CFL which is generated from the GNF is easily accepted by PDA

Describe the Lemmas in order to convert a CFG into GNF

Lemma I: If $G = (N, T, P, S)$ is a CFG and NF $A \rightarrow A\alpha \quad (\alpha \rightarrow \text{NT, string of NT})$ and $A \rightarrow \beta_1 / \beta_2 / \beta_3 \dots \beta_n$ belongs to the production rules (P) of G, then a new grammar $G' = (N, T, P', S)$ can be constructed by replacing $A \rightarrow \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$ in $A \rightarrow A\alpha$, which will produce, $A \rightarrow \beta_1\alpha / \beta_2\alpha / \dots \beta_n\alpha$. $[\beta \rightarrow \text{string of NT}]$

Lemma II: Let $G = (N, T, P, S)$ be a CFG and the set of A productions which belongs to P be

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 / A\alpha_2 / A\alpha_3 / \dots A\alpha_n \text{ or } \beta_1 / \beta_2 / \dots \beta_n$$

then we introduce a new nonterminal X.

Let $G' = (N', T, P', S)$, where $N' = (N \cup X)$ P' can be formed by replacing the A

Productions by $A \rightarrow B_i$ $X \rightarrow \alpha_j$
 $A \rightarrow B_i X$ $X \rightarrow \alpha_j X$

What is the process of converting a given CFG into GNF?

Step 1: Eliminate all null productions, unit productions and useless symbols from the given grammar and convert the grammar into CNF.

Step 2: Rename non-terminals of N as $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$ with start symbol, A_1 .

Step 3: Using Lemma 1 modify the productions such that LHS variables subscript is less than the RHS starting variable subscript i.e. to say, all the productions will be in the form, $A_i \rightarrow A_i V$ where $i \leq j$.

Step 4: By repeating application of Lemma 1 and Lemma 2, all the productions of the modified grammar will come into GNF.

Problem:

convert the given grammar into GNF.

$$S \rightarrow AA/a$$

$$A \rightarrow SS/b$$

Step 1: In these production rules stated above,

✗ No unit productions like $A \rightarrow B$

✗ No production like $A \rightarrow \epsilon$, so there is no null production.

✗ No non-reachable and non generating symbols as in the above production both A & S are generating a terminal b & a respectively, so there is no non generating symbol.

S is reachable from A and vice versa. So there is no non reachable symbol.

Hence the above grammar G is free from unit production, useless symbols and null productions.

A grammar is said to be in CNF if it is in the following form, $N^T \rightarrow N^T$, $N^T \rightarrow A^T$ or $N^T \rightarrow S^T$.

The given grammar's production rules $S \rightarrow AA$ satisfies rule 1 of CNF so it is already in CNF. $S \rightarrow a$ satisfies rule 2 of CNF so it is already in CNF. $A \rightarrow SS$ satisfies rule 1 of CNF so it is already in CNF. $A \rightarrow b$ satisfies rule 2 of CNF, so it is already in CNF.

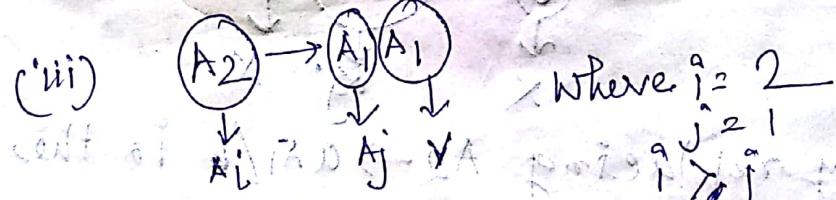
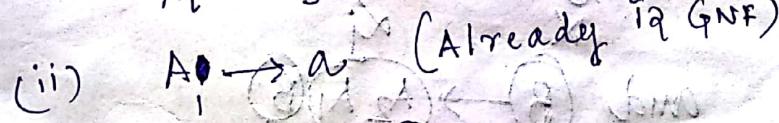
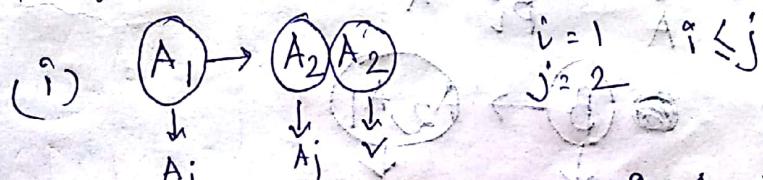
Step 2: According to step 2 we found that there are two non terminals in the production rule, which are A, S. Here starting symbol is S which is renamed as A_1 and A is renamed as A_2 .

After renaming the non terminals of the old production rules new production rules will be,

$$A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 / a$$

$$A_2 \rightarrow A_1 A_1 / b$$

Step 3: Step 3 is completed when all the productions are in the form $A_i \rightarrow A_j V$ where $(i \leq j)$.



So, $A_2 \rightarrow A_1 A_1$ is in the form of $A_i \rightarrow A_j V$
(iv) $A_2 \rightarrow b$ (Already in GNF)

Replace the leftmost A_1 at the RHS of the production $A_2 \rightarrow A_1 A_1$.

After replacing the modified A_2 production will be,

$$A_2 \rightarrow \underline{A_1} A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 A_1$$

$$\text{So, } A_2 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 A_1 / a A_1 / b$$

$$A_1 \rightarrow A_2 A_2 / a$$

Step 4:

(i) $A_2 \rightarrow a A_1 / b$ is in GNF ✓

(ii) $\underline{A_2} \rightarrow \underline{A_2} \underline{A_2} \underline{A_1}$ is in the format $A \rightarrow A\alpha$

So, we introduce a new NT B.

So, the modified production rule will be

$$A_2 \rightarrow A_2 B$$

β_1

$$B \rightarrow X$$

$$B \rightarrow A_2 A_1$$

α_1

$$\text{and, } B \rightarrow A_2 A_1 B$$

α_2

by replacing $A_2 \rightarrow a A_1 / b$ in the

production $A_2 \rightarrow \underline{A_2} B$. We get

$$A_2 \rightarrow a A_1 B$$

$$(Tup) A_2 \rightarrow b B$$

~~A₂A₁~~ → aA₁/b/aA₁B/bB is
So, A₂ is GNF.

(iii) By replacing A₂ → aA₁/b/aA₁B/bB ~~is~~ is
the production rule A_p → A₂A₂/a

we get,

$$a) \quad A_1 \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_2}{a A_1 A_2} \quad | \quad b) \quad A_1 \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_2}{b A_2}$$

$$c) \quad A_1 \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_2}{a A_1 B A_2} \quad | \quad d) \quad A_1 \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_2}{b B A_2}$$

$$e) \quad A_1 \rightarrow a$$

So, A₁ → aA₁A₂/bA₂/aA₁B₂/bBA₂/a is
is GNF

(iv) By replacing A₂ → aA₁/b/aA₁B/bB
the production rule B → A₂A₁/A₂A₁B.

we get,

$$a) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1}{a A_1 A_1} \quad | \quad b) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1}{b A_1}$$

$$c) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1}{a A_1 B A_1} \quad | \quad d) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1}{b B A_1}$$

$$e) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1 B}{a A_1 A_1 B} \quad | \quad f) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1 B}{b A_1 B}$$

$$g) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1 B}{a A_1 B A_1 B} \quad | \quad h) \quad B \rightarrow \frac{A_2 A_1 B}{b B A_1 B}$$

So, $B \rightarrow aA_1A_1 | bA_1 | aA_1BA_1 | bBA_1$
 $B \rightarrow aA_1A_1B | bA_1B | aA_1BA_1B | bBA_1B$

Are it GNF.

Closure properties of CFL

PROVE THAT CFLs ARE CLOSED UNDER UNION,
 CONCATENATION AND STAR-CLOSURE.

Union:

Let L_1 is a CFL for the CFG $G_1 = (V_{N_1}, \Sigma_1, P_1, S_1)$
 and L_2 is a CFL for the CFG $G_2 = (V_{N_2}, \Sigma_2, P_2, S_2)$
 we have to prove that $L = L_1 \cup L_2$ is also in CFL

Let us construct a CFG $G = (V_N, \Sigma, P, S)$ using
 the two grammars G_1 and G_2 as follows:

$$V_N = V_{N_1} \cup V_{N_2} \cup \{S\}$$

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2$$

$$P = P_1 \cup P_2 \cup \{S \rightarrow S_1 / S_2\}$$

From the above discussion it is clear that
 the language set generated from the grammar
 G contains all the strings that are derived
 from S_1 as well as S_2 . Hence it is proved
 that $L = L_1 \cup L_2$.

Concatenation:

Let L_1 is a CFL for the CFG $G_1 = (V_{N_1}, \Sigma_1, P_1, S_1)$
 and L_2 is a CFL for the CFG $G_2 = (V_{N_2}, \Sigma_2, P_2, S_2)$
 we have to prove that $L = L_1L_2$ is also in CFL.

Let us construct a grammar $G = (V_N, \Sigma, P, S)$
 using the two grammars G_1 and G_2 as
 follows,

$$VN = VN_1 \cup VN_2 \cup \{S\}$$

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2,$$

$$P = P_1 \cup P_2 \cup \{S \rightarrow S_1 S_2\}.$$

From the above discussion it is clear that the language set generated from the grammar G contains all the strings that are derived from S_1 as well as S_2 . Hence it is proved that $L = L_1 L_2$.

Star-Closure:

Let L is a CFL for the CFG $G_1 = (VN_1, \Sigma, P_1, S_1)$. we have to prove that L^* is also in CFL.

Let us construct a grammar $G = (VN, \Sigma, P, S)$, using the grammar G_1 as follows,

$$VN = VN_1 \cup \{S\},$$

$$P = \{S \rightarrow S_1, S / \epsilon\} \cup P_1.$$

Obviously, G is a CFG. It is easy to see that $L(G) = L^*$.

Prove that CFL are not closed under intersection and complementation.

Intersection:

Consider two languages

$$L_1 = \{a^n b^m c^n, \text{ where } n, m \geq 0\} \text{ and}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^m, \text{ where } n, m \geq 0\}.$$

We can easily show that the two languages L_1 and L_2 are context free. (By constructing grammar)

Consider $L = L_1 \cap L_2$.

$$\text{Hence } L = a^n b^m c^n \cap a^n b^n c^m, \text{ where } n \geq 0.$$

The $a^n b^n c^n$ is a context sensitive language not a context free. From here we can conclude that CFL are not closed under intersection.

Complementation:

From set theory we can prove $L_1 \cap L_2 = \bar{L}_1 \cup \bar{L}_2$ by (De Morgan's Law).

If the union of the complements of L_1, L_2 are closed, i.e. also context free, then the LHS will also be context free. But we have proved that $L_1 \cap L_2$ is not context free. We are getting contradiction here. Hence CFLs are not closed under complementation.

Prove that every regular language is a CFL.

From recursive definition of Regular set we know \emptyset and ϵ are regular expression.

If R is regular expression, then $R+R$ (union), $R.R$ (concatenation) and R^* (Kleene star) are also regular expressions.

A regular expression R is a string of terminal symbols. The \emptyset and ϵ are also CFL, and we know that CFL are closed under union, concatenation, and Kleene star. \therefore Every regular language is a CFL.

STATE OGDEN'S LEMMA FOR CFL

Ogden's lemma states that if a language L is context free, then \exists some number $P > 0$ (where P may or may not be a pumping length). Such that for any string w of length at least P in L and every way of marking P or more of the positions in w , w can be written as, $uvxyz$.

where $u, v, x, y \& z$ are strings such that

- i) x has atleast 1 marked position
- ii) Either u and v both have marked positions or $y \& z$ both have marked positions.
- iii) $vx y$ has atmost P marked positions.
- iv) ~~uvixyz is in L for every~~
~~i ≥ 0.~~

Q: Simplify the following CFG.

$$S \rightarrow AaB / aaB$$

$$A \rightarrow D$$

$$B \rightarrow bbA / \epsilon$$

$$D \rightarrow E$$

$$E \rightarrow F$$

$$F \rightarrow aS$$

Q: Convert the following grammar to CNF.

$$S \rightarrow aA / bB$$

$$A \rightarrow aBB / bS / b$$

$$B \rightarrow bAA / aS / a$$

Q: Convert the following grammar into CNF.

$$S \rightarrow aA/B/C/a$$

$$A \rightarrow aB/E$$

$$B \rightarrow aA$$

$$C \rightarrow cD$$

$$D \rightarrow abd.$$

Q: Convert the following grammar into CNF.

$$\begin{aligned} E &\rightarrow E + T/T \\ + &\rightarrow (E)/a \end{aligned}$$

Q: Convert the following grammar into CNF.

$$S \rightarrow ABb/a$$

$$A \rightarrow aaA/B$$

$$B \rightarrow bAb/b$$

Q: Convert the following grammar into GNF.

(i) $S \rightarrow A$

$$A \rightarrow aBa/n$$

$$B \rightarrow bAb/b$$

(ii) $S \rightarrow XY$

$$X \rightarrow YS/b$$

$$Y \rightarrow SX/a$$

(iii) $S \rightarrow AB/BC$ $A \rightarrow AB/bA/a$
 $B \rightarrow bB/cC/b$ $C \rightarrow c$

~~(ii)~~: Remove left recursion from the given grammar.

(i) $A \rightarrow B a/b$
 $B \rightarrow B c/A d/e$

(ii) $E \rightarrow E + T/T$
 $T \rightarrow T * F/F$
 $F \rightarrow id/(E)$

(iii) $S \rightarrow A a/b$
 $A \rightarrow S c/d$

Push Down Automata

Module-3 Ch-2

Objectives

- 1) Definition of PDA
- 2) Acceptance of CFL.
- 3) Acceptance by Final state and Acceptance by empty state and its equivalence.
- 4) Equivalence of CFL & PDA.
- 5) Introduction to DCFL & DPDA

Definition of PDA

- i) PDA is a machine format for CFL.
- ii) A CFL is generated from CFG.
- iii) A CFL is accepted by a logical machine PDA.
- iv) PDA can be of 2 types,
 - a) Deterministic PDA (DPDA)
 - b) Non Deterministic PDA (NDPDA)

[FOR every possible CFL it is not possible to generate DPDA but it is possible to generate NDPDA.]

[For every RL it is possible to generate either NDFA or DFA]

[No. of states in NDPDA will always be greater than No. of states in DPDA]

DPDA \rightarrow n no. of states.

NDPDA \rightarrow 2^n " " " then $n < 2^n$.

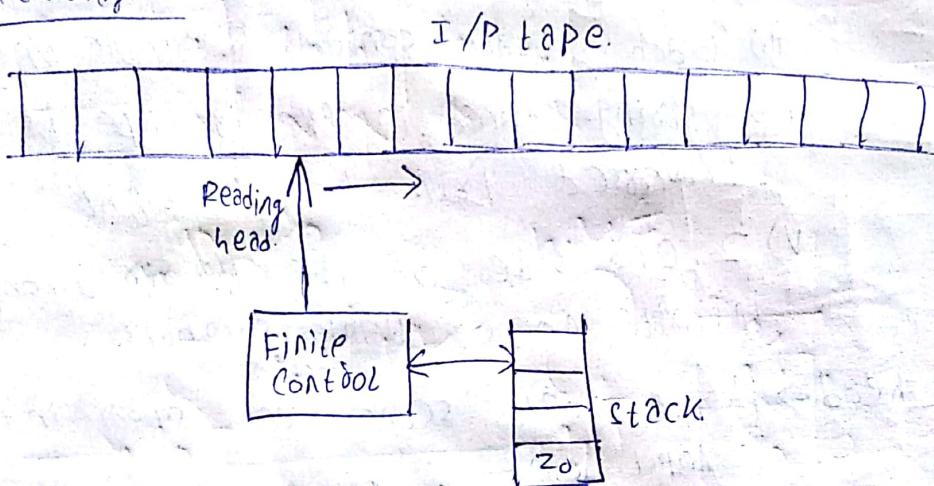
DFA \rightarrow n no. of states.

NDFA \rightarrow 2^n " " " then $n \leq 2^n$

- Describe the block diagram or mechanical diagram of PDA.
- 1) Input tape → i) Contains the input symbols. (~~a a a b b b~~)
- ii) The tape is divided into no. of equal sized squares
- iii) Each square contains a single i/p character.
- iv) String placed in the i/p tape is traversed from left to right.
- v) 2 end side of the i/p string contain infinite no. of blank symbols.
- 2) Reading head → i) The head scans each square in the input tape.
- ii) It reads the i/p from the tape.
- iii) The head moves from left to right.
- iv) I/P scanned by the reading head is sent to the Finite Control Unit of PDA.
- 3) Finite control unit → i) Finite control can be considered as a control unit of a PDA.
- ii) It is an automaton always reside in a state.
- iii) Reading head scans the i/p from the i/p tape and sends it to Finite control unit.
- iv) The input sent by reading head to the finite control unit from the i/p tape is pushed into the stack Top.
- v) Depending on the input taken from the i/p ~~tape~~ and i/p from the stack top the finite control unit decides that in which state PDA will move, and which ~~input~~ symbol it will push to the stack or pop from the stack or do nothing on the stack.
- 4) Stack → i) A stack is a temporary storage of stack symbols.
- ii) Every move of PDA indicates on of the following operation to the stack

- a) push \rightarrow 1 stack symbol may be added to the stack
- b) pop \rightarrow 1 stack symbol may be deleted from the ~~top~~ of stack
- c) skip \rightarrow 1 ~~stack~~^{input} symbol may be skipped or we may do nothing on the stack.

Block diagram



• State the mathematical equation of PDA

A PDA $M = (\alpha, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, z_0, F)$ is a seven-tuple structure where,

- 1) α is the ^{finite} set of states
- 2) Σ is the character set of the language for which the PDA is designed.
- 3) Γ is the symbols that ~~are~~ are pushed down into the stack. (Finite)
- 4) δ is known as the set of transition functions. It governs the working of the PDA
- 5) q_0 is the starting state of the read head
- 6) z_0 is known as the initial pushdown ~~symbol~~ symbol.
- 7) F is known as the set of final states.

Acceptance by a PDA

There are 2 ways to declare a string accepted by a PDA.

- A) Accepted by empty stack / empty store.
- B) Accepted by Final state.

A) Accepted by empty stack/empty store.

We know in each PDA there is a stack, in the stack at the bottom there is a symbol called stack bottom symbol. In each move of the PDA one symbol called stack symbol is either pushed in or popped from the stack. But the symbol z_0 still remains in the stack.

A string w may be declared accepted by the empty stack after processing all the symbols of w . If the stack is empty after reading the rightmost input character of the string w .

Mathematically we can define it as, the string w is declared accepted by empty stack if

$$\{ w \in \Sigma^* / (q_0, w, z_0)^* \xrightarrow{\alpha, \lambda, \lambda} (q_f, \lambda, \lambda) \text{ for some } \alpha \in Q \}$$

In general we can say that a string is accepted by a PDA of empty stack if both the following conditions are fulfilled.

- i) The string is finished (Totally processed)
- ii) Stack is empty.

b) Accepted by final state. A string w may be declared accepted by final state if after total traversal of the string w , the PDA enters into its final state. In mathematical notation, we can say $M = \{Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, z_0, F\}$ be a PDA, the string w is declared accepted by final state if,

$$\{ w \in \Sigma^* / (q_0, w, z_0) \xrightarrow{*} (q_F, \lambda, z_0) \text{ for } q_F \in F \text{ and } z_0 \text{ is the stack bottom symbol} \}$$

In general we can say that a string is accepted by a PDA by final state if both the following conditions are fulfilled.

- i) The string is finished (totally traversed)
- ii) The PDA enters into its final state.

(Though there are 2 ways to declare a string accepted by a PDA, but it can be proved that both the ways are equivalent.

In general for both the cases, all the steps are same, except the last step. In the last step, it is differentiated whether the string is accepted by empty stack or by final state.

If in the last step

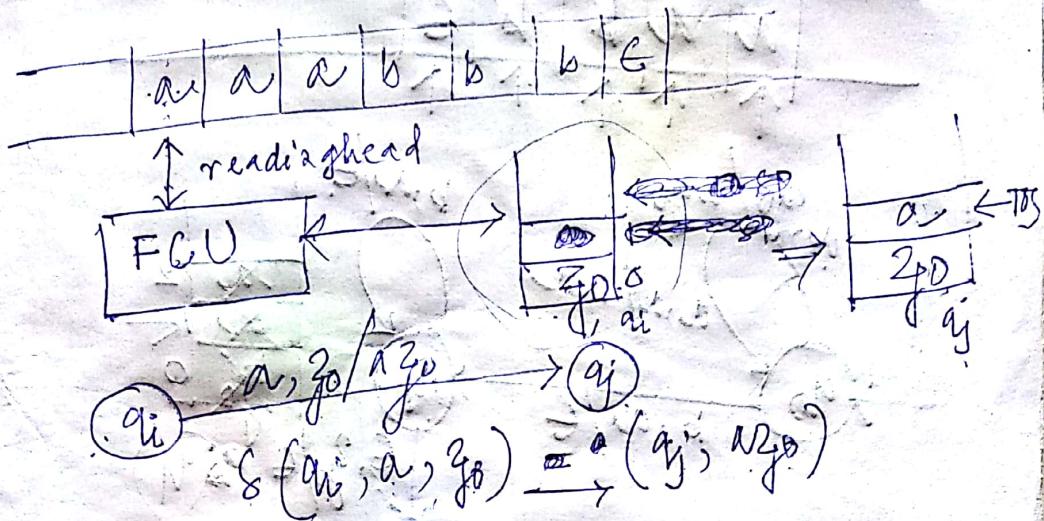
$$\delta(q_i, \lambda, z_0) \xrightarrow{*} (q_f, \lambda), \text{ it is accepted}$$

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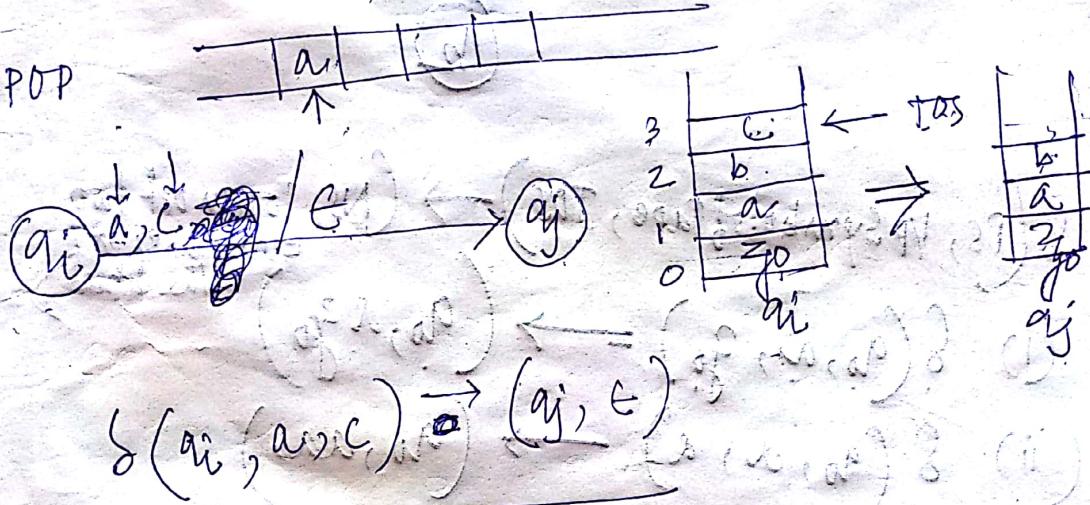
by empty stack
by final state)

Stack related operations on PDA

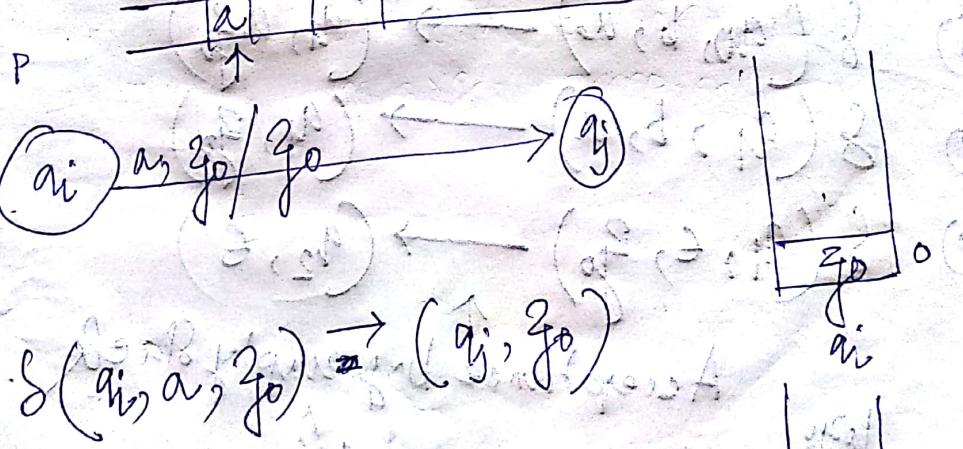
PUSH



POP

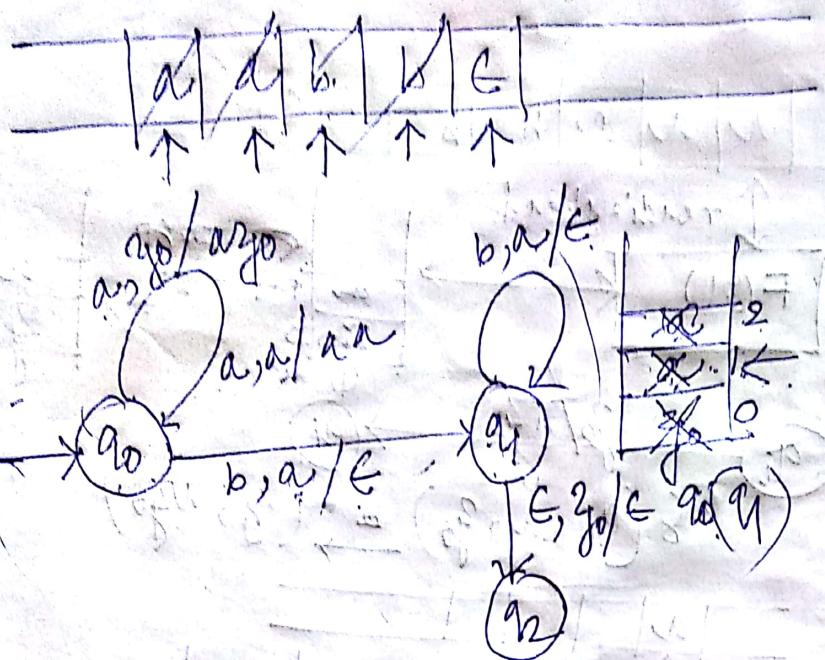


SKIP



Construct a PDA of a given language by empty stack and final state, both

where $L = a^n b^n \quad n \geq 1$



$\delta(Ps, 1/p \text{ symbol of page}, \text{TOP}) \rightarrow (\text{NS, Topmost two elements of the stack})$

$$(i) \delta(q_0, a, z_0) \rightarrow (q_1, a^2 z_0)$$

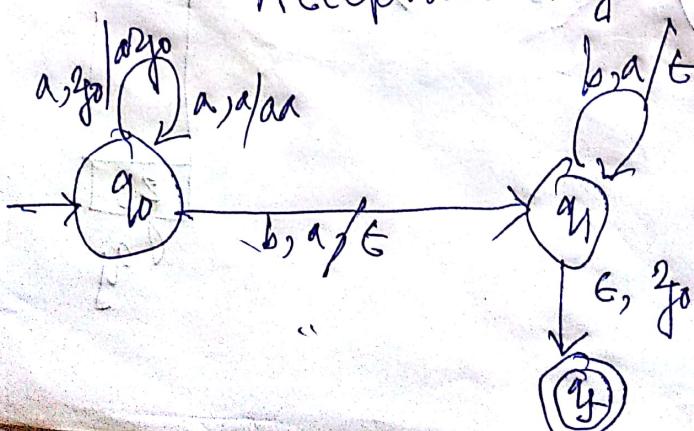
$$(ii) \delta(q_0, a, a) \rightarrow (q_1, aa)$$

$$(iii) \delta(q_0, b, a) \rightarrow (q_1, a^2 z_0)$$

$$(iv) \delta(q_1, b, a) \rightarrow (q_2, z_0)$$

$$(v) \delta(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) \rightarrow (q_2, \epsilon)$$

Acceptance by empty stack



- (i) $\delta(q_0, a, z_0) \rightarrow (q_0, a z_0)$
 (ii) $\delta(q_0, a, a) \rightarrow (q_0, a a)$
 (iii) $\delta(q_0, b, a) \rightarrow (q_1, a z_0)$
 (iv) $\delta(q_1, b, a) \rightarrow (q_1, z_0)$
 (v) $\delta(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) \rightarrow (q_1, z_0)$

Acceptance by final state

D PDA

$$D \delta : Q \times \Sigma \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^* \Rightarrow$$

N PDA

$$\delta : Q \times \Sigma \times \Gamma \rightarrow 2^{Q \times \Gamma^*}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 PG-248 & \xrightarrow{244} & 241 & \xrightarrow{237} & 234 & \xrightarrow{*} & 233 & \xrightarrow{*} & 260 & \xrightarrow{261} \\
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 & 7.9 & 7.8 & 7.7 & 7.5 & 7.4 & 7.3 & 7.15 & 7.16
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \xrightarrow{262} \\
 \xrightarrow{7.17} \\
 \xrightarrow{263} \\
 \xrightarrow{7.18}
 \end{array}$$

Nagpal

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 \xrightarrow{198^*} & \xrightarrow{199^*} & \xrightarrow{200} & \xrightarrow{201} & \xrightarrow{202} & \xrightarrow{207} & \xrightarrow{209} \\
 \xrightarrow{6.1} & \xrightarrow{6.2} & \xrightarrow{6.3} & \xrightarrow{6.4, 6.5} & \xrightarrow{6.6, 6.7} & \xrightarrow{6.10} & \xrightarrow{DCFL} \\
 \xrightarrow{222} & & & & & & \xrightarrow{DPDA} \\
 \xrightarrow{6.16, 6.17, 6.18} & & & & & & \text{Read.}
 \end{array}$$