

$$L = \{ x \bar{x} \mid x \in \{0,1\}^* \} \quad \bar{x} \text{ means "not"}$$

if $x = 0^i y$,

Let $D_i = \frac{d}{dx 0^i} L$ then $x \bar{x} = \underline{0^i y 1^i \bar{y}}$

$$D_i = \{ y 1^i \bar{y} \mid y \in \{0,1\}^* \}$$

this has i 1's in the middle,
so these are all different.

Shewn.

Grammars

Another general way to specify languages.

more complex than regex.

e.g. $\{a^n b^n\}$ has a grammar.

A grammar for english sentences like

I love mom
you want candy
we see candy

these are all NVO

As a grammar:

$S \rightarrow NVO$

$N \rightarrow I | \text{you} | \text{we}$

$V \rightarrow \text{love} | \text{want} | \text{see}$

$O \rightarrow \text{mom} | \text{candy}$

means "or"

Each $\rightarrow$ is a "production"

We can write derivations, like:

$S \Rightarrow NVO \Rightarrow IVO \Rightarrow I \text{ love } O \Rightarrow I \text{ love mom}$

Fancier one

$S \rightarrow NVO | NVMO$

$N \rightarrow I | \text{you} | \text{we}$

$V \rightarrow \text{love} | \text{want} | \text{see}$

$O \rightarrow \text{mom} | \text{candy}$

$M \rightarrow \text{the} | \text{my}$

now we can derive "I see my mom"

We'll usually do ones like

$$G: \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aS \mid X \\ X \rightarrow bX \mid \varepsilon \end{array}$$

We start with S , and do substitutions using $\Rightarrow$.

we can derive $aaabb$

$$\begin{aligned} S &\Rightarrow aS \Rightarrow aaS \Rightarrow aaaS \Rightarrow aaaX \\ &\Rightarrow aaabX \Rightarrow aaabbX \Rightarrow aaabb\varepsilon \\ &= aaabb \end{aligned}$$

The set of all strings derivable using the grammar is the language generated by G ,

$$L(G)$$

$$G: S \rightarrow aSb \mid \varepsilon$$

some derivations

$$S \Rightarrow aSb \Rightarrow a\varepsilon b = ab$$

$$S \Rightarrow aSb \Rightarrow aaSbb \Rightarrow aabb$$

$$S \Rightarrow aSb \Rightarrow aaSbb \Rightarrow aaaSbbb \Rightarrow aaabbb$$

$$L(G) = \{a^n b^n\}$$

Fancier:

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

$$aS \rightarrow Sa$$

Now, we can get $a^n b^n$, but also $abab$

$$S \Rightarrow aSb \Rightarrow Sab \Rightarrow aSbab \Rightarrow abab.$$

$L(G)$ is hard to describe

Terms: Alphabet letters (a, b, etc)
are called terminal symbols

The others ($S, X, Y, T, \dots$) are called
nonterminal symbols

Formal description of a grammar

Def A grammar is a tuple $G = (V, \Sigma, S, P)$

where V is a nonempty set of nonterminal symbols
 Σ terminal symbols

$S \in V$ the starting symbol

P is a set of productions,
each looks like $x \rightarrow y$

where x & y are strings on $V \cup \Sigma$
and x uses at least one nonterminal.

$aS \rightarrow b$ is allowed

~~$a \rightarrow ba$~~ is not allowed.

$G:$ $S \rightarrow aS \mid X$
 $X \rightarrow bX \mid \epsilon$

Formally:

$G = (\{S, X\}, \{a, b\}, S, \{S \rightarrow aS, S \rightarrow X, X \rightarrow bX, X \rightarrow \epsilon\})$

Formally $x \Rightarrow y$ means we can obtain y
by doing a single production on some piece
of x .

We write $x \Rightarrow^* y$ when we can obtain y
from x after several derivation steps.

Def The language of G is

$$L(G) = \{ x \in \Sigma^* \mid S \Rightarrow^* x \}$$

$\uparrow$ $\uparrow$ $\uparrow$
all strings x such that we can start with S
and derive x .