

This is a review of context-free grammars from the lecture on Tuesday; in each example, the grammar itself is on the left; the explanation for each non-terminal is on the right.

- Properly nested strings of parentheses.

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon \mid S(S) \qquad \text{properly nested parentheses}$$

Here is a different grammar for the same language:

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon \mid (S) \mid SS \qquad \text{properly nested parentheses}$$

- $\{0^m 1^n \mid m \neq n\}$ . This is the set of all binary strings composed of some number of 0s followed by a different number of 1s.

$$\begin{array}{ll} S \rightarrow A \mid B & \{0^m 1^n \mid m \neq n\} \\ A \rightarrow 0A \mid 0C & \{0^m 1^n \mid m > n\} \\ B \rightarrow B1 \mid C1 & \{0^m 1^n \mid m < n\} \\ C \rightarrow \epsilon \mid 0C1 & \{0^m 1^n \mid m = n\} \end{array}$$


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Give context-free grammars for each of the following languages. For each grammar, describe *in English* the language for each non-terminal, and in the examples above. As usual, we won't get to all of these in section.

**1**  $\{0^{2n} 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

**2**  $\{0^m 1^n \mid m \neq 2n\}$

(**Hint:** If  $m \neq 2n$ , then either  $m < 2n$  or  $m > 2n$ . Extend the previous grammar, but pay attention to parity. This language contains the string **01**.)

**3**  $\{0, 1\}^* \setminus \{0^{2n}1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

(**Hint:** Extend the previous grammar. What is missing?)

**Work on these later:**

- 4  $\{w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid \#(0, w) = 2 \cdot \#(1, w)\}$  – Binary strings where the number of 0s is exactly twice the number of 1s.

5  $\{0,1\}^* \setminus \{ww \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$ .

*[Anti-hint: The language  $\{ww \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$  is **not** context-free. Thus, the complement of a context-free language is not necessarily context-free!]*