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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.

$$S \to \epsilon \mid S(S)$$
 properly nested parentheses

Here is a different grammar for the same language:

$$S \to \epsilon \mid (S) \mid SS$$
 properly nested parentheses

•  $\{0^m1^n \mid m \neq n\}$ . This is the set of all binary strings composed of some number of 0s followed by a different number of 1s.

$$S \to A \mid B \\ A \to 0A \mid 0C \\ B \to B1 \mid C1 \\ C \to \epsilon \mid 0C1$$
 
$$\{0^{m}1^{n} \mid m \neq n\} \\ \{0^{m}1^{n} \mid m < n\} \\ \{0^{m}1^{n} \mid m < n\} \\ \{0^{m}1^{n} \mid m = n\}$$

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.

- $1 \quad \left\{ 0^{2n} 1^n \mid n \ge 0 \right\}$
- $2 \quad \{0^m 1^n \mid m \neq 2n\}$

(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.)

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

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

## Work on these later:

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

[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!]