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Alphabets, Words, Languages I

alphabet — non-empty finite set

letter — element of an alphabet

word (over V) — sequence of letters (of V)

λ — empty word

V^* (V^+ , resp.) — set of all (non-empty) words over V

product (concatenation) of words — juxtaposition of words

v subword of w — $w = x_1vx_2$ for some $x_1, x_2 \in V^*$

v prefix of w — $w = vx$ for some $x \in V^*$

v suffix of w — $w = xv$ for some $x \in V^*$

Alphabets, Words, Languages II

$\#_a(w)$ — number of occurrences of the letter a in the word w

$|w| = \sum_{a \in V} \#_a(w)$ — length of the word $w \in V^*$

$\Psi(w) = (\#_{a_1}(w), \#_{a_2}(w), \dots, \#_{a_n}(w))$ — Parikh vector of the word $w \in V^*$, $V = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$

language (over V) — subset (of V^*)

Convention: languages L_1 and L_2 are called equal (written as $L_1 = L_2$) if and only if L_1 and L_2 differ at most in the empty word

i.e., $L_1 \setminus \{\lambda\} = L_2 \setminus \{\lambda\}$

Grammars I

phrase structure grammar — $G = (N, T, P, S)$,
 N – set of nonterminals,
 T – set of terminals
 $V_G = N \cup T, N \cap T = \emptyset$,
 P – set of productions/rules,
finite subset of $(V^* \setminus T^*) \times V^*$,
rules written as $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$,
 $S \in N$ – axiom

direct derivation $x \Longrightarrow_G y$ — $x = x_1\alpha x_2, y = x_1\beta x_2, \alpha \rightarrow \beta \in P$,

\Longrightarrow_G^* reflexive and transitive closure of \Longrightarrow_G

$L(G) = \{z \mid z \in T^* \text{ and } S \Longrightarrow_G^* z\}$

Grammars II

G is called monotone if and only if every rule of P has the form $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ with $|\alpha| \leq |\beta|$,

G is called context-sensitive if and only if every rule of P has the form $uAv \rightarrow uvw$ with $A \in N$, $w \in V^+$, $u, v \in V^*$

G is called context-free if and only if every rule of P has the form $A \rightarrow w$ with $A \in N$ and $w \in V^*$,

G is called regular if and only if every rule of P has the form $A \rightarrow wB$ or $A \rightarrow w$ with $A, B \in N$ and $w \in T^*$,

Grammars III

REG, *CF*, *CS*, *MON* and *RE* — families of regular, context-free, context-sensitive, monotone and arbitrary (phrase structure) grammars,

language L is called X if and only if $L = L(G)$ for some X grammar G

for a family X of grammar,

$\mathcal{L}(X)$ — family of languages generated by grammars of X ,

$\mathcal{L}(FIN)$ — family of finite languages

$\mathcal{L}(FIN) \subset \mathcal{L}(REG) \subset \mathcal{L}(CF) \subset \mathcal{L}(CS) = \mathcal{L}(MON) \subset \mathcal{L}(RE)$

$\mathcal{L}(RE)$ is the family of all recursively enumerable languages

Workspace of Grammars

$G = (N, T, P, S)$ — phrase structure grammar

$D : S \Longrightarrow w_1 \Longrightarrow w_2 \Longrightarrow \dots \Longrightarrow w_r = w$ — derivation of $w \in T^*$ in G

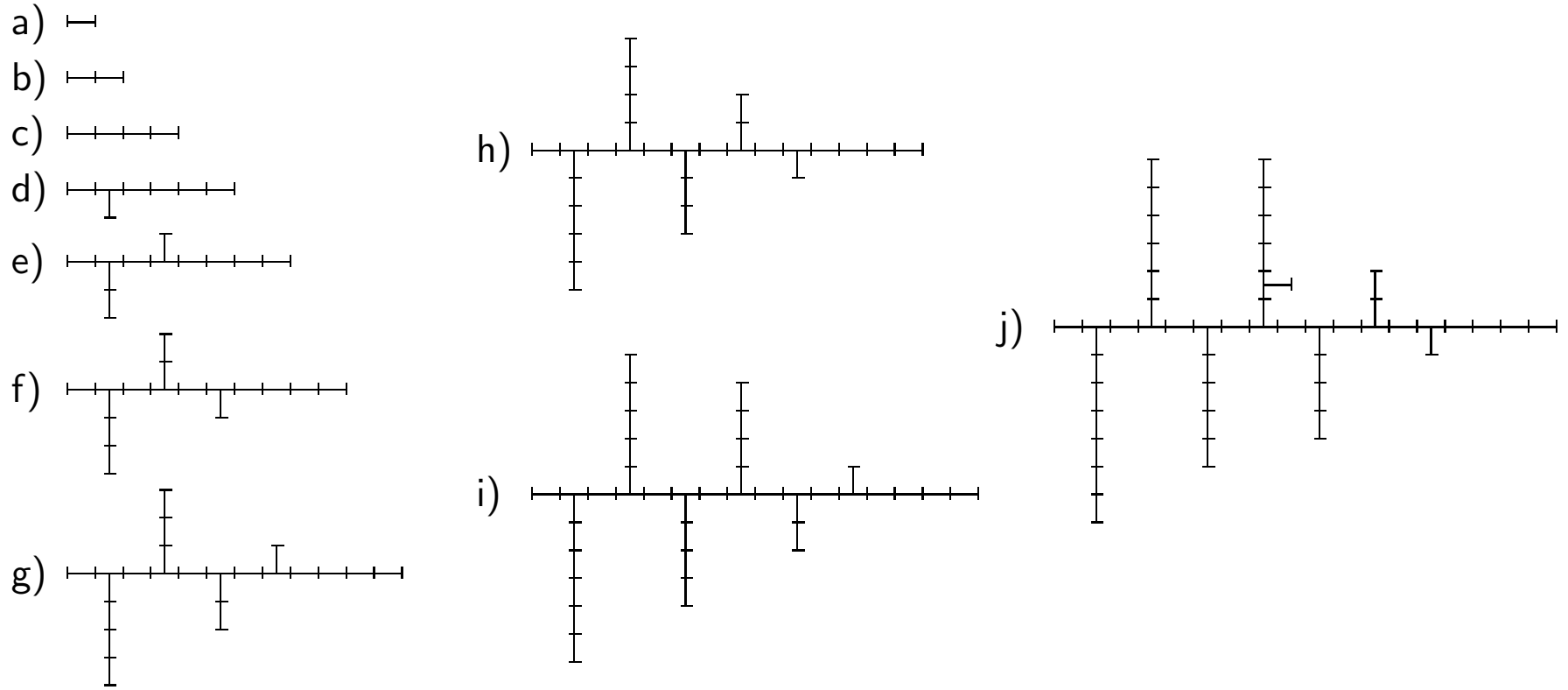
workspace of w by D — $Ws_G(w, d) = \max\{|w_i| \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\}$

workspace of w — $Ws_G(w) = \min\{Ws_G(w, D) \mid D \text{ is a derivation of } w \text{ in } G\}$,

Workspace Theorem:

If $G = (N, T, P, S)$ is a phrase structure grammar and k is a positive integer such that $Ws_G(w) \leq k|w|$ holds for any $w \in L(G)$, then $L(G)$ is a context-sensitive language.

Development of some Alga I



Development of some Alga II

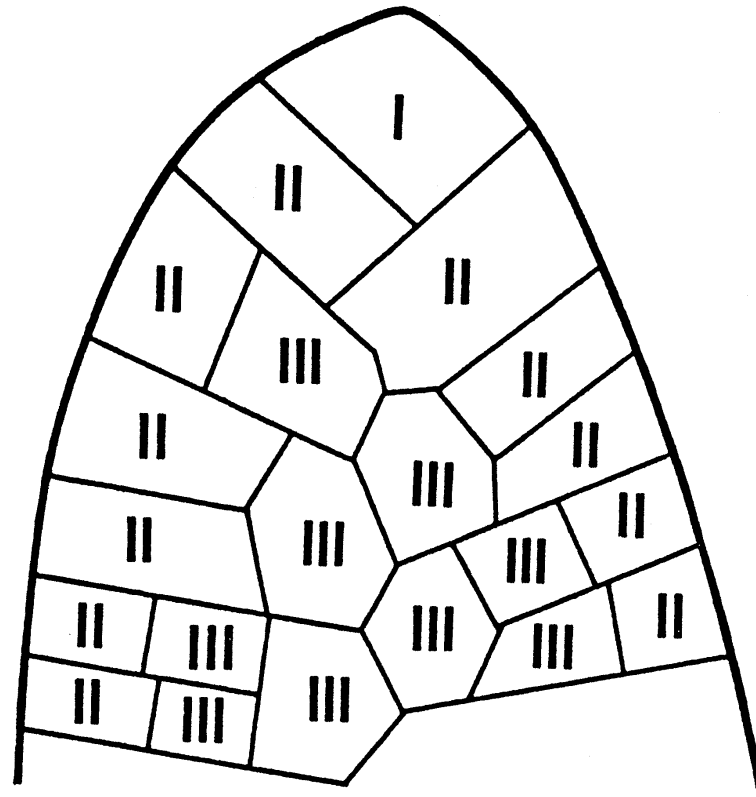
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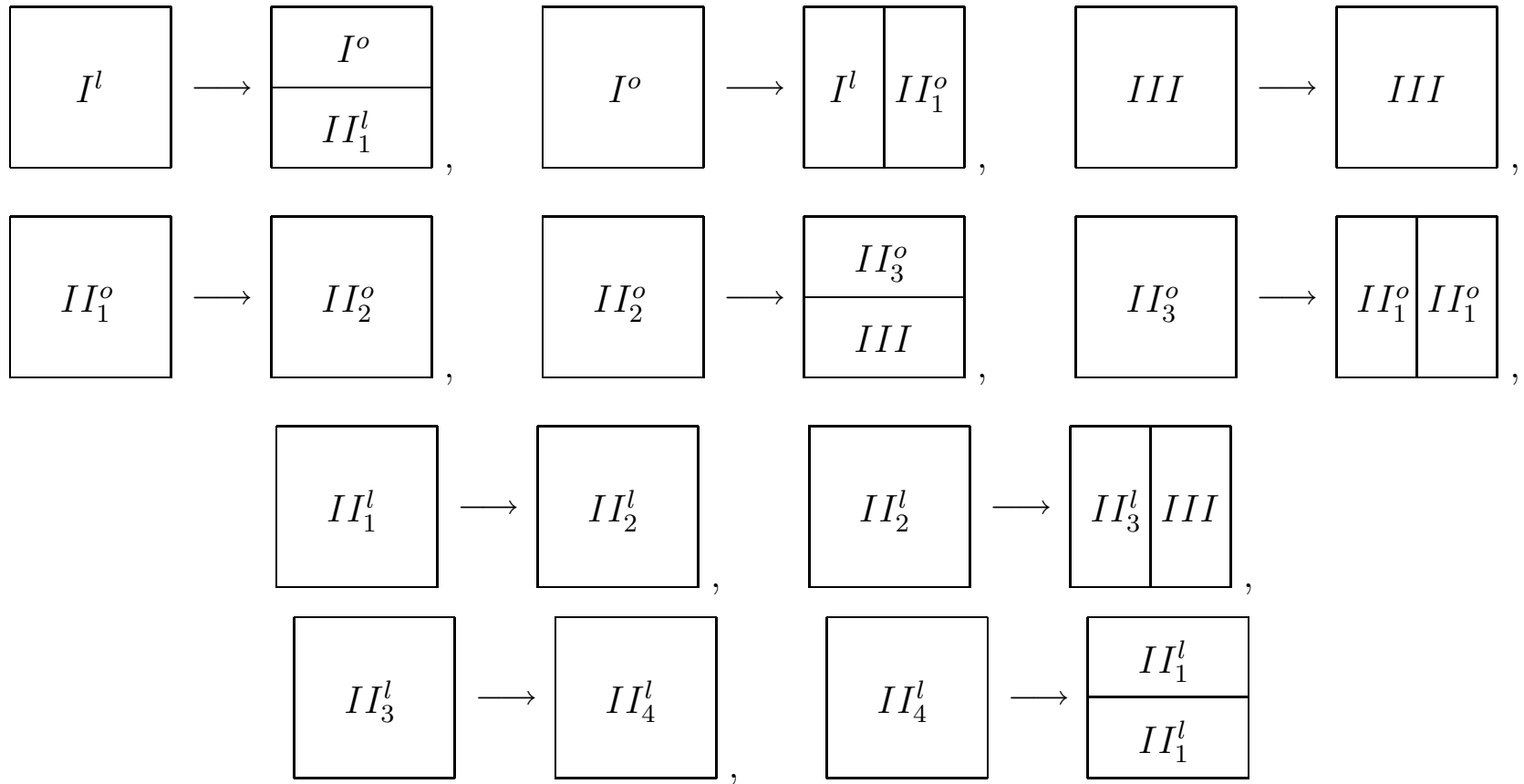
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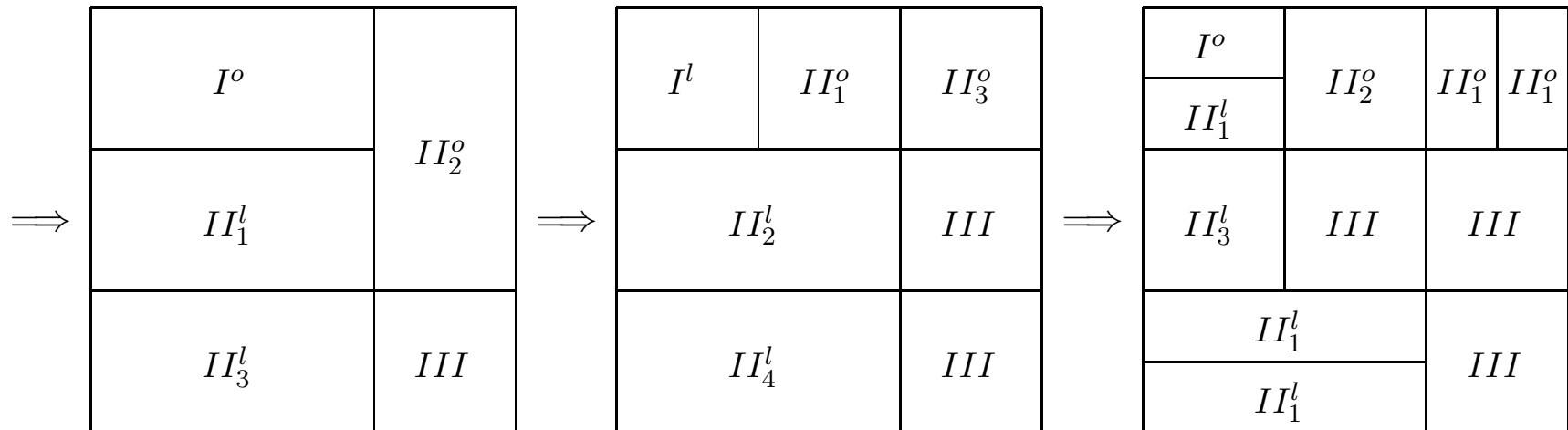
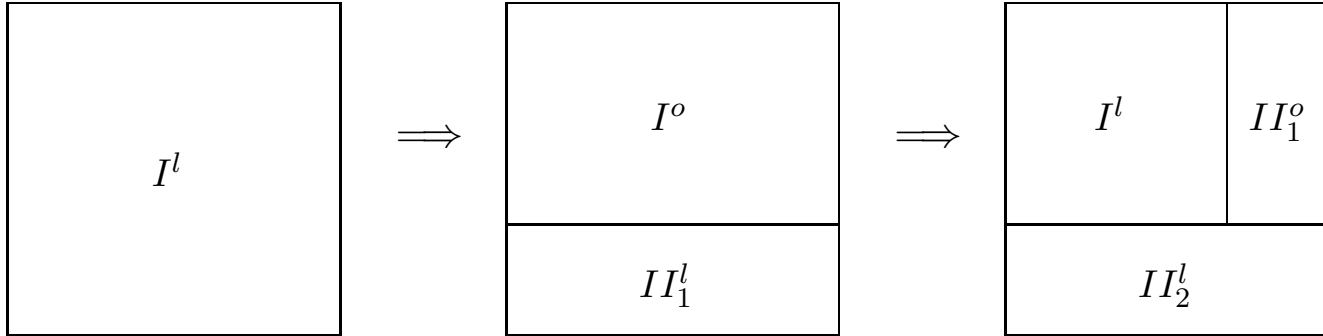
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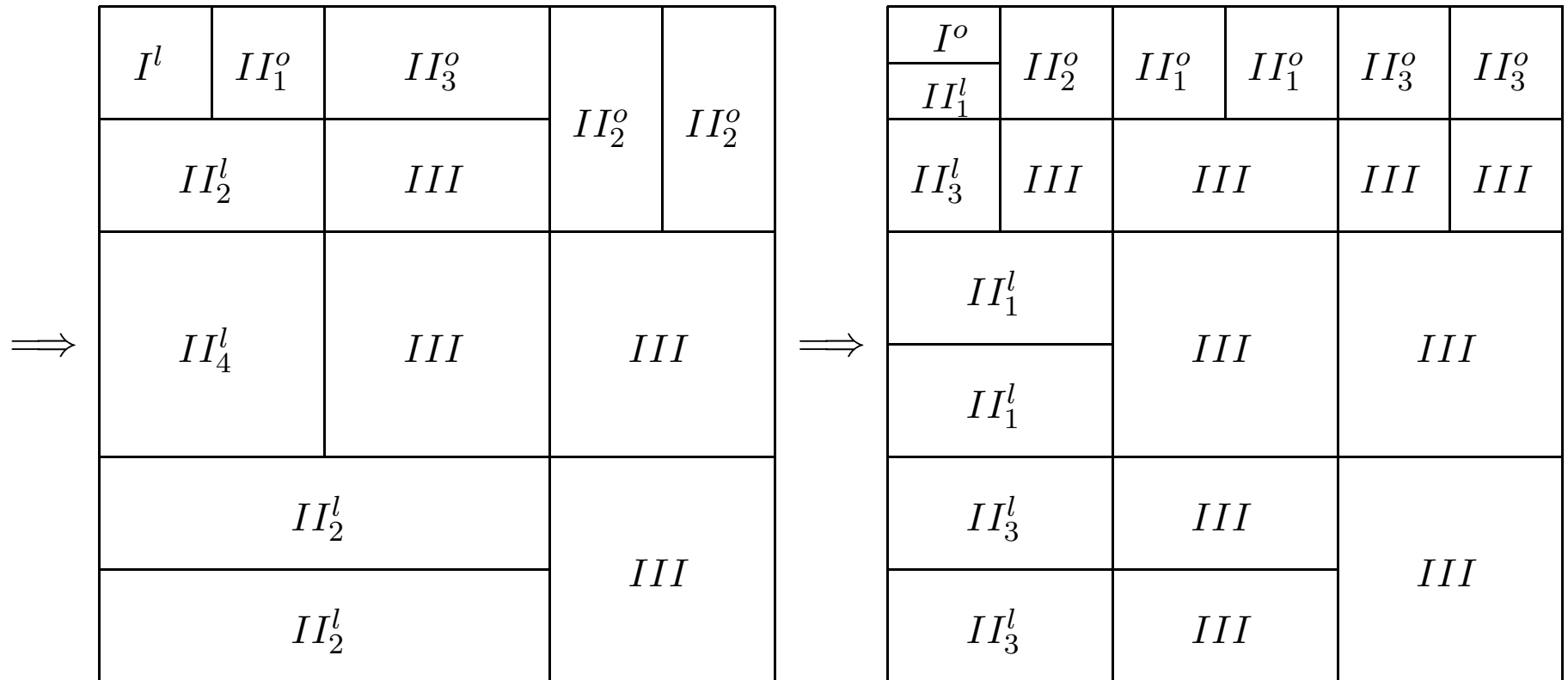
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Phascum Cuspidatum III



Phascum Cuspidatum IV



0L Systems – Definitions I

Definition:

A *Lindenmayer system without interaction* (0L system, for short) is a triple $G = (V, P, \omega)$ where

- V is an alphabet,
- P is a finite complete set of productions over V ,
i.e., P is a finite subset of $V^+ \times V^*$ and,
for any $a \in V$, there is a word w_a such that $(a, w_a) \in P$,
- $\omega \in V^+$.

instead of (a, w) in P we write $a \rightarrow w$

0L Systems – Definitions II

Definition:

Let $G = (V, P, \omega)$ be a 0L system.

For two words $x \in V^+$ and $y \in V^*$, we say that x *directly derives* y in G (written as $x \Longrightarrow_G y$, or $x \Longrightarrow y$ if G is clear from the context) if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- $x = x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ where $x_i \in V$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$,
- $y = y_1y_2 \dots y_n$,
- $x_i \rightarrow y_i \in P$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$.

0L Systems – Definitions III

\Longrightarrow^* denotes the reflexive and transitive closure of \Longrightarrow

Definition:

Let $G = (V, P, \omega)$ be a 0L system.

The language $L(G)$ generated by G is defined as

$$L(G) = \{z \mid \omega \Longrightarrow^* z\}.$$

$$L_0(G) = \{\omega\},$$

$$L_n(G) = \{z \mid v \Longrightarrow z \text{ for some } v \in L_{n-1}(G)\}, \quad n \geq 1$$

$$L(G) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} L_n(G),$$

OL Systems — Examples

$$G_1 = (\{a\}, \{a \rightarrow a^2\}, a)$$

$$L(G_1) = \{a^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0\},$$

$$G_2 = (\{a, b\}, \{a \rightarrow \lambda, b \rightarrow ab\}, aab)$$

$$L(G_2) = \{aab, ab\},$$

$$G_3 = (\{a\}, \{a \rightarrow a, a \rightarrow a^2\}, a)$$

$$L(G_3) = \{a^n \mid n \geq 1\},$$

$$G_4 = (\{a, b, c, d, e\}, \{a \rightarrow a, b \rightarrow ba, c \rightarrow cbb, d \rightarrow da, e \rightarrow cbbd\}, e)$$

$$L(G_4) = \{e\} \cup \{cbbbababa^2ba^2 \dots ba^nba^nda^n \mid n \geq 0\},$$

$$G_5 = (\{a, b, c\}, \{a \rightarrow a^2, b \rightarrow ab, c \rightarrow bc, c \rightarrow c\}, abc)$$

$$L(G_5) = \{a^{2^n-1}ba^{2^{n_1}-1}ba^{2^{n_2}-1}b \dots a^{2^{n_r}-1}bx \mid \\ n > n_1 > n_2 > \dots n_r > 1, r > 0, x \in \{c, bc\}\}$$

Special 0L Systems

Definition:

A 0L system $G = (V, P, \omega)$ is called *propagating* (P0L system, for short) if $a \rightarrow w \in P$ implies $w \neq \lambda$.

A 0L system $G = (V, P, \omega)$ is called *deterministic* (D0L system, for short) if, for any $a \in V$, $a \rightarrow w \in P$ and $a \rightarrow v \in P$ imply $w = v$.

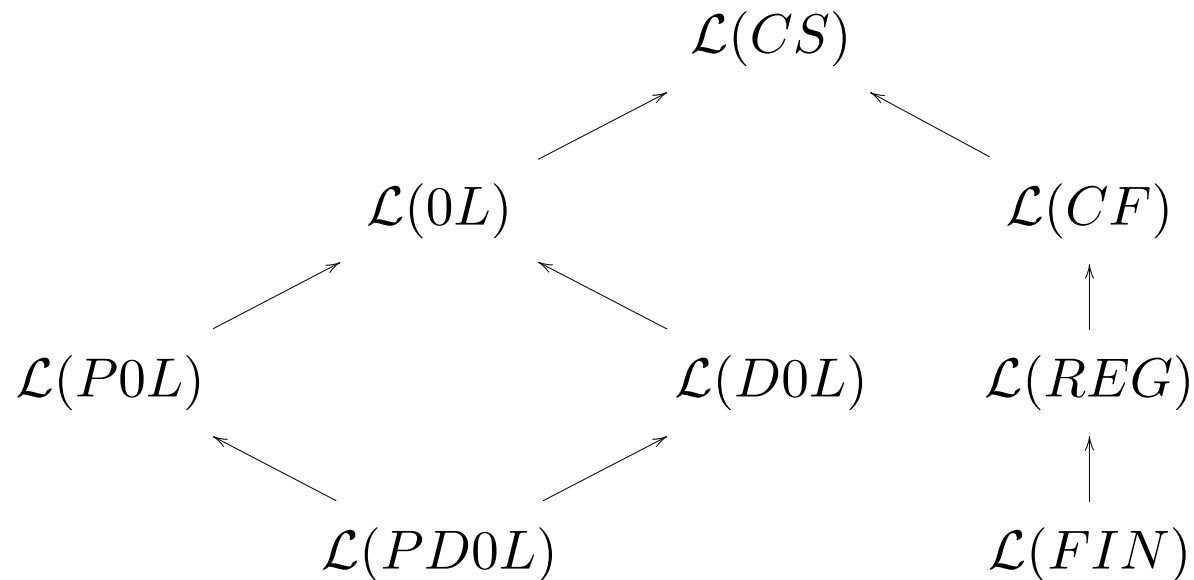
A PD0L system is a 0L system which is propagating as well as deterministic.

Hierarchy of L Systems Without Interaction

$X \in \{0L, P0L, D0L, PD0L\}$,

$\mathcal{L}(X)$ — family of languages generated by X systems

Theorem: The following diagram holds.



Workspace of 0L Systems

Lemma:

Let $G = (V, P, \omega)$ be a 0L system. Then there exists a constant C_G such that, for any word $x \in L(G)$, there is a derivation

$$\omega = w_0 \Longrightarrow w_1 \Longrightarrow w_2 \Longrightarrow \dots \Longrightarrow w_r = x$$

with $|w_i| \leq C_G \cdot |x|$.

Adult Languages of 0L Systems

Definition: The adult language $L_A(G)$ of a 0L system $G = (V, P, \omega)$ is the set of all words $z \in L(G)$ such that $z \implies v$ implies $z = v$.

$$G_6 = (\{a, b, c, d, e\}, \{a \rightarrow dabc, a \rightarrow e, b \rightarrow bc, c \rightarrow \lambda, d \rightarrow e, e \rightarrow e\}, a)$$

$$L(G_6) = \{a, e\} \cup \{e^{n-1}da(bc)^n \mid n \geq 1\} \cup \{e^n(bc)^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_A(G_6) = \{e\} \cup \{e^n(bc)^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

$$X \in \{0L, P0L, D0L, PD0L\}$$

$\mathcal{L}(AX)$ – family of adult languages generated by X systems

Theorem:

i) $\mathcal{L}(A0L) = \mathcal{L}(AP0L) = \mathcal{L}(CF)$.

ii) $\mathcal{L}(AD0L) = \mathcal{L}(APD0L) = \{\{w\} \mid w \in V^+\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$.

Decision Problems I

Membership problem – given X system $G = (V, P, \omega)$ and $w \in V^*$,
decide whether or not $w \in L(G)$

Emptiness problem – given X system $G = (V, P, \omega)$,
decide whether or not $L(G)$ is empty

Finiteness problem – given X system $G = (V, P, \omega)$,
decide whether or not $L(G)$ is finite

Equivalence problem – given X systems $G = (V, P, \omega)$ and $H = (V, P', \omega')$,
decide whether or not $L(G) = L(H)$

Decision Problems II

Remark: The emptiness problem is not of interest (is trivial) since any 0L system generates a non-empty language.

Theorem:

For 0L systems, the membership problem is decidable in polynomial time.

Theorem:

For 0L systems, the finiteness problem is decidable in polynomial time.

Theorem:

- i) For (P)0L systems, the equivalence problem is undecidable.
- ii) For (P)D0L systems, the equivalence problem is decidable.

Growth Functions I

For a D0L system G , $L_m(G)$ contains exactly one element w_m .

Definition: The growth function $f_G : \mathbf{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{N}_0$ of a deterministic 0L system G is defined by

$$f_G(m) = |w_m|.$$

$G = (\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}, \{a_1 \rightarrow v_1, a_2 \rightarrow v_2, \dots, a_n \rightarrow v_n\}, \omega)$
growth matrix of G — $M_G = (\#_{a_i}(v_j))$ (which is an (n, n) -matrix)

Theorem: For a D0L system with growth matrix M_G ,

$$f_G(m) = \Psi_V(\omega)(M_G)^m(1, 1, \dots, 1)^T.$$

Some Linear Algebra

The *characteristic polynomial* $\chi_A(x)$ of a (square) matrix A is defined by

$$\chi(x) = \det(A - xE) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + a_{n-2} x^{n-2} + \dots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$

where E is the identity matrix.

We have $a_n = (-1)^n$ and $a_0 = \det(A)$

μ is called *eigenvalue* of the square matrix A iff $\det(A - \mu E) = 0$.

μ is eigenvalue of the square matrix A iff μ is a root of χ_A .

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: $\chi_A(A) = 0$

Linear Difference Equations

Let the polynomial $a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + a_{n-2} x^{n-2} + \dots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$ have the roots α_i of multiplicity t_i , $1 \leq i \leq s$.

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^s t_i = n\right)$$

Theorem: The linear difference equation

$$a_n f(m+n) + a_{n-1} f(m+n-1) + \dots + a_2 f(m+2) + a_1 f(m+1) + a_0 f(m) = 0$$

with $m \geq 0$ has the solution

$$f(m) = \sum_{i=1}^s (\beta_{i,0} + \beta_{i,1} m + \beta_{i,2} m^2 + \dots + \beta_{i,t_i} m^{t_i}) \alpha_i^m$$

where $\beta_{i,j}$, $1 \leq i \leq s$, $0 \leq j \leq t_i$ are certain constants.

Growth Functions II

Theorem:

Let $G = (V, P, \omega)$ be a D0L system with $\#(V) = n$.

Let M_G be the growth matrix of G .

For $1 \leq i \leq s$, let μ_i be a eigenvalue of M_G of multiplicity t_i such that $\sum_{i=1}^s t_i = n$.

Then

$$f_G(m) = \sum_{i=1}^s (\beta_{i,0} + \beta_{i,1}m + \beta_{i,2}m^2 + \dots + \beta_{i,t_i}m^{t_i}) \mu_i^m$$

for certain constants $\beta_{i,j}$, $1 \leq i \leq s$, $0 \leq j \leq t_i$.

Growth Functions III

Theorem:

Let G be a D0L system.

Then the growth f_G satisfies one of the following conditions:

- a) there is a constant c such that $f_G(m) \leq c$ for all m ,
- b) there are constants c_1, c_2 and p such that $c_1 m^p \leq f_G(m) \leq c_2 m^p$ for all m ,
- c) there are constants c_1 and c_2 such that $c_1^m \leq f_G(m) \leq c_2^m$ for all m .

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Definitions I

Definition: Let k and l be two non-negative integers.

A $\langle k, l \rangle$ Lindenmayer system ($\langle k, l \rangle$ L system for short) is a quadruple $G = (V, \$, P, \omega)$ where

- V is an alphabet, and $\$$ is a symbol not occurring in V ,
- P is a finite set of triples (u, a, v, w) where
 - a) $u = \$^r u'$ for some $r \in \mathbf{N}_0$ and some $u' \in V^*$ with $|u'| = k - r$,
 - b) $a \in V$,
 - c) $v = v' \s for some $s \in \mathbf{N}_0$ and some $v' \in V^*$ with $|v'| = l - s$,
 - d) $w \in V^*$

and, for any triple (u, a, v) with the properties a), b) and c), there is a $w \in V^*$ such that $(u, a, v, w) \in P$.

- ω is a non-empty word over V .

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Definitions II

Definition: Let G be a $\langle k, l \rangle$ -L system.

Let $x \in V^+$ and $y \in V^*$. We say that x *directly derives* y (written as $x \Longrightarrow_G y$) if the following conditions are satisfied:

– $x = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$ with $a_i \in V$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$,

– $y = y_1 y_2 \dots y_n$,

– $(u_i, a_i, v_i) \rightarrow y_i \in P$ where

$$u_i = \begin{cases} \$^{k-i+1} a_1 a_2 \dots a_{i-1} & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq k \\ a_{i-k} a_{i-k+1} \dots a_{i-1} & \text{for } k < i \end{cases}$$

$$v_i = \begin{cases} a_{i+1} a_{i+2} \dots a_{i+l} & \text{for } i+l \leq n \\ a_{i+1} a_{i+2} \dots a_n \$^{l+i-n} & \text{for } n < i+l \end{cases}$$

The *language* $L(G)$ generated by G is defined as $L(G) = \{z \mid \omega \Longrightarrow_G^* z\}$.

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Examples I

$\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ -L system $G_7 = (\{a, b, c\}, \$, P_7, c)$ with

$$P_7 = \{(\$, a) \rightarrow a^2, (\$, b) \rightarrow b, (\$, c) \rightarrow a, (\$, c) \rightarrow ba^2, (a, a) \rightarrow a^2\} \\ \cup \{(p, q) \rightarrow q \mid (p, q) \in \{a, b, c\} \times \{a, b, c\} \setminus \{(a, a)\}\}$$

$$L(G_7) = \{c\} \cup \{a^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{ba^{2^{n+1}} \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$\langle 1, 1 \rangle$ -L system $G_8 = (\{a, b\}, \$, P_8, ab^2)$ with

$$P_8 \text{ consisting of the following rules: } \begin{cases} (u, a, b) \rightarrow a^2 & \text{for } u \in \{a, b, \$\}, \\ (a, b, v) \rightarrow b^3 & \text{for } v \in \{a, b, \$\}, \\ (u, z, v) \rightarrow z & \text{in all other cases} \end{cases}$$

$$L(G_8) = \{a^n b^{2^n} \mid n \geq 1\}$$

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Examples II

$\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ -L system $G_9 = (\{a, b, o, r\}, \$, P_9, ar)$

P_9 consisting of the following rules:

- $(\$, a) \rightarrow o, (o, a) \rightarrow b, (o, b) \rightarrow o, (o, r) \rightarrow ar,$
- $(u, o) \rightarrow a$ for $u \in \{a, b, o, r, \$\},$
- $(u, z) \rightarrow z$ in all other cases

$$\begin{aligned}
 ar &\Longrightarrow or \Longrightarrow aar \Longrightarrow oar \Longrightarrow abr \Longrightarrow obr \Longrightarrow aor \\
 &\Longrightarrow oaar \Longrightarrow abar \Longrightarrow obar \Longrightarrow aoar \Longrightarrow oabr \Longrightarrow abbr \\
 &\Longrightarrow obbr \Longrightarrow aobr \Longrightarrow oaor \Longrightarrow aoaar \Longrightarrow oabar \Longrightarrow \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Hierarchies I

$k \in \mathbf{N}_0$ and $l \in \mathbf{N}_0$

$\mathcal{L}(\langle k, l \rangle L)$ — family of all languages generated by $\langle k, l \rangle L$ systems

$$\mathcal{L}(IL) = \bigcup_{k \geq 0, l \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(\langle k, l \rangle L)$$

Corollary:

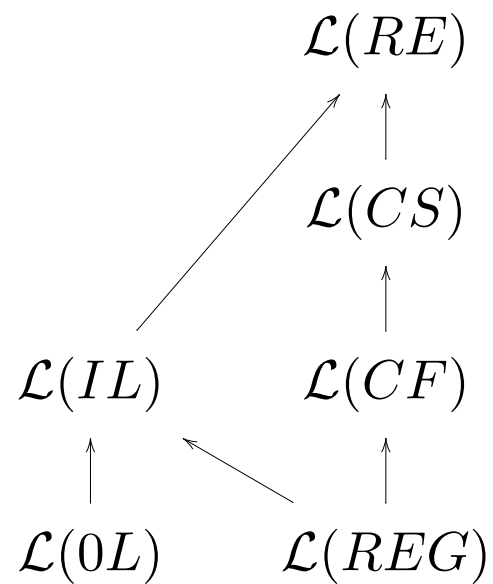
i) $\mathcal{L}(\langle 0, 0 \rangle L) = \mathcal{L}(0L)$.

ii) For any $k, k', l, l' \in \mathbf{N}_0$, $k \leq k'$ and $l \leq l'$,

$$\mathcal{L}(\langle k, l \rangle L) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\langle k', l' \rangle L) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(IL).$$

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Hierarchies II

Theorem:



Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction – Hierarchies III

Lemma: For any $k, k', l, l' \in \mathbf{N}$ with $k + l = k' + l'$,

$$\mathcal{L}(\langle k, l \rangle L) = \mathcal{L}(\langle k', l' \rangle L).$$

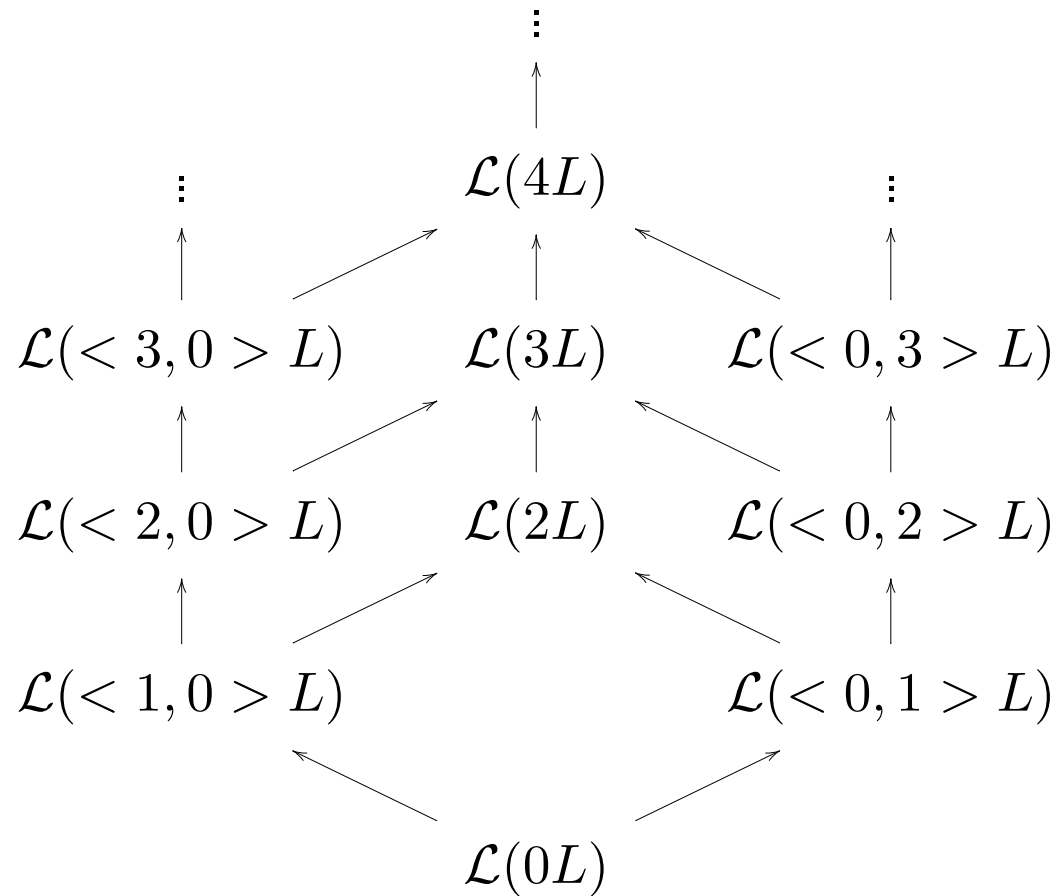
Lemma: For any $k, k', l, l' \in \mathbf{N}_0$ with $k + l < k' + l'$,

$$\mathcal{L}(\langle k, l \rangle L) \subset \mathcal{L}(\langle k', l' \rangle L).$$

For $k \geq 2$, $\mathcal{L}(kL) = \mathcal{L}(\langle 1, k - 1 \rangle L)$.

Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction — Hierarchies IV

Theorem:



Lindenmayer Systems with Interaction

Adult Languages and Growth Functions

Theorem: $\mathcal{L}(AIL) = \mathcal{L}(RE)$.

Theorem:

There is a deterministic $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ -L system G such that its growth function is not a growth function of a D0L system.

More precisely, f_G is not bounded by a constant and, for any polynomial p ,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_G(m)}{p(m)} = 0.$$