

Lecture 5

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- Context free lang, pushdown automata, context-free and non langs

Pushdown Automata

- Definitions and Examples
 - Deterministic Pushdown Automata
 - A PDA from a Given CFG
 - A CFG from a Given PDA
 - Parsing
- FA has 5 tuple, grammar has 4 tuple, Push down has 7 tuple
- Pushdown Automata
 - Def and ex
 - Deterministic pushdown Automata
 - PDA \leftrightarrow CFG (from accepting device to generating device, and vice versa)
 - Parsing
- Def and Ex
 - Lang can be generated by a CFG if & only if can be accepted by PDA
 - Pushdown automaton is similar to a FA but has aux mem in form of a stack
 - Pushdown are nondet
 - Unlike FA's, nondet can't always be removed
 - Simple ex:
 - Lang: $AnBn = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$
 - Not reg lang, but its context free
 - In processing first pt of input string that might be in $AnBn$, all we need to remember is numb of a's
 - Saving actual a's is simple way to do this
 - So PDA start by reading a's and pushing them onto the stack
 - As soon as the PDA reads a b, two things happen
 - Enters new state which only b's are legal input
 - Pop one a off stack to cancel this b
 - In new state, correct move on input symbol b is to pop an a off the stack to cancel it
 - One enough b's read to cancel the a's on the stack,
 - Stack has no limit in size (depend on machine technically), so PDA can handle anything in $AnBn$
 - In single move of PDA, it depends on current state & next input & symbol currently on top of stack (cus that's all PDA can see)
 - PDA lets change states and mod top of the stack
 - Many times, only legal move is push symbol on and pop one off
 - 2 special cases:
 - Pushing symbol Y (replacing X by YX)
 - And popping X (replacing X by lambda)

Definition 5.1: A pushdown automaton is a 7-tuple $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, Z_0, A, \delta)$, where:

- Q is a finite set of states;
- The input and stack alphabets Σ and Γ are finite sets;
- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state;
- $Z_0 \in \Gamma$ is the initial stack symbol;
- $A \subseteq Q$ is the set of accepting states;
- The transition function is

$\delta : Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\Lambda\}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow \text{the set of finite subsets of } Q \times \Gamma^*.$ ■

Definition 5.2: If $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, Z_0, A, \delta)$ and $x \in \Sigma^*$, the string x is *accepted* by M if $(q_0, x, Z_0) \vdash_M^* (q, \Lambda, \alpha)$ for some $\alpha \in \Gamma^*$ and some $q \in A$. ■

- A lang L is said to be accepted by M if L is precisely the set of strings accepted by M
- Sometimes a string accepted by M said to be accepted by final state bc acceptance doesn't depend on final stack contents at all

A PDA for $AnBn$ is $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, Z_0, A, \delta)$ where $Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$, $A = \{q_0, q_3\}$, and the transitions are shown in this table:

Move #	State	Input	Stack top	Move(s)
1	q_0	a	Z_0	(q_1, aZ_0)

2	q_1	a	a	(q_1, aa)
3	q_1	b	a	(q_2, Λ)
4	q_2	b	a	(q_2, Λ)
5	q_2	Λ	Z_{q_3}	(q_3, Z_0)
all other combinations				none

The moves that M makes as it processes the string $aabb$ are shown below:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (q_0, aabb, Z_0) &\vdash^1 (q_1, abb, aZ_0) \\
 &\vdash^2 (q_1, bb, aaZ_0) \\
 &\vdash^3 (q_2, b, aZ_0) \\
 &\vdash^4 (q_2, \Lambda, Z_0) \\
 &\vdash^5 (q_3, \Lambda, Z_0).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $q_3 \in A$, it follows that the string $aabb$ is accepted. M is deterministic, because it never has a choice of moves.

Get a star: Prove that $(q_0, a^n b^n, Z_0) \vdash^{2n+1 \text{ times}} (q_3, \Lambda, Z_0)$.

Definition 5.10: A pushdown automaton

$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, Z_0, A, \delta)$ is *deterministic* if it satisfies both of the following conditions:

1. For every $q \in Q$, every σ in $\Sigma \cup \{\Lambda\}$, and every $X \in \Gamma$, the set $\delta(q, \sigma, X)$ has at most one element.
2. For every $q \in Q$, every $\sigma \in \Sigma$, and every $X \in \Gamma$, the two sets $\delta(q, \sigma, X)$ and $\delta(q, \Lambda, X)$ cannot both be nonempty. ■

Note: A language L is a *deterministic context-free language* (DCFL) if there is a deterministic PDA (DPDA) accepting L . ■

Transition table for a PDA accepting the lang of balanced strings of brackets is ($A = \{q_0\}$):

- Table, lots of pushdown stuff, all move based
- q_0 is the initial and the accepting state

- The lang Pal of palindromes over $\{a, b\}$ can be accepted by a PDA M that saves symbols on the stack until it "guesses" that it has reached the middle of the string, then cancels stack symbols with input symbols

The transition table for a PDA accepting the language of balanced strings of brackets is ($A = \{q_0\}$):

Move #	State	Input	Stack top	Move
1	q_0	[Z_0	$(q_1, [Z_0)$
2	q_1	[[$(q_1, [[)$
3	q_1]	[(q_1, Λ)
4	q_1	Λ	Z_0	(q_0, Z_0)
(all other combinations)				none

One example is the previous PDA accepting $AnBn$. ■

Another example is the language of balanced strings of brackets described by the below three conditions:

1. Two states q_0 and q_1 , where q_0 is the accepting state
2. Input symbols are '[' and ']'
3. Stack symbols are the input symbols plus Z_0

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- 2 typical lines from the transition table are
 - $(q_0, a, Z_0) = \{(q_1, aZ_0), (q_1, Z_0)\}$
 - $(q_0, a, b) = \{(q_0, ab), (q_1, b)\}$
- For both lines, first move is the right one, if input symbol a is still in the first half of the string
- 2nd move is right one if a is in middle symbol in an odd length palindrome
- M decides which to make by guessing
- Other guess it can make is that it has reached middle of an even-length palindrome
 - W/ this, M enter q_1 by a lambda transition
 - EX:
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- Pushdown Automaton accepting Pal
 - ... delta is
 - This stuff
 - More stuff
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$M_{\text{pal}} = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, Z_0\}, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\}, \delta)$, where δ is:

1. $\delta(q_0, a, Z_0) = \{(q_0, aZ_0), (q_1, Z_0)\}$
2. $\delta(q_0, a, a) = \{(q_0, aa), (q_1, a)\}$
3. $\delta(q_0, a, b) = \{(q_0, ab), (q_1, b)\}$
4. $\delta(q_0, b, Z_0) = \{(q_0, bZ_0), (q_1, Z_0)\}$
5. $\delta(q_0, b, a) = \{(q_0, ba), (q_1, a)\}$
6. $\delta(q_0, b, b) = \{(q_0, bb), (q_1, b)\}$
7. $\delta(q_0, \Lambda, Z_0) = \{(q_1, Z_0)\}$
8. $\delta(q_0, \Lambda, a) = \{(q_1, a)\}$
9. $\delta(q_0, \Lambda, b) = \{(q_1, b)\}$
10. $\delta(q_1, \Lambda, Z_0) = \{(q_2, Z_0)\}$
11. $\delta(q_1, a, a) = \{(q_1, \Lambda)\}$
12. $\delta(q_1, b, b) = \{(q_1, \Lambda)\}$

- Let us see whether $abba$ is accepted by M (even length).
- $(q_0, abba, Z_0) \vdash_{1a} (q_0, bba, aZ_0) \vdash$
- $\vdash_{5a} (q_0, ba, baZ_0) \vdash_9 (q_1, ba, baZ_0) \vdash$
- $\vdash_{12} (q_1, a, aZ_0) \vdash_{11} (q_1, \Lambda, Z_0) \vdash$
- $\vdash_{10} (q_2, \Lambda, Z_0)$.
- Since q_2 is an accepting state, it follows that the string $abba$ is accepted.

- Pal, somethings are nondet
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- Check If $abba$ is accepted by M (even length)
 - Reduce it using the rules for pal
- Check is $ababa$ is accepted by M
 - Odd length, guess the middle, then reduce
- M even pal =
- Check $abba$
 - So q_1 deals with first half, q_2 deals with 2nd half, q_3 is end
- M odd pal =
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- M even_odd_pal =
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- CFG making Pal
 - Even: Pal: $S \rightarrow aSa \mid bSb \mid \Lambda$
 - Odd: Pal: $S \rightarrow aSa \mid bSb \mid a \mid b$
 - Both: Pal: $S \rightarrow aSa \mid bSb \mid \Lambda \mid a \mid b$
 - Now construction of equivalent NPDA for Pal is:
 - Where delta is:
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 - Go to slide 40
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- A CFG from a Given PDA
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- Ex:
- Parsing
 - Def
 - Consider the CFG w/ rules $S \rightarrow [S] | SS | \lambda$
 - Top down PDA, get non-det
 - Each time var appear on top of stack, machine replaces it by right side of a production
 - First few moves made for the input string $[[[]]]$
 - Snake
 - Try diff lang, $S \rightarrow [S]S | \lambda$
 - Got same lang, and unambiguous
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