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# **THEORY OF COMPUTATION**

Topic:

## **N-PDA FOR CFG**

**Session - 15**

# N-pda for CFG

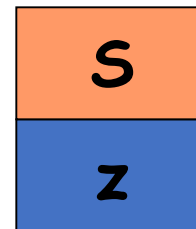
Conversion of CFG to NPDA

# Construction Principles

- We will construct an nPDA that can in some way, carry out a **leftmost derivation** of any string in the language
- We assume that the given CFG is in **Greibach Normal Form**.

# Construction Principles

- The PDA will represent the derivation by keeping the **variables in the right part of the sentinel form** on its stack, while the **left part consisting entirely of terminals**, is identical with the input read.
- To begin with we put the **Start symbol S** on top of the stack.

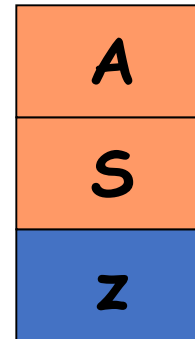


Stack

# Construction Principles

Then for the productions of the type

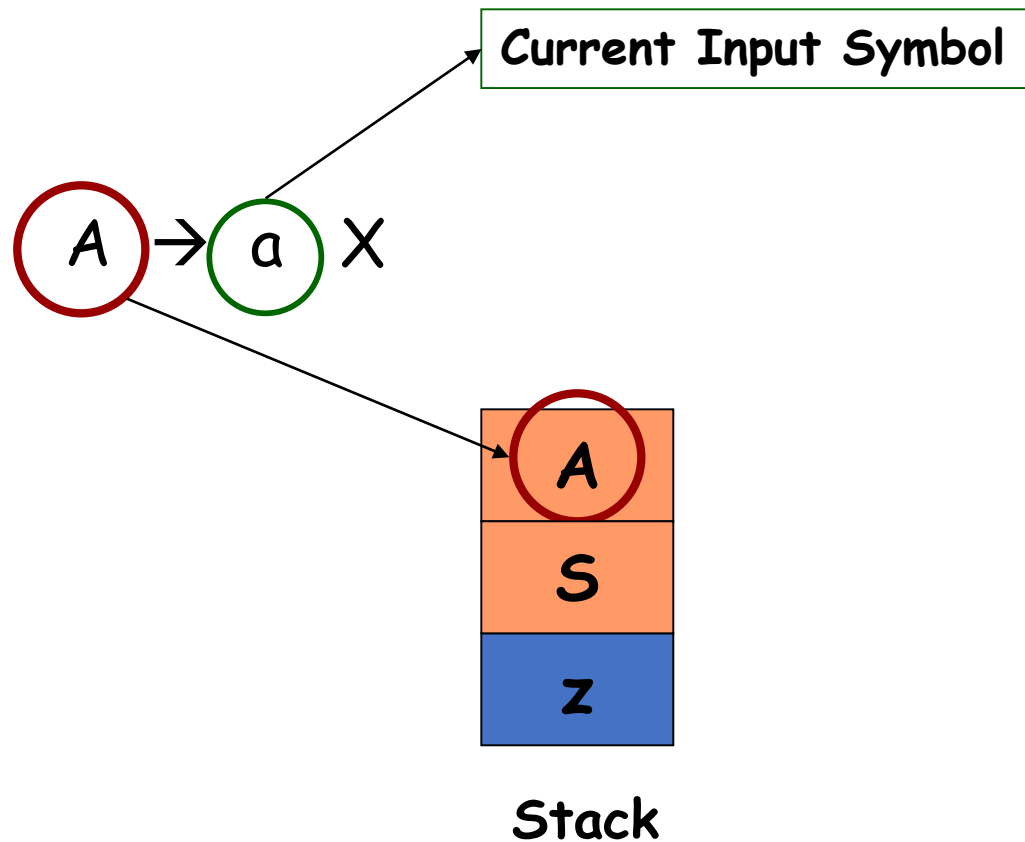
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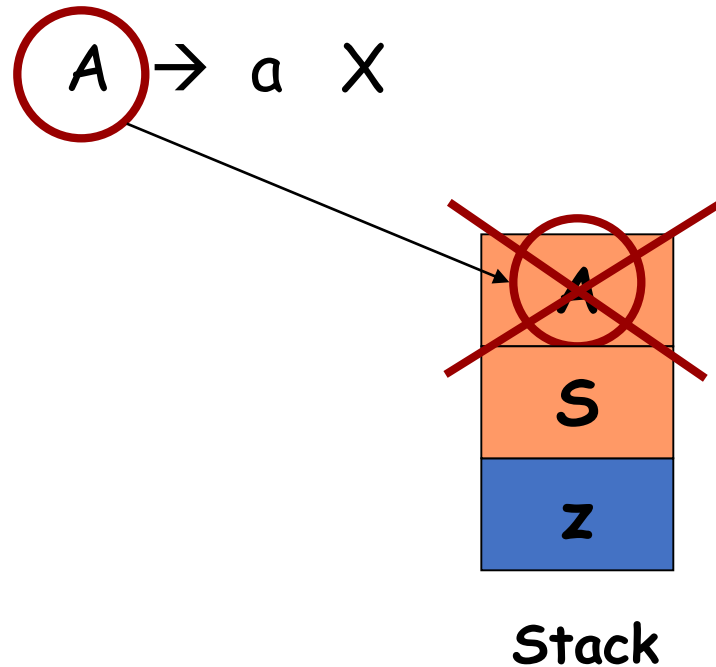
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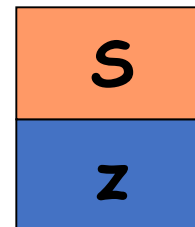
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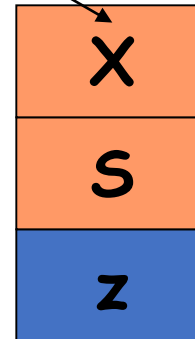
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# Construction Principles

Then for the productions of the type

$$A \rightarrow a \text{ (X)}$$



Stack

Construct a PDA that accepts the language generated by the Grammar with productions

$$S \rightarrow a S b b \mid a$$

**Step #1:** Check whether the given Grammar is in GNF, if not convert it into GNF

Converting the the Grammar in to GNF we have:

$$S \rightarrow a S A \mid a$$

$$A \rightarrow b B$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

The PDA will have three states,  $q_0, q_1, q_2$ , out of which  $q_0$  is the initial state and  $q_2$  is the final state.

Step #2: First the Start Symbol  $S$  is pushed on to the Stack

$$\delta(q_0, \lambda, z) = \{(q_1, Sz)\}$$

Step #3: Now we will convert the productions in to transition function one by one:

Prod: 1

$S \rightarrow a S A$

$$\delta(q_1, a, S) = \{(q_1, SA)\}$$

Step #4:

Prod: 2

$S \rightarrow a (\lambda)$

$$\delta(q1, a, S) = \{(q1, \lambda)\}$$

Step #5:

Prod: 3

$A \rightarrow b B$

$$\delta(q1, b, A) = \{(q1, B)\}$$

Step #6:

Prod: 4

$B \rightarrow b (\lambda)$

$$\delta(q1, b, B) = \{(q1, \lambda)\}$$

Step #6:

For Entering in to the final state

$$\delta(q1, \lambda, z) = \{(q2, \lambda)\}$$

The PDA for the given Grammar is:

### CFG

$S \rightarrow a S A \mid a$

$A \rightarrow b B$

$B \rightarrow b$

### Equivalent PDA

$$\delta ( q_0, \lambda , z ) = \{ ( q_1, Sz ) \}$$

$$\delta ( q_1, a , S ) = \{ ( q_1, SA ) \}$$

$$\delta ( q_1, a , S ) = \{ ( q_1, \lambda ) \}$$

$$\delta ( q_1, b , A ) = \{ ( q_1, B ) \}$$

$$\delta ( q_1, b , B ) = \{ ( q_1, \lambda ) \}$$

$$\delta ( q_1, \lambda , z ) = \{ ( q_2, \lambda ) \}$$

$q_2$  is the final state

# CFG for nPDA

Conversion of PDA to CFG

# Assumptions regarding the conversion

- The PDA to be Converted has a single final state  $q_f$  that is entered if and only if the **stack is empty**;
- All the transitions must have the form
  - $\delta(q_i, a, A) = (c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_n)$  where  
 $c_i = (q_j, \lambda)$  OR  $c_i = (q_j, BC)$

(ie) Each move either increases or decreases the stack content by a single symbol.





We find a grammar whose variables are of the form  $(q_i A q_j)$  and whose

productions are such that

$$(q_i A q_j) \rightarrow^* v,$$

if and only if the npda erases  $A$  from the stack while reading  $v$  and going from state  $q_i$  to  $q_j$ . "Erasing" means that  $A$  and its effects (ie all successive strings by which it is replaced) are removed from the stack bringing the symbol originally below  $A$  to the top.

If we can find such a grammar, and if we choose  $(q_0 z q_f)$  as its start symbol, then

$$(q_0 w q_f) \rightarrow^* w,$$

if and only if the npda removes  $z$  while reading  $w$  and going from  $q_0$  to  $q_f$ .

Therefore, the language generated by the grammar will be identical to the language accepted by the PDA

# Construction of CFG

Let us look at the possible Transitions that can be made by the pda.

1

$$\delta ( q_i, a, A ) = ( q_j, \lambda )$$

$$( q_i A q_j ) \rightarrow a$$

2

$$\delta ( q_i, a, A ) = ( q_j, BA )$$

$$( q_i A q_k ) \rightarrow a ( q_j B q_l ) ( q_l A q_k )$$

where  $q_k$  and  $q_l$  take on all possible values in  $Q$

Convert the npda to a CFG.

$$\delta ( q_0, a , z) = \{(q_0, Az )\}$$

$$\delta ( q_0, a , A) = \{(q_0, A )\}$$

$$\delta ( q_0, b , A) = \{(q_1, \lambda )\}$$

$$\delta ( q_1, \lambda , z) = \{(q_2, \lambda )\}$$

The above npda satisfies the 1<sup>st</sup> Condition but not the second one.  
 So we introduce a intermediate state  $q_3$  to satisfy the second one  
 and then we go for the conversion

The new set of transition rules are:

$$\delta ( q_0, a , z) = \{(q_0, Az )\}$$

Trans No: 1 type 2

$$\delta ( q_0, a , A) = \{(q_3, \lambda )\}$$

Trans No: 2 type 1

$$\delta ( q_3, \lambda , z) = \{(q_0, Az )\}$$

Trans No: 3 type 2

$$\delta ( q_0, b , A) = \{(q_1, \lambda )\}$$

Trans No: 4 type 1

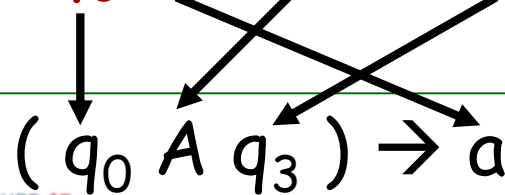
$$\delta ( q_1, \lambda , z) = \{(q_2, \lambda )\}$$

Trans No: 5 type 1

First take the transitions of type 1:

$$\delta ( q_0, a , A) = \{(q_3, \lambda )\}$$

Trans No: 2 type 1



$$(q_0 \ A \ q_3) \rightarrow a$$

$\delta ( q_0, b , A ) = \{ (q_1, \lambda ) \}$  Trans No: 4 type 1

$( q_0 \ A \ q_1 ) \rightarrow b$

$\delta ( q_1, \lambda , z ) = \{ (q_2, \lambda ) \}$  Trans No: 5 type 1

$( q_1 \ z \ q_2 ) \rightarrow \lambda$

## Now take the Transitions of Type 2:

$$\delta ( q_0, a , z) = \{ (q_0, Az ) \}$$

Trans No: 1 type 2

$$(q_0 z q_0) \rightarrow a (q_0 A q_0) (q_0 z q_0) \mid a (q_0 A q_1) (q_1 z q_0) \\ a (q_0 A q_2) (q_2 z q_0) \mid a (q_0 A q_3) (q_3 z q_0)$$

$$(q_0 z q_1) \rightarrow a (q_0 A q_0) (q_0 z q_1) \mid a (q_0 A q_1) (q_1 z q_1) \\ a (q_0 A q_2) (q_2 z q_1) \mid a (q_0 A q_3) (q_3 z q_1)$$

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$$\delta (q_3, \lambda, z) = \{(q_0, Az)\}$$

$$(q_3 z q_0) \rightarrow (q_0 A q_0) (q_0 z q_0) \mid (q_0 A q_1) (q_1 z q_0) \\ (q_0 A q_2) (q_2 z q_0) \mid (q_0 A q_3) (q_3 z q_0)$$

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The Start Variable will be  $(q_0 \ z \ q_2)$ .

The string  $aab$  is accepted by the given pda with the following configurations

$$(q_0, aab, z) \Rightarrow (q_0, ab, Az)$$

$$\Rightarrow (q_3, b, z)$$

$$\Rightarrow (q_0, b, Az)$$

$$\Rightarrow (q_1, \lambda, z)$$

$$\Rightarrow (q_2, \lambda, \lambda)$$

**The Corresponding Derivation with  $G$  is:**

$$(q_0 z q_2) \Rightarrow a (q_0 A q_3) (q_3 z q_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a a (q_3 z q_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a a (q_0 A q_1) (q_1 z q_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a a b (q_1 z q_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow a a b.$$



- Find a context-free grammar that generates the language accepted by the NPDA.

$M = (\{q_0, q_1\}, \{a, b\}, \{A, z\}, \delta, q_0, z, \{q_1\})$ ,  
with transitions

$$\delta(q_0, a, z) = \{(q_0, Az)\},$$

$$(q_0, b, A) = \{(q_0, AA)\},$$

$$\delta(q_0, a, A) = \{(q_1)\lambda\}$$

# Self Assessment Questions

Q.1 Which of the following statements is true regarding Non-deterministic Pushdown Automata (NPDA)?

- a) NPDA can recognize more languages than Deterministic Pushdown Automata (DPDA).
- b) NPDA can recognize only regular languages.
- c) NPDA can recognize only context-free languages.
- d) NPDA can recognize only regular expressions.

Answer: a) NPDA can recognize more languages than Deterministic Pushdown Automata (DPDA).

# Self Assessment Questions

Q.2. Which of the following is a key characteristic of Context-Free Grammars (CFG)?

- a) CFG can generate any language.
- b) CFG can generate only regular languages.
- c) CFG can generate only context-free languages.
- d) CFG can generate any recursively enumerable language.

Answer: c) CFG can generate only context-free languages.

# Self Assessment Questions

Q.3. What is the relationship between Non-deterministic Pushdown Automata (NPDA) and Context-Free Grammars (CFG)?

- a) For every CFG, there exists an equivalent NPDA that recognizes the same language.
- b) NPDA and CFG are completely unrelated models of computation.
- c) NPDA can recognize more languages than CFG.
- d) CFG can generate only regular languages, while NPDA can generate any language.

Answer: c) CFG can generate only context-free languages.

# Terminal Questions

Q.1. Explain the concept of non-determinism in Non-deterministic Pushdown Automata (NPDA). How does non-determinism affect the language recognition process?  
Define a Context-Free Grammar (CFG).

Q.2. Describe the components of a CFG and their roles in generating languages.

Q.3. Discuss the relationship between Non-deterministic Pushdown Automata (NPDA) and Context-Free Grammars (CFG). How are they related in terms of language recognition? Explain with an example.

THANK YOU



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