

## Question 1: Out of Context

a.  $S \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} b \\ b \\ q_s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \$ \\ \$ \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} b \\ b \\ q_s \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} b \\ b \\ q_s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \text{ for all } a, b \in \Sigma$

b. Now we try to simulate M ( based on  $\delta : Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L.R\}$ )  
 if we have  $\delta(q, A) = (p, B, L)$ , then we add in our production rule:

$$\begin{bmatrix} c \\ C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ A \\ q \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c \\ C \\ p \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ B \end{bmatrix} \text{ for all } c, C \in \Gamma$$

if we have  $\delta(q, A) = (p, B, L)$ , then we add in our production rule:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ A \\ q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ C \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a \\ B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ C \\ p \end{bmatrix} \text{ for all } c, C \in \Gamma$$

c.  $\begin{bmatrix} n \\ N \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} a \\ A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ B \\ q_{accept} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ C \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} z \\ Z \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow n \dots abc \dots z$  This is the only

production rule that doesn't generate non-terminate, so grammar produce a string x if and only if M reaches accepted state

## Question 2: Tough Decisions

a. Given DFA  $D$ ,  $\{ \langle D \rangle \mid L(D) \text{ is finite} \}$  is decidable.

Suppose  $D$  has  $n$  states, TM search for all the path of  $n+1$  steps. If any state can be visited repeatedly is one path, then mark that state. If in any path, any accepted state is reached passing through a marked state, then we reject. Else, accept.

b. This is recognisable but not decidable. Recognisable because, we can simulate  $M$  on all possible strings and accept if any halt.

It is not decidable. Because if it is decidable we know when TM never halts and then  $\{ \langle M, x \rangle \mid M \text{ is Turing machine, and } M \text{ accepts } x \}$  would be decidable (which we have shown in class is not decidable).

c. This is not recognisable. Since  $M$  could loop on  $x$ , we never know if it will read all of  $x$ , so not recognisable.

### Question 3: Closure Properties

a. This won't work. Suppose  $M_A$  loops on  $x$ , while  $M_B$  accepts  $x$ . since  $M_A$  loops on  $x$ , we never get to step 2. So the TM never halts while it should accept  $x$ .

We could build the Turing machine do the following, Alternate simulate  $M_A, M_B$  on  $x$ , if one of them accept, then accept.

b. This will work. Since both machines  $(T_A, T_B)$  need to halt and accept  $x$  for  $x$  to be accepted by our new machine. If either machine loops or rejects, the new machine won't accept.