

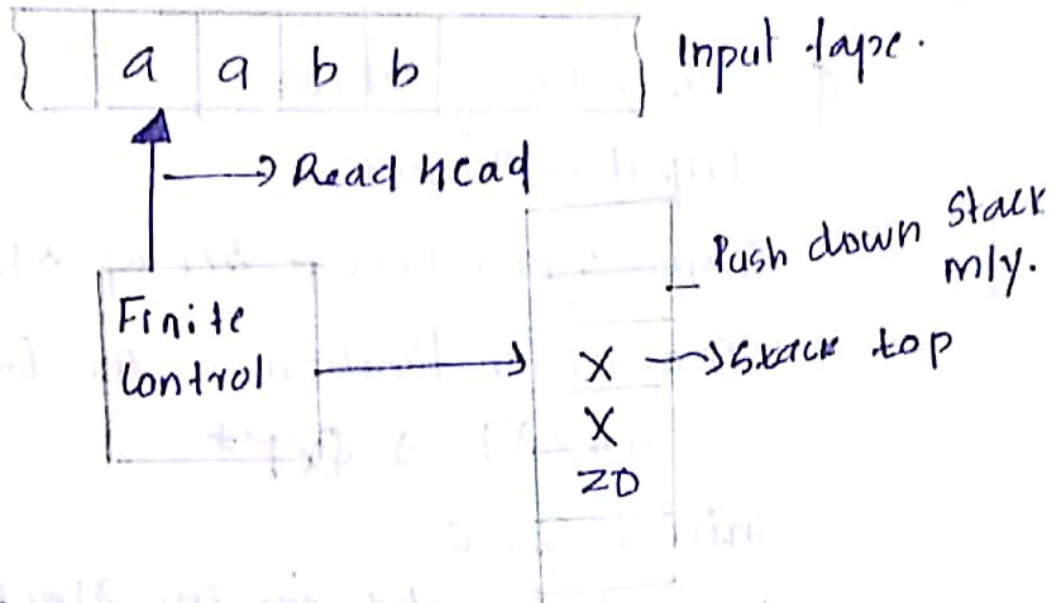
# Module - 4



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## Pushdown Automata (PDA)



An automata accepted by CFLanguages are called PUSHDOWN AUTOMATA (PDA). The PDA is essentially an  $\epsilon$ -NFA with addition of a stack

$$\boxed{\epsilon\text{NFA} + \text{STACK} = \text{PDA}}$$

A PDA accept language by two method.

1. That PDA accept strings by entering in an accepting state
2. PDA accept string by emptying its stack regardless of its state it is in
3. Above fig show informal representat<sup>n</sup> of a PDA.

### Formal Defn

A PDA  $P$  can be formally defined as follows

$$P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, z_0, F)$$

$Q$  = finite no. of state

$\Sigma$  = Input alphabet

$\Gamma$  = finite set of stack symbols

Transition function in the format of  $Q \times \Sigma \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^*$

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Initial state

Initial symbol in the stack

Set of final state.

### PDA Transition function

$$\delta(q, a, x) = (p, \gamma)$$

$\downarrow$  current state     $\downarrow$  input symbol     $\downarrow$  stack top symbol  
 $\downarrow$  stack push symbol

if  $x = \epsilon$  then stack pop operation

$x = \epsilon$  then no operation.

$\gamma = \gamma x$  then stack push  $\gamma$  into top of  $x$

$$L = \{a^n b^n / n \geq 1\}$$

	a	a	a	b	b	b	$\epsilon$	input
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			a					
		a	a	a				
	a	a	a	a	a			
$z_0$	$z_0$	$z_0$	$z_0$	$z_0$	$z_0$			

$\delta(q_2, \epsilon)$

Initial configuration

$$\delta(q_0, a, z_0) = (q_1, a z_0) \text{ [Push } a \text{ into stack]}$$

$$\delta(q_1, a, a) = (q_1, a a)$$

$$\delta(q_1, b, a) = (q_2, \epsilon)$$

$$\delta(q_2, b, a) = (q_2, \epsilon)$$

Construct PDA for a language  $a^n b^n$  where  $n \geq 1$

A) Let  $P = \{Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, z_0, F\}$  is a PDA that accept the language  $L = a^n b^n$  where  $n \geq 1$

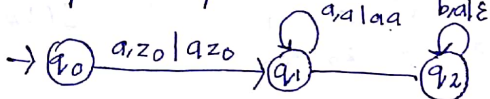
The components of  $P$  is defined as follows:

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\} \quad \Sigma = \{a, b\} \quad \Gamma = \{z_0, a\}$$

$q_0 = q_0, Z_0 = Z_0, F = \_$

$$\delta = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \delta(q_0, a, Z_0) = (q_1, aZ_0) \\ \delta(q_1, a, a) = (q_1, aa) \\ \delta(q_1, b, a) = (q_2, \epsilon) \\ \delta(q_2, \epsilon, Z_0) = (q_2, \epsilon) \end{array} \right\}$$

Graphical representation  $\Sigma, Z_0/\epsilon$



(balance in Datacommunication note)

### 21/11/17 Equivalence of acceptance by empty stack and acceptance by final state

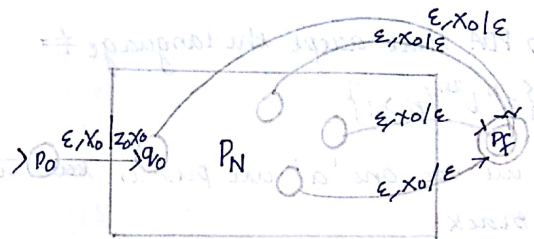
THEOREM:

If  $P_N$  be a PDA that accept language  $L$  by empty stack method then there is a PDA that accept same language  $L$  by final state method

$$L(P_N) = L(P_F)$$

PROOF

The idea behind the proof is shown in below fig.



We use new symbol  $X_0$  which must not be in  $\Sigma$ .  $X_0$  is the initial stack symbol of  $P_F$  when  $P_N$  reaches an empty stack  $P_F$  sees  $X_0$  on the top of its stack, then it goes to final state of  $P_F$

We also need two new states  $p_0$  and  $p_f$  for the simulation of PDA  $P_F$ .

The specification of PDA  $P_F$  is as follows.

$$P_F = (Q \cup \{p_0, p_f\}, \Sigma, \Gamma \cup \{X_0\}, \delta_F, p_0, X_0, \{p_f\})$$

Where  $\delta_F$  defined as follows.

$$\textcircled{1} \delta_F(p_0, \epsilon, X_0) = (q_0, Z_0X_0)$$

In its stack state  $P_F$  makes spontaneous transition to the start state of  $P_N$  pushing symbol  $Z_0$  on to the stack

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ For all } q \in Q, \text{ all the transition funts present in } \delta_N$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ for all } q \in Q, \delta_F(q, \epsilon, X_0) = (p_f, \epsilon)$$

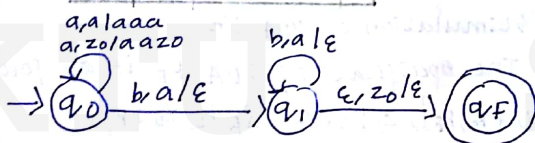


Q Develop PDA that accept the language  $\neq$

$$L = \{a^n b^{2n} / n \geq 1\}$$

Sol: when we see one 'a' we push ~~two~~ 'aa' into stack.

a	a	b	b	b	b
	a	a	a	a	
a	a	a	a	a	
a	a	a	a	a	
z0	z0	z0	z0	z0	z0



Construct PDA that accept language.

$$L = \{a^n b^{n-1} / n \geq 1\}$$

a	a	a	b	b
			a	
		a	a	
	a	a	a	
z0	z0	z0	z0	z0

$$\delta(q_0, a, z_0) = (q_1, z_0)$$

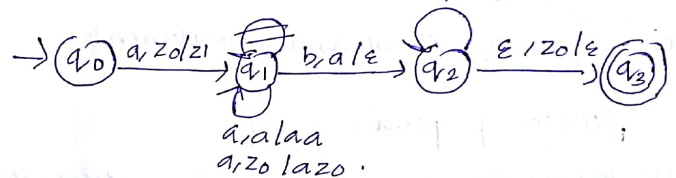
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$$\delta(q_1, a, a) = (q_1, a a)$$

$$\delta(q_1, b, a) = (q_2, ε)$$

$$\delta(q_2, b, a) = (q_2, ε)$$

$$\delta(q_2, ε, z_0) = (q_3, ε)$$



### Application of CFL

to construct parser (a s/w component of compiler)  
Markup languages - HTML

### closure properties of CFL

P1: CFL are closed under union.

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two CFL then  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is also CFL

P2: CFL are closed under concatenation.

$L_1$  &  $L_2$  are two CFL then  $L_1 \cdot L_2$  also CFL.

↖ P3: CFL are closed under Kleen closure.  
If  $L$  is CFL  $L^*$  is also CFL

P4: All closed CFL are closed under substitution.

P5: CFL are not closed under intersection

P6: If  $L$  is a CFL and  $R$  is a regular set,  
 $LR$  is a CFL

P7: CFL are not closed under complement

### Decision properties of CFL:

P8: Testing membership in a CFL is decidable.

we can decide membership of a string  $w$  in a CFL ' $L$ '

Testing emptiness of CFL is decidable

we can decide/develop algorithm for whether a CFL is empty or not.

### Undecidable properties of CFL:

- Is a given CFG ' $G$ ' ambiguous?
- Is a given CFG  $G$  Inherently ambiguous?
- Is the intersection of two CFLs empty?
- Are the two CFL the same...?