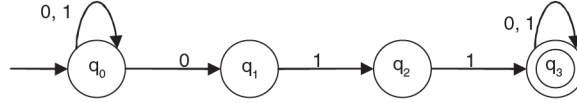
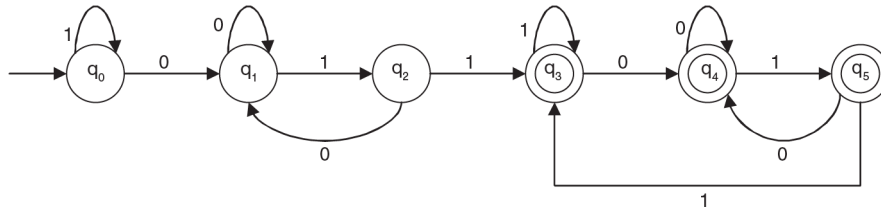


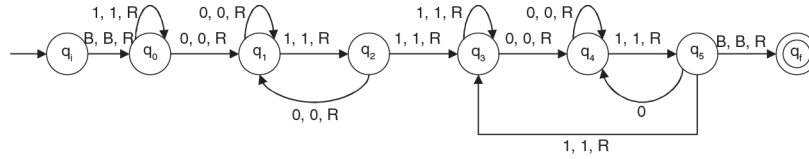
The NFA for accepting  $(0, 1)^*011(0, 1)^*$  is



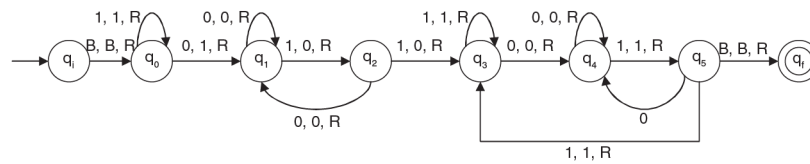
The equivalent DFA is



The converted TM is



The modified TM is (converting 011 by 100) as follows. The modifications are denoted in bold>.



## 8.5 Two-stack PDA and Turing Machine

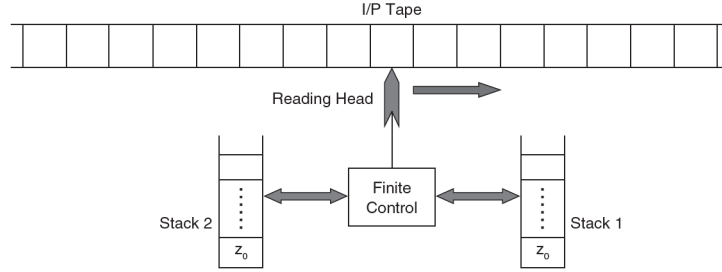
Two-stack PDA is already discussed in the pushdown automata chapter. It is also discussed that a PDA cannot be only two stack but may be more than two stacks ( $a^n b^n c^n d^n, n \geq 0$ ). In real, the language accepting power of a PDA increases by adding extra stacks. Here, the following question arises 'is two-stack (or more than two stacks) PDA as strong as the TM?'. In this section, we shall learn about a theorem proposed by an American artificial intelligence scientist Marvin Minsky called the Minsky theorem which answers this question.

### 8.5 .1 Minsky Theorem

Any language accepted by a two-stack PDA can also be accepted by some TM and vice versa.

#### 8.5 .1 .1 General Minsky Model

A general Minsky model is shown in the following figure.



**Fig. 8.4** Two Stack PDA

The model in Fig. 8.4 is a two-stack PDA containing an input tape, a reading head, and finite control as it was in PDA. The additional are two stacks  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ . Let the language be  $a^n b^n c^n$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Scanning 'a', the symbols (say X) are put into stack  $S_1$ . With the stack top 'X' in  $S_1$ , 'b' is scanned and the symbols (say Y) are put into stack  $S_2$ . At the time of traversing 'c', the stack symbols must be X (for  $S_1$ ) and Y (For  $S_2$ ). These are popped for traversing 'c'.

A two-stack PDA is capable of accepting  $(a^n b^n c^n d^n, n \geq 1)$ ,  $(a^n b^n c^n d^n e^n, n \geq 1)$ , and so on, with the additional stack. Accepting these types of languages is not possible for a single-stack PDA but possible for a TM. By this process, the two-stack PDA simulates a TM. The following example shows the acceptance of  $(a^n b^n c^n d^n, n \geq 1)$  using the two-stack PDA.

**Example 8.22** Design a two-stack PDA for  $(a^n b^n c^n d^n, n \geq 1)$

**Solution:** Traversing 'a', X are put into stack  $S_1$ . Traversing 'b' with the stack top 'X' in  $S_1$ , 'X' is popped from  $S_1$ , and 'Y' is pushed into  $S_2$ . Traversing 'c' with the stack top 'Y' in  $S_2$ , 'Y' is popped from  $S_2$ , and 'Z' is pushed into  $S_1$ . Traversing 'd', 'Z' is popped from  $S_1$ . The transitional functions are

$\delta(q_0, \lambda, z_1, z_2) \rightarrow (q_1, z_1, z_2)$  ( $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are stack bottom symbols of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , respectively. )

$\delta(q_1, a, z_1, z_2) \rightarrow (q_1, Xz_1, z_2)$

$\delta(q_1, a, X, z_2) \rightarrow (q_1, XX, z_2)$

$\delta(q_1, b, X, z_2) \rightarrow (q_2, \lambda, Yz_2)$

$\delta(q_2, b, X, Y) \rightarrow (q_2, \lambda, YY)$

$\delta(q_2, c, z_1, Y) \rightarrow (q_3, Zz_1, \lambda)$

$\delta(q_3, c, Z, Y) \rightarrow (q_3, ZZ, \lambda)$

$\delta(q_3, d, Z, z_2) \rightarrow (q_4, \lambda, z_2)$

$\delta(q_4, d, Z, z_2) \rightarrow (q_4, \lambda, z_2)$

$\delta(q_4, \lambda, z_1, z_2) \rightarrow (q_f, z_1, z_2)$  // accepted by the final state

What We Have Learned So Far



a close parenthesis. [The definition that a balanced parenthesis means an equal number of open and close parentheses is wrong.

As an example,  $)()()$  is not a balanced parenthesis. ] The string must start with an open parenthesis and after that open parenthesis or close parenthesis can appear, but for any position of the string, the number of open parenthesis is greater than or equal to the number of close parenthesis. The Turing Machine is designed as follows. Start from the leftmost symbol and traverse right to find the first close parenthesis. The transitional function is

$$\delta(q_0, ')^{\circ} \rightarrow (q_0, (, R)$$

Upon getting the first close parenthesis, replace it by 'X', change the state to  $q_1$ , and move left to find the open parenthesis for the replaced close parenthesis. The transitional function is

$$\delta(q_0, ')^{\circ})' \rightarrow (q_1, X, L)$$

Getting the open parenthesis, replace it by 'X' and change the state to  $q_0$ . The transitional function is

$$\delta(q_1, ^{\circ})^{\circ} \rightarrow (q_0, X, R)$$

Then, traverse towards the right to find the close parenthesis. Here, the machine may have to traverse X, which is the replaced symbol for close parenthesis. The transitional function for traversing this is

$$\delta(q_0, X^{\circ}) \rightarrow (q_0, X, R)$$

For a nested parenthesis like  $(( ))$ , the machine has to traverse X, which is the replaced symbol of the open parenthesis at the time of finding the open parenthesis. The transitional function for traversing this is

$$\delta(q_1, ^{\circ}X^{\circ}) \rightarrow (q_1, X, L)$$

Traversing right, if B appears as an input, then there is no parenthesis (open or close) left at the right side. Then, traverse left to find if any parenthesis is left at the left side or not. The transitional function is

$$\delta(q_0, B^c) \rightarrow (q_2, B, L)$$

At the time of left traversing, the machine has to traverse X by the following transitional function

$$\delta(q_2, X^{\circ}) \rightarrow (q_2, B, L)$$

At the left hand side if it gets B, the machine halts.

$$\delta(q_2, ^{\circ}B^{\circ}) \rightarrow (q_3, B, H)$$