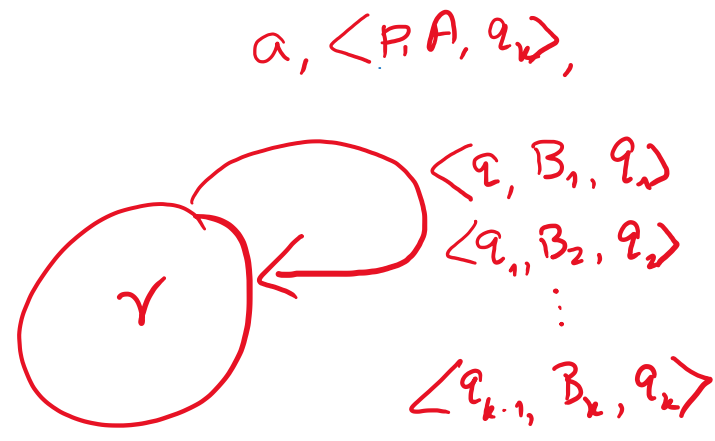


\mathcal{P}



\mathcal{P}'

Notation: A configuration of \mathcal{P} is a 3-tuple

$$[p, x, \gamma]$$

↑ state
 ↑ input to be read
 ↑ stack contents

Definition: $[p, x, \gamma] \xrightarrow[n]{\mathcal{P}} [q, y, \gamma']$ if

- (i) $x = x'y$
- (ii) \mathcal{P} moves from configuration $[p, x, \gamma]$ to configuration $[q, y, \gamma']$ in n steps

Theorem: $[p, x, C_1 C_2 \dots C_m] \xrightarrow[n]{\mathcal{P}} [f, \epsilon, \epsilon]$ iff $\exists q_1 \dots q_{m-1} \in Q$

$$[r, x, \langle p, C_1, q_1 \rangle \langle q_1, C_2, q_2 \rangle \dots \langle q_{m-1}, C_m, f \rangle] \xrightarrow[n]{\mathcal{P}'} [r, \epsilon, \epsilon]$$

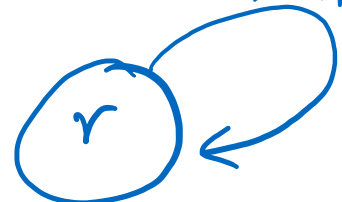
proof: By induction on n .

Base Step: $n = 1$

$$[p, a, \perp] \xrightarrow[1]{\mathcal{P}} [f, \epsilon, \epsilon] \text{ iff } [r, a, \langle p, \perp, f \rangle] \xrightarrow[1]{\mathcal{P}'} [r, \epsilon, \epsilon]$$

$a \in \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}$

$$[p, a, \perp] \xrightarrow[1]{\mathcal{P}} [f, \epsilon, \epsilon] \text{ iff } \mathcal{P}' \text{ has transition } a, \langle p, \perp, f \rangle, \epsilon$$



$$\text{iff } [r, a, \langle p, \perp, f \rangle] \xrightarrow[1]{\mathcal{P}'} [r, \epsilon, \epsilon].$$

Induction Step: Assume for n .

Need to prove:

$$[p, x, C_1 \dots C_m] \xrightarrow[n+1]{\mathcal{P}} [f, \epsilon, \epsilon] \text{ iff } \exists q_1 \dots q_{m-1} \in Q$$

$$[r, x, \langle p, C_1, q_1 \rangle \dots \langle q_{m-1}, C_m, f \rangle] \xrightarrow[n+1]{\mathcal{P}'} [r, \epsilon, \epsilon]$$

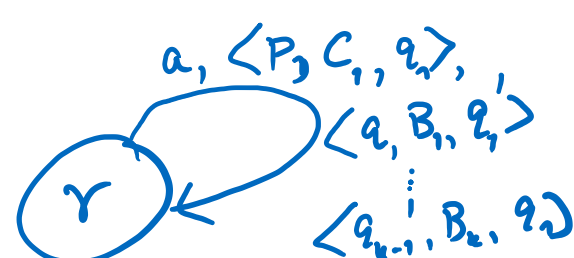
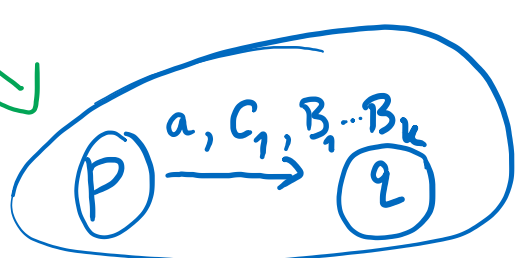
iff

$$[p, x, C_1 \dots C_m] \xrightarrow[1]{\mathcal{P}} [q, y, B_1 \dots B_k C_2 \dots C_m] \xrightarrow[n]{\mathcal{P}} [f, \epsilon, \epsilon]$$

$x = ay$

iff

$$\exists q'_1 \dots q'_{k-1}, q_1 \dots q_{m-1} [r, y, \langle q, B_1, q'_1 \rangle \langle q'_{k-1}, B_k, q_1 \rangle \dots \langle q_{m-1}, C_m, f \rangle] \xrightarrow[n]{\mathcal{P}'} [r, \epsilon, \epsilon]$$



$$\Rightarrow [r, x, \langle p, C_1, q_1 \rangle \langle q_1, C_2, q_2 \rangle \dots \langle q_{m-1}, C_m, f \rangle]$$

$\mathcal{P}' \downarrow^1$

$$[r, y, \langle q, B_1, q'_1 \rangle \dots \langle q'_{k-1}, B_k, q_1 \rangle \langle q_1, C_2, q_2 \rangle \dots \langle q_{m-1}, C_m, f \rangle]$$

$\mathcal{P}' \downarrow^n$

$$[r, \epsilon, \epsilon] \text{ (by induction hypothesis)}$$

Same proof works when we start with $n+1$ step transition in \mathcal{P}' . □