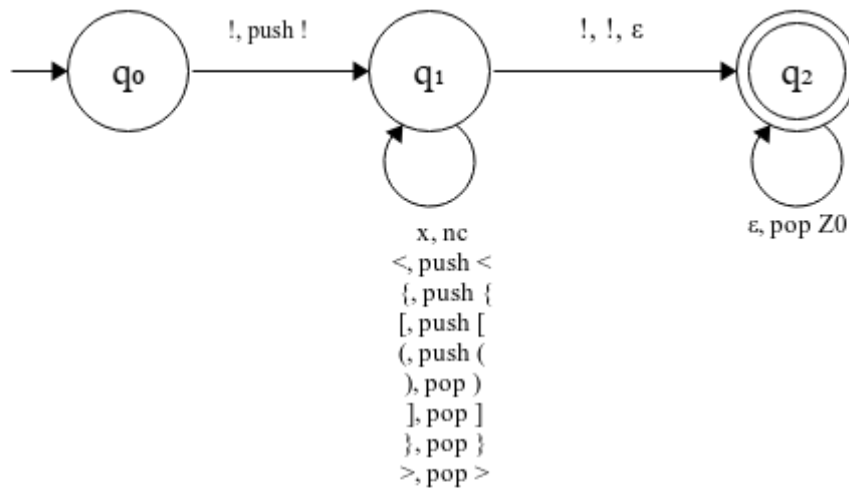


Project: PDA Multiple Balanced Brackets



The **PDA consists of three states: q0 (initial), q1 and q2 (final)**. Transitions are defined as follows:

State q0: Pushes ! to the stack upon reading !, transitioning to q1.

State q1: Processes input symbols and manipulates the stack:

- Pushes opening brackets (<, {, [, () onto the stack.
- Pops the stack when encountering closing brackets (>, },],)) if the top of the stack matches.
- On reading ! again, pops ! and transitions to q2.

State q2: Accepts the input if the stack is empty except for the bottom marker Z0.

The **Stack Alphabet Γ consists of: { Z0, !, <, {, [, (}** where Z0 is the initial bottom marker, ! marks the boundaries of the bracketed expression, and where <, {, [, (are pushed when their respective opening brackets are encountered in the input.

This PDA is implemented in python through a series of functions that simulate state transitions, stack operations, and input processing. The most important logic is in the *is_balanced function*, which iteratively processes the input string while managing the PDA's state and stack. The state variable tracks the current state ('q0', 'q1', or 'q2'), and the stack which is in list form is initialized with the bottom marker 'Z0' to know when the stack is empty.

Transitions are governed by checks in a loop that consumes the input string character by character. In **q0**, the PDA expects the opening **!** and when it is encountered, **!** is pushed to the stack, and the state transitions to **q1**. In **q1**, opening brackets (**<**, **{**, **[**, **(**) are pushed to the stack, while closing brackets trigger a pop only if the top of the stack matches the expected symbol. Mismatches return the *pos_error_message*, which highlights the failure position and remaining input. The *process_message* helper function logs the current instantaneous description (ID) of the PDA, displaying the state, unprocessed input, and stack contents. When a closing **!** is encountered in **q1**, the PDA transitions to **q2** if the stack's top matches **!**. The final check in **q2** ensures the stack contains only 'Z0' and nothing else. If valid, *success_message* confirms acceptance; otherwise, *state_error_message* returns a flag.

The *evaluate* function in the PDA parses valid expressions between the **!** delimiters, and also counts the number of x's. This function also uses a secondary stack (xStack) to compute the number of x's based on the following rules: **>** doubles the count, **}** increments by 1, **]** discards the count, and **)** subtracts 1 (minimum 0). This logic mirrors a PDA's stack behavior.

The *main1* and *main2* functions handle the batch processing of input lines. *main1* runs *is_balanced* on each line, printing detailed traces via *process_message*, while *main2* suppresses trace output using `contextlib.redirect_stdout` and only prints evaluation results for valid inputs.