

Unit 4 : Parsing and pushdown Automata :

* Pushdown Automata :

A pushdown automata is a way to implement a context-free grammar in a similar way we design DFA for a regular grammar.

A Pushdown automata is a 7 tuple.

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, \Gamma, z_0) \text{ where,}$$

Q = finite set of states.

Σ = set of alphabets

q_0 = Initial state

A = Accepting state

δ = Transition function

Γ = states alphabets

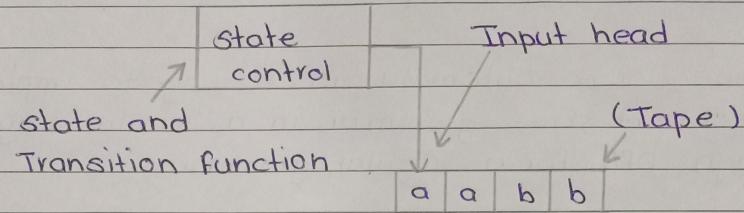
z_0 = Initial state symbol

Pushdown automata is simply an NFA augmented with an "external stack memory".

Pushdown automata is finite automata with extra memory called stack. Which helps to recognize CFL.

A Pushdown automata is more powerful than FA.

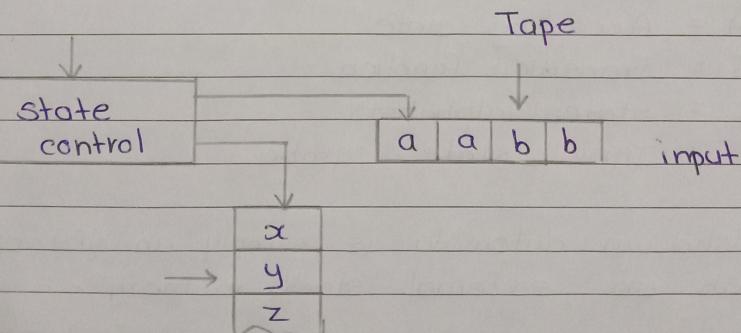
The schematic representation of FA is :



* like NFA - A but having stack.

* Stack is empty the automata is stack.

Finite control



stack :

The stack is a structure in which we can push and remove the items from one end only. It has an infinite size. In PDA, the stack is used to store the items temporarily.

stack does two operations :

- ① Push : A new symbol is added at the top
- ② Pop : The top symbol is read and removed.

* Transaction function :

$$\delta : Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\#\}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^*$$

* Acceptance Types

- ① Language accepted by empty stack
- ② Language accepted by final stack
- ③ Language accepted by empty stack and final state.

Craigie Greibach Normal form :

A CFG is in GNF if all the production rules satisfy one of the following conditions:

- ① A start symbol generating ϵ . for ex :
 $S \rightarrow \epsilon$
- ② A non-terminal generating a terminal
for ex : $A \rightarrow a$
- ③ A non-terminal generating a terminal which is followed by any number of non-terminals
for example , $S \rightarrow aASB$

$S \rightarrow aAB \mid b \mid aB$

$A \rightarrow aA \mid b$

$B \rightarrow cB$

There is only one terminal symbol in
front called CNP.

* Deterministic PDA :

Let $M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, z_0, \Gamma)$ be a pushdown automata. M is called as deterministic if M has not more than one

① For any $q \in Q, a \in \Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}$ and $x \in \Gamma$ the set $\delta(q, q, x)$ has at most one element.

② For any $q \in Q$ and $x \in \Gamma$ if $\delta(q, \lambda, x) \neq \emptyset$ then $\delta(q, q, x) = \emptyset$ for even $a \in \Sigma$.

$$\delta : Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^*$$

③ Read unit :

Read unit of PDA reads words from the cell of i/p tape beginning with first letter in the leftmost cell and then moves to right.

It can't go back.

④ Control unit :

Internal state performance
It performs transaction on i/p provided by read unit.

It having 3 states like,
START, ACCEPT, REJECT.

⑤ Stack :

stack is infinite.

- Always start with empty stack.
- stack can be hold letters of STACK alphabet which can be same as i/p alphabet.
- Initial stack symbol placed on top of stack.

Primitive for writing stack

① Push :

Add i/p symbol on top of stack.

② Pop :

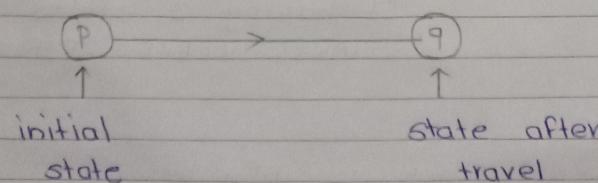
Remove top i/p symbol from top of stack. If empty no change in state.

③ nap :

No any work.

* Diagram and table of PDA

① Transition Diagram :



a) (input symbol , top input symbol of stack)

(operation on stack)

b) (P , input symbol , top symbol of stack)

operation . q

c) (input symbol , Pop old stack symbol |

push new stack symbol)

Pushdown automata is same as DFA with only difference of that it contain auxiliary stack which provide

unlimited memory

The language is recognized by PDA iff it is recognized by context free

Accept both regular and non regular language in the form of stack.

Generally used for parsing and compiler construction

Stack update by pushing or popping

Main components : Input string Read unit
control unit stack

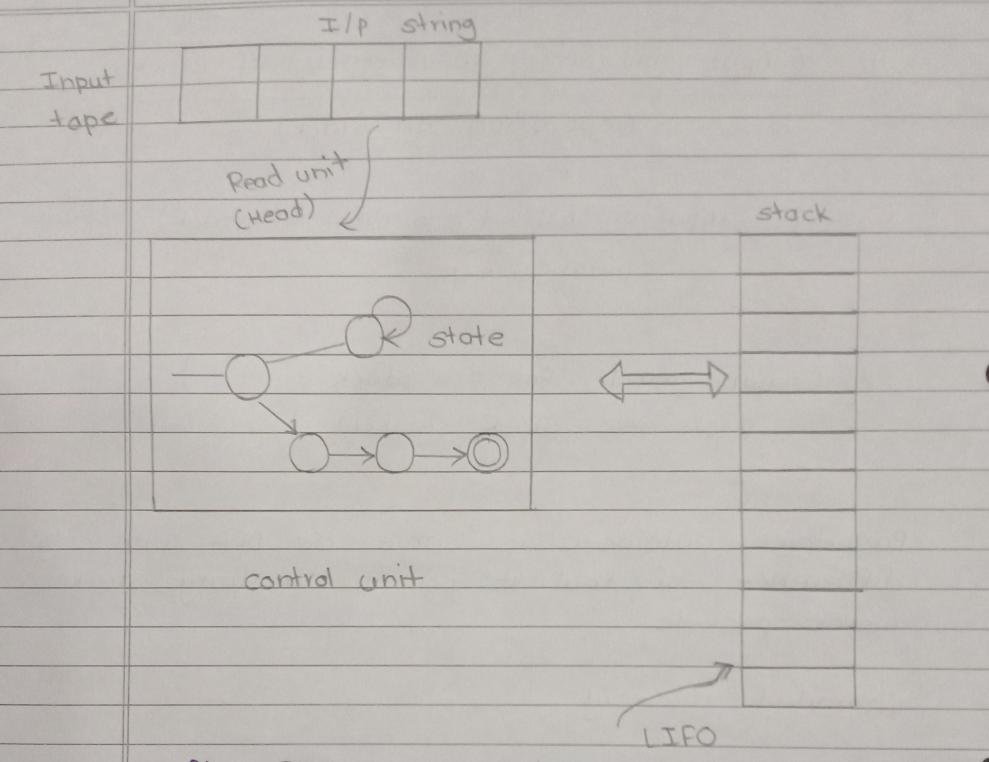


Fig: PDA component.

① Input Tape :

Infinitely long on which i/p is written

contain sequence of cells

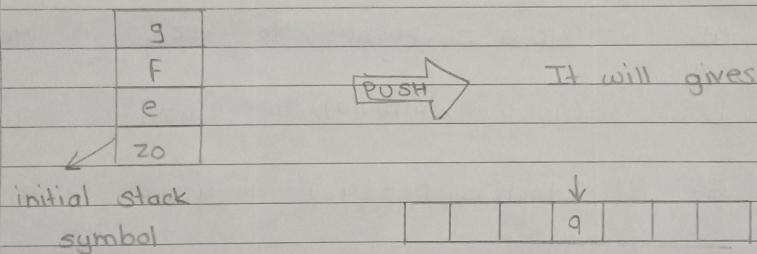
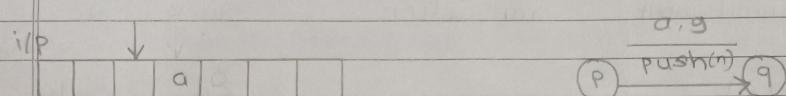
Each cell begin at left and extreme to right end

Hold one input letter or blank symbol ∈

String is written on the tape prior to the beginning of operation of PDA.

Having read only head which always move right and having one cell

Initially



x
g
F
e
z0

Fig: Transaction Diagram

② Transaction table

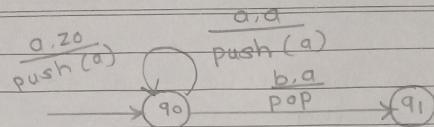


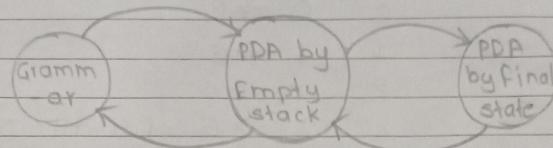
Fig : transaction Diagram of PDA

Now transaction table will be as follow,

unread input	Transaction	stack	New state
aab	-	z_0	q_0
ab	$(q_0, a, z_0, \text{push}(a)), q_0$	$a z_0$	q_0
b	$(q_0, a, a, \text{push}(a)), q_0$	$a a z_0$	q_0
ϵ	$(q_0, b, a, \text{pop}, q_1)$	$a z_0$	q_1

Transaction table

* Equivalence of CFG and PDA

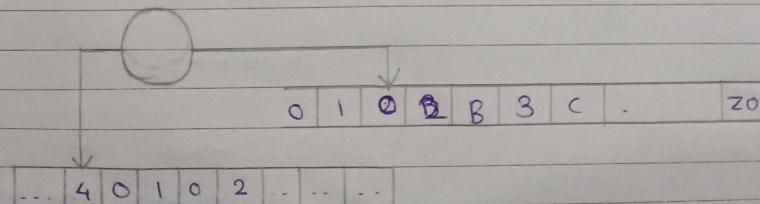


● It shows

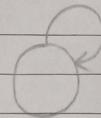
- ① CFL is language defined by CFG
- ② The language that are accepted by final state by some PDA
- ③ The language that are accepted by empty stack by some PDA

● IF we have the rule of Following form

$$A \rightarrow 0102B3C$$



Match terminal symbol to the symbol top



$0, 0 \rightarrow \epsilon$

$1, 1 \rightarrow \epsilon$

$z, z \rightarrow \epsilon$

$x, x \rightarrow \epsilon$ for all $x \in \Sigma$

Now top most symbol of stack is terminal symbol.

If i/p and stack are match then pop the symbol from stack and go the next-level

The terminal symbol must be popped from the stack no any push on it.

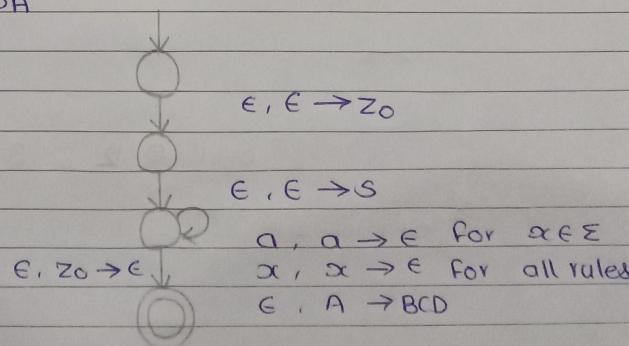
i.e., $0, 0 \rightarrow \epsilon$

$1, 1 \rightarrow \epsilon$

$z, z \rightarrow \epsilon$

$x, x \rightarrow \epsilon$

The Final PDA



While converting CFG to PDA the grammar should be in GNF [Grabach Normal form]

If the production is of the form GNF then we can convert into PDA

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow aAA \\ A &\rightarrow as1bs1a \end{aligned}$$

The grammar will be

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aAA \\ A \rightarrow as \\ A \rightarrow bs \\ A \rightarrow a \end{array} \right\} \text{GNF}$$

Now equivalent PDA is as follows

$$PDA = \{ Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, \Gamma, z_0 \}$$

$$\text{Assume } Q = \{ q_0, q_1, q_2 \}$$

$$\Sigma = \{ a, b \}$$

q_0 = Initial state

$A = q_2$ i.e. accepting state

δ = Transition state

$$\Gamma = \{ S, A, z_0 \}$$

z_0 = Initial stack

Step 1 - Push start symbol s onto stack

$$\delta(q_0, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_1, Sz_0)$$

$$S \rightarrow aAA$$

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

$$A \rightarrow bS$$

$$\delta(q_1, b, A) = (q_1, S)$$

$$A \rightarrow aS$$

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

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\delta(q_1, \epsilon, A) = (q_1, \epsilon)$$

change $(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_2, z_0)$

q_1 to final state q_2

$\delta(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_2, z_0)$

Ex : $s \rightarrow aA$
 $A \rightarrow aABD \mid bB \mid a$
 $B \rightarrow b$
 $D \rightarrow d$

Initially the starting symbol on stack

$$\delta(q_0, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_1, Sz_0)$$

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

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

$$\delta(q_1, b, A) = (q_1, B)$$

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

$$\delta(q_1, b, B) = (q_1, \epsilon)$$

$$\delta(q_1, d, D) = (q_1, \epsilon)$$

change q_1 to final state q_2

$$\boxed{\delta(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_2, z_0)}$$

* Equivalence of CFG and PDA

Two proofs :

① Given CFG to PDA

② Given PDA to show how construct CFG

Ex : ① $G = \{V, \Sigma, S, P\}$

$S \rightarrow BS \mid A$

$A \rightarrow OA \mid E$

$B \rightarrow BB \mid 12$

Take leftmost derivation i.e. construct leftmost non terminal symbol.

$\rightarrow S$

$\rightarrow BS$

$\rightarrow BB \mid S$

$\rightarrow 2B \mid S$

$\rightarrow 22 \mid S$

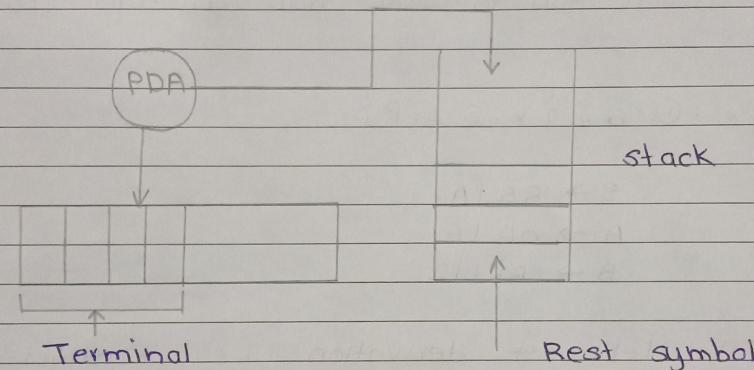
$\rightarrow 22 \mid A$

$\rightarrow 22 \mid E$

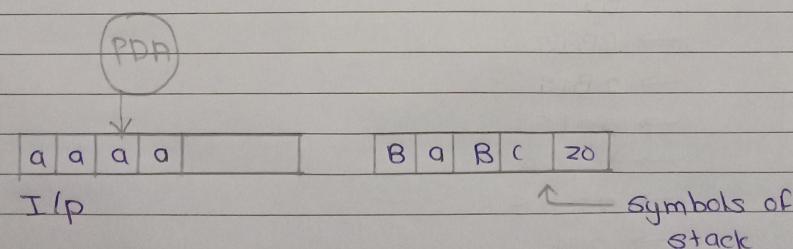
$\rightarrow 22 \mid$

The above all are derived from leftmost derivation hence called as left sentential form

General form
 $w \Rightarrow aaaa \quad BaBC$
 set of terminal symbol Rest symbol



Now if we consider the above i/p string then

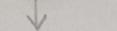


Now consider

Now take the Rule

$B \rightarrow ASA \times BA$ then

a a a o A S A X B A a B C

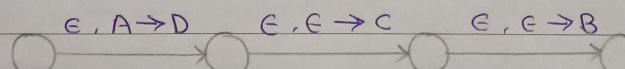
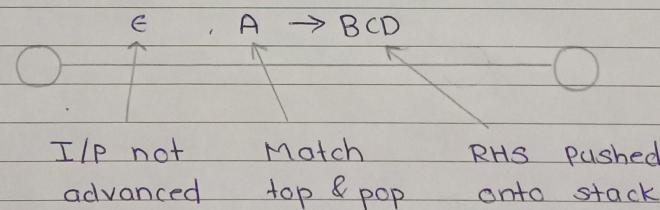


Terminal symbol

- Match stack top to a rule
- Pop stack
- Push RHS of rule into stack

IF we have rule

$A \rightarrow BCD$ add this to PDA



BCD will be pushed in order

B		D
C	not	C
D	like	B

correct

wrong

In above diagram we first pop A and
and push D . nothing to pop hence only
push C & B

* construct PDA for the CFL

① $S \rightarrow aA$
 $A \rightarrow aABD \mid bD$
 $B \rightarrow b$
 $D \rightarrow d$

Now convert the given CFL into GNF
so required GNF.

$$\begin{aligned}S &\rightarrow aA \\A &\rightarrow aABD \\A &\rightarrow bD \\A &\rightarrow a \\B &\rightarrow b \\D &\rightarrow d\end{aligned}$$

Now, we have to define this into PDA

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{a, b, d\}$$

q_0 = initial state

$q_2 \in F$ final state

δ = Transition Function

z_0 = initial stack symbol

$$\Gamma = \{ S, A, B, D, z_0 \}$$

Assume

$$Q = \{ q_0, q_1, q_2 \}$$

$$\Sigma = \{ a, b \}$$

q_0 = Initial state

$q_2 \in F$ q_2 = Final state

δ = Transition Function

z_0 = Initial stack symbol

$$\Gamma = \{ S, A, z_0 \}$$

Now we have to take the δ by selecting
starting symbol S

Initially $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_1, Sz_0)$

∴ by step 1

Grammar	PDA
$s \rightarrow aAA$	$\delta(q_1, a, s) = (q_1, AA)$
$A \rightarrow as$	$\delta(q_1, a, A) = (q_1, s)$
$A \rightarrow bs$	$\delta(q_1, b, A) = (q_1, s)$
$A \rightarrow a$	$\delta(q_1, a, A) = (q_1, \epsilon)$

State q_1 will be change to final state q_2

$$\delta(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_2, z_0)$$

Step 3 :

In state q_1 , on encountering the end of input, if z_0 is present as the top symbol of stack then change state to q_2

② construct PDA From given CFL

$$\begin{aligned}S &\rightarrow \alpha AA \\A &\rightarrow \alpha s \mid b s \mid a\end{aligned}$$

Step 1: convert CFL into GNF

$$\begin{aligned}S &\rightarrow \alpha AA \\A &\rightarrow \alpha s \\A &\rightarrow b s \\A &\rightarrow a\end{aligned}$$

Here it is required GNF

Step 2: convert GNF to PDA

consider $G = (V, \Sigma, S, P)$ is a CFL and

$$PDA = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, \Gamma, z_0)$$

* Equivalence of PDA and CFL

Given PDA should be NPDA

$$L(G) = L(P)$$

where $L(G) = \text{CFL}$

$L(P) = \text{NPDA}$

* Conversion of CFL to PDA

$G = (V, \Sigma, S, P)$ is CFL

$P = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, \Gamma, z_0)$ is PDA

steps ① :

Without consuming any input change
the state q_0 to q_1 and place the start symbol
of G onto stack.

$$S \rightarrow aB$$

Transition

$$\delta(q_0, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_1, sz_0)$$

initial Null initial new
state transition stack state
symbol

② IF there is a production in the form
 $A \rightarrow a\alpha$ then the corresponding transition.

δ (Transitions on stack)

$$\delta(q_0, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_1, sz_0)$$

Grammar	PDA
$S \rightarrow aA$	$\delta(q_1, a, s) = (q_1, A)$
$A \rightarrow aABD$	$\delta(q_1, a, A) = (q_1, ABD)$
$A \rightarrow bB$	$\delta(q_1, b, A) = (q_1, B)$
$A \rightarrow a\epsilon$	$\delta(q_1, a, A) = (q_1, \epsilon)$
$B \rightarrow b\epsilon$	$\delta(q_1, b, B) = (q_1, \epsilon)$
$D \rightarrow d\epsilon$	$\delta(q_1, d, D) = (q_1, \epsilon)$

Finally step 3 -

change q_1 to q_2 (As q_2 is any my final state)

$$\delta(q_1, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_2, z_0)$$

Ex: construct PDA by CFL

$$S \rightarrow aSa \mid b$$

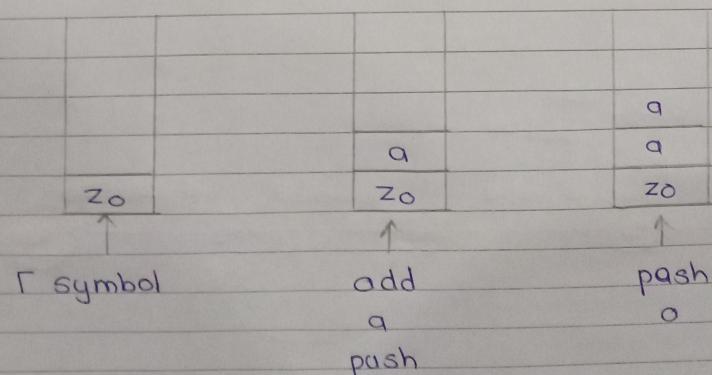
$$A \rightarrow bBb \mid b$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

Initially Empty stack Final stack

initial stack $\rightarrow z_0$ Then accepted ϵ final state z_0
 symbol

The string construction a's and no of b's twice to as follows



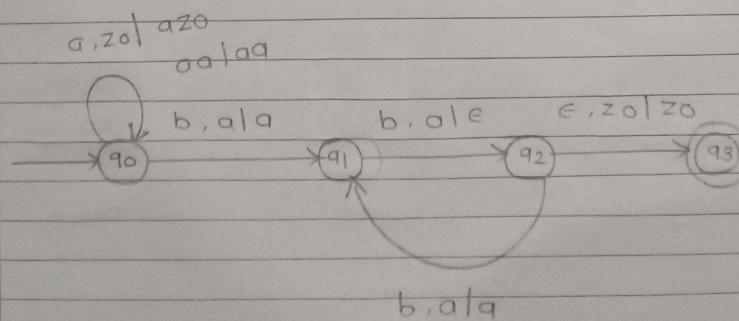
mean we perform . ① Pop
 ② Nop operation with b's

Transition function,

- ① $\delta(q_0, a, z_0) = (q_0, a, z_0)$
- ② $\delta(q_0, a, a) = (q_0, aa)$
- ③ $\delta(q_0, b, a) = (q_1, a)$
- ④ $\delta(q_1, b, a) = (q_2, \epsilon)$
- ⑤ $\delta(q_2, b, a) = (q_1, a)$
- ⑥ $\delta(q_2, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_3, z_0)$

①		a					
	a	a	a	ϵ	x		
	z_0	z_0	z_0	z_0	z_0		

push push pop pop pop



PDA = { Q, Σ, q₀, δ, Γ, z₀, AIF }

z₀ = Initial stack symbol

Γ = Stack symbol

Two way of Acceptance

① Final state :

Top on stack is z₀

② Empty stack :

stack contain ε symbol

z₀ ← initial
symbol

ε ← null

LIFO

Ex: consider a PDA for accept the language
 $L = \{ a^n b^{2n} \mid n \geq 1 \}$ by final state

→ consider $n \geq 1$

if $n=1$ it satisfies
 $n > 1$ it satisfies

The string may be $n=1$

$$L = \{ a^1 b^{2 \cdot 1} \} = abb$$

② $n > 1$ $n = 2$

$$L = \{ a^2 b^{2 \cdot 2} \} = \{ aabbbb \}$$

③ $n > 1$ $n = 3$

$$L = \{ a^3 b^{3 \cdot 2} \} = \{ aaabbbbbbb \}$$

We can say that PDA with accept

$$L = \{ abb, aabbbb, \dots \}$$

There are three operation are possible

- ① Push
- ② Pop
- ③ Nap

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$$L = \{ a^2 b^{2 \cdot 2} \} = \{ aabb \}$$

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There are three operation are possible

- ① Push
- ② Pop
- ③ Nop

			a	a
zo	zo		zo	

Initially push a push a

b	
b	
b	
b	
a	
a	
a	
zo	
ε	

Ex: Given a PDA for accept following language

$$L = \{a^n \cdot b^{2n} \mid n \geq 1\} \text{ by final state}$$

→ The starting like $\{abb, aabbbb, \dots\}$

① Push a		
② Push a		
③ No operation with b	b	
④ Pop b with a	a	Push a
	a	Push a
	z ₀	Initial stack symbol

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \delta(q_0, a, z_0) = (q_0, az_0)$$

state i/p Top of stack

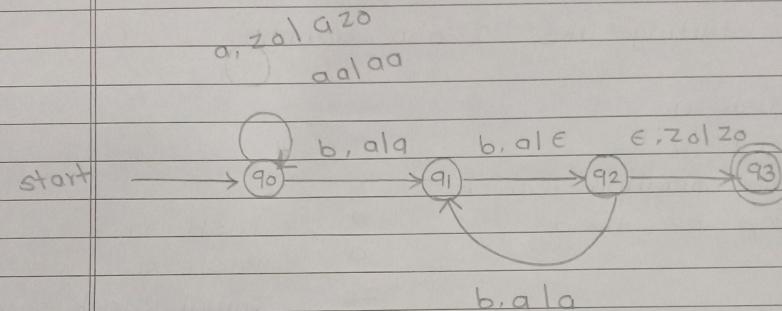
$$\textcircled{2} \quad \delta(q_0, a, a) = (q_0, aa)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \delta(q_0, b, a) = (q_1, a)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \delta(q_1, b, a) = (q_2, \epsilon)$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \delta(q_2, b, a) = (q_1, a)$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \delta(q_2, \epsilon, z_0) = (q_3, z_0) \text{ Final state}$$



* Types of Acceptance in PDA

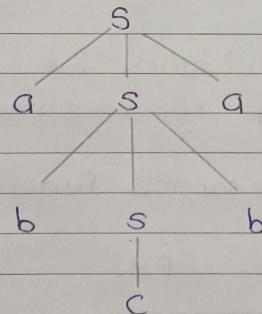
The transition function of PDA is δ . Denoted by,

$$\delta: Q \times \{\Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}\} \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^*$$

Ex. Let G be CFG having $S \rightarrow aSbSbSbC$ & G generates the language.

$$L = \{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid x \text{ is a palindrome}\}$$

Now CFG will be construct parse tree like,



Hence it will accept abcba string

The above string is palindrome

PDA performs LIFO with the help of Push & Pop

Push - add symbol

Pop - remove symbol

The move is depend upon .

- ① current state
- ② input (next i/p)
- ③ top symbol of stack

It will gives

① changing states (staying in the same state)

② Replacing the top stack symbol by a string
of zero or more symbol

Popping the top symbol on stack means replace it by λ

Pushing Y onto a stack means replacing the top symbol X by YX (Assume Y on top)

Assume the transition function

$$\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q \quad (\text{FA})$$

$$\delta: Q \times \Sigma \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^* \quad (\text{PDA})$$

For state q , on i/p a & stack symbol x

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

state q , with x on top of stack we read a move to state p , & replace x by string d .

Everytime remember of if stack is empty then always remember that z_0 is symbol on stack

If i/p are empty and we want to move to next state then we use Λ transaction.

$$\delta: Q \times \{\Sigma \cup \{n\}\} \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^*$$

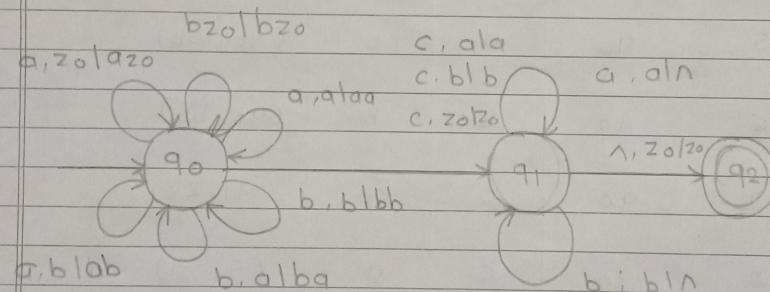


Fig: Pushdown Automata [Transaction diagram]

Move Number	state	Input	stack symbol	move (s)
1	q0	a	z0	(q0, az0)
2	q0	b	z0	(q0, bz0)
3	q0	a	a	(q0, aa)
4	q0	b	a	(q0, ba)
5	q0	a	b	(q0, ab)
6	q0	b	b	(q0, bb)
7	q0	c	z0	(q1, z0)
8	q0	c	a	(q1, a)
9	q0	c	b	(q1, b)
10	q1	a	a	(q1, n)
11	q1	b	b	(q1, n)
12	q1	n	z0	(q2, z0)

[Transaction table]

Now take strings : ① abcba
 ② ab
 ③ acaa

More Number	Resulting State	unread Input	stack
Initially	q0	abeba	zo
1	q0	bcbba	az0
2	q0	cba	bazo
3	q1	ba	bazo
4	q1	a	az0
5	q1	-	zo
6	q1	-	zo

Accept

More Number	Resulting state	unread Input	stack
Initially	q0	acaa	z0
1	q0	caa	az0
8	q1	aa	az0
10	q1	a	z0
12	q2	a	z0

Not
accept

If there is no more corresponding to
given ip then it will take 'n' transaction

$$n \text{ transaction} = \delta(q_0, n, z_0)$$

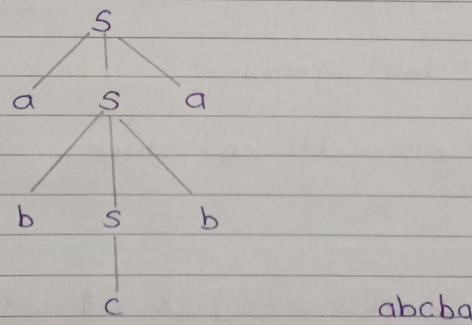
* PDA Example

wcw^R can be represented by CFG

$$G = \{ V, S, \epsilon, P \}$$

$$G = \{ \{ S \}, \{ a, b, c \}, S, P \}$$

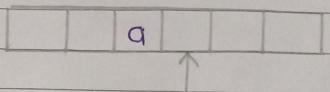
$$\begin{aligned} P \Rightarrow S &\rightarrow aSa \\ &\rightarrow bsb \\ &\rightarrow c \end{aligned}$$



Tape : Divided into finite no of steps all the symbols are belong to Σ

Stack : All the alphabets belongs to stack Γ

While reading a tape the head of tape moves to right.



Tape head

After reading a head goes to right

As we know

$\delta \Rightarrow$ Transition function

$Q \Rightarrow$ Finite sets

$\Sigma \Rightarrow$ Alphabets on tape

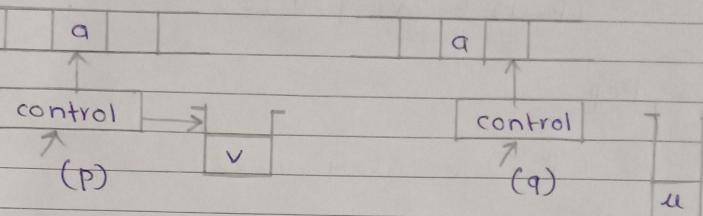
$\epsilon \Rightarrow$ Null symbol

$\Gamma \Rightarrow$ Alphabets on stack

$$\delta : Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}) \times (\Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\}) \rightarrow$$

$$_2 Q \times (\Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\})$$

* Push & Pop in PDA



$$(p, u) \in \delta(q, q, v)$$

read of tape head $\Rightarrow a$

stack head read v

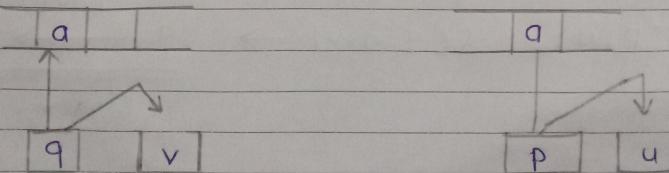
Finite control at q

After perform,

tape head move one head right on stack v
replaced by u ,

q is replaced by p .

$$\text{if } (p, u) \in \delta(q, \epsilon, v)$$



Push operation.

$$(P, u) \in \delta(q, q, \epsilon)$$

Pop

$$(P, \epsilon) \in \delta(q, a, v)$$

Till the tape head goes rightmost state on type if it accept string then string accepted or it rejected.

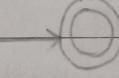
The PDA may 6/7 tuple

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, \Gamma, z_0)$$

OR

$$(Q, \Sigma, q_0, A, \delta, \Gamma)$$

q_0 : initial state 

A Accepting (final state) 

$$(P, u) \in \delta(q, a, v) \rightarrow \underline{q} \xrightarrow{a, v/u} \underline{P}$$

* Ex PDA

wcw^R

i.e.,

$$L = \{ w cw^R : w \in \{a, b\}^q \}$$

All content CFL can be recognized by PDA

$\{a^n b^n\}$ by pigeonhole principle is content free but not regular

where no of a and b are same

PDA gives unlimited memory with LIFO

Now, $n > 0$

If $n+1$ pigeonhole and $n+2$ pigeons are there
then two pigeons is same hole

Now take,

$$x y^n z \in L \text{ with } a^n b^n$$

where $y \notin \epsilon$

$$x = a^p$$

$$y = a^q$$

$$z = a^r b^s$$

$$x y^n z = a^{p+nq+r} b^s \quad \text{where } n \geq 0$$

From given we can assume no of a's
and b's will equal at least for one time
so $a^n b^n$ is non regular.