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Answer 1

a.

$$\{ x^a y^a z^b : a, b \geq 0 \} \cup \{ x^a y^b z^a : a, b \geq 0 \}$$

b.

$U = (x,y)^* V (x,y)^*$: left and right side of V are reverse of each other.

$$V = (x,y)^*$$

So the language is: $UV : \underbrace{(x,y)^*}_w (x,y)^* \underbrace{(x,y)^*}_{w^R} (x,y)^*$

c.

The regular expression is: $x(x^9)^* + ((z,y)(z,y))^*$

Answer 2

a.

Assume that L_1 is a context free language.

Since L_1 is infinite, we can apply Pumping Lemma.

Let $a = 2^m 1^m$. Then, $L_1 = aa^{R|a|} = 2^m 1^m 1^m 2^m 2^{2m}$

By Pumping Lemma, a can be decomposed as $a = uvxyz$ with $|vxz| \leq m$ and $|vy| \geq 1$ such that $uv^i xy^i z \in L_1$ for $i \geq 0$.

•Case 1

for $i = 0$

$$\underbrace{22...211...}_{uvxy} \underbrace{11...122...2}_z$$

$|a| = 2m - |vy|$ is less than $|a^R|$, so $uv^0 xy^0 z \notin L_1$

•Case 2

for $i = 0$

$$\underbrace{22\dots211\dots1}_u \underbrace{11\dots122\dots}_{vxy} \underbrace{22\dots2}_z$$

$|a^R| = 2m - |vy|$ is less than $|a|$, so $uv^0xy^0z \notin L_1$

•Case 3

for $i=0$

$$\underbrace{22\dots211\dots1122\dots2}_u \underbrace{22\dots2}_{vxyz}$$

$|2^{|a|}| = 2m - |vy|$ is less than $|a|$. So, $uv^0xy^0z \notin L_1$

•Case 4

for $i = 0$

$$\underbrace{22\dots1}_u \underbrace{11\dots1}_{vxy} \underbrace{122\dots22\dots2}_z$$

$|a| |2^{|a|}| = 4m - |vy|$
 $(4m - |vy|)/2 < |2^{|a|}| = 2m$. So, $uv^0xy^0z \notin L_1$

•Case 5

for $i = 0$

$$\underbrace{22\dots11\dots12}_u \underbrace{22\dots2}_{vxy} \underbrace{22\dots2}_z$$

$|a^R 2^{|a|}| = 4m - |vy|$
 $(4m - |vy|)/2 < |a| = 2m$. So, $uv^0xy^0z \notin L_1$
 Contradiction. Then, this assumption is false.

Hence, L_1 is not context-free.

b.

L_2 is a CFL.

•A is context free.

$S \rightarrow xSz \mid T$

$T \rightarrow yTz \mid \varepsilon$

•B is a regular language.

$S \rightarrow XY$

$X \rightarrow x \mid xx \mid xxx \mid \dots \mid x^{100} \mid \varepsilon$

$Y \rightarrow y \mid yy \mid yyy \mid \dots \mid y^{100} \mid \varepsilon$

Note that if B is a RL, also \overline{B} is a RL.

$L_2 = A \setminus B = A \cap \overline{B}$ is context-free.

Intersection of a CFL and a RL is a context-free language because we can construct a new NPDA machine that accepts the NPDA of that context free language and the DFA of that regular language.

c.

Assume that L_3 is a context free language.

Since L_3 is infinite, we can apply Pumping Lemma.

Pick a string $w = a^k b^k c^{k^2}$, $w \in L_3$.

By Pumping Lemma w can be decomposed as $w = uvxyz$ with $|vxz| \leq k$ and $|vy| \geq 1$ such that $uv^i xy^i z \in L_3$ for $i \geq 0$.

Now, We will examine all the possible locations of string vxz in w .

•Case 1

for $i=0$

$\underbrace{aaa\dots a}_{. uvxy} \underbrace{aabb\dots bcc\dots c}_z$

$$uv^0 xy^0 z = a^{k-|vy|} b^k c^{k^2} \notin L_3$$

•Case 2

for $i=0$

$\underbrace{aaa\dots a}_{. uv} \underbrace{ab}_x \underbrace{b\dots b}_y \underbrace{bcc\dots b}_z$

$$uv^0 xy^0 z = a^{k-|v|} b^{k-|y|} c^{k^2} \notin L_3$$

•Case 3

for $i=0$

$\underbrace{aaa\dots ab}_{. u} \underbrace{b\dots b}_{vxy} \underbrace{bcc\dots c}_z$

$$uv^0 xy^0 z = a^k b^{k-|vy|} c^{k^2} \notin L_3$$

•Case 4

for $i=0$

$\underbrace{aaa\dots ab}_{. u} \underbrace{b\dots b}_v \underbrace{bc}_x \underbrace{cc\dots c}_{yz}$

$$uv^0 xy^0 z = a^k b^{k-|v|} c^{k^2-|y|} \notin L_3$$

•Case 5

for $i=0$

$\underbrace{aaa\dots abb\dots bc}_{. u} \underbrace{c\dots c}_{vxyz}$

$$uv^0 xy^0 z = a^k b^k c^{k^2-|vy|} \notin L_3$$

•Case 6

v or y containing "ab" or "bc"

If $i>0$, $uv^i xy^i z$ would be $a\dots ab\dots bc\dots cb\dots c$ or $a\dots ab\dots ba\dots ab\dots b\dots c\dots c$. And it would not be in L_3 .

There are no other cases to examine, and we got contradiction in all cases above.

So, L_3 is not context-free.

d.

$$L_4 = \overline{L} = (1,2)^* - L$$

$$L_4 = \{(1,2)^* - 1^*2^*\} \cup \{1^n 2^m : n>m\} \cup \{1^n 2^m : m>2n\}$$

If each of the three parts of L_4 is context-free, we can see that L_4 is context-free, since union operator is closed for CFLs.

• $\{(1,2)^* - 1^*2^*\}$ is a regular language. Because $(1,2)^*$ and 1^*2^* are regular clearly and set differ-

ence is closed for RLs. And also every RL is a CFL.

• $\{ 1^n 2^m : n > m \}$ is a context free language.

$S \rightarrow 1A$

$A \rightarrow 1A \mid 1A2 \mid \varepsilon$

• $\{ 1^n 2^m : m > 2n \}$ is a context free language.

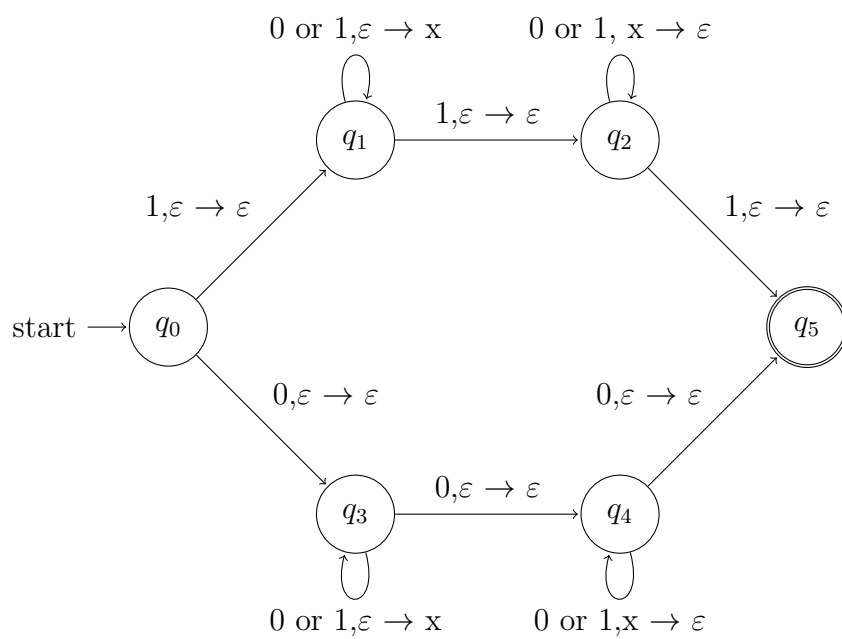
$S \rightarrow A2$

$A \rightarrow A2 \mid 1A22 \mid \varepsilon$

So, L_4 is context-free.

Answer 3

a.



b.

State String Stack

$[q_0, 01000, \lambda]$

$[q_3, 1000, \lambda]$

$[q_3, 000, x]$

$[q_4, 00, x]$

$[q_4, 0, \lambda]$

$[q_5, \lambda, \lambda]$

"01000" is accepted.

C.

Firstly, we need to trace all computations of the string "00100"

1

[q₀, 00100, λ]
[q₃, 0100, λ]
[q₃, 100, x]
[q₃, 00, xx]
[q₃, 0, xxx]
[q₃, λ, xxxx]

Rejected.

2

[q₀, 00100, λ]
[q₃, 0100, λ]
[q₃, 100, x]
[q₃, 00, xx]
[q₃, 0, xxx]
[q₄, λ, xxx]

Rejected.

3

[q₀, 00100, λ]
[q₃, 0100, λ]
[q₃, 100, x]
[q₃, 00, xx]
[q₄, 0, xx]
[q₄, λ, x]

Rejected.

4

[q₀, 00100, λ]
[q₃, 0100, λ]
[q₃, 100, x]
[q₃, 00, xx]
[q₄, 0, xx]
[q₅, λ, xx]

Rejected.

5

[q₀, 00100, λ]
[q₃, 0100, λ]
[q₄, 100, λ]

Rejected.

There is no accepted one. Hence, $00100 \notin L(M)$.

Answer 4

a.

- $L_1 \cup (L_2 \setminus R)$ is context free.

Because, $L_2 \setminus R = L_2 \cap \overline{R}$ is context free.

If R is a regular language, \overline{R} is also regular, since regular languages are closed under complementation.

And intersection of a CFL and a RL is a context-free language, because we can construct a new NPDA machine that accepts the NPDA of that context free language and the DFA of that regular language.

Now we know that $(L_2 \setminus R)$ is a CFL, also L_1 is a CFL.

Since context free languages are closed under union operation, $L_1 \cup (L_2 \setminus R)$ is context free.

- $R \setminus (L_1 \cup L_2)$ may or may not be context free.

As context free languages are closed under union operation, $(L_1 \cup L_2)$ is a context free language.

Let's say $L_1 \cup L_2 = L$ (a CFL).

$(R \setminus L)$ does not have to be context free.

$(R \setminus L) = (R \cap \overline{L})$, but \overline{L} may not be context free, since the context-free languages are not closed under complementation.

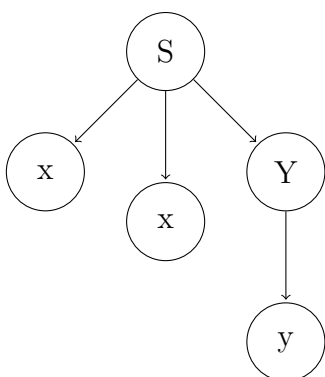
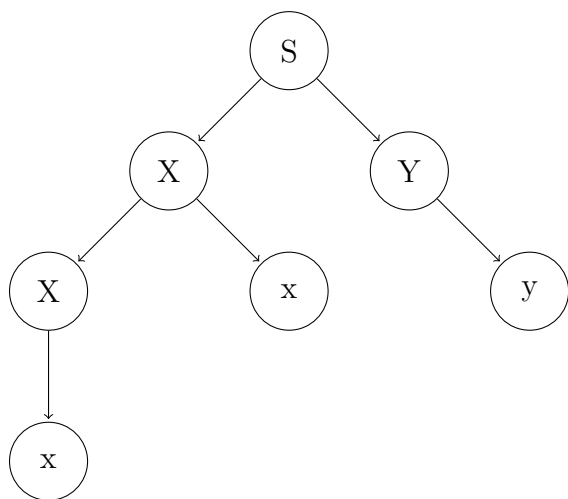
b.

In order to show that G is ambiguous, we need to show a string that can be given by two different parse trees.

The string "xxy" has two different left-most derivations:

$S \Rightarrow XY \Rightarrow XxY \Rightarrow xxY \Rightarrow xxy$

$S \Rightarrow xxY \Rightarrow xxy$



Since "xxy" has two different left-most derivations, G is ambiguous.

c.

$L = \{ x^i y^i z^i : i \geq 0 \}$ can be recognized by M, but not recognized by N.

Because it is well known that L is not context free, it cannot be recognized by N(1 stack PDA).

However L can be recognized by M(2 stack PDA) and it can be seen below.

⇒ Push all initial "x"s to a stack. Push the following "y"s to the other stack.

When a "z" is read, pop one "x" and one "y" from the stacks.

Since there is a "x" and a "y" for each "z", when the inputs end and the two stacks be empty, it will be accepted.

It can be seen that M is at least powerful as N, because a 2 stack PDA can simulate a 1 stack PDA, by not using its second stack.

And, above, we saw that $L = \{ x^i y^i z^i : i \geq 0 \}$ is recognized by M, but not recognized by N.

That means, M(a 2 stack PDA) can recognize every language which N(a 1 stack PDA) can recognize, also M can recognize at least one different language(L) that cannot be recognized by N.

So, M is more powerful than N.