

# CS 181 HW5 2021 CS181

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TOTAL POINTS

**16 / 21**

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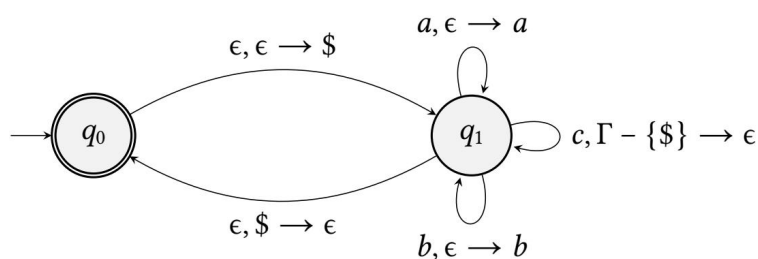
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## Problem 1

$$L_{add} = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid k = i + j\}$$

**PDA Model:**

$$\Sigma = \{a, b, c\} \quad \Gamma = \{\$, a, b\}$$



### Justification:

This PDA starts by pushing  $\$$  onto the stack to indicate an empty stack. It then proceeds to push  $a$ s and  $b$ s onto the stack as they are read from the input string, allowing us to "calculate"  $i + j$ , as defined by  $L_{add}$ . Since the language guarantees that all occurrences of  $a$  and  $b$  occur before any occurrences of  $c$ , we know that after calculating  $i + j$ , we simply need to check if  $k$  is equivalent by counting the remaining  $c$ s in the string. We do this by popping a symbol (either  $a$  or  $b$ ) off the stack for each  $c$  that is read from the input string. If there are less  $c$ s than  $a$ s and  $b$ s, the PDA will remain in state  $q_1$  and reject the input. If there are more  $a$ s and  $b$ s than  $c$ s, the PDA will move back into  $q_0$ , but won't have reached the end of the input yet, so it will also reject. It will only accept if it moves back into  $q_0$  and there are no more symbols to read, indicating that the number of  $c$ s was exactly equal to the number of  $a$ s and  $b$ s.

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$$L_2 = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid k = i + j \text{ and } i > j\}$$

**Proof (by contradiction):**

- Assume  $L_2$  is context-free.
- Let  $p$  be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma for CFLs.
- Let  $s$  be the string  $a^{2p} b^p c^{3p}$ , noting that  $s \in L_2$ , since  $i = 2p$ ,  $j = p$ , and  $k = 3p$ , satisfying the condition that  $k = i + j$  and  $i > j$ .
- With  $s$  being a member of  $L_2$  and having a length greater than  $p$ , the pumping lemma for CFLs guarantees that  $s$  can be split into five substrings of the form  $s = uvxyz$  such that <sup>(1)</sup>for each  $n \geq 0$ ,  $uv^n xy^n z \in L_2$ , <sup>(2)</sup> $|vy| > 0$ , and <sup>(3)</sup> $|vxy| \leq p$ .
- Note that the string  $s$  can be split into 3 blocks  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  such that  $A$  only contains  $as$  and is of length  $2p$ ,  $B$  only contains  $bs$  and is of length  $p$ , and  $C$  only contains  $cs$  and is of length  $3p$ .
- By condition (3) of the pumping lemma for CFLs, we know that  $|vxy|$  has length of at most  $p$ .
- This means that  $vxy$  can *at most* cross two of the three blocks  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ , as each block has a length of at least  $p$ .
- This leaves us with five possible cases to consider:  $vxy$  is entirely within block  $A$ ,  $vxy$  is entirely within block  $B$ ,  $vxy$  is entirely within block  $C$ ,  $vxy$  crosses from block  $A$  to block  $B$ , and  $vxy$  crosses from block  $B$  to block  $C$ .
- Create the string  $s'$  by pumping  $s$  using  $n = t$  such that  $t > p$ , noting that  $t > 0$  by the specification of the language.
- If  $vxy$  is entirely within a single block, only the number of one symbol increases; if  $vxy$  crosses from  $A$  to  $B$ , the number of  $as$  and  $bs$  increases, while the number of  $cs$  remains constant.
- In all four of these cases, only a single side of the expression  $k = i + j$  increases, while the other remains constant, indicating that the pumped string  $s'$  is not a member of  $L_2$ .
- This violates the pumping lemma for CFLs, therefore all four of these cases lead to a contradiction.
- The only remaining case is when  $vxy$  crosses from  $B$  to  $C$ .
- By the specification of the case, there must be at least one  $b$  in either the substring  $v$  or the substring  $y$ .
- This means that the number of  $bs$  is pumped by  $t$  in this case, leading to there being at least  $p + p$   $bs$ , since  $t$  is defined as some finite value greater than  $p$ .
- This violates the condition for  $L_2$  that  $i > j$ , as the number of  $bs$  is now greater than or equal to the number of  $as$ .
- In all cases of  $vxy$ , the  $s'$  is no longer a member of  $L_2$ , violating the pumping lemma of CFLs, contradicting the claim that  $L_2$  is a CFL.  $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

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$A \text{ PS } B = \{ w \mid w = a_1 b_1 \dots a_k b_k \text{ where } a_i \dots a_k \in A \text{ and } b_1 \dots b_k \in B \text{ each } a_i, b_i \in \Sigma \}$

### Proof (by construction):

- If the languages  $A$  and  $B$  are regular, there must exist some DFAs  $M_A$  and  $M_B$  that accept them.
- To show that FSLs are closed under perfect shuffle, we must construct a finite automaton  $M$  based on the machines  $M_A$  and  $M_B$  that accepts the perfect shuffle of  $A$  and  $B$ .
- We define  $M_A = \{Q_A, \Sigma, \delta_A, q_{0,A}, F_A\}$ ,  $M_B = \{Q_B, \Sigma, \delta_B, q_{0,B}, F_B\}$ , and  $M = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$ .
- We define  $Q = (Q_A \times Q_B) \cup \{q_0\}$ .
- We define  $\delta(q_0, \epsilon) = (q_{0,A}, q_{0,B})$ .
- We define  $(\delta_A(q_i, a), q_j) \in \delta((q_i, q_j), a)$  for states  $q_i \in Q_A$  and  $q_j \in Q_B$ .
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- We define  $F = (F_A \times F_B)$ .

### Justification:

The resultant NFA  $M$  models the states of  $M_A$  and  $M_B$  as ordered pairs. By doing this, we can then use the transitions from  $M_A$  and  $M_B$ , while also taking into account the state of both machines. This means that transitions that  $M_A$  would take can now only be taken if  $M_B$  is in the appropriate state, and vice versa. We then create a new initial state that uses an  $\epsilon$ -edge to allow  $M$  to model  $M_A$  and  $M_B$ 's initial states. Finally, we create our set of accepting states from the cartesian product of the accepting states of  $M_A$  and  $M_B$ , as both machines would have needed to end in an accepting state in order for  $M$  to accept the input.

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