



# Gradiane Online Accelerated Learning

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Based on Chapter 6 of HMU.

Help

1. Here are the transitions of a deterministic pushdown automaton. The start state is  $q_0$ , and  $f$  is the accepting state.

State-Symbol	a	b	$\epsilon$
$q_0-Z_0$	$(q_1, AAZ_0)$	$(q_2, BZ_0)$	$(f, \epsilon)$
$q_1-A$	$(q_1, AAA)$	$(q_1, \epsilon)$	-
$q_1-Z_0$	-	-	$(q_0, Z_0)$
$q_2-B$	$(q_3, \epsilon)$	$(q_2, BB)$	-
$q_2-Z_0$	-	-	$(q_0, Z_0)$
$q_3-B$	-	-	$(q_2, \epsilon)$
$q_3-Z_0$	-	-	$(q_1, AZ_0)$

Describe informally what this PDA does. Then, identify below the one input string that the PDA accepts.

- a) bbbaabbb
- b) bbaa
- c) bababbaa
- d) babbba

Answer submitted: **d)**

You have answered the question correctly.

Question Explanation:

This PDA accepts all strings with twice as many  $b$ 's as  $a$ 's. In states  $q_0$  and  $q_1$ , we push two  $A$ 's onto the stack for each input  $a$ , and we pop an  $A$  for every input  $b$ .

push two A's onto the stack for each input  $a$ , and we pop an A for every input  $b$ . You can interpret state  $q_1$  as saying "we've seen more than half as many  $a$ 's as  $b$ 's." In states  $q_0$  and  $q_2$  we push a B for every input  $b$ , and (with the help of  $q_3$ ) we pop two B's for every input  $a$  (using  $q_3$  as an intermediate. You can interpret  $q_2$  as "we have seen more than twice as many  $b$ 's as  $a$ 's."

2. If we convert the context-free grammar G:

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow AS \mid A \\ A &\rightarrow 0A \mid 1B \mid 1 \\ B &\rightarrow 0B \mid 0 \end{aligned}$$

to a pushdown automaton that accepts  $L(G)$  by empty stack, using the construction of Section 6.3.1, which of the following would be a rule of the PDA?

- a)  $\delta(q, \epsilon, B) = \{(q, 0B)\}$
- b)  $\delta(q, 0, B) = \{(q, B), (q, \epsilon)\}$
- c)  $\delta(q, \epsilon, S) = \{(q, AS)\}$
- d)  $\delta(q, 0, 0) = \{(q, \epsilon)\}$

Answer submitted: **d)**

You have answered the question correctly.

Question Explanation:

There is one state,  $q$ . The input symbols are 0 and 1, and the stack symbols are  $\{S, A, B, 0, 1\}$ .  $S$  is the initial stack symbol. The rules are:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(q, \epsilon, S) &= \{(q, AS), (q, A)\} \\ \delta(q, \epsilon, A) &= \{(q, 0A), (q, 1B), (q, 1)\} \\ \delta(q, \epsilon, B) &= \{(q, 0B), (q, 0)\} \\ \delta(q, 0, 0) &= \{(q, \epsilon)\} \\ \delta(q, 1, 1) &= \{(q, \epsilon)\} \end{aligned}$$

3. Suppose one transition rule of some PDA  $P$  is  $\delta(q, 0, X) = \{(p, YZ), (r, XY)\}$ . If we convert PDA  $P$  to an equivalent context-free grammar  $G$  in the manner described in Section 6.3.2 (p. 247), which of the following could be a production of  $G$  derived from this transition rule? You may assume  $s$  and  $t$  are states of  $P$ , as well as  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $r$ .

- a)  $[qXq] \rightarrow 0[rXr][rYq]$
- b)  $[qXq] \rightarrow 0[rXr][sYq]$
- c)  $[qXq] \rightarrow [rXr][rYq]$
- d)  $[qXq] \rightarrow 0[qYr][rZp]$

Answer submitted: **a)**

You have answered the question correctly.

## Question Explanation:

If  $m$  and  $n$  are any states of  $P$ , then the fact that  $(p, YZ)$  is in  $\delta(q, 0, X)$  says that there will be a production  $[qXm] \rightarrow 0[pYn][nZm]$ . Similarly, the choice  $(r, XY)$  says that  $[qXm] \rightarrow 0[rXn][nYm]$  is a production.

4. Consider the pushdown automaton with the following transition rules:

1.  $\delta(q, 0, Z_0) = \{(q, XZ_0)\}$
2.  $\delta(q, 0, X) = \{(q, XX)\}$
3.  $\delta(q, 1, X) = \{(q, X)\}$
4.  $\delta(q, \varepsilon, X) = \{(p, \varepsilon)\}$
5.  $\delta(p, \varepsilon, X) = \{(p, \varepsilon)\}$
6.  $\delta(p, 1, X) = \{(p, XX)\}$
7.  $\delta(p, 1, Z_0) = \{(p, \varepsilon)\}$

The start state is  $q$ . For which of the following inputs can the PDA first enter state  $p$  with the input empty and the stack containing  $XXZ_0$  [i.e., the ID  $(p, \varepsilon, XXZ_0)$ ]?

- a) 0111011
- b) 011011011
- c) 011001101
- d) 111001

Answer submitted: **b)**

You have answered the question correctly.

## Question Explanation:

When in state  $q$ , the PDA adds an  $X$  to the stack whenever it consumes a 0. The PDA may consume a 1 with no change to the stack, but only if the stack has top symbol  $X$ . That is, on inputs beginning with 1 the PDA has no choice of move and can never enter state  $p$ . Since entering state  $p$  pops an  $X$  from the stack, there must be exactly three 0's in the consumed inputs, and any number of 1's. In addition, the first input must be 0.

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From the ID  $(p, 1101, XXZ_0)$ , which of the following ID's can NOT be reached?

- a)  $(p, 01, XXXZ_0)$
- b)  $(p, 101, Z_0)$

- c)  $(p, 01, XXXXXZ_0)$   
 d)  $(p, 101, XXXZ_0)$

Answer submitted: **c)**

You have answered the question correctly.

Question Explanation:

In state  $p$ , there is no way to consume a 0 from the input, and no way to leave state  $p$ . We can pop X's from the stack spontaneously (on  $\epsilon$  input), and by consuming a 1 we can push an X onto the stack (but only if there was already an X on the top of the stack). Finally, with  $Z_0$  at the top of the stack and 1 as the next input, we can pop the  $Z_0$  and consume the 1. Consequently, the accessible ID's can be categorized as follows. All have state  $p$ .

1. Input = 1101, stack is  $XXZ_0$ ,  $XZ_0$ , or  $Z_0$ .
2. Input = 101, stack is  $XXXZ_0$ ,  $XXZ_0$ ,  $XZ_0$ ,  $Z_0$ , or  $\epsilon$ .
3. Input = 01, stack is  $XXXXZ_0$ ,  $XXXZ_0$ ,  $XXZ_0$ ,  $XZ_0$ ,  $Z_0$ , or  $\epsilon$ .

6. Here are the transitions of a deterministic pushdown automaton. The start state is  $q_0$ , and  $f$  is the accepting state.

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$q_3-B$	-	-	$(q_2, \epsilon)$
$q_3-Z_0$	-	-	$(q_1, AZ_0)$

Describe informally what this PDA does. Then, identify below, the one input string that takes the PDA into state  $q_3$  (with any stack).

- a) baabba  
 b) abbba  
 c) babbabaa  
 d) baba

Answer submitted: **b)**

You have answered the question correctly.

## Question Explanation:

This PDA accepts all strings with twice as many  $b$ 's as  $a$ 's. In states  $q_0$  and  $q_1$ , we push two  $A$ 's onto the stack for each input  $a$ , and we pop an  $A$  for every input  $b$ . You can interpret state  $q_1$  as saying "we've seen more than half as many  $a$ 's as  $b$ 's." In states  $q_0$  and  $q_2$  we push a  $B$  for every input  $b$ , and (with the help of  $q_3$ ) we pop two  $B$ 's for every input  $a$ . You can interpret  $q_2$  as "we have seen more than twice as many  $b$ 's as  $a$ 's."

As a result, we enter  $q_3$  when, having previously seen strictly more than twice as many  $b$ 's as  $a$ 's, we see an  $a$  on the input.