

1. Given the following context-free grammar G, use set notation to define what is  $L(G)$ ?

1.1)  $S \rightarrow aSB \mid ab$

$B \rightarrow bb \mid b$

$L(G) = \{a^x b^y \mid y \geq x \text{ and } y > 0, x > 0\}$

1.2)  $S \rightarrow aaSB \mid \epsilon$

$B \rightarrow bB \mid b$

$L(G) = \{a^x b^y \mid x \text{ is multiple of 2 and } x \geq 0, y \geq 0\}$

1.3)  $S \rightarrow aSbS \mid aS \mid \epsilon$

$L(G) = \{a^x b^y \mid \{a,b\}^* \mid x \geq 0, y \geq 0\}$

1.4)  $S \rightarrow aS \mid bA \mid \epsilon$

$A \rightarrow bA \mid aS \mid \epsilon$

$L(G) = \{\text{any string with a and b}\}$

2. For each part below, give the context-free grammar that generates the language specified.

2.1)  $L1 = \{a^n b^m c^i \mid 0 \leq n + m \leq i\}$  and  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$

$X \Rightarrow aXc \mid bXc \mid Yc \mid \epsilon$

$Y \Rightarrow Yc \mid \epsilon$

2.2)  $L2 = \{a^m b^n \mid 0 \leq n \leq m \leq 3n\}$  and  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

$X \Rightarrow aaaXb \mid aaXb \mid aXb \mid \epsilon$

2.3)  $L3 = \{a^n b^m c^i \mid n + m + i \text{ is odd}\}$  and  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ . (Hint: consider the cases where n, m, i are all odd, or two of them are even, one is odd, etc)

$S \Rightarrow A \mid B \mid C$

$A \Rightarrow XaYbZc \mid XbYaZc \mid XcYbZa$

$B \Rightarrow XaYbZc \mid XbYaZc \mid XcYbZa$

$C \Rightarrow XaYbZc \mid XbYaZc \mid XcYbZa$

$X \Rightarrow Xa \mid \epsilon$

$Y \Rightarrow Yb \mid \epsilon$

$Z \Rightarrow Zc \mid \epsilon$

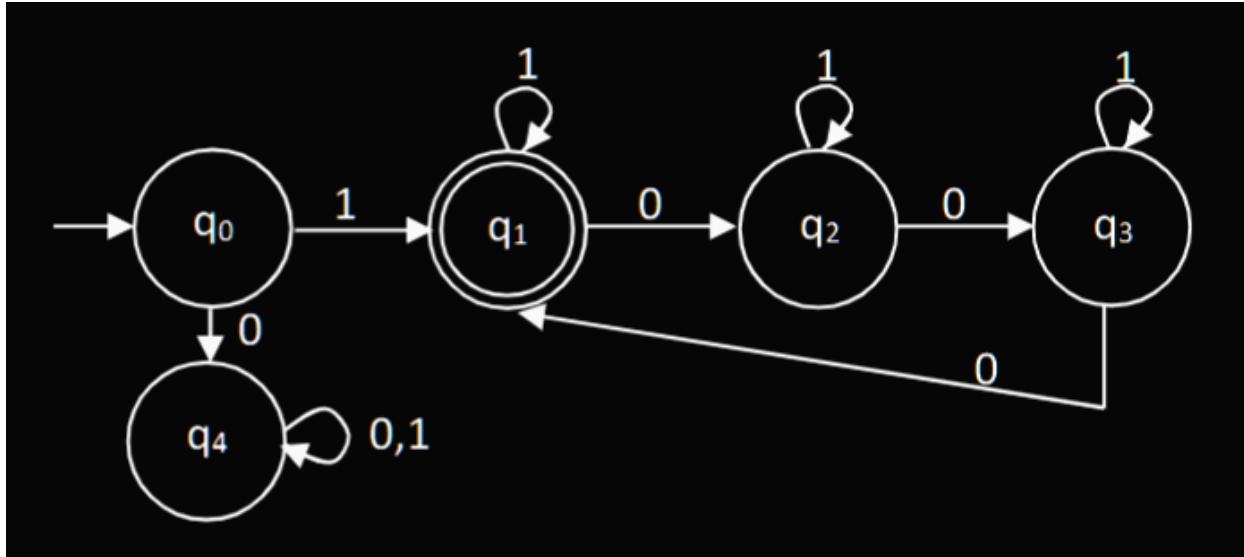
2.4)  $L4 = \{\text{All odd length strings over } \Sigma = \{a, b\}, \text{ where the string have the same symbol in the first and middle position}\}$

$X \Rightarrow aYa \mid aYb \mid bZa \mid bZb \mid b \mid a$

$Y \Rightarrow aYa \mid aYb \mid bYa \mid bYb \mid a$

$Z \Rightarrow aZa \mid aZb \mid bZa \mid bZb \mid b$

3. Convert the DFA below into an equivalent CFG using the procedure discussed in class. Show both your non-simplified and simplified CFGs. What language is described by this CFG?



A = Q0

B = Q1

C = Q2

D = Q3

E = Q4

**Unsimplified:**

- A  $\rightarrow 1B \mid 0E$
- B  $\rightarrow 1B \mid 0C \mid e$
- C  $\rightarrow 1C \mid 0D$
- D  $\rightarrow 1D \mid 0B$
- E  $\rightarrow 0E \mid 1E$

**Simplified:**

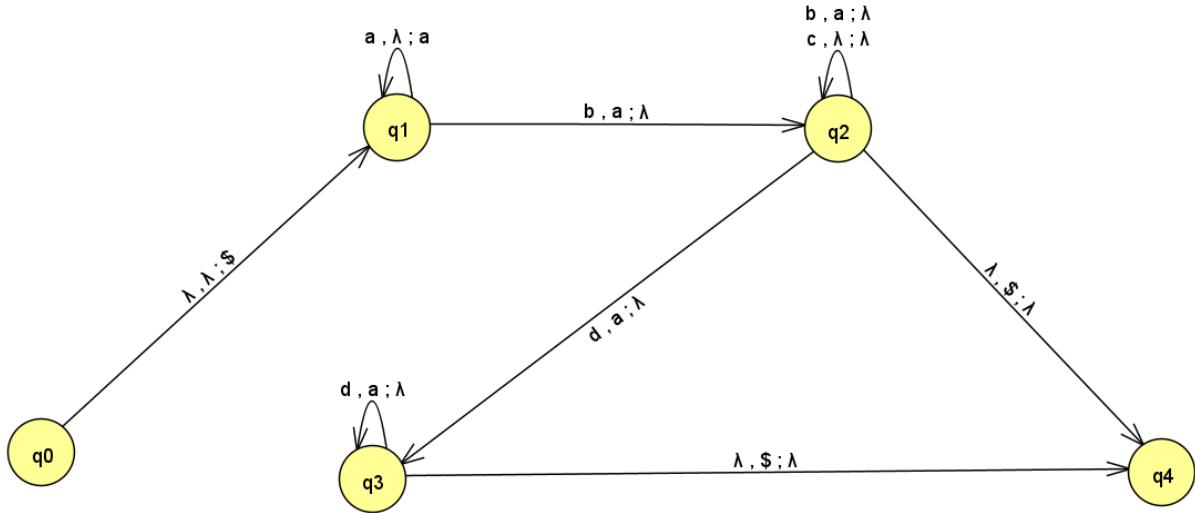
- A  $\rightarrow 1B \mid 1$
- B  $\rightarrow 1B \mid 0C \mid 1$
- C  $\rightarrow 1C \mid 0D$
- D  $\rightarrow 1D \mid 0B \mid 0$

**Set Notation:**

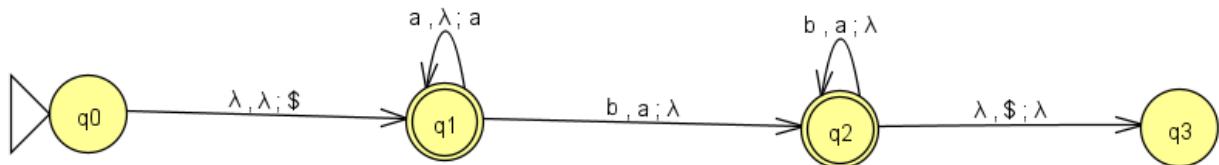
- $L = \{x \mid x \text{ starts with the character one and the number of zeros is divisible by three}\}$

4. For each part below, draw the state diagram of a nondeterministic pushdown automaton that recognizes the language specified. 15 points

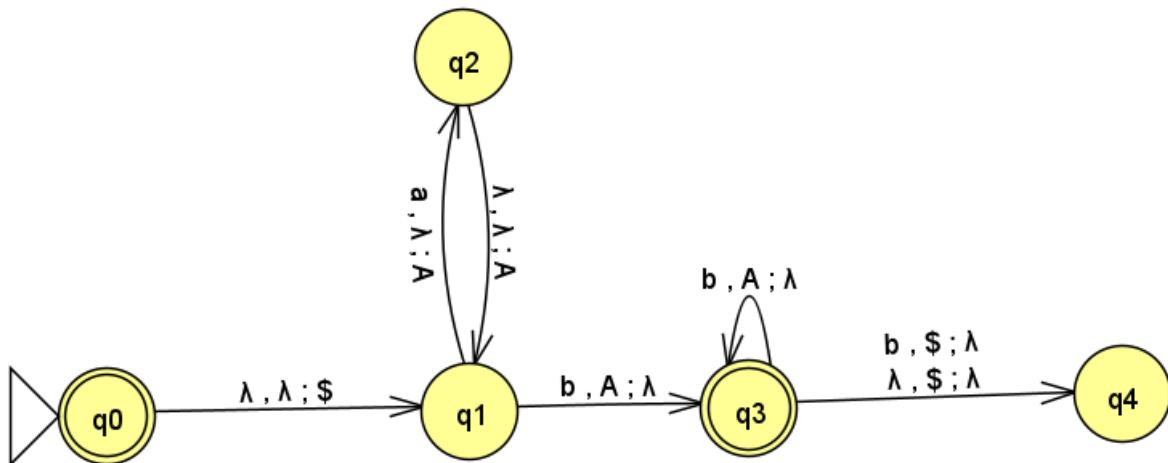
$$4.1) L_5 = \{a^i b^j c^k d^l \mid l = i - j \text{ and } i, j, k, l \geq 0\}$$



4.2)  $L6 = \{a^i b^j \mid i \neq j\}$



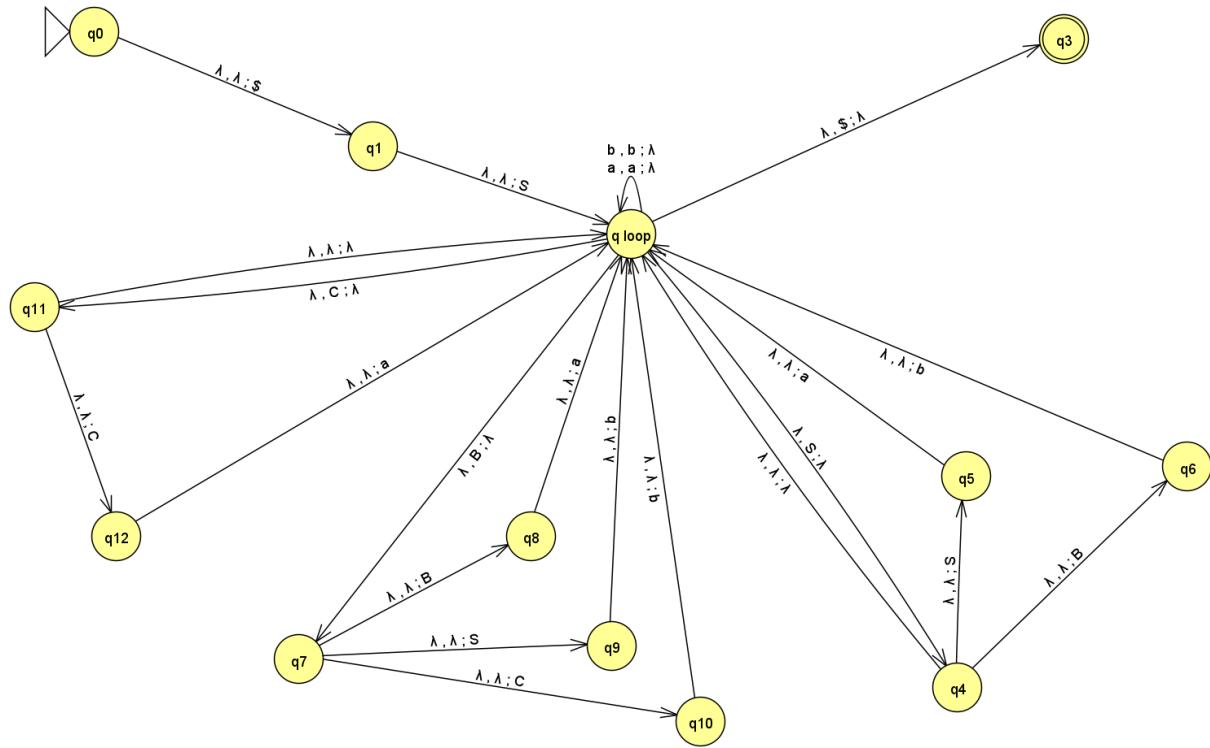
4.3)  $L7 = \{a^i b^j \mid 0 \leq i \leq j \leq 2i\}$



5. Convert the following CFG into a nondeterministic PDA using the procedure discussed in class. 10 points

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow aS \mid bB \mid \epsilon \\ B &\rightarrow aB \mid bS \mid bC \end{aligned}$$

$C \rightarrow aC \mid \varepsilon$



6. Convert the following context free grammar into Chomsky normal form. Show all required steps to receive full points. 10 points

$S \rightarrow aTb \mid ab$

$T \rightarrow ST \mid \varepsilon$

#### Converting to CNF:

- Make a new start state
  - $X \rightarrow S$
  - $S \rightarrow aTb \mid ab$
  - $T \rightarrow ST \mid \varepsilon$
- Find Nullable Vars and Remove epsilons
  - $X \rightarrow S \mid \varepsilon$
  - $S \rightarrow aTb \mid ab$
  - $T \rightarrow ST \mid S$
- Eliminate unit rules
  - $X \rightarrow aTb \mid ab \mid \varepsilon$
  - $S \rightarrow aTb \mid ab$
  - $T \rightarrow ST \mid aTb \mid ab$
- Ensure RHS is all Vars, or Single Terminals
  - $X \rightarrow ATA \mid AB \mid \varepsilon$
  - $S \rightarrow ATB \mid AB$

- $T \rightarrow ST \mid ATB \mid AB$
  - $A \rightarrow a$
  - $B \rightarrow b$
- **Reduce RHS so only 2 Vars**
  - $X \rightarrow JA \mid AB \mid \epsilon$
  - $S \rightarrow JB \mid AB$
  - $T \rightarrow ST \mid JB \mid AB$
  - $A \rightarrow a$
  - $B \rightarrow b$
  - $J \rightarrow AT$

7. For each part, show that the language is context-free, or use the pumping lemma to show that the language is non-context-free. You must justify your answers to receive full credit.

7.1)  $L_8 = \{\omega x | \omega, x \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } \omega \text{ contains } x \text{ as substring}\}$

- **In order too show that this language is in fact, context-free, we need to show a context-free grammar that generates it. Now, we can construct a context-free grammar as follows:**
  - $S \rightarrow 0S \mid 1S \mid A$
  - $A \rightarrow 0A \mid 1A \mid xA \mid \epsilon$
- **In this context-free grammar, S generates the substring  $\omega$ , and A generates the substring x. The productions for S allow us to construct any combination of 0s, 1s, and x's where  $\omega$  contains x as a substring. Therefore, we can make the conclusion that  $L_8$  is context-free language.**

7.2)  $L_9 = \{ai bj ck \mid i \geq j \text{ and } i \leq k \text{ and } j \leq k, \text{ where } i, j, k \geq 0\}$

- **In order to determine whether  $L_9$  is context-free, we can attempt to apply the pumping lemma for context-free languages. The pumping lemma states that for any context-free language, there exists a constant 'p' that any string in the language with a length of 'p' or more can be separated into three parts, u, v, & w. These three parts satisfy certain conditions. If we can find a string that is in the language that doesn't satisfy these conditions, then the language is not context-free.**
- **Let's assume that  $L_9$  is context-free and choose a string from the language, let's say  $s = a^p b^p c^p$ . According to the pumping lemma, we can split s into u, v, and w such that:**
  - $uvwxy$  is in  $L_9$ .
  - $|vwx| \leq p$ .
  - $|vx| \geq 1$ .
  - **For all  $i \geq 0$ ,  $u(v^i)w(x^i)y$  is in  $L_9$ .**
- **Now, we can consider the conditions:**

- $s = a^p b^p c^p$  is in L9 because  $p \geq p$  and  $p \leq p$ .
- We have  $|vwx| \leq p$ , which means that v and x together can't contain all three types of characters at the same time because their combined length can be at most 'p'. Because of this, either v and x contain only one type of character or two types of characters. Also, we know that  $|vx| \geq 1$ . Therefore, it's possible that v and x contain only a's or both a's and b's. But, if we choose  $i = 2$ , we will end up with more a's than b's and c's, which violates the condition of L9 which is  $i \geq j$  and  $i \leq k$  and  $j \leq k$ , where  $i, j, k \geq 0$ . For  $i = 2$ ,  $u(v^2)w(x^2)y$  would result in  $a^{(p+k)} b^{(p)} c^{(p)}$ , where k is the length of v and x. Since  $p+k > p$ , we have more a's than b's and c's, which doesn't satisfy the conditions of L9. Due to this, we can say that L9 is not context-free. So, L8 is a context-free language and L9 is not a context-free language.