

CS & IT ENGINEERING

Theory of Computation
Push Down Automata



Lecture No. 8



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TOPICS TO BE COVERED

01 Closure properties

02 Practice

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Closure properties for DCFLs [Remember Closed operations]

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1	$L_1 \cup L_2$	9	$L_1 \Delta L_2$
2	$L_1 \cap L_2$	10	Subset(L)
3	\bar{L}	11	prefix(L)
4	$L_1 - L_2$	12	suffix(L)
5	$L_1 \cdot L_2$	13	subString(L)
6	L^{Rev}	14	$f(L)$
7	L^*	15	$h(L)$
8	L^+	16	$\epsilon\text{-free } h(L)$
		17	$h^{-1}(L)$

18	L_1 / L_2	$\rightarrow \text{CPIFs}_S$
19	$L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3 \cup \dots \cup L_K$	
20	$L_1 \cap L_2 \cap L_3 \cap \dots \cap L_K$	
21	$L_1 - L_2 - L_3 - \dots - L_K$	
22	$L_1 \cdot L_2 \cdot L_3 \cdot \dots \cdot L_K$	
23	Finite Subset(L)	
24	Finite Substitution(L)	
25	Infinite ($\cup \{A_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}, \subseteq, f$)	
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Closure properties for CFLs [Remember Not closed operations]

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① $L_1 \cup L_2$	s ② $L_1 \Delta L_2$	a ③ L_1 / L_2	ICDSQFID ² ID ¹ ALL
t ④ $L_1 \cap L_2$	s ⑤ $\text{Subset}(L)$	t ⑥ $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3 \cup \dots \cup L_K$	
c ⑦ \bar{L}	a ⑧ $\text{prefix}(L)$	t ⑨ $L_1 \cap L_2 \cap L_3 \cap \dots \cap L_K$	
s ⑩ $L_1 - L_2$	s ⑪ $\text{suffix}(L)$	t ⑫ $L_1 - L_2 - L_3 - \dots - L_K$	
t ⑫ $L_1 \cdot L_2$	a ⑬ $\text{subString}(L)$	t ⑭ $L_1 \circ L_2 \circ L_3 \circ \dots \circ L_K$	
t ⑬ L^{Rev}	f ⑮ $f(L)$	a ⑯ $\text{Finite Subset}(L)$	
t ⑭ L^*	t ⑯ $h(L)$	f ⑰ $\text{Finite Substitution}(L)$	
t ⑮ L^+	t ⑰ $\epsilon\text{-free } h(L)$	T_{All} ⑱ $\text{Infinite } (\cup, \cap, \circ, \subseteq, f)$	
	t ⑲ $h^{-1}(L)$		

⑤ Concatenation

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↳ Not closed for DCFLs

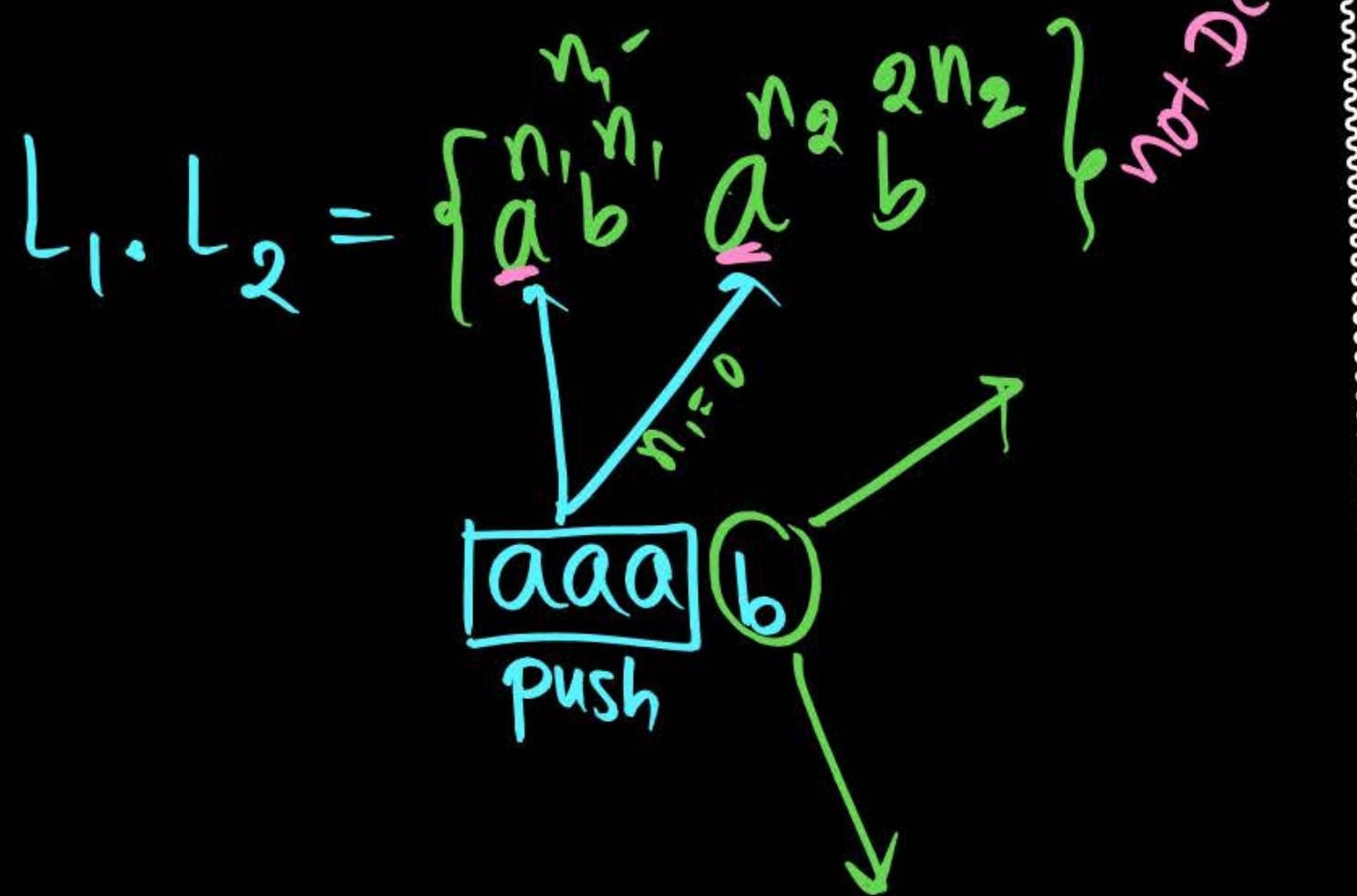
↳ Closed for CFLs

$\text{DCFL}_1 \cdot \text{DCFL}_2 \Rightarrow$ Need not be DCFL (Always CFL)

$\text{CFL}_1 \cdot \text{CFL}_2 \Rightarrow$ Always CFL

$$L_1 = \{a^n b^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ CFL}^V$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^{2n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ CFL}$$

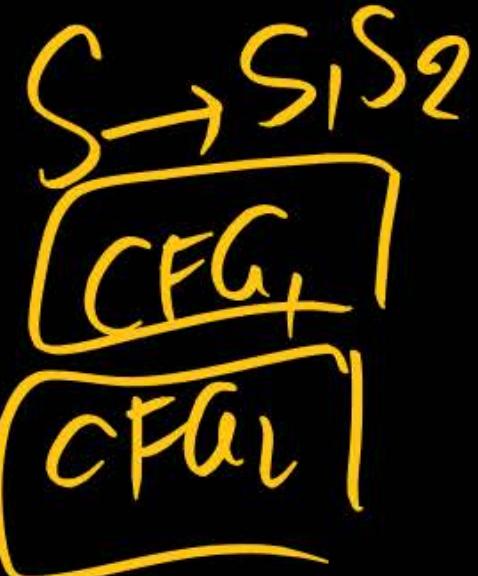


L_1 is CFL \Rightarrow CFG, (S_1) P W

L_2 is CFL \Rightarrow CFG, (S_2)



↓



I) $\left\{ \underbrace{a^n b^n}_{\text{may or may not}} \underbrace{a^k b^k} \right\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL}$

II) $\left\{ \underbrace{a^n b^n}_{\text{may or may not}} \underbrace{a^k b^{2k}} \right\} \rightarrow \text{CFL but not DCFL}$

III) $\left\{ \underbrace{a^n b^n}_{\text{always comes}} \underbrace{a^k b^{2k}} \middle| n \geq 1 \right\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL}$

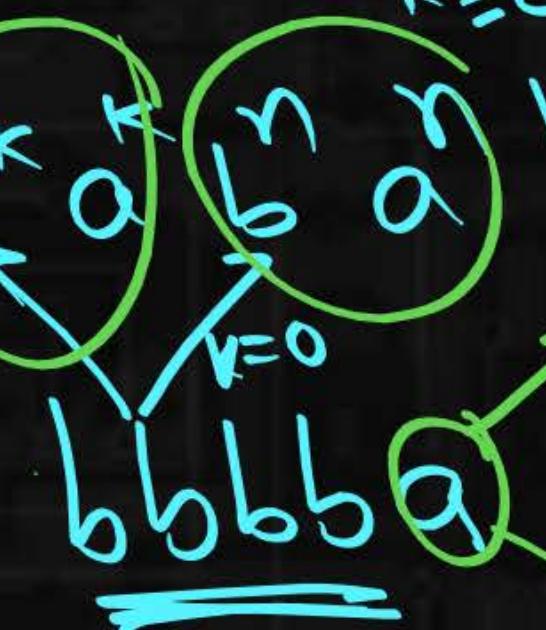
⑥ Reversal

- ↳ not closed for DCFLs
- ↳ closed for CFLs

$$\text{I) } (\text{DCFL})^{\text{Rev}} \xrightarrow{\text{(Always CFL)}} \text{need not be DCFL}$$

$L = \{a^n b^n a^k b^k \mid n \geq 1, k \geq 0\}$ is DCF

$L^{\text{Rev}} = \{ \underbrace{b^n}_{\text{b}}, \underbrace{a^k}_{\text{a}} \mid n \geq 1, k \geq 0 \}$ is not DFL



do we require to PPP 2's

→ do we expect to pop 1L

L is CFL

$L = a^n b^n$

$S \xrightarrow{J} aSb | \epsilon$

J every rule, reverse it

$S \xrightarrow{J} bSa | \epsilon$

$L = b^n a^n$ CFL

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Kleene star

- Not closed for DCFLs
- closed for CFLs

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Kleene plus

- Not closed for DCFLs
- closed for CFLs

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$$L = \{a\}^*$$

CFL

$$S \rightarrow a \quad \text{CFG}$$

↓ Add new start +
and Add $X \rightarrow XS|\epsilon$

$$X \rightarrow XS|\epsilon$$

$$S \rightarrow a$$

$$L = a^*$$

is CFL

L is DCFL $\Rightarrow L^*$ need not be DCFL

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$$L = \overline{\left[\{cab^n\} \cup \{a^k b^{2k}\} \right]} \Rightarrow L^* = \left(\{cab^n\} \cup \{a^k b^{2k}\} \right)^*$$

is not DCFL

I) $c a^2 b^2$
 $caabb$

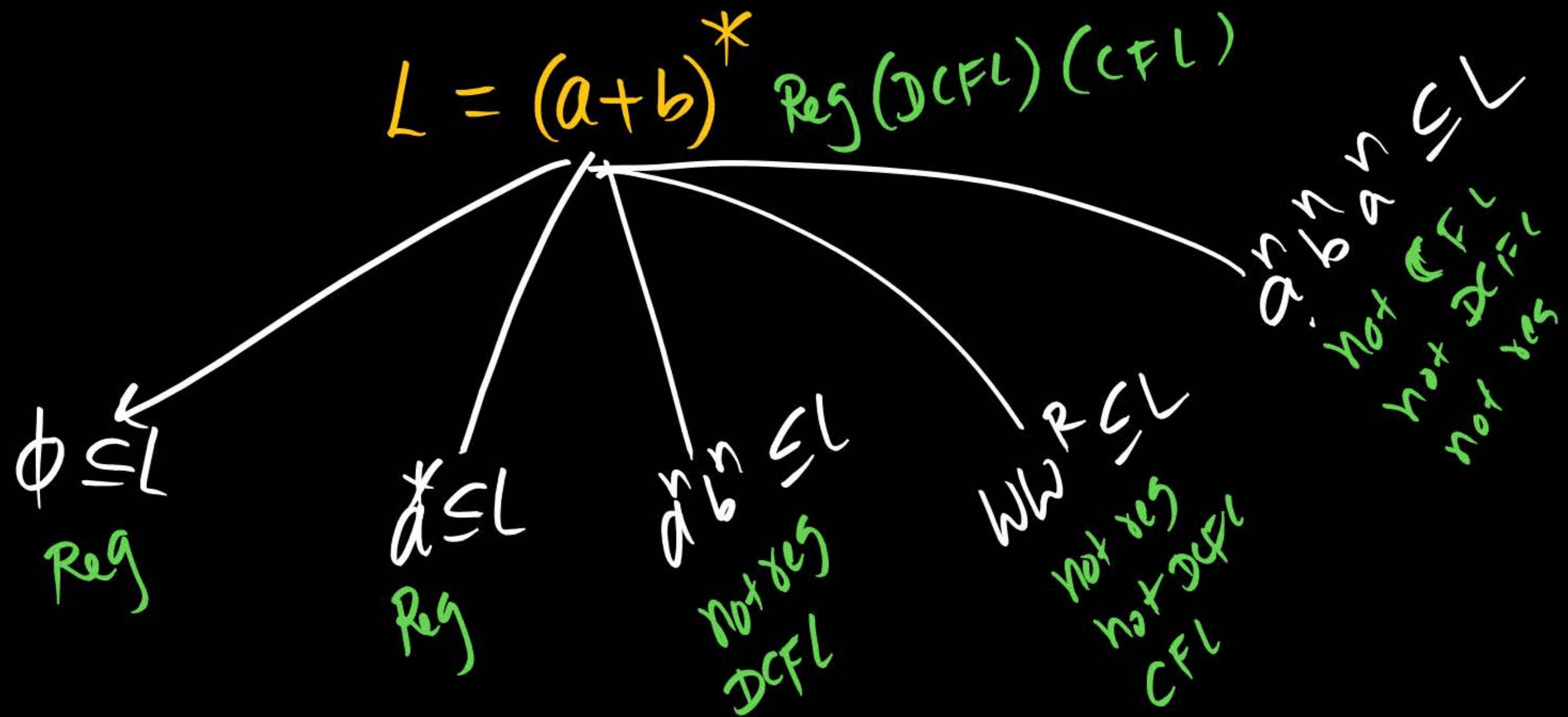
II) $\left(\{cab^0\} \cup - \right) \left(- \cup a^2 b^4 \right)$
 $caabb$

⑨ $L_1 \Delta L_2 = (L_1 - L_2) \cup (L_2 - L_1)$
 $= (L_1 \cup L_2) - (L_1 \cap L_2)$

→ Not closed for DCFLs
" " " CFLs

⑩ Subset of DCFL Need not be DCFL

Subset of CFL Need not be CFL



Regular closures for DCFLs :

- ① $\text{DCFL} \cup \text{Reg} \Rightarrow$ *Always DCFL
(need not be regular)* Reg-DCFL = $\text{Reg} \cap \overline{\text{DCFL}}$
- *** ② $\text{DCFL} \cap \text{Reg} \Rightarrow$ *Reg-DCFL = $\text{Reg} \cap \text{DCFL}$*
- ③ $\text{DCFL} - \text{Reg} \Rightarrow$ *Reg-DCFL = DCFL*
- ④ $\text{Reg} - \text{DCFL} \Rightarrow$ *DCFL - Reg = $\text{DCFL} \cap \overline{\text{Reg}}$* *DCFL - Reg = $\text{DCFL} \cap \text{Reg}$* *DCFL - Reg = DCFL*

Note: I) DCFL \cap Reg \Rightarrow Always DCFL

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i) $a^n b^n \cap a^* b^* \Rightarrow a^n b^n$
 $a^n b^n$ (not reg)
(DCFL)

ii) $\emptyset_{DCFL} \cap \emptyset_{Reg} \Rightarrow \emptyset_{Reg}$

II) Set of all DCFLs \cap Set of all Regs \Rightarrow Set of all Regs

Regular closures for CFLs :

$$\text{I) } \text{CFL} \cup \text{Reg} \Rightarrow$$

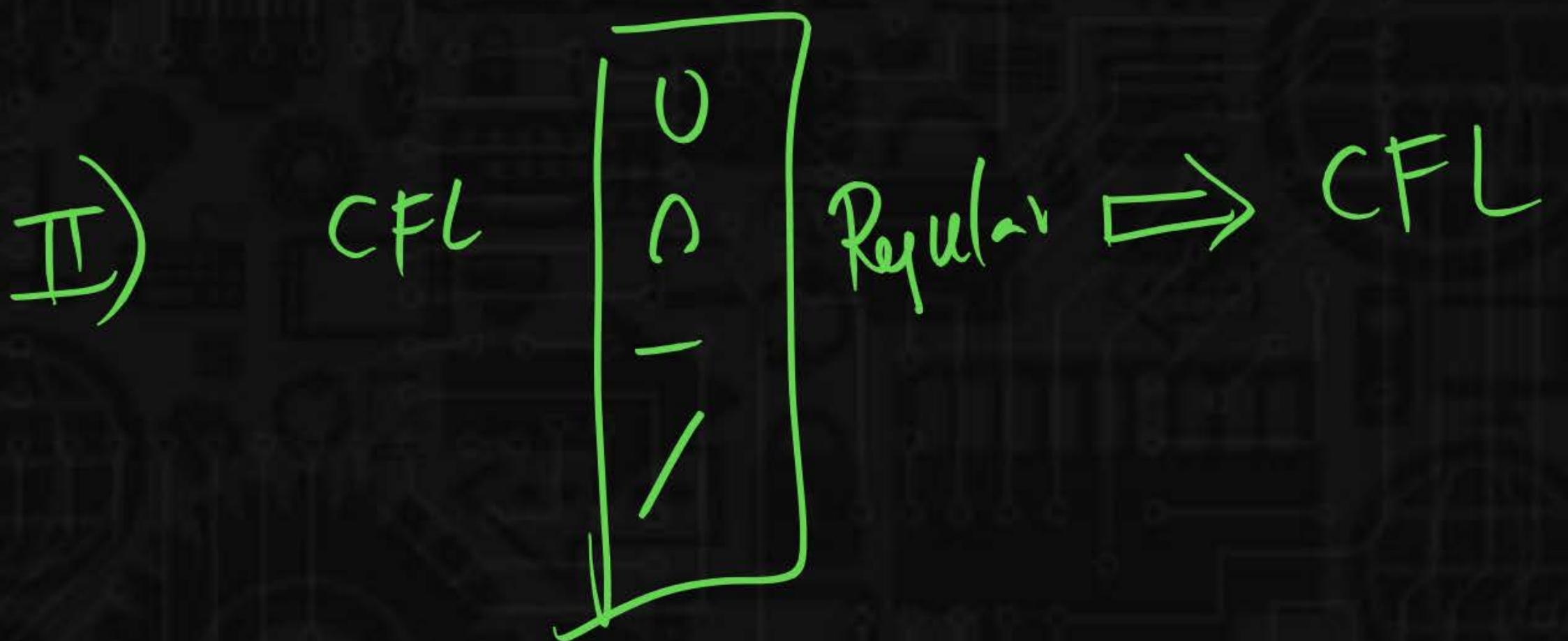
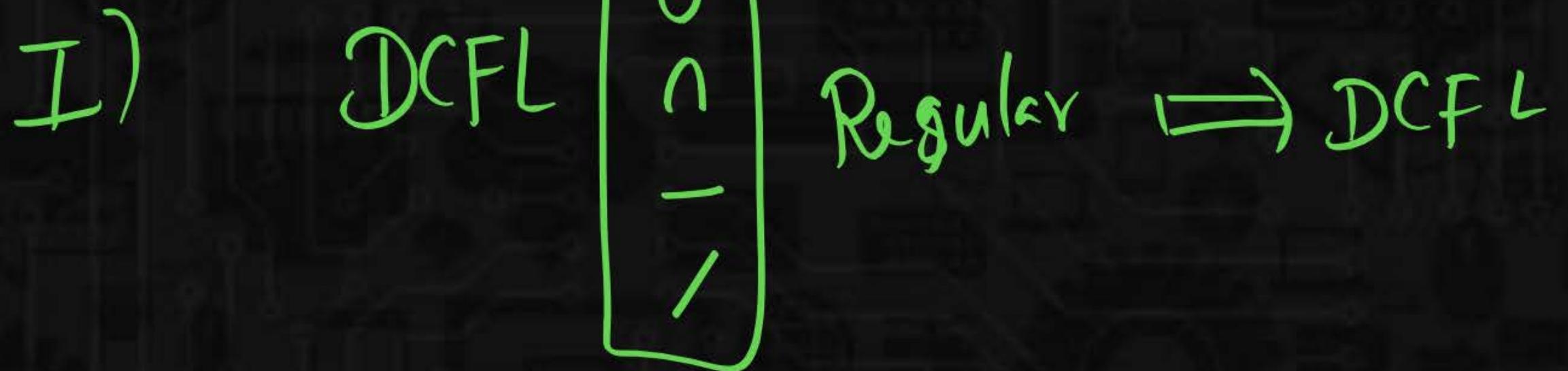
$$\text{II) } \text{CFL} \cap \text{Reg} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{III) } \text{CFL} - \text{Reg} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{**** IV) } \text{Reg} - \text{CFL} \Rightarrow \text{Need not be CFL}$$

$$\text{Reg-CFL} = \text{Reg} \cap \overline{\text{CFL}}$$

$$= \text{Reg} \cap ? \rightarrow \text{need not be CFL}$$

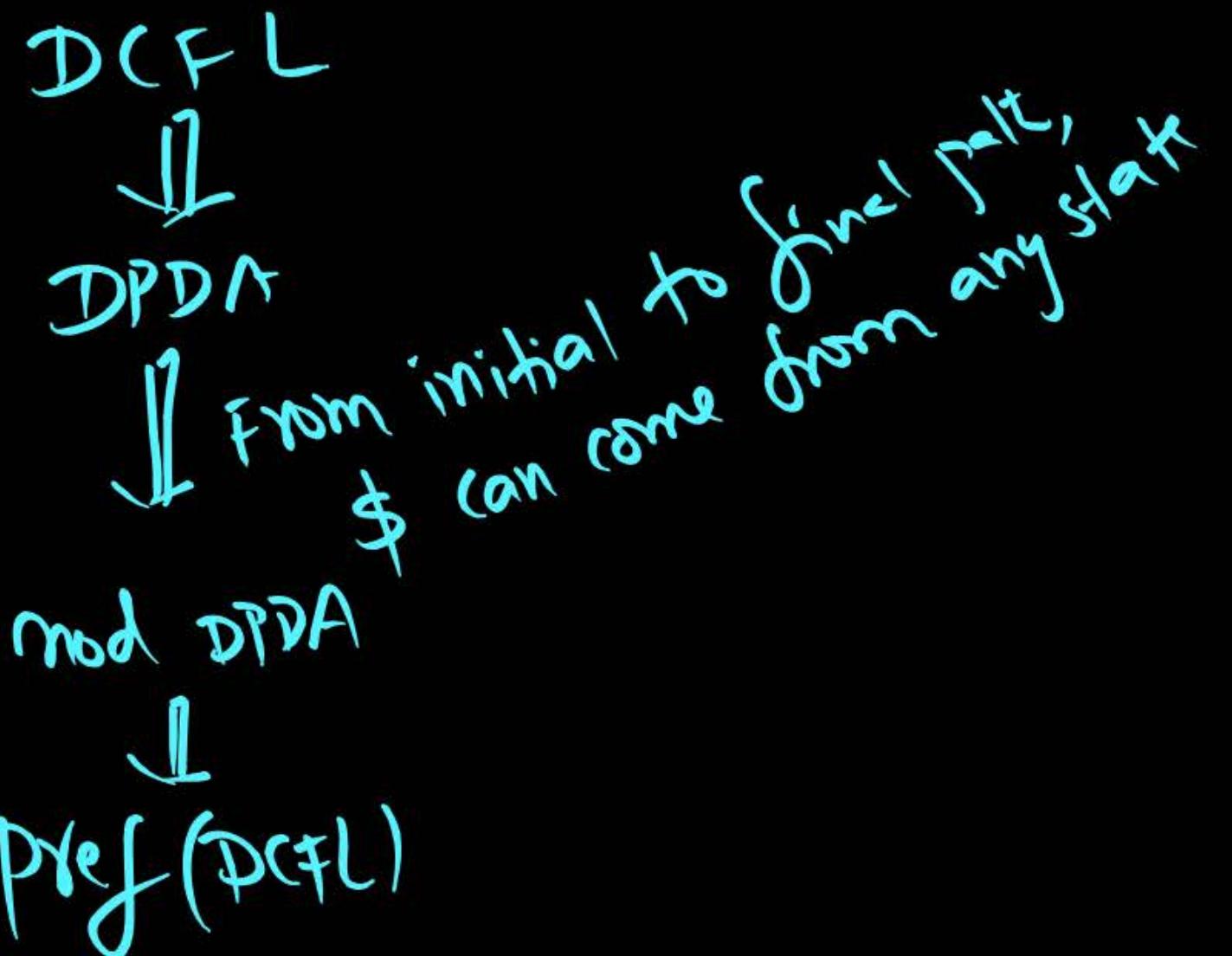


① $L = \{a^n b^n\} \Rightarrow \text{Prefix}(L) = \{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n\}$
 $\text{Suffix}(L) = \{a^m b^n \mid m \leq n\}$
 $\text{SubString}(L) = \{a^* b^*\}$

② $L = \{a^n b^n\}, f(a) = \{0\}, f(b) = \{11\} \Rightarrow f(L) = \{0^n 11^n\}$

③ $L = \{ww^R \mid w \in \{a,b\}^*\} \Rightarrow \text{Prefix}(L) = (a+b)^*$
 $\text{Suffix}(L) = (a+b)^*$
 $\text{SubString}(L) = (a+b)^*$

prefix (DCFL) is DCFL



Note :

Language L satisfies prefix property

iff

Every w in L is not prefix of any other string in L

- (Q1) $L = a^*$ IS it satisfy prefix property? \Rightarrow No
 $= \{\epsilon, a, aa, \dots\}$ \Rightarrow Not satisfies prefix property
- (Q2) $L = \{a^n b \mid n \geq 1\} = \{ab, \text{a}\underline{ab}, \text{aaabbb}, a^4 b, \dots\}$
 ↳ Satisfies prefix property.

If any DCFL satisfies prefix property then
we can make DPDA with empty stack.

$\overline{\text{DPDA}} \cong \text{DPDA with final state}$
 $\not\equiv \text{DPDA with Empty stack}$

DPDA with empty stack < DPDA

~~Note:~~

Set of all DCFLs

\approx
Set of all languages accepted by DPDA

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Set of all languages accepted by DPDA with final state

\approx
Set of all languages generated by LR(1) CFGs
 $(LR(k))_{k \geq 1}$

*** $CFL_s \& DCFL_s$

$\boxed{DPDA \& PDA}$

closure properties

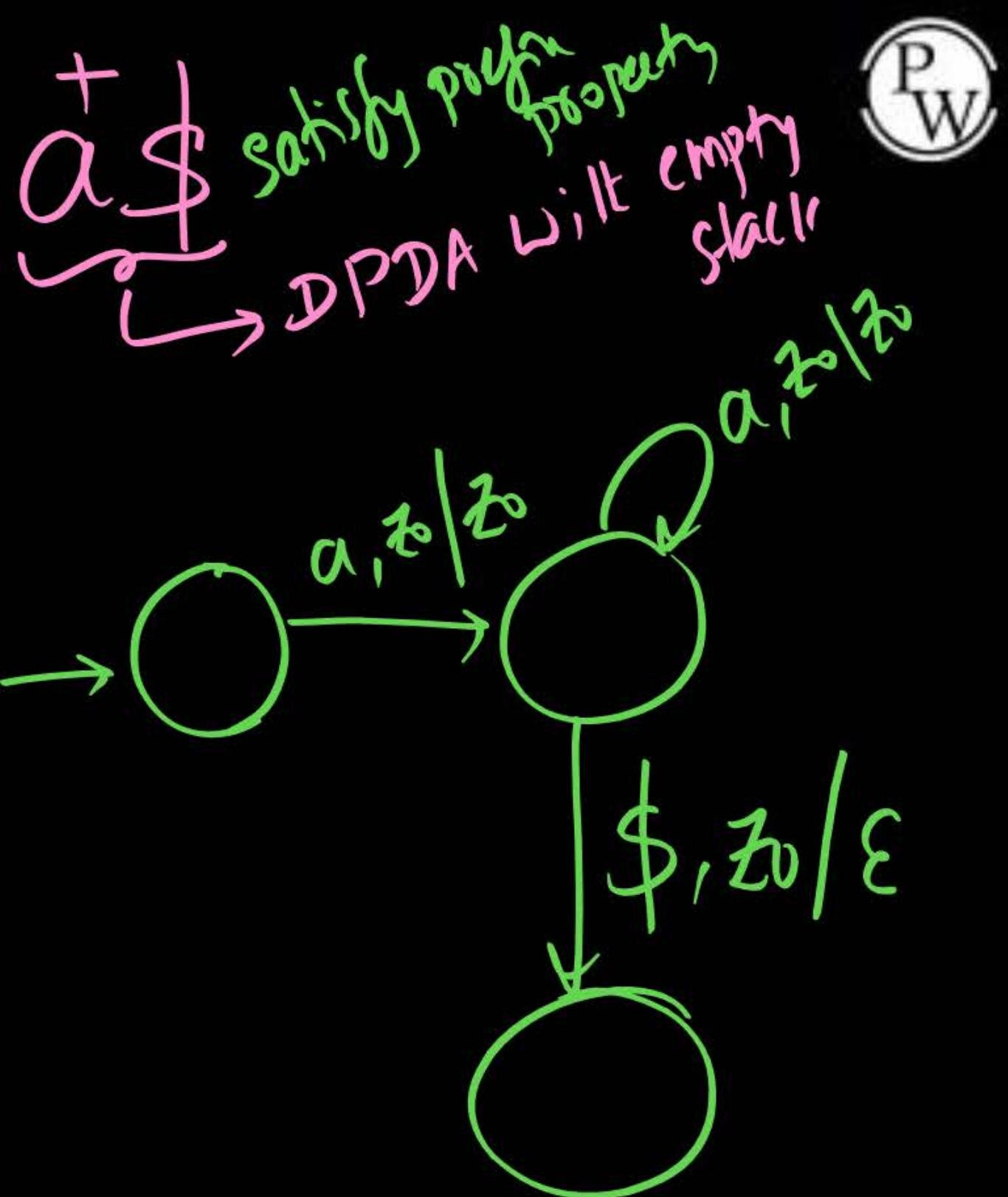
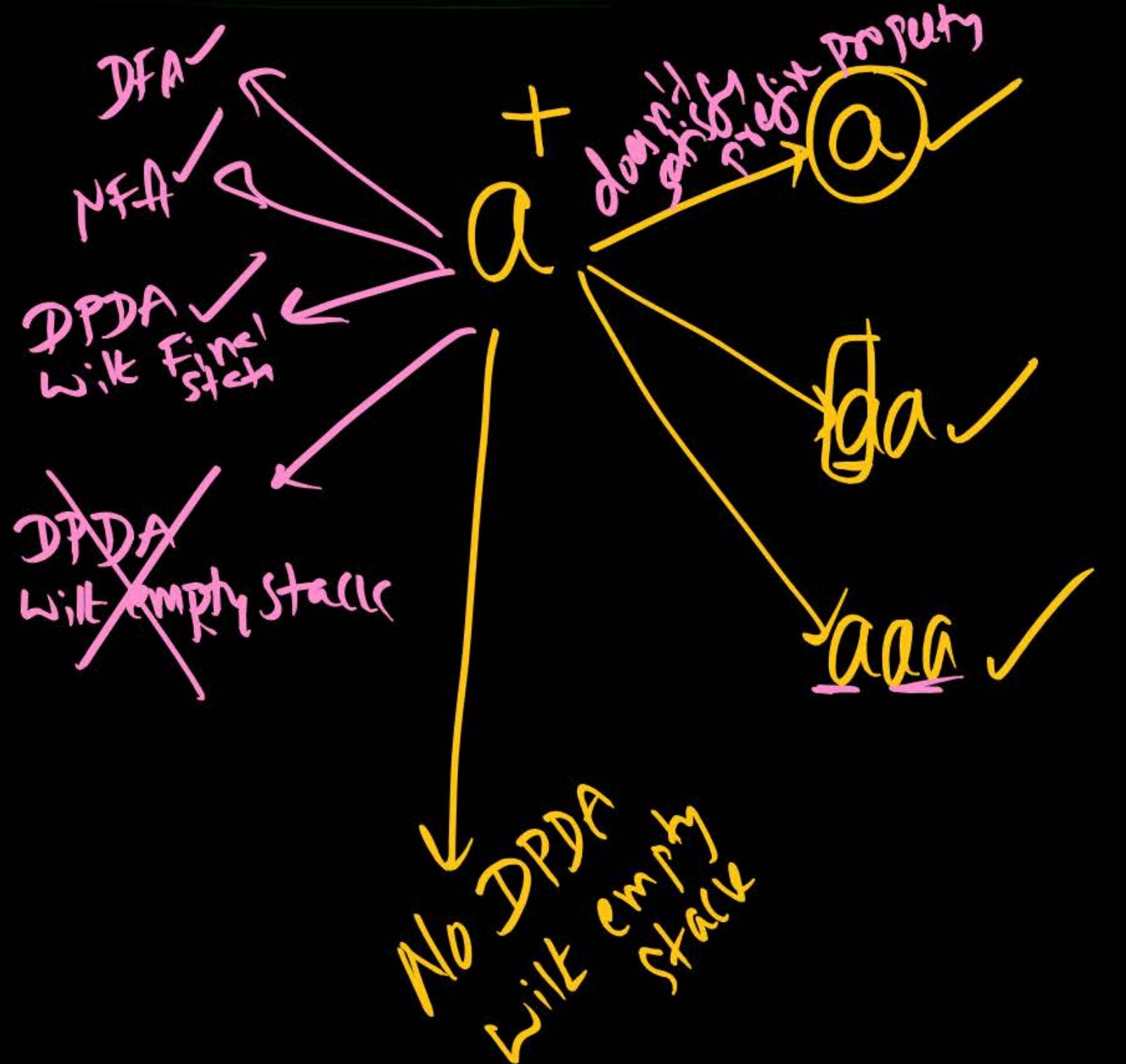
*** CFG_s .

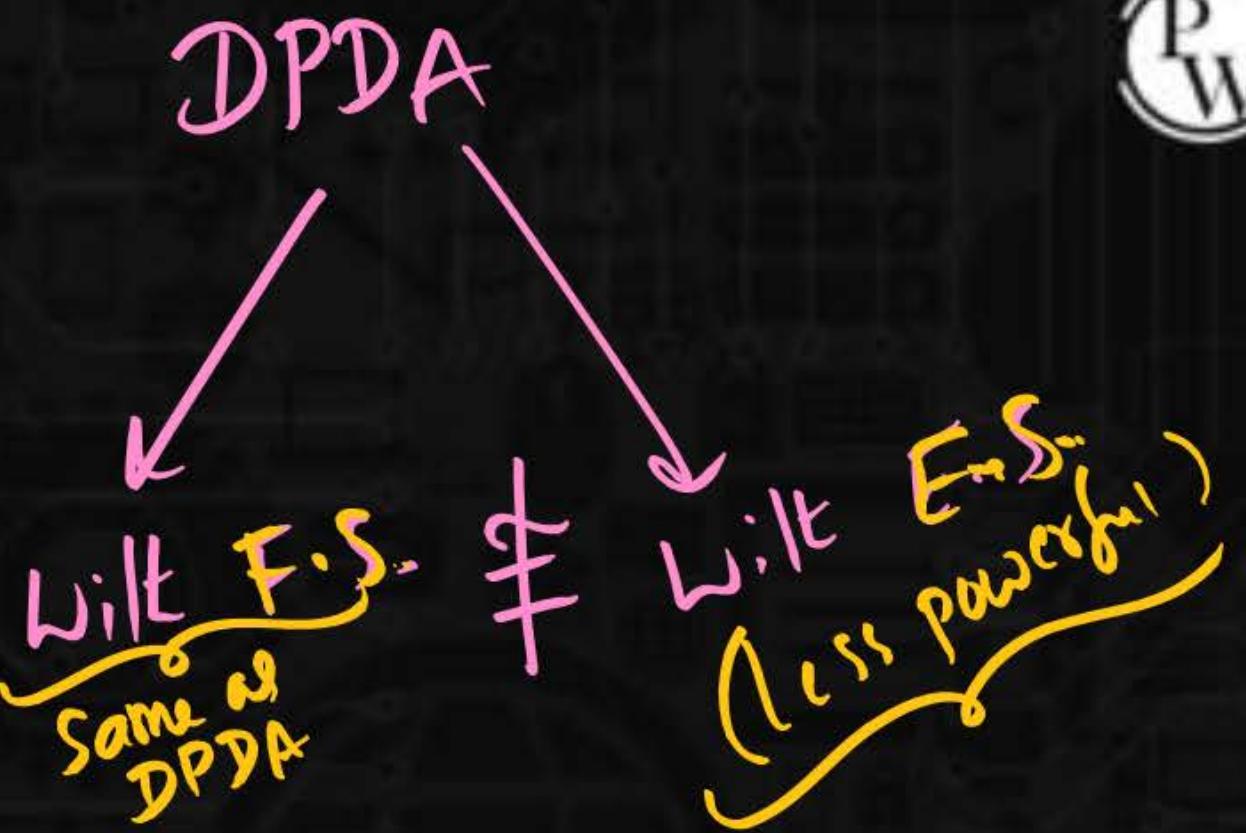
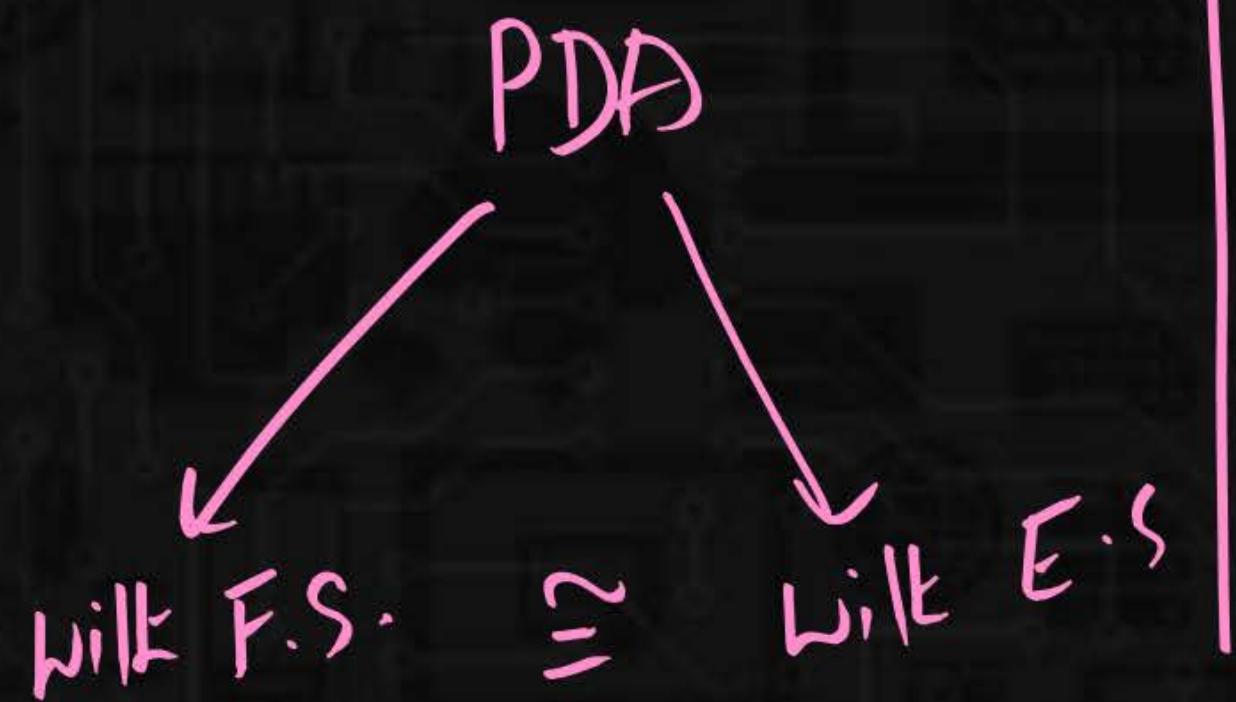
$D^X_{CPIF_s}$

$R^X_{SI_{All}}$

PW

$C^X_{ICDSQFI_{ID}I_{All}}$





Note:

CFG

\equiv
CFL

\equiv
PDA

\equiv
PDA with F.S.

\equiv
PDA with E.S.

DCFL

\equiv
DPDA

\equiv
DPDA with F.S.

\leq
LR(k) CFG
($k \geq 1$)



Inherently Ambiguous CFL : (IAL)

- 1) $a^* \xrightarrow{reg}$ is not IAL $\xrightarrow{\text{IUL (Inherently Unambiguous CFL)}}$ we can show up amb CFG
- 2) $a^n b^n \xrightarrow{DFA}$ is not IAL $\xrightarrow{\text{CFL but not DFL}}$
- 3) $a^l w w R | w f d a, b^k \xrightarrow{CFG}$ not IAL
- 4) $\{a^m b^n c^k \mid m=n \text{ OR } n=k\}$ is IAL $\xrightarrow{\text{XFC but not DFA}}$ there is no unamb CFG

Ambiguous CFG

JW, >1 PT

is the world

IAL

 L is IAL

iff

every CFG it generates L
is Ambiguous

iff

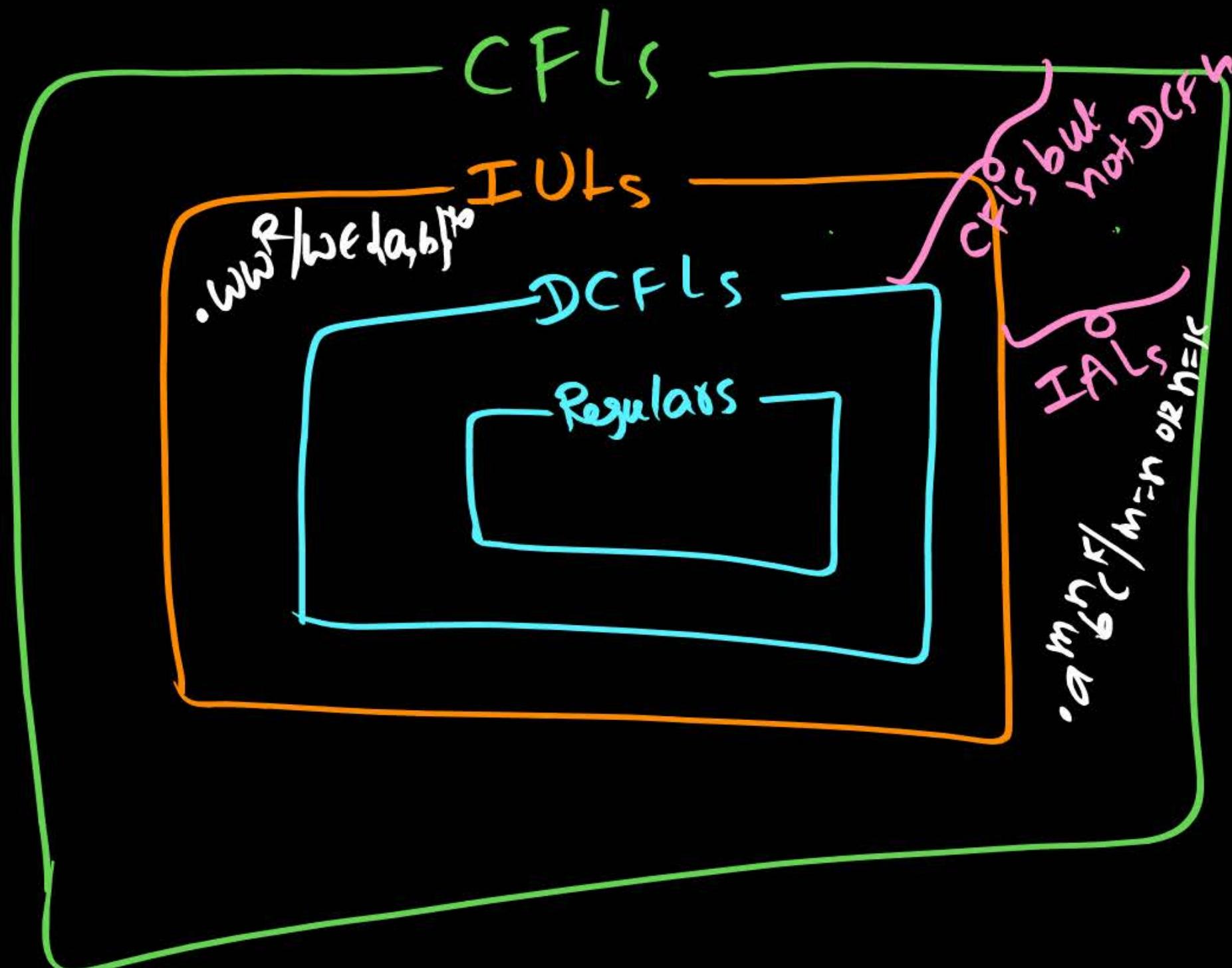
L has no Unambiguous CFG

IUL

 L is IUL

iff

Some Unambiguous CFG exist
for L



Every Reg is IUL

Every DCFL is IUL

CFL is either IUL
or
IAL

$\{WW^R \mid W \in \{a,b\}^*\}$

→ CFL but not DCFL

→ Unambiguous CFL

We can show $S \rightarrow aSb \mid a$ is
Unamb CFG.

$\{a^m b^n c^k \mid m=n \text{ or } n=k\}$

→ CFL but not DCFL

→ Ambiguous CFL

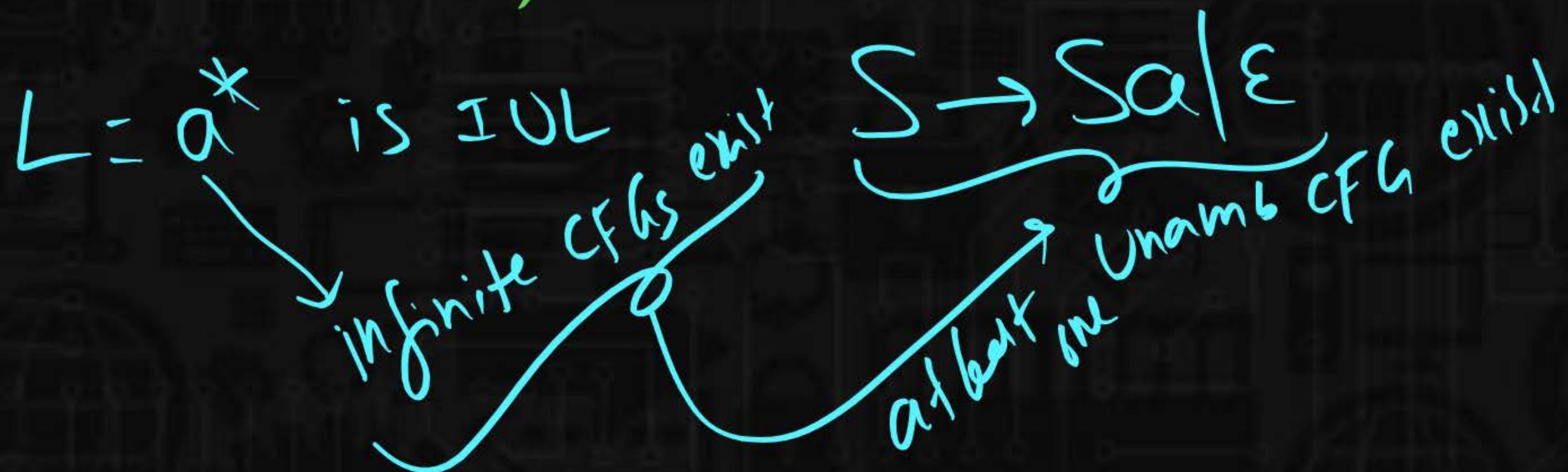
There is no unambiguous CFG for this lang

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If L is unambiguous CFL



Show at least one unambiguous CFG



If L is ambiguous CFL

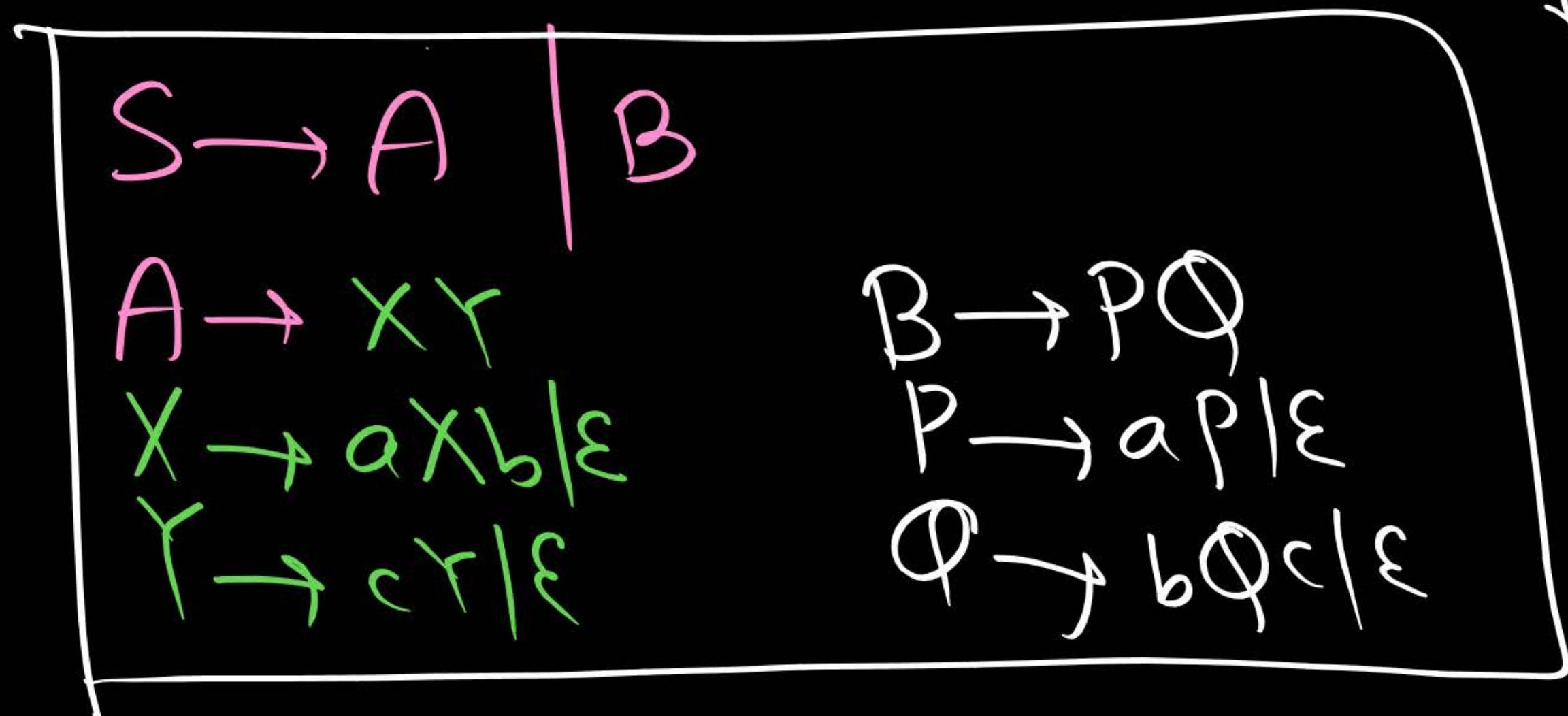
we don't have unambiguous CFG
every CFG is amb CFG

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$$L = \{a^m b^n c^k \mid \underline{m=n} \text{ or } n=k\}$$

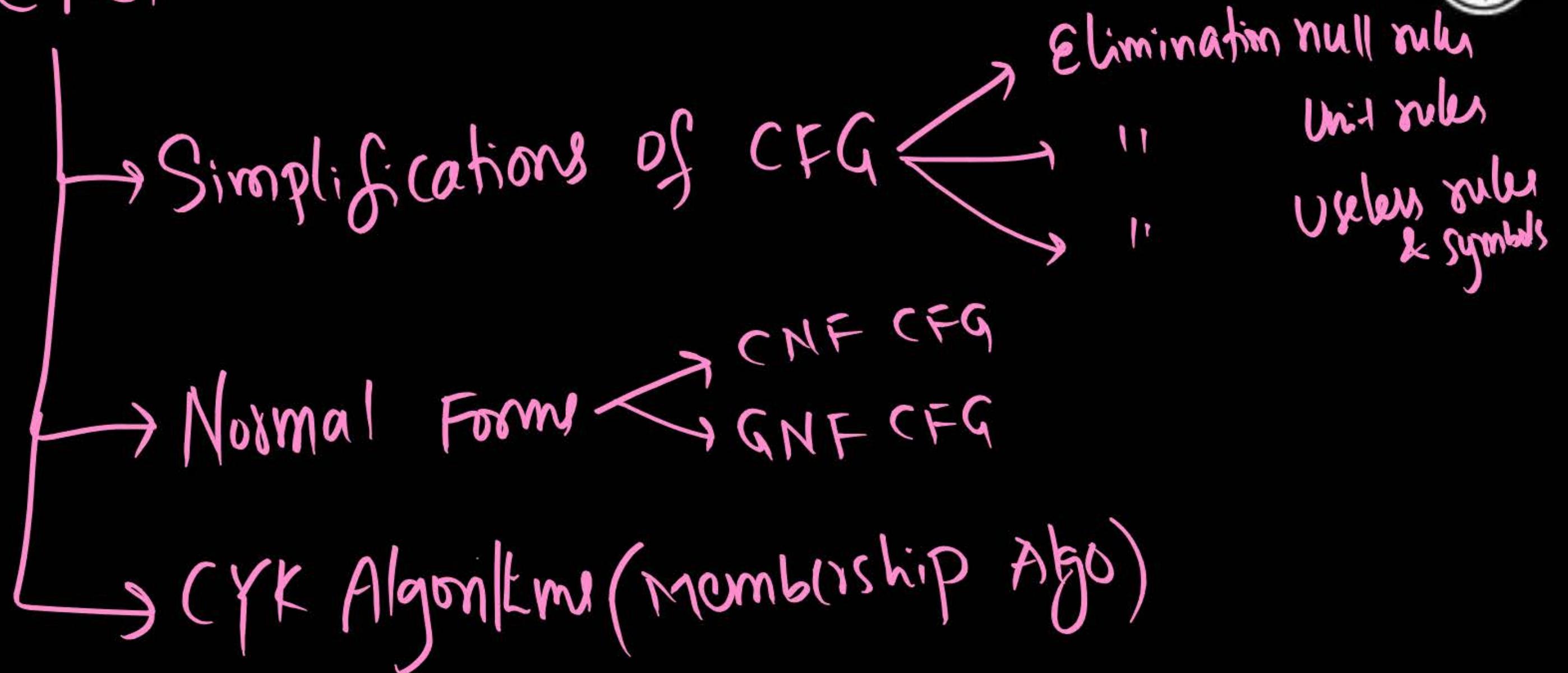
$$= \left\{ \frac{a^n}{x} \frac{b^n}{A} \frac{c^*}{Y} \right\} \cup \left\{ \frac{a^*}{P} \frac{b^n}{B} \frac{c^n}{Q} \right\}$$

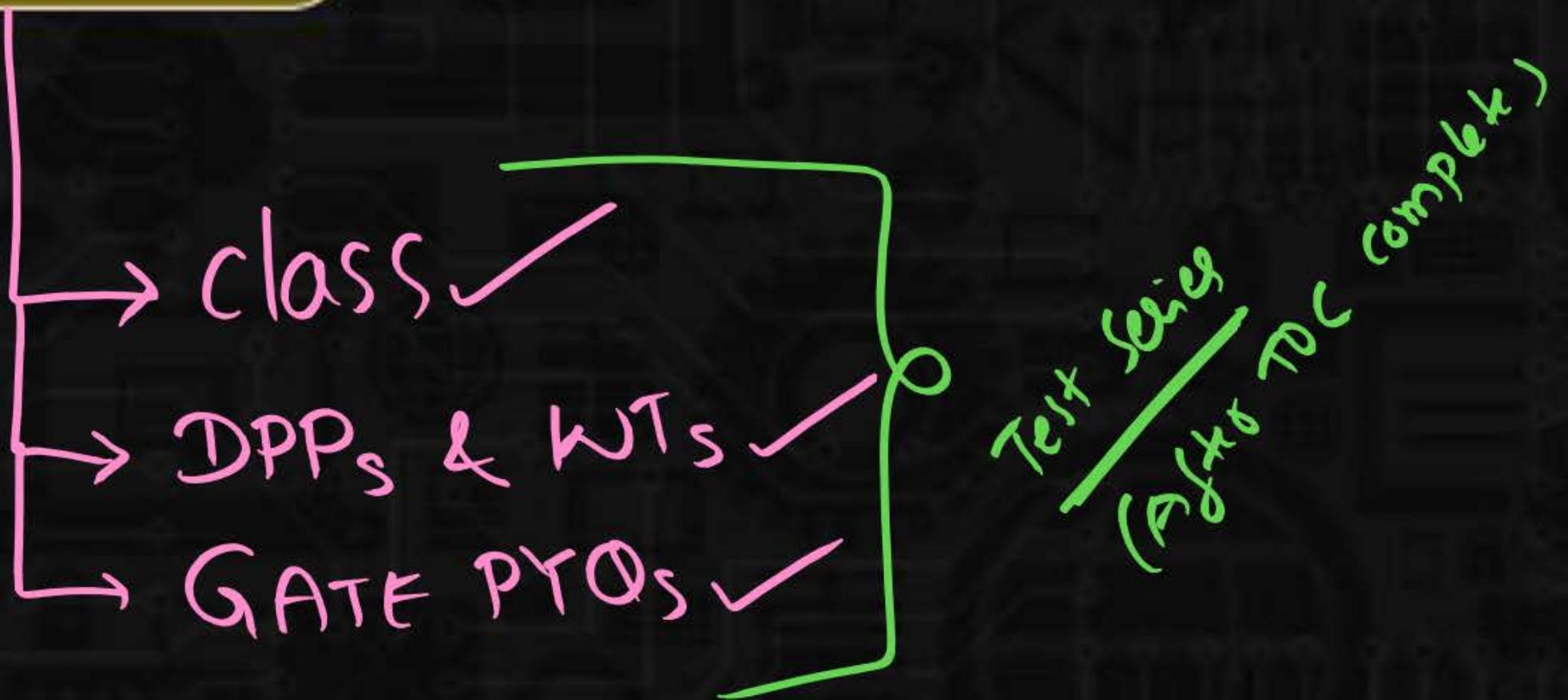
There is no unamb his ✓
for his ✓



- ① $L = a^* b^*$ \rightarrow Reg \rightarrow IUL
- ② $L = a^n b^n$ \rightarrow DCFL
- ③ $L = \{a^m b^n c^k \mid m=n \text{ or } m=k\}$ \rightarrow CFL but not DCFL
IAL
- ④ $L = \{a^n b^n c^*\}$ \rightarrow DCFL
- ⑤ $L = \{w\#w^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ \rightarrow DCFL
- ⑥ $L = \{ww^R \mid w \in (a+b)^*\}$ \rightarrow CFL but not DCFL

CFG





Q

Which of the following are decidable?

1. Whether the intersection of two regular languages is infinite
2. Whether a given context-free language is regular
3. Whether two push-down automata accept the same language
4. Whether a given grammar is context-free

Lat+ChpX

[2008: 1 Marks]

A

1 and 2

B

1 and 4

C

2 and 3

D

2 and 4

Q

Consider the language

$$L_1 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i \neq j\},$$

$$L_2 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i = j\},$$

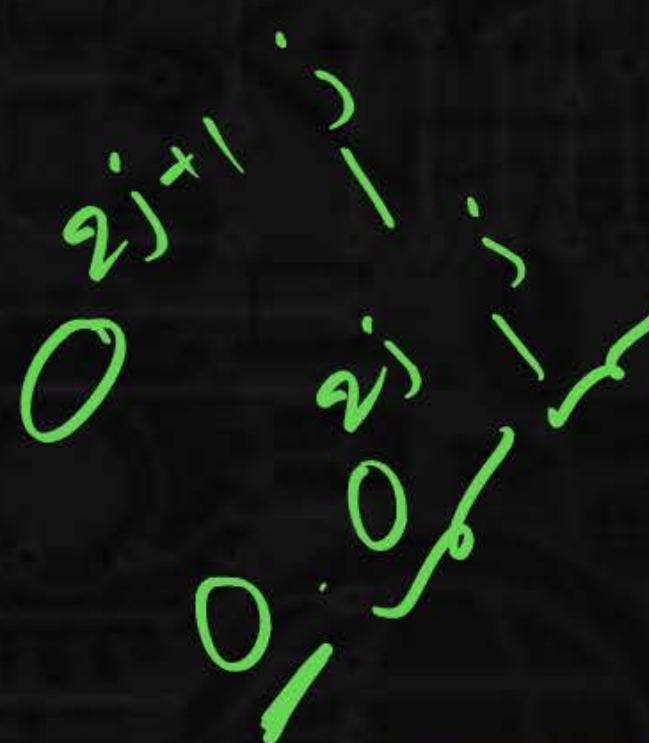
$$L_3 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i = 2j + 1\},$$

$$L_4 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i \neq 2j\}.$$

Which one of the following statements is true?

[2010: 2 Marks]

- A Only L₂ is context free
- B Only L₂ and L₃ are context free
- C Only L₁ and L₂ are context free
- D All are context free



Q

Consider the languages L1, L2 and L3 as given below:

$$L_1 = \{0^p 1^q \mid p, q \in \mathbb{N}\}, = 0^* 1^*$$

$$L_2 = \{0^p 1^q \mid p, q \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } p = q\}$$

$$L_3 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } p = q = r\}$$

Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE [2011: 2 Marks]

- A Push Down Automata (PDA) can be used to recognize L1 and L2. ✓
- B L1 is a regular language. ✓
- C All the three languages are context free. F
- D Turing machines can be used to recognize all the languages. ✓

Q

Consider the following languages:

- I. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m + p = n + q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- II. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m = n \text{ and } p = q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- III. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m = n = p \text{ and } p \neq q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- IV. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid mn = p + q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$

Which of the language above are context-free?

A

I and IV only

B

I and II only

[2012: 2 Marks]

C

II and III only

D

II and IV only

Q

Consider the following languages

$$L_1 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0, p \neq r\}$$

Which one of the following statements is FALSE?

[2013: 2 Marks]

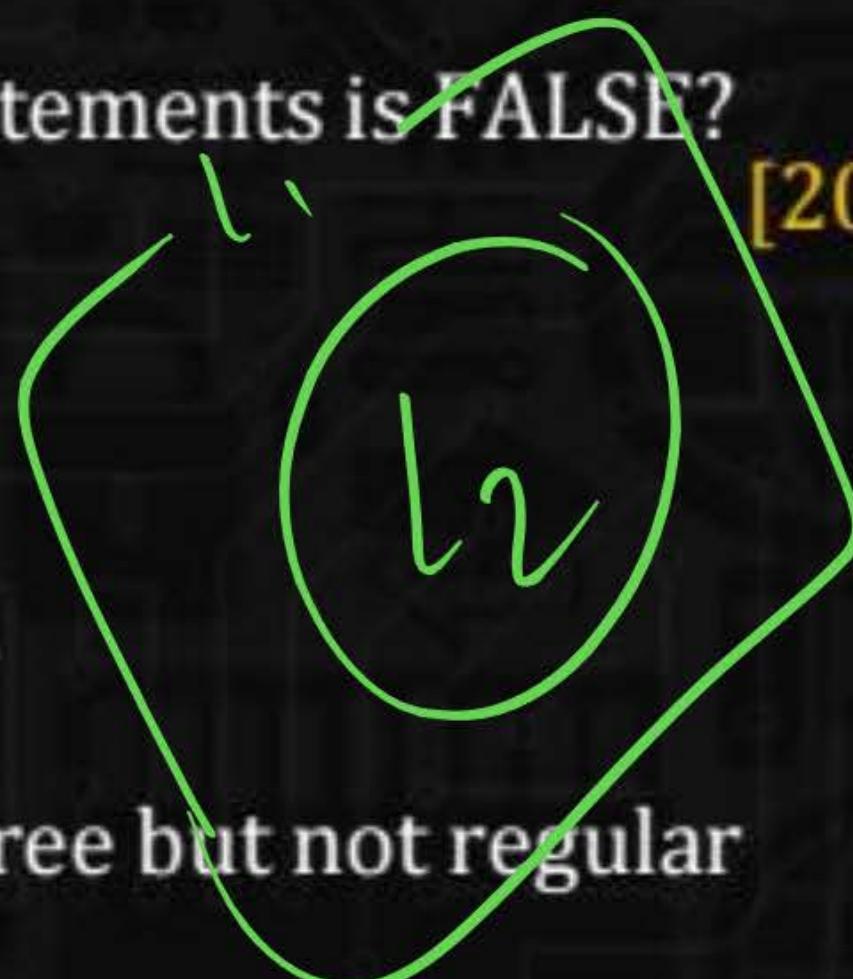
A L₂ is context-free

B $L_1 \cap L_2$ is context-free

C Complement of L₂ is recursive

D Complement of L₁ is context-free but not regular

$0^* 1^* 0^*$
 $L_1 \cap L_2 = L_2$



Q

Consider the following languages over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1, c\}$:

$$L_1 = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{wcw^r \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$$

$$L_3 = \{ww^r \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$$

Here, w^r is the reverse of the string w . Which of these languages are deterministic Context-free languages?

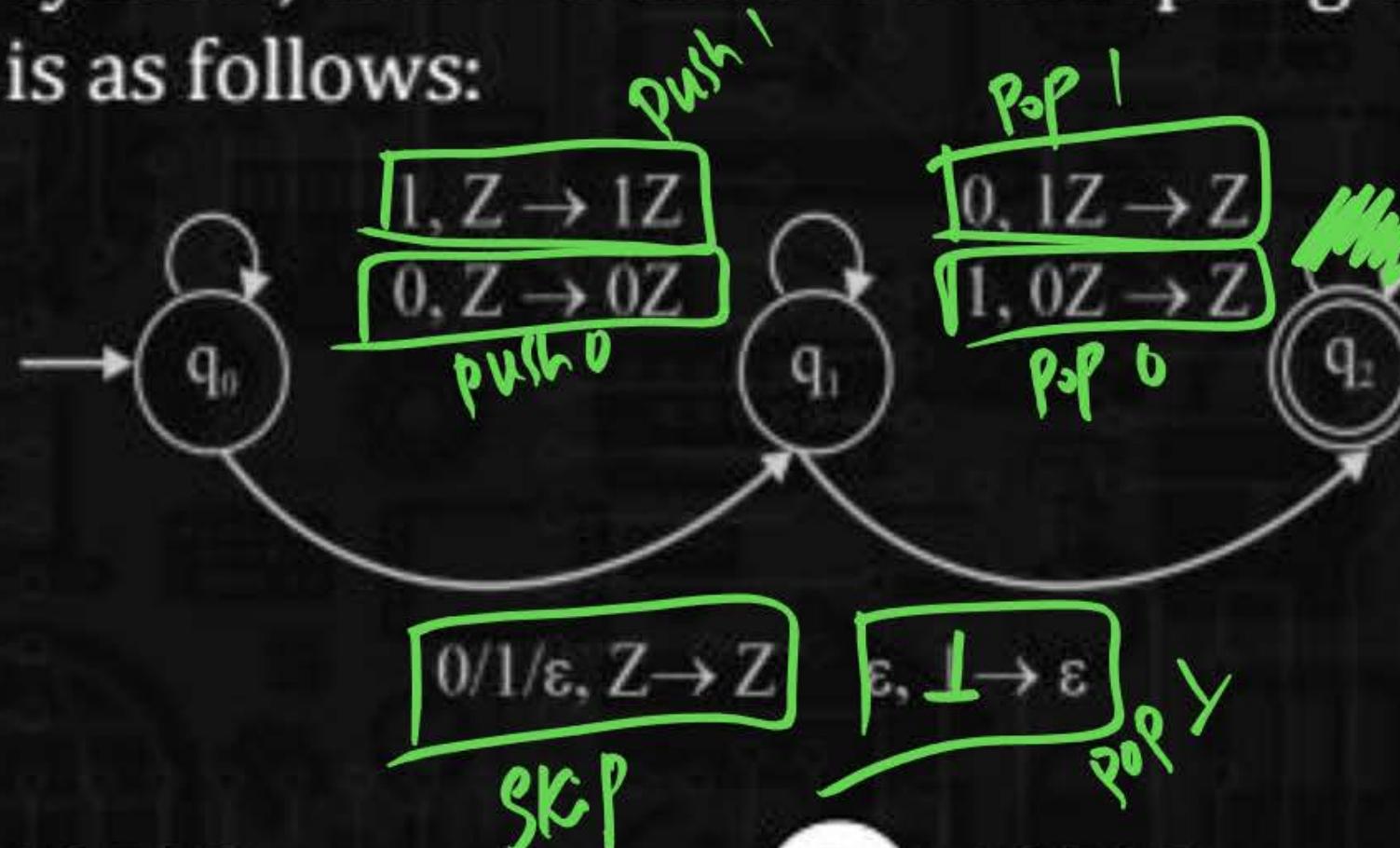
[2014-Set3: 2 Marks]

- A None of the languages
- B Only L_1
- C Only L_1 and L_2
- D All the three languages

Q

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Consider the NPDA $\langle Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \Sigma = \{0, 1\}, \Gamma = \{0, 1, \perp\}, \delta, q_0, \perp, F = \{q_2\} \rangle$, where (as per usual convention) Q is the set of states, Σ is the input alphabet, Γ is stack alphabet, δ is the state transition function, q_0 is the initial state, \perp is the initial stack symbol, and F is the set of accepting states. The state transition is as follows:



A

10110

C

01010

B

10010

D

01001

Which of the following sequences must follow the string 101100 so that the overall string is accepted by the automaton?

[2015-Set1: 2 Marks]

$L = \Sigma^*$
 $Z - Any$

P
W

Q

Which of the following languages are context-free?

$$L_1 = \{a^m b^n a^n b^m \mid m, n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^m b^n a^m b^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^m b^n \mid m = 2n + 1\}$$

[2015(Set-3): 1 Marks]

- A L_1 and L_2 only
- B L_1 and L_3 only
- C L_2 and L_3 only
- D L_3 only

Q

Consider the following context-free grammars:

$$G_1: S \rightarrow aS \mid B, B \rightarrow b \mid bB$$

$$G_2: S \rightarrow aA \mid bB, A \rightarrow aA \mid B \mid \epsilon, B \rightarrow bB \mid \epsilon$$

Which one of the following pairs of languages is generated by G_1 and G_2 , respectively?

[2016(Set-1): 2 Marks]

A $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$.

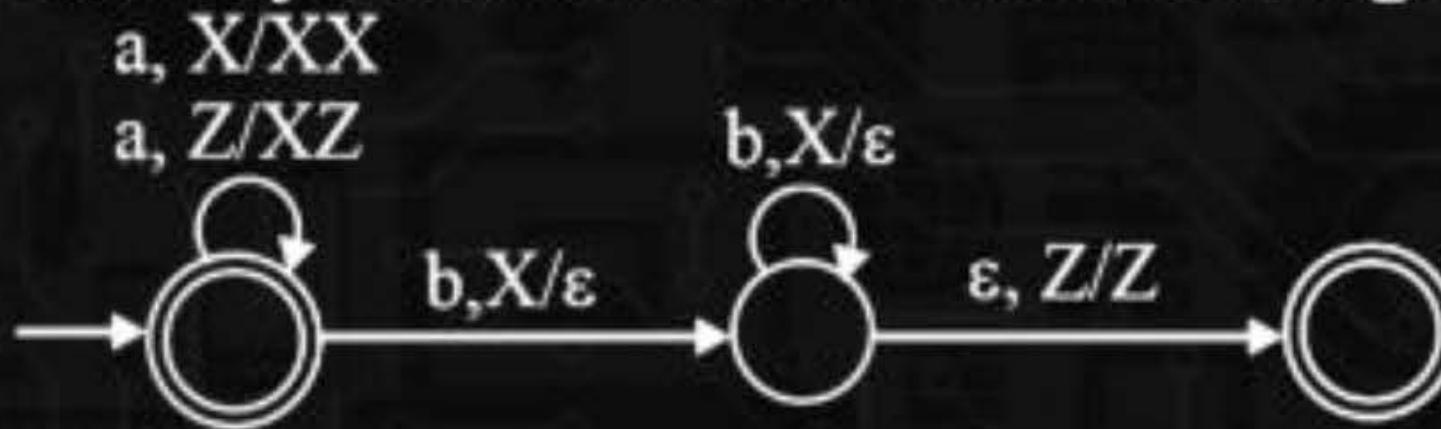
B $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n \geq 0\}$.

C $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$.

D $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$.

Q

Consider the transition diagram of a PDA given below with input alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and stack alphabet $\Gamma = \{X, Z\}$. Z is the initial stack symbol. Let L denote the language accepted by the PDA.



$Z = Y - Z_0$

Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-1): 2 Marks]

- A $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is not accepted by any finite automata.
- B $L = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is not accepted by any deterministic PDA.
- C L is not accepted by any Turing machine that halts on every input.
- D $L = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is deterministic context-free.

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^n b^m c^{n+m} : m, n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^{2n} : n \geq 1\}$$

Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-2): 2 Marks]

- A Both L_1 and L_2 are context-free.
- B L_1 is context-free while L_2 is not context-free
- C L_2 is context-free while L_1 is not context-free
- D Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free

Q.

P
W

Language L_1 is defined by the grammar: $S_1 \rightarrow aS_1b|\epsilon$

Language L_2 is defined by the grammar: $S_2 \rightarrow abS_2|\epsilon$

Consider the following statements:

P: L_1 is regular

Q: L_2 is regular

Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-2): 1 Marks]

- A Both P and Q are true
- B P is true and Q is false
- C P is false and Q is true
- D Both P and Q are false

Q

Consider the following context-free grammar over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ with S as the start symbol

$$S \rightarrow abScT \mid abcT$$

$$T \rightarrow bT \mid b$$

Which one of the following represents the language generated by the above grammar?

[2017(Set-1): 1 Marks]

- A $\{(ab)^n(cb)^n \mid n \geq 1\}$
- B $\{(ab)^n cb^{m_1} cb^{m_2} \dots cb^{m_n} \mid n, m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \geq 1\}$
- C $\{(ab)^n (cb^m)^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$
- D $\{(ab)^n (cb^n)^m \mid m, n \geq 1\}$

P
W

Q

Consider the following language over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$.

P
W

Let $L_1 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid m, n \geq 0\}$ and

$L_2 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$.

Which of the following are context-free languages?

- I. $L_1 \cup L_2$
- II. $L_1 \cap L_2$

[2017(Set-1): 2 Marks]

- A I only
- B II only
- C I and II
- D Neither I nor II

Q

P
W

Consider the context-free grammars over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ given below. S and T are non-terminals.

$$G_1: S \rightarrow aSb \mid T, T \rightarrow cT \mid \epsilon$$

$$G_2: S \rightarrow bSa \mid T, T \rightarrow cT \mid \epsilon$$

The language $L(G_1) \cap L(G_2)$ is

[2017-Set1: 1 Mark]

- A Finite
- B Not finite but regular
- C Context-free but not regular
- D Recursive but not context-free

Q

Identify the language generated by the following grammar,
where S is the start variable.

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$$S \rightarrow XY$$

$$X \rightarrow aX \mid a$$

$$Y \rightarrow aYb \mid \epsilon$$

[2017(Set-2): 1 Marks]

- A $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n, n > 0\}$
- B $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n, n \geq 0\}$
- C $\{a^m b^n \mid m > n, n \geq 0\}$
- D $\{a^m b^n \mid m > n, n > 0\}$

Q

Let L_1, L_2 be any two context-free languages and R be any regular language. Then which of the following is/are CORRECT?

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- I. $L_1 \cup L_2$ is context-free
- II. \bar{L}_1 is context-free
- III. $L_1 - R$ is context-free
- IV. $L_1 \cap L_2$ is context-free

[2017(Set-2): 1 Marks]

A

I, II and IV only

B

I and III only

C

II and IV only

D

I only

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Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^p \mid p \text{ is a prime number}\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^m c^{2m} \mid n \geq 0, m \geq 0\}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^n b^n c^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_4 = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

Which of the following are CORRECT?

- I. L_1 is context-free but not regular.
- II. L_2 is not context-free.
- III. L_3 is not context-free but recursive.
- IV. L_4 is deterministic context-free.

[2017 (Set-2): 2 Marks]

A

I, II and IV only

B

II and III only

C

I and IV only

D

III and IV only

Q

Which one of the following languages over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ is NOT context-free?

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[2019: 2 Marks]

- A $\{a^n b^i \mid i \in \{n, 3n, 5n\}, n \geq 0\}$
- B $\{w a^n w^R b^n \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n \geq 0\}$
- C $\{w w^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$
- D $\{w a^n b^n w^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n \geq 0\}$

Q

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Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{wxyx \mid w, x, y \in (0 + 1)^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{xy \mid x, y \in (a + b)^*, |x| = |y|, x \neq y\}$$

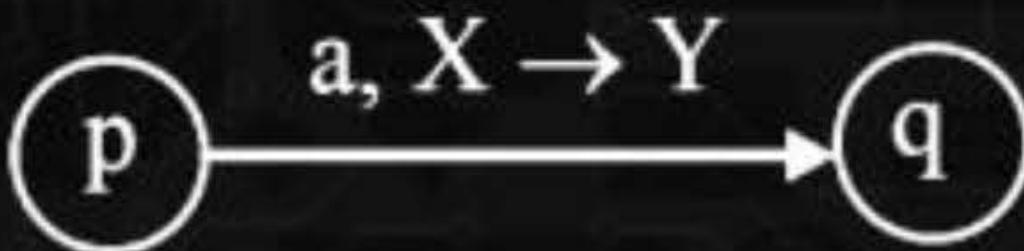
Which of the following is TRUE

[2020: 2 Marks]

- A L_1 is regular and L_2 is context-free.
- B L_1 is context-free but L_2 is not context-free.
- C Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free.
- D L_1 is context-free but not regular and L_2 context-free.

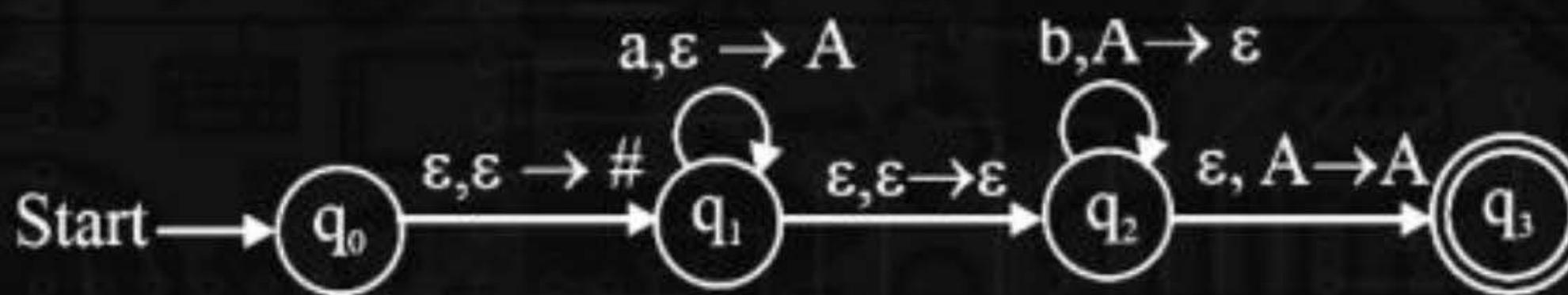
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In a pushdown automaton $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$, a transition of the form,



Where $p, q \in Q$, $a \in \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}$, and $X, Y \in \Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\}$ represents $(q, Y) \in \delta(p, a, X)$

Consider the following pushdown automaton over the input alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and stack alphabet $\Gamma = \{\#, A\}$.



The number of strings of length 100 accepted by the above pushdown automaton is _____. [2021(Set-1): 2 Marks]

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Q

Suppose that L_1 is a regular language and L_2 is a context-free language. Which one of the following languages is NOT necessarily context-free?

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[2021(Set-1): 2 Marks]

A $L_1 \cdot L_2$

B $L_1 \cup L_2$

C $L_1 - L_2$

D $L_1 \cap L_2$

Q

For a string w , we define w^R to be the reverse of w . For example, if $w = 01101$ then $w^R = 10110$. Which of the following languages is/are context-free?

[2021(Set-2): 2 Marks]

- A $\{wxw^Rx^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- B $\{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- C $\{ww^Rxx^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- D $\{wxx^RW^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$

Q

Let L_1 be a regular language and L_2 be a context-free language.
Which of the following languages is/are context-free?

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[2021(Set-2)MSQ: 1 Marks]

- A $L_1 \cap \bar{L}_2$
- B $\overline{\bar{L}_1 \cup \bar{L}_2}$
- C $L_1 \cup (L_2 \cup \bar{L}_2)$
- D $(L_1 \cap L_2) \cup (\bar{L}_1 \cap L_2)$

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^n w a^n \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{a, b\}^*, |w|, |x| > 0\}$$

Note that w^R is the reversal of the string w . Which of the following is/are TRUE?

- A L_1 and L_2 are regular.
- B L_1 and L_2 are context-free.
- C L_1 is regular and L_2 is context-free.
- D L_1 and L_2 are context-free but not regular.

[2022: MSQ: 2 Marks]

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Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{ww \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid m, n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$$

Which of the following statements is/are FALSE?

[2022: 2 Marks]

- A L_1 is not context-free but L_2 and L_3 are deterministic context-free.
- B Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free.
- C L_2 , L_3 and $L_2 \cap L_3$ all are context-free.
- D Neither L_1 nor its complement is context-free

Summary

→ GATE PYQs practice

Next class

L1m & Undecidability



