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Winter Midterm

1. Use the pumping lemma to show that the set of strings over {a, b} in which the number of a's is a perfect cube is not regular.

To Prove: the set of strings over {a, b} in which the number of a's is a perfect cube is not regular.

Let L = the set of strings over $\{a, b\}$ in which the number of a's is a perfect cube Let k be the number from the pumping lemma Let s = ababa = $a^{k-2}ba^{k-2}ba^{k-2}$, where k = 3

By the pumping lemma s = uvw where $v \neq \lambda$ and $|uv| \leq k$

Since $|uv| \le k$, v must consist of aba | ba | a Since $v \ne \lambda$, v must consist at least one a

Case: $u = \lambda$, v = aba, w = ba

Suppose we pump By the pumping lemma:

s = aabaaaabaabaa, u = λ , v = aabaaaabaa

the number of a's = 9 9 is not a perfect cube

Case: u = a, v = ba, w = ba

Suppose we pump By the pumping lemma:

s = abaabaaba, u = a, v = baabaa the number of a's = 6 6 is not a perfect cube

Case: u = ab, v = a, w = ba

Suppose we pump By the pumping lemma:

s =abaaba, u = ab, v = aathe number of a's = 4

For all of the possible v's, s is not in L Contradiction! L is not regular

2. A context free grammar $G = (V, \Sigma, P, S)$ is called left-linear if each rule is of the form:

$$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{A} \rightarrow \textbf{u} \\ \textbf{A} \rightarrow \textbf{B} \textbf{u} \end{array}$$

where A, B \in V and u \in Σ^* .

Show that the left linear grammars generate precisely the regular sets.

Since every non-terminal must end with a terminal value, we can make a regular expression:

A regular expression for this language would be u*u

Or we could build a DFA

State	Input = u
S1	S2
S2	S2

3. Let M be the PDA in Example 7.1.3.

(a) Give the transition table of M.

State	Input	New State	Рор	Push
q0	а	q0	λ	Α
q0	b	q0	λ	В
q0	λ	q1	λ	λ
q1	а	q1	Α	λ
q1	b	q1	В	λ

(b) Trace all computations of the strings ab, abb, abbb in M.

NOTE: Probably need to convert to an empty stack accepting machine

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s = ab:
(q0, ab, {})
                  |- (q0, b, {A})
                  |- (q0, \lambda, {BA}); not accepting
s = abb:
(q0, abb, {})
                  |- (q0, bb, {A})
                  |- (q0, b, {BA})
                  |- (q1, b, {BA}); lambda transition
                  |-(q1, \lambda, \{A\})|; error: stack is not empty
s = abbb
(q0, abbb, {})
                 |- (q0, bbb, {A})
                  |- (q0, bb, {BA})
                  |- (q1, bb, {BA}); lambda transition
                  |- (q1, b, {A})
                  |- (q1, \lambda, {A}); error reading B from stack
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(c) Show that aaaa, baab $\in L(M)$

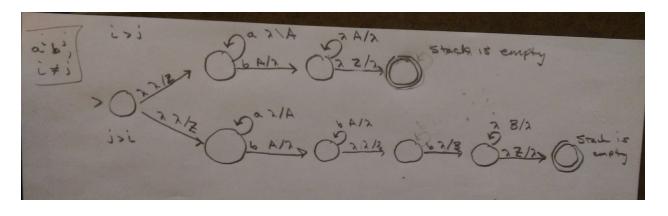
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\begin{array}{lll} s = aaaa \\ (q0,\, aaaa,\, \{\}) & |-\, (q0,\, aaa,\, \{A\}) \\ & |-\, (q0,\, aa,\, \{AA\}) \\ & |-\, (q1,\, aa,\, \{AA\}); \, lambda\,\, transition \\ & |-\, (q1,\, a,\, \{A\}) \\ & |-\, (q1,\, \lambda,\, \{\}); \,\, accept \\ s = baab \\ (q0,\, baab,\, \{\}) & |-\, (q0,\, aab,\, \{B\}) \\ & |-\, (q0,\, ab,\, \{AB\}); \,\, lambda\,\, transition \\ & |-\, (q1,\, ab,\, \{AB\}); \,\, lambda\,\, transition \\ & |-\, (q1,\, b,\, \{B\}) \\ & |-\, (q1,\, \lambda,\, \{\}); \,\, accept \end{array}
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(d) Show that aaa, ab ∉ L(M)

NOTE: Need to convert to empty stack accepting machine

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\begin{array}{lll} s = aaa & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & \\ (q0,\, aaa,\, \{\}) & & & | -\, (q0,\, aa,\, \{A\}) & & & & | -\, (q0,\, a,\, \{AAA\}); \ error,\, stack \ is \ not \ empty \\ s = ab & & & & & & & & & & \\ (q0,\, ab,\, \{\}) & & & | -\, (q0,\, b,\, \{A\}) & & & & & | -\, (q0,\, \lambda,\, \{BA\}); \ error,\, stack \ is \ not \ empty \\ \end{array}
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4. Construct a PDA that accepts the language $\{a^ib^j \mid i \neq j\}$.



5. Let L = $\{a^{2i}b^i| i \ge 0\}$

(a) Construct a PDA M1 with L(M1) = L

State	Input	New State	Pop	Push
q0	а	q0	λ	А
q0	λ	q1	λ	λ
q1	b	q2	А	λ
q2	λ	q3	А	λ
q3	b	q2	А	λ

(b) Construct an atomic PDA M2 with L(M2) = L

State	Input	New State	Pop	Push
q0	а	q1	λ	λ
q1	λ	q2	λ	А
q2	а	q1	λ	λ
q2	b	q3	λ	λ
q3	λ	q4	A	λ
q4	λ	q5	Α	λ
q5	b	q3	λ	λ

(c) Construct an extended PDA M3 with L(M3) = L that has fewer transitions than M1.

State	Input	New State	Рор	Push
q0	а	q0	λ	А
q0	λ	q1	λ	λ
q1	b	q3	AA	λ
q3	b	q3	AA	λ

(d) Trace the computation that accepts the string aab in each of the PDAs that you constructed.

M1:

M2:

$$\begin{array}{lll} (\text{q0, aab, \{\}}) & & |\text{- }(\text{q1, ab, \{\}}) \\ & |\text{- }(\text{q2, ab, \{A\}}) \\ & |\text{- }(\text{q1, b, \{A\}}) \\ & |\text{- }(\text{q2, b, \{AA\}}) \\ & |\text{- }(\text{q3, λ, \{AA\}}) \\ & |\text{- }(\text{q4, λ, \{A\}}) \\ & |\text{- }(\text{q5, λ, \{\}}) \\ \end{array}$$

M3:

6. Use the pumping lemma to prove that $\{ww^Rw|w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ is not context free.

To Prove: $\{ww^Rw|w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ is not context free. Assume: L is a context free grammar

Let L = $\{ww^Rw|w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ Let k be the number from the pumping lemma Let s = abbaab

By the pumping lemma s = uvwxy

with substrings *u*, *v*, *w*, *x* and *y*, such that

- 1. $|vwx| \le k$,
- 2. |vx| ≥ 1, and
- 3. uv^nwx^ny is in L for all $n \ge 0$.

Since $|vwx| \le k$, there are 4 possibilities for vwx:

 $u = \lambda$, vwx = abb, y = aab u = a, vwx = bba, y = ab u = ab, vwx = baa, y = bu = abb, vwx = aab, $y = \lambda$

Case 1:

Suppose we pump once
By the pumping lemma:
vwx = aabbb, s = aabbbaab
s is not in the language

Case 2:

Suppose we pump once
By the pumping lemma:
vwx = bbbaa, s = abbbaaab
s is not in the language

Case 3:

Suppose we pump once By the pumping lemma: vwx = bbaaa, s = abbbaaab s is not in the language

Case 4:

Suppose we pump once
By the pumping lemma:
vwx = aaabb, s = abbaaabb
s is not in the language

Therefore, L is not a context free grammar

7. Construct a Turing machine (with no macros) to compute the following number-theoretic functions:

(a) even(n) = if n is even: 1, otherwise: 0

 $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$

Q = $\{q_0q_1\}xF$, F= $\{q_aq_h\}$ where q_a is an accepting state, and q_h is a rejecting state

 Σ = {1}, note: this is a unary number representation

 $\Gamma = \Sigma \times B$ where B is the blank symbol on the tape

δ=

Current State	Current Symbol	New Symbol	Direction	New State
q0	В	В	R	qa
q0	1	1	R	q1
q1	В	В	R	qh
q1	1	1	R	q0

Example 1, input = 111:

 $q_0111 \Rightarrow 1q_111 \Rightarrow 11q_01 \Rightarrow 111q_1B \Rightarrow 111Bq_hB$

111 is odd and the machine halts in state q_h signifying a rejection

Example 2, input = 11:

 $q_011 \Rightarrow 1q_11 \Rightarrow 11q_0B \Rightarrow 11Bq_aB$

11 is even and the machine halts in state q_a signifying a acceptance

(b) It(n, m) = if n < m: 1, otherwise: 0

 $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$

Q = $\{q_0,q_1,q_2,q_3,q_4,q_5\}$ x F, F= $\{q_aq_h\}$ where q_a is an accepting state, and q_h is a rejecting state

 Σ = {1}, note: this is a unary number representation

 $\Gamma = \Sigma \times \{e, <, _\}$ where '_' is the blank symbol on the tape and 'e' signifies the left edge of the tape

δ=

Current State	Current Symbol	New Symbol	Direction	New State
0	е	е	r	1
1	1	х	r	2
1	х	х	r	1
1	<	<	r	5
1	_	_	r	halt
2	1	1	r	2
2	<	<	r	3
2	_	_	r	halt
3	х	х	r	3
3	1	х	r	4
3	_	_	r	halt
4	х	х	I	4
4	1	1	I	4
4	<	<	I	4
4	_	_	I	4
4	е	е	r	1
5	х	х	r	5
5	1	1	r	accept
5	_	_	r	halt

$$\begin{split} &\text{Example 1: Input} = \text{e1<11} \\ &q_0 \text{e1<11} \rightarrow \text{eq}_1 \text{1<11} \rightarrow \text{exq}_2 \text{<} \text{11} \rightarrow \text{ex} \text{<} \text{q}_3 \text{11} \rightarrow \text{ex} \text{<} \text{q}_4 \text{1} \rightarrow \text{ex} \text{<} \text{q}_4 \text{x1} \rightarrow \text{exq}_4 \text{<} \text{x1} \rightarrow \text{eq}_4 \text{xx1} \rightarrow \text{eq}_4 \text{xx1} \rightarrow \text{ex} \text{q}_5 \text{x1} \rightarrow \text{ex} \text{<} \text{q}_5 \text{x1} \rightarrow \text{ex} \text{<} \text{x1} \text{q}_{\text{accept}} \\ &\text{example 2: Input} = \text{e1<1} \\ &q_0 \text{e1<1} \rightarrow \text{eq}_1 \text{1<1} \rightarrow \text{exq}_2 \text{<} 1 \rightarrow \text{ex$$

For each machine provide one example showing the action of your machine on a sample input.

Design a machine that computes: gt(n,m) = if n > m: 1; otherwise: 0

If we were doing greater than or equal (or or macro was for less than or equal), this would be easier, as we could just flip the sign on the input tape to <, then run the lt macro, and use the property of negation to map the macro accept to a rejecting state and rejecting state to a accepting state. But it's not that easy. We could also swap the numbers on the input tape then run the lt macro in a similar way, but that seems about as hard to program as starting from scratch. So I'm starting from scratch.

 $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$

Q = $\{q_0,q_1,q_2,q_3,q_4,q_5\}$ x F, F= $\{q_aq_h\}$ where q_a is an accepting state, and q_h is a rejecting state

 Σ = {1}, note: this is a unary number representation

 $\Gamma = \Sigma \times \{e, >, _\}$ where '_' is the blank symbol on the tape and 'e' signifies the left edge of the tape

δ=

Current State	Current Symbol	New Symbol	Direction	New State
0	е	*	r	1
1	1	х	r	2
1	х	х	r	1
1	>	>	r	5
1	_	_	r	halt
2	1	1	r	2
2	>	>	r	3
2	_	_	r	halt
3	х	х	r	3
3	1	x	r	4
3	_	_	r	halt-accept
4	x	x	I	4
4	1	1	I	4
4	>	>	I	4
4	_	_	I	4
4	е	е	r	1
5	х	х	r	5
5	1	1	r	halt
5	_	_	r	halt

Example 1: Input = e11>1

$$\begin{array}{l} q_0e11>1 \rightarrow eq_111>1 \rightarrow exq_21>1 \rightarrow ex1q_2>1 \rightarrow ex1>q_31 \rightarrow ex1>xq_4_ \rightarrow ex1>q_4x \rightarrow ex1q_4>x \rightarrow exq_41>x \rightarrow eq_4x1>x \rightarrow q_4ex1>x \rightarrow eq_1x1>x \rightarrow exq_11>x \rightarrow exq_2>x \rightarrow exx>q_3x \rightarrow exx>xq_3_ \rightarrow exx>x_q_{accept_} \end{array}$$

Example 2: Input = e > (0 > 0)

$$q_0 e > \rightarrow e q_1 > \rightarrow e > q_5 \underline{\hspace{0.2cm}} \rightarrow e > \underline{\hspace{0.2cm}} q_{halt} \underline{\hspace{0.2cm}}$$

9. Trace the actions of the machine MULT for computations with input:

(a)
$$n = 0$$
, $m = 4$

(b)
$$n = 1, m = 0$$

10. Let F be a Turing machine that computes a total unary number-theoretic function f. Design a machine to compute the function:

 $g(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} i=0 : n f(i)$

Using the following prebuilt macros:

CPY = copy 1 word and move the beginning of the copied word

D = decrement a unary number and move the the beginning of that word

BRN = Branch on Zero

ML = Move left 1 word

MR = Move right 1 word

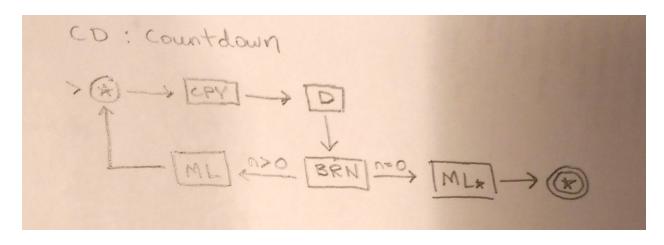
ML* = Move all the way to the left boundary

FN = some given total unary number-theoretic function f

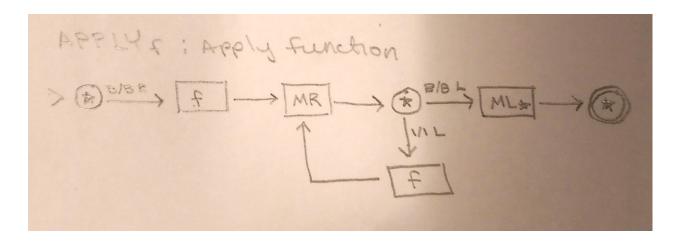
And the following custom macros:

CD = countdown. Takes a single unary n on the tape and writes n ... pred(n) ... 0 on the tape.

Example: 111 → 111 11 1



APPLY_f = Apply function. Applies a function to each unary number on the tape and resets the tape head to the left boundary.



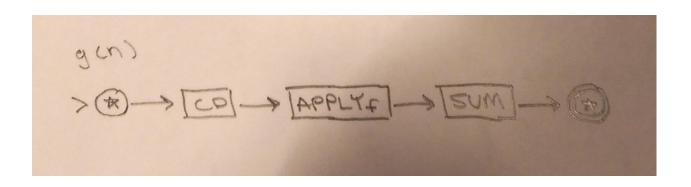
SUM = Summation function. Sums each unary number (separated by a blank) on the tape.

Example: $_{111} 11 1 \rightarrow _{111111}$

Note: I programmed and tested this machine

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; SUM macro
; Sums multiple unary numbers
0 _ _ r 1
1 1 1 r 1
1 _ 1 r 2
2 1 1 r 2
2 _ _ 1 3
3 1 1 1 4
4 1 1 1 4
4 _ _ r 5
51_r6
611r6
6 _ _ r 7
7 _ _ 1 10
7 1 1 1 8
8 _ _ 1 9
9 1 1 1 9
9 _ _ * 0
10 _ _ 1 11
11 1 1 1 11
11 _ _ * halt
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The final machine would be the composition of machines: $g(n) = SUM(APPLY_f(CD(n)))$ or g = SUM. $APPLY_f$. CD



11. Let G be the context-sensitive grammar:

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\label{eq:G:S} \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{S} & \rightarrow \textbf{SBA} \mid \textbf{a} \\ \textbf{BA} & \rightarrow \textbf{AB} \\ \textbf{aA} & \rightarrow \textbf{aaB} \\ \textbf{B} & \rightarrow \textbf{b} \end{array}
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(a) Give a derivation of aabb

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S \rightarrow SBA

SBA \rightarrow aBA; using S \rightarrow A

aBA \rightarrow aAB; using BA \rightarrow AB

aAB \rightarrow aaBB; using aA \rightarrow aaB

aaBB \rightarrow aabB; using B \rightarrow b

aabB \rightarrow aabb; using B \rightarrow b
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(b) What is L(G)?

G:

By looking at successive applications of the recursive $S \rightarrow SBA|a$ rule:

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0 applications: s = a = a^1b^0 (base case)
1 applications: s = aabb, a^2b^2
2 applications: s = aaabbbb = a^3b^4
3 applications: s = aaaabbbbbb = a^4b^6
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 $S \rightarrow aSA \mid a$

Note: I can give you a screenshot of a page full of derivations, if need be.

It looks like the number of a's in the string equal the number of applications of the recursive rule plus one It looks like the number of b's in the string equal the number of applications of the recursive rule times two Where $L(G) = \{a^{n+1}b^{2n} \mid n \ge 0\}$

(c) Construct a context-free grammar that generates L(G)

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A \rightarrow BB B \rightarrow b

0 applications of the recursive rule S \rightarrow aSA | a: S \rightarrow a = a¹b⁰, matches

1 applications of the recursive rule S \rightarrow aSA | a: S \rightarrow aSA \rightarrow aaA \rightarrow aaBB \rightarrow aabb = a²b², matches

2 applications of the recursive rule S \rightarrow aSA | a: S \rightarrow aSA \rightarrow aaSAA \rightarrow aaaAA \rightarrow aaaBBBB \rightarrow aaabbbb = a³b⁴, matches

2 applications of the recursive rule S \rightarrow aSA | a: S \rightarrow aSA \rightarrow aaSAA \rightarrow aaaSAAA \rightarrow aaaaAAA \rightarrow aaaaBBBBBB \rightarrow aaaabbbbbb = a⁴b⁶, matches
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I feel pretty confident that these generate the same language.

12. Design a two tape TM that determines if two strings u and v over {0, 1} are identical. The computation begins with BuBvB on the tape and should require no more than 3(length(u) + 1) transitions. (The limitation is guidance only: if you have a longer one, don't worry. But consider this lower bound.)

```
//2-Tape Compare String
//-----DELTA FUNCTION:
//[current_state],[read_symbol_top][read_symbol_bottom],[new_state],[write_symbol],[>|
1-1
// < = left
// > = right
// - = hold
// use underscore for blank cells
// Input: 2 binary strings separated by a space _
// Ouput:
// Example: accepts 10101 10101, rejects 111 010
// ------ States -----|
// qCopy - copy 1st word to second tape
// qLeft - move to left boundary
// qMoveR - move first tape to next word
// qCheck - compare first tape and second tape |
// qReject - rejecting state
// qaccept - accepting state
//-----|
name: Compare 2 Strings
init: qCopy
accept: qAccept, qReject
qCopy,0,_,qCopy,0,0,>,>
qCopy,1,_,qCopy,1,1,>,>
qCopy,_,_,qLeft,_,_,<,<
qLeft,0,0,qLeft,_,0,<,<
qLeft,0,1,qLeft,_,1,<,<
qLeft,1,1,qLeft,_,1,<,<
qLeft,1,0,qLeft,_,0,<,<
qLeft,_,_,qMoveR,_,_,>,>
qMoveR,_,0,qMoveR,_,0,>,-
qMoveR,_,1,qMoveR,_,1,>,-
qMoveR,0,0,qCheck,0,0,-,-
qMoveR,0,1,qCheck,0,1,-,-
qMoveR,1,0,qCheck,1,0,-,-
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qMoveR,1,1,qCheck,1,1,-,-

qCheck,0,0,qCheck,0,0,>,>
qCheck,0,1,qReject,0,1,-,-
qCheck,0,_,qReject,0,_,-,-

qCheck,1,1,qCheck,1,1,>,>
qCheck,1,0,qReject,1,0,-,-
qCheck,1,_,qReject,1,_,-,-
qCheck,_,0,qReject,_,0,-,-
qCheck,_,0,qReject,_,0,-,-
qCheck,_,1,qReject,_,1,-,-
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13. Let L be the language $\{a^ib^{2i}a^i \mid i > 0\}$.

(a) Use the pumping lemma for context-free languages to show that L is not context-free.

To Prove: $\{a^ib^{2i}a^i \mid i > 0\}$ is not context free. Assume: L is a context free grammar

Let L = $\{a^ib^{2i}a^i \mid i > 0\}$

Let k be the number from the pumping lemma

Let s = abba

By the pumping lemma s = uvwxy with substrings u, v, w, x and y, such that

- 1. $|vwx| \le k$,
- 2. |vx| ≥ 1, and
- 3. uv^nwx^ny is in L for all $n \ge 0$.

Since $|s| \le k$ and there are 4 possibilities for vwx:

- 1. $u = \lambda$, vwx = a, y = bba
- 2. u = a, vwx = b, y = ba
- 3. u = ab, vwx = b, y = a
- 4. u = abb, vwx = a, $y = \lambda$

Case 1:

Suppose we pump once By the pumping lemma: vwx = aa, s = aabba s is not in the language

Case 2:

Suppose we pump once By the pumping lemma: vwx = bb, s = abbba s is not in the language

Case 3:

Suppose we pump once By the pumping lemma: vwx = bb, s = abbba s is not in the language

Case 4:

Suppose we pump once By the pumping lemma: vwx =aa, s = abbaaa s is not in the language

Therefore, L is not a context free grammar

(b) Construct a context-sensitive grammar G that generates L.

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S \rightarrow abba \mid aSBa aB \rightarrow Ba bB \rightarrow bbb
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(c) Give the derivation of aabbbbaa in G

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S \to aSBa \to \ aabbaBa \to aabbBaa \to aabbbbaa
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(d) Construct an LBA M that accepts L.

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S \rightarrow abba:
;initial tape: > S <
;initial state: q0
q0 > r q1
q1 _ _ r q1
q1 S S * q2
q2 S X r q4
q4 a a r q4
q4 b b r q4
q4 a a r q4
q4 _ _ I q5
q5 a_r q6
q5b_rq7
q5 X X r q9
q6 _ a I q10
q7 _ b I q10
q10 _ _ I q5
q9 _ a I q10
q10 X b I q11
q11 _ b I q12
q12 _ a I halt
S \rightarrow aSBa:
;initial tape: > S <
;initial state: q0
q0 > r q1
q1 _ _ r q1
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q1 S S * q2

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q2 S X r q4
q4 a a r q4
q4 B B r q4
q4 S S r q4
q4 a a r q4
q4 _ _ I q5
q5 a _ r q6
q5 B_r q7
q5 S _ r q8
q5 X X r q9
q6 _ a I q10
q7 _ B I q10
q8_SIq10
q10 _ _ I q5
q9 _ a l q11
q11 X B I q12
q12_SIq13
q13 _ a I halt
aB \rightarrow Ba:
;initial tape: > aB <
;initial state: q0
q0 > r q1
q1 _ _ r q1
q1 a a * q2
q2 a X r q3
q3 B X r q4
q4 B B r q4
q4 a a r q4
q4 _ _ I q5
q5a_rq6
q5 B _ r q7
q5 X X r q9
q6 _ a I q10
q7 _ B I q10
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q10 _ _ I q5

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q9 _ a l q10
q10 X B I q11
q11 X _ r halt
bB \rightarrow bbb:
;initial tape: >bB <
;initial state: q0
q0 > r q1
q1 _ _ r q1
q1 b b * q2
q2 b X r q3
q3 B X r q4
q4 b b r q4
q4 _ _ I q5
q5 b _ r q6
;q5 B _ r q7
q5 X X r q9
q6 _ b l q10
;q7 _ B I q10
q10 _ _ I q5
q9 _ b l q10
q10 X b l q11
q11 X b I q12
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q12 > > r halt

(e) Trace the computation of M with input aabbbbaa