



CS311: Computational Theory

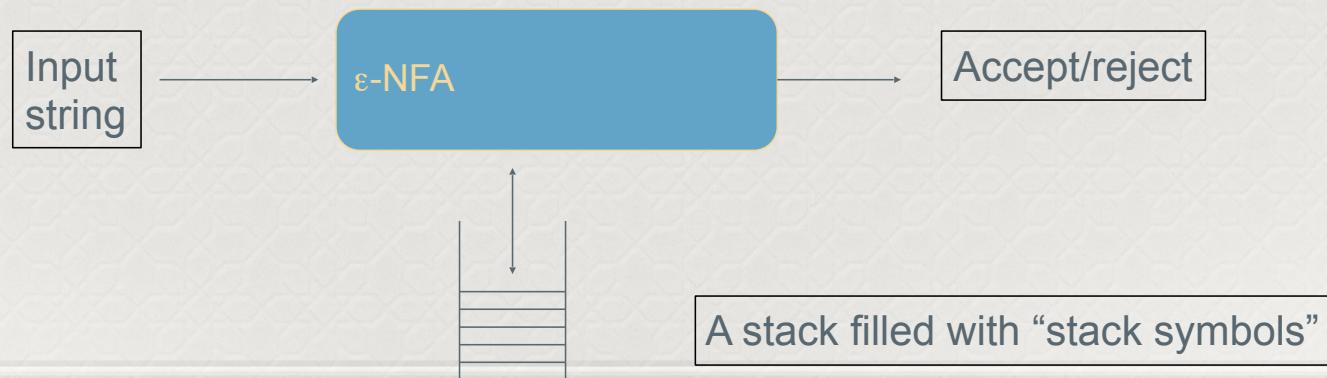
*Lecture 7: CONTEXT-FREE GRAMMARS – Ch 2
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Lecture Learning Objectives

- 1. Express Context Free Grammar Languages using Push-Down Automaton (PDA)*

PDA - the automata for CFLs

- *What is?*
 - FA to Reg Lang, PDA is to CFL
- PDA == [ϵ -NFA + “a stack”]
- *Why a stack?*



Pushdown Automata - Definition

- A PDA $P := (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$:
 - Q : states of the ϵ -NFA
 - Σ : input alphabet
 - Γ : stack symbols
 - δ : transition function
 - q_0 : start state
 - Z_0 : Initial stack top symbol
 - F : Final/accepting states

old state	Stack top	input symb.	new state(s)	new Stack top(s)
$\delta : Q \ x \ \Gamma \ x \ \Sigma \Rightarrow Q \ x \ \Gamma$				

δ : The Transition Function

$$\delta(q, a, X) = \{(p, Y), \dots\}$$

1. state transition from q to p
 2. a is the next input symbol
 X is the current stack top symbol
 Y is the replacement for X ;
 it is in Γ^* (a string of stack symbols)
- i. Set $Y = \epsilon$ for: $\text{Pop}(X)$
 - ii. If $Y=X$: stack top is unchanged
 - iii. If $Y=Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_k$: X is popped and is replaced by Y in reverse order
(i.e., Z_1 will be the new stack top)

Non-determinism



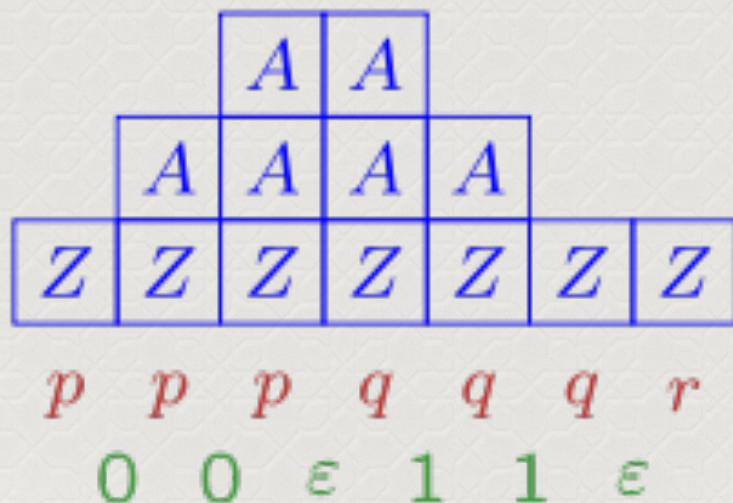
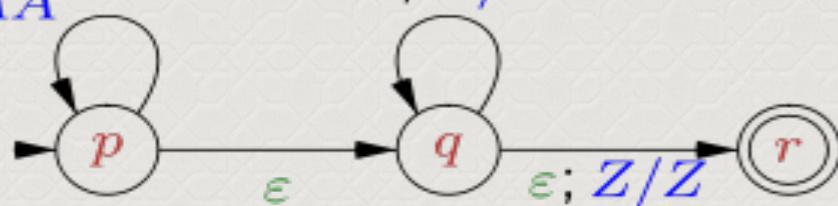
	$Y = ?$	Action
i)	$Y=\epsilon$	$\text{Pop}(X)$
ii)	$Y=X$	$\text{Pop}(X)$ $\text{Push}(X)$
iii)	$Y=Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_k$	$\text{Pop}(X)$ $\text{Push}(Z_k)$ $\text{Push}(Z_{k-1})$... $\text{Push}(Z_2)$ $\text{Push}(Z_1)$

Example 1: PDA for $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$

- $P := (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$, where
- States $Q: \{p, q, r\}$
- input alphabet $\Sigma: \{0, 1\}$
- stack alphabet $\Gamma: \{A, Z\}$
- start state $q_0: p$
- start stack symbol $Z_0: Z$
- accepting states $F: \{r\}$
- $\delta: (p, 0, Z) \Rightarrow (p, AZ), (p, 0, A) \Rightarrow (p, AA),$
 $(p, \varepsilon, Z) \Rightarrow (q, Z), (p, \varepsilon, A) \Rightarrow (q, A),$
 $(q, 1, A) \Rightarrow (q, \varepsilon), \text{ and } (q, \varepsilon, Z) \Rightarrow (r, Z)$

Understanding the Computation

0; Z/AZ
0; A/AA



- (p , 0011, Z) ⊢
- (p , 011, AZ) ⊢
- (p , 11, AAZ) ⊢
- (q , 11, AAZ) ⊢
- (q , 1, AZ) ⊢
- (q , ε, Z) ⊢
- (r , ε, Z)

Example 2: L_{wwr}

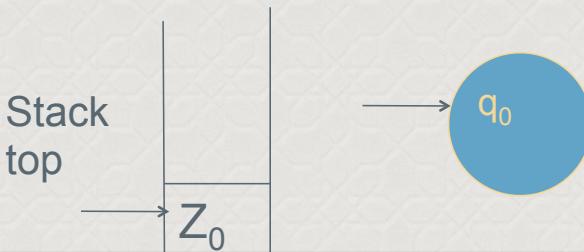
Let $L_{wwr} = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } (0+1)^*\}$

- *CFG for L_{wwr} :* $S \Rightarrow 0S0 \mid 1S1 \mid \epsilon$
- *PDA for L_{wwr} :*
- $P := (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$

$$= (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\})$$

PDA for L_{wwr}

Initial state of the PDA:



1. $\delta(q_0, 0, Z_0) = \{(q_0, 0Z_0)\}$
2. $\delta(q_0, 1, Z_0) = \{(q_0, 1Z_0)\}$

} First symbol push on stack

1. $\delta(q_0, 0, 0) = \{(q_0, 00)\}$
2. $\delta(q_0, 0, 1) = \{(q_0, 01)\}$
3. $\delta(q_0, 1, 0) = \{(q_0, 10)\}$
4. $\delta(q_0, 1, 1) = \{(q_0, 11)\}$

} Grow the stack by pushing new symbols on top of old (w-part)

5. $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, 0) = \{(q_1, 0)\}$
6. $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, 1) = \{(q_1, 1)\}$
7. $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, Z_0) = \{(q_1, Z_0)\}$

} Switch to popping mode (boundary between w and w^R)

8. $\delta(q_1, 0, 0) = \{(q_1, \epsilon)\}$
9. $\delta(q_1, 1, 1) = \{(q_1, \epsilon)\}$

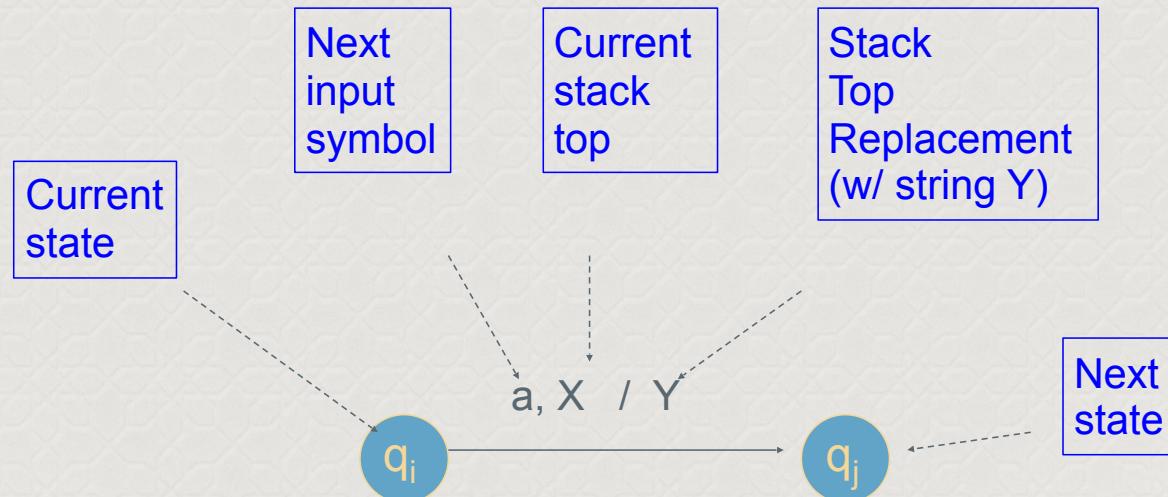
} Shrink the stack by popping matching symbols (w^R -part)

10. $\delta(q_1, \epsilon, Z_0) = \{(q_2, Z_0)\}$

} Enter acceptance state

PDA as a state diagram

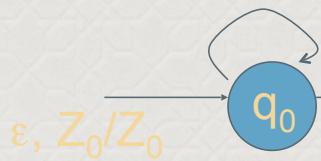
$$\delta(q_i, a, X) = \{(q_j, Y)\}$$



PDA for L_{wwr} : Transition Diagram

Grow stack

0, Z_0/Z_0
1, Z_0/Z_0
0, 0/0
0, 1/01
1, 0/10
1, 1/11



Pop stack for matching symbols

0, 0/ ϵ
1, 1/ ϵ

$\epsilon, Z_0/Z_0$
 $\epsilon, 0/0$
 $\epsilon, 1/1$



$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$
 $\Gamma = \{Z_0, 0, 1\}$
 $Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$

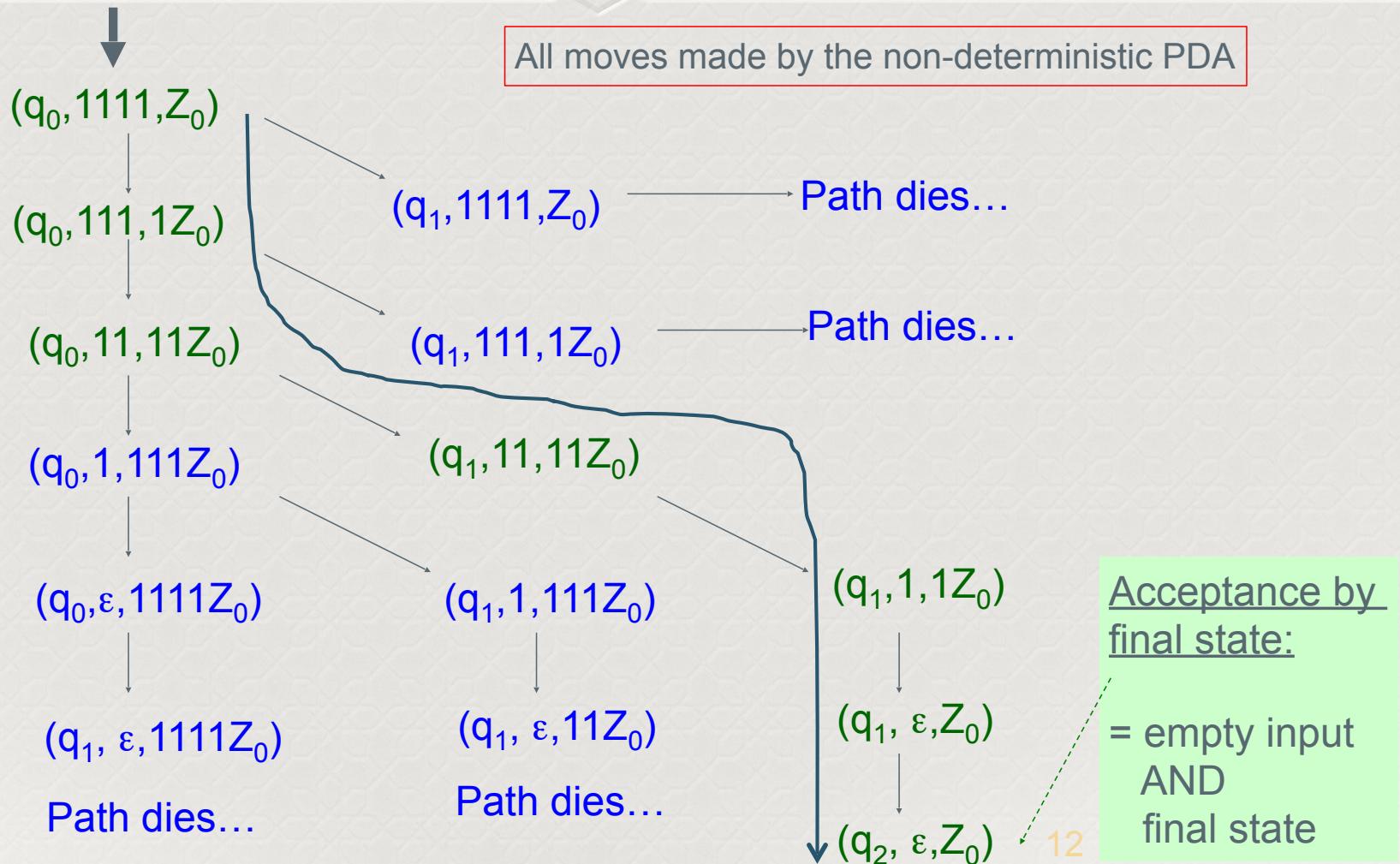
Go to acceptance



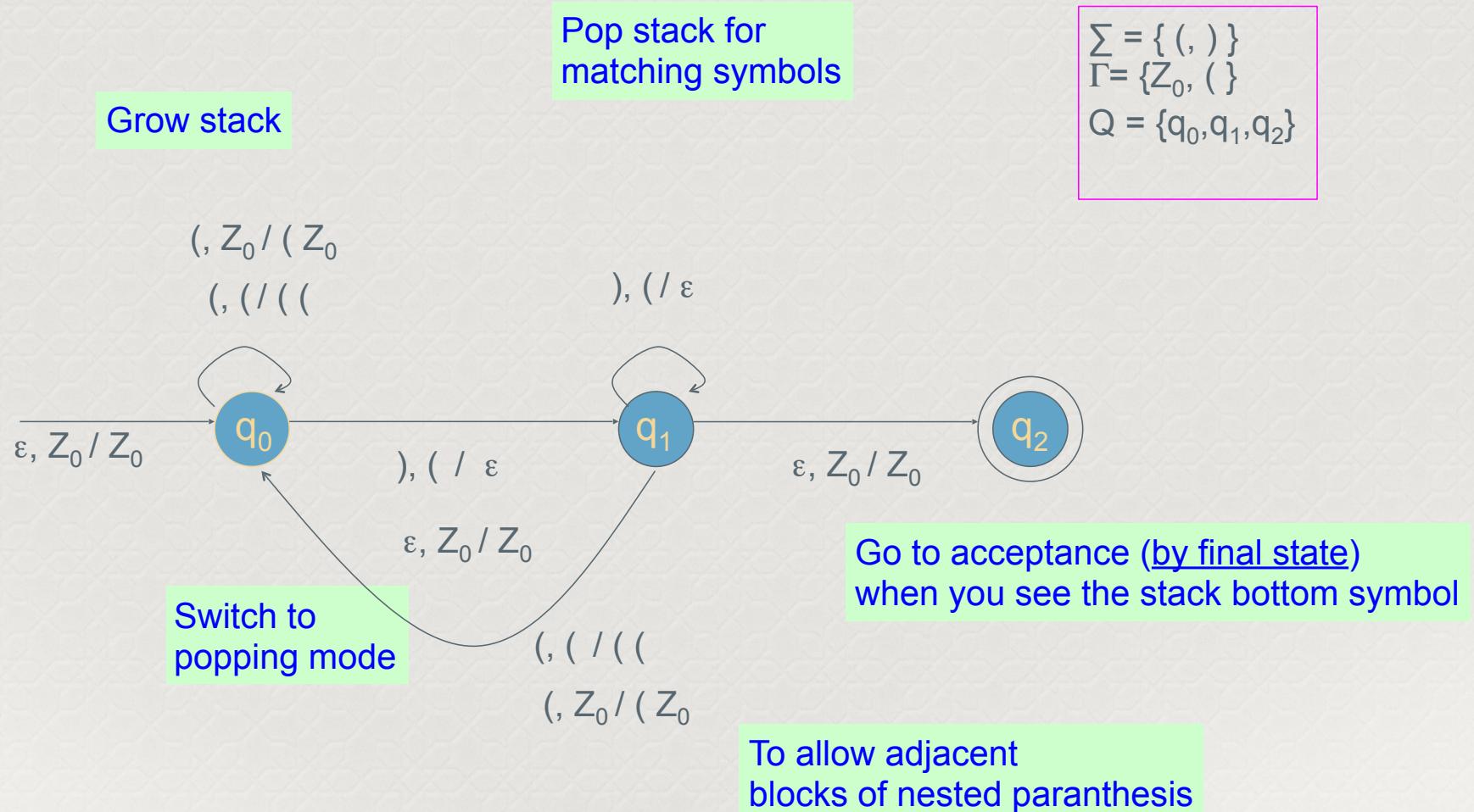
Switch to popping mode

This would be a non-deterministic PDA

How does the PDA for L_{wwr} work on input “1111”?



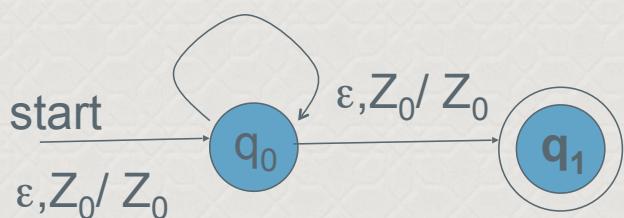
Example 3: language of balanced parenthesis



Example 2: language of balanced parenthesis (another design)

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$\Sigma = \{ (,) \}$
 $\Gamma = \{ Z_0, (\}$
 $Q = \{ q_0, q_1 \}$



PDA's Instantaneous Description (ID)

A PDA has a configuration at any given instance:
 (q, w, y)

- q - current state
- w - remainder of the input (i.e., unconsumed part)
- y - current stack contents as a string from top to bottom of stack

If $\delta(q, a, X) = \{(p, A)\}$ is a transition, then the following are also true:

- $(q, a, X) \vdash \cdots (p, \varepsilon, A)$
- $(q, aw, XB) \vdash \cdots (p, w, AB)$

$\vdash \cdots$ sign is called a “turnstile notation” and represents one move

$\vdash \cdots^*$ sign represents a sequence of moves