

Lecture 7

# Pushdown Automata

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## Pushdown Automata

- **(Nondeterministic) Pushdown Automata: Formal definition**

- A pushdown automaton (PDA) is a 7-tuple:  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, z, F)$ 
  - ❖  $Q$  is a finite set of **internal states**
  - ❖  $\Sigma$  is a finite set of **symbols**
  - ❖  $\Gamma$  is a finite set of symbols called **stack alphabets**
  - ❖  $\delta$  is a set of **transition functions**
    - $\delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow 2^{(Q \times \Gamma^*)}$
  - ❖  $q_0 \in Q$  is **the initial state**
  - ❖  $z \in \Gamma$  is the **initial stack alphabet**
  - ❖  $F \subseteq Q$  is a set of **final states**

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- Is it possible to push/pop multiple stack alphabets in one transition?
  - YES
- Is it possible to push/pop simultaneously in one transition?
  - YES
- Given a nPDA with multiple push/pop operations, we can generate an equivalent nPDA that pushes/pops one symbol per transition

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- **Convert CFG to PDA**
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# CFG to PDA

- **Generate an nPDA from a given CFG**
  - Assumption
    - ❖ CFG is in GNF
    - ❖ Consider a leftmost derivation of strings
  - Basic idea
    - ❖ Variables in right-hand side → **stack**
    - ❖ Terminals in right-hand side → **input**

## Greibach Normal Forms

### • Definition

- Restrict not the length of a production, but the **positions**
- A CFG  $(V, T, S, P)$  is in Greibach normal form if all  $P$ s are of the form
  - ❖  $A \rightarrow ax$  ( $a \in \Sigma$  and  $x \in V^*$ )

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  - Step (2)  $\forall A \rightarrow ax$ 
    - ❖ Stack:  $A \rightarrow x$
    - ❖ Input:  $a \rightarrow \lambda$



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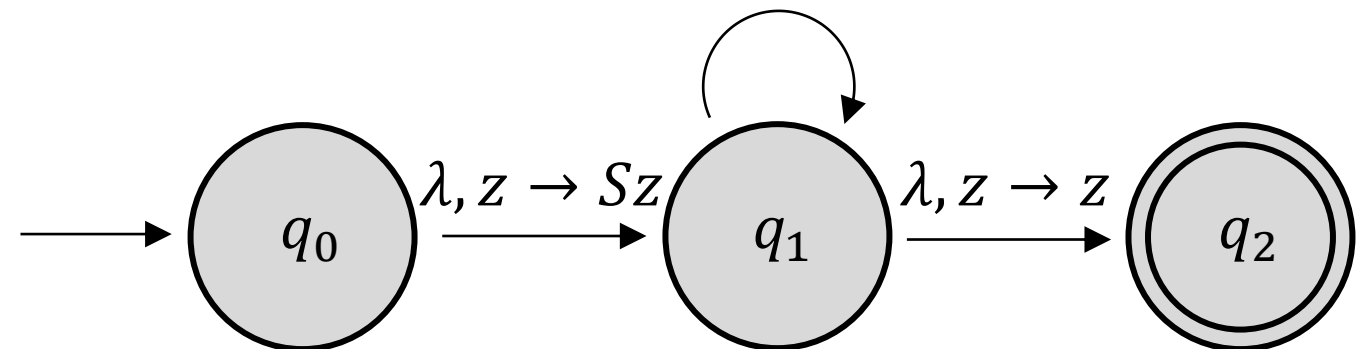
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- $(q_0, aaabbbb, z)$

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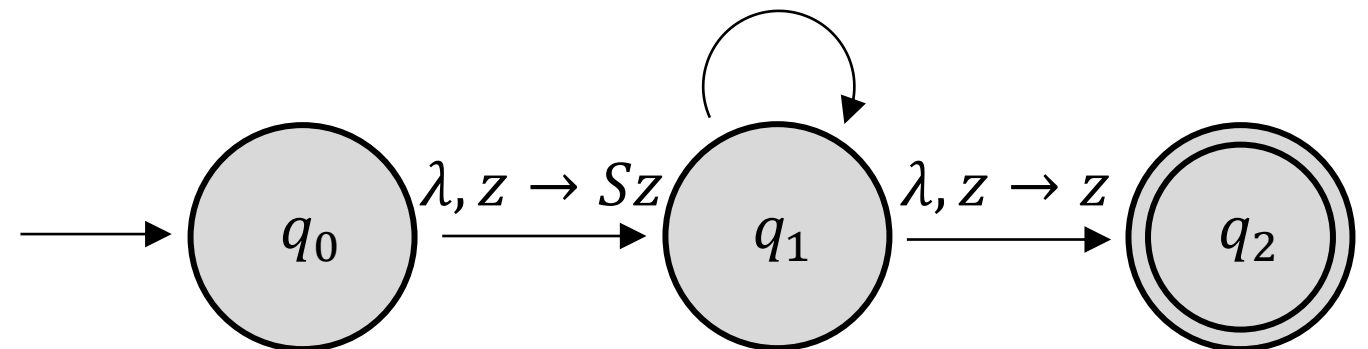
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- Basic idea

- ❖ Remaining input = stack

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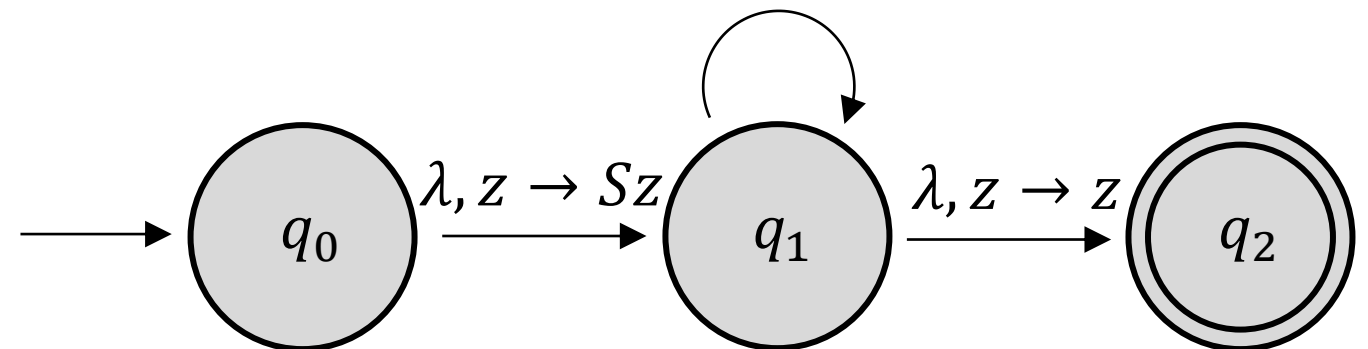
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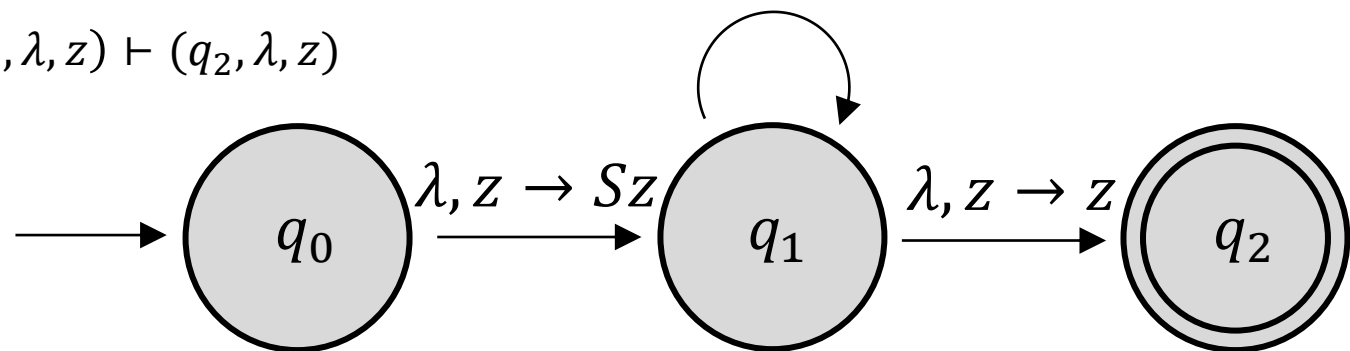
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- We consider the following type of nPDA
  - ❖ An nPDA that has only **one final state** and can only enter final state when **the stack is empty**
  - ❖ Every transition to a symbol  $a$  increases or decreases the contents of the stack by one element
    - E.g.,  $\delta(q_i, a, A) = (q_j, \lambda)$  or  $\delta(q_i, a, A) = (q_j, BC)$
- Any nPDA can be converted to nPDA that satisfies the above conditions

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- Step (2)  $\forall A \rightarrow ax$ 
  - ❖ Stack:  $A \rightarrow x$
  - ❖ Input:  $a \rightarrow \lambda$

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- Case (I)  $\delta(q_i, a, A) = (q_j, \lambda)$

- ❖ CFG has the rule  $(q_i A q_j) \rightarrow a$

- ❖  $(q_i A q_j)$  is intended to pop  $A$  from the stack while going from state  $q_i$  to state  $q_j$

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- One way to pop  $A$  and go from state  $q_i$  to state  $q_k$  is to read  $a$ , then use some input to pop  $B$  off the stack while going from state  $q_j$  to state  $q_l$ , then read some more input that pops  $C$  off the stack and goes from state  $q_l$  to state  $q_k$



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  - Starting variable =  $(q_0zq_f)$

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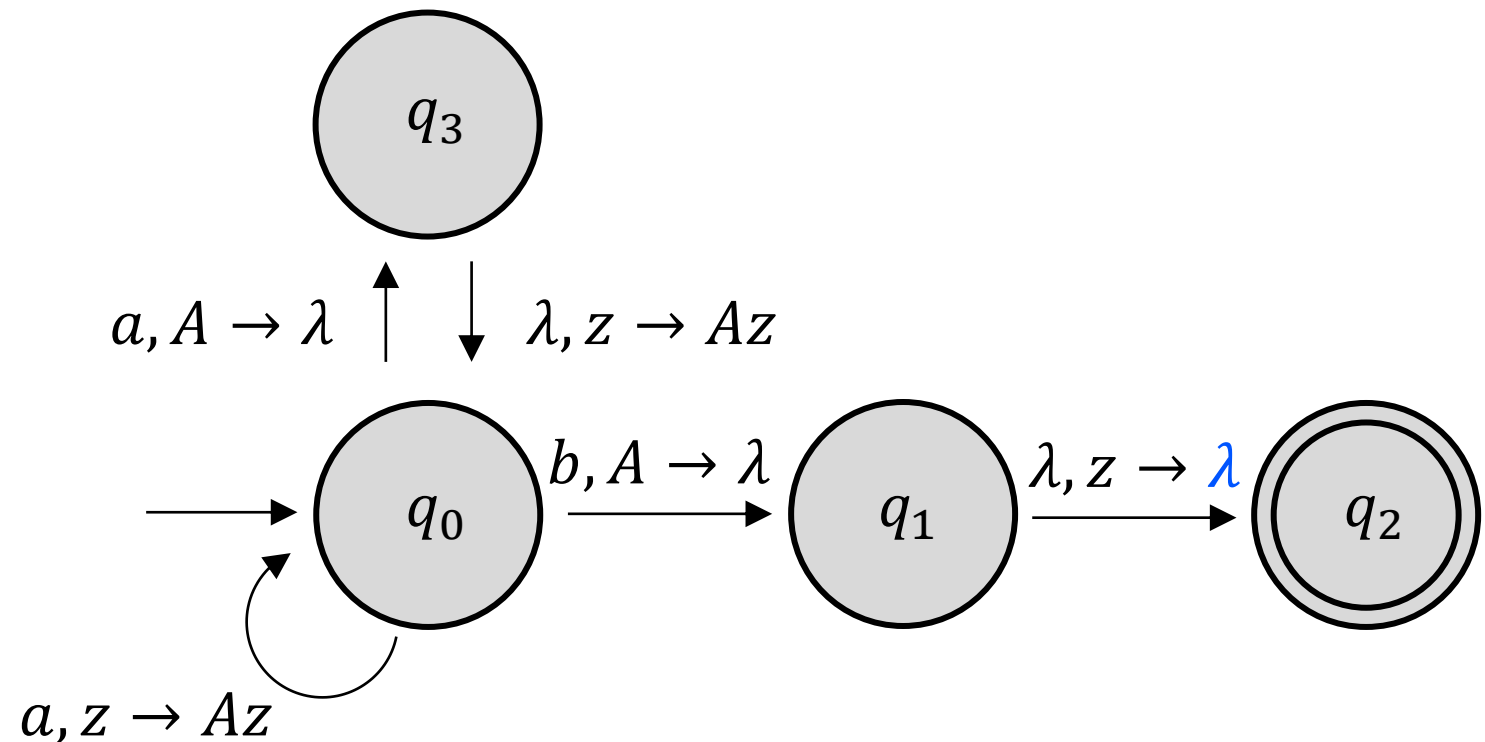
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unnecessary variable

$(q_0 A q_0)$

$(q_0 A q_2)$

No transitions

1- $\rightarrow$ 0

1- $\rightarrow$ 1

1- $\rightarrow$ 3

2- $\rightarrow$ 2



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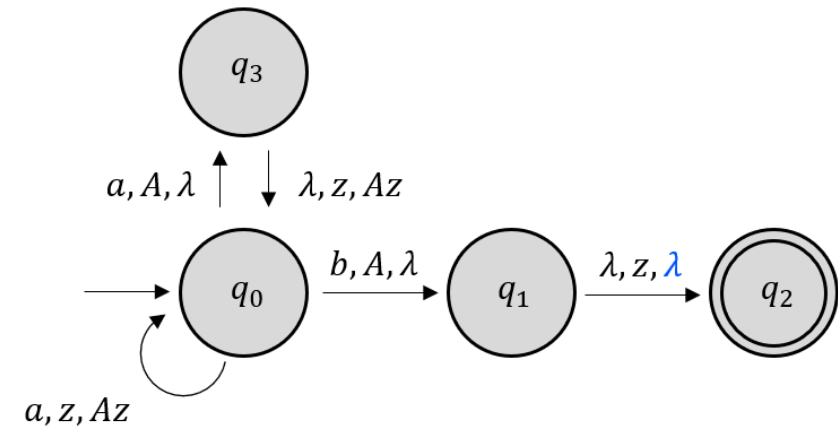


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Deriving "aab"

$$\begin{aligned}
 (q_0 z q_2) &\Rightarrow a(q_0 A q_3)(q_3 z q_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow aa(q_3 z q_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow aa(q_0 A q_1)(q_1 z q_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow aab(q_1 z q_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow aab
 \end{aligned}$$

# Context-Free Languages

- **If  $L = L(M)$  for some NPDA  $M$ , then  $L$  is a context-free language**
- **A language is context-free iff it is accepted by some NPDA**
  - For every CFG, there exists an equivalent NPDA
  - For every NPDA, there exists an equivalent CFG

# Next Lecture

- **Deterministic Pushdown Automata**