

Claim If L is regular, then L is context-free

P: Let M be DFA s.t. $L(M) = L$

$Q = \{q_0, q_1, \dots, q_k\}$ states of M

Variables in G :

X_0, X_1, \dots, X_k

Rules:

$\begin{array}{c} \circ \\ q_i \end{array} \xrightarrow{a} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ q_j \end{array} \Rightarrow \text{add } X_i \rightarrow aX_j \text{ to } R.$

Finally add $X_p \rightarrow \epsilon$ if $q_p \in F = F(M)$

X_0 is starting symbol of G .

Suppose $w \in L$: $\begin{array}{cccc} q_0 & q_1 & q_2 & q_p \\ \circ & \xrightarrow{a} \circ & \xrightarrow{b} \circ & \dots & \circ \\ & & & & \odot \end{array}$
 $X_0 \Rightarrow aX_1 \Rightarrow abX_2 \dots \Rightarrow wX_p \Rightarrow w$

so $w \in L(G)$

Conversely: if $w' \in L(G)$

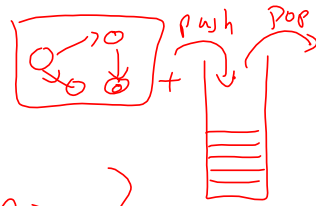
then $X_0 \xRightarrow{*} w'$ must be of the form

$X_0 \Rightarrow a^i X_c \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow w' X_p \Rightarrow w'$
 $p \in F(M)$

Fact : If L is a context-free language over Σ where $|\Sigma|=1$ then L is also regular.

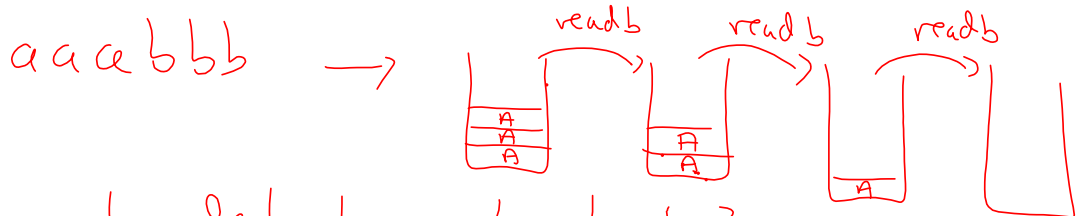
Corollary when $|\Sigma|=1$ L is regular \iff L is context-free

Stack automaton



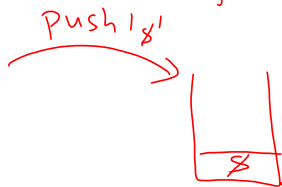
Idea for $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

While reading a's : put 'A' on stack
 When seeing a b : pop 'A' from stack
 While reading b's : pop 'A's
 if stack = \emptyset and w read accept

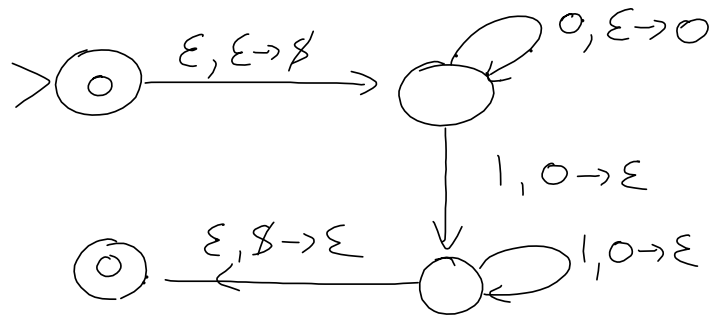


How to detect empty stack?

step 1 put special symbol '\$' on stack



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



PDA for $L = \{ a^i b^j c^k \mid i, j, k \geq 0, i=j \text{ or } i=k \}$

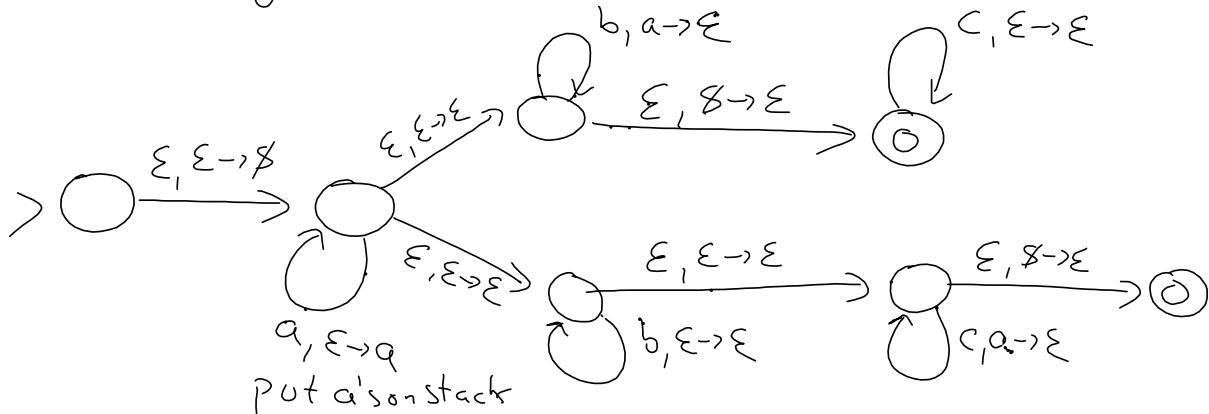
NB L is not regular:

$L \cap a^* b^* = \{ a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$ not regular

So L is not regular since regular languages are closed under intersection.

How to make PDA^V for L ?

Let M guess whether we have $i=j$ or $i=k$ above



does it work?

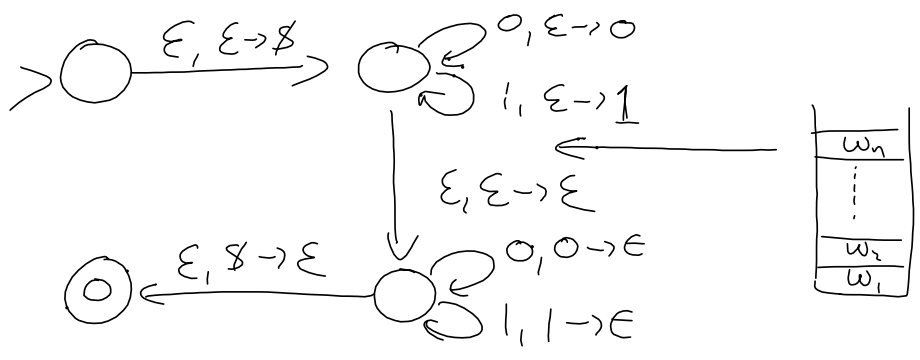
1. $a^3 b^3 c^2 \in L^V$
2. $a^3 b c^3 \in L^V$
3. $\epsilon \in L^V$

1. $a^3 b^2 c^2 \notin L^V$
2. $a^3 b c^2 \notin L^V$
3. $a^2 b^3 c^4 \notin L^V$

Ex 2.18

$$L = \{ w w^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \}$$

$$w = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n \quad w^R = w_n w_{n-1} \dots w_2 w_1$$



Not all languages are context-free !!

e.g. $L = \{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ is not CFL

How to prove this??

pumping "some kind of"

Thm 2.34

\forall CFL $L \exists p \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. every $w \in L$ s.t.
 $|w| \geq p$ then $\exists uvxyz \in \Sigma^*$ s.t.

(0) $w = uvxyz$

(1) $uv^i x y^i z \in L \forall i \geq 0$

(2) $|vxy| > 0$

(3) $|vxy| \leq p$

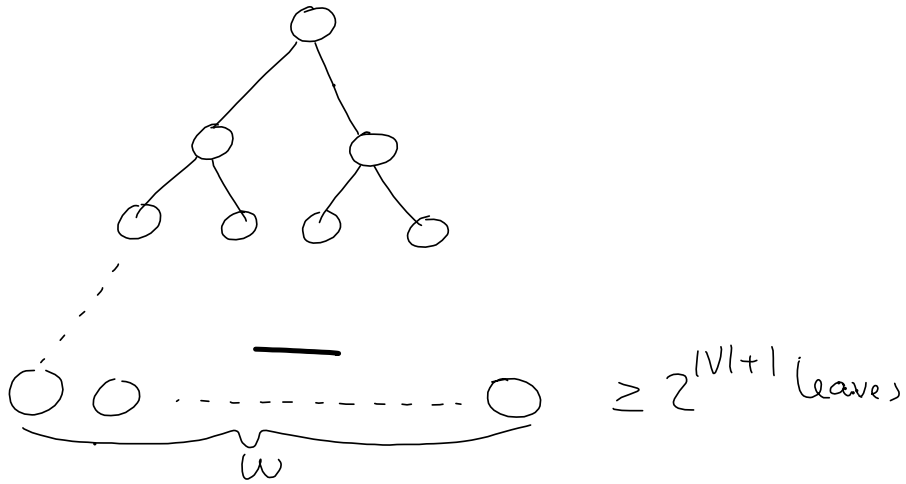
P: let G be a Chomsky NF grammar s.t.

$L = L(G)$ and let $p = 2^{|V|+1}$

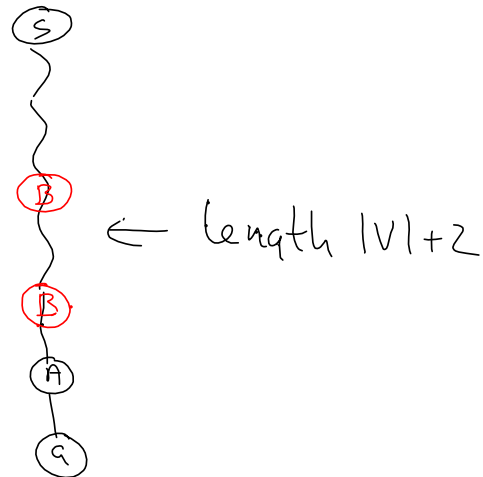
where V is the set of variables of G

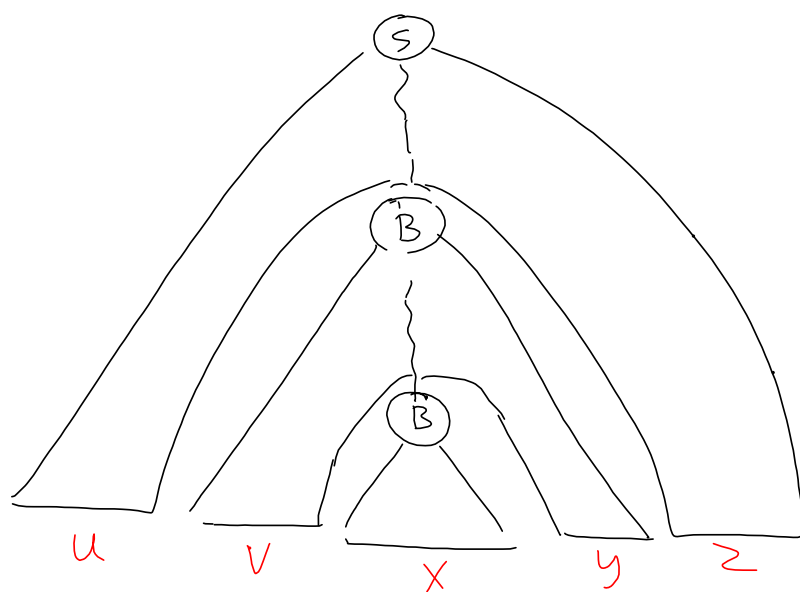
Suppose $|w| \geq p$

look at a parse tree for w , $|w| \geq 2^{|\nu|+1}$



So height is at least $|\nu|+2$
 (last step is of the form $A_i \rightarrow a$)





$$w = uvxyz \quad (0 \leq v$$

$$uv^i xy^i z \in L$$

$$|v| > 0$$

$$|vxy| \leq p$$

