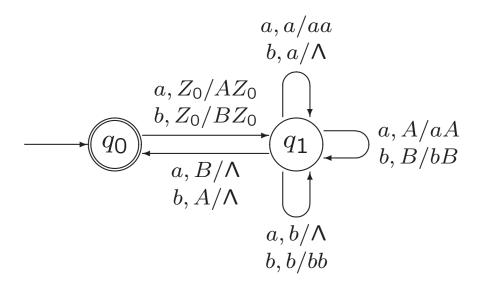
# From lecture 10:

# A DPDA for AEqB:



#### From exercise class 10:

### Exercise 5.18.

For each of the following languages, give a transition diagram for a deterministic PDA that accepts that language.

**a.** 
$$\{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid n_a(x) < n_b(x)\}$$

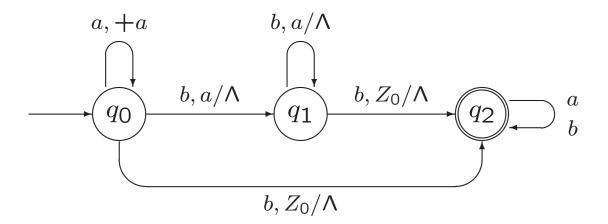
**b.** 
$$\{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid n_a(x) \neq n_b(x)\}$$

**c.** 
$$\{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid n_a(x) = 2n_b(x)\}$$

**d.** 
$$\{a^nb^{n+m}a^m \mid n, m \ge 0\}$$

# Exercise.

What language is accepted by the following pushdown automaton:



#### From exercise class 10:

### Exercise 5.16.

Show that if L is accepted by a PDA, then L is accepted by a PDA that never crashes (i.e., for which the stack never empties and no configuration is reached from which there is no move defined).

#### From lecture 10:

Stack in PDA contains symbols from certain alphabet.

Usual stack operations: pop, top, push

Extra possiblity: replace top element X by string  $\alpha$ 

$$\alpha = \Lambda$$
 pop  $\alpha = X$  top  $\alpha = YX$  push  $\alpha = \beta X$  push\*  $\alpha = \dots$ 

Top element X is required to do a move!

#### From exercise class 10:

#### Exercise 5.17.

Show that if L is accepted by a PDA, then L is accepted by a PDA in which every move

- \* either pops something from the stack (i.e., removes a stack symbol without putting anything else on the stack);
- \* or pushes a single symbol onto the stack on top of the symbol that was previously on top;
- \* or leaves the stack unchanged.

Hence, each action on the stack due to a move in the PDA has one of the following forms:

- \* either  $X/\Lambda$  (with  $X \in \Gamma$ ),
- \* or X/YX (with  $X,Y \in \Gamma$ ),
- \* or X/X (with  $X \in \Gamma$ ).

## From lecture 7:

## Theorem 4.9.

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are context-free languages over an alphabet  $\Sigma$ , then

$$L_1 \cup L_2$$
,  $L_1L_2$  and  $L_1^*$ 

are also CFLs.

#### Exercise 5.19.

Suppose  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are PDAs accepting  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , respectively. For both the languages  $L_1L_2$  and  $L_1^*$ , describe a procedure for constructing a PDA accepting the language.

In each case, nondeterminism will be necessary. Be sure to say precisely how the stack of the new machine works; no relationship is assumed between the stack alphabets of  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ .

Answer begins with:

Let 
$$M_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \Gamma_1, q_{01}, Z_{01}, A_1, \delta_1)$$
  
and let  $M_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \Gamma_2, q_{02}, Z_{02}, A_2, \delta_2)$ .

## Exercise 5.25.

A counter automaton is a PDA with just two stack symbols, A and  $Z_0$ , for which the string on the stack is always of the form  $A^nZ_0$  for some  $n \ge 0$ .

(In other words, the only possible change in the stack contents is a change in the number of A's on the stack.)

For some context-free languages, such as *AnBn*, the obvious PDA to accept the language is in fact a counter automaton.

Construct a counter automaton to accept the given language in each case below.

**a.** 
$$\{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid n_a(x) = n_b(x)\}$$

**b.** 
$$\{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid n_a(x) = 2n_b(x)\}$$

### Exercise 5.28.

In each case below, you are given a CFG G and a string x that it generates.

Draw the nondeterministic top-down PDA NT(G).

Trace a sequence of moves in NT(G) by which x is accepted, showing at each step the state, the unread input, and the stack contents.

Show at the same time the corresponding leftmost derivation of x in the grammar. See Example 5.19 for a guide.

**b.** The grammar has productions  $S \to S + S \mid S * S \mid [S] \mid a$ , and x = [a \* a + a].

#### Exercise 5.34.

In each case below, you are given a CFG G and a string x that it generates.

Draw the nondeterministic bottom-up PDA NB(G).

Trace a sequence of moves in NB(G) by which x is accepted, showing at each step the stack contents and the unread input. Show at the same time the corresponding rightmost derivation of x (in reverse order) in the grammar. See Example 5.24 for a guide.

**a.** The grammar has productions  $S \to S[S] \mid \Lambda$  and x = [][[]].

#### Exercise 5.30.

For a certain CFG G, the moves shown below are those by which the nondeterministic bottom-up PDA NB(G) accepts the input aabbab. Each occurrence of  $\vdash^*$  indicates a sequence of moves constituting a reduction. Draw the derivation tree for aabbab that corresponds to this sequence of moves.

$$(q_{0}, aabbab, Z_{0}) \vdash (q_{0}, abbab, aZ_{0}) \vdash (q_{0}, bbab, aaZ_{0}) \\ \vdash (q_{0}, bab, baaZ_{0}) \vdash^{*} (q_{0}, bab, SaZ_{0}) \\ \vdash (q_{0}, ab, bSaZ_{0}) \vdash^{*} (q_{0}, ab, SZ_{0}) \\ \vdash (q_{0}, b, aSZ_{0}) \vdash (q_{0}, \Lambda, baSZ_{0}) \\ \vdash^{*} (q_{0}, \Lambda, SSZ_{0}) \vdash^{*} (q_{0}, \Lambda, SZ_{0}) \\ \vdash (q_{1}, \Lambda, Z_{0}) \vdash (q_{2}, \Lambda, Z_{0})$$