

# Fundamentele Informatica 3

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**Example 7.20.** Inserting and Deleting a Symbol

*Delete:* from  $y\underline{\sigma}z$  to  $y\underline{z}$

*Insert( $\sigma$ ):* from  $y\underline{z}$  to  $y\underline{\sigma}z$

**N.B.:**  $z$  does not contain blanks

TM  $T_1$  computes  $f$

TM  $T_2$  computes  $g$

TM  $T_1T_2$  computes ...



**Example 7.17.** Finding the Next Blank or the Previous Blank

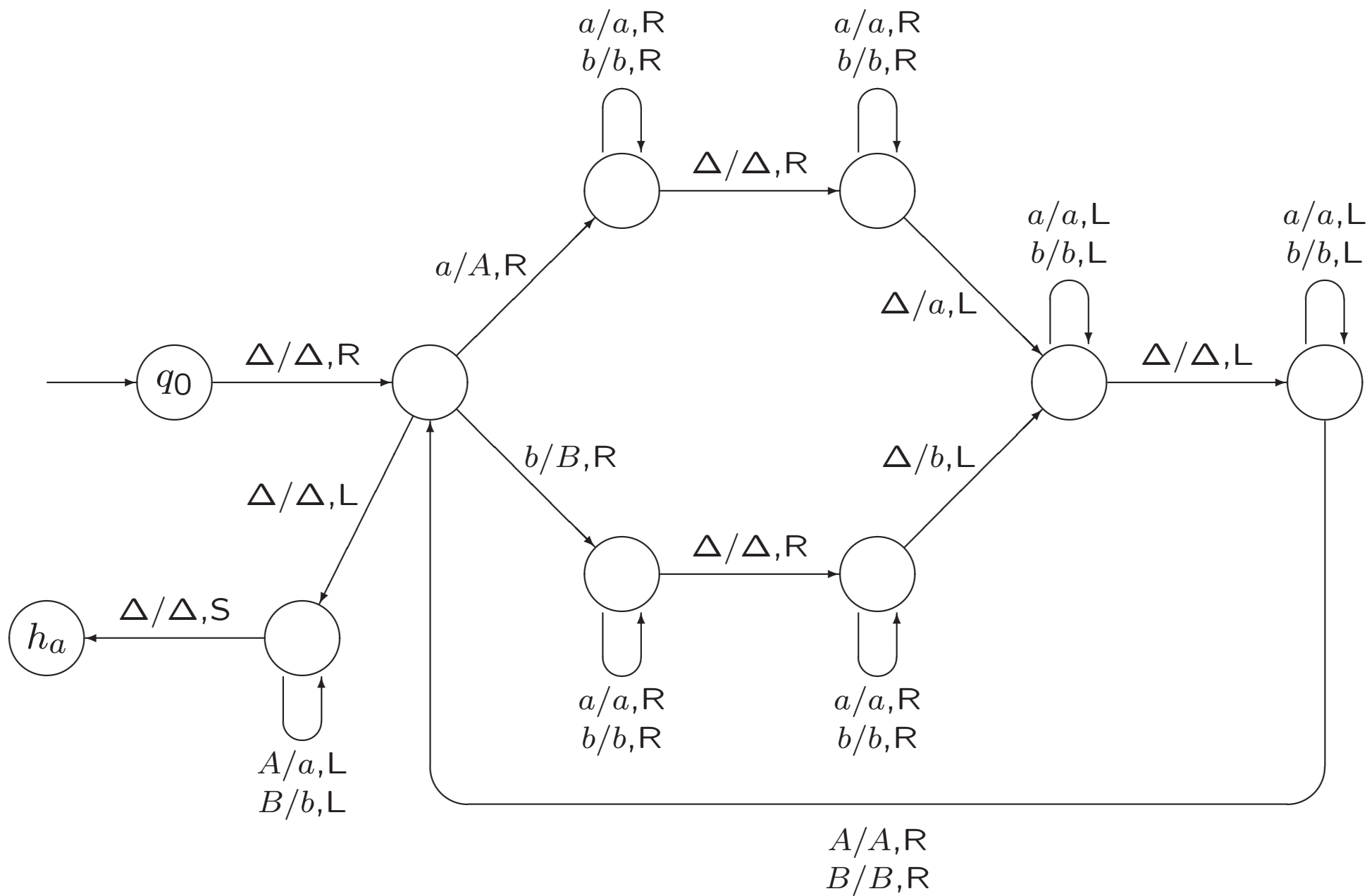
*NB*

*PB*

**Example 7.18.** Copying a String

*Copy:* from  $\underline{\Delta}x$  to  $\underline{\Delta}x\underline{\Delta}x$

$x = abaa$





*A slide from lecture 2*

**Example 7.10.** The Reverse of a String

Δ a a b a b  
Δ A a b a b  
Δ A a b a A  
Δ B a b a A  
Δ B A b a A  
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**Example 7.24.** Comparing Two Strings

*Equal:* accept  $\underline{\Delta}x\Delta y$  if  $x = y$ ,  
and reject if  $x \neq y$

### Exercise 7.17.

For each case below, draw a TM that computes the indicated function.

- e.  $E : \{a, b\}^* \times \{a, b\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$   
defined by  $E(x, y) = 1$  if  $x = y$ ,  $E(x, y) = 0$  otherwise.

**Example 7.25.** Accepting the Language of ...

*Copy*  $\rightarrow$  *NB*  $\rightarrow$  *R*  $\rightarrow$  *PB*  $\rightarrow$  *Equal*

**Example 7.25.** Accepting the Language of Palindromes

*Copy*  $\rightarrow$  *NB*  $\rightarrow$  *R*  $\rightarrow$  *PB*  $\rightarrow$  *Equal*

**Example 7.21.** Erasing the Tape

From the current position to the right

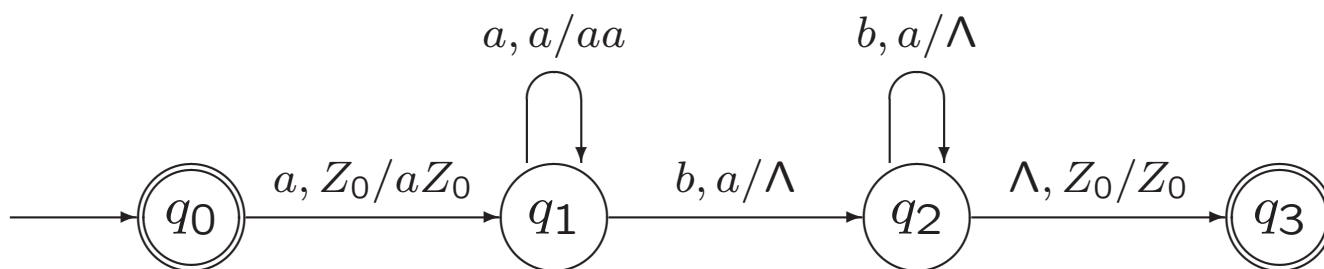
Many notations for composition

## **7.5. Multitape Turing Machines**



**Example 5.3.** A PDA Accepting the Language  $AnBn$

$$AnBn = \{a^i b^i \mid i \geq 0\}$$



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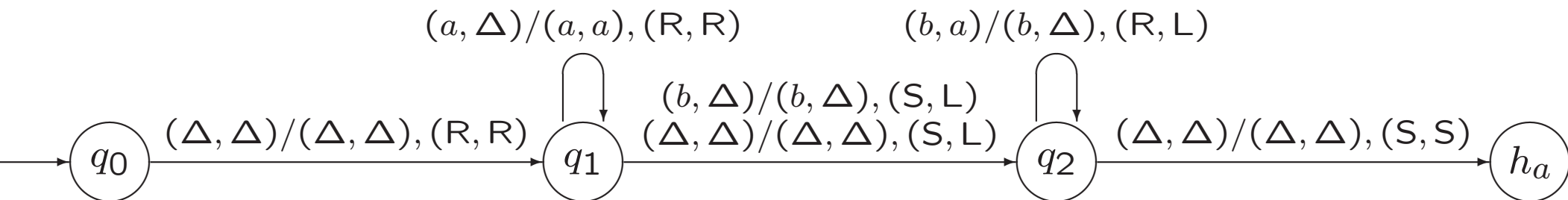
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We could also use the portion of the tape to the right of the input, to simulate the stack of a deterministic pushdown automaton (works for any deterministic PDA!)

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2-tape TM...

*A slide from lecture 2*

**Definition 7.1.** Turing machines

A Turing machine (TM) is a 5-tuple  $T = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, \delta)$ , where

$Q$  is a finite set of states. The two *halt* states  $h_a$  and  $h_r$  are not elements of  $Q$ .

$\Sigma$ , the input alphabet, and  $\Gamma$ , the tape alphabet, are both finite sets, with  $\Sigma \subseteq \Gamma$ . The *blank* symbol  $\Delta$  is not an element of  $\Gamma$ .

$q_0$ , the initial state, is an element of  $Q$ .

$\delta$  is the transition **function**:

$$\delta : Q \times (\Gamma \cup \{\Delta\}) \rightarrow (Q \cup \{h_a, h_r\}) \times (\Gamma \cup \{\Delta\}) \times \{R, L, S\}$$

2-Tape TM  $T = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, \delta)$ , where

$$\delta : Q \times (\Gamma \cup \{\Delta\})^2 \rightarrow (Q \cup \{h_a, h_r\}) \times (\Gamma \cup \{\Delta\})^2 \times \{R, L, S\}^2$$

*Combination of two slides from lecture 2*

**Notation:**

description of tape contents:  $x\underline{\sigma}y$  or  $x\underline{y}$

*configuration*  $xqy = xqy\Delta = xqy\Delta\Delta$

*initial configuration corresponding to input x:*  $q_0\Delta x$

In the third edition of the book, a configuration is denoted as  $(q, x\underline{y})$  or  $(q, x\underline{\sigma}y)$  instead of  $xqy$  or  $xq\sigma y$ .

In one case, we still use this old notation.



Configuration of 2-tape TM is

$$(q, x_1 \underline{a_1} y_1, x_2 \underline{a_2} y_2)$$

Initial configuration corresponding to input string  $x$  is

$$(q_0, \underline{\Delta} x, \underline{\Delta})$$

Output will appear on first tape.

### Theorem 7.26.

For every 2-tape TM  $T = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, \delta)$ , there is an ordinary 1-tape TM  $T_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \Gamma_1, q_1, \delta_1)$  with  $\Gamma \subseteq \Gamma_1$ , such that

1. For every  $x \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $T$  accepts  $x$  if and only if  $T_1$  accepts  $x$ , and  $T$  rejects  $x$  if and only if  $T_1$  rejects  $x$ .  
(In particular,  $L(T) = L(T_1)$ .)

2. For every  $x \in \Sigma^*$ , if

$$(q_0, \underline{\Delta}x, \underline{\Delta}) \vdash_T^* (h_a, y\underline{a}z, u\underline{b}v)$$

for some strings  $y, z, u, v \in (\Gamma \cup \{\Delta\})^*$  and symbols  $a, b \in \Gamma \cup \{\Delta\}$ , then

$$q_1 \Delta x \vdash_{T_1}^* y h_a a z \quad \text{i.e., } (q_1, \underline{\Delta}x) \vdash_{T_1}^* (h_a, y\underline{a}z)$$

**Proof...**

## Simulating two tapes on one

$\Delta$	<u>1</u>	$\Delta$	0	1	$\Delta$	$\dots$
0	1	0	<u>0</u>	$\Delta$	$\Delta$	$\dots$

If  $\delta(p, 1, 0) = (q, \Delta, 1, L, R)\dots$

## **Simulating two tape heads**

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1. Move left to \$, right to  $\sigma'$ , back to \$

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Let  $\delta(p, \sigma, \tau) = (q, \sigma_1, \tau_1, D_1, D_2)$

If  $q = h_r$ , reject

Otherwise,  $\tau' \rightarrow \tau_1$  and move  $D_2$

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5. If \$, reject

Otherwise, (if #, move #) place '

**If  $T$  accepts, then...**

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7. Delete \$ and #

**If  $T$  accepts, then...**

6. Delete second track
7. Delete \$ and #
8. Find  $\sigma'$ , unprime, halt in  $h_a$

**Corollary 7.27.**

Every language that is accepted by a 2-tape TM can be accepted by an ordinary 1-tape TM,  
and every function that is computed by a 2-tape TM can be computed by an ordinary TM.

This generalizes to  $k$ -tape TMs for  $k \geq 3$ .