

# Fundamentele Informatica 1 (I&E)

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- 4. Context-Free Languages
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## **4.5. Simplified Forms and Normal Forms**

A slide from lecture 7:

**Definition 4.29.** Chomsky Normal Form

A context-free grammar is said to be in *Chomsky normal form* if every production is of one of these two types:

$A \rightarrow BC$  (where  $B$  and  $C$  are variables)

$A \rightarrow \sigma$  (where  $\sigma$  is a terminal symbol)

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Arbitrary CFG may have

- productions  $A \rightarrow \Lambda$
- productions  $A \rightarrow B$  (unit productions)
- productions  $A \rightarrow bc, A \rightarrow Bc, A \rightarrow bC$
- productions  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \geq 3$

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## Converting a CFG to Chomsky Normal Form Step 1

- Identify *nullable* variables
- Add productions in which nullable variables are removed from right hand side
- Delete  $\Lambda$ -productions
- Delete productions  $A \rightarrow A$

We cannot generate  $\Lambda$  anymore

### Example.

$$S \rightarrow aSb \mid aBb \quad B \rightarrow bB \mid \Lambda$$

$$S \rightarrow SaS \mid B \quad B \rightarrow bB \mid \Lambda$$

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## Converting a CFG to Chomsky Normal Form Step 2

- Identify *A-derivable* variables
- For every *A-derivable* variable  $B$  and nonunit production  $B \rightarrow \alpha$ , add production  $A \rightarrow \alpha$
- Delete unit productions

### Example.

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## Converting a CFG to Chomsky Normal Form

### Step 3

- Add productions  $X_a \rightarrow a$
- In every production  $A \rightarrow \alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \geq 2$ , replace terminals  $a$  by corresponding non-terminals  $X_a$

### Example.

$$S \rightarrow TB \quad T \rightarrow aTTb \mid ab \quad B \rightarrow bB \mid b$$



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## Converting a CFG to Chomsky Normal Form

### Step 4

- Split productions whose right hand sides are too long

### Example.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow TB & T &\rightarrow X_a T T X_b \mid X_a X_b & B &\rightarrow X_b B \mid b \\ X_a &\rightarrow a & X_b &\rightarrow b \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem 4.30.

For every context-free grammar  $G$ ,  
there is another CFG  $G_1$  in Chomsky normal form  
such that  $L(G_1) = L(G) - \{\Lambda\}$ .

What if  $\Lambda \notin L(G)$  ?

**Example 4.31.** Converting a CFG to Chomsky Normal Form

Let  $G$  be CFG with productions

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow TU \mid V \\ T &\rightarrow aTb \mid \Lambda \\ U &\rightarrow cU \mid \Lambda \\ V &\rightarrow aVc \mid W \\ W &\rightarrow bW \mid \Lambda \end{aligned}$$

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**Definition 4.13.** Regular Grammars.

A context-free grammar  $G = (V, \Sigma, S, P)$  is *regular* if every production is of the form

$$A \rightarrow \sigma B \quad \text{or} \quad A \rightarrow \Lambda,$$

where  $A, B \in V$  and  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ .

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## 5. Pushdown Automata

reg. languages	FA	reg. grammar	reg. expression
determ. cf. languages	DPDA		
cf. languages	PDA	cf. grammar	
re. languages	TM	unrestr. grammar	

just like FA, PDA accepts strings / language

just like FA, PDA has states

just like FA, PDA reads input one letter at a time

unlike FA, PDA has auxiliary memory: a stack

unlike FA, by default PDA is nondeterministic

unlike FA, by default  $\Lambda$ -transitions are allowed in PDA



Why a stack?

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

$$SimplePal = \{x c x^r \mid x \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

Stack in PDA contains symbols from certain alphabet.

Usual stack operations: pop, top, push

Extra possibility: 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!

**Example 5.3.** PDAs Accepting the Languages  $AnBn$  and  $SimplePal$

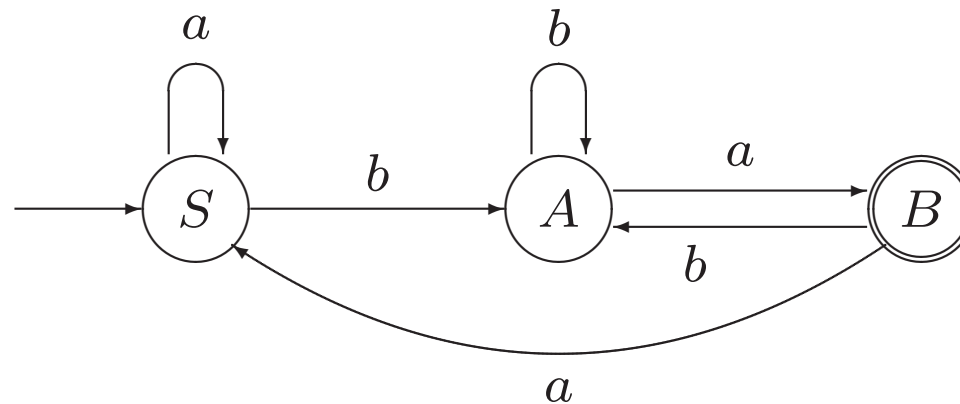
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In general: construction of a CFG from a finite automaton.

Example: an FA accepting  $\{a, b\}^* \{ba\}$



**Definition 5.1.** A Pushdown Automaton

A *pushdown automaton* (PDA)

is a 7-tuple  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, Z_0, A, \delta)$ , where

$Q$  is a finite set of states.

$\Sigma$  and  $\Gamma$  are finite sets, the *input* and *stack* alphabet.

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

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$\delta$ , the transition function, is a function from ... to ...

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$\delta$ , the transition function, is a function from  $Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\Lambda\}) \times \Gamma$   
to the set of **finite** subsets of  $Q \times \Gamma^*$ .

In principle,  $Z_0$  may be removed from the stack,  
but often it isn't.

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

Transition table:

Move Number	State	Input	Stack Symbol	Move(s)
	$p$	$\sigma$	$X$	$\delta(p, \sigma, X)$
1	$q_0$	$a$	$Z_0$	$(q_1, aZ_0)$
2	$q_1$	$a$	$a$	$(q_1, aa)$
3	$q_1$	$b$	$a$	$(q_2, \Lambda)$
4	$q_2$	$b$	$a$	$(q_2, \Lambda)$
5	$q_2$	$\Lambda$	$Z_0$	$(q_3, Z_0)$
	(all other combinations)			none

## Notation

configuration for certain input:  $(q, x, \alpha)$

$$(p, x, \alpha) \vdash_M (q, y, \beta)$$

$$(p, x, \alpha) \vdash_M^n (q, y, \beta) \quad (p, x, \alpha) \vdash_M^* (q, y, \beta)$$

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## Definition 5.2. Acceptance by a PDA

If  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, q_0, Z_0, A, \delta)$  and  $x \in \Sigma^*$ , the string  $x$  is accepted by  $M$  if

$$(q_0, x, Z_0) \vdash_M^* (q, \Lambda, \alpha)$$

for some  $\alpha \in \Gamma^*$  and some  $q \in A$ .

A language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  is said to be accepted by  $M$ , if  $L$  is **precisely** the set of strings accepted by  $M$ ; in this case, we write  $L = L(M)$ .

Sometimes a string accepted by  $M$ , or a language accepted by  $M$ , is said to be accepted *by final state*.

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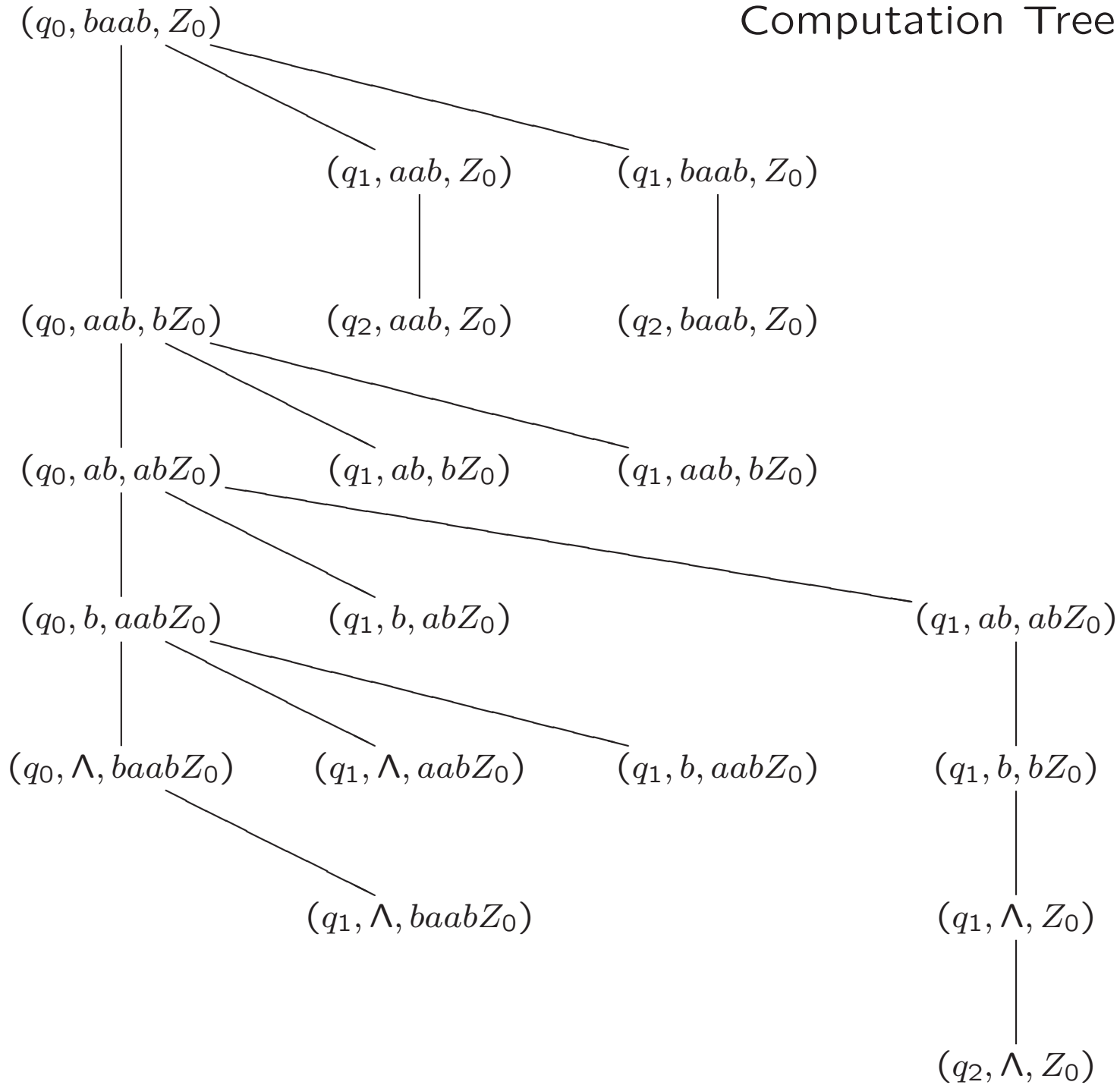
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Computation for  $aabb\dots$

**Example 5.7.** A Pushdown Automaton Accepting *Pal*

$$Pal = \{y \in \{a, b\}^* \mid y = y^r\} = \{xx^r, xax^r, xbx^r \mid x \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

# Computation Tree



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