

# Automata and Formal Languages II

## Tree Automata

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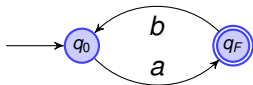
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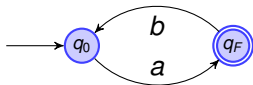
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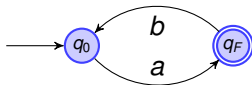


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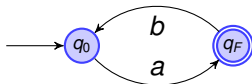
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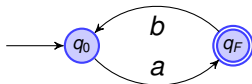
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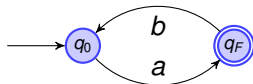
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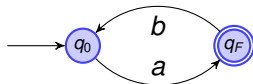
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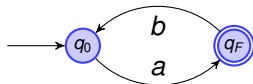
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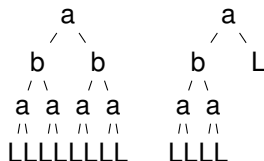
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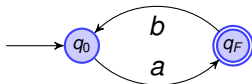
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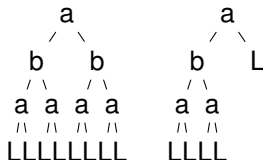
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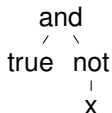
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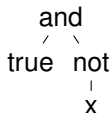
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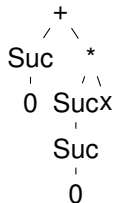


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  - Runs accepting  $t \in T(i, 0, K)$  contain no internal states
  - I.e.,  $t = a()$  or  $t = f(a_1, \dots, a_m)$ , for  $a, a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathcal{F} \cup K$
  - Thus, representable by regular expression
- For  $j > 0$ :

$$T(i, j, K) = \underbrace{T(i, j-1, K \cup \{q_j\})}_{\text{Initial segment}} \cdot_{q_j} \underbrace{T(j, j-1, K \cup \{q_j\})^{*, q_j}}_{\text{Runs between } q_j\text{'s}} \cdot_{q_j} \underbrace{T(j, j-1, K)}_{\text{Final segment}}$$

- Regular expression for  $L(\mathcal{A})$  can be constructed

# Last Lecture

- Tree regular expressions
- Kleene theorem
  - Tree regular expressions can express exactly the tree regular languages

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# Program Analysis

- Theorem of Rice: Properties of programs undecidable
- Need approximations
- Standard approximation: Ignore branching conditions
  - **if** (*b*) ... **else** ... Consider both branches, independent of *b*
  - Nondeterministic program

# Attack Plan

- Properties: Reachability of configuration/regular set of configurations
- First, consider programs with recursion
  - Modeled by pushdown systems (PDS)
- Then, add process creation
  - Modeled by dynamic pushdown systems (DPN)
- Then synchronization through well-nested locks
  - DPN with locks

# Recursion

- If program has no procedures
  - Runs can be described by word automaton
  - Example on board
- If program has procedures
  - Runs can be described by push-down system (PDS)

# Example

```
void p() {  
1:   if (...) p() else return;  
2:   x=y;  
3:   return;  
}
```

$$1 \xrightarrow{\tau} 12$$

$$2 \xrightarrow{x=y} 3$$

$$3 \xrightarrow{\tau} \varepsilon$$

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# Push-Down Systems (PDS)

- In order to model (finitely many) return values, we add state
- A *push-down system* (PDS)  $M$  is a tuple  $(P, \Gamma, \text{Act}, p_0, \gamma_0, \Delta)$  where
  - $P$  is a finite set of states
  - $\Gamma$  is a finite stack alphabet
  - $\text{Act}$  is a finite set of actions
  - $p_0\gamma_0 \in P\Gamma$  is the initial configuration
  - $\Delta$  is a finite set of rules, of the form

$$p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'w \text{ where } p, p' \in P, a \in \text{Act}, \gamma \in \Gamma, \text{ and } w \in \Gamma^*$$

# PDS - Semantics

- Configurations have the form  $pw \in P\Gamma^*$
- The step-relation  $\rightarrow \subseteq P\Gamma^* \times \text{Act} \times P\Gamma^*$  is defined by

$$p\gamma w \xrightarrow{a} p'w'w \text{ if } p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'w' \in \Delta$$

- $\rightarrow^* \subseteq P\Gamma^* \times \text{Act}^* \times P\Gamma^*$  is its extension to sequences of steps
  - $pw \xrightarrow{l}^* p'w'$  iff  $l = a_1 \dots a_n$  and  $pw \xrightarrow{a_1} \dots \xrightarrow{a_n} p'w'$



# Normalized PDS

- Simplifying assumptions
  - There are only three types of rules

$$\begin{array}{lll} p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma' & \text{for } p, p' \in P \text{ and } \gamma, \gamma' \in \Gamma & \text{(base)} \\ p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma_1\gamma_2 & \text{for } p, p' \in P \text{ and } \gamma, \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma & \text{(call)} \\ p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p' & \text{for } p, p' \in P \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma & \text{(return)} \end{array}$$

- Does not reduce expressiveness. Emulate rule  $p\gamma \xrightarrow{\gamma_1} \dots \gamma_n$  by sequence of call rules.
- The empty stack must not be reachable
  - Does not reduce expressiveness
  - Introduce fresh  $\perp$  stack symbol, a rule  $p_0\perp \xrightarrow{\tau} p_0\gamma_0\perp$ , and set initial state to  $p_0\perp$
  - $\tau$  models an action that has no effect (skip)
- From now on, we assume that PDS are normalized

# Execution Trees

- Model executions of PDS as tree
  - Also incomplete executions, i.e., execution may stop everywhere
  - This describes all reachable configurations
- A node represents a step
- If a call returns, the call-node has two successors
  - Left successor describes execution of procedure
  - Right successor describes execution of remaining program
- Execution trees described by the following tree grammar

$$XR ::= \langle Base \rangle(XR) \mid \langle Call \rangle^R(XR, XR) \mid \langle Return \rangle$$

$$XN ::= \langle Base \rangle(XN) \mid \langle Call \rangle^N(XN) \mid \langle Call \rangle^R(XR, XN) \mid \langle P \times \Gamma \rangle$$

- Where *Base*, *Call*, *Return* are rules of respective type
- Intuition: XR – Returning execution trees, XN – non-returning execution trees

# Example

$$p1 \xrightarrow{\tau} p12$$

$$p2 \xrightarrow{x=y} p3$$

$$p3 \xrightarrow{\tau} p$$

$$p1 \xrightarrow{\tau} p$$

- Example execution tree

- $\langle p1 \xrightarrow{\tau} p12 \rangle^N (\langle p1 \xrightarrow{\tau} p12 \rangle^R (\langle p1 \xrightarrow{\tau} p \rangle, \langle p2 \xrightarrow{x=y} p3 \rangle (\langle p3 \rangle)))$

# Execution Trees of PDS

- Execution trees of PDS  $M = (P, \Gamma, \text{Act}, p_0, \gamma_0, \Delta)$  described by tree automata  $\mathcal{A}_M = (Q, \mathcal{F}, I, \Delta_{\mathcal{A}_M})$
- States:  $Q = P\Gamma \cup P\Gamma|P$ 
  - $p\gamma$  – produce non-returning execution trees (from XN)
  - $p\gamma|p''$  – produce execution trees that return to state  $p''$  (from XR)
  - Initial state:  $I = \{p_0\gamma_0\}$
- Rules

$$p\gamma \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma' \rangle (p'\gamma')$$

$$\text{if } p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma' \in \Delta$$

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# Execution Trees – Intuition of rules

- $p\gamma \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma' \rangle (p'\gamma')$  (Base)
  - Make a base step, then continue execution from  $p'\gamma'$
- $p\gamma \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma_1\gamma_2 \rangle^N (p'\gamma_1)$  (Call, no-return)
  - Continue execution from  $p'\gamma_1$ .
  - As call does not return,  $\gamma_2$  is never looked at again, and remaining execution does not depend on it
- $p\gamma \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma_1\gamma_2 \rangle^R (p'\gamma_1 | p'', p''\gamma_2)$  (Call, return)
  - Execute procedure, it returns with state  $p''$ . Then continue execution from  $p''\gamma_2$ .
- $p\gamma \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \rangle$  (Finish)
  - Non-deterministically decide that execution ends here
- $p\gamma | p'' \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma' \rangle (p'\gamma' | p'')$  (Base)
  - Base step, then continue execution
- $p\gamma | p'' \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma_1\gamma_2 \rangle^R (p'\gamma_1 | p''', p'''\gamma_2 | p'')$  (Call, return)
  - Return from called procedure in state  $p'''$ , then continue execution
- $p\gamma | p'' \rightarrow \langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{\tau} p'' \rangle$  (Return)
  - Return rule returns to specified state  $p''$

# Reached Configuration

- Function  $c : XN \rightarrow P\Gamma$  extracts reached configuration from execution tree

$$c(\langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{a} p'\gamma' \rangle(t)) = c(t)$$

$$c(\langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{\tau} p'\gamma_1\gamma_2 \rangle^R(t_1, t_2)) = c(t_2)$$

$$c(\langle p\gamma \xrightarrow{\tau} p'\gamma_1\gamma_2 \rangle^N(t)) = c(t)\gamma_2$$

$$c(\langle p\gamma \rangle) = p\gamma$$

- Side note: This is a tree to string transducer
  - Thus, set of execution trees that reach a regular set of configurations is regular

# Last Lecture

- Pushdown systems
  - Configuration  $pw \in P\Gamma^*$
  - Semantics by step relation
- Execution trees
  - Intuition: Node for steps. Returning call nodes are binary.
  - Set of execution trees of PDS is regular
  - Mapping of execution tree to reached configuration
- Correlation:
  - Reachable configurations wrt. step relation and execution trees match

# Relating Execution Trees and PDS Semantics

## Theorem

*Let  $M$  be a PDS. Then  $\exists l. p_0 \gamma_0 \xrightarrow{l}^* p' w$  iff  $\exists t. t \in L(\mathcal{A}_M) \wedge c(t) = p' w$*

- Note, a more general theorem would also relate the sequence of actions  $l$  and the execution tree
  - Proof ideas are the same



# Last Lecture

- Proof of relation between execution trees and PDS semantics

# Proof Outline

- Prove, for returning executions:  $\exists l. p_\gamma \xrightarrow{l}^* p''$  iff  $\exists t. p_\gamma | p'' \rightarrow t$ 
  - As  $c$  ignores returning executions, this simple statement is enough
- Prove, for non-returning executions:

$$\exists l. p_\gamma \xrightarrow{l}^* p'w \wedge w \neq \varepsilon \text{ iff } \exists t. p_\gamma \rightarrow t \wedge c(t) = p'w$$

- Main lemmas that are required
  - An execution can be repeated when we append some symbols to the stack:

$$\text{lemma stack-append: } pw \xrightarrow{l}^* p'w' \implies pwv \xrightarrow{l}^* p'w'v$$

- If we have an execution, the topmost stack-symbol is either popped at some point, or the execution does not depend on the stack below the topmost symbol. Lemma return-cases:

$$p_\gamma w \xrightarrow{l}^* p'w' \implies$$

$$\exists p'' l_1 l_2. p_\gamma \xrightarrow{l_1}^* p'' \wedge p''w \xrightarrow{l_2}^* p'w' \wedge l = l_1 l_2 \quad (\text{ret})$$

$$\vee \exists w''. w' = w''w \wedge w'' \neq \varepsilon \wedge p_\gamma \xrightarrow{l}^* p'w'' \quad (\text{no-ret})$$

- Corollary: On a returning execution, we can find the point where the topmost stack symbol is popped

$$\text{lemma find-return: } p_\gamma w \xrightarrow{l}^* p' \implies \exists l_1 l_2 p''. p_\gamma \xrightarrow{l_1}^* p'' \wedge p''w \xrightarrow{l_2}^* p'$$

# Proofs:

- On board
  - lemma return-cases (find-return is corollary)
  - Proofs for returning and non-returning executions

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# Thread Creation

- Concurrent programs may create threads
- These run in parallel

# Example

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    if (...) {  
        spawn p;  
        p();  
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# Last Lecture

- Finished proof: Relation of execution trees and PDS semantics
- DPN (PDS + Thread creation)
- DPN-Semantics:
  - Configuration are trees, each node holds PDS-configuration (state+stack)
  - Children are threads that have been spawned by parent
- Extract reached configuration from execution tree

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check(i):  
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# Main Theorem

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$EF(A_1 \wedge EF(A_2))$	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	P
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$\dagger?$  Hardness proof requires deadlocks/escapable locks. Complexity without this unknown.

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# The End

Thank you for listening