

Formal definition of PDAs

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Announcements

- Turn in your H/W #5
- Pick up a copy of H/W #6

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A request

- If you do not understand something in class, ASK a question
- Even if it is a doubt in the slides
 - Where I am thinking of going a bit fast

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Puzzle for the day

- Design a PDA for the following language
- $\{ xy \mid x,y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } |x|=|y| \text{ but } x \neq y \}$

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Last Lecture

- Designed a few Push Down Automatons
 - PDA = DFA + stack
- Let's recap by another example
- $\{ w \# w^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \}$

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Let's look at a string in the language

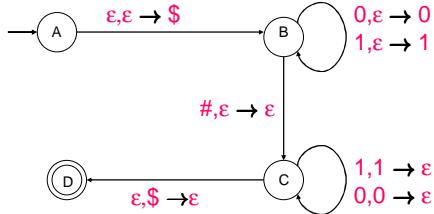
- **1101 # 1011**
- How does **1101** look when it is pushed onto a stack ?
 - It looks the same as the stuff after the **#**
 - Just "match" off the rest

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



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Questions ?

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Formal definition of a PDA

- PDA $M = \langle Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, s, F \rangle$
- Q : set of states
- Σ : input alphabet
- Γ : stack alphabet
 - Symbols that can be pushed and popped
- $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\} \times \Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\} \rightarrow 2^{Q \times \Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\}}$
 - Transition function
- $s \in Q$: start state
- $F \subseteq Q$: final states

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Using the previous example

- $Q = \{A, B, C, D\}$
 - $\Sigma = \{0, 1, \#\}$
 - $\Gamma = \{0, 1, \$, \#\}$
 - $s = A$
 - $F = \{D\}$
 - The transition from **C** to **D**
 - $(D, \epsilon) \in \delta(C, \epsilon, \$)$
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Up next...

- Use non-determinism more critically
- $\{ ww^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \}$

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In other words...



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