## Equivalence of CFGs and PDAs Lecture 22 Section 7.2

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### Theorem (Equivalence of PDAs and CFGs)

- If G is a CFG, then there exists a PDA M such that L(G) = L(M).
- If M is a PDA, then there exists a CFG G such that L(M) = L(G).

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#### Equivalence of PDAs and CFGs • Proof $\Rightarrow$





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## Proof $(\Rightarrow)$ .

- Given a CFG G, we will construct a PDA M such that L(G) = L(M).
- Assume that G is in Chomsky Normal Form.
- Let *M* have three states:
  - $Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}.$
  - q<sub>0</sub> is the start state.
  - q<sub>2</sub> is the accept state.

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## Proof $(\Rightarrow)$ .

#### The transitions are

- $\delta(q_0, \lambda, \mathbf{z}) = (q_1, S\mathbf{z})$
- $\delta(q_1, \lambda, A) = (q_1, BC)$ , for all productions  $A \rightarrow BC$
- $\delta(q_1, a, A) = (q_1, \lambda)$ , for all productions  $A \rightarrow a$ .

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$$\delta(q_1, \lambda, \mathbf{Z}) = (q_2, \lambda)$$

• It is clear that L(M) = L(G).

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### Proof $(\Rightarrow)$ .



For all productions  $A \rightarrow BC$  and  $A \rightarrow a$ .

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# Equivalence of PDAs and CFGs Proof ⇒





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### Example (CGG to PDA)

#### Design a PDA for the context-free language with grammar

$$S \rightarrow SS \mid aSb \mid bSa \mid \lambda$$

• Process the input aababb.

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# Equivalence of PDAs and CFGs Proof ⇒





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#### Assignment

• Section 7.2 Exercises 1, 2, 3, 9.

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