Automata and Grammars

SS 2018

Assignment 11

Solutions are to be presented at the Seminary on Thursday, May 10, 2018.

Problem 11.1. [Emptiness and Finiteness]

Determine the cardinality of the language $L(G_i)$ for the following context-free grammars G_i (i = 1, 2, 3):

(a) $G_1 = (\{S, A, B, C, D\}, \{a, b\}, P_1, S)$, where P_1 is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} P_1 &=& \{S \rightarrow aS, S \rightarrow AB, S \rightarrow CD, A \rightarrow aDb, A \rightarrow AD, A \rightarrow BC, \\ & B \rightarrow bSb, B \rightarrow BB, C \rightarrow BA, C \rightarrow ASb, D \rightarrow ABCD, D \rightarrow \varepsilon \}. \end{array}$$

(b) $G_2 = (\{S, A, B, C, D\}, \{a, b\}, P_2, S)$, where P_2 is defined as follows:

$$P_2 = \{S \to AB, S \to BC, S \to CD, A \to BC, A \to BD, \\ B \to BC, B \to DD, B \to b, C \to AC, C \to BC, D \to a\}.$$

(c) $G_3 = (\{S, A, B, C, D\}, \{a, b\}, P_3, S)$, where P_3 is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} P_3 &=& \{S \rightarrow AB, S \rightarrow BC, S \rightarrow CD, A \rightarrow BC, A \rightarrow BD, \\ & B \rightarrow CC, B \rightarrow DD, B \rightarrow b, C \rightarrow AS, D \rightarrow AC, D \rightarrow a\}. \end{array}$$

Problem 11.2. [CKY-Algorithm]

Apply the CYK-algorithm from the proof of Theorem 3.30 to the following context-free grammar

$$G = (\{A, B, C, R, S, T, U, V, X, Y, Z\}, \{a, b, c\}, P, S)$$

and the input words $w_1 = bcaaacbb$ and $w_2 = abcbaabc$, where P is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} P_1 &=& \{S \rightarrow TU, T \rightarrow BA, T \rightarrow BX, T \rightarrow BY, X \rightarrow TA, \\ & Y \rightarrow CA, Y \rightarrow RA, U \rightarrow AB, U \rightarrow AV, U \rightarrow AZ, \\ & Z \rightarrow UB, V \rightarrow RB, R \rightarrow CR, R \rightarrow c, A \rightarrow a, B \rightarrow b, C \rightarrow c \, \}. \end{array}$$

Problem 11.3. [DPDA]

In Theorem 3.17 we have seen that, for each PDA M_1 , there exists a PDA M_2 such that $N(M_2) = L(M_1)$, while for deterministic PDAs, a corresponding result does not hold. Why doesn't the proof of Theorem 3.17 carry over to DPDAs?

Problem 11.4. [DPDA]

Consider the DPDA $M = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{a, b\}, \{\#, Z\}, \delta, q_0, \#, \{q_2\})$, where the transition function δ is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(q_0, a, \#) &= (q_1, \#Z), \\ \delta(q_1, a, Z) &= (q_1, ZZ), \\ \delta(q_1, b, Z) &= (q_2, \varepsilon), \\ \delta(q_2, b, Z) &= (q_2, \varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Give a nonempty input word $w \in \{a, b\}^*$ that M does not read completely.
- (b) Use the construction from the proof of Lemma 3.33 to extend M to an equivalent DPDA M' that always reads its input words completely.

Problem 11.5. [Ogden's Lemma for DCFL]

Prove that the language $L = \{a^n b^n c, a^n b^{2n} d \mid n \ge 0\}$ is not deterministic context-free by applying Ogden's Lemma for DCFL (Theorem 3.40) to L.