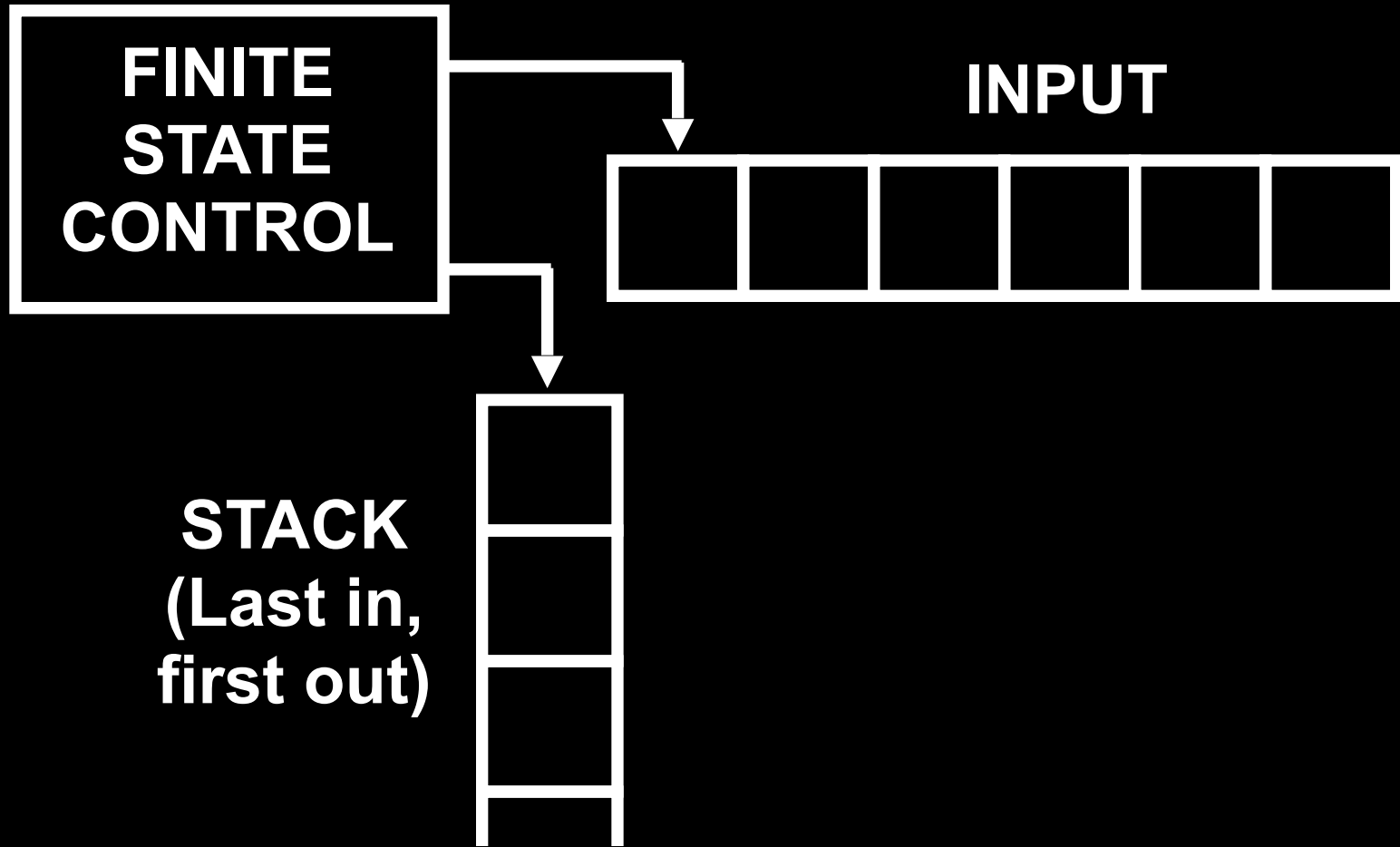
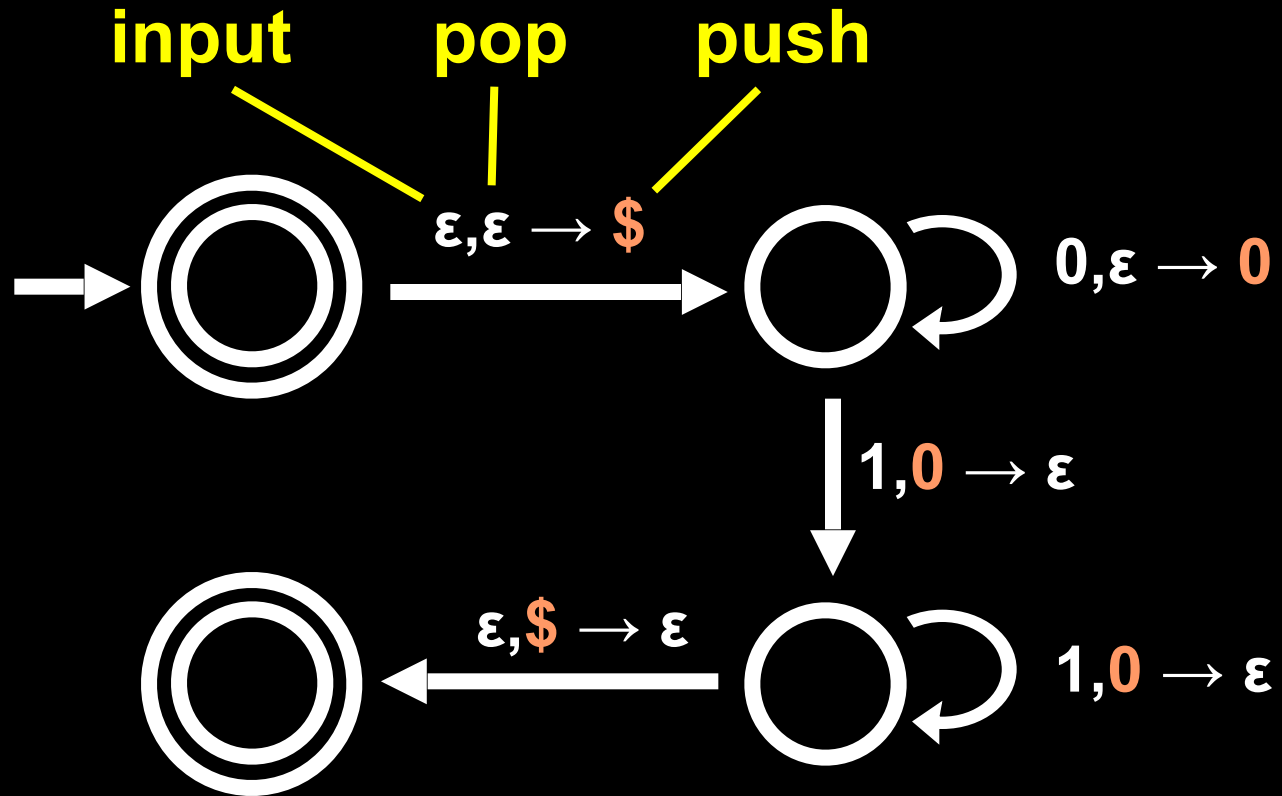


PUSHDOWN AUTOMATA (PDA)





PDA that recognizes $L = \{ 0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$

Definition: A (*non-deterministic*) PDA is a 6-tuple $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$, where:

Q is a finite set of states

Σ is the input alphabet

Γ is the stack alphabet

$\delta : Q \times \Sigma_\epsilon \times \Gamma_\epsilon \rightarrow 2^{Q \times \Gamma_\epsilon}$

$q_0 \in Q$ is the start state

$F \subseteq Q$ is the set of accept states

$2^{Q \times \Gamma_\epsilon}$ is the set of subsets of $Q \times \Gamma_\epsilon$

$$\Sigma_\epsilon = \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}, \Gamma_\epsilon = \Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\}$$

pop

push

Let $w \in \Sigma^*$ and suppose w can be written as $w_1 \dots w_n$ where $w_i \in \Sigma_\epsilon$ (recall $\Sigma_\epsilon = \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}$)

Then P accepts w if there are

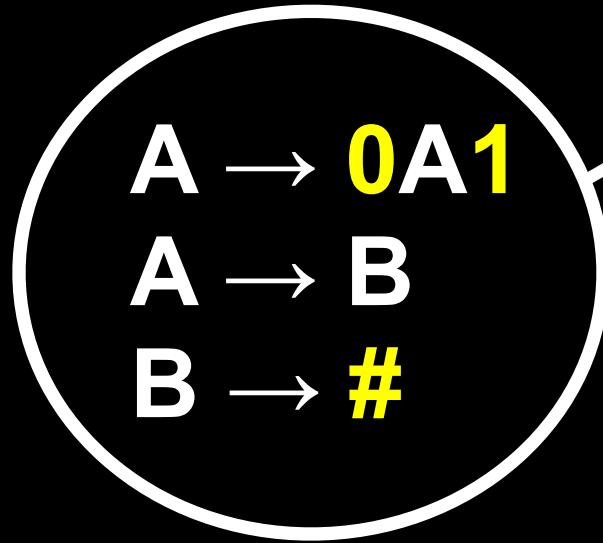
$r_0, r_1, \dots, r_n \in Q$ and

$s_0, s_1, \dots, s_n \in \Gamma^*$ (sequence of stacks) such that

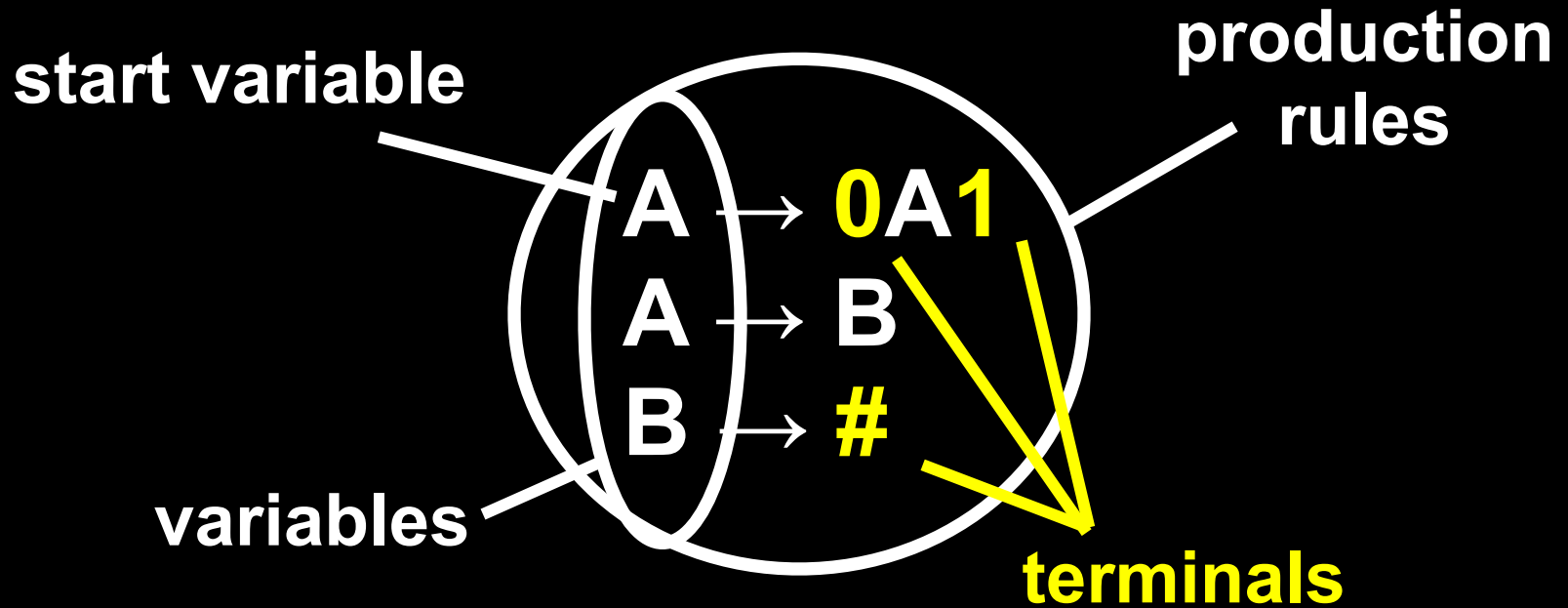
1. $r_0 = q_0$ and $s_0 = \epsilon$ (P starts in q_0 with empty stack)
2. For $i = 0, \dots, n-1$:
 $(r_{i+1}, b) \in \delta(r_i, w_{i+1}, a)$, where $s_i = at$ and $s_{i+1} = bt$ for some $a, b \in \Gamma_\epsilon$ and $t \in \Gamma^*$
(P moves correctly according to state, stack and symbol read)
3. $r_n \in F$ (P is in an accept state at the end of its input)

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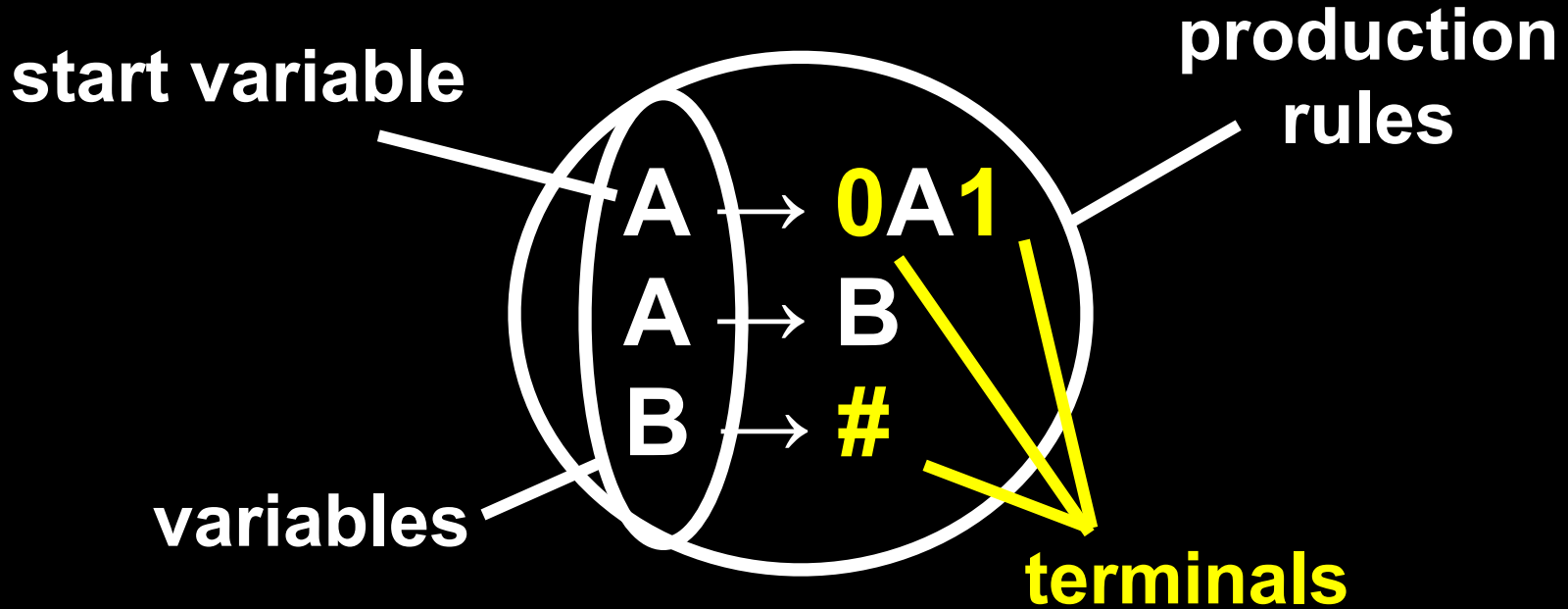
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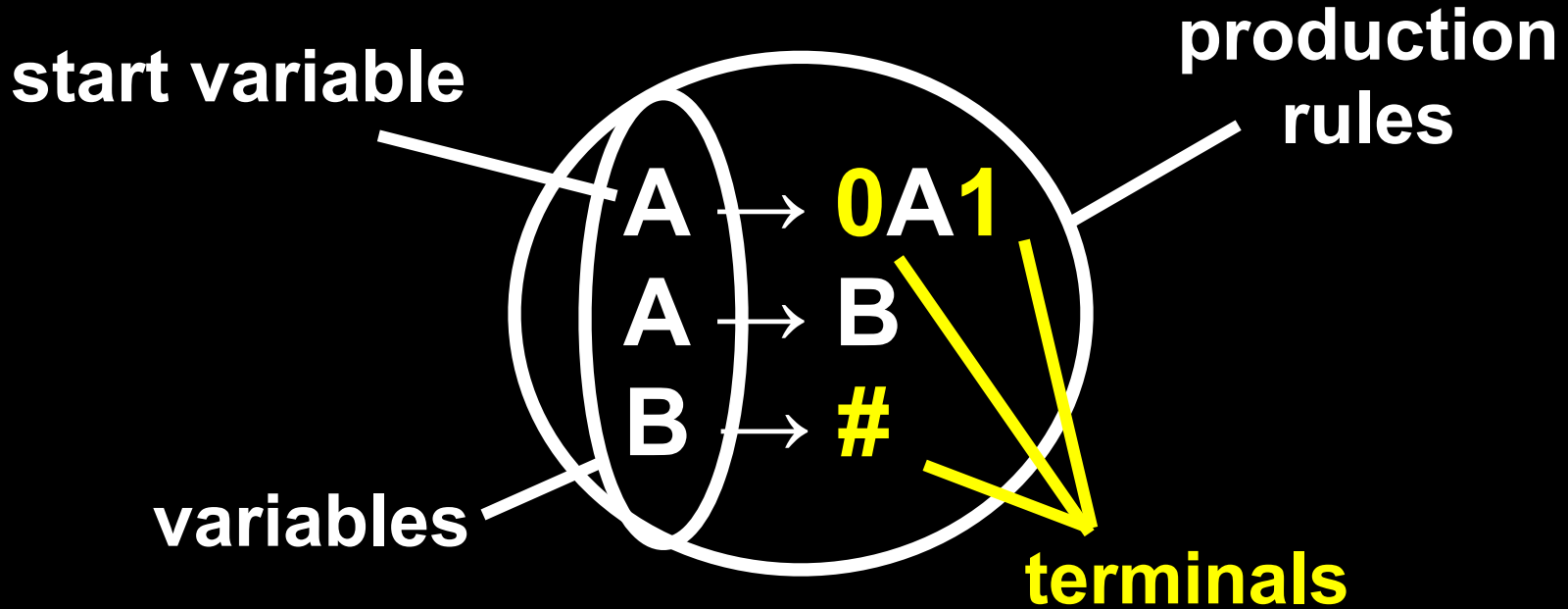
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Non-deterministic

We say: $00\#11$ is
generated by the
Grammar

SNOOP'S GRAMMAR

(courtesy of Luis von Ahn)

<PHRASE> → <FILLER><PHRASE>

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<FILLER> → **LIKE**

<FILLER> → **UMM**

<START WORD> → **FO**

<START WORD> → **FA**

<END WORD> → **SHO**

<END WORD> → **SHAZZY**

<END WORD> → **SHEEZY**

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A Language L is **context-free** if there is a **CFG** that generates precisely the strings in L

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**WRITE A CFG FOR EVEN-LENGTH
PALINDROMES**

S \rightarrow **σ S σ** for all $\sigma \in \Sigma$

S \rightarrow **ϵ**

WRITE A CFG FOR THE EMPTY SET

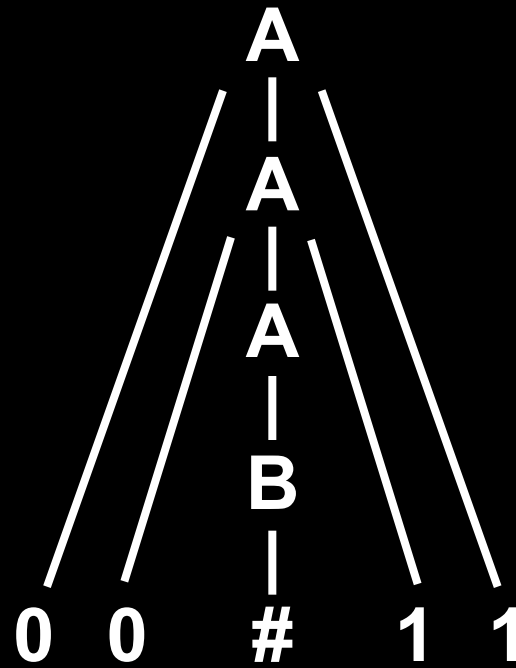
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PARSE TREES

$A \rightarrow 0A1$

$A \rightarrow B$

$B \rightarrow \#$



$A \Rightarrow 0A1 \Rightarrow 00A11 \Rightarrow 00B11 \Rightarrow 00\#11$



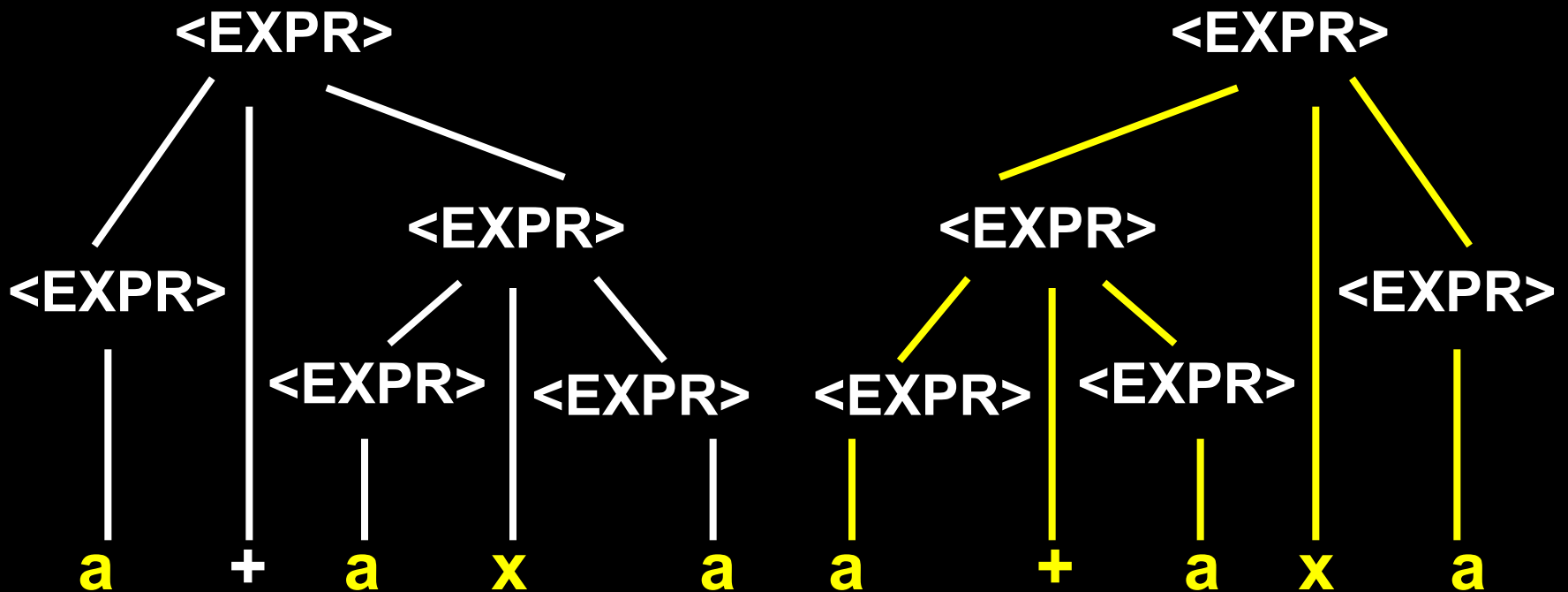
$\langle \text{EXPR} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{EXPR} \rangle + \langle \text{EXPR} \rangle$

$\langle \text{EXPR} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{EXPR} \rangle x \langle \text{EXPR} \rangle$

$\langle \text{EXPR} \rangle \rightarrow (\langle \text{EXPR} \rangle)$

$\langle \text{EXPR} \rangle \rightarrow a$

Build a parse tree for $a + a x a$



Definition: a string is derived **ambiguously** in a context-free grammar if it has more than one parse tree

Definition: a grammar is **ambiguous** if it generates some string ambiguously

See G_4 for **unambiguous standard arithmetic precedence**

$L = \{ a^i b^j c^k \mid i, j, k \geq 0 \text{ and } (i = j \text{ or } j = k) \}$
is *inherently ambiguous* (**xtra credit**)

Undecidable to tell if a language has unambiguous parse trees (**Post's problem**)

NOT REGULAR

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}, L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$$

But L is **CONTEXT FREE**

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$$A \rightarrow 0A1 \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow 0B \mid \epsilon$$

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$$A \rightarrow 1A \mid \epsilon$$

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if $w \in L$ and $|w| \geq P$

then can write $w = uvxyz$, where:

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Pumping in the first case will unbalance with the 0's at the end; in the second case, will unbalance with the 0's at the beginning. **Contradiction.**

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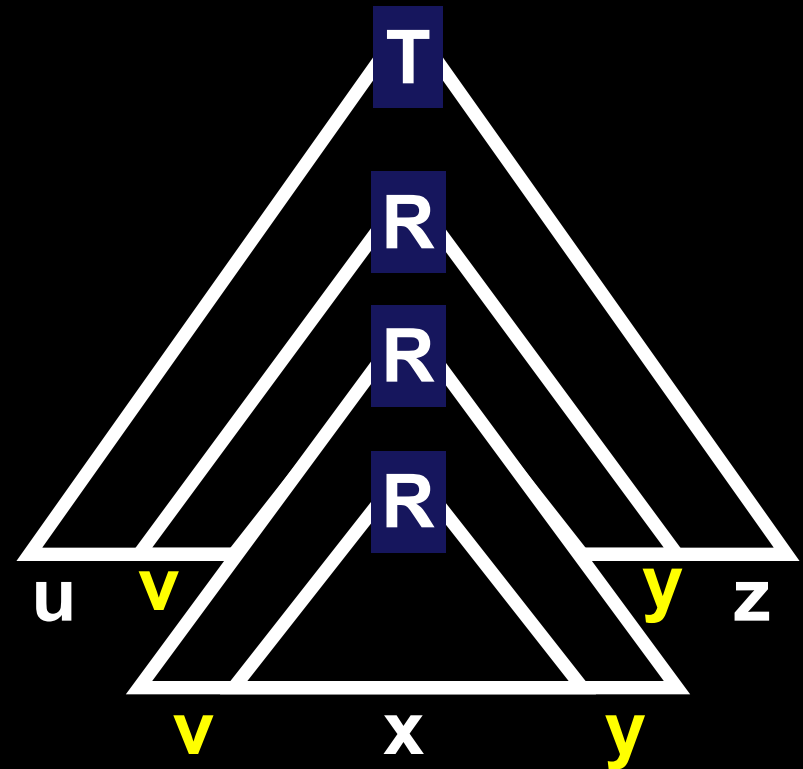
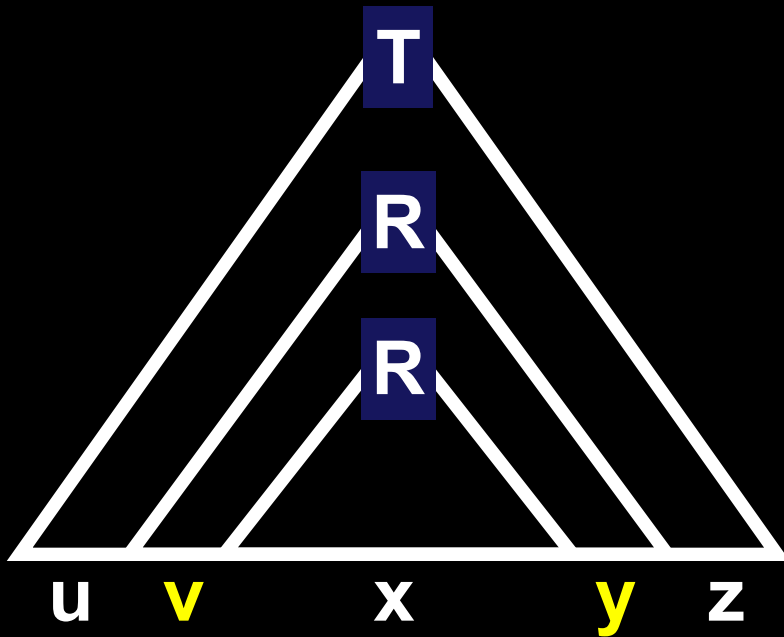
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Idea of Proof: If **w** is long enough, then any parse tree for **w** must have a path that contains a variable more than once



Formal Proof:

Let b be the maximum number of symbols (length) on the right-hand side of any rule

If the height of a parse tree is h , the length of the string generated by that tree is at most: b^h

Let $|V|$ be the number of variables in G

Define $P = b^{|V|+1}$

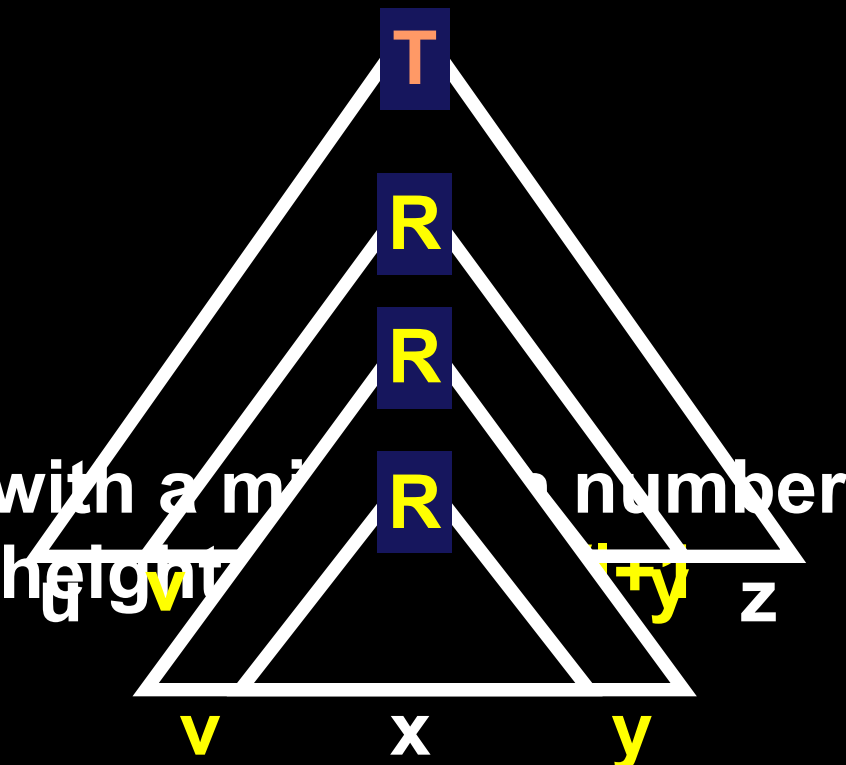
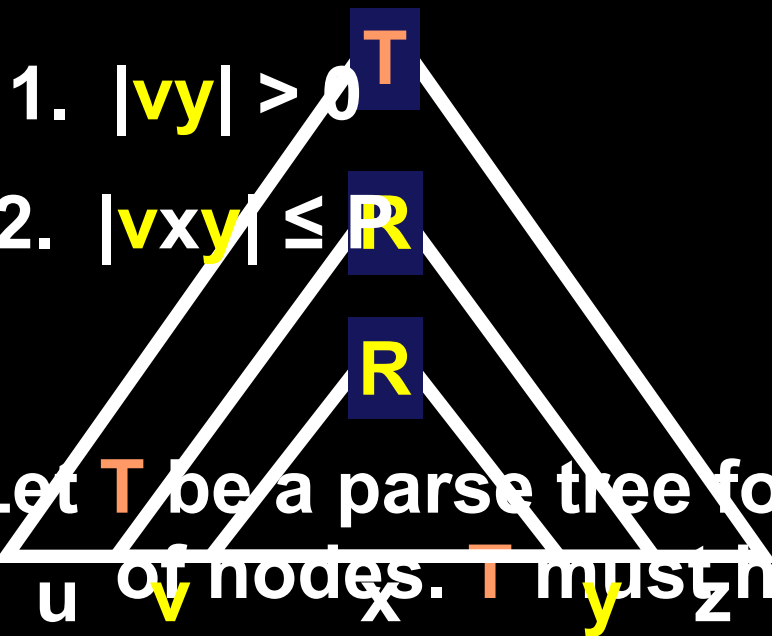
Let w be a string of length at least P

Let T be a parse tree for w with a *minimum* number of nodes.

$$b^{|V|+1} = P \leq |w| \leq b^h$$

T must have height h at least $|V|+1$

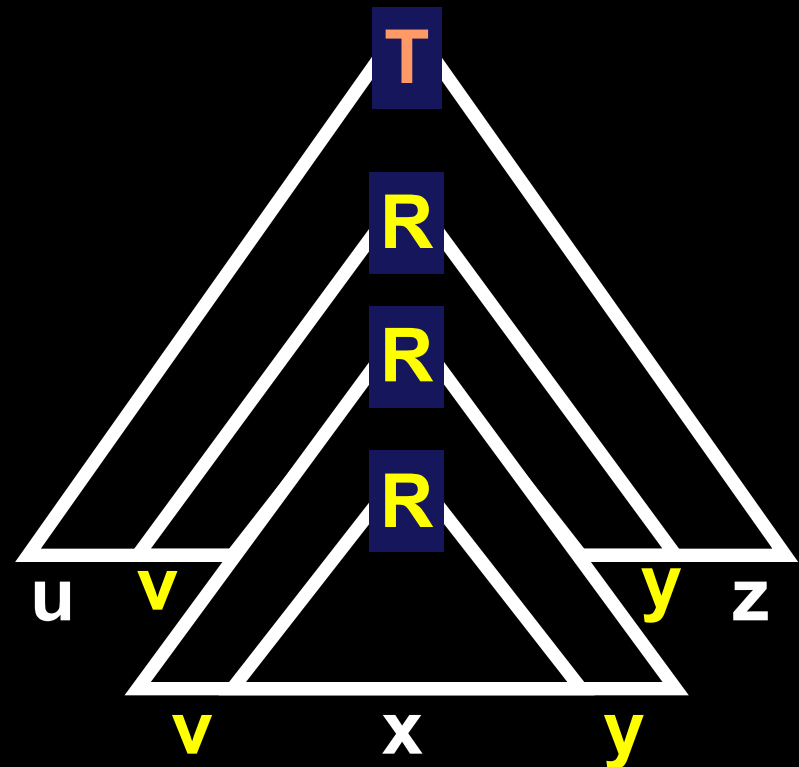
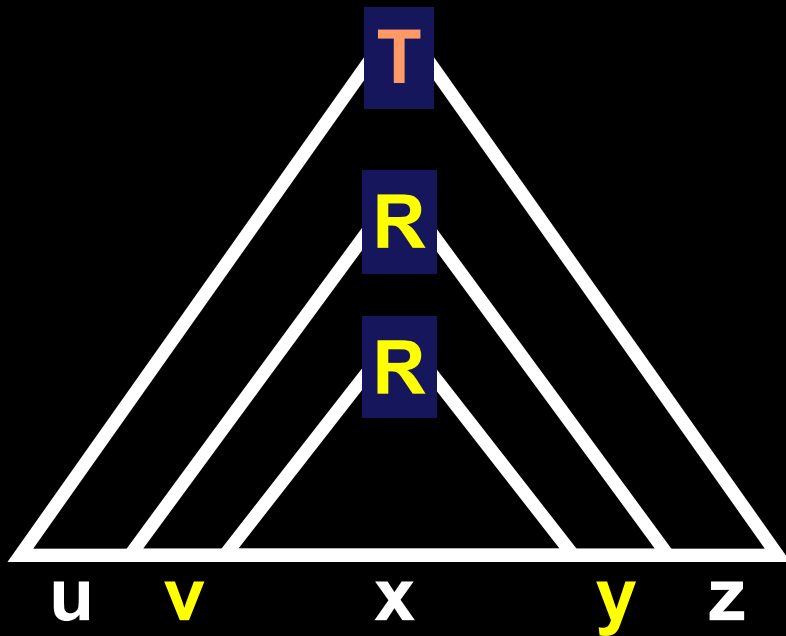
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Select R to be a variable in T that repeats, among the lowest $|V|+1$ variables in the tree

1. $|vy| > 0$ since T has minimum # nodes
2. $|vxy| \leq P$ since $|vxy| \leq b^{|V|+1} = P$



PDA_s ARE EQUIVALENT TO CFG_s

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EQUIVALENCE OF CFGs and PDAs

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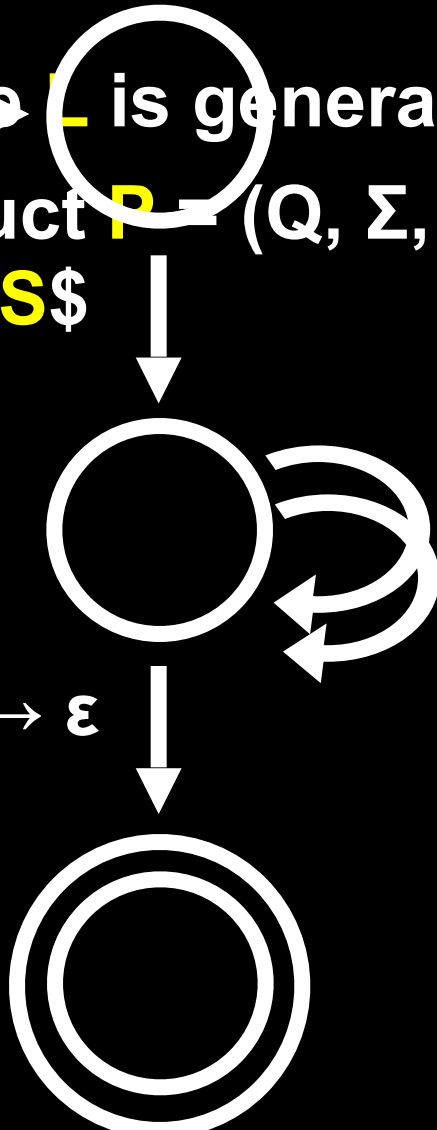
For each rule ' $A \rightarrow w$ ' $\in R$:

$\epsilon, A \rightarrow w$

For each terminal $a \in \Sigma$:

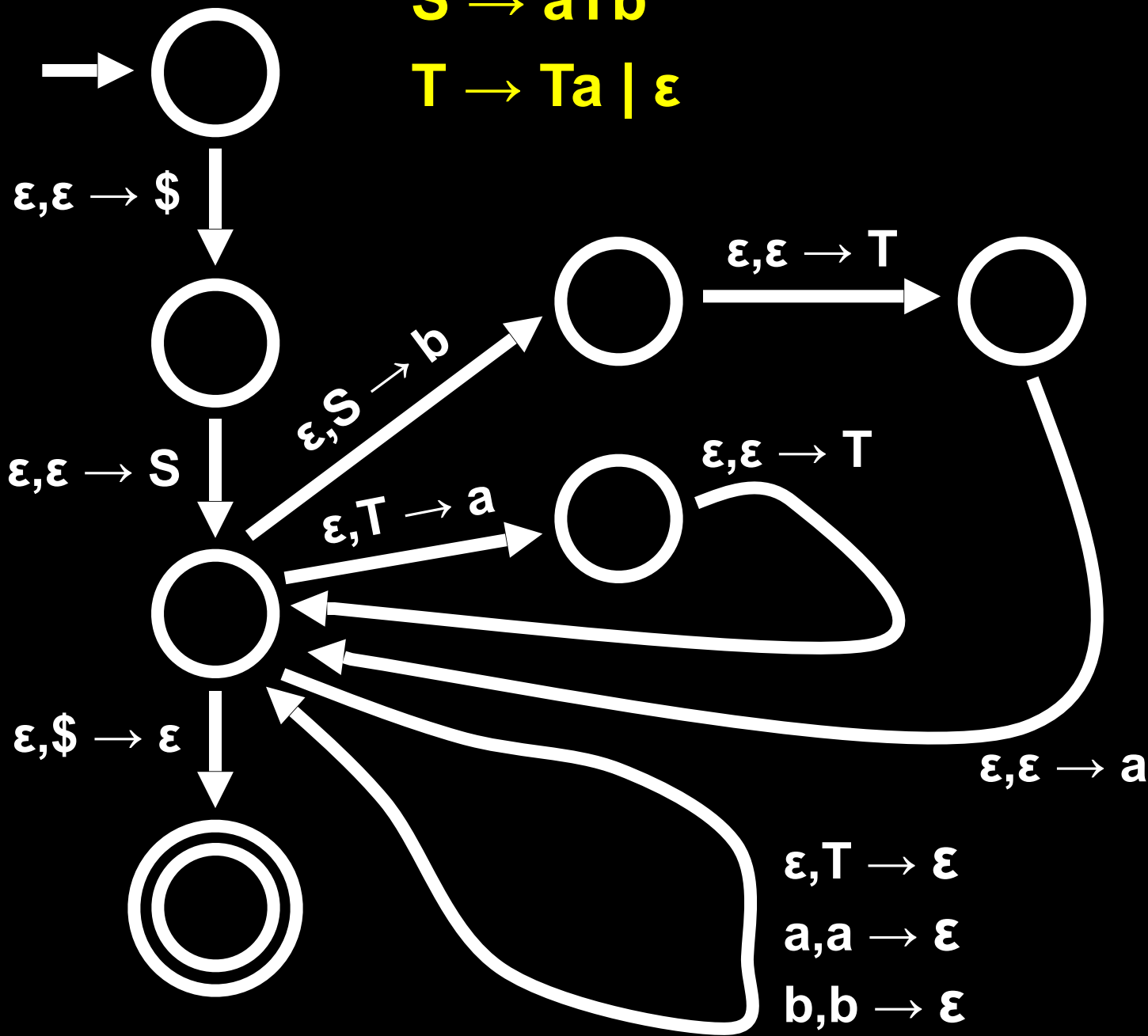
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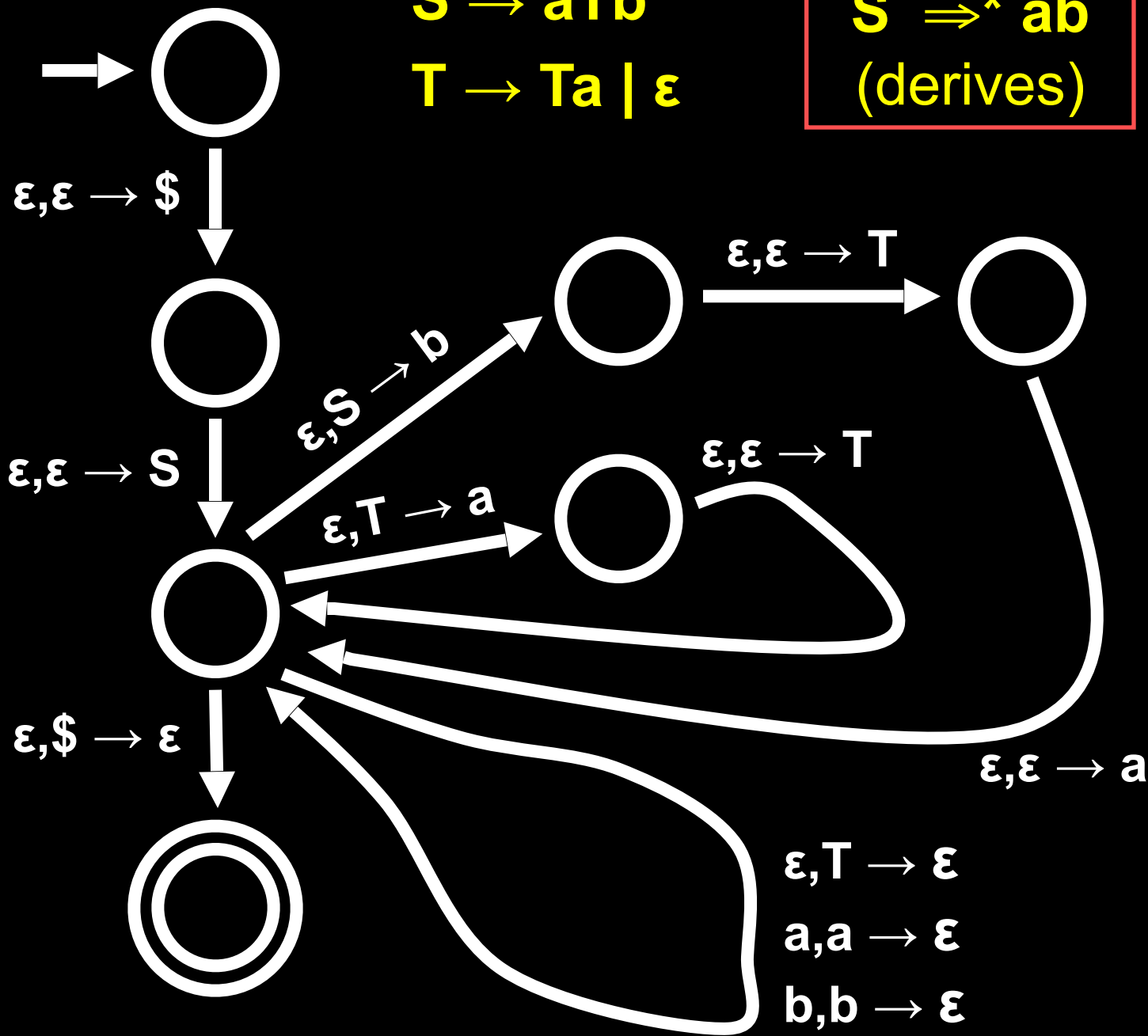
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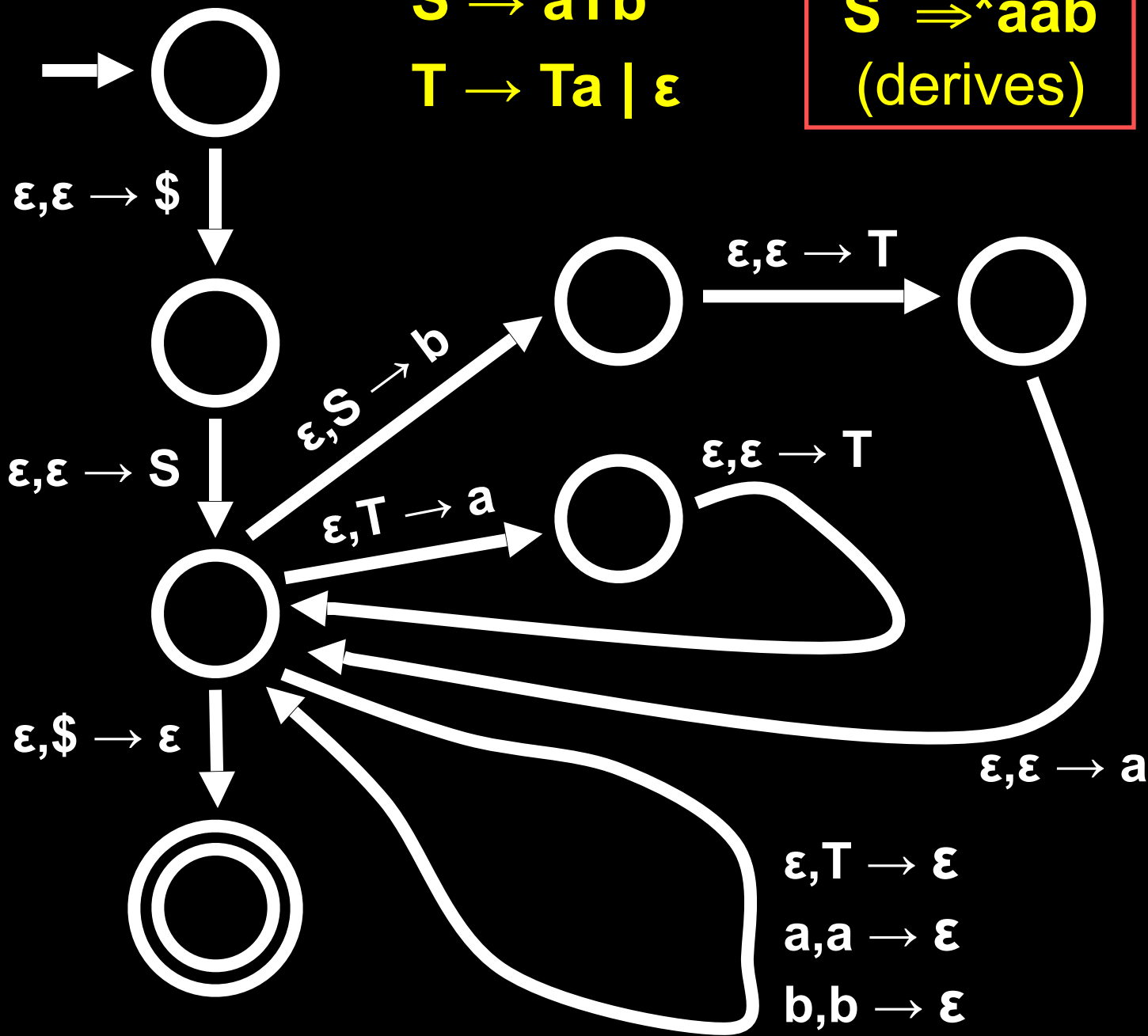
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Describe $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q, F)$ that recognizes L
(via pseudocode):

- (1) Push $\$$ and then S on the stack
- (2) Repeat the following steps forever:
 - (a) Suppose x is now on top of stack
 - (b) If x is a variable A , guess a rule for A and push yield into the stack and Go to (a).
 - (c) If x is a terminal, read next symbol from input and compare it to x . If they're different, *reject*. If same, pop x and Go to (a).
 - (d) If x is $\$$: then *accept* iff no more input

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A Language L is generated by a CFG
 $\Leftrightarrow L$ is recognized by a PDA

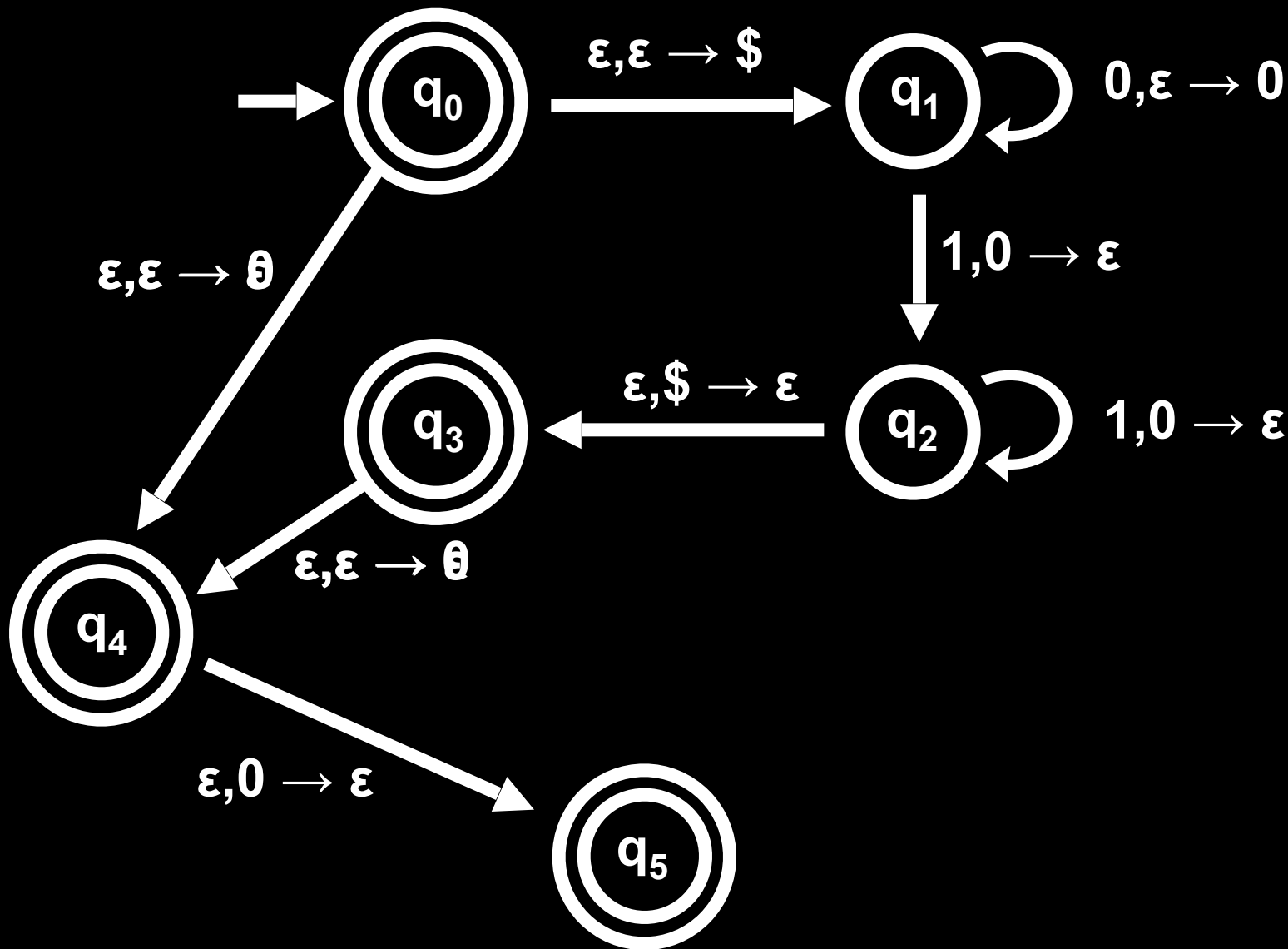
Given PDA $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q, F)$

Construct a CFG $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ such that
 $L(G) = L(P)$

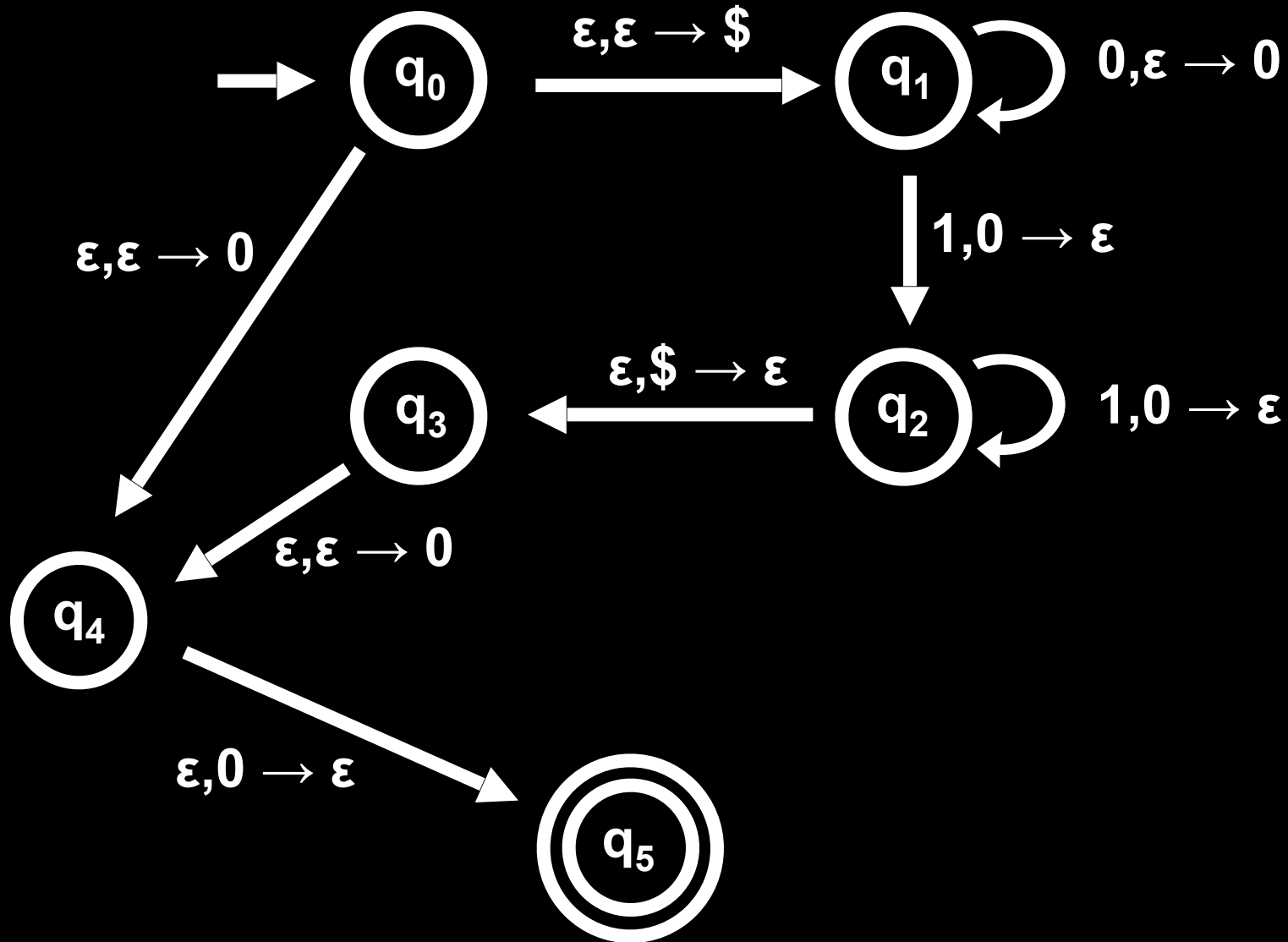
First, **simplify** P to have the following form:

- (1) It has a unique accept state, q_{acc}
- (2) It empties the stack before accepting
- (3) Each transition either pushes a symbol or pops a symbol, but not both at the same time

SIMPLIFY



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Our task is to construct **Grammar G** to generate exactly the words that **PDA P** accepts.

Idea For Our Grammar G:

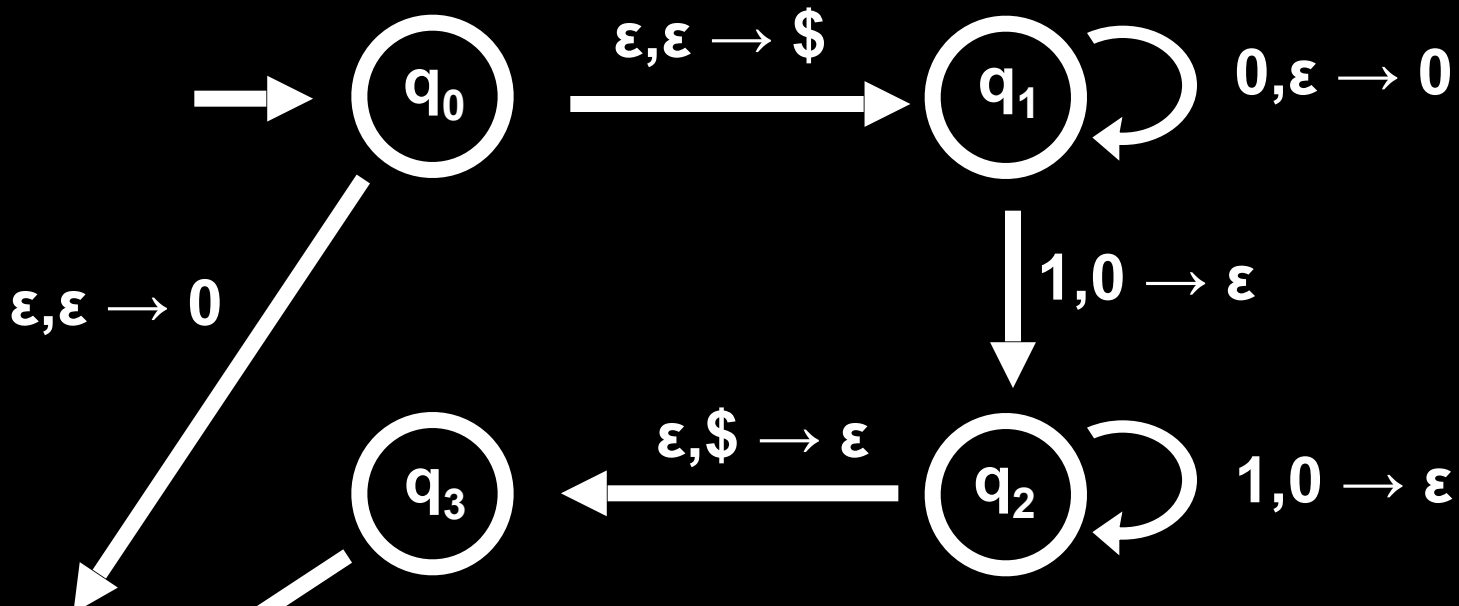
For every pair of states **p** and **q** in PDA **P**,

G will have a variable **A_{pq}** whose production rules will generate all strings **x** that can take:

P from **p** with an empty stack
to **q** with an empty stack

$$V = \{A_{pq} \mid p, q \in Q\}$$

$$S = A_{q_0 q_{acc}}$$



- What strings do we want A_{q_0, q_1} to generate? \emptyset
- What strings do we want A_{q_1, q_2} to generate? $\{0^n 1^n \mid n > 0\}$
- What strings do we want A_{q_2, q_3} to generate? \emptyset
- What strings do we want A_{q_0, q_4} to generate?

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Let x be such a string

- P 's first move on x must be a **push** (why?)
- P 's last move on x must be a **pop**

Two possibilities:

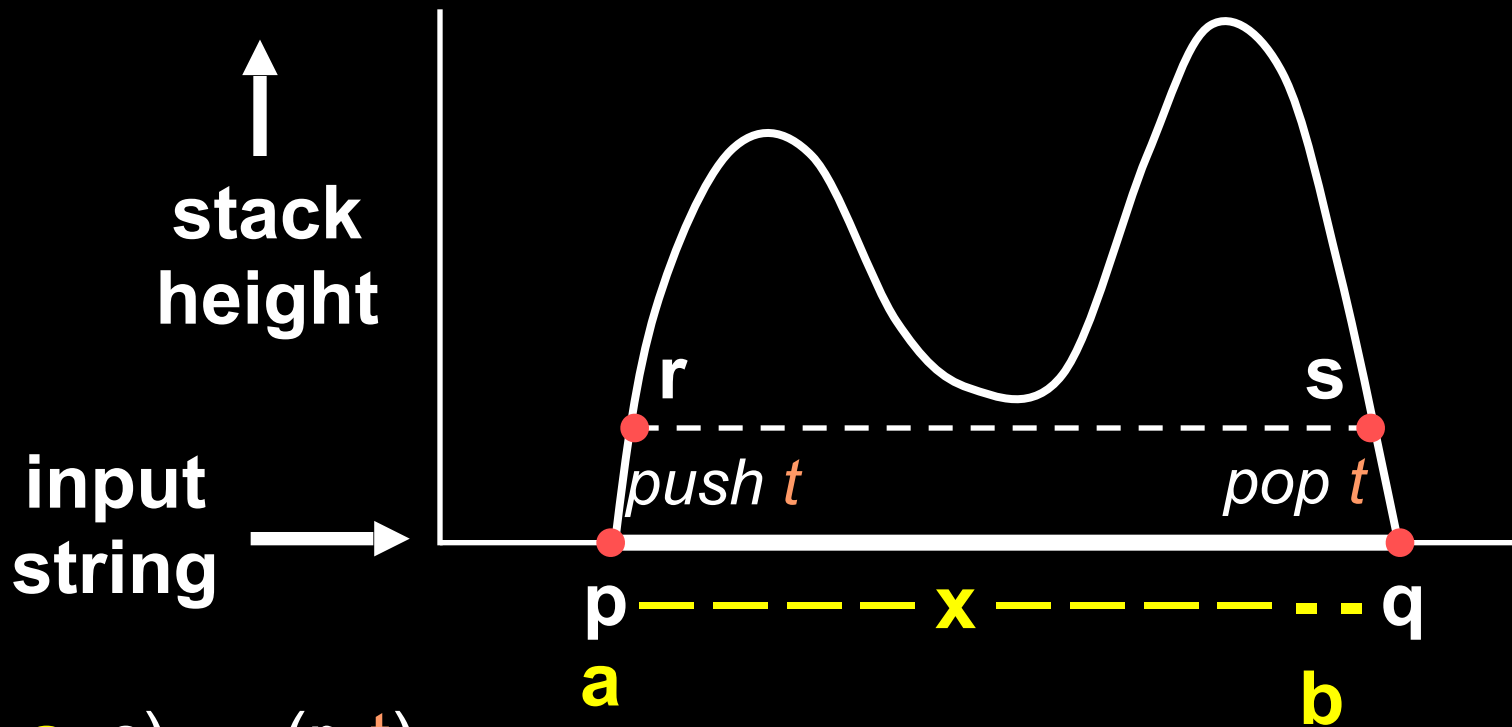
1. The symbol popped at the end is the one pushed at the beginning

2. The symbol popped at the end is **not** the one pushed at the beginning

(so P must empty stack somewhere in the middle, and then start pushing symbols on it again)

$x = ayb$ takes p with empty stack to q with empty stack

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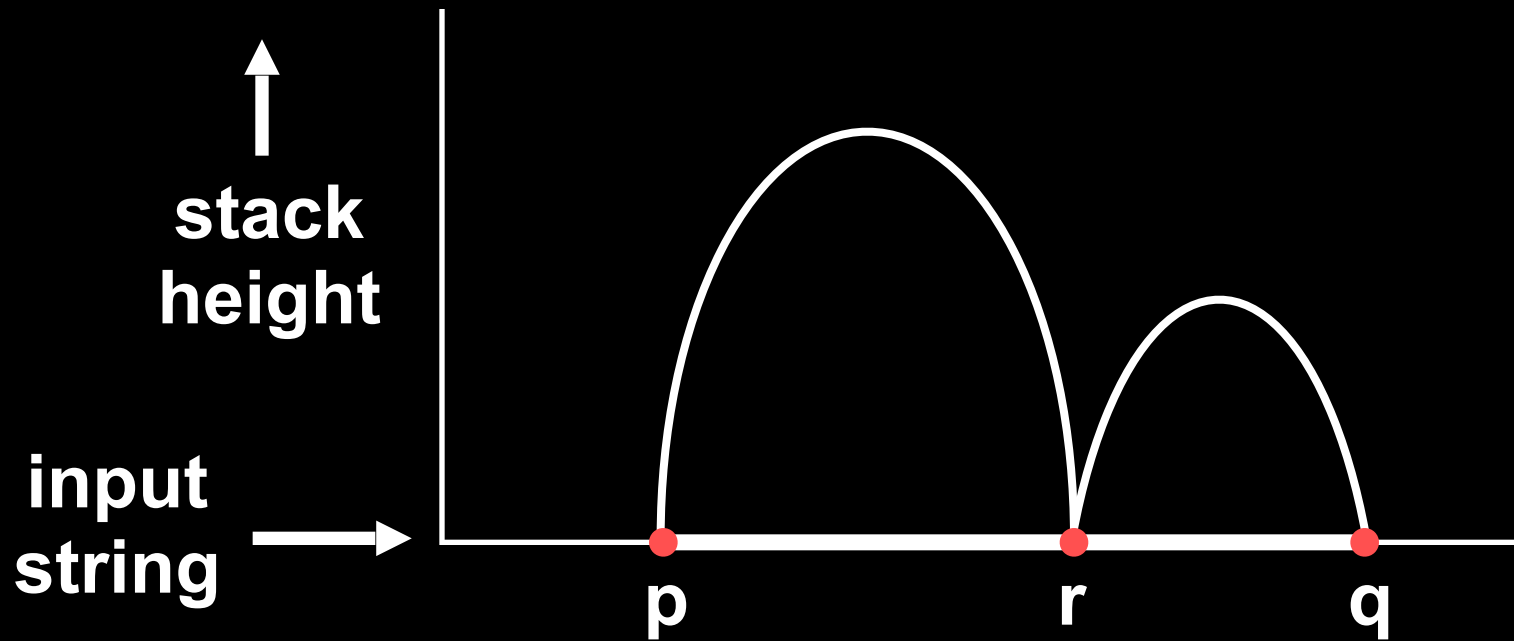


$$\delta(p, a, \varepsilon) \rightarrow (r, t)$$

$$\delta(s, b, t) \rightarrow (q, \varepsilon)$$

$$A_{pq} \rightarrow aA_{rs}b$$

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$$A_{pq} \rightarrow A_{pr}A_{rq}$$

Formally:

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$$S = A_{q_0 q_{acc}}$$

For every $p, q, r, s \in Q$, $t \in \Gamma$ and $a, b \in \Sigma_\varepsilon$

If $(r, t) \in \delta(p, a, \varepsilon)$ and $(q, \varepsilon) \in \delta(s, b, t)$

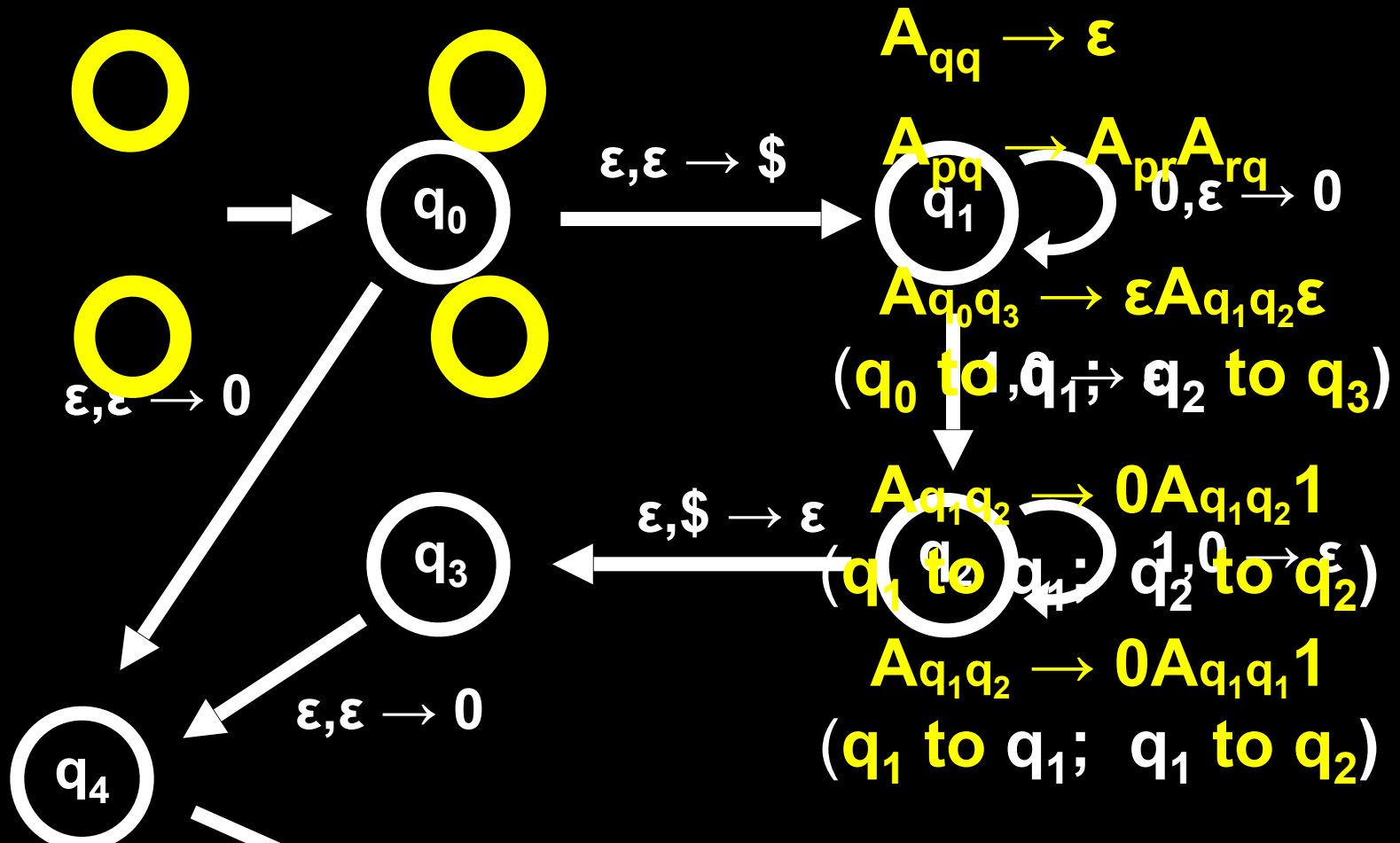
Then add the rule $A_{pq} \rightarrow aA_{rs}b$

For every $p, q, r \in Q$,

add the rule $A_{pq} \rightarrow A_{pr}A_{rq}$

For every $p \in Q$,

add the rule $A_{pp} \rightarrow \varepsilon$



What strings does $A_{q_1q_2}$ generate? $\{0^n 1^n \mid n > 0\}$

What strings does $A_{q_0q_3}$ generate?

What strings does $A_{q_0q_5}$ generate?

Show, for all x , A_{pq} generates x



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Base Case Step. The derivation has 1 step: $A_{pp} \Rightarrow \varepsilon$

Assume true for derivations of length $\leq k$ and prove true for derivations of length $k+1$:

$A_{pq} \Rightarrow^* x$ in $k+1$ steps

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Then, $x = yz$ with $A_{pr} \Rightarrow^* y$, $A_{rq} \Rightarrow^* z$

By IH, y can take p with empty stack to r with empty stack; similarly for z from r to q . So, ...

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By def of rules of G , $(r,t) \in \delta(p,a,\varepsilon)$ and $(q,\varepsilon) \in \delta(s,b,t)$



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So if P starts in p then after reading a , it can go to r and push t .
By IH, y can bring P from r to s , with t at the top of the stack.
Then from s reading b , it can pop t and end in state q .

Show, for all x , A_{pq} generates x



x can bring P from p with an empty stack to q with an empty stack

Proof (by induction on the number of steps in the computation of P from p to q with empty stacks on input x):

Base Case: The computation has 0 steps

So it starts and ends in the same state.

The only string that can do that in 0 steps is ϵ .

Since $A_{pp} \rightarrow \epsilon$ is a rule of G , $A_{pp} \Rightarrow^* \epsilon$

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and $A_{pq} \rightarrow aA_{rs}b$ is a rule in **G**. So $A_{pq} \Rightarrow^* x$

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Inductive Step:

1. The stack is empty *only* at the beginning and the end of this computation

To Show: Can write x as ayb where $A_{rs} \Rightarrow^* y$ and $A_{pq} \rightarrow aA_{rs}b$ is a rule in G . So $A_{pq} \Rightarrow^* x$

The symbol t pushed at the beginning must be the same symbol popped at the end. **why?**)

Let a be input symbol read at beginning, b read at end.

- So $x = ayb$, for some y .

Let r be the state after the first step, let s be the state before the last step.

- y can bring P from r with an empty stack to s with an empty stack. (**why?**) So by IH, $A_{rs} \Rightarrow^* y$.
- Also, $A_{pq} \rightarrow aA_{rs}b$ must be a rule in G . (**why?**)

Inductive Step:

2. The stack is empty somewhere in the middle of the computation

To Show: Can write x as yz where $A_{pr} \Rightarrow^* y$, $A_{rq} \Rightarrow^* z$ and $A_{pq} \rightarrow A_{pr}A_{rq}$ is a rule in G . So $A_{pq} \Rightarrow^* x$

Let r be a state in which the stack becomes empty in the middle.

Let y be the input read to that point, z be input read after. So, $x = yz$ where $|y|, |z| > 0$.

By IH, both $A_{pr} \Rightarrow^* y$, $A_{rq} \Rightarrow^* z$

By construction of G , $A_{pq} \rightarrow A_{pr}A_{rq}$ is a rule in G

A Language is generated by a CFG



It is recognized by a PDA

Corollary: Every regular language is context-free