Week 4

Grammars Pt. 2

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Outline

Context Free Grammars

Pushdown Automata

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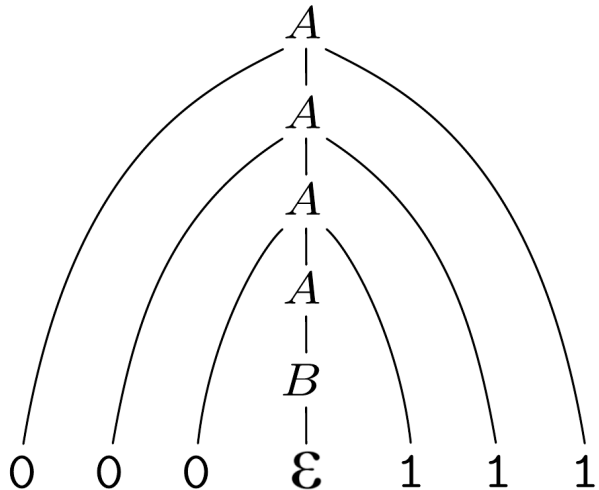

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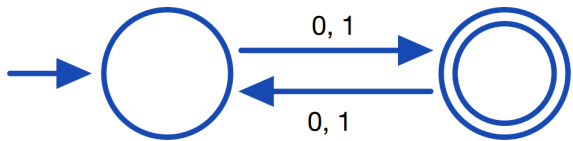

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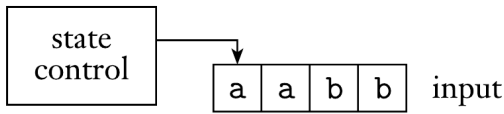

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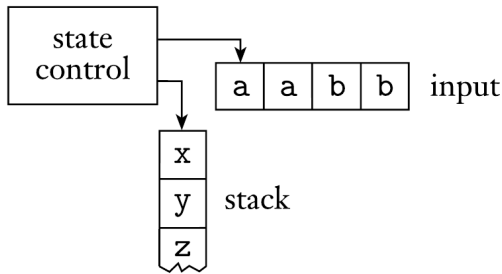

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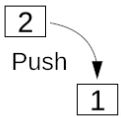

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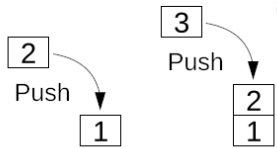

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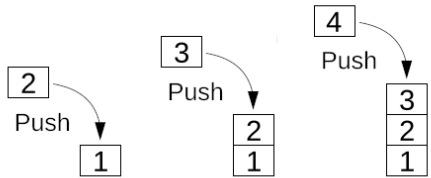

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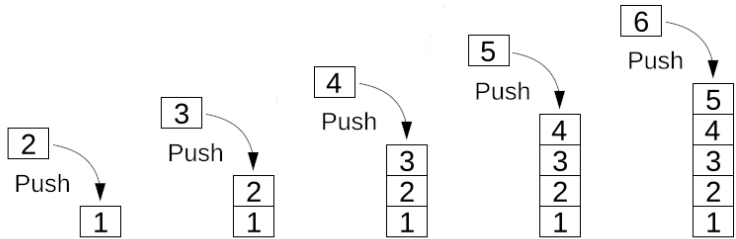

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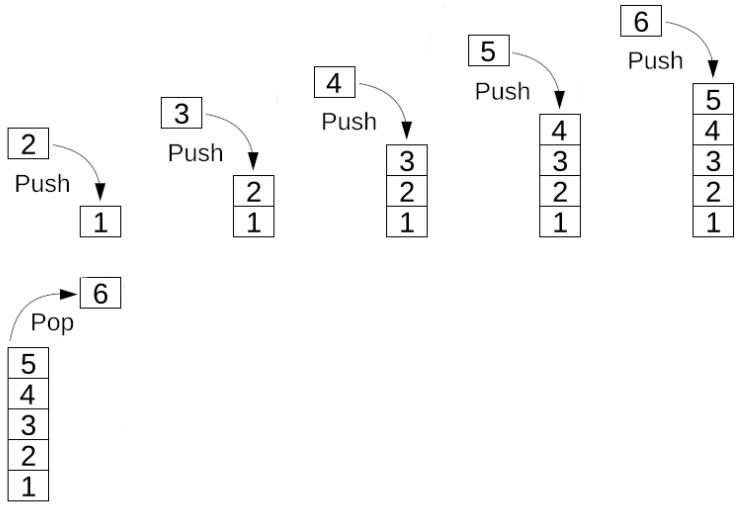

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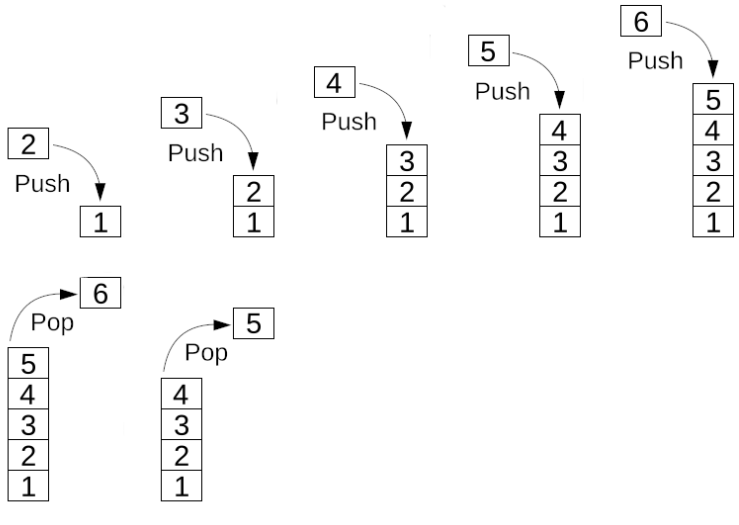
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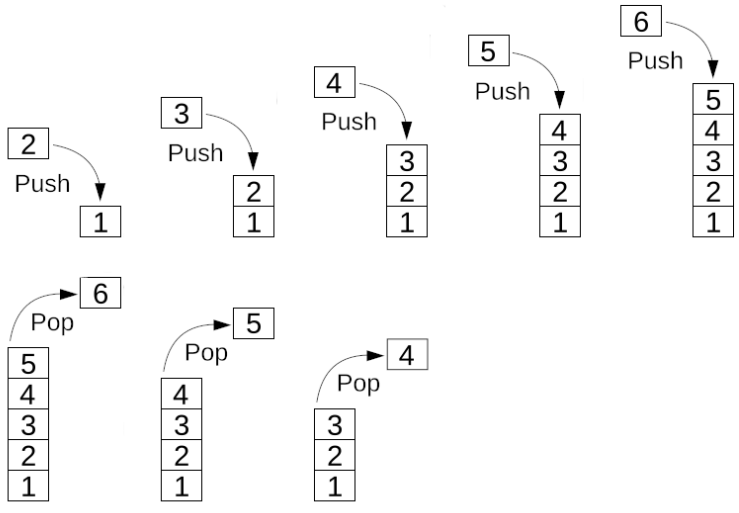
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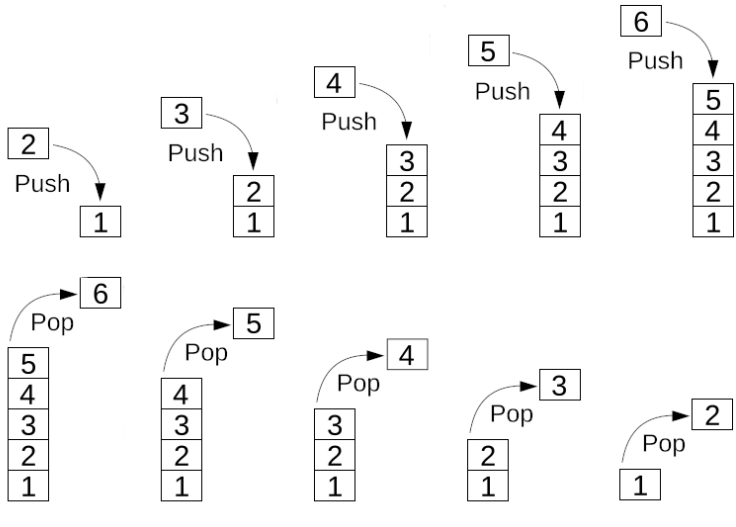
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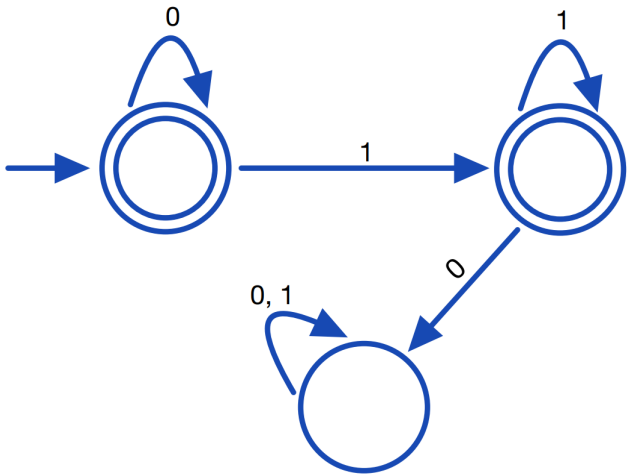

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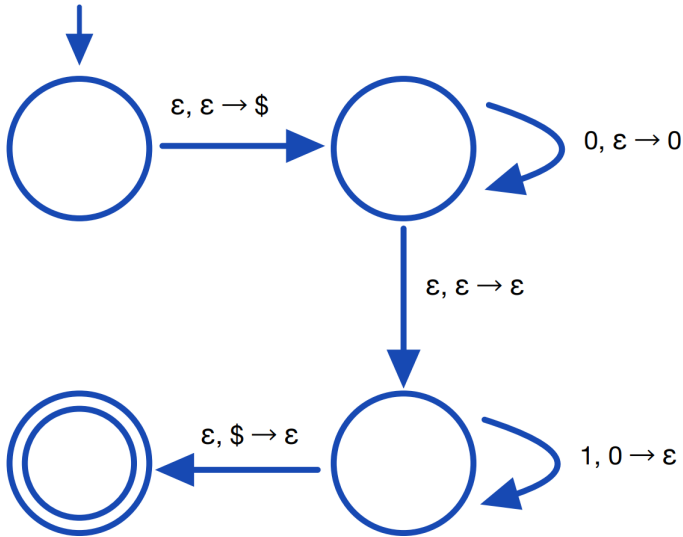

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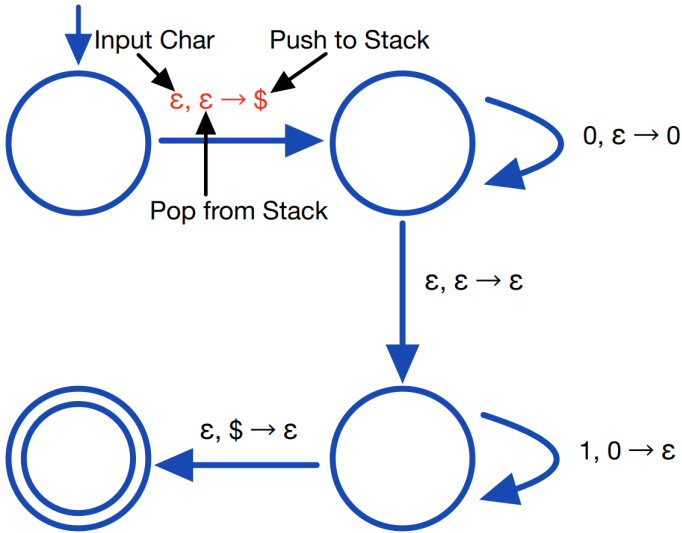

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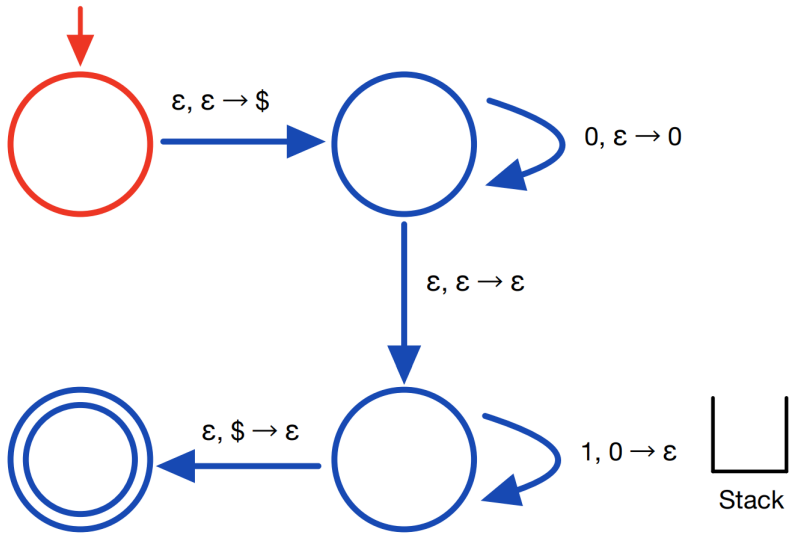

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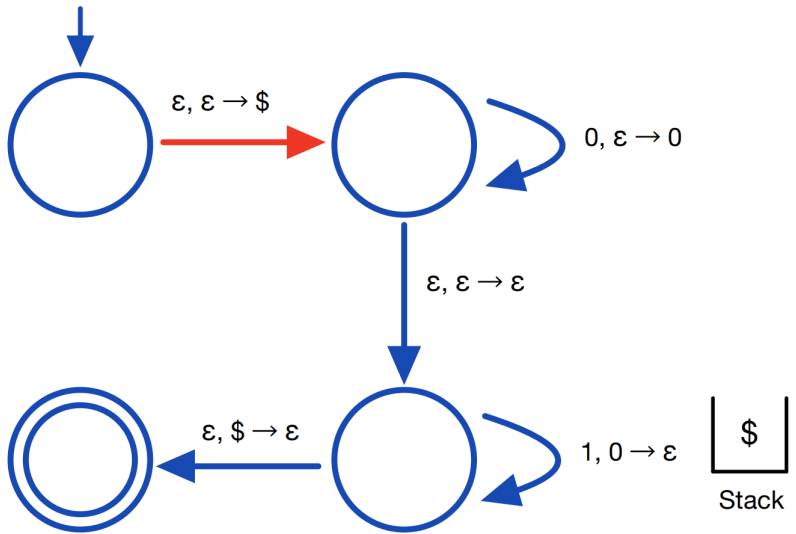

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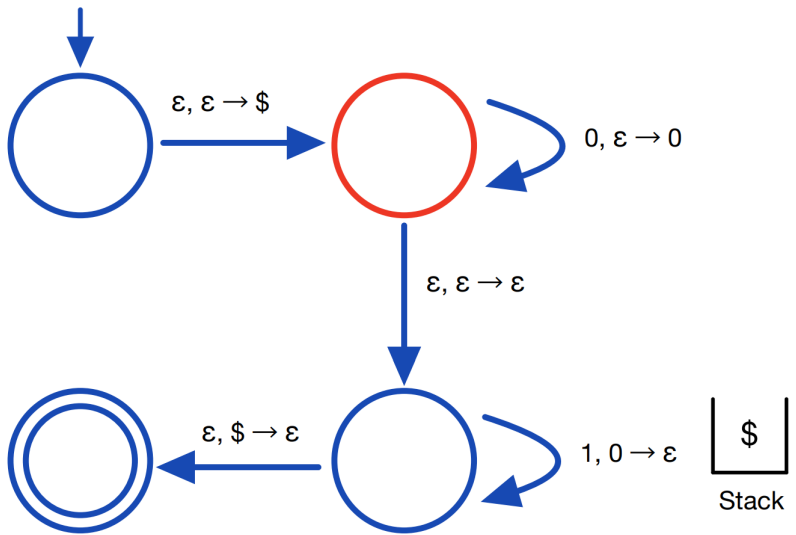

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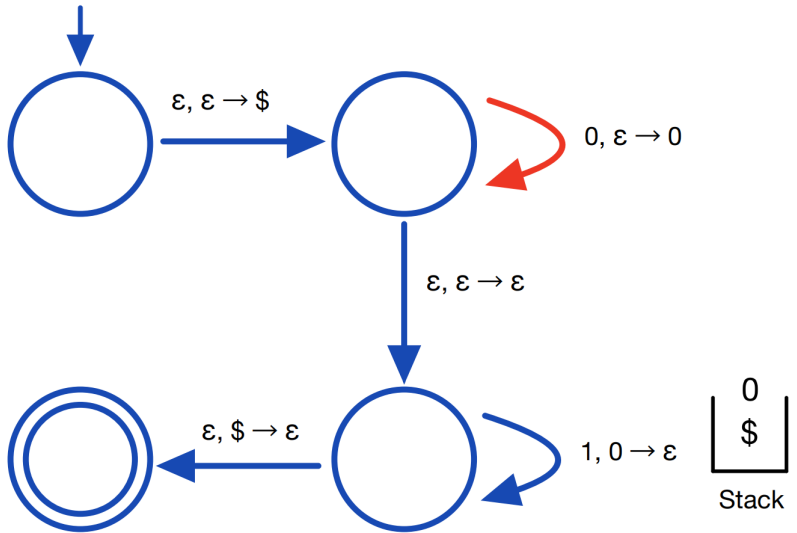

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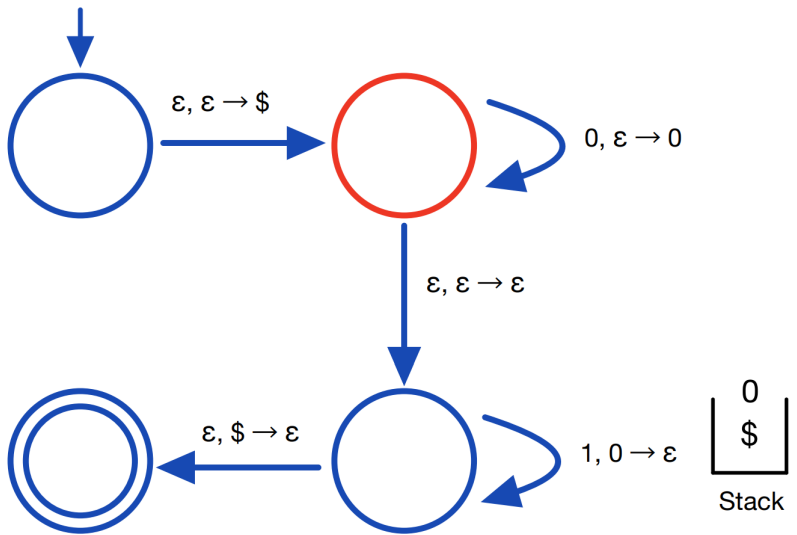

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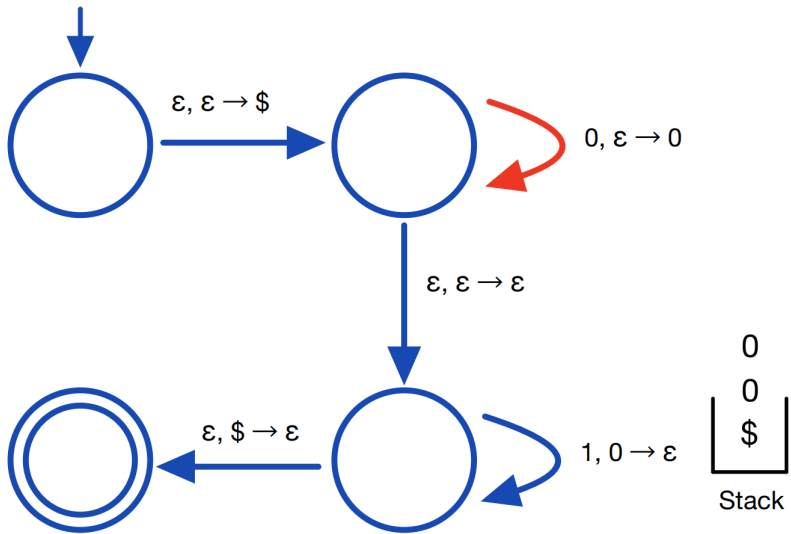

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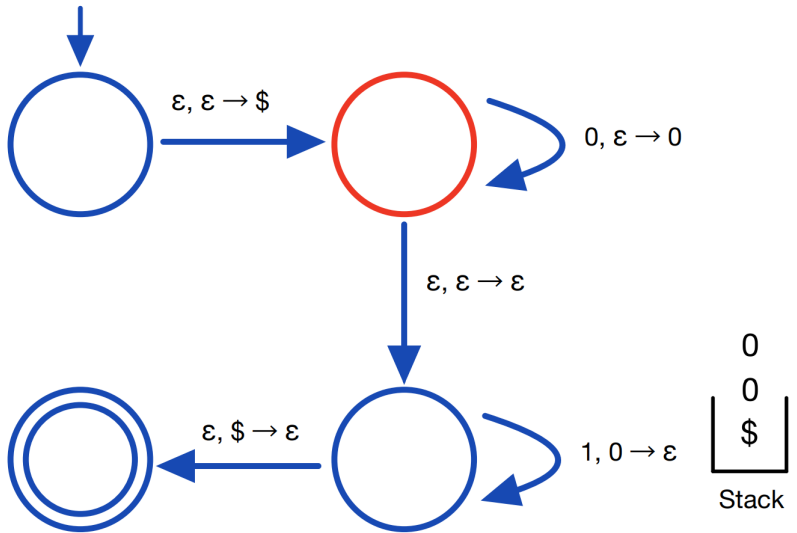

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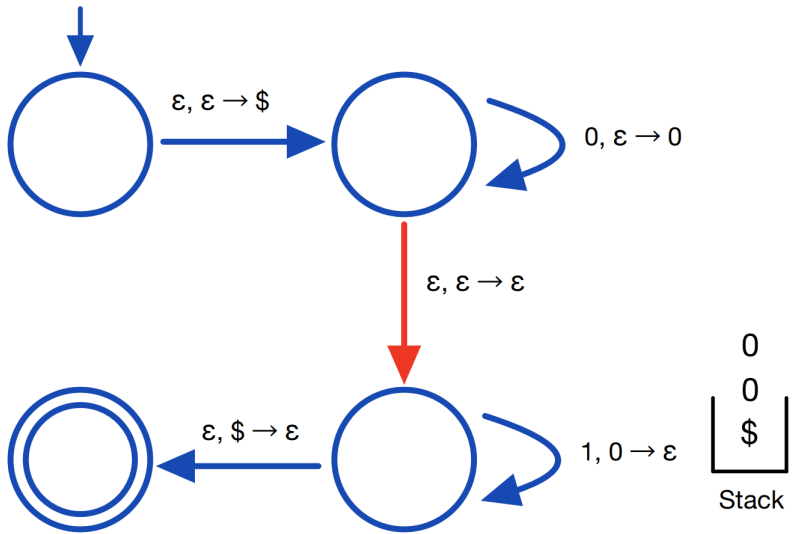

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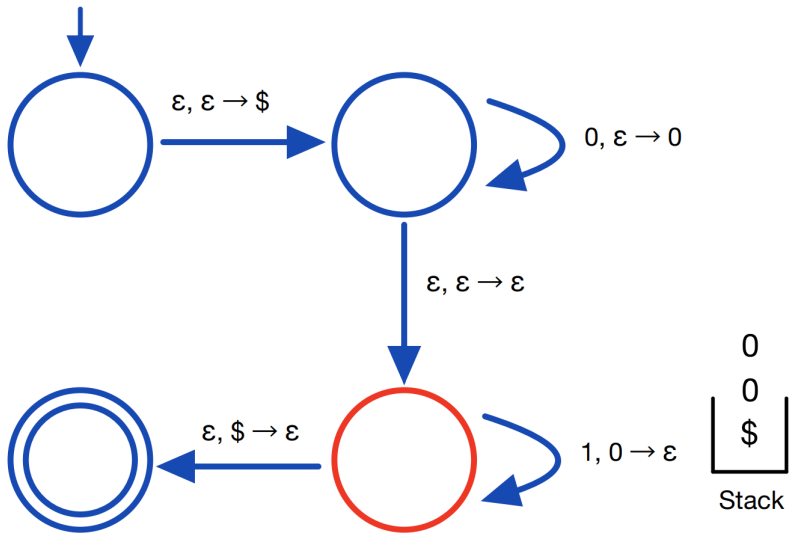

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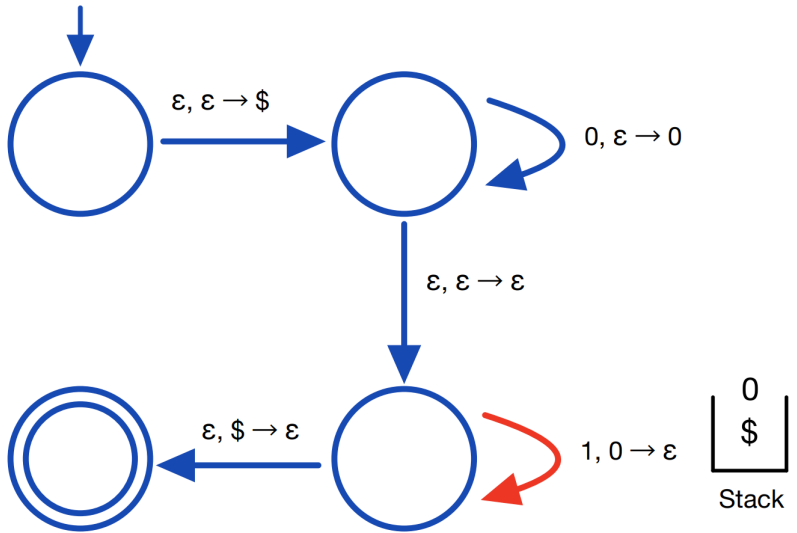

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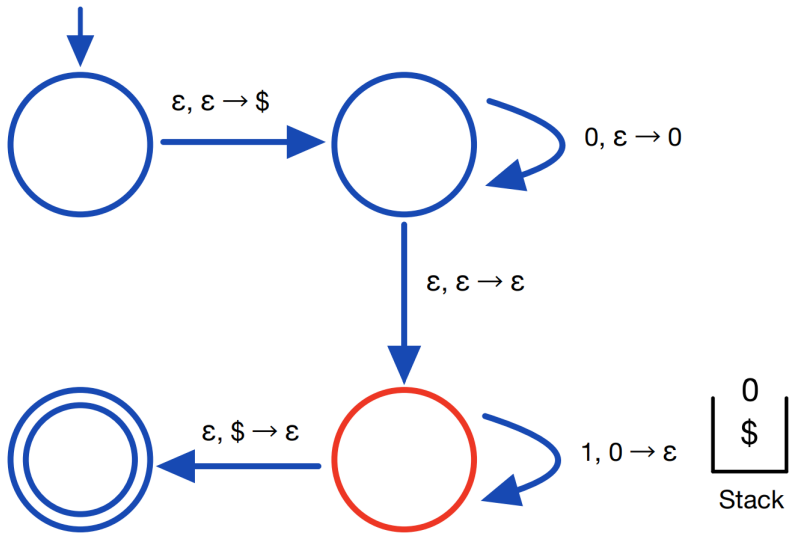

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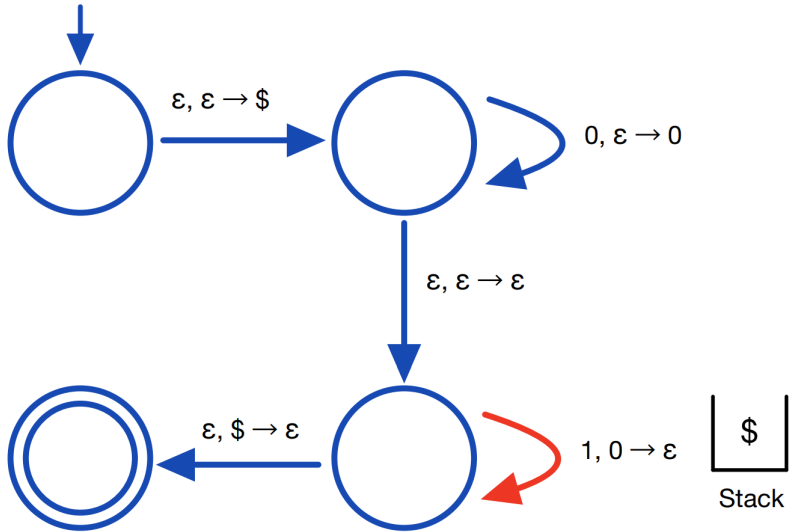

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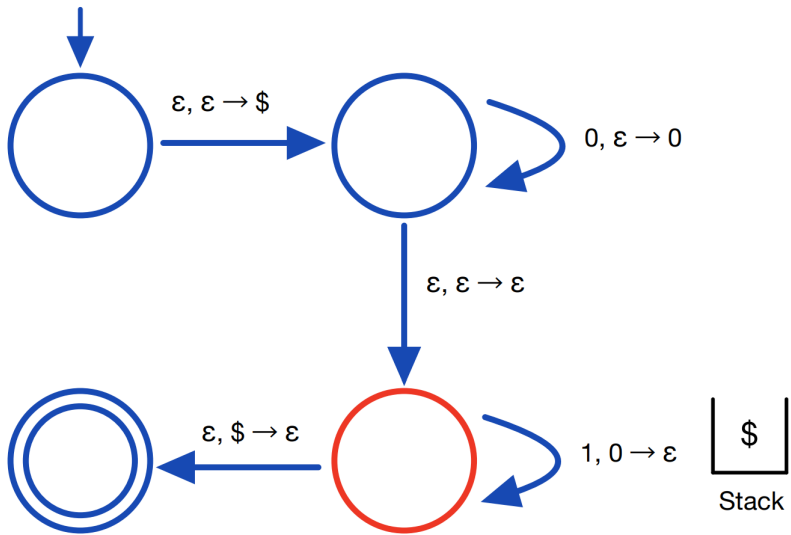

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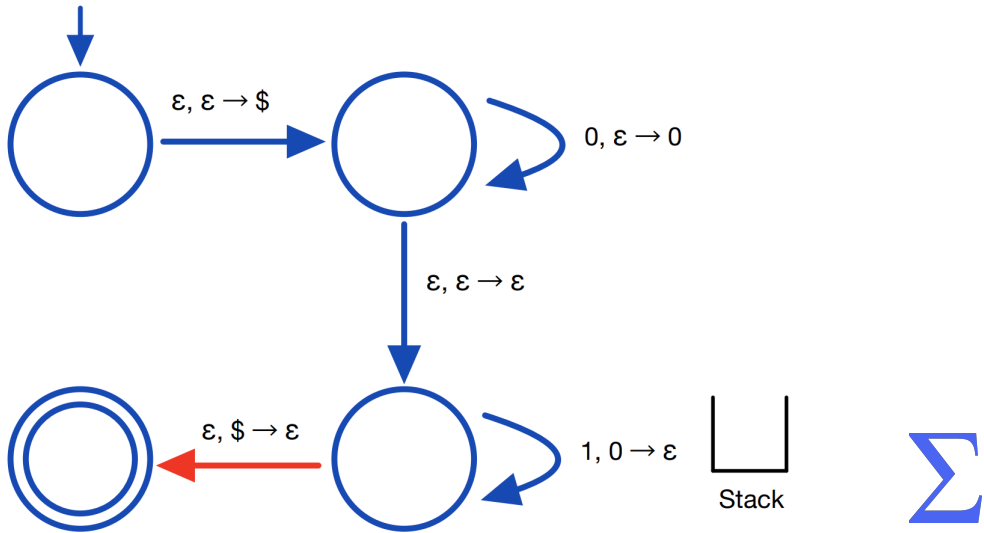

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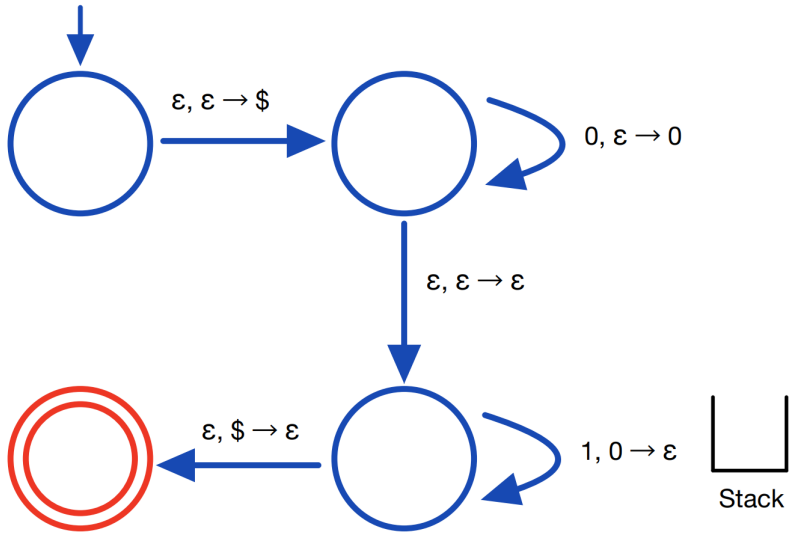

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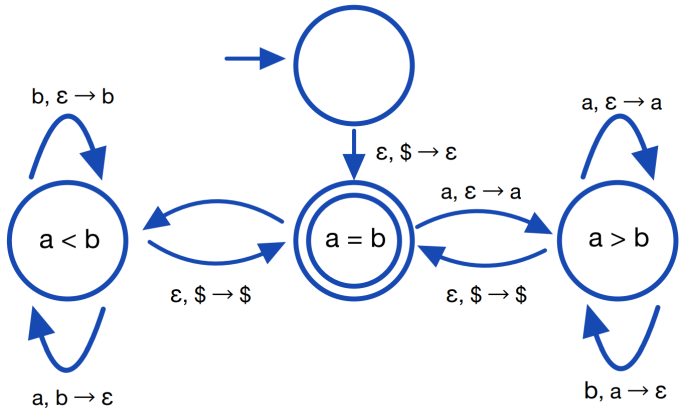
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