

CPSC 421/501

Oct 5

Sept 28! [Sip], Section 1.1

{Regular languages} =

non-
neg
langs

{Languages recognized by a DFA}

"Complexity" := minimum # of states

Theorem: If L_1, L_2 are regular then

$L_1 \cup L_2, L_1 \cap L_2$ are regular (§ 1.1)

$L_1 \circ L_2, L_1^*$ are regular need (§ 1.2)

Section 1.2: NFA's (non-deterministic)

$L = \{a^6, a^{14}\}^* = \{\epsilon, a^6, a^{12}, a^{14}, \dots\}$

how to build a DFA for L ????

Question :

What are the advantages of each of the alphabets below over the others?

① $\Sigma = \{a\}$

← fundamental in that it seems simple, basic algorithms useful in examples

② $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

③ $\Sigma = \{0\}$

← (TODAY)
Do not underestimate (sneer) at unary

④ $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

suggest binary ~~problem~~

⑤ $\Sigma = \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$

suggests decimals (TODAY)

(Today there are one or two main points, for Chapter 1 ...)

Recall: If $L \subset \Sigma^*$,

Σ = alphabet, then

$$L^* = \left\{ \underset{\uparrow}{w_1} \circ \underset{\uparrow}{w_2} \circ \dots \circ \underset{\uparrow}{w_k} \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{each} \\ w_i \in L \end{array} \right\}$$

Words/strings \circ concatenation

$$aba \circ ba = abcba$$

$$L_1 \circ L_2 = \left\{ \underline{w_1 \circ w_2} \mid \begin{array}{l} w_1 \in L_1 \\ w_2 \in L_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$abc \circ bc$$

$$(a, b, a) \circ (b, c)$$

$$= (a, b, a, b, a)$$

$$\{ \underbrace{a, bb} \} \circ \{ \underbrace{c, dd} \}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} a \overset{c}{\downarrow} c & c \overset{b}{\downarrow} dd \\ b \overset{c}{\downarrow} bc & b \overset{b}{\downarrow} dd \end{array} \right\}$$

$\approx L$

PRIME Power of $a = \{ a^2, a^3, a^5, a^7, \dots \}$

Goldbach conij!

any even number ≥ 4 can be written as sum of 2 odd primes.

Correction after class here!

$L^{odd} = \{ a^3, a^5, a^7, a^9, \dots \}$

i.e.

$L \circ L = \{ a^4, a^6, a^8, a^{10}, a^{12}, \dots \}$

e.g. $a^{10} = a^5 \circ a^5 = a^3 \circ a^7 = a^7 \circ a^3$

My thoughts --.

- Information capacity is bits
- Σ^* all countably infinite
- etc.

SURPRISE: UNARY

- Useful in Chapter 1,

e.g. to illustrate $*$,

e.g. $L = \{a^5, a^9\}$, $L^* = \textcircled{\infty}$

- Gives NP-complete problem
SNEAK-NP almost immediately

Policy:

(1) Model homework solutions will be presented as solutions to class with name(s) not displayed unless you opt out, with:

- "Not To Be Used As An Exemplary Solution"

- "Leave Name if Selected"

(2) Office hour Piazza poll

$$\Sigma = \{a\}, \text{ so } |\Sigma| = 1$$

$$\Sigma^* = \{\epsilon = a^0, a^1, a^2 = aa, a^3, \dots\}$$

$$\Sigma^* \leftrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} = \{0, 1, \dots\}$$

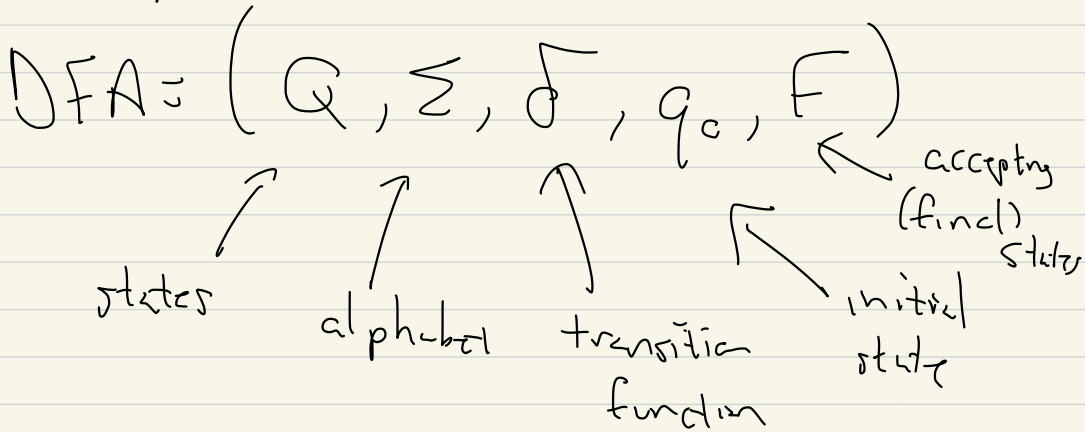
$$a^m \leftrightarrow m$$

Easy to describe &

- ① regular vs. non-regular
- ② lower bounds on how many states needed in a DFA to

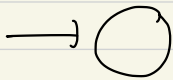
recognize $L \subset \Sigma^* = \{a\}^*$;

Really!

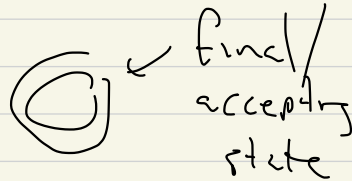


$$\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$$

Notation:



↑
initial state



final/accepting state

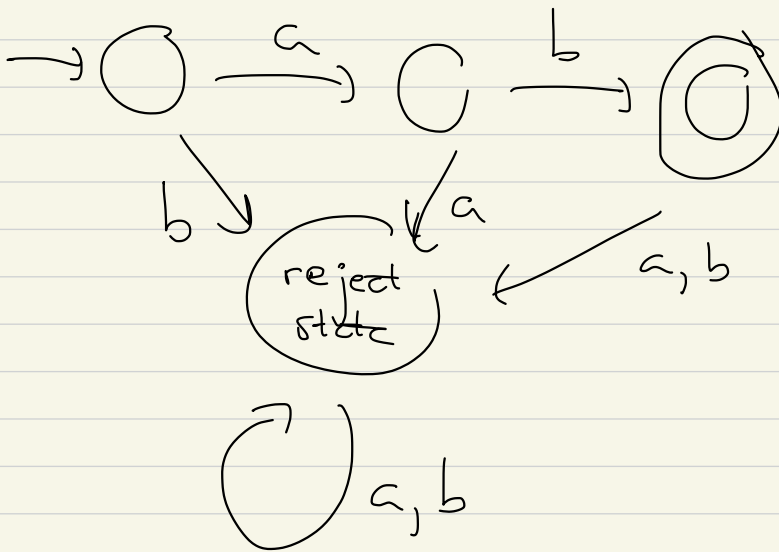


not an accepting state

Example!

$$L = \{ab\} \in \Sigma^* = \{a, b\}^*$$

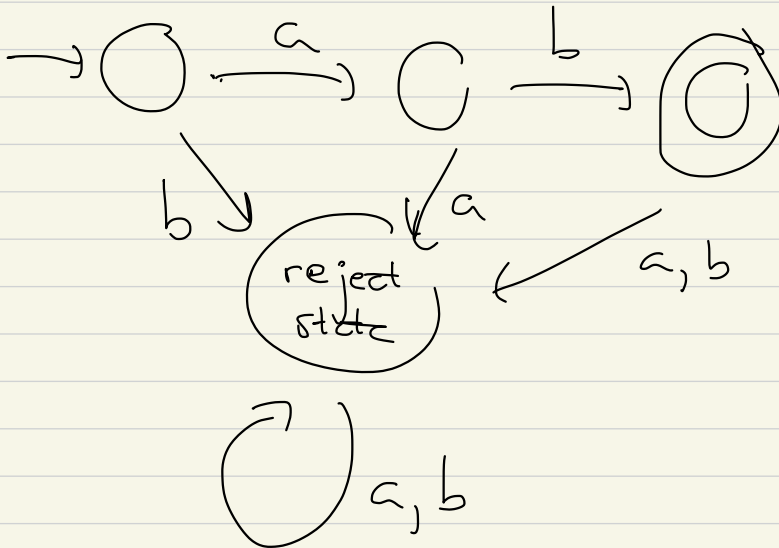
$$|L| < \infty, |L| = 1$$



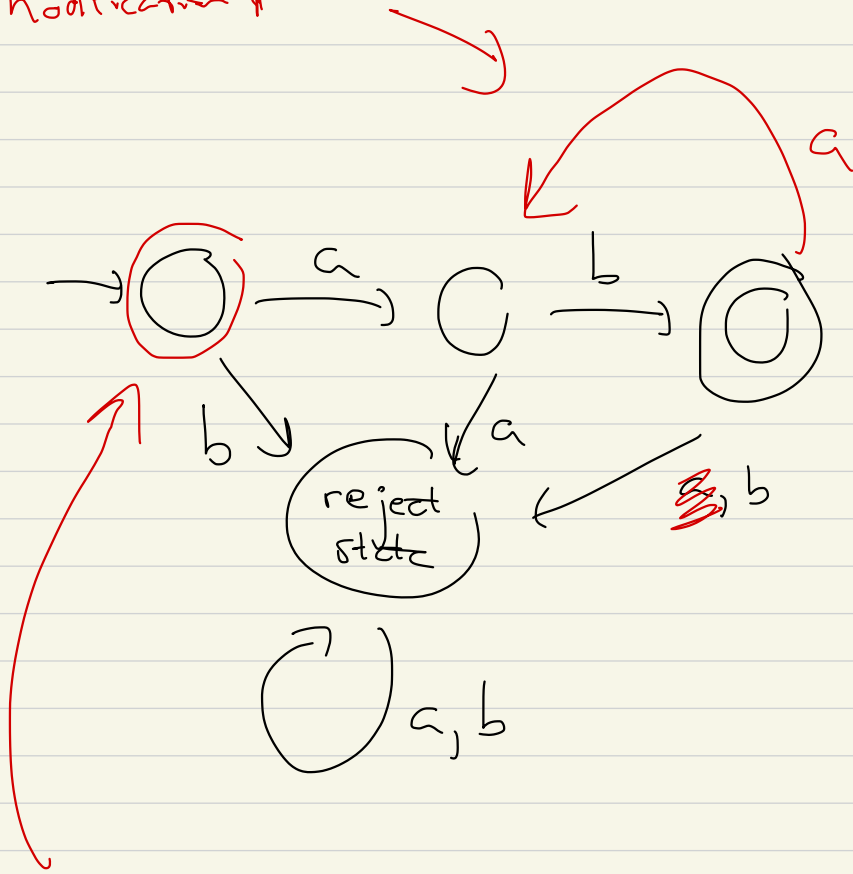
$$L = \{ ab \}$$

$$L^* = \{ ab \}^* = \{ \epsilon, ab, abab, \\ ababab = (ab)^3, \\ (ab)^4, \dots \}$$

Modify it (how?)



Modification 1



Modification 2: accept the empty string

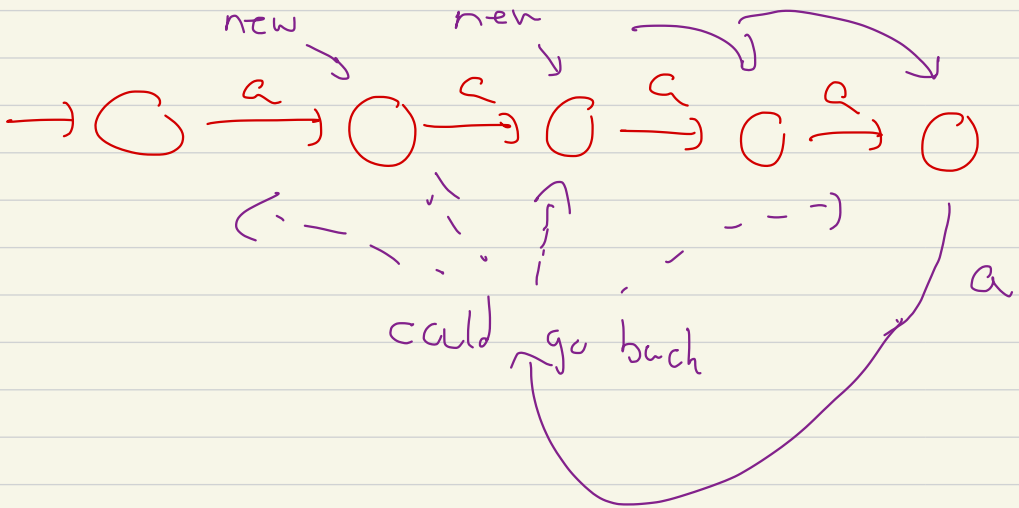
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① Languages over $\Sigma = \{a\}$

Don't sneer at $|\Sigma| = 1$

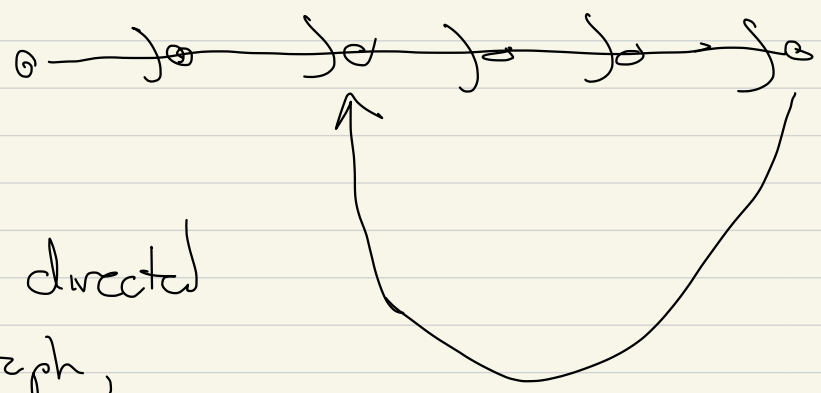
② DIV-BY-3

DFA's over $\Sigma = \{a\}$



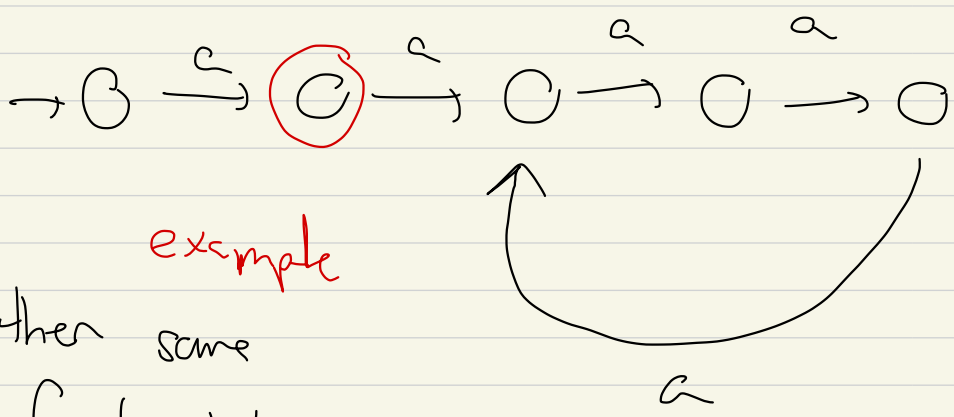
DFA over $\Sigma = \{a\}$

e.g.,



a directed graph,
outdegree 1

OR

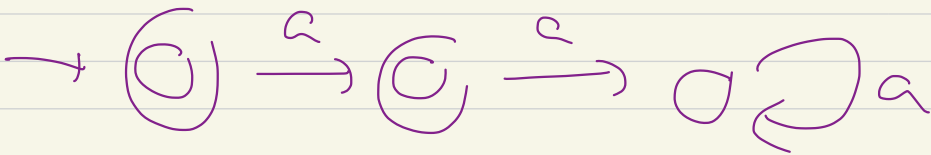
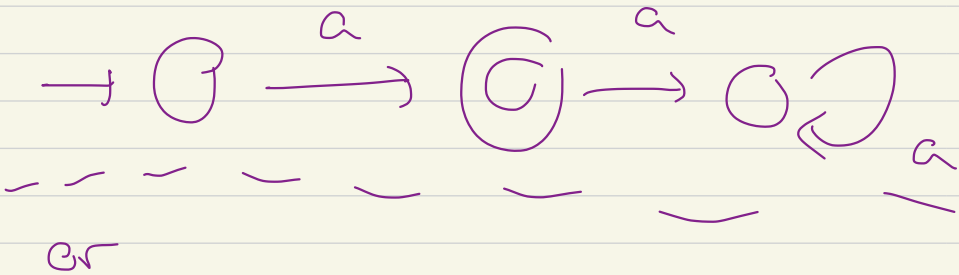


example

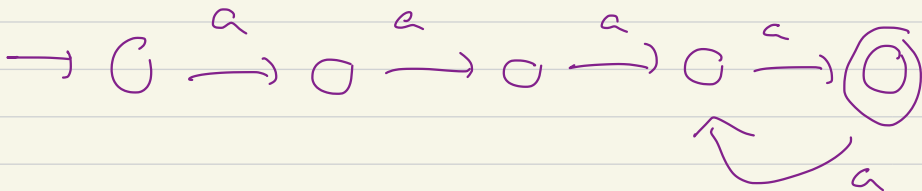
then some final states

this recognizes $L = \{ a \}$

also



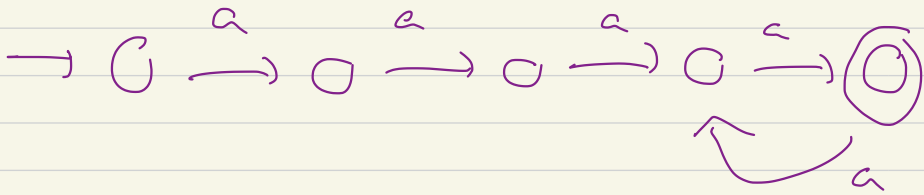
recognizes $L = \{ \epsilon, a \}$



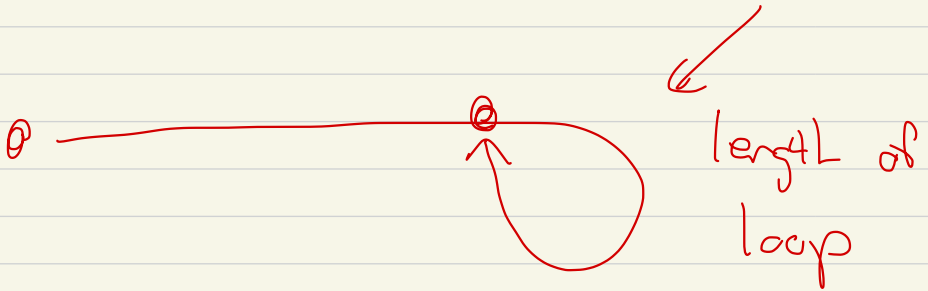
recognizes

$$= \{ a^4, a^6, a^8, \dots \}$$

$$= \left\{ a^n \mid n \text{ is an even integer} \right. \\ \left. \geq 4 \right\}$$



periodicity = 2



Definition: Say that $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$

$\Sigma = \{a\}$ is eventually periodic

if $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and

$p \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ s.t.

$\forall n \geq n_0$

$$a^n \in L \iff a^{n+p} \in L$$

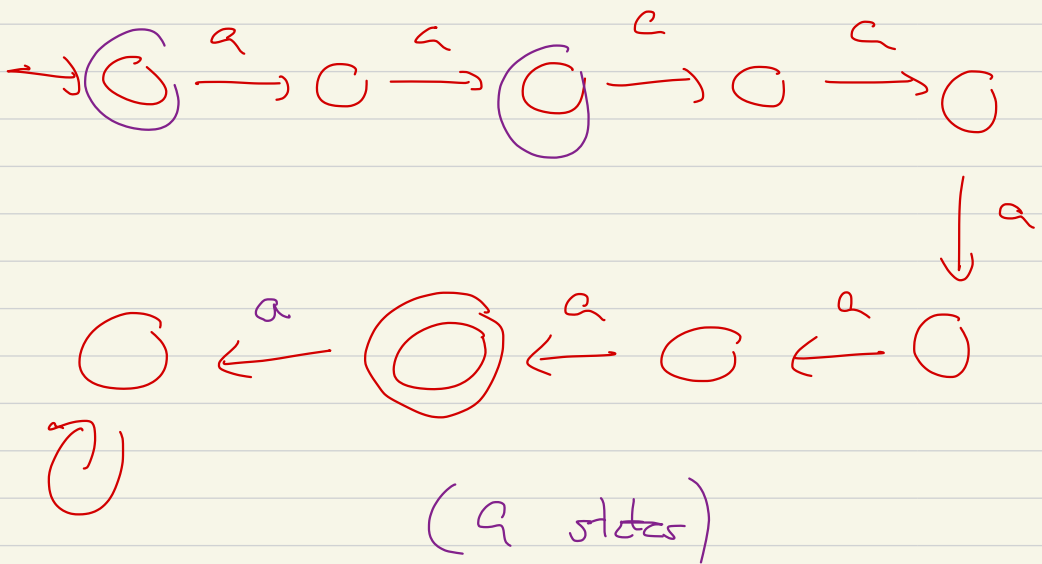
if and only if

Alternatively! for sufficiently large n we have

Rem: say $L \subseteq \{a\}^*$, is finite

$$L = \{ \epsilon, a^2, a^7 \}.$$

What is smallest number of states needed in a DFA recognizing L ?





Stuff appears on homework

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DIV-BY-3

= $\{ n \in \{0,1,\dots,9\}^* \text{ s.t.}$

$n \text{ is divisible by } 3 \}$

= there are a few possibilities

(1) DFA with 3 states can

recognize:

{ $\epsilon, 0, 3, 6, 9, 03, 06, 09,$
 $12, 15, 18, 21, \dots$ }

{ $0, 3, 6, 9,$ }

other extreme

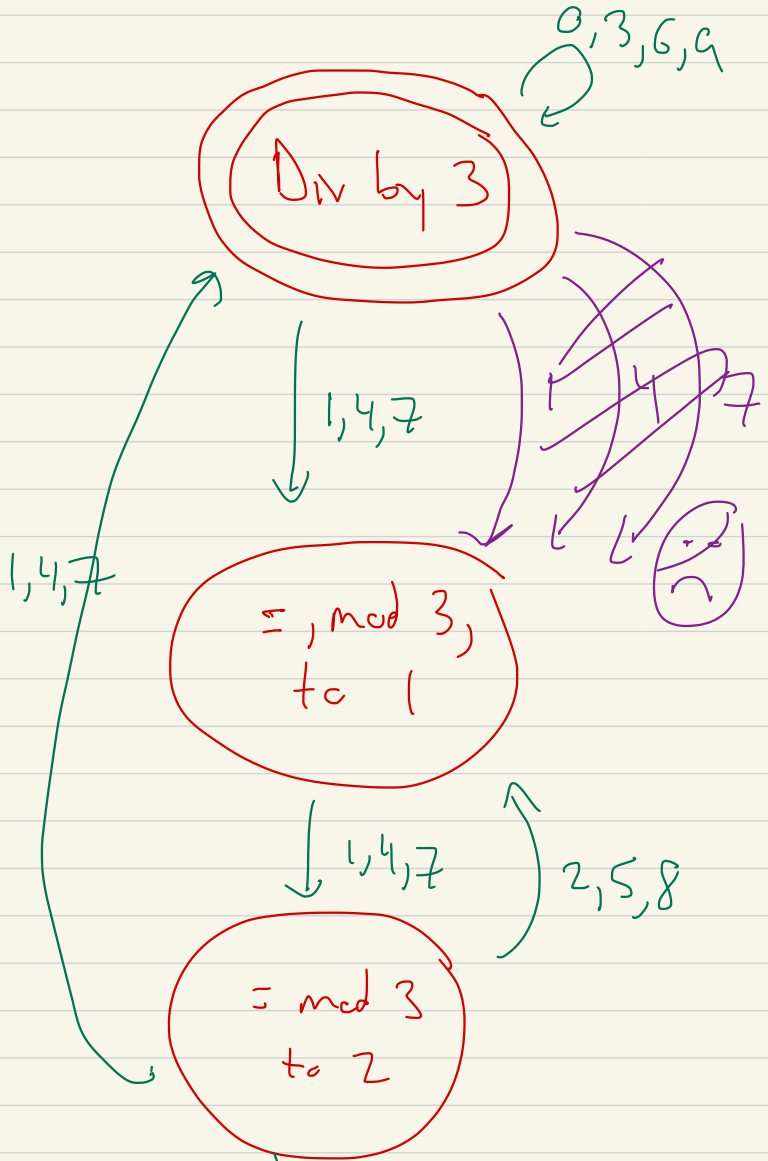
DIV-BI-3
"keep it real"

{ $3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, \dots$ }

takes 5 states, no ϵ
no leading 0's

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$$

→ 0



to be continued next time