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Think of Ch1 [Sip]:

§ 1.1 DFA's

§ 1.2 NFA's

§ 1.3 Regular Expressions

§ 1.4 Non-regular languages

This year:

Extra material on $\Sigma = \{a\}$

§ 1.3 only do $\frac{1}{2}$ (the $\frac{1}{2}$ that is useful for applications)

~~§ 1.4~~ ← not Pumping Lemma
but Myhill-Nerode

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Languages:

- Languages over $\Sigma = \{a\}$
- DIV-BY-3

3 state DFA:

$\{ \epsilon, 3, 6, 9, 03, 06, 09, 12, \dots \}$

3 state DFA needed:

$\{ 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, \dots \}$ exclude ϵ
exclude leading 0's

- Problems 1.60, 1.61 [Sip]

C_k , $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
 $k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$

$C_k := \left\{ \omega \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \right.$
the k^{th} last symbol
of ω is an "a" $\left. \right\}$

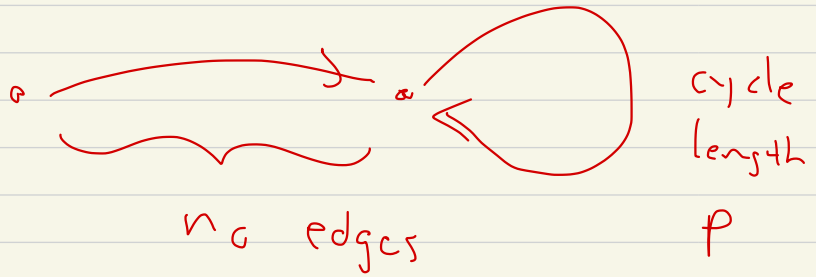
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$\Sigma = \{a\}$:

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{ a^n \mid n \text{ is a prime} \} \\ \{ a^{(n^2)} \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \} \end{array} \right\} \text{non-regular languages}$

We know DFA on $\{a\} = \Sigma$

looks like



Example of NFA

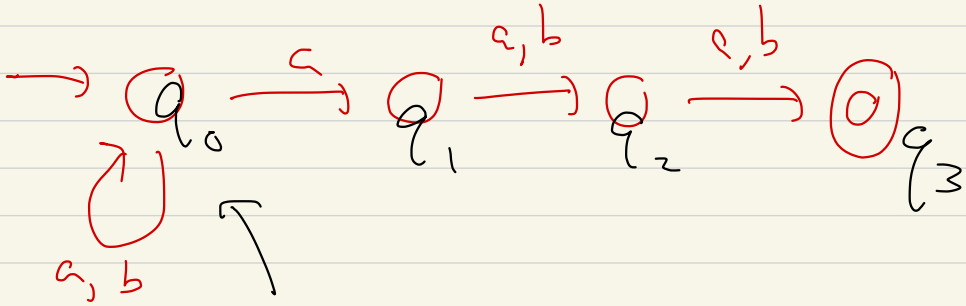
\rightsquigarrow DFA

e.g.

$C_3 = \{ w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{the 3rd} \\ \text{to last} \\ \text{letter is} \\ \text{an } a \end{array} \right\}$

NFA

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$



DFA!

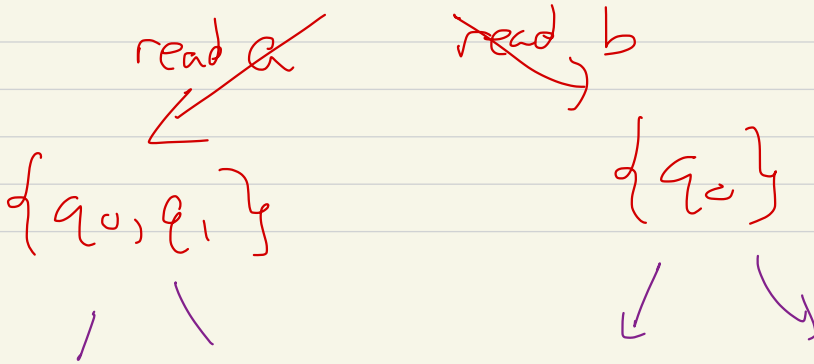
states = $\text{POWER}(Q)$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \emptyset, \{q_0\}, \\ \{q_1\}, \{q_2\} \\ \{q_3\}, \{q_0, q_1\} \\ \dots \end{array} \right.$$

start at $\{q_0\}$

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Start at $\{q_0\}$ initial state



~~read a~~
↓
{q₀, q₁, q₂}

~~read b~~
↓
{q₀, q₂}

~~read a~~
↓
()

~~read b~~
↓
()

State set for DFA has a priori

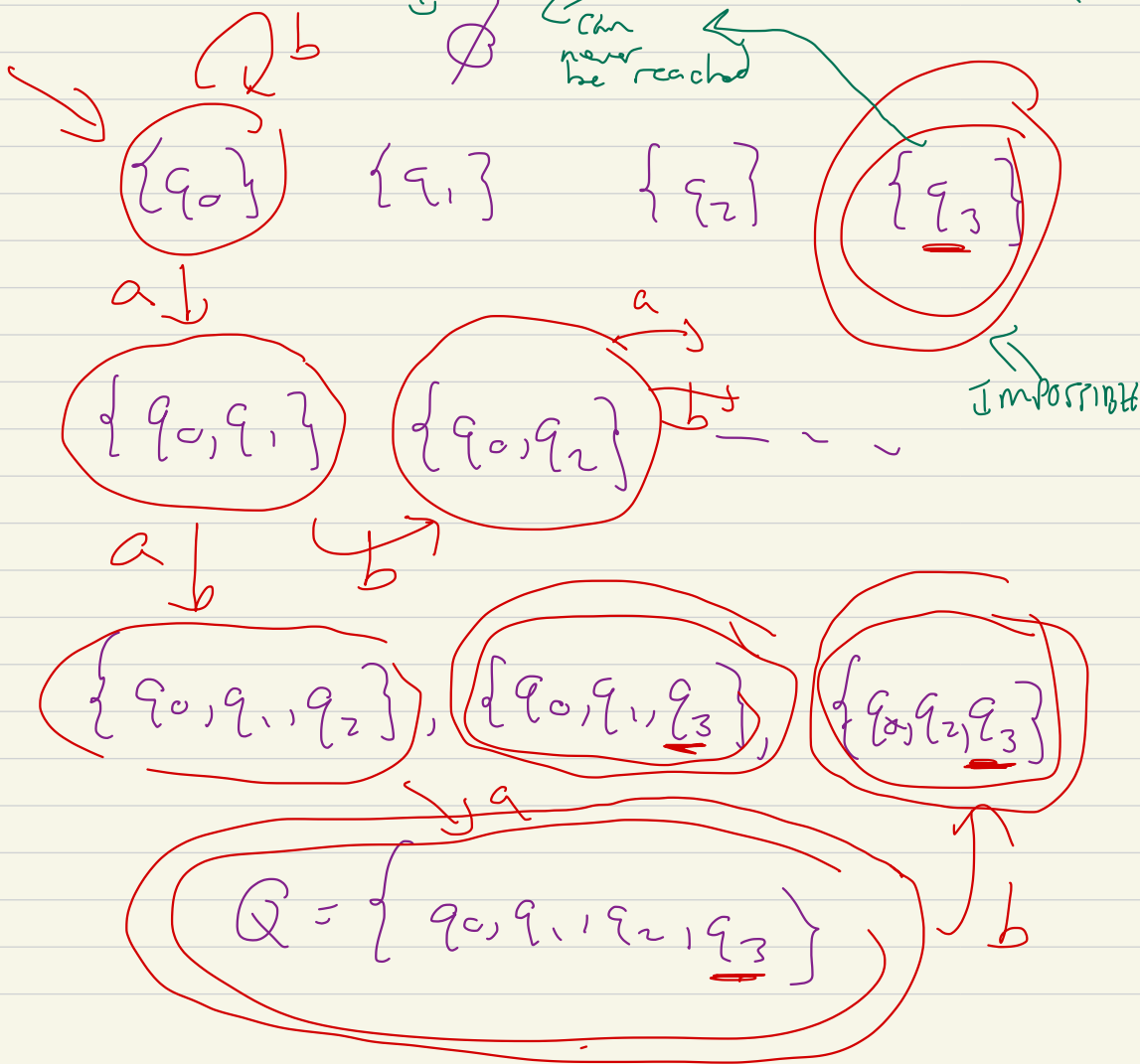
16 states:

Impossible to reach

Can we eliminate some states?

Can never be reached

Impossible



An accepting state here
is one that contains

q_3 , here the only

accepting state

i.e.,

Set of final/accepting states

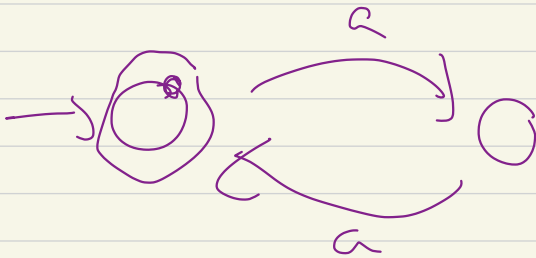
of DFA are those subsets

that contain q_3

$\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \{q_3\}, \{q_1, q_3\}, \dots$

eg, $\left\{ a^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} = \{0, 1, \dots\} \right\}$
s.t. n is even

$n = 0, 2, 4, \dots$, $\left\{ a^0, a^2, a^4, a^6, \dots \right\}$



Say input \vdash

16 state DFA is

$\underbrace{b \dots b}_7 a a a$ or $b^7 a^3$

aca**b** — — —
?
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break 10:11 — 10:16

What about ϵ jumps??

e.g. $L = \emptyset$

$\rightarrow \circ \curvearrowright a, b$

DFA

also

$\rightarrow \circ q_0$ *no arrows out*

NFA

DFA: states $\{q_0, \emptyset\}$

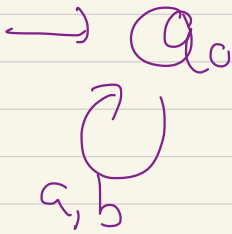
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graph LR; q0((q0)) -- a --> q0; q0 -- b --> q0; empty((∅)) -- a --> empty; empty -- b --> empty; style q0 stroke-width:2px; style empty stroke-width:2px;
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Remark: In above 16 state DFA,

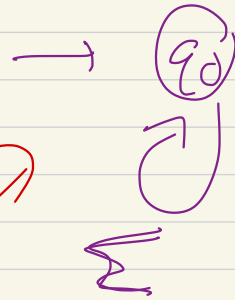
is \emptyset ever reached? No

if $\{q_3\}$ " " ? No

Remark:



or



You can always reach q_0

Gives 2nd reason why


In $C_3 = \{ w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{the 3rd to last symbol is an "a"} \}$

there is always some
"accepting future"

abbbaabababb bbasa 😊
 ↑ bbbbbb ☹️

if we reach

∅ then either

 not accepting

Q: Can ∅ be accepting, or reject and reached

 accepting

Remark: The reasoning here

is a warm up for the

Myhill-Nerode theorem.

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Given a language L , over

Σ (alphabet), for any

partial input / word $w \in \Sigma^*$
/ string

$\text{AccFut}_L(w)$ "accepting

futures of L starting with w "

is defined to be

$$\text{AccFut}_L(w) = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* \mid \begin{array}{l} wu \in L \end{array} \right\}$$

Example!

$$C_3 = \left\{ w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \begin{array}{l} w\text{'s 3rd} \\ \text{to last} \\ \text{symbol is} \\ \text{an } a \end{array} \right\}$$

$$w = ba$$

$$\text{AccFut}_L(w) = \left\{ u \in \Sigma^* \mid bau \in L \right\}$$

concatenation



$$ba \circ \varepsilon = ba \notin C_3$$

$$ba \circ aa = baaa \in C_3$$

$$ba \circ a = baa \notin C_3$$

$$\text{Accfut}_L(ba) = \{ u \in \{a, b\}^* \}$$

st. $ba u \in C_3$, i.e.

the third to last symbol

of $ba u$ is an "a" }

$\text{AccFut}_L(ba)$ contains

aa, aaa, a^n for $n \geq 2$

[not a^0 or a^1]

also C_3 itself is there. _

baa

↑
3rd to last symbol is an

"a"

then is also works. _

anything of length 2,

$ba \sigma_1 \sigma_2$ is u
 $\underbrace{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}_{u}$ there...

$\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \{a, b\}$

(regex)



 $\text{Accept } (ba) = \sum_{C_3}^2 \cup C_3$

anything else?

ba _ _ any 2 symbols

then

is the third to last

Σ^0, Σ^1 don't fall into

$\text{AccFut}_{C_3}(ba)$

if

$w \in \Sigma^3 \rightarrow a_ _$

$w \in \Sigma^4 \rightarrow _ a _ _$

Claim:

$$\text{Accfut}_{C_3}(ba) = \Sigma^2 \cup C_3$$

$$\text{Accfut}_{C_3}(\varepsilon) = C_3$$

⋮

$$C_3 \Leftrightarrow \Sigma^* a \Sigma \Sigma$$

After
class

$$\Sigma = \text{language} = \{a, b\}$$

$$\Sigma^* = \{a, b\}^* = \text{any string}$$

$$\Sigma^* \circ a \circ \{a, b\} \circ \{a, b\} = C_3$$