

Documentation

Finite Automata

The FiniteAutomata class implements a finite automation and its operations read from a file. It is composed of:

- states: List<String> = the list of states of the FA;
- alphabet: List<String> = the alphabet of the FA;
- outputStates: List<String> = the states of the FA that are marked as finals;
- transitions: List<Transition> = a list of 3-tuples in which first is the “from”- state, second is the “to”-state, and the third is the label of the transition;
- initialState: String = initial state of the FA
- filename: String = the name of the given file, passed in constructor;
- labelsRegex: Pattern = a regex for parsing the file

Operations

- init() : void – reads the given file and constructs the states, alphabet, outputStates, initialState, transitions; throws an Exception if the file is not correct written;
- printTransitions() : void – display the list of transitions
- printInitialState() : void – display the initial state
- printOutputStates() : void – display the final states
- printAlphabet() : void – displays the alphabet
- printStates() : void – display the list of states
- checkSequence(word : String) : Boolean – verifies if the given sequence (sequence of alphabet elements) is accepted by the finite automata (i.e. starting from the initial state, we reach the final state)
- getNextAcceptedSequence(word : String) : String – get the substring of the input sequence that is accepted by the FA (starting from the beginning of it)

Transition

This class represents a transition used in the FiniteAutomata class. It has 3 fields of type String: “from”, “to” and “label” (these were explained above) and getters for these fields. Basically a Transition object is a 3-tuple of form (from, to, label).

EBNF

letter = "a"|"b"|...|"z"|"A"|"B"|...|"Z"

digit = "0"|"1"|...|"9"

non_zero_digit = "1" | "2" | ... | "9"

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integer = "0" | ["+" | "-"] non_zero_digit {digit}
unsigned_integer = non_zero_digit {digit}
char = ""letter"" | ""digit""
string = "" {char} ""
firstLine = "states" "=" "{" {char} {"," char} "}"
secondLine = "initial_state" "=" {char}
thirdLine = "out_states" "=" "{" {char} {"," char} "}"
fourthLine = "alphabet" "=" "{" {char} {"," char} "}"
triple = "(" {char} "," {char} "," {char} ")"
fifthLine = "transitions" "=" "{" {triple} {"," triple} "}"
file = firstLine "\n" secondLine "\n" thirdLine "\n" fourthLine "\n" fifthLine

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