

B solution

- a) word \equiv finite sequence of characters of S
 $w = \{s_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$, $\ell(w) = n$, or EMPTY WORD
- event \equiv set of words over S .
- b) $M \equiv (Q, S, \tau, f, A)$. Given $\alpha \in Q$,
 $s \in S$, define $\alpha_s = f(\alpha, s)$. If $w = \{s_i\}^n$,
then M accepts w iff $((\tau_{s_1/s_2})_{s_n}) \in A$. M
accepts E if it accepts precisely the words of E .
- c) $+$ (UNION of sets of words)
 \cdot (set of CONCATENATIONS of words)
 $*$ (set of ARBITRARY REPETITIONS of words)
- d) regular events defined inductively by
closure from \emptyset (empty event), 1 (unit event),
and input symbols $\{s\}$ where $s \in S$, by under
application of regular operators.

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Kleene's Thm Event over alphabet S is
REGULAR iff it is accepted by a DFA M
having input alphabet S .

Suppose $E \neq \emptyset$. Choose $w \in E$
such that $\ell(w)$ is MINIMUM. If $\ell(w) \geq N$,
consider the $(N+1)$ states defined by transitions
 $q_0 = \tau$, $q_{s_n} = q_{s_{n-1}}$, $1 \leq n \leq N$,
where $w = \{s_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq \ell(w)\}$.

$\{q_{s_n}\}_0^N$ must contain at least one repeat,
contrary to minimality of $\ell(w)$. Hence result.

Given machines M, M' , we can construct

DFA to recognise:

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- a) $(S^* \setminus E), (S^* \setminus E')$;
b) $(S^* \setminus E) \cup E', (S^* \setminus E') \cup E$;
c) $S^* \setminus \{(S^* \setminus E) \cup E'\}, S^* \setminus \{(S^* \setminus E') \cup E\}$.

But these events are precisely $(E \setminus E'), (E' \setminus E)$.

We can determine whether each of these events is empty, as above. Hence decide $E = E'$

Once again rather a lot of definition at the start of the question; the think part at the end is all in the notes, but it's pretty abbreviated. Certainly not too long.

OK, I think.

" $\ell(w) < N$ " isn't really defined: maybe