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CS 435 Exam #2  
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1. [25 points] Consider the language  $L_1 = \{a^{2i+1}b^i : i \geq 0\}$ .

(a) Write a context-free grammar for  $L_1$ .

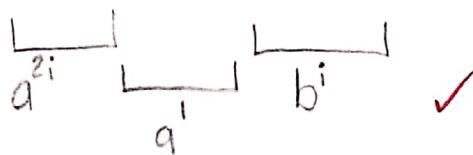
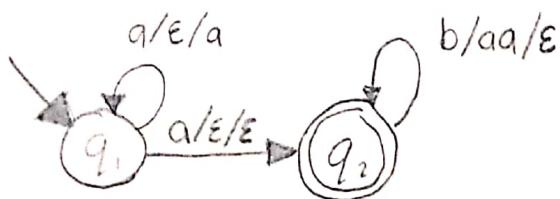
$$S \rightarrow aaSb$$

$$S \rightarrow a$$

$a^{2i} a b^i$   
twice as many a's as b  
with an a in the middle  
empty string not accepted

$S \rightarrow aaSb \mid a \quad \checkmark$

- (b) Construct a push-down automaton for  $L_1$ .



(c) Prove that  $L_1$  is not regular.

$$a^{2i+1} b^i \rightarrow a^i a b^i$$

Let's say  $w = a^{2k} a b^k$ . Since  $|xyl| \leq k$  we know that  $y$  falls under  $a^{2k}$ :  $y = a^p$  where  $p \geq 1$ .

If we pump this up 1 we see that

$w = a^{2k+p} a b^k$  which is no longer a part of  $L_1$ , thus  $L_1$  is not regular.

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$a^i b^j a^{i-j}$   
 $i \geq j \geq 0$   
 $0 \rightarrow \text{only } \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset$   
 $1 \rightarrow a \text{ or } \emptyset \rightarrow ab \text{ or } aa$   
 $2 \rightarrow \text{or less} \rightarrow aaba, aabb$   
 $\dots aaaa$

2. [25 points] Consider the language  $L_2 = \{a^i b^j a^{i-j} : i \geq j \geq 0\}$ .

(a) Write a context-free grammar for  $L_2$ . *Empty string accepted*

$$S \rightarrow \emptyset$$

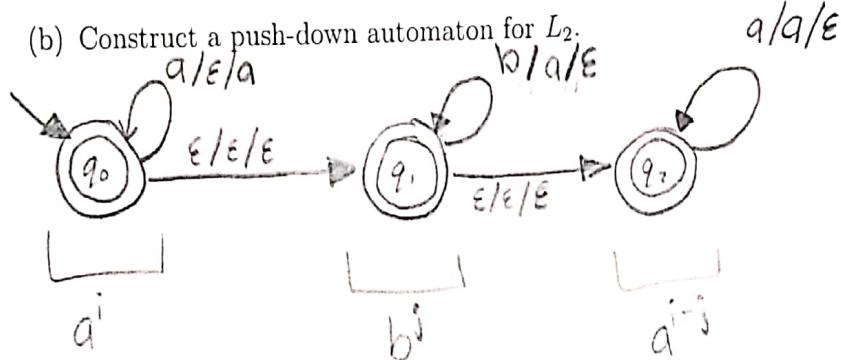
$$S \rightarrow aXb \quad // \text{if we do } a^*b \\ \text{we can't put } a^*a \text{ in between}$$

$$S \rightarrow aSa$$

$$X \rightarrow aXb$$

$$X \rightarrow \emptyset$$

- (b) Construct a push-down automaton for  $L_2$ .



✓

(c) Prove that  $L_2$  is not regular.

$$a^i b^j a^{i-j} : i \geq j \geq 0$$

$$\rightarrow w = a^k b^k a^{k-p} = a^k b^k$$

Since  $|xy| \leq k$  we know that  $y$  falls under  $a^k$   
So  $y = a^p$  where  $p \geq 1$ . ~~so  $z$~~

$$\text{Let's pump down 1 so } w = a^{k-p} b^k \rightarrow w = a^{k-1} b^k.$$

There are now fewer prefixing a's than there are  
b's and this is not in  $L_2$ , thus  $L_2$  is not  
regular.

✓

3. [25 points] Consider the language  $L_3 = \{a^i b^j a^k : j = \max(i, k)\}$ .

(a) Write a context-free grammar for  $L_3$ .      Empty string accepted.  
2 cases ( $i \geq k$  or  $k > i$ )

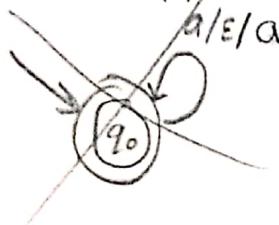
$$S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aSba \\ S \rightarrow aIb \\ I \rightarrow \epsilon \\ I \rightarrow aIb \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow abTa \\ T \rightarrow bKa \\ K \rightarrow \epsilon \\ K \rightarrow bKa \end{array}$$

This doesn't feel right

(b) Construct a push-down automaton for  $L_3$ .



a and b here were not working here  
but  $L_3$  is not context free so they shouldn't work anyway.

(c) Prove that  $L_3$  is not regular.

$$a^i b^j a^k : j = \max(i, k)$$

case  $i > k$ :  $w = a^c b^c a^{c-1}$ . Since  $|xy| \leq c$   $y$  must fall under  $a^c$ , so  $y = a^p$ . Let's pump  $y$  up 1

so  $w = a^{c+p} b^c a^{c-1}$

✓  $w = a^{c+1} b^c a^{c-1}$  which is not a part of  $L_3$ .

case  $i < k$ :  $w = a^c b^{c+1} a^{c+1}$ . Since  $|xy| \leq c$   $y$  must fall under  $a^c$ , so  $y = a^p$ . Let's pump  $y$  up 2

so  $w = a^{c+p} b^{c+1} a^{c+1}$

$w = a^{c+2} b^{c+1} a^{c+1}$  which is not a part of  $L_3$

Since all cases had a pumped example that fell out of  $L_3$ ,  $L_3$  is not regular.

4. [25 points] Consider the language  $L_4 = \{(ab)^i(ab)^i : i \geq 0\}$

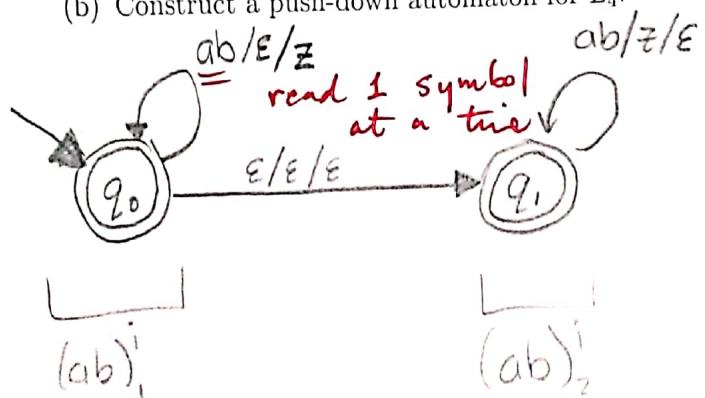
(a) Write a context-free grammar for  $L_4$ .      empty string accepted

$$S \rightarrow abSab$$

$$S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

✓

(b) Construct a push-down automaton for  $L_4$ .



(c) Prove that  $L_4$  is not regular.

$$(ab)^i(ab)^j$$

Let's use  $w = (ab)^k(ab)^k$ . Since  $|xy| \leq k$ .

we know that  $y$  falls under the first  $ab^k$ .

$$\text{so } y = (ab)^p, p \geq 1. \rightarrow w = (ab)^{k+p}(ab)^k$$

$$\text{Let's pump up } \underline{1} \quad w = (ab)^{k+1}(ab)^k$$

$k+1 \neq k$ , we now have an odd # of  $(ab)$   
which is not a part of  $L_4$ , thus  $L_4$  is not  
regular.

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CS 435 Quiz #6  
October 2, 2019

1. Is the language  $L = \{a^i b^j : i, j \geq 0 \text{ and } i + j = 5\}$  regular? Prove your answer.

Yes. This regular.  $i+j=5$  and  $i, j \geq 0$

is a very finite set.

This means we could build an FSM for this language.

In this case, we know that  $|w|=5$  where  $w \in L$ .  
~~so~~ With our language also limited such that no  $a$  follows a  $b$ , this language is very finite.

2. Is the language  $L = \{a^i b^j : i, j \geq 0 \text{ and } i - j = 5\}$  regular? Prove your answer.

No. It is not. We can see that  $i-j=5$ . Which means that for every accepted string,  
 $i=j+5$ .

So lets use  $w = a^{k+5} b^k$ .

Since  $|xy| \leq k$  we know that  $y$  falls under  $a^{k+5}$  so  $y = a^p$  where  $1 \leq p \leq k$

We can say that  $w = a^{k+5+p} b^k$ .

If we pump out we get  $w = a^{k+5-p} b^k$

which shows that  $k+5-p$  is not  $k+5$  since  $p \geq 1$ .

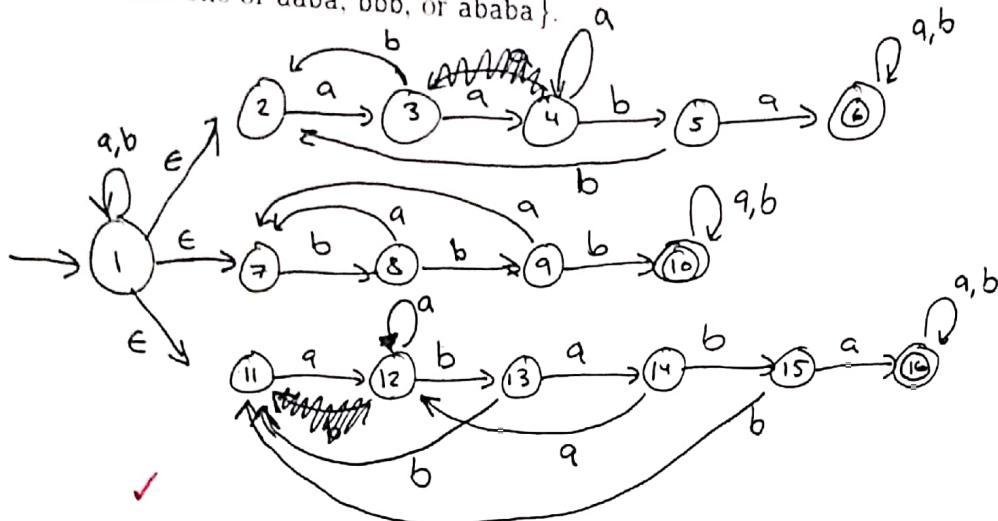
So  $w = a^{k+5-p} b^k \notin L$ , thus  $L$  is not regular.

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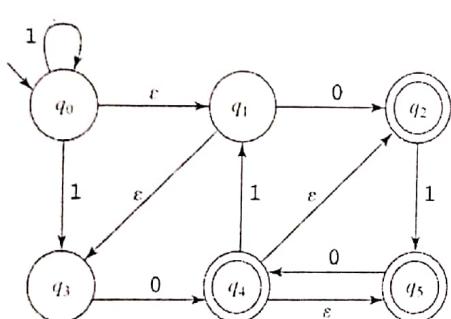
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CS 435 Quiz #2  
September 11, 2019

1. Build a nondeterministic FSM for the language  $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: w \text{ contains at least one of } aaba, bbb, \text{ or } ababa\}$ .

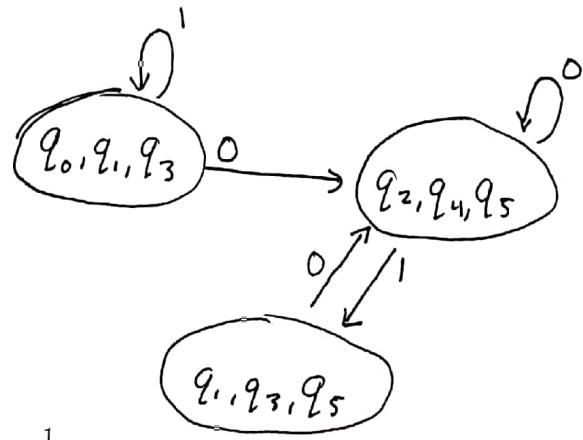


2. Construct an equivalent deterministic FSM for the following NDFSM:



$$\begin{aligned}\text{eps}(q_0) &= \{q_0, q_1, q_3\} \\ (q_1) &= \{q_1, q_3\} \\ (q_2) &= \{q_2\} \\ (q_3) &= \{q_3\} \\ (q_4) &= \{q_4, q_5, q_2\} \\ (q_5) &= \{q_5\}\end{aligned}$$

$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$	0	$\{q_2, q_4, q_5\}$
1		$\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$
$\{q_2, q_4, q_5\}$	0	$\{q_2, q_4, q_5\}$
1		$\{q_1, q_3, q_5\}$
$\{q_1, q_3, q_5\}$	0	$\{q_2, q_4, q_5\}$
1		{ } //dead State

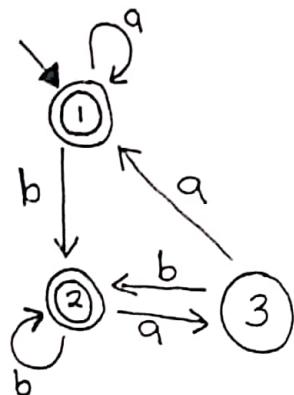


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CS 435 Quiz #1  
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Build a deterministic FSM for the language  $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: w \text{ does not end in } ba\}$ .



empty string ✓  
ends in any  $>0$  number of b's ✓  
ends in at least 2 a's ✓

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CS 435 Quiz #3

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1. Write a regular expression for the language  $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: w \text{ does not end in } ba\}$ .

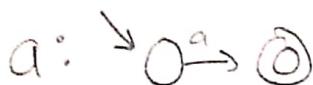
$$(a \cup b)^*(b \cup aa)$$

aa ✓  
ab ✓  
ba ✓  
bb ✓

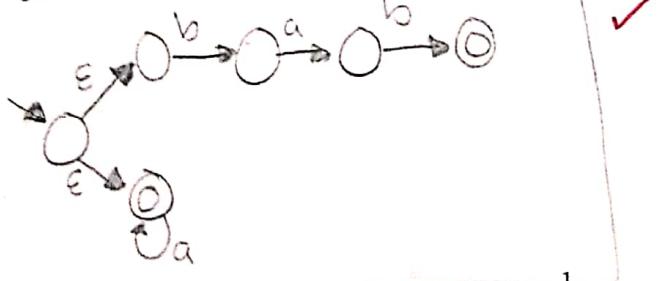
What about  $\epsilon, a$ ?

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2. Construct an FSM to accept the language generated by the regular expression  $bab \cup a^*$ .



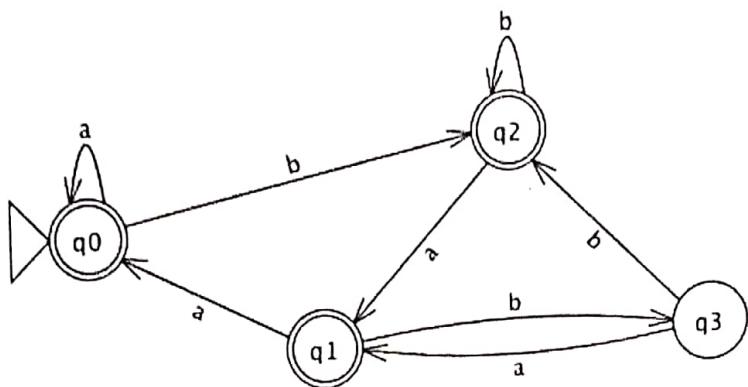
$bab \cup a^*$ :



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CS 435 Exam #1  
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1. [7 points] Give a clear English description of the language accepted by the following DFSM:



$a^* b b^*$       ab

bab

Any strings of a, b, and c that does not end  
in bab.

✓

I'm saying that  $L_1n$  does not have to equal  $L_{2n}$

2. [6 points] Let  $L_1 = \{0^n 1^{n+1} : n \geq 0\}$  and let  $L_2 = \{0^n 1^n : n \geq 1\}$ . For each of the following strings, state whether or not it is an element of  $L_1 L_2$ .

(a)  $\epsilon$

No, at minimum  $n$  values  
be 101

(b) 1

No.  $L_1$  has at least 1 1 and  $L_2$  has  
at least 1 zero followed by 1 1

(c) 101

$$so L_1 L_2 = 101$$

Yes. See above

(d) 10011

Yes  $L_{1n}=0$  and  $L_{2n}=2$

(e) 0110101

$$0^n 1^{n+1} 0^m 1^{m+1}$$

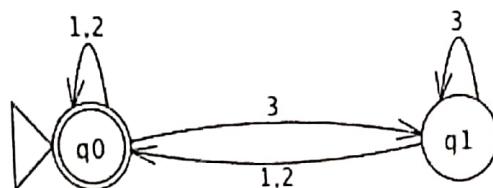
No does not allow for  
3 transitions from 0 to 1

(f) 0011101

Yes  $L_{1n}=2$  and  $L_{2n}=1$

good

3. [6 points] For each of the following strings, state whether or not it is accepted by the following DFSM:



cannot end in 3

(a)  $\epsilon$  Yes

(b) 123  
No

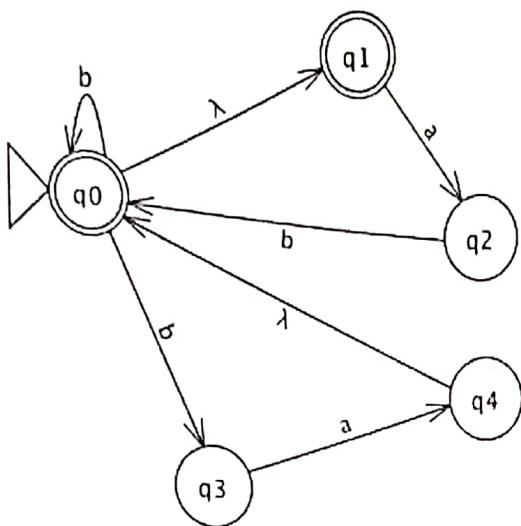
(c) 12321  
Yes

(d) 1123321  
Yes ✓

(e) 22133212  
Yes

(f) 123123123  
No

4. [6 points] For each of the following strings, state whether or not it is accepted by the following NDFSM (where  $\lambda$  is an  $\epsilon$ ):



(a)  $\epsilon$

Yes

~~(b)~~ ba

No

(c) aabb

No

~~(d)~~ baba

No

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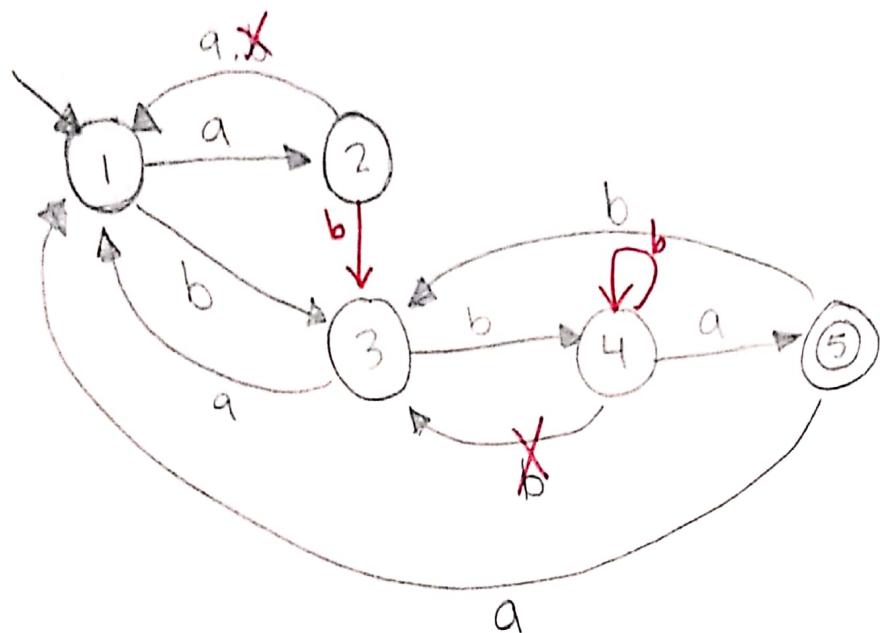
(e) baab

Yes

(f) bbaa

No

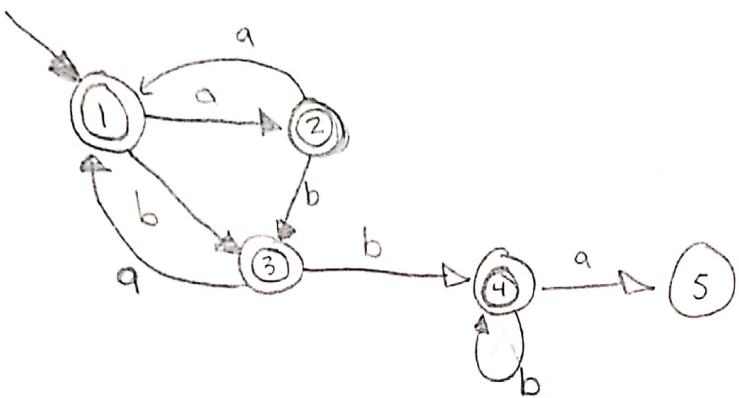
5. [10 points] Build a DFSM for the language  $L = \{w \in \{a,b\}^*: w \text{ ends in } bba\}$ .  
No empty string accepted



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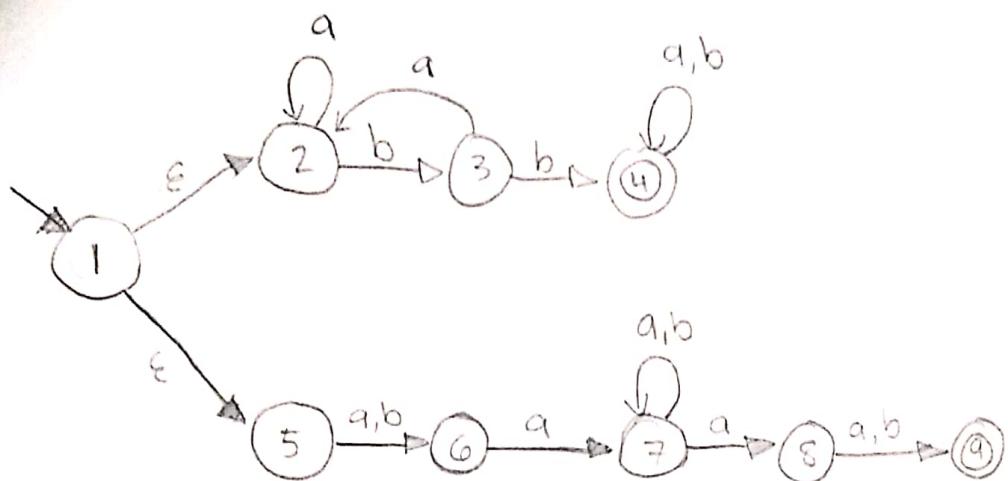
6. [10 points] Build a DFSM for the language  $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: w \text{ does not contain the substring } bba\}$ .

empty string accepted



✓

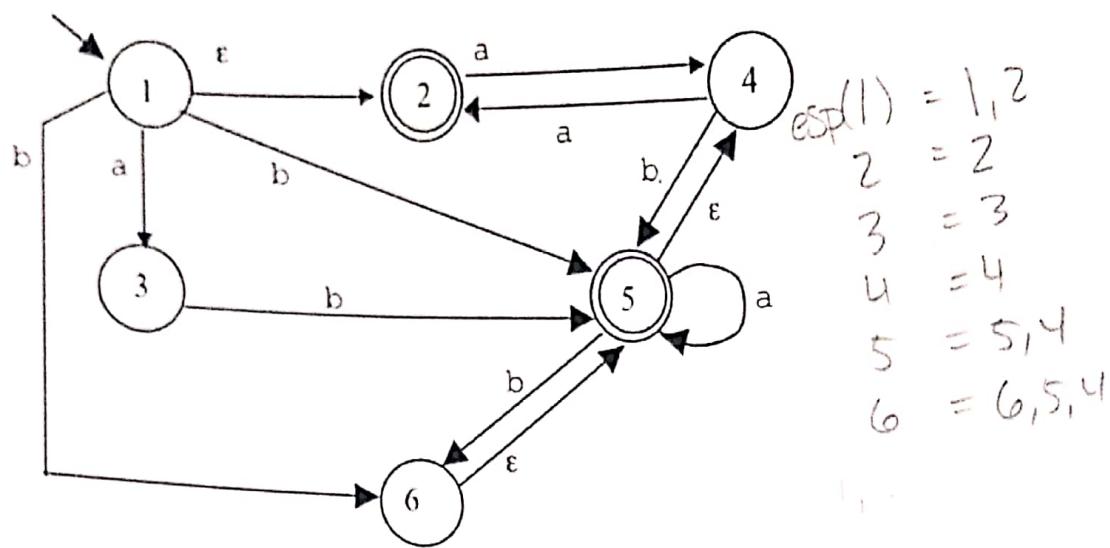
7. [10 points] Build a NDFSM for the language  $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: \text{either } w \text{ contains } bb \text{ or both the second character and the second from the last character of } w \text{ is } a\}$ .



$a/b$        $aa$

OK

8. [15 points] Construct an equivalent DDFSM for the following NDFSM:



1,2

- a  $\{3, 4\}$   
 b  $\{5, 6, 4\} -$

3,4

- a  $\{2, 3\}$   
 b  $\{5, 4\}$

5,6,4

- a  $\{5, 4, 2\} -$   
 b  $\{5, 4, 6\} -$

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- a  $\{4\}$   
 b  $\{\} // \text{dead state}$

5,4

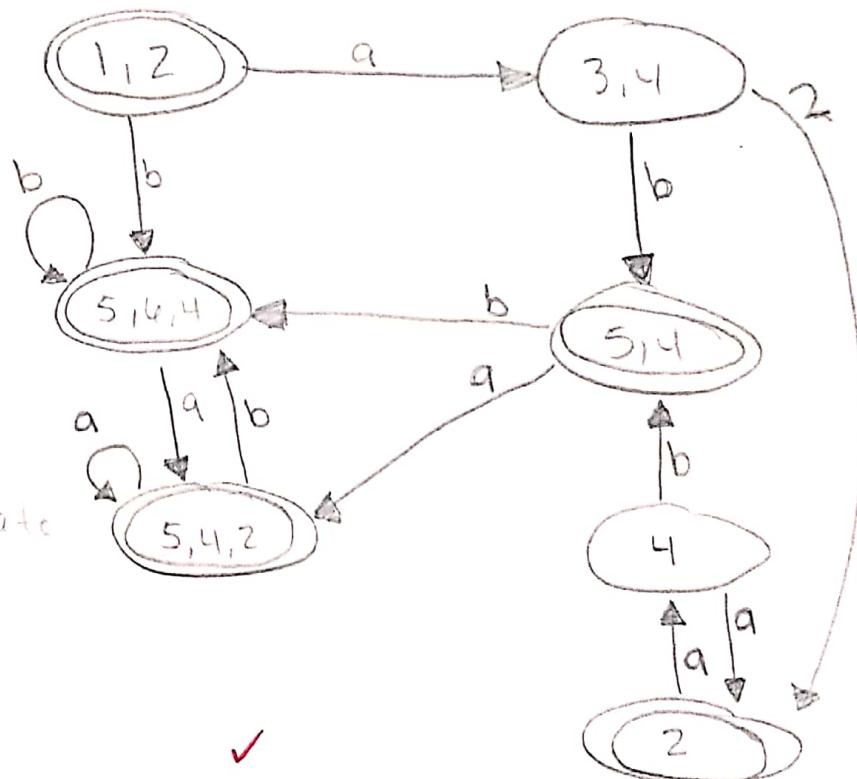
- a  $\{5, 4, 2\} -$   
 b  $\{6, 5, 4\} -$

5,4,2

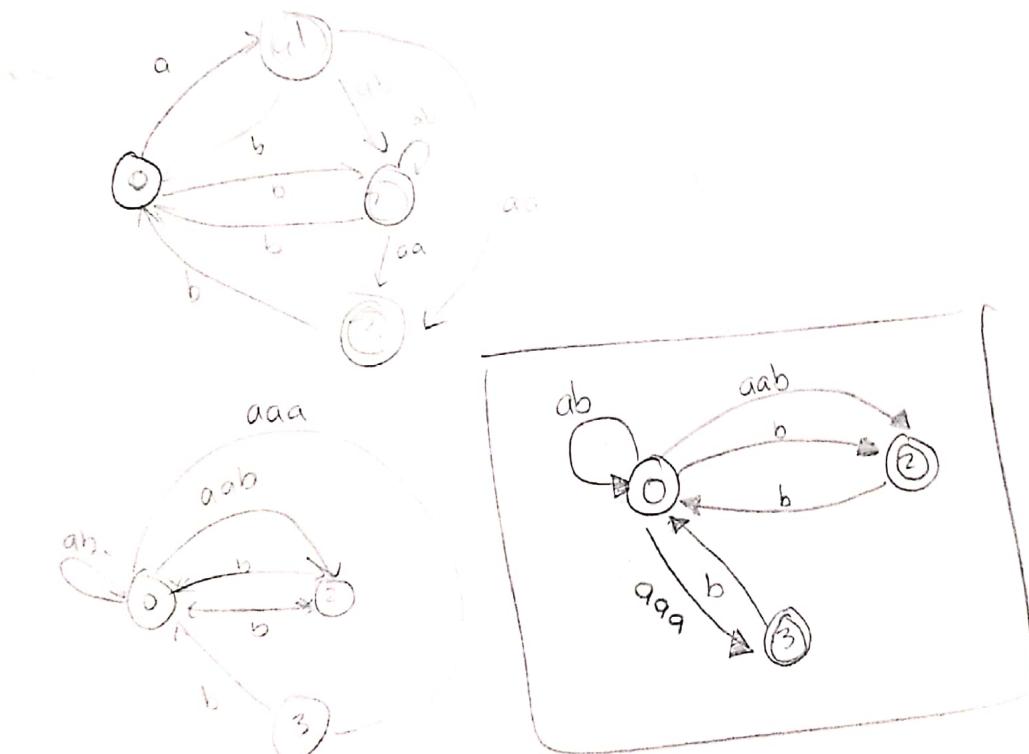
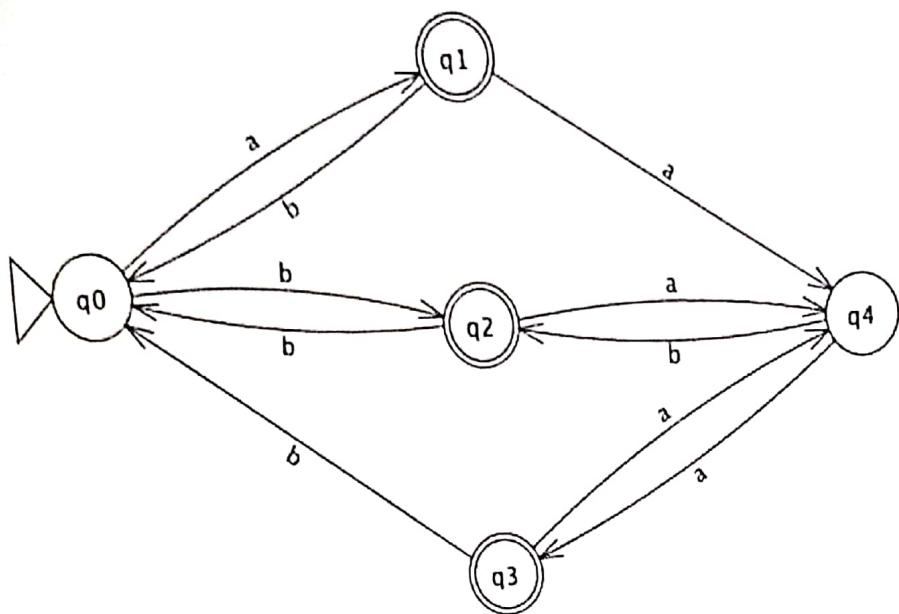
- a  $\{5, 4, 2\} -$   
 b  $\{5, 4, 6\} -$

4.

- a  $\{2\}$   
 b  $\{5, 4\}$



g. [15 points] Construct a minimal DFA for the following DFSA:



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10. [10 points] Write a regular expression for each of the following languages:

(a)  $L = \{w \in \{a,b\}^*: w \text{ contains aba as a substring}\}$

✓  $\{a \cup b\}^* aba \{a \cup b\}^*$

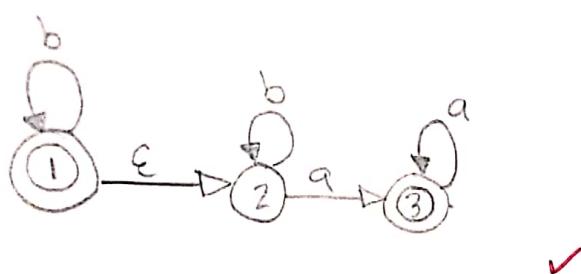
(b)  $L = \{w \in \{a,b\}^*: w \text{ does not contain bb as a substring}\}$

ab  
aa  
bb  
ba

- |  $\{aa \cup ba\}^*$

a, ab?

11. [5 points] Give a NDFSM that captures the same language as the regular expression  $b^* \cup b^*aa^*$



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CS 435 Quiz #5  
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1. Consider the following grammar for language  $L$ :

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid aSbS \mid \epsilon$$

- (a) List five strings that are in  $L$ .

✓  $\epsilon, a, ab, aab, \cancel{aa}, aaab$

- (b) List five strings that are not in  $L$ .

✓  $b, ba, bab, bbb, abb$

- (c) Indicate whether or not  $L$  is regular. Prove your answer.

Not regular

$$\omega = a^k b^k$$

✓ Pump  $b$  up such that  $\omega = a^k b^{k+1}$ .

Pump a ~~down~~ up we now have more  $b$ 's than  $a$ 's,  
such that  $\omega = a^k b^{k+1}$ . thus our string is not accepted.

L is not regular.

~~We now have  $k+1$  less  $a$ 's than  $b$ 's, thus our string is not accepted and L is not regular~~

Each grouping of  $b$ 's must be preceded by a grouping of  $a$ 's at least equal in ~~length~~ length

~~length~~

$$y = a^p \quad 1 \leq p \leq k$$

right idea

2. Show a context-free grammar for the language  $BalDelim = \{w : w \text{ is a string of delimiters: } (,), [], \{, \}, \text{ that are properly balanced}\}$ .

$$S \rightarrow (S) \mid [S] \mid \{S\} \mid SS \mid \epsilon$$

$$( \{S, (,), [], \{, \}, \{S\} \mid S \mid \epsilon \} )$$