
EXPERIMENT - VI

NFA TO DFA CONVERSION

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AIM

To write a program to convert NFA to DFA.

THEORY

Deterministic Finite Automata

A deterministic finite automata (DFA) N over an alphabet set Σ is a structure of the form:

$$N = (Q, s, \delta, F)$$

where,

- Q is a finite set of states.
- $s \in Q$ is the start state.
- $\Delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$ is the transition function.
- $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of final states.

Non-Deterministic Finite Automata

A non-deterministic finite automata (NFA) M over an alphabet set Σ is a structure of the form:

$$M = (Q, S, \Delta, F)$$

where,

- Q is a set of finite states.
- $S \subseteq Q$ is the set of start states.
- $\Delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow 2^Q$ is the transition function.
- $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of final states.

Conversion of NFA to DFA

Let $M=(Q_M, S_M, \Delta_M, F_M)$ be an NFA over the alphabet set Σ . Then the equivalent DFA $N=(Q_N, s_N, \delta_N, F_N)$ over the same alphabet set Σ can be defined as follows :

- $Q_N = 2^{Q_M}$
- $s_N = S_M$
- $\delta_N(A, b) = \bigcup_{q \in A} (\Delta(q, b))$
- $F_N = \{ A \subseteq Q_M \mid A \cap F_M \neq \Phi \}$

ALGORITHM

Algorithm 1 Algorithm to Convert NFA to DFA

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1: Start
2: Input the NFA (nfa).
3: Initialize an empty object of type DFA (dfa).
4: dfa.noofalphabets = nfa.noofalphabets
5: i=0
6: Initialize a set lazySet which stores subsets of Q and store 0 in it.
7: Create a new row of size dfa.noofalphabets and insert into dfa.table.
8: Initialize all values of the row to -1.
9: while i < lazySet.size() do
10:   for each input symbol j in  $\Sigma$  do
11:     Initialize an empty set of states reachable.
12:     Initialize next = -1.
13:     for each element in lazySet do
14:       Push into reachable the set nfa.table[i][j].
15:     end for
16:     if reachable is already in lazySet then
17:       Get the value of next from lazySet.
18:     else
19:       Insert into lazySet the set reachable.
20:       Set next = lazySet.size().
21:       if any element in reachable is a final state of nfa then
22:         Insert next into dfa.finalstates.
23:       end if
24:       Create a new row of size dfa.noofalphabets and insert into dfa.table.
25:       Initialize all values of the row to -1.
26:       dfa.table[i][j]=next
27:     end if
28:   end for
29:   Increment i.
30: end while
31: Stop
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SOURCE CODE

```
def ConvertToDFA(nfa):
    print()
    print("Generating DFA...")
    delta=[]
    S=nfa[1]
    F=[]
    lazySet=[]
    lazySet.append(S)
    tt=nfa[2]
    i=0
    while i<len(lazySet):
        row=[]
        for j in range(len(sigma)):
            reachable=[]
            next=-1
            for k in lazySet[i]:
                states=tt[k][j].split(",")
                for x in states:
                    y=int(x)
                    if y not in reachable:
                        reachable.append(y)
            reachable.sort()
            if reachable not in lazySet:
                lazySet.append(reachable)
                next=len(lazySet)
                row.append(next-1)
            else:
                next=lazySet.index(reachable)
                row.append(next)
        delta.append(row)
        i=i+1
    print()
    print("Start state of DFA : 0")
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    print()
    print("STATE",end="\t")
    for i in range(s-1):
        print(sigma[i],end="\t")
    print(sigma[s-1])
    for i in range(len(lazySet)):
        print(i,end="\t")
        for j in range(s-1):
            print(delta[i][j],end="\t")
        print(delta[i][s-1])
    print()
    for x in lazySet:
        for y in x:
            if y in nfa[3]:
                F.append(lazySet.index(x))
                break
    print("Final States of DFA : ",end="")
    F.sort()
    for i in range(len(F)-1):
        print(F[i],end=",")
    print(F[len(F)-1])

global s
global n
global sigma
n=int(input("Enter number of states in the NFA:"))
Q=[i for i in range(n)]
s=int(input("Enter number of input symbols:"))
print("State",end="\t")
x=('a','b','c','d','e','f','g','h','i','j')
sigma=[]
for i in range(s):
    print(x[i],end="\t")
    sigma.append(x[i])
print()

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```
nfa=[]
nfa.append(Q)
delta=[]
for i in range(n):
    print(i,end="\t")
    t=input().split()
    delta.append(t)
m=input("Enter the start states of the NFA:").split(",")
f=input("Enter the final states of the NFA:").split(",")
S=[]
F=[]
for i in range(len(m)):
    S.append(int(m[i]))
for i in range(len(f)):
    F.append(int(f[i]))
nfa.append(S)
nfa.append(delta)
nfa.append(F)
ConvertToDFA(nfa)
```


SAMPLE OUTPUT

```
user@adithya-d-rajagopal:~/s7/cd$ python3 p6.py
Enter number of states in the NFA:3
Enter number of input symbols:2
State      a      b
0          0,2    1
1          1,2    2
2          0,2    1
Enter the start states of the NFA:0
Enter the final states of the NFA:0,2

Generating DFA...

Start state of DFA : 0

STATE      a      b
0          1      2
1          1      2
2          3      4
3          5      3
4          1      2
5          5      3

Final States of DFA : 0,1,3,4,5
user@adithya-d-rajagopal:~/s7/cd$
```

RESULT

A program to convert NFA to DFA has been implemented using Python and the outputs have been verified.