

Assume A and B are regular languages.

Is $A \cap B$ regular?

Regular - we can define DFA that accepts it

Proof by Construction.

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

$$A = \{x_0 x_1 \dots x_n \mid x_i \in \{a\} \wedge \text{~~no~~ } n \geq 0\} \cup \{\epsilon\}$$
$$\{a^n \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$$B = \{x_0 x_1 \dots x_n \mid x_i \in \{a, b\} \wedge n \geq 0\}$$

What is $A \cap B$?

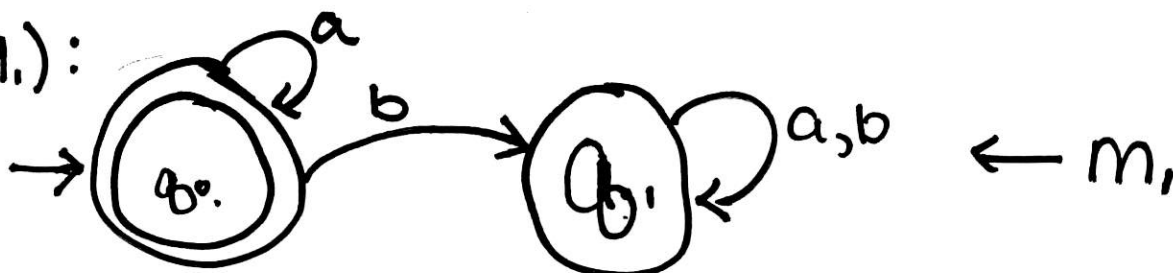
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$$P \cap Q = \{x \mid x \in P \wedge x \in Q\}$$

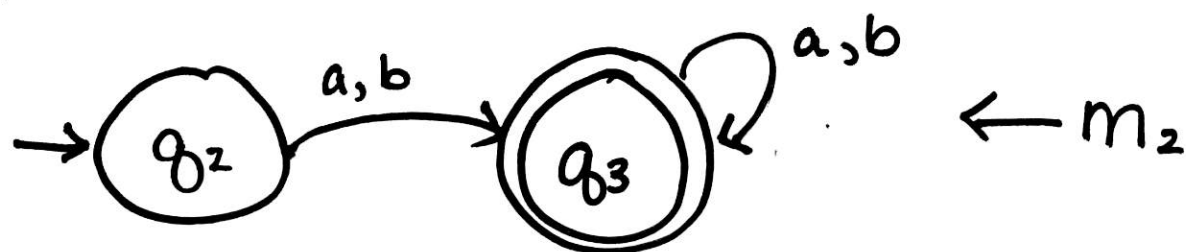
$$P \cup Q = \{x \mid x \in P \vee x \in Q\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{a^n \mid n > 0\}$$

$A = L(M_1):$



$B = L(M_2)$



$A \cap B = L(M_3)$

$$M_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, s_1, F_1)$$

$$M_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, s_2, F_2)$$

$$Q_1 = \{q_0, q_1\}$$

$$Q_2 = \{q_2, q_3\}$$

$$s_1 = q_0 \quad s_2 = q_2$$

$$F_1 = \{q_0\} \quad F_2 = \{q_3\}$$

$$M_3 = (Q_3, \Sigma, \delta_3, s_3, F_3)$$

$$Q_3 = Q_1 \times Q_2$$

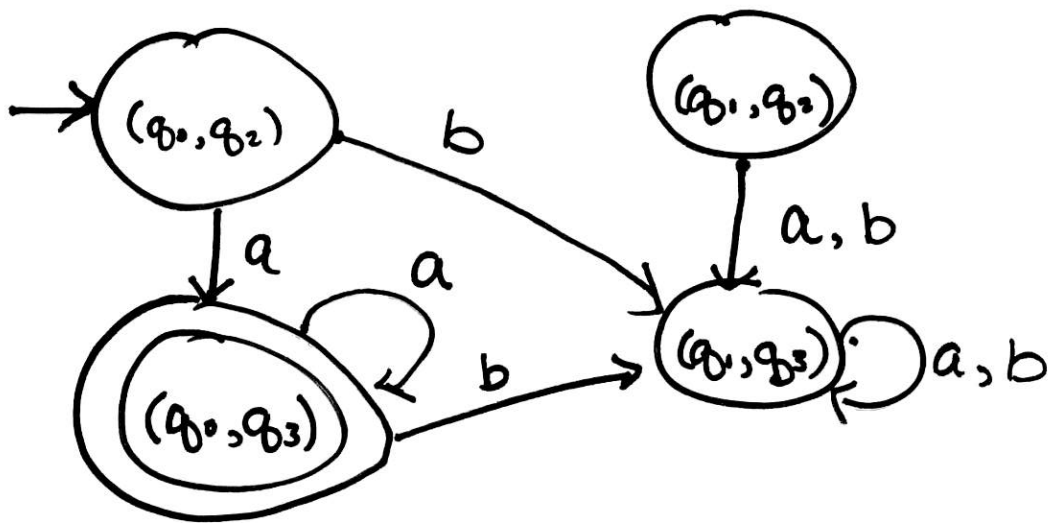
$$Q_3 = \{(q_0, q_2), (q_1, q_2), (q_0, q_3), (q_1, q_3)\}$$

$$s_3 = (q_0, q_2)$$

$$F_3 = F_1 \times F_2$$

$$F_3 = \{(q_0, q_3)\}$$

$M_3 :$



$$\delta_1(q_0, a) = q_0 \quad \delta_2(q_2, a) = q_3$$

$$\delta_3((q_0, q_2), a) = (q_0, q_3)$$

$$L(M_3) = A \cap B = L(M_1) \cap L(M_2) \quad \square$$

If A and B are regular languages,
then $A \cap B$ is a regular language.

WTP

$\exists M_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, s_1, F_1)$ s.t. $A = L(M_1)$
 $\exists M_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, s_2, F_2)$ s.t. $B = L(M_2)$

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We can construct $M_3 = (Q_3, \Sigma, \delta_3, s_3, F_3)$
s.t. $L(M_3) = L(M_1) \cap L(M_2) = A \cap B$

Construction

$$Q_3 = Q_1 \times Q_2 = \{(p, q) \mid p \in Q_1, q \in Q_2\}$$

$$F_3 = F_1 \times F_2$$

$$s_3 = (s_1, s_2)$$

$$\delta_3 : Q_3 \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q_3$$

$$\delta_3((p, q), d) = (\delta_1(p, d), \delta_2(q, d))$$

$$\forall x \in \Sigma^*, x \in L(M_3) \iff x \in L(M_1) \cap L(M_2)$$

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Proof of *

(From Kozen.)

Theorem 4.2 $L(M_3) = L(M_1) \cap L(M_2)$.

Proof. For all $x \in \Sigma^*$,

$$x \in L(M_3)$$

$$\iff \hat{\delta}_3(s_3, x) \in F_3$$

definition of acceptance

$$\iff \hat{\delta}_3((s_1, s_2), x) \in F_1 \times F_2$$

definition of s_3 and F_3

$$\iff (\hat{\delta}_1(s_1, x), \hat{\delta}_2(s_2, x)) \in F_1 \times F_2$$

Lemma 4.1

$$\iff \hat{\delta}_1(s_1, x) \in F_1 \text{ and } \hat{\delta}_2(s_2, x) \in F_2$$

definition of set product

$$\iff x \in L(M_1) \text{ and } x \in L(M_2)$$

definition of acceptance

$$\iff x \in L(M_1) \cap L(M_2)$$

definition of intersection. \square
