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EXPERIMENT: 2 CONSTRUCTION OF NFA FROM REGULAR EXPRESSION

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<u>AIM</u>: Write a program in C to conduct a non-deterministic finite automata (NFA) from regular expression.

PROCEDURE:

The method followed is that we decompose the RE into the primitive components. For each component, we construct a finite automaton as follows:

- 1. For epsilon, we construct the NFA.
- 2. For a in language, we construct the NFA.
- 3. Having constructed the components for the basic regular expressions, we proceed to combine them in ways that correspond to the way compounded regular expressions are formed from small regular expressions.
- 4. For regular expressions R1/R2 we construct the composite NFA.
- 5. For R1,R2 we construct the composite NFA.
- 6. Create a single start state for the automation and mark it as the initial state.
- 7. For each character in the regular expression, create a new state and add an edge between the previous state and the new state, with the character as the label.
- 8. For each operator in the regular expression create a new state and add the appropriate edges to represent the operator.
- 9. Mark the final state the accepting state, which in the state that is reached when the regular expression is fully matched.
- 10. Stop the program.

PROGRAM:

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main()
{
    char reg[20];
    int q[20][3], i, j, len, a, b;
    for (a = 0; a < 20; a++)
    {
        for (b = 0; b < 3; b++)
        {
            q[a][b] = 0;
        }
    }
    printf("%s", "Enter the Regular Expression: ");
    scanf("%s", reg);
    len = strlen(reg);
    i = 0;</pre>
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j = 1;
while (i < len)
  if (reg[i] == 'a' && reg[i + 1] != '|' && reg[i + 1] != '*')
     q[j][0] = j + 1;
     j++;
  }
  if (reg[i] == 'b' && reg[i + 1] != '|' && reg[i + 1] != '*')
     q[j][1] = j + 1;
     j++;
  if (reg[i] == 'e' \&\& reg[i + 1] != '|' \&\& reg[i + 1] != '*')
     q[j][2] = j + 1;
     j++;
  }
  //1
  if (reg[i] == 'a' \&\& reg[i + 1] == '|' \&\& reg[i + 2] == 'b')
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + (j + 3);
     j++;
     q[j][0] = j + 1;
     j++;
     q[j][2] = j + 3;
     j++;
     q[j][1] = j + 1;
     j++;
     q[j][2] = j + 1;
     j++;
     i = i + 2;
  if (reg[i] == 'b' &\& reg[i + 1] == '|' &\& reg[i + 2] == 'a')
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + (j + 3);
     j++;
     q[j][1] = j + 1;
     j++;
     q[j][2] = j + 3;
     j++;
     q[j][0] = j + 1;
     j++;
     q[j][2] = j + 1;
     j++;
     i = i + 2;
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if (reg[i] == 'a' && reg[i + 1] == '*')
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + (j + 3);
     j++;
     q[j][0] = j + 1;
     j++;
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + (j - 1);
     j++;
  }
  if (reg[i] == 'b' \&\& reg[i + 1] == '*')
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + (j + 3);
     j++;
     q[j][1] = j + 1;
     j++;
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + (j - 1);
     j++;
  if (reg[i] == ')' && reg[i + 1] == '*')
     q[0][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + 1;
     q[j][2] = ((j + 1) * 10) + 1;
     j++;
  }
  j++;
printf("Transition function \n");
for (i = 0; i \le j; i++)
  if (q[i][0] != 0)
     printf("\n q[%d,a]-->%d", i, q[i][0]);
  if (q[i][1] != 0)
     printf("\n q[%d,b]-->%d", i, q[i][1]);
  if (q[i][2] != 0)
     if (q[i][2] < 10)
        printf("\n q[%d,e]-->%d", i, q[i][2]);
        printf("\n q[%d,e]-->%d & %d", i, q[i][2] / 10, q[i][2] % 10);
  }
}
return 0;
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INPUT:

(a|b)*b

OUTPUT:

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RESULT:

Hence, the conversion of Regular Expression to NFA was successfully implemented.