

**Compiler**

**Report DFA and NFA**

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## NFA for the L+ of a regular expression:

Non-Deterministic Finite Automata and  $\epsilon$ -Non-Deterministic Finite Automata are almost the same except for their transition function and there are a few special rules for construction of  $\epsilon$ -NFA

$\epsilon$ -NFA is defined in 5 tuple representation  $\{Q, q_0, \Sigma, \delta, F\}$  where –

$Q$  is the set of all states,

$q_0$  is the initial state,

$\Sigma$  is the set of input symbols,

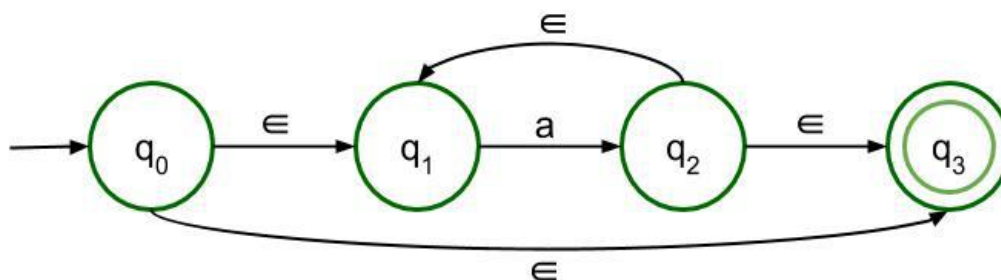
$\delta$  is the transition function which is  $\delta: Q \times (\Sigma \cup \epsilon) \rightarrow 2^Q$  and

$F$  is the set of final states.

### $\epsilon$ -NFA for $a^+$ :

This structure is for  $a^+$  which means there must be at least one 'a' in the expression. It is preceded by epsilon and also succeeded by one. There is epsilon feedback from state  $q_2$  to  $q_1$  so that there can be more than one 'a' in the expression

### $\epsilon$ -NFA for $a^*$ :



This structure is for  $a^*$  which means there can be any number of 'a' in the expression, even 0. The previous structure is just modified a bit so that even if there is no input symbol, i.e. if the input symbol is null, then also the expression is valid

# Minimization of DFA

Minimization of DFA means reducing the number of states from given FA. Thus, we get the FSM(finite state machine) with redundant states after minimizing the FSM.

**We have to follow the various steps to minimize the DFA. These are as follows:**

**Step 1:** Remove all the states that are unreachable from the initial state via any set of the transition of DFA.

**Step 2:** Draw the transition table for all pair of states.

**Step 3:** Now split the transition table into two tables T1 and T2. T1 contains all final states, and T2 contains non-final states.

**Step 4:** Find similar rows from T1 such that:

1.  $\delta(q, a) = p$
2.  $\delta(r, a) = p$

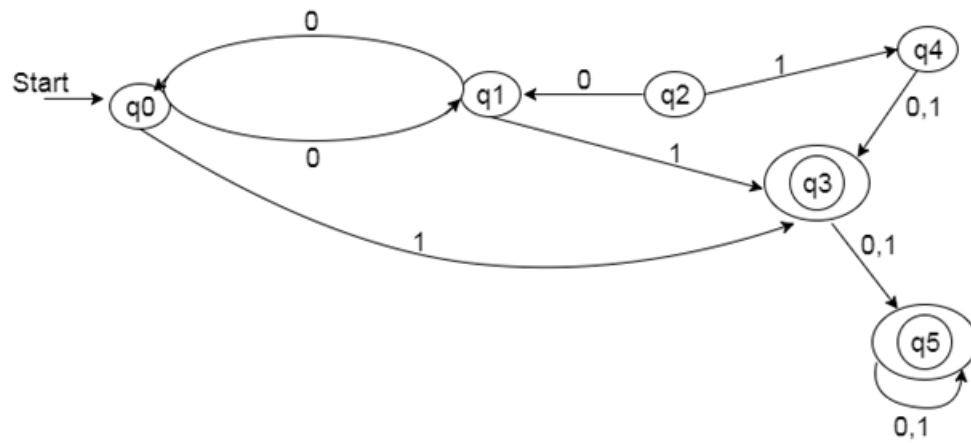
That means, find the two states which have the same value of a and b and remove one of them.

**Step 5:** Repeat step 3 until we find no similar rows available in the transition table T1.

**Step 6:** Repeat step 3 and step 4 for table T2 also.

**Step 7:** Now combine the reduced T1 and T2 tables. The combined transition table is the transition table of minimized DFA.

**Example:**



### Solution:

**Step 1:** In the given DFA, q2 and q4 are the unreachable states so remove them.

**Step 2:** Draw the transition table for the rest of the states.

State	0	1
→q0	q1	q3
q1	q0	q3
*q3	q5	q5
*q5	q5	q5

**Step 3:** Now divide rows of transition table into two sets as:

1. One set contains those rows, which start from non-final states:

State	0	1
q0	q1	q3
q1	q0	q3

2. Another set contains those rows, which starts from final states.

State	0	1
q3	q5	q5

q5	q5	q5
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**Step 4:** Set 1 has no similar rows so set 1 will be the same.

**Step 5:** In set 2, row 1 and row 2 are similar since q3 and q5 transit to the same state on 0 and 1. So skip q5 and then replace q5 by q3 in the rest.

State	0	1
q3	q3	q3

**Step 6:** Now combine set 1 and set 2 as:

State	0	1
→q0	q1	q3
q1	q0	q3
*q3	q3	q3

**Now it is the transition table of minimized DFA.**

