

CSE 3204: Formal Language, Automata and Computability

□ A theoretical branch of computer science

- study of **abstract machines** and the **computation problems** that can be solved using these machines.
- The abstract machine is called the automata.
- a team consists of biologists, psychologists, mathematicians, engineers and few computer scientists

- Goals:**
- to model the human thought process, in a machine
 - the need to formally understand what can (and cannot) be **computed**.

References

- **"Introduction to Automata Theory, Languages, and Computation"** by John E. Hopcroft, Rajeev Motwani, and Jeffrey D. Ullman.
- **"Theory of Computer Science: Automata, Languages and Computation"** by K.L.P. Mishra and N. Chandrasekaran.

Notable early contributions on Computability

❑ Turing Machine - *Alan Turing*

- Provided a simple yet powerful model to define what it means for a function to be computable.
- Established the theoretical underpinnings for modern computing and algorithms.

❑ Lambda Calculus - *Alonzo Church*

- Introduced a mathematical framework for expressing computation via functions.
- Influenced the development of programming languages like Lisp, Haskell, and Scala.
- Played a crucial role in exploring the theoretical limits of what can be computed.



Notable early contributions on Computability (cont.)

❑ Church-Turing Thesis

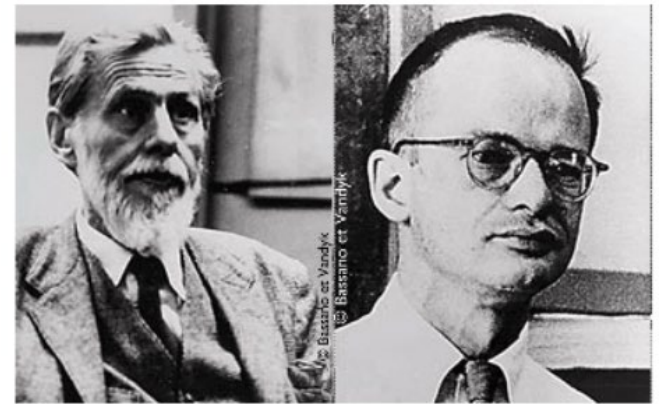
- **Hypothesizes** that any function *effectively calculable by an algorithm* can be computed by a Turing Machine or expressed in Lambda Calculus.
- **Unifies** various models of computation (recursive functions, Lambda Calculus, Turing Machines).
- Widely accepted despite *not being formally provable*.
- Underpins much of modern computational theory, capturing the essence of computation.

❑ Uncomputable Problems *Undecidable Problem (e.g. Halting Problem)*

- Alan Turing's introduction of **the Halting Problem** was a pivotal moment in theoretical CS.
- By **proving** that the **Halting Problem is undecidable** and, consequently, uncomputable
 - demonstrated that there are clear limits to what can be achieved through algorithms and computation.
 - illustrated that some problems cannot be solved by any algorithmic means, no matter how powerful our computational models become.

Notable early contributions on Automata

- ❑ Two neurophysiologists, Warren McCulloch and Walter Pitts, were the first to present a description of *finite automata* in 1943.
- ❑ Stephen Kleene introduced *regular expressions* and the concept of regular sets, which are crucial in the theory of finite automata.
 - His work on these topics laid the groundwork for text processing and compiler construction.
- ❑ Later, G.H. Mealy and E.F. Moore, generalized the theory to design much more powerful machines in 1955.



Warren McCulloch and Walter Pitts

Applications and objectives

❑ Basis of many Applications

- Compilers and interpreters
- Text editors and processors
- Search engines
- System verification components

❑ Study the limits of computations

- What kinds of problems can be solved with a computer?
- What kinds of problems can be solved efficiently?

Important Terminologies

1. Alphabets
2. Strings
3. Languages
4. Problems

□ An **alphabet** is a finite set of symbols.

- Usually, we use Σ to represent an alphabet.

Examples:

- $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, the set of binary digits.
- $\Sigma = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$, the set of all lower-case letters.
- $\Sigma = \{ (,) \}$, the set of open and close parentheses.

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Examples:

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- Empty string: ϵ
- Length of string: $|0010| = 4, |aa| = 2, |\epsilon| = 0$
- Prefix of string: aaabc, aaabc, aaaabc
- Proper prefix of string: aaabc, aaabc
- Suffix of string: aaabc, aaabc, aaabc
- Proper suffix of string: aaabc, aaabc
- Substring of string: aaabc, aaabc, aaabc

A proper prefix and proper suffix of a string is not equal to the string itself and non-empty.

Basics of Strings

- Concatenation: $\omega = abd, \alpha = ce, \omega\alpha = abdce$
- Exponentiation: $\omega = abd, \omega^3 = abdabdabd, \omega^0 = \epsilon$
- Reversal: $\omega = abd, \omega^R = dba$
- Σ^k = set of all k -length strings formed by symbols in Σ
 - e.g., $\Sigma = \{a, b\}, \Sigma^2 = \{ab, ba, aa, bb\}, \Sigma^0 = \{\epsilon\}$

Languages and Problems

In automata theory, a **problem** is to decide whether a given string is a member of some particular **language**.

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$

$$L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

is $S_1 = 0011 \in L$? YES

is $S_2 = 00011 \in L$? NO

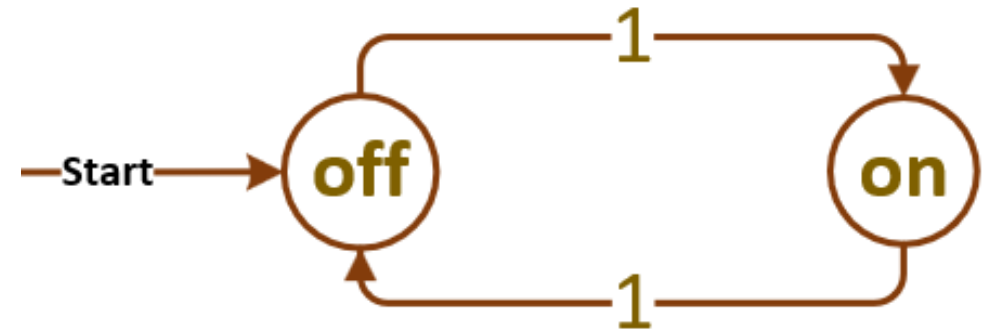
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This formulation is general enough to capture the difficulty levels of all computing problems.

Finite Automata or Finite State Machine

We will study **3 types** of Finite Automata

- Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA)
- Non-deterministic Finite Automata (NFA)
- Finite Automata with ϵ -transitions (ϵ -NFA)



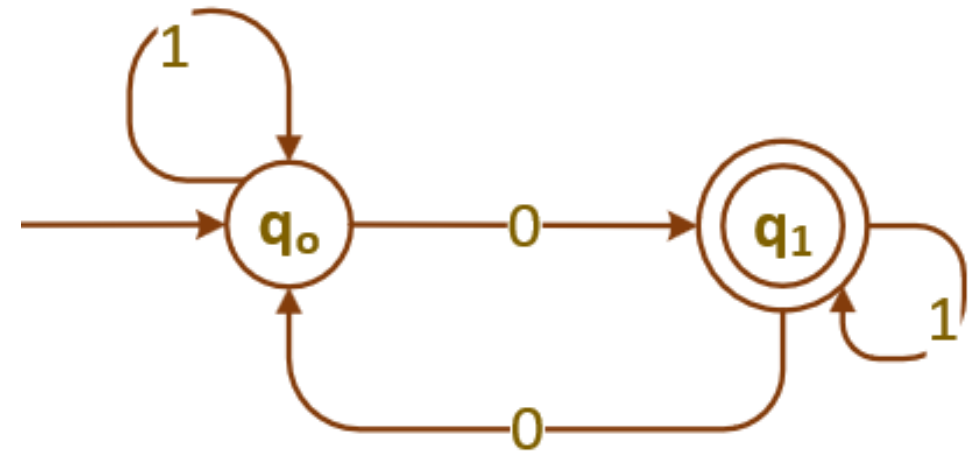
- ❑ There are some states and transitions (edges) between the states.
- ❑ An **edge label** defines the move from one state to another.

Deterministic Finite Automata

A DFA is a 5-tuple $\langle Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F \rangle$:

- Q is a finite set of states
- Σ is a finite input alphabet
- δ is the transition function mapping $Q \times \Sigma$ to Q
- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state (only one)
- $F \subseteq Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)

Note that there is **one transition only** for **each input symbol** from each state



Transition Diagram

Present State	Transition Function – δ	
	Input: 0	Input: 1
$\rightarrow q_0$	q_1	q_0
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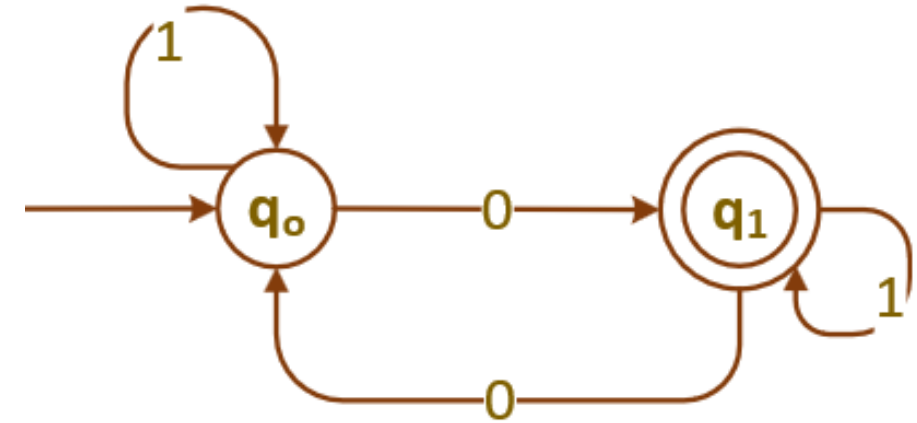
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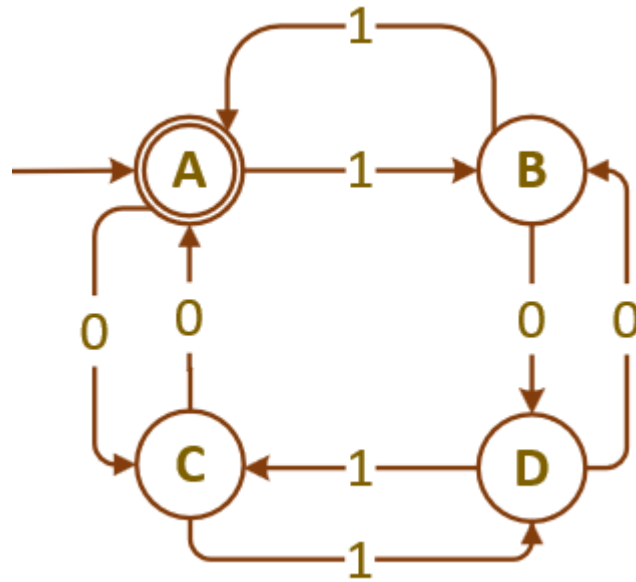
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A DFA for $\Sigma=\{0,1\}$ that accepts strings with **odd number of 0's** and **any number of 1's**.

Constructions of DFA

$L = \{w : w \text{ has both an even number of 0's and an even number of 1's}\}$

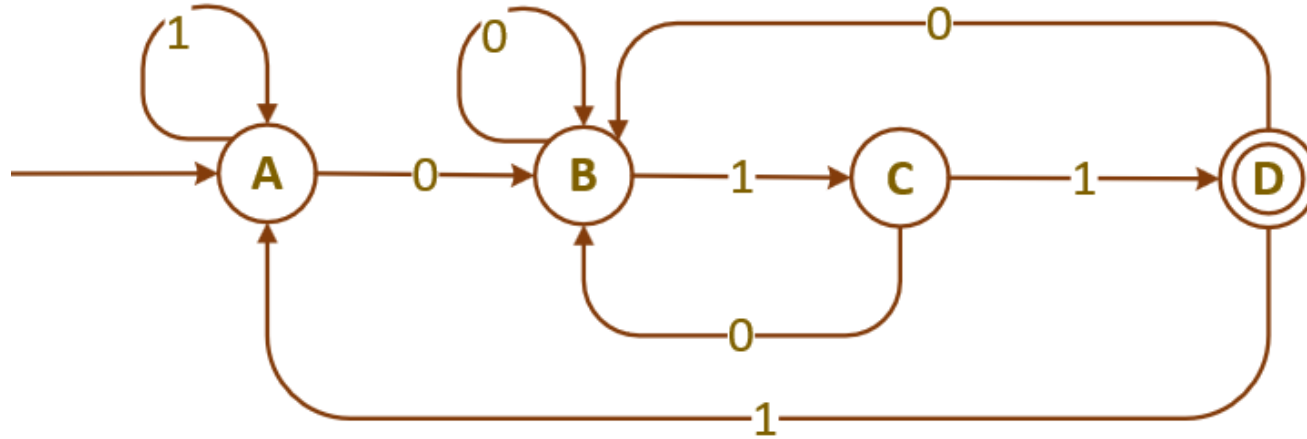


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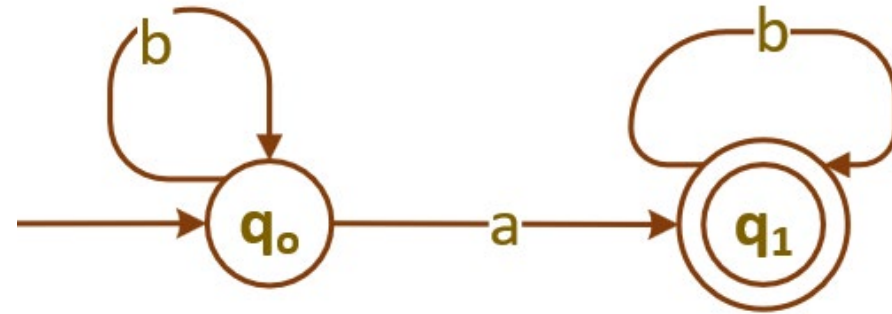
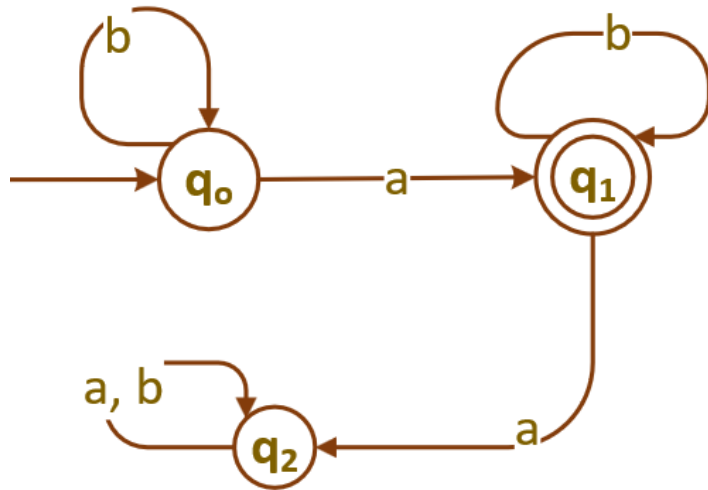


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- ❑ **A dead state** in a DFA is generally defined as a non-accepting state from which no sequence of inputs can lead to an accepting state. Two school of thoughts -
1. This state may have outgoing transitions that either loop back to itself or lead to other non-accepting states, but they do not lead to any accepting state.
 2. this state must not have any outgoing transition apart from self-loop.

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Practice DFA Constructions

□ Design a DFA for each of the following

- To accept strings of a's and b's **that contains substring aba**
- To accept strings of a's and b's **that start with baba**
- To accept strings of a's and b's **that end with abba**
- To accept strings of a's and b's **that contains exactly two b's**

Extended transition function for DFA

□ The DFA defines a language

- the **set of all strings** that results in a sequence of state transitions from the initial state to a final state

□ Extended Transition Function

- denoted by $\hat{\delta}$
- $\hat{\delta}$ takes a state q , a string ω and returns a state p
 - p is the states where the automaton reaches when starting in a state q and processing the sequence of inputs ω

Extended transition function for DFA

Basis

$$\hat{\delta}(q, \epsilon) = q$$

Induction

Suppose, $\omega = xa$

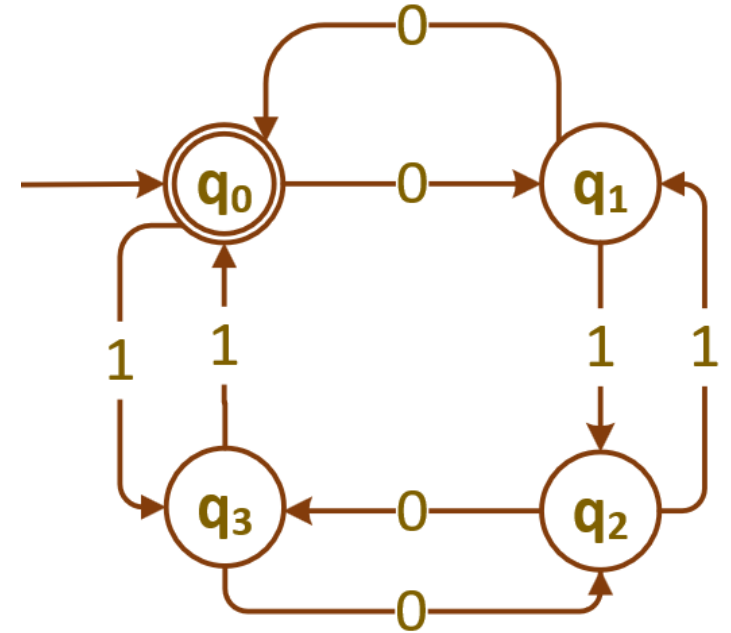
i.e.; a is the last symbol of ω and x is the string consisting of all but the last symbol

$$\text{Then, } \hat{\delta}(q, \omega) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q, x), a)$$

- To compute $\hat{\delta}(q, \omega)$, first compute $\hat{\delta}(q, x)$, the state that the automaton is in after processing all but the last symbol of ω .
- Suppose this state is p i.e.; $\hat{\delta}(q, x) = p$.
- Then $\hat{\delta}(q, \omega)$ is what we get by making a transition from state p on input a - the last symbol of ω .

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- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 1) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon), 1) = \delta(q_0, 1) = q_3$
- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 11) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, 1), 1) = \delta(q_3, 1) = q_0$
- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 110) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, 11), 0) = \delta(q_0, 0) = q_1$
- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 1101) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, 110), 1) = \delta(q_1, 1) = q_2$
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Non-deterministic Finite Automata (NFA)

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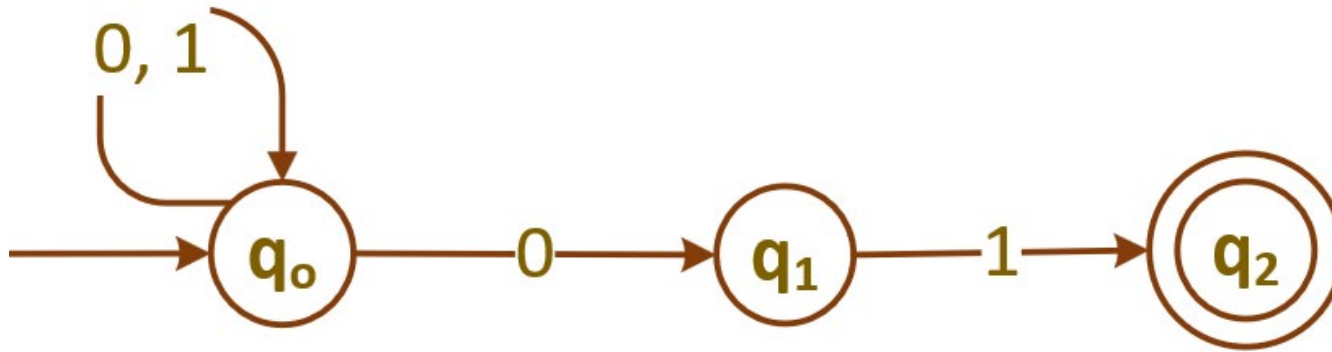
The difference between DFA and NFA is in type of value δ returns

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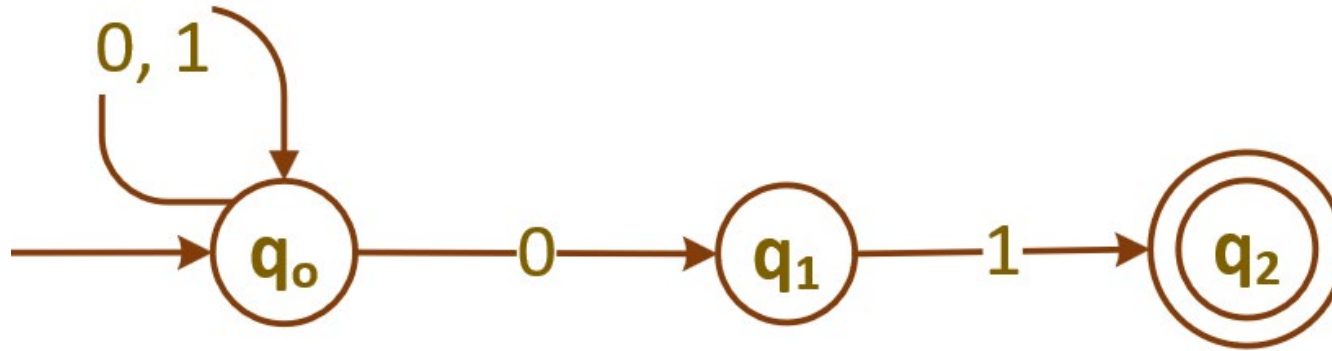
Design a NFA that accepts all binary strings that end with 01



$A = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta, q_0, \{q_2\})$
where the transition function δ is given by:

	0	1
$\rightarrow q_0$	$\{q_0, q_1\}$	$\{q_0\}$
q_1	\emptyset	$\{q_2\}$
$*q_2$	\emptyset	\emptyset

Extended Transition Function for NFA



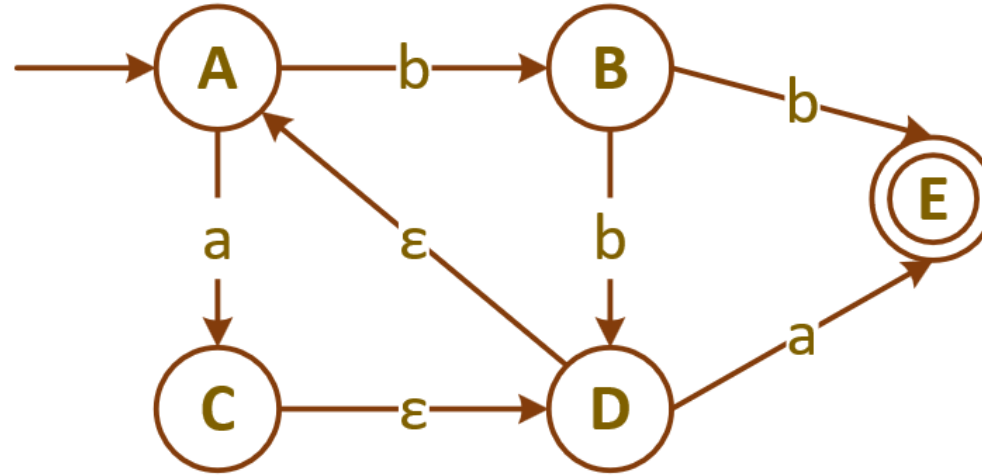
Processing $\omega = 00101$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon) = \{q_0\}$
- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 0) = \delta(q_0, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\}$
- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 00) = \delta(q_0, 0) \cup \delta(q_1, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\} \cup \emptyset = \{q_0, q_1\}$
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The concept of ϵ -closure

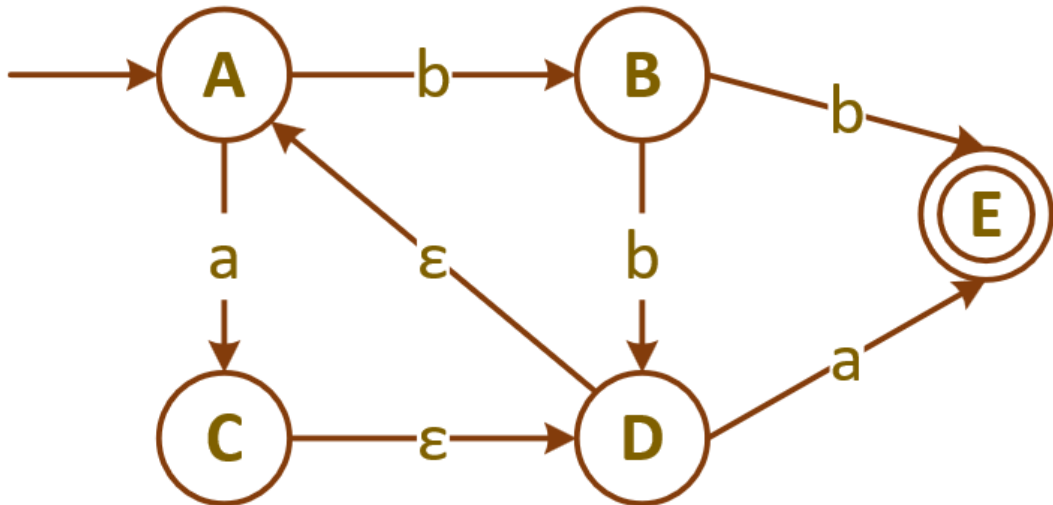
$\epsilon\text{-closure}(T) = T + \text{all NFA states reachable from any state in } T \text{ using only } \epsilon\text{-transitions.}$

1. $\epsilon\text{-closure}(D)$
2. $\epsilon\text{-closure}(A)$
3. $\epsilon\text{-closure}(A, B, E)$
4. $\epsilon\text{-closure}(C, E)$
5. $\epsilon\text{-closure}(\delta(A, a))$
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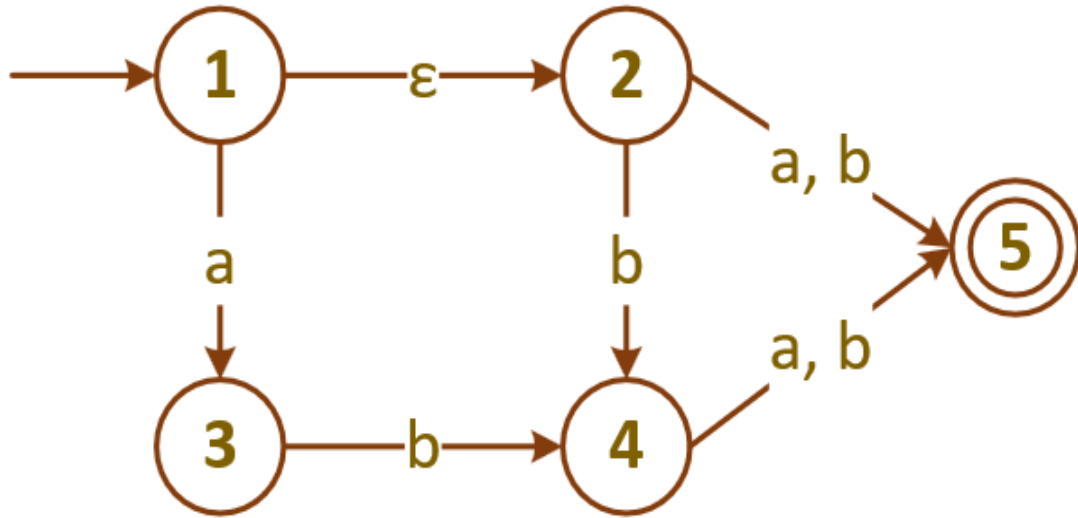
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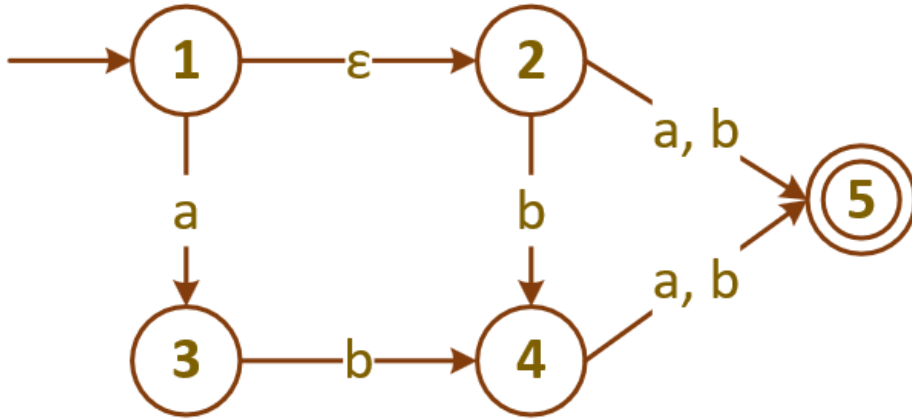


1. ϵ -closure(D) = $\{D, A\}$
2. ϵ -closure(A) = $\{A\}$
3. ϵ -closure(A, B, E) = $\{A, B, E\}$
4. ϵ -closure(C, E) = $\{A, C, D, E\}$
5. ϵ -closure($\delta(A, a)$) = $\{C, D, A\}$
6. ϵ -closure($\delta(A, b)$) = $\{B\}$
7. ϵ -closure($\delta(B, a)$) = $\{ \}$
8. ϵ -closure($\delta(B, b)$) = $\{E, D, A\}$

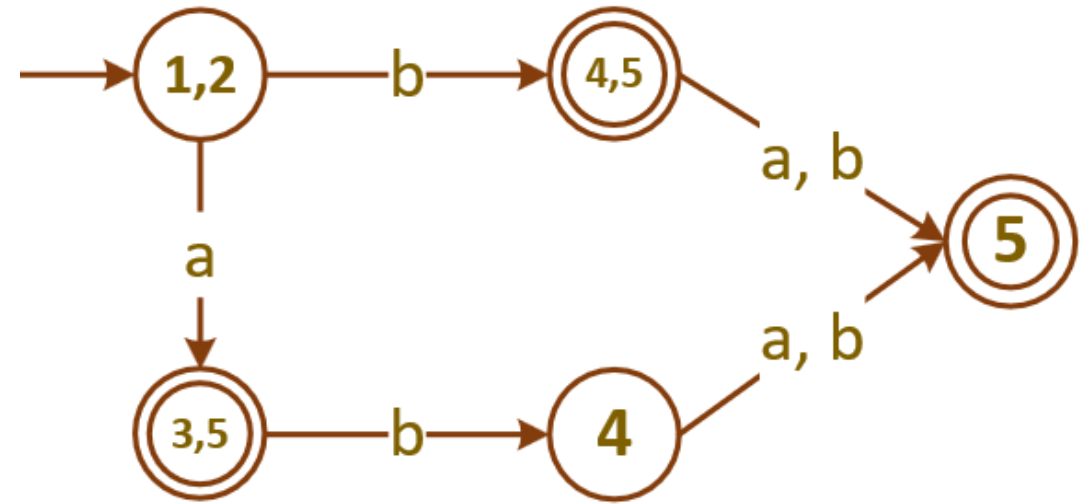
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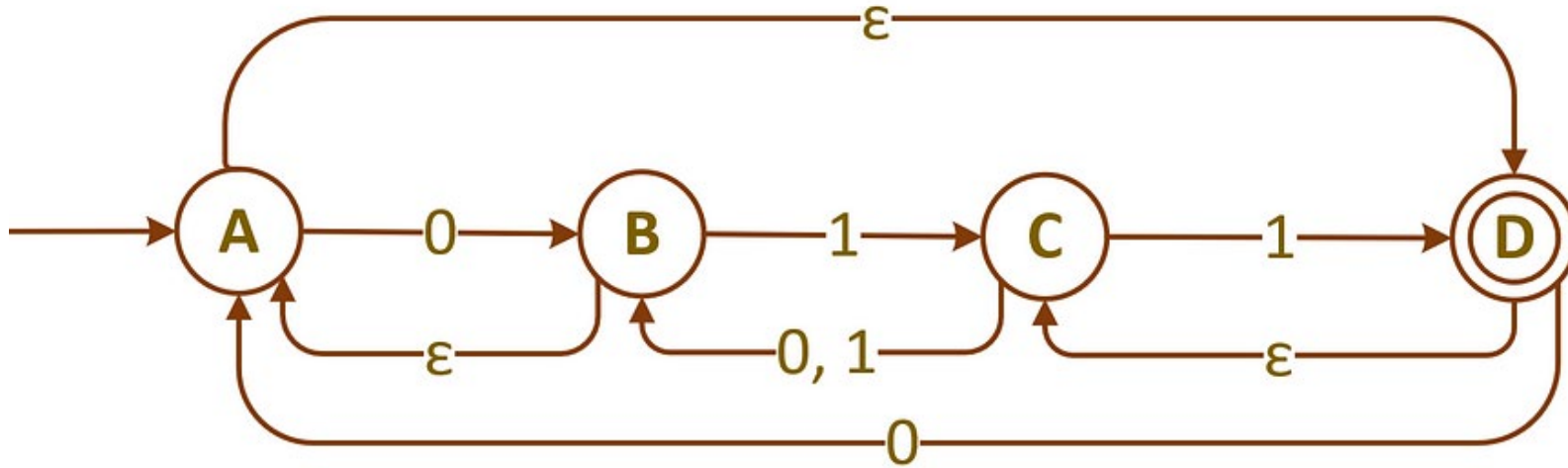
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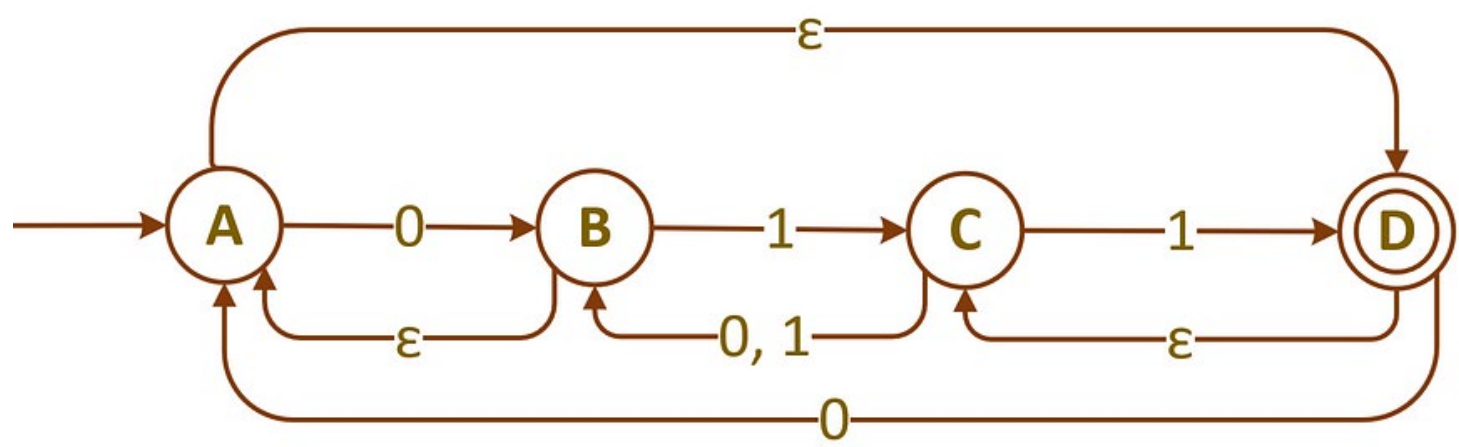
States	a	b
$\rightarrow \{1,2\}$	$\{3, 5\}$	$\{4, 5\}$
$*\{3, 5\}$	-	$\{4\}$
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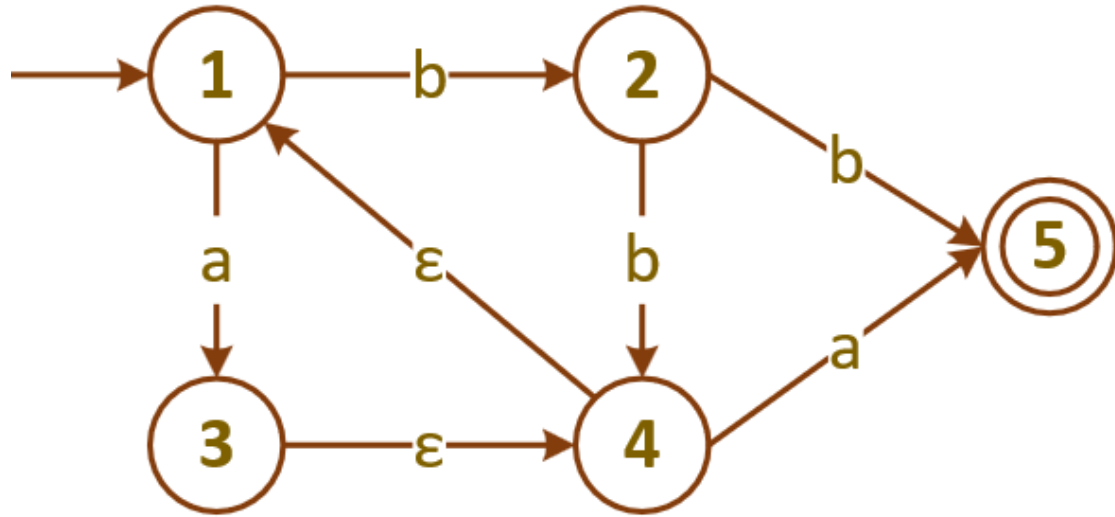


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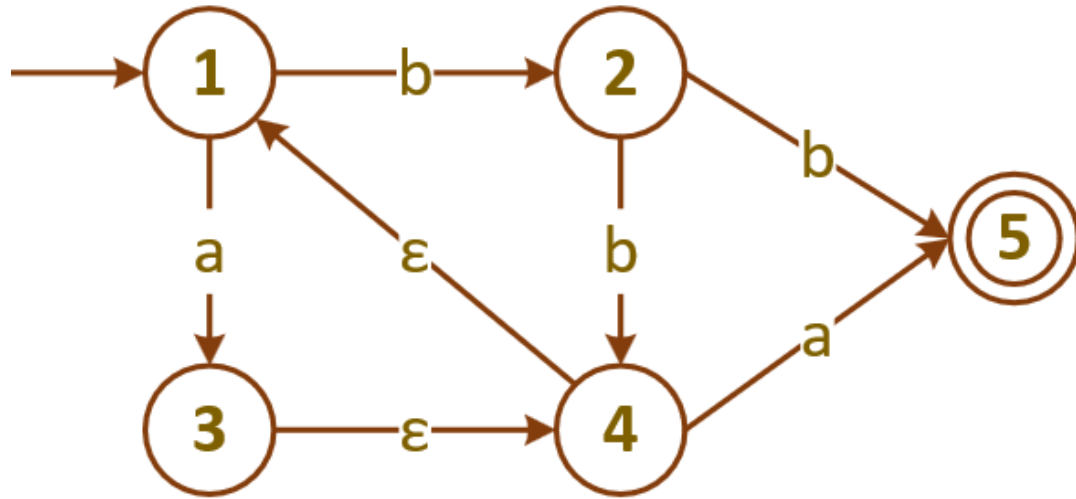


States	0	1
$\rightarrow^* \{A, D, C\}$	$\{A, B, D, C\}$	$\{B, A, D, C\}$
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$\rightarrow \{1\}$	$\{1, 3, 4\}$	$\{2\}$
$\{2\}$	-	$\{1, 4, 5\}$
$\{1, 3, 4\}$	$\{1, 3, 4, 5\}$	$\{2\}$
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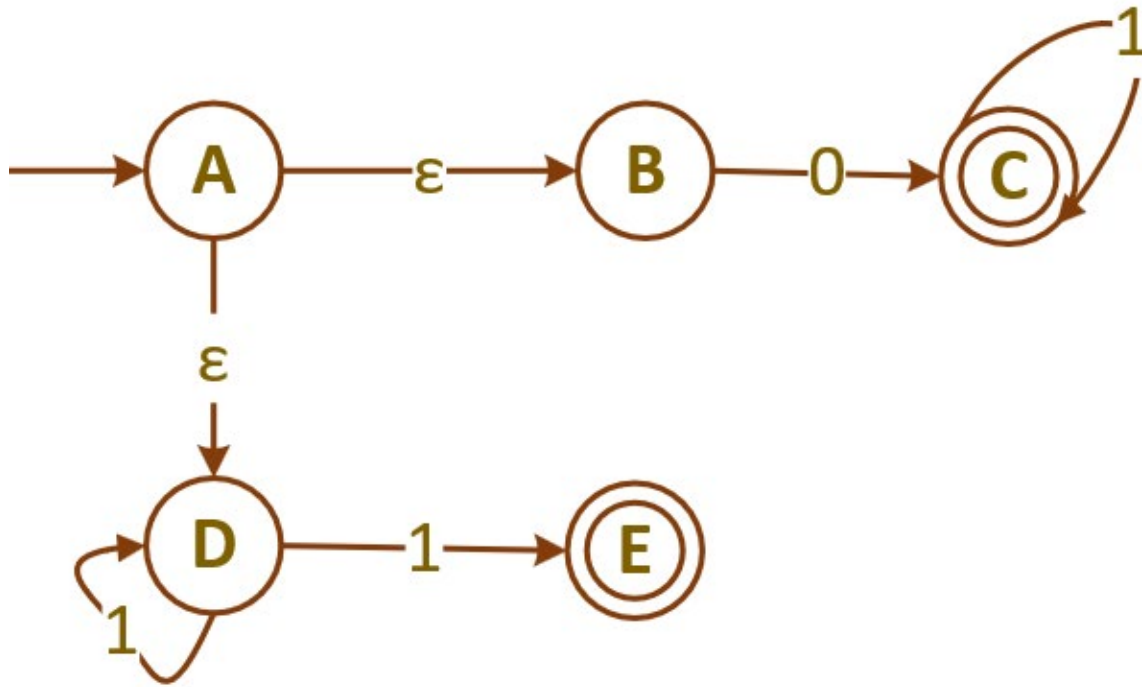


Table Filling Method: DFA Minimization and Equivalence Testing

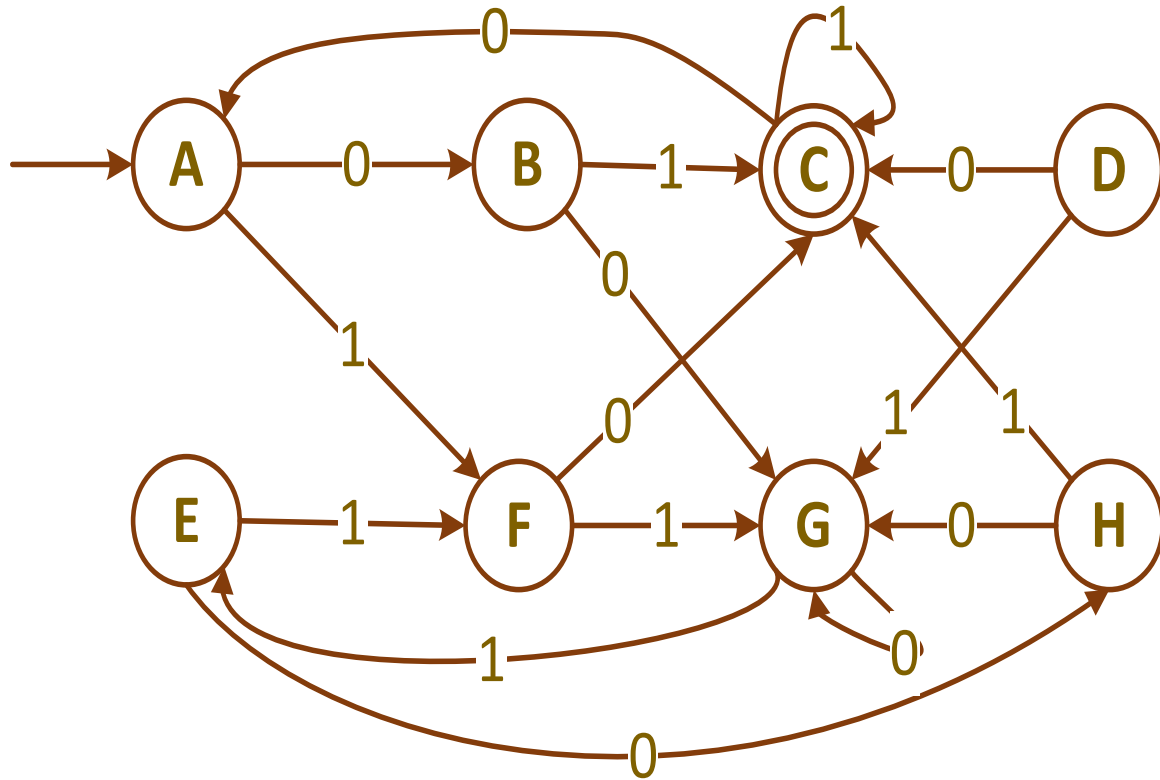
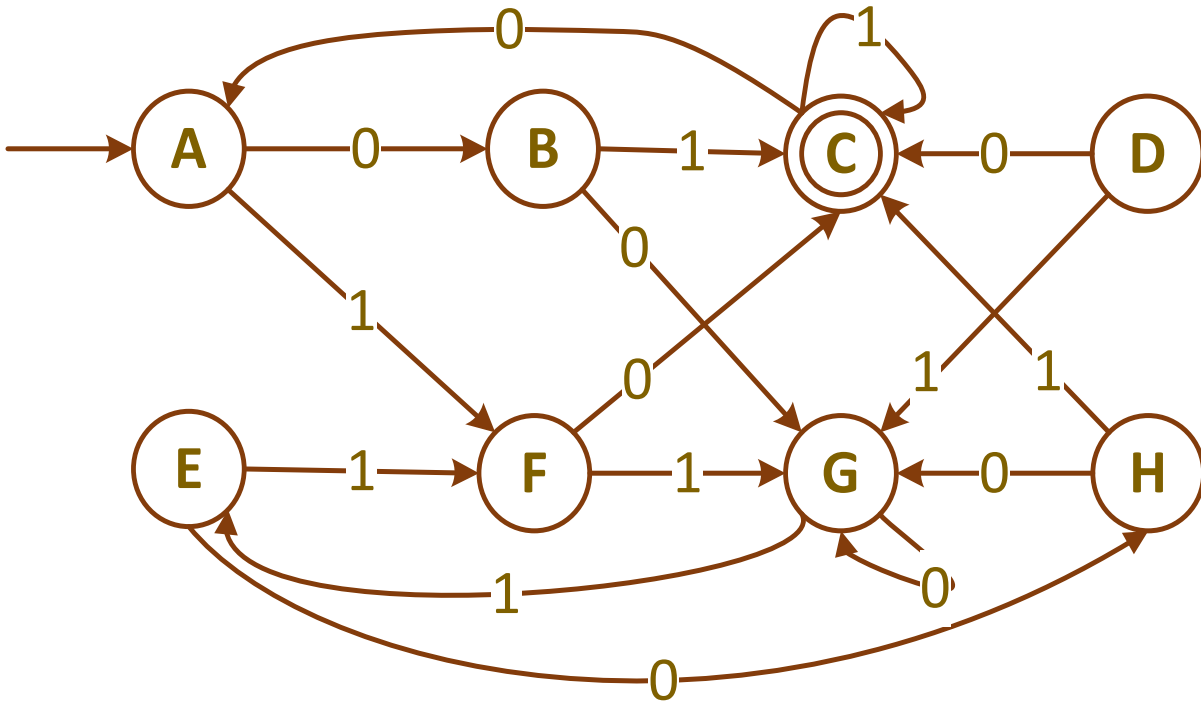
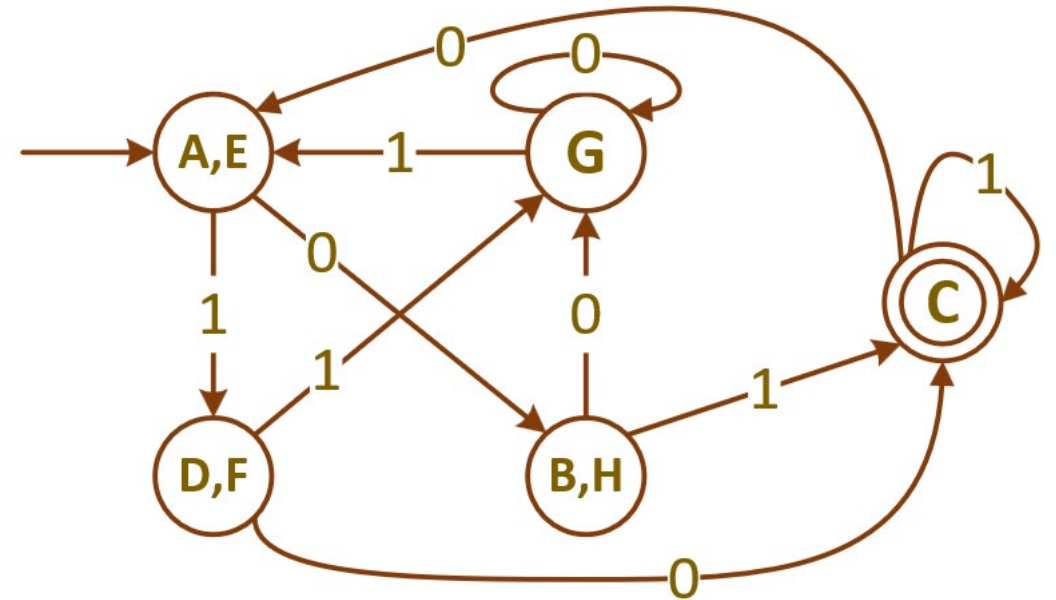


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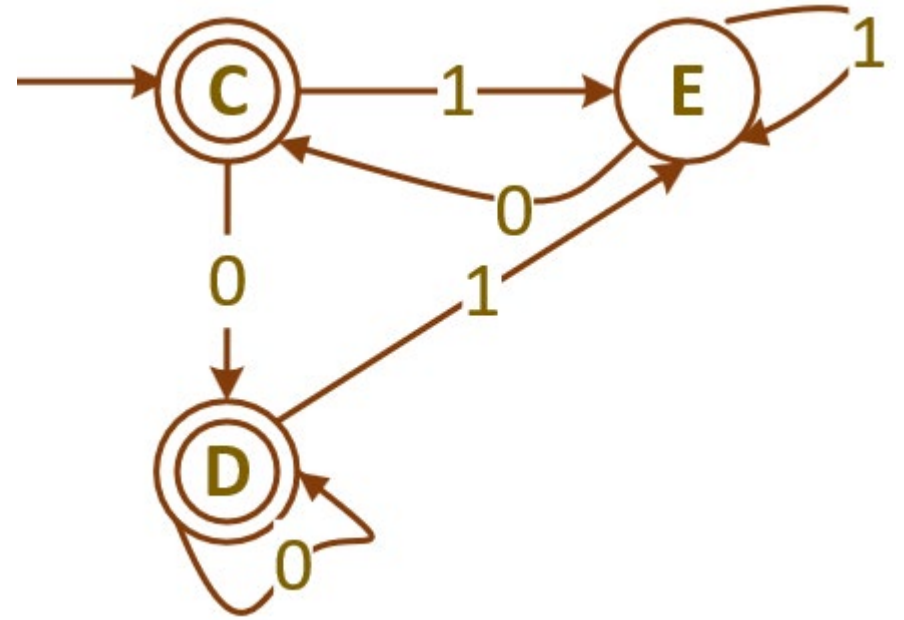
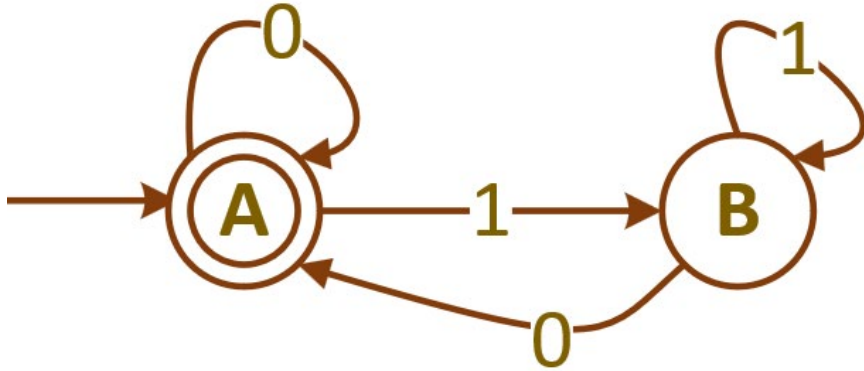


Original DFA



Minimized DFA

Table Filling Method: Equivalence Testing



Finite Automata with Outputs: Mealy and Moore Machines

A Moore machine is a six-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Delta, \delta, \lambda, q_0)$, where

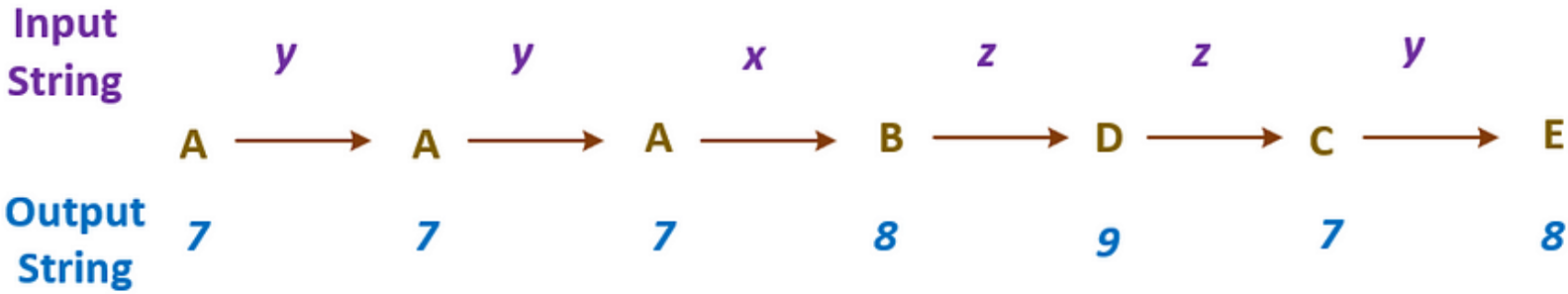
- Q is a finite set of states
- Σ is the input alphabet
- Δ is the output alphabet
- δ is the transition function $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$
- λ is the output function $\lambda: Q \rightarrow \Delta$
- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state.

A Mealy machine is a six-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Delta, \delta, \lambda, q_0)$, same as Moore machine except λ

Output Transition Function (λ): In the Mealy machine, the output is determined both by its current state and the input it's currently reading. This function, represented as $\lambda: \Sigma \times Q \rightarrow \Delta$, maps each combination of a state and an input symbol to a corresponding output from the output alphabet.

Moore Machine

Transition Function – δ				
Present State	Next state for Input: x	Next state for Input: y	Next state for Input: z	Output λ
$\rightarrow A$	B	A	E	7
B	B	C	D	8
C	E	E	C	7
D	A	D	C	9
E	D	B	A	8



Mealy Machine

Present State	Next State					
	Input: <i>a</i>		Input: <i>b</i>		Input: <i>c</i>	
	State	Output	State	Output	State	Output
→A	B	0	E	1	D	0
B	B	1	D	<i>b</i>	D	<i>b</i>
C	E	<i>b</i>	C	0	B	0
D	A	<i>b</i>	F	1	C	0
E	D	1	A	1	B	<i>b</i>
F	E	0	C	0	F	1

Input String



Output String

1 1 0 *b* 0 1

Transforming a Mealy Machine into a Moore Machine

	Next State			
	Input: 0		Input: 1	
	State	Output	State	Output
$\rightarrow q_1$	q_3	0	q_2	0
q_2	q_1	1	q_4	0
q_3	q_2	1	q_1	1
q_4	q_4	1	q_3	0



	Next State			
	Input: 0		Input: 1	
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$\rightarrow q_1$	q_3	0	q_{20}	0
q_{20}	q_1	1	q_{40}	0
q_{21}	q_1	1	q_{40}	0
q_3	q_{21}	1	q_1	1
q_{40}	q_{41}	1	q_3	0
q_{41}	q_{41}	1	q_3	0



Present State	Transition Function – δ		
	Next state for Input: 0	Next state for Input: 1	Output λ
$\rightarrow q_{\text{dummy}}$	q_3	q_{20}	---
q_1	q_3	q_{20}	1
q_{20}	q_1	q_{40}	0
q_{21}	q_1	q_{40}	1
q_3	q_{21}	q_1	0
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Transforming a Moore Machine into a Mealy Machine

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Regular Language, Regular Grammar

Regular Expressions (RE)

- The regular expressions are useful for representing certain sets of strings in an algebraic fashion.
- These describe the languages accepted by finite state automata.

We give a formal recursive definition of regular expressions over Σ as follows:

1. Any **terminal symbol** a (an element of Σ), ϵ and \emptyset are regular expressions.
2. The **union** of two regular expressions R_1 and R_2 , written as $R_1 + R_2$, is also a regular expression.
3. The **concatenation** of two regular expressions R_1 and R_2 , written as $R_1.R_2$ (or R_1R_2), is also a RE.
4. The **iteration (or closure)** of a regular expression R , written as R^* , is also a RE.
5. If R is a regular expression, then (R) is also a regular expression.
6. The REs over Σ are those obtained **recursively** by the application of the **rules 1–5** once or several times.

Regular Expression Examples

- L_1 = the set of all strings of 0's and 1's ending in 00.
- L_2 = the set of all strings of 0's and 1's beginning with 0 and ending with 1.
- $L_3 = \{\epsilon, 11, 1111, 111111, \dots\}$.

Regular Expression Examples (cont.)

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 - $(11)^*$

Identities of Regular Expressions

- Two regular expressions **P** and **Q** are equivalent (we write **P = Q**) if **P** and **Q** represent the same set of strings.

$$I_1 : \emptyset + R = R$$

$$I_2 : \emptyset R = R\emptyset = \emptyset$$

$$I_3 : \epsilon R = R\epsilon = R$$

$$I_4 : \epsilon^* = \epsilon \text{ and } \emptyset^* = \epsilon$$

$$I_5 : R + R = R$$

$$I_6 : R^* R^* = R^*$$

$$I_7 : R R^* = R^* R$$

Identities of Regular Expressions (cont.)

$$I_8 : (R^*)^* = R^*$$

$$I_9 : \epsilon + RR^* = R^* = \epsilon + R^*R$$

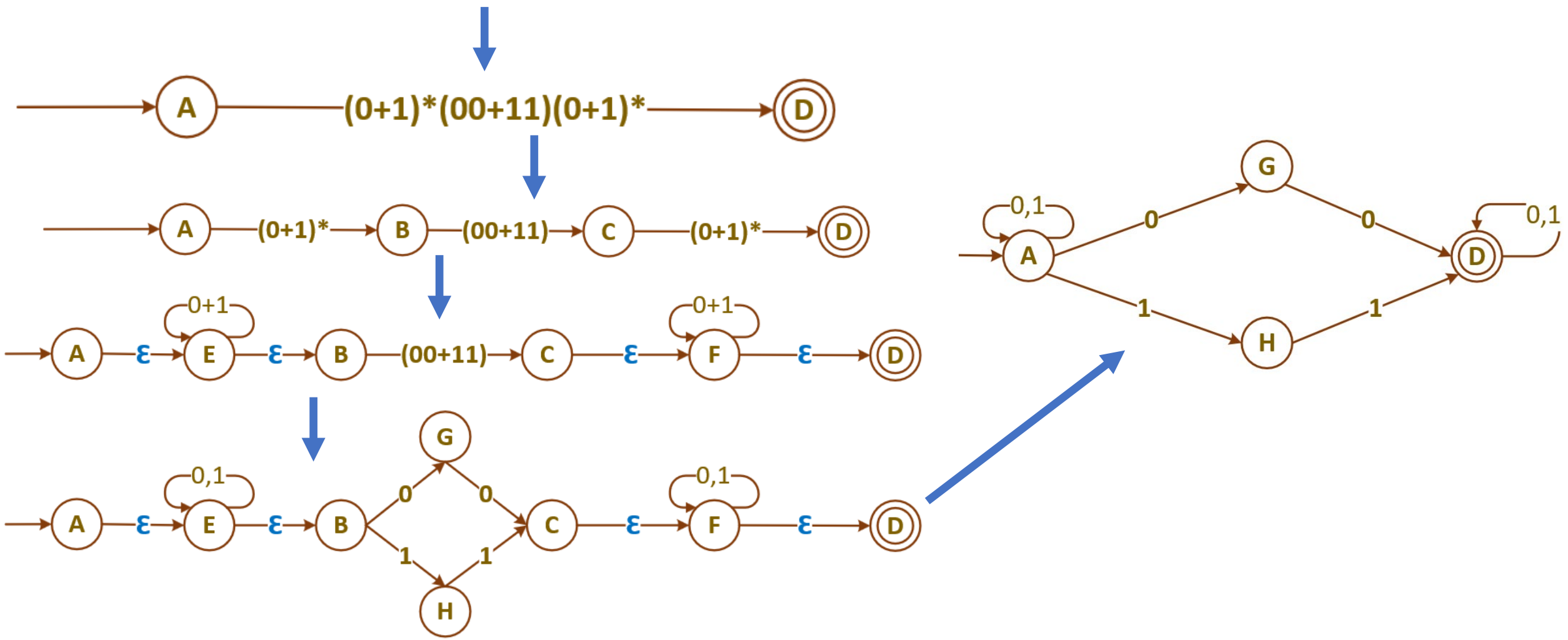
$$I_{10} : (PQ)^*P = P(QP)^*$$

$$I_{11} : (P + Q)^* = (P^*Q^*)^* = (P^* + Q^*)^*$$

$$I_{12} : (P + Q)R = PR + QR \text{ and } R(P + Q) = RP + RQ$$

Construct Finite Automaton equivalent to the Regular Expression

$(0 + 1)^*(00 + 11)(0 + 1)^*$



Arden's Theorem

Let P and Q be two regular expressions over Σ . If P does not contain ϵ , then the following equation in R , namely

$$R = Q + RP \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \quad (1)$$

has a unique solution (i.e. one and only one solution) given by $R = QP^*$.

Proof:

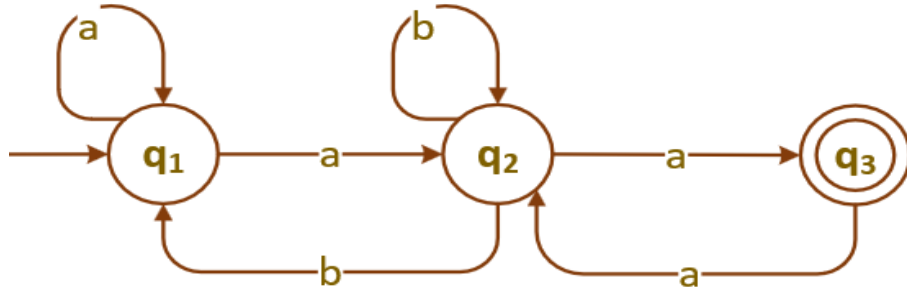
$$Q + (QP^*)P = Q(\epsilon + P^*P) = QP^* \text{ by } I_9$$

Hence Equation 1 is satisfied when $R = QP^*$. This means $R = QP^*$ is a solution of Equation 1.

To prove uniqueness, consider Equation 1. Here, replacing R by $Q + RP$ on the R.H.S., we get the equation

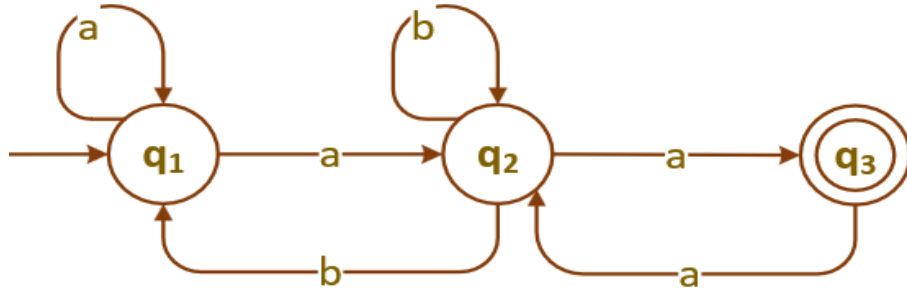
$$\begin{aligned} Q + RP &= Q + (Q + RP)P \\ &= Q + QP + RPP \\ &= Q + QP + RP^2 \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= Q + QP + QP^2 + \cdots + QP^i + RP^{i+1} \\ &= Q(\epsilon + P + P^2 + \cdots + P^i) + RP^{i+1} \\ &= Q(\epsilon + P + P^2 + \cdots + P^i) + QP^*P^{i+1} \\ &= Q(\epsilon + P + P^2 + \cdots + P^i + P^*P^{i+1}) = QP^* \end{aligned}$$

Application of Arden's Theorem: Convert FA to RE



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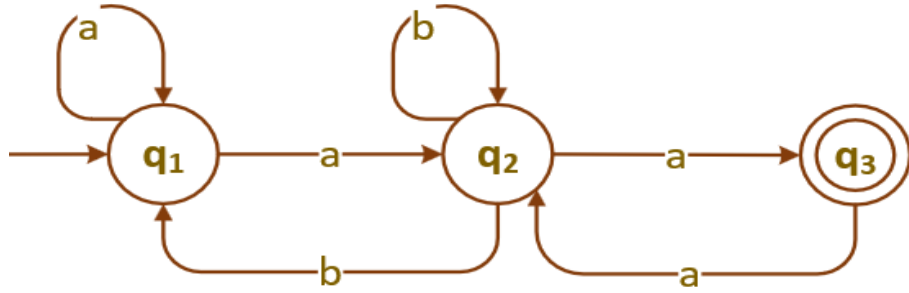
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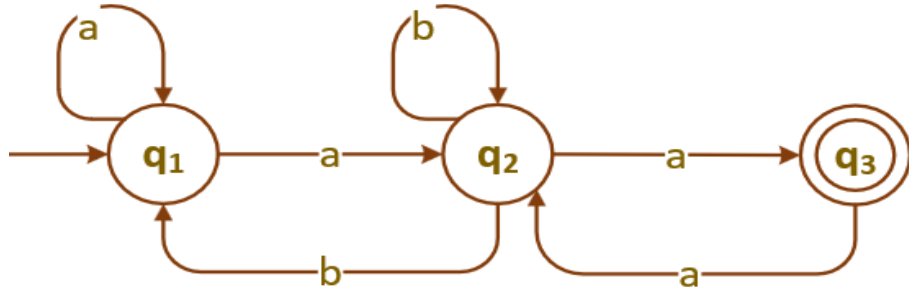


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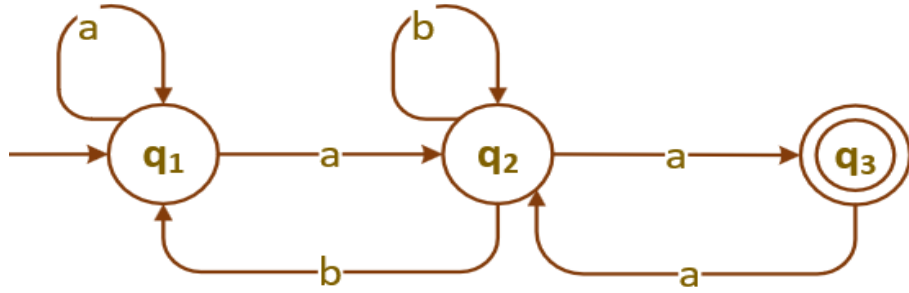
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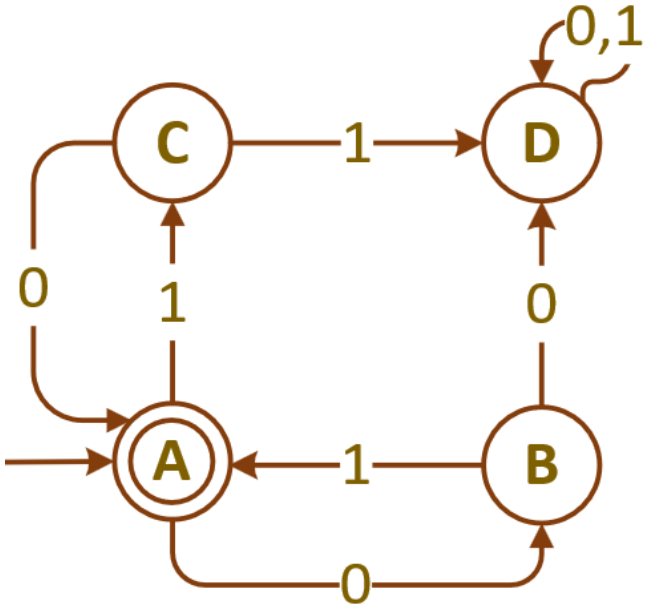
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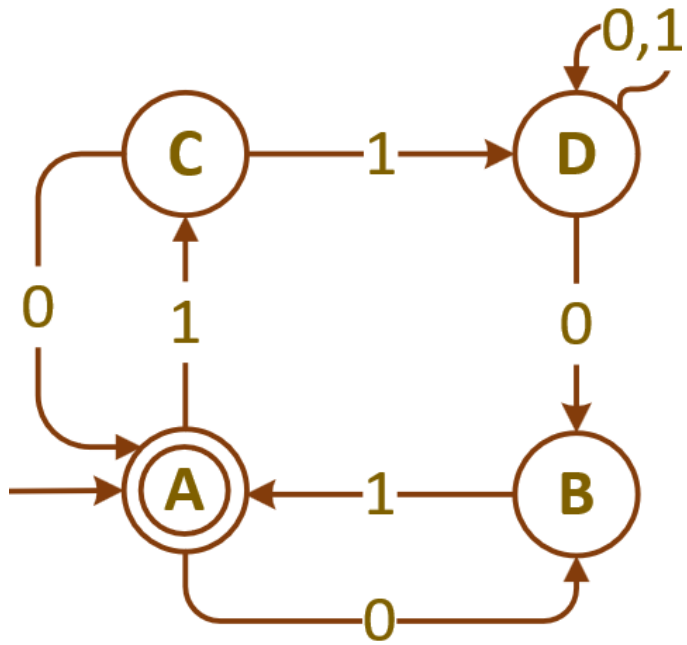
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Since q_3 is a final state, the set of strings recognized by the graph is $(a + a (b + a a)^* b)^* a (b + a a)^* a$

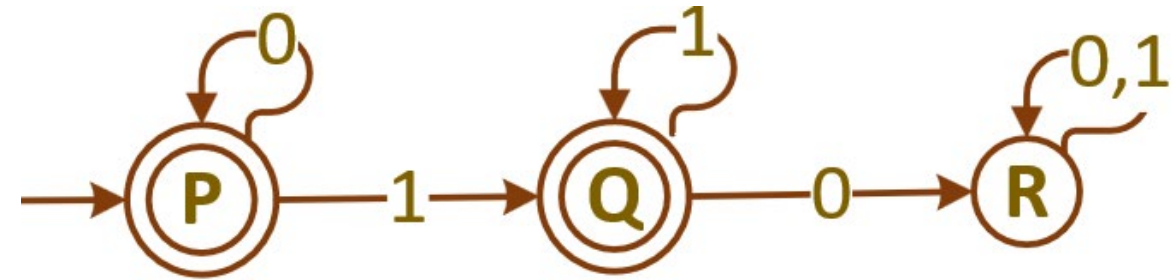
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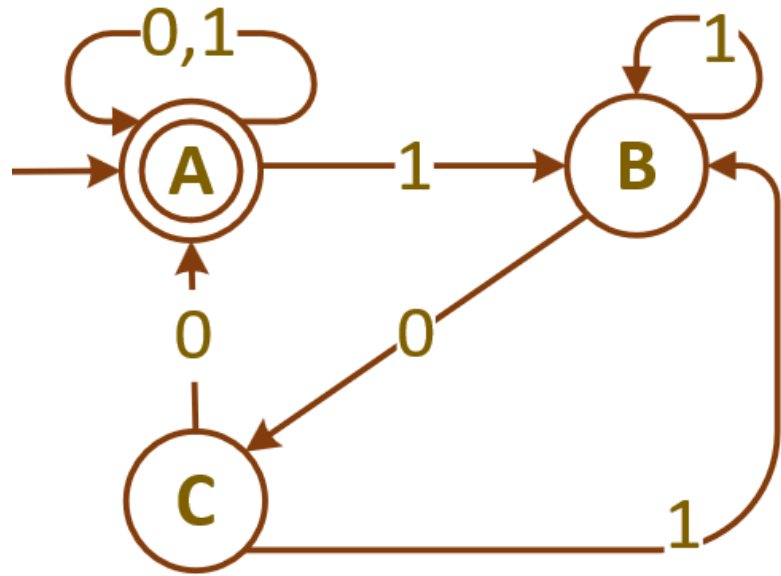
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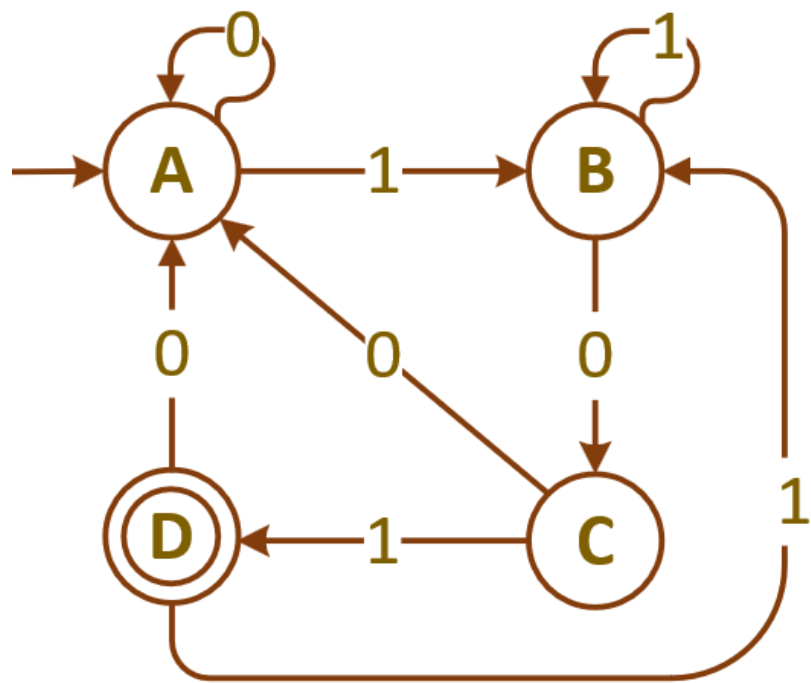
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Pumping Lemma

- The Pumping Lemma is a fundamental concept in the theory of formal languages, particularly useful for demonstrating that certain languages are not regular.
 - However, the converse—that a language satisfying the conditions of the Pumping Lemma is necessarily regular—is not true.
- This lemma offers a systematic approach to demonstrate the non-regularity of languages by exploiting the inherent "repetitive" structure required of regular languages.
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- Such a structural insight reveals why some languages, due to their complexity, cannot be captured by regular expressions or finite automata.
- If a language L is regular, then there exists an integer p (called the pumping length) such that any string s in L with length at least p can be divided into three parts, $S=XYZ$, satisfying the following conditions:
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- The lemma essentially says that every long enough string in a regular language can be "pumped" or repeated in a certain segment (denoted as y) without leaving the language.
- When processing a long string, a finite automaton must enter at least one state more than once (due to the pigeonhole principle), creating a loop that can be repeated.

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Proof of Non-regularity using Pumping Lemma:

1. Assume L is regular.
2. Let p be the pumping length given by the lemma.
3. Choose $s = 0^p1^p$. This string is in L and has length $2p$, which is greater than p .
4. According to the lemma, s can be split into xyz , where $|xy| \leq p$ and $|y| > 0$. This ensures y consists only of 0s (since the first p characters of s are all 0s).
5. Pumping y (i.e., repeating y), the string $xy^2z = 0^{p+|y|}1^p$ should also be in L , but this string does not have equal numbers of 0s and 1s, contradicting the definition of L .
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Pumping Lemma

Assume that the language L of palindromes is regular. According to the Pumping Lemma, there exists a pumping length p .

According to the Pumping Lemma, s can be decomposed into three parts $s = xyz$ such that:

1. For each $i \geq 0$, the string xy^iz is in L .
2. $|y| > 0$.

Given these constraints, y consists only of a 's because $|xy| \leq p$ means y is part of the initial sequence of a 's.

Pump y by setting $i = 0$ and $i > 1$:

- **Pumping Down** ($i = 0$): $xy^0z = xz$ results in $s = a^{p-|y|}b^pa^p$, which is not a palindrome because the symmetry is broken.
- **Pumping Up** ($i > 1$): $xy^2z = a^{p+|y|}b^pa^p$, which also isn't a palindrome because the numbers of a 's before and after b 's don't match.

Both resulting strings fail to be palindromes, contradicting the lemma's stipulation that xy^iz must remain in L for all i .

Context Free Grammars and Languages

$$G = (V, T, P, S)$$

- V – a set of variables, e.g. $\{S, A, B, C, D, E\}$
- T – a set of terminals, e.g. $\{a, b, c\}$
- P – a set of productions rules

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A Context Free Grammar (CFG) example

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$$P \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$P \rightarrow 0$$

$$P \rightarrow 1$$

$$P \rightarrow 0P0$$

$$P \rightarrow 1P1$$

OR

$$P \rightarrow \epsilon \mid 0 \mid 1 \mid 0P0 \mid 1P1$$

Two ways to represent a context free grammar: palindromes over 0's and 1's

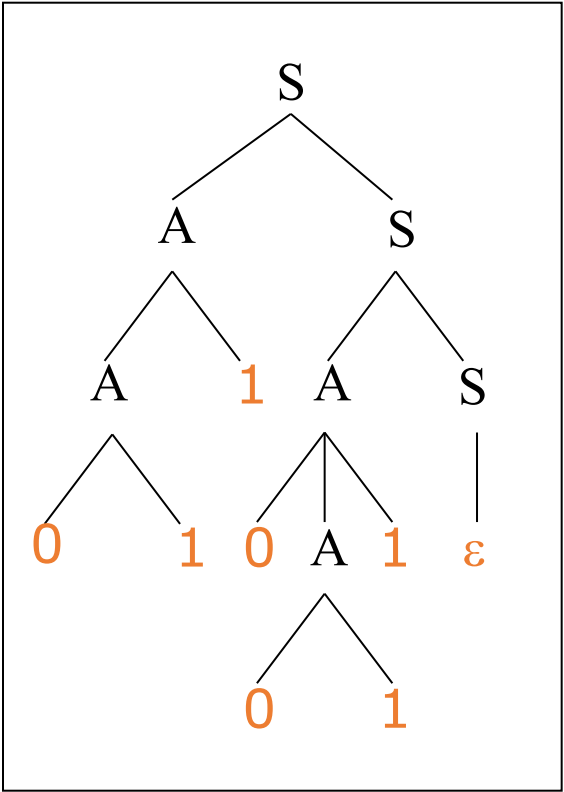
Parse tree and Derivation in CFGs

How a string ω is generated by a grammar G ?

$$S \rightarrow AS \mid \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow A1 \mid 0A1 \mid 01$$

$$S \Rightarrow^* 0110011 ?$$



Parse Tree or Derivation Tree

$$S \Rightarrow AS$$

$$\Rightarrow A1S$$

$$\Rightarrow 011S$$

$$\Rightarrow 011AS$$

$$\Rightarrow 0110A1S$$

$$\Rightarrow 0110011S$$

$$\Rightarrow 0110011\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow 0110011$$

Leftmost Derivation

$$S \Rightarrow AS$$

$$\Rightarrow AAS$$

$$\Rightarrow AA\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow A0A1\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow A0011\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow A10011\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow 0110011\epsilon$$

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Rightmost Derivation

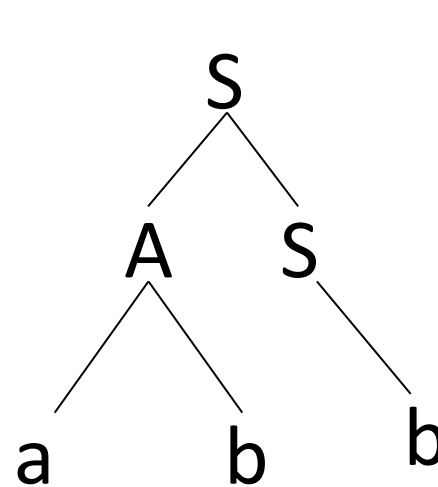
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$$P \rightarrow Bb \mid aSa \mid a$$
$$A \rightarrow a \mid aSa$$
$$B \rightarrow aBaC \mid b$$
$$C \rightarrow aSa$$
$$P \Rightarrow^* aabaaaaaba ?$$
$$A \rightarrow Bac \mid bTC \mid ba$$
$$T \rightarrow aB \mid TB \mid \varepsilon$$
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$$C \rightarrow TBc \mid aBC \mid ac$$
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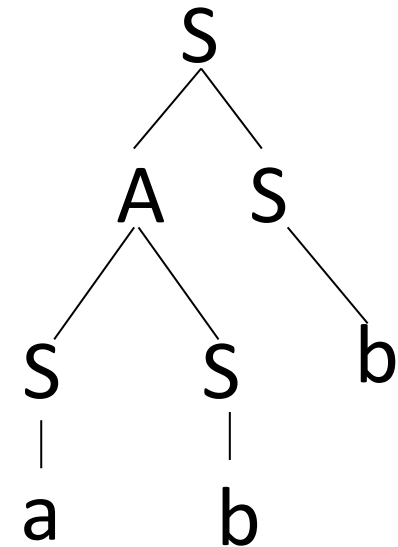
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 - This implies that the string has more than one leftmost derivation or more than one rightmost derivation.
 - Ambiguity in grammars is a critical issue because it can lead to confusion in parsing and interpreting the strings generated by the grammar, especially in **compiler design** and **natural language processing**.

Consider the following grammar G:

$$S \rightarrow AS \mid a \mid b$$
$$A \rightarrow SS \mid ab$$


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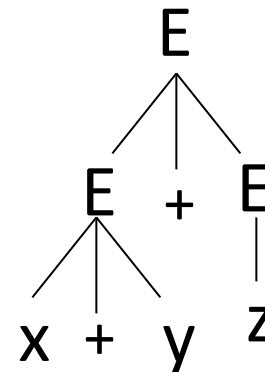
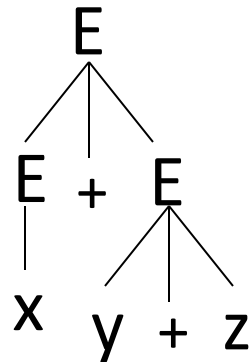
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Construction of Reduced Grammar

Simplification of Context Free Grammars (CFGs)

- ❑ Remove useless symbols
 - Generating Variables
 - Reachable symbols (variables and terminals)
- ❑ Remove ε -productions, e.g. $A \rightarrow \varepsilon$
- ❑ Remove unit-productions, e.g. $A \rightarrow B$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove **non-generating variables** and keep **productive variables**

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow b \mid D$$

$$E \rightarrow c$$

- The set $W_1 = \{A, B, E\}$ includes the symbols that have productions with a terminal string on the right-hand side (RHS): $A \rightarrow a; B \rightarrow b; E \rightarrow c$
- $W_2 = \{S, A, B, E\}$, S is included in list as it can generate through A and B
- $W_3 = \{S, A, B, E\} = W_2$ //the stopping condition has been met

Now remove all non-generating variables and construct the revised grammar:

$$S \rightarrow AB$$

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Construction of Reduced Grammar

Original CFG:- $S \rightarrow AB; A \rightarrow a; B \rightarrow b \mid D; E \rightarrow c$

Remove non-reachable symbols

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- $W_1 = \{S\}$ // start with start symbol S
- $W_2 = \{S, A, B\}$ // from $S \rightarrow AB$, we can reach A and B
- $W_2 = \{S, A, B\} \cup \{a, b\}$ //from A and B , terminal a and b can be reached
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- For this example, 40% of the original CFG has been removed without compromising on the solution quality.

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove useless symbols

$S \rightarrow aAa$

$A \rightarrow Sb \mid bCC \mid DaA$

$C \rightarrow abb \mid DD$

$E \rightarrow aC$

$D \rightarrow aDA$

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Reduced grammar

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$$C \rightarrow b$$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove useless symbols

$$A \rightarrow AB \mid CA$$
$$B \rightarrow DC \mid AB \mid ab$$
$$C \rightarrow a$$
$$D \rightarrow aB \mid b$$

Reduced grammar

None of the productions are usefull !!!

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove Null Productions

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid AB$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

Construction of Nullable variables

$$W_1 = \{A, B\}$$

$$W_2 = \{S, A, B\}$$

$$W_3 = \{S, A, B\} = W_2 \quad // \text{the stopping condition has been met}$$

Final CFG after removing null productions

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid a \mid AB \mid A \mid B$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove Unit Productions

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow C \mid b$

$C \rightarrow D$

$D \rightarrow E$

$E \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$

$W(S) = \{S\}$
$W(A) = \{A\}$
$W(B) = \{B, C, D, E\}$
$W(C) = \{C, D, E\}$
$W(D) = \{D, E\}$
$W(E) = \{E\}$

Final CFG after removing unit productions

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b \mid ab \mid aBa$

$C \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$

$D \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$

$E \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove Unit Productions

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid a \mid AB \mid A \mid B$$
$$D \rightarrow b$$

$W(S) = \{S, A, B\}$
$W(A) = \{A\}$
$W(B) = \{B\}$
$W(D) = \{D\}$

Final CFG after removing unit productions

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid a \mid AB$$
$$D \rightarrow b$$

What happens if we remove useless symbols as well?

Chomsky Normal Form - CNF

Chomsky Normal Form (CNF) is a way of organizing and simplifying the production rules of a context-free grammar (CFG) to assist in various computational processes.

A CFG is in Chomsky Normal Form if all of its production rules satisfy one of the following conditions:

- A non-terminal produces exactly two non-terminals, $A \rightarrow BC$, where A , B , and C are non-terminal symbols.
- A non-terminal produces exactly one terminal symbol $A \rightarrow 0$, where 0 is a terminal symbol.
- Optionally, a rule that allows the start symbol to produce the empty string, $A \rightarrow \varepsilon$, if necessary for deriving ε from the grammar.

Chomsky Normal Form - CNF

Converting a general CFG to Chomsky Normal Form involves several steps:

1. Remove ε -productions, Except for the start symbol
2. Remove unit-productions, e.g. $A \rightarrow B$
3. Remove useless symbols (optional)
 - I. Generating Variables
 - II. Reachable symbols (variables and terminals)
4. Finally convert the resultant CFG to CNF

Chomsky Normal Form - CNF

Reduce the following grammar to its equivalent CNF:

$S \rightarrow aAD$
 $A \rightarrow aB \mid bAB$
 $B \rightarrow b$
 $D \rightarrow d$

Since there is no null or unit production in the original grammar, we can directly start converting it to CNF.

$S \rightarrow aAD \rightarrow S \rightarrow PAD$
 $P \rightarrow a$

$S \rightarrow PQ$
 $P \rightarrow a$
 $Q \rightarrow AD$

$A \rightarrow aB \rightarrow A \rightarrow PB$

$A \rightarrow bAB \rightarrow A \rightarrow BAB$
 $B \rightarrow b$
 $D \rightarrow d$

$A \rightarrow BR$
 $R \rightarrow AB$
 $B \rightarrow b$
 $D \rightarrow d$

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 $Q \rightarrow AD$
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Chomsky Normal Form – CNF (cont.)

Reduce the following grammar to its equivalent CNF:

$$S \rightarrow aAbB$$

$$A \rightarrow aA \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow bB \mid b$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

Since there is no null or unit production in the original grammar, we can directly start converting it to CNF.

$$S \rightarrow PADB$$

$$P \rightarrow a$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

$$S \rightarrow MN$$

$$M \rightarrow PA$$

$$N \rightarrow DB$$

$$P \rightarrow a$$

$$D \rightarrow b$$

$$A \rightarrow aA$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$A \rightarrow PA$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

$$B \rightarrow bB$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

$$B \rightarrow DB$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

CNF:

$$S \rightarrow MN$$

$$M \rightarrow PA$$

$$N \rightarrow DB$$

$$P \rightarrow a$$

$$A \rightarrow PA \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow DB$$

$$B \rightarrow b$$

$$D \rightarrow d$$

The CYK algorithm – a dynamic programming approach for parsing

- The CYK algorithm (Cocke-Younger-Kasami algorithm) is a prominent parsing algorithm for context-free grammars, particularly useful when the grammar is presented in CNF.
- The CYK algorithm is used to **decide whether a given string belongs** to the **language** generated by a grammar.
- The algorithm uses **dynamic programming** to build a table (often a triangular array) that represents possible substrings of the input string and their corresponding derivations according to the grammar rules.

CNF grammar G

- $S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$
- $A \rightarrow BA \mid a$
- $B \rightarrow CC \mid b$
- $C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

w is baaba

Question Is baaba in $L(G)$?

Checking Membership: After filling the table, the string w is in the language of the grammar if the starting symbol (usually S) appears in $P[1, n]$ (the cell representing the whole string).

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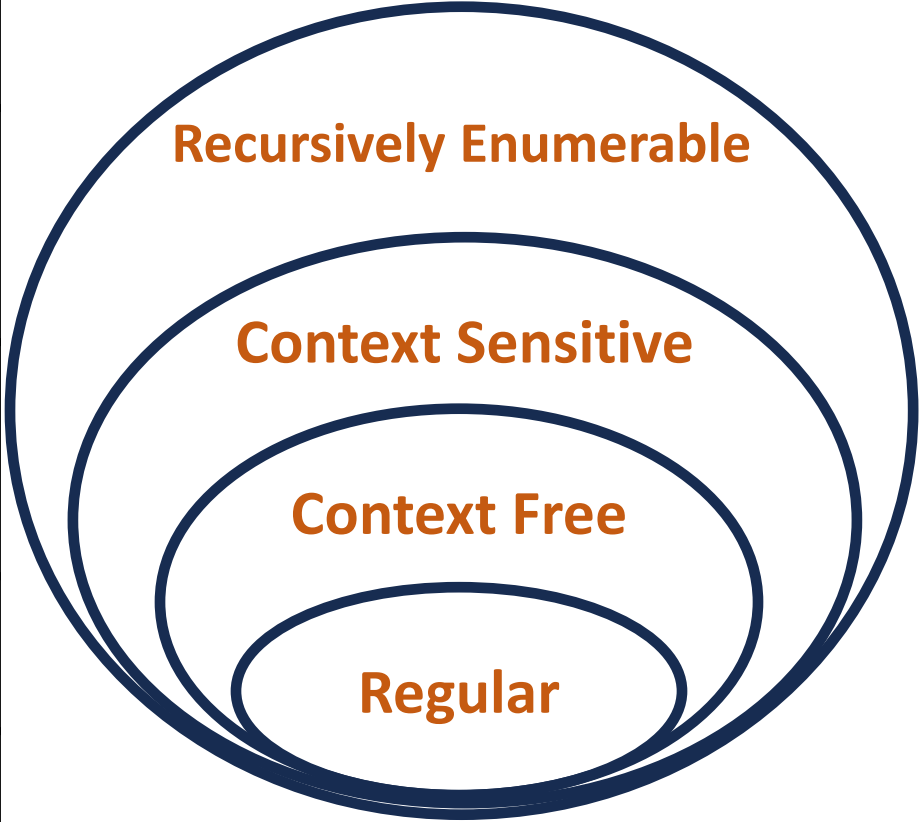
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Question Is baaba in $L(G)$?

$\{S, A, C\}$				
\emptyset	$\{S, A, C\}$			
\emptyset	$\{B\}$	$\{B\}$		
$\{S, A\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{S, C\}$	$\{S, A\}$	
$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{A, C\}$	$\{B\}$	$\{A, C\}$
b	a	a	b	a

Chomsky hierarchy: Chomsky classification of grammars

Grammar Type	Grammar Accepted	Language Accepted	Automation
Type 0	Unrestricted Grammar	Recursively Enumerable Language	Turing Machine
Type 1	Context Sensitive Grammar	Context Sensitive language	Linear-bounded automaton
Type 2	Context Free Grammar	Context Free language	Push Down Automata
Type 3	Regular Grammar	Regular Language	Finite Automata



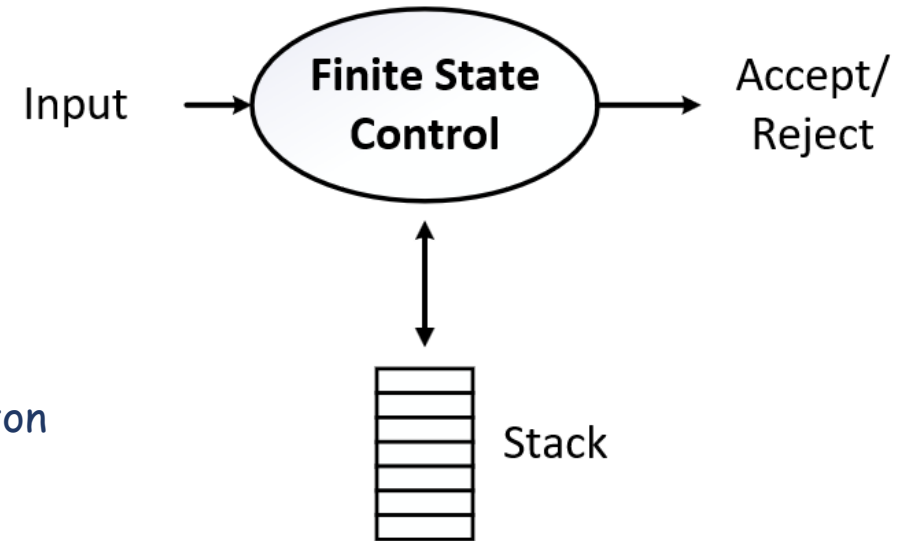
Push Down Automata

A PDA is a 7-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$

- Q is a finite set of states
- Σ is a finite input symbols
- Γ is a finite stack alphabet
- δ is the transition function that governs the behaviour of the automaton

Formally, δ takes as argument a triple $\delta(q, a, X)$,

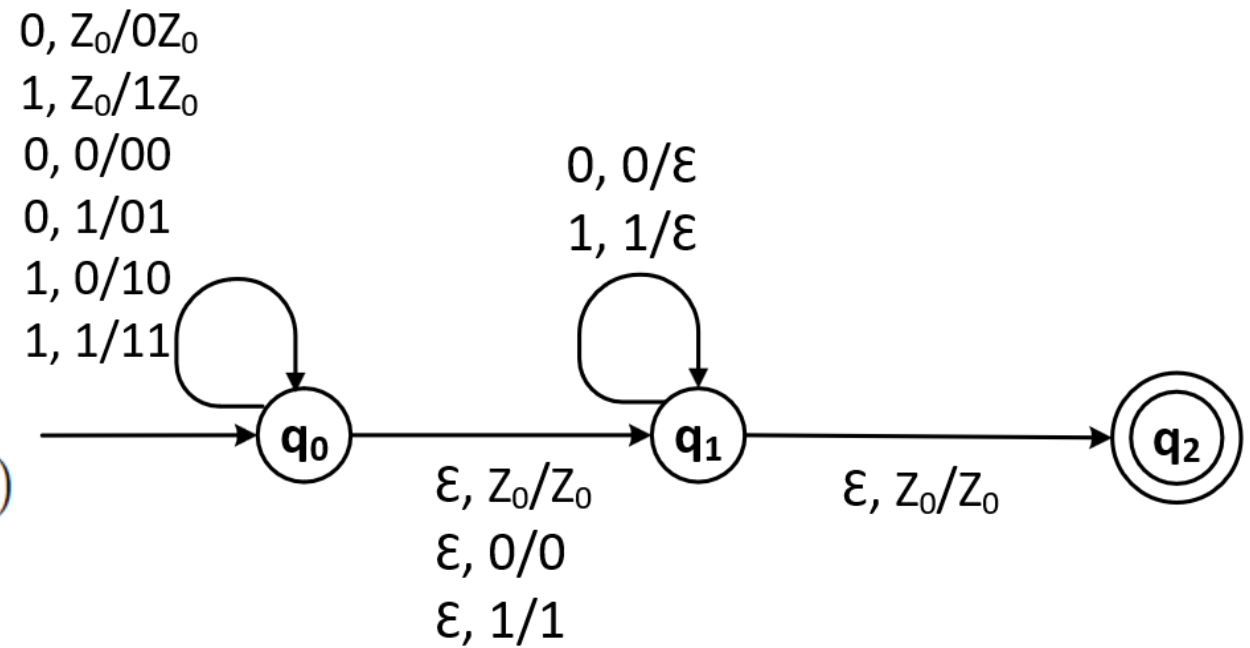
- q is a state in Q
 - a is either an input symbol in Σ or $a = \epsilon$, the empty string, which is assumed not to be an input symbol.
 - X is a stack symbol, that is, a member of Γ .
- The output of δ is a finite set of pairs (p, γ) , where p is the new state, and γ is the string of stack symbols that replaces X at the top of the stack.
 - For instance, if $\gamma = \epsilon$, then the stack is popped; if $\gamma = X$, then the stack is unchanged, and if $\gamma = YZ$, then X is replaced by Z , and Y is pushed onto the stack.
- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state (only one)
 - $Z_0 \in \Gamma$ is the initial stack symbol, the PDA's stack consists of one instance of this symbol and nothing else.
 - $F \subseteq Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)



A Push Down Automata (PDA)

$$L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } (0 + 1)^*\}$$

$$P = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\})$$

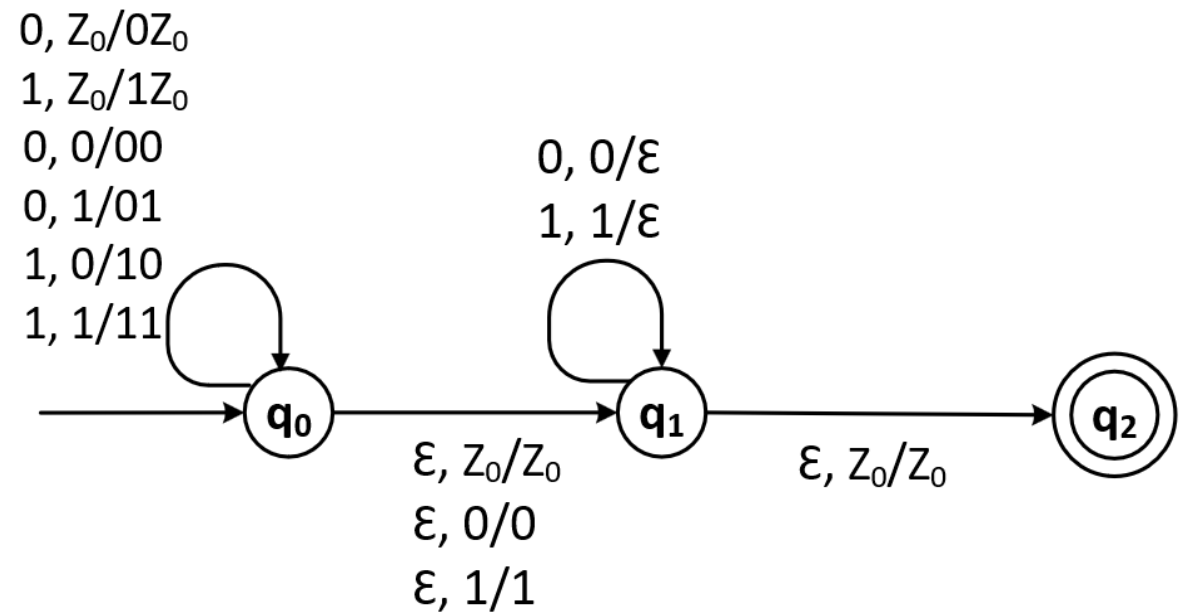


1. $\delta(q_0, 0, Z_0) = \{(q_0, 0Z_0)\}$ and $\delta(q_0, 1, Z_0) = \{(q_0, 1Z_0)\}$. One of these rules applies initially; when we are in state q_0 and we see the start symbol Z_0 at the top of the stack. We read the first input, and push it onto the stack, leaving Z_0 below to mark the bottom.
2. $\delta(q_0, 0, 0) = \{(q_0, 00)\}$, $\delta(q_0, 1, 0) = \{(q_0, 10)\}$, $\delta(q_0, 0, 1) = \{(q_0, 01)\}$, and $\delta(q_0, 1, 1) = \{(q_0, 11)\}$. These four, similar rules allow us to stay in state q_0 and read inputs, pushing each onto the top of the stack and leaving the previous top stack symbol alone.

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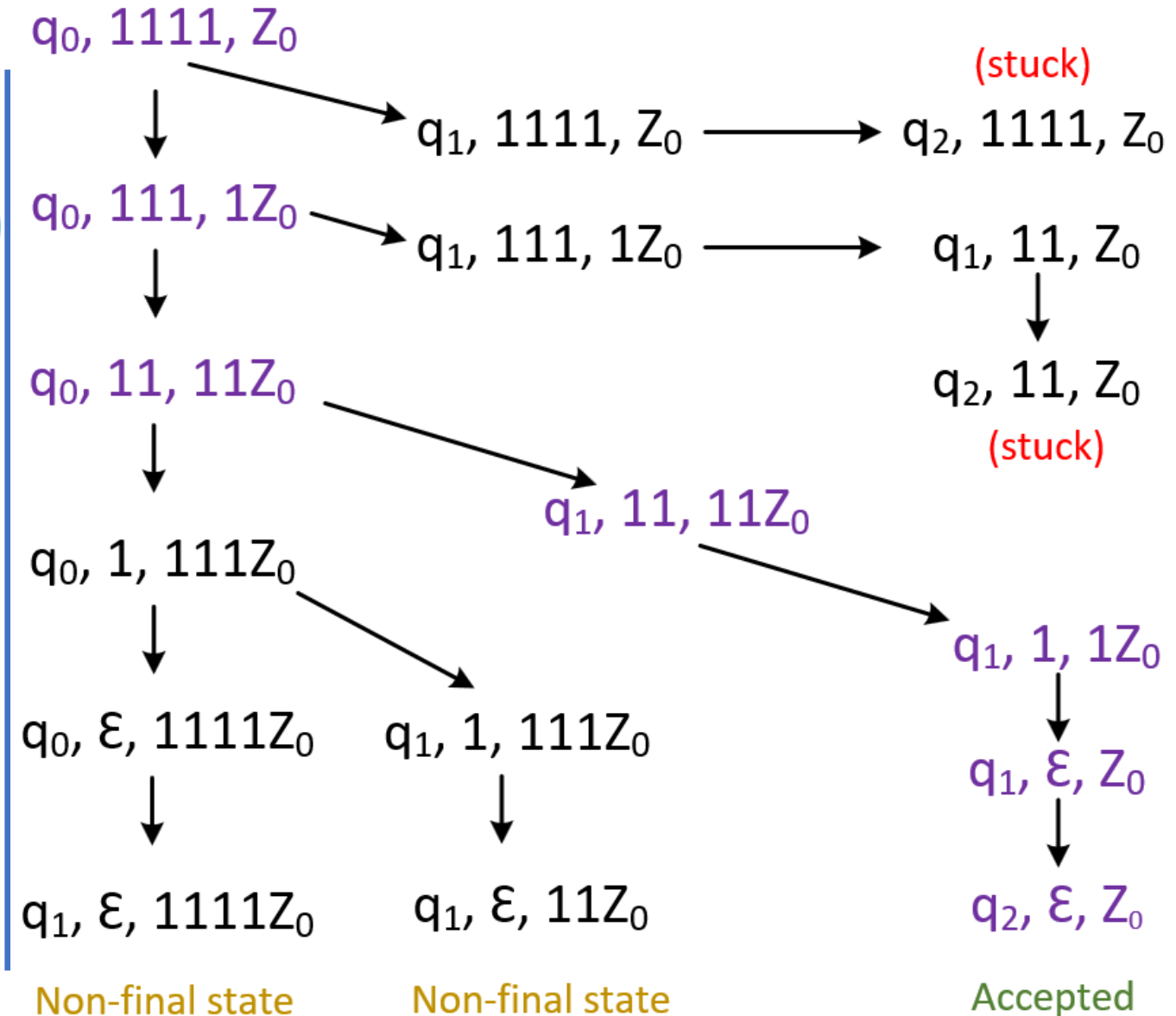
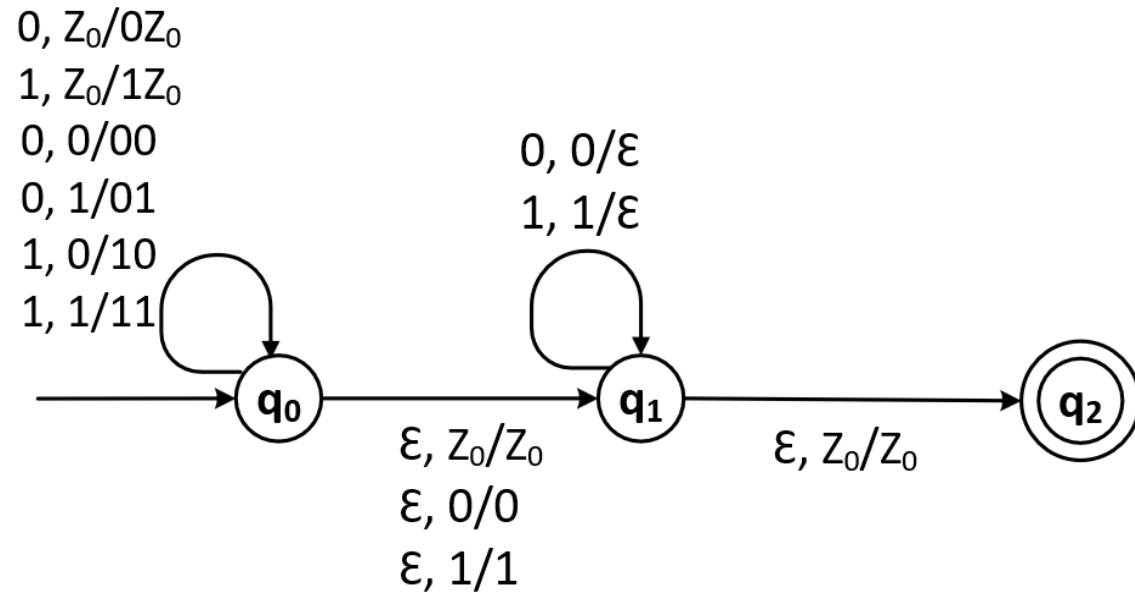


3. $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, Z_0) = \{(q_1, Z_0)\}$, $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, 0) = \{(q_1, 0)\}$, and $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, 1) = \{(q_1, 1)\}$. These three rules allow P to go from state q_0 to state q_1 spontaneously (on ϵ input), leaving intact whatever symbol is at the top of the stack.
4. $\delta(q_1, 0, 0) = \{(q_1, \epsilon)\}$, and $\delta(q_1, 1, 1) = \{(q_1, \epsilon)\}$. Now, in state q_1 we can match input symbols against the top symbols on the stack, and pop when the symbols match.
5. $\delta(q_1, \epsilon, Z_0) = \{(q_2, Z_0)\}$. Finally, if we expose the bottom-of-stack marker Z_0 and we are in state q_1 , then we have found an input of the form ww^R . We go to state q_2 and accept.

The derivation in a PDA

$$L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } (0 + 1)^*\}$$

$$P = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\})$$



Deterministic PDA

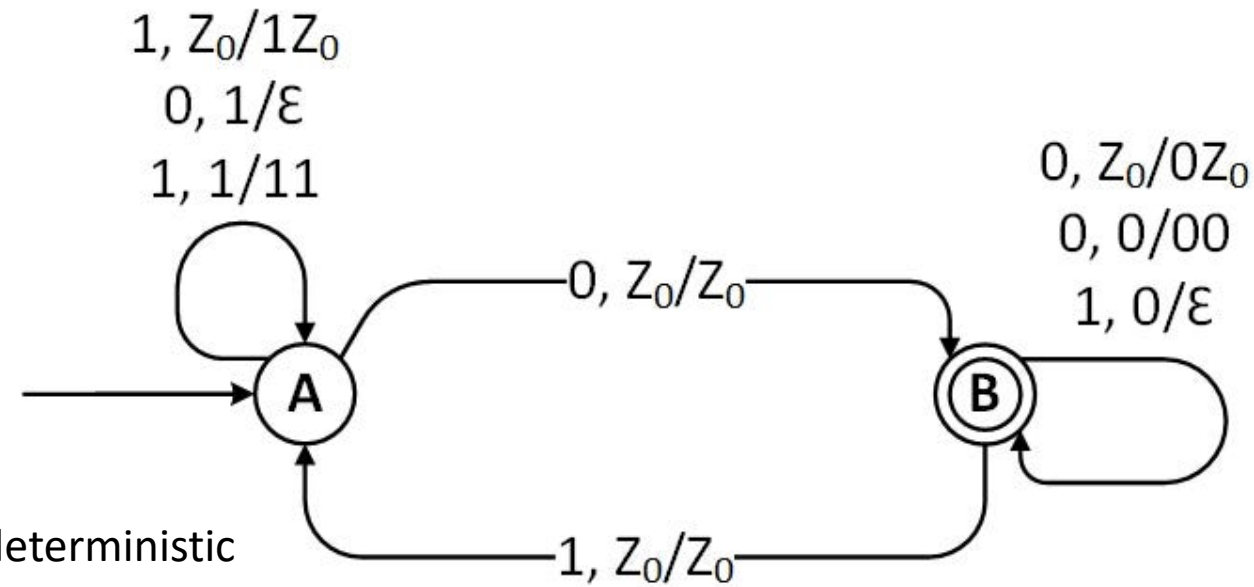
A Language **L** that accepts strings with more 0's than 1's.

$$L = \{x \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid n_0(x) > n_1(x)\}$$

- Deterministic Push Down Automata (DPDA) follows deterministic rules for its transitions.
- a DPDA ensures that for any combination of current state, input symbol, and stack symbol, there is at most one valid transition.

To be a DPDA, the following two conditions must be met:

1. For any state $q \in Q$, any input symbol $s \in \Sigma \cup \epsilon$, and any stack symbol $t \in \Gamma$, the set $\delta(q, s, t)$ has at most one element.
2. For any state $q \in Q$ and any stack symbol $t \in \Gamma$, if $\delta(q, \epsilon, t)$ is not empty, then $\delta(q, s, t) = \emptyset$ for each $s \in \Sigma$.



PDA Accepted by Final State

Let $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$ be a PDA. Then $L(P)$ the language accepted by P final state, is

$$L(P) = \{w \mid (q_0, w, Z_0) \stackrel{*}{\vdash}_P (q, \epsilon, \alpha)\}$$

- for some state q in F and any stack string α .
- That is, starting in the initial ID with w waiting on the input, P consumes w from the input and enters an accepting state.
- The contents of the stack at that time is irrelevant.

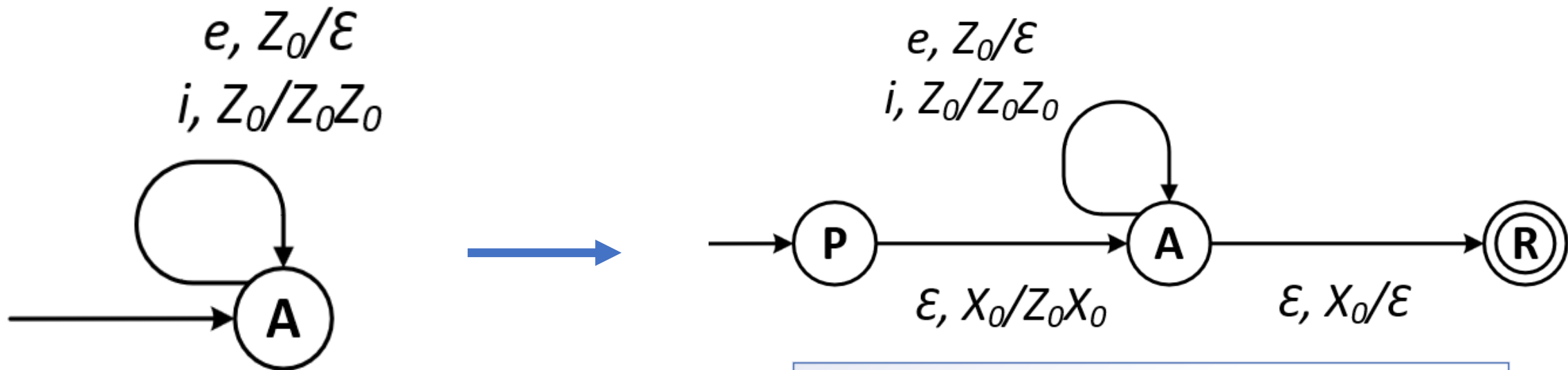
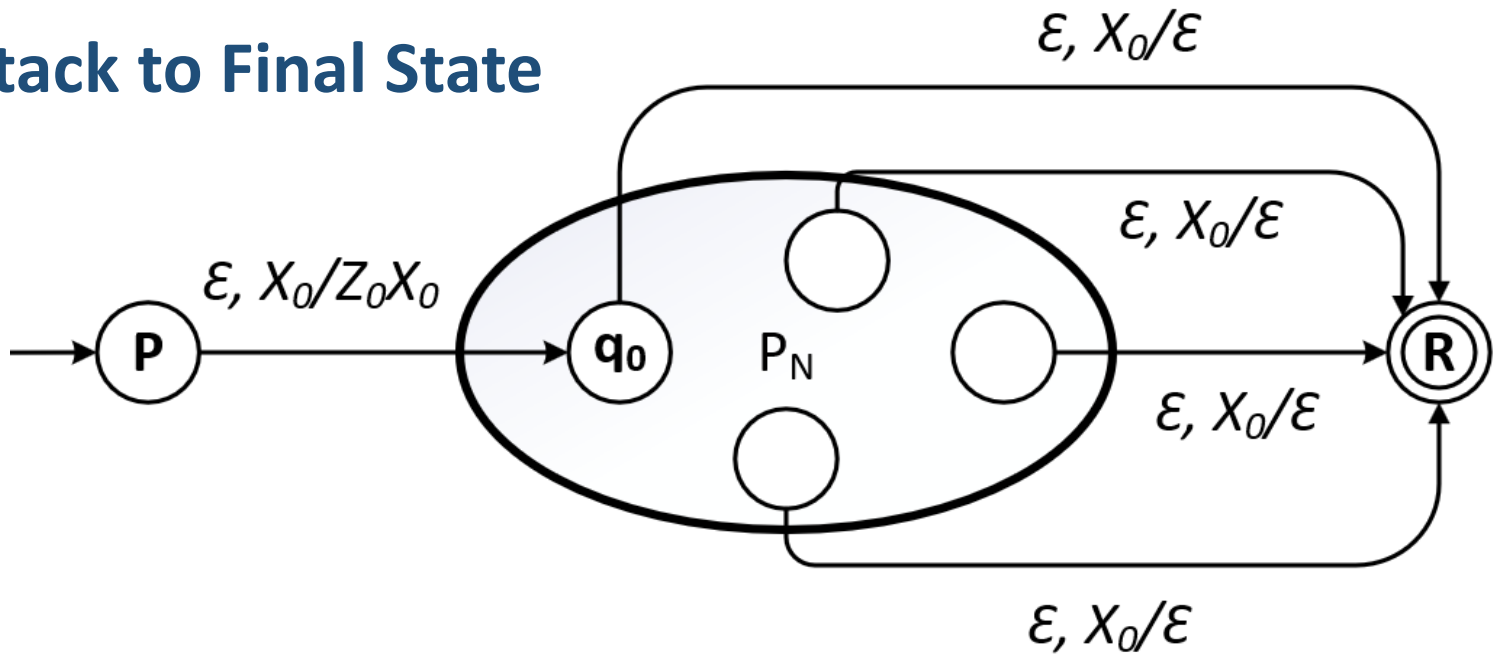
PDA Accepted by Empty Stack

Let $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$ be a PDA. We define

$$N(P) = \{w \mid (q_0, w, Z_0) \stackrel{*}{\vdash}_P (q, \epsilon, \epsilon)\}$$

- for any state q . That is, $N(P)$ is the set of inputs w that P can consume and at the same time empty its stack.

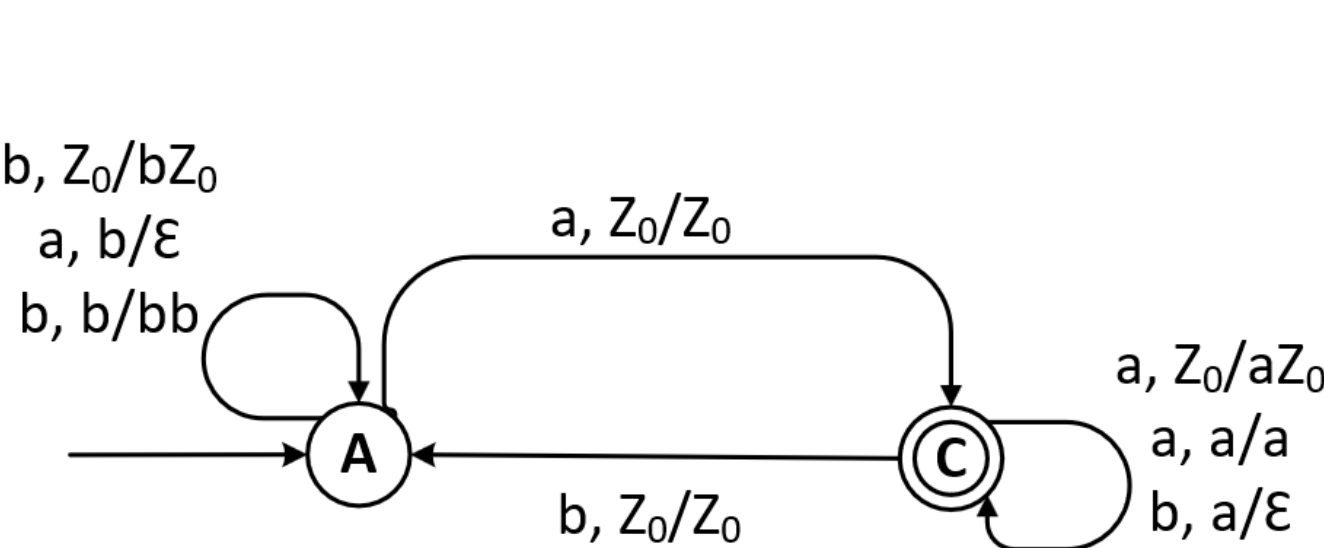
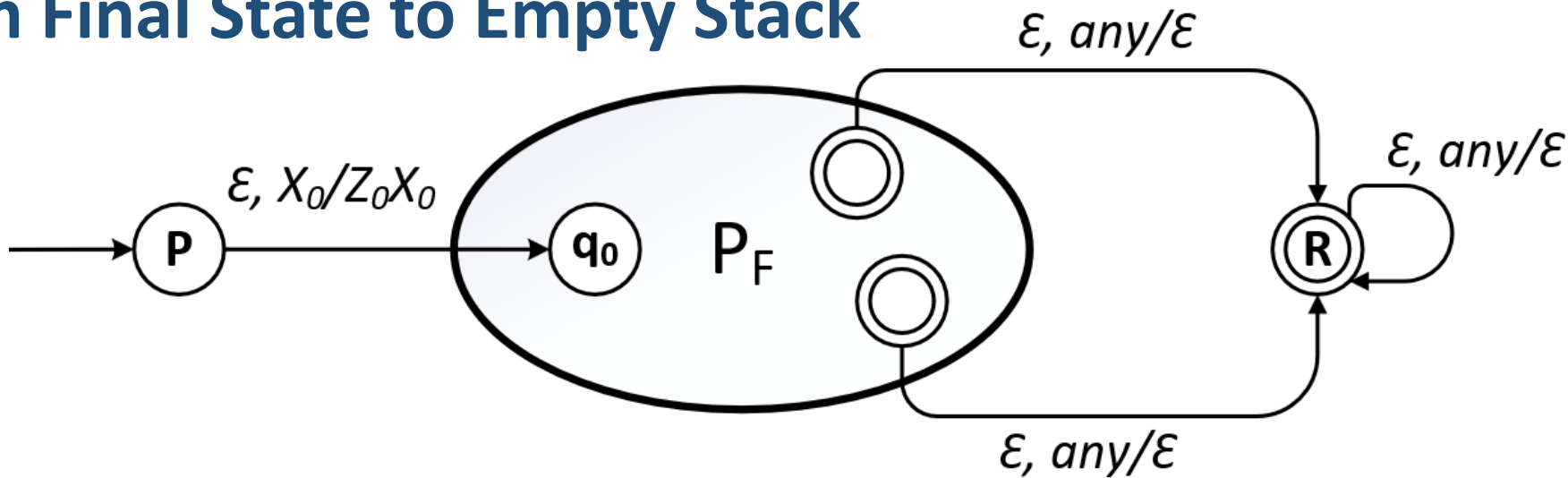
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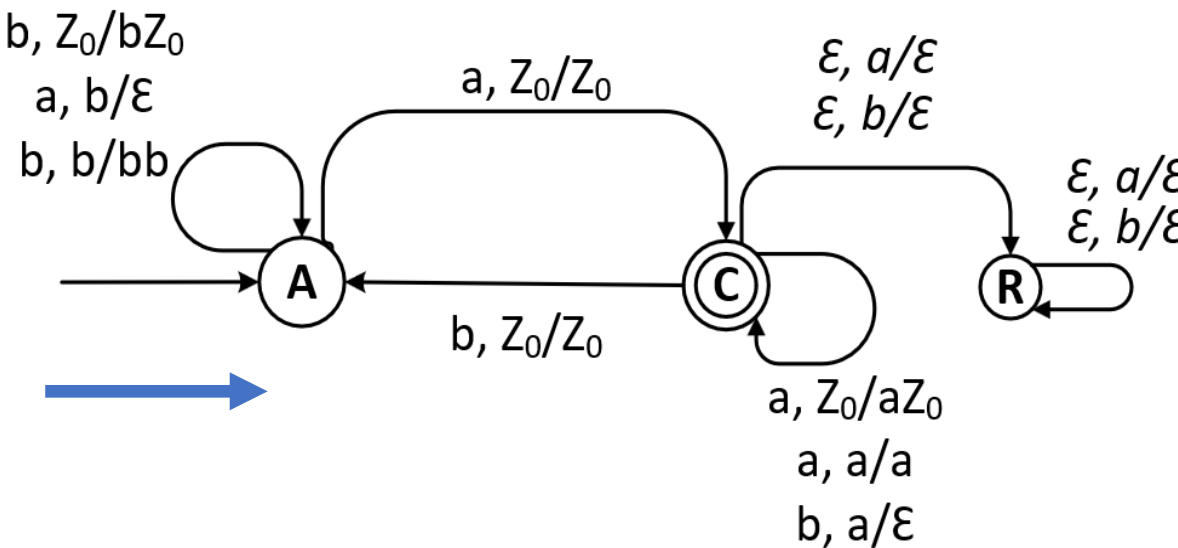
A PDA that accepts the if/else errors by empty stack.

Construction of a PDA accepting by final state from the sample PDA accepted by empty stack.

PDA: Conversion from Final State to Empty Stack

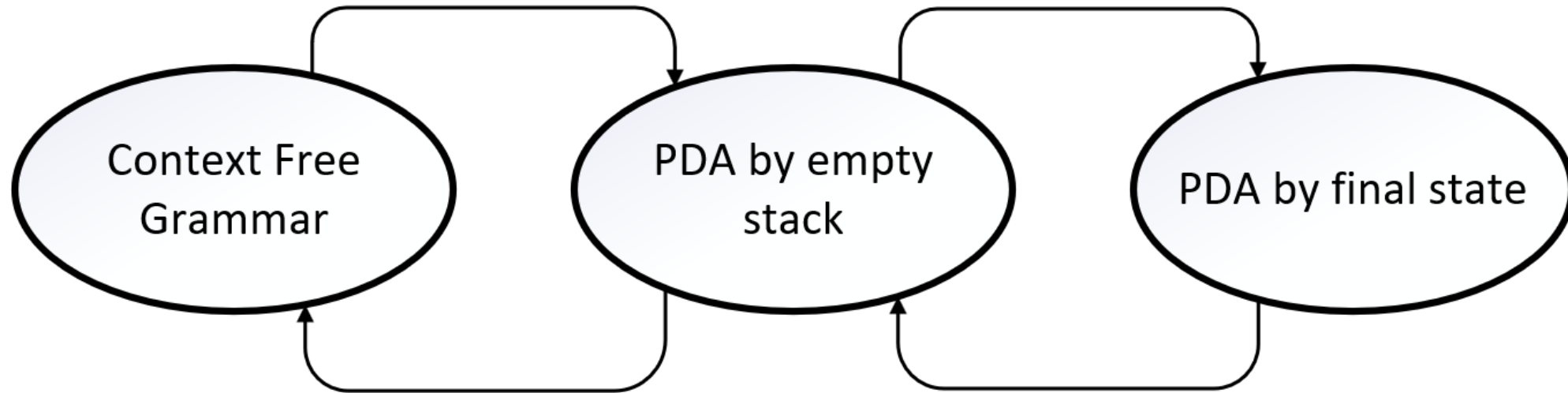


A sample PDA that is accepted by Final State



Construction of PDA accepting by empty state from the sample PDA accepted by final state.

Summary of Transformation



Turing Machine and Undecidability

- The Turing machine, conceptualized by Alan Turing in the 1930s, is a theoretical computational device that models the behaviour of a general-purpose computer.
- Turing machines are used to **study the limits and capabilities of computation systems**, and to prove that certain problems are **undecidable**.
- An undecidable problem is a problem that cannot be solved by a Turing machine.
 - One example of an undecidable problem is the halting problem – **proposed by Turing in 1936 and proved that** the halting problem is **undecidable**.
 - The halting problem asks whether there exists a program that can determine, for any given program and input, whether that program will eventually halt or continue running indefinitely.

Turing Machine and Undecidability (cont.)

- The existence of undecidable problems has important implications for the theory of computation.
- It means that there are some problems that cannot be solved by computers, no matter how powerful they are.
- This has led to the development of new techniques for solving problems that are not undecidable, such as **approximation algorithms** and **heuristics**.

Nondeterministic Polynomial (NP)

- In computational complexity theory, NP refers to the class of decision problems for which a "yes" instance can be verified in polynomial time.
- In other words, if someone claims to have a solution to an NP problem, it can be verified efficiently. However, finding a solution itself may not be computationally efficient.

Nondeterministic Polynomial (NP)

- The relationship between NP and undecidable problems lies in the concept of the "P versus NP problem."
- This problem asks whether every problem for which a solution can be verified in polynomial time (NP) can also be solved in polynomial time (P).

In other words, is NP equal to P?

- If $P = NP$, it would mean that any problem with an efficient verification algorithm also has an efficient solution algorithm.
- However, if $P \neq NP$, it implies that there are problems for which no efficient solution algorithm exists, even though a solution can be verified efficiently.
- **This would indicate a fundamental gap between the ability to verify solutions and the ability to find solutions.**

Relationship between Undecidable and NP

- Undecidable problems and NP are connected in the sense that undecidable problems generally fall outside the **jurisdiction** of NP.
- Undecidable problems, such as the **halting problem**, are beyond the scope of computation, regardless of whether efficient verification algorithms exist.
- NP problems, on the other hand, are in the **jurisdiction of computation**, but finding efficient solutions remains an open question for many of them.

Turing Machine

A Turing Machine can be defined by 7-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, B, F)$

- Q is a finite set of states
- Σ is a finite input symbols
- Γ is a complete set of tape symbols, Σ is always a subset of Γ .
- δ is the transition function that governs the behaviour of the automaton

Formally, the arguments of $\delta(q, X)$ are a state q and symbol X .

- p is the next state, in Q
 - Y is the symbol, in Γ , written in the cell being scanned, replacing whatever symbol was there.
 - D is direction, either L or R, standing for **left** or **right**, respectively, and telling us the direction in which the head moves.
- $q_0 \in Q$ The start state, a member of Q , in which the finite control is found initially.
 - $B \in \Gamma$ is the blank symbol, and is in Γ but not in Σ .
 - $F \subseteq Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)

Turing Machine $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, B, F)$

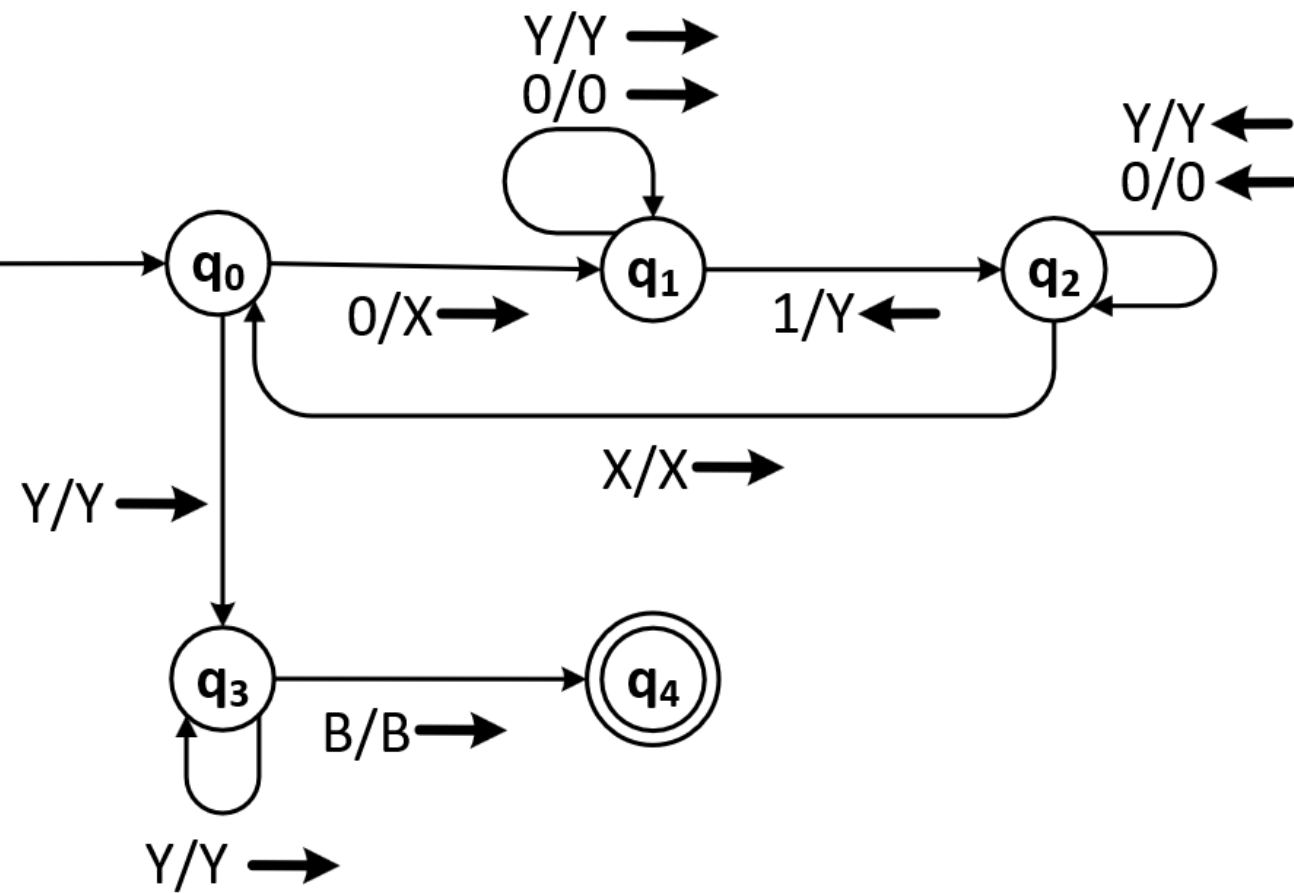
State	Symbol				
	0	1	X	Y	B
q₀	(q_1, X, R)	--	--	(q_3, Y, R)	--
q₁	$(q_1, 0, R)$	(q_2, Y, L)	--	(q_1, Y, R)	--
q₂	$(q_2, 0, L)$	--	(q_0, X, R)	(q_2, Y, L)	--
q₃	--	--	--	(q_3, Y, R)	(q_4, B, R)
q₄	--	--	--	--	--

$q_0 0 0 1 1 \vdash X$ $q_1 0 1 1 \vdash X 0$ $q_1 1 1 \vdash X$ $q_2 0 Y 1 \vdash q_2 X 0 Y 1 \vdash$
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Constrcut a Turing machine that accepts the language $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$

Turing Machine

$$TM = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, B, F)$$



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q ₂	(q ₂ , 0, L)	--	(q ₀ , X, R)	(q ₂ , Y, L)	--
q ₃	--	--	--	(q ₃ , Y, R)	(q ₄ , B, R)
q ₄	--	--	--	--	--

Construct a Turing machine that accepts the language $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$