

CS3133 Foundations of Computer Science HW1

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LangProps)

For each part decide if there can be languages A and B with given property. If so, give a specific example, if not, explain why not.

1) $AB = A$

Can exist. If $B = \{\lambda\}$ then $AB = A$.

2) $AB = \emptyset$

Can exist. If A and $B = \emptyset$.

3) $AB = BA$

Can exist. If $A = B$.

4) $A^* = A$ and $A \neq \Sigma^*$

Can exist. If $A = \emptyset$ or $A = \{\lambda\}$.

5) $AA = A$

Can exist. If $A = \emptyset$ or $A = \{\lambda\}$.

6) $AA \subseteq A$ but $AA \neq A$

Can exist.

Example: $A = \{b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$

$AA = \{b^n \mid n \geq 2\}$,

Therefore, $AA \subseteq A$ and $AA \neq A$

7) $AA \not\subseteq A$.

Can exist. $A = \{\text{"computer"}\}$, $AA = \{\text{"computercomputer"}\}$.

8) $A \subseteq AA$ but $AA \neq A$.

Can exist. $A = \{\lambda, a\}$, $AA = \{\lambda, a, aa\}$.

9) $A^* \subset A$

Can't exist. By definition, $A \subseteq A^*$, therefore A^* cannot be a proper subset of A .

LangSubset)

- 1) For all A, B, C , $A(B \cup C) \subseteq AB \cup AC$

Let $y \in A(B \cup C)$.

Let $y = ax$ where: $a \in A$ and $x \in (B \cup C)$.

Two cases for x :

$x \in B$:

In this case y is made of a and one element of B , therefore is an element of AB and an element of $AB \cup AC$.

$x \in C$:

In this case y is a concatenation of a and one element of C , therefore is an element of AC and an element of $AB \cup AC$.

Therefore, $A(B \cup C) \subseteq AB \cup AC$.

- 2) For all A, B, C , $AB \cup AC \subseteq A(B \cup C)$

Let $y \in AB \cup AC$.

There are two cases:

- 1) $y \in AB$:

Then y can be written as ab where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$. ab is an element in $A(B \cup C)$, so $y \in A(B \cup C)$.

- 2) $y \in AC$:

Then y can be written as ac where $a \in A$ and $c \in C$. ac is an element in $A(B \cup C)$ so $y \in A(B \cup C)$.

Therefore $AB \cup AC \subseteq A(B \cup C)$.

- 3) For all A, B, C $A(B \cap C) \subseteq AB \cap AC$

Let $y \in A(B \cap C)$.

y can be written as ax , where $x \in (B \cap C)$.

Since $x \in B$, $ax \in AB$.

Similarly, $x \in C$, $ax \in AC$.

This leads to $x \in AB \cap AC$.

Therefore, $A(B \cap C) \subseteq AB \cap AC$.

- 4) For all A, B, C $AB \cap AC \subseteq A(B \cap C)$

Not true.

Counter example:

$$A = \{ a, aa \}$$

$$B = \{ c \}$$

$$C = \{ ac \}$$

Therefore,

$$AB = \{ ac, aac \}$$

$$AC = \{ aac, aaac \}$$

$$AB \cap AC = \{ aac \}$$

However,

$$A(B \cap C) = A\emptyset = \emptyset$$

$$\text{So, } AB \cap AC \neq A(B \cap C)$$

DeltaFirst)

Definition:

$$\delta^*(q, \lambda) = q$$

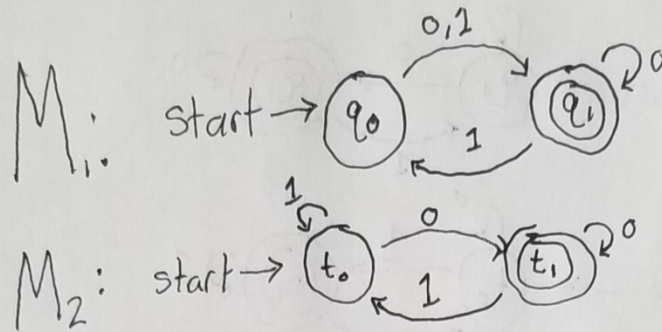
$$\delta^*(q, ax) = \delta^*(\delta(q, a), x) \quad \text{for } x \in \Sigma^*, a \in \Sigma$$

Picture:

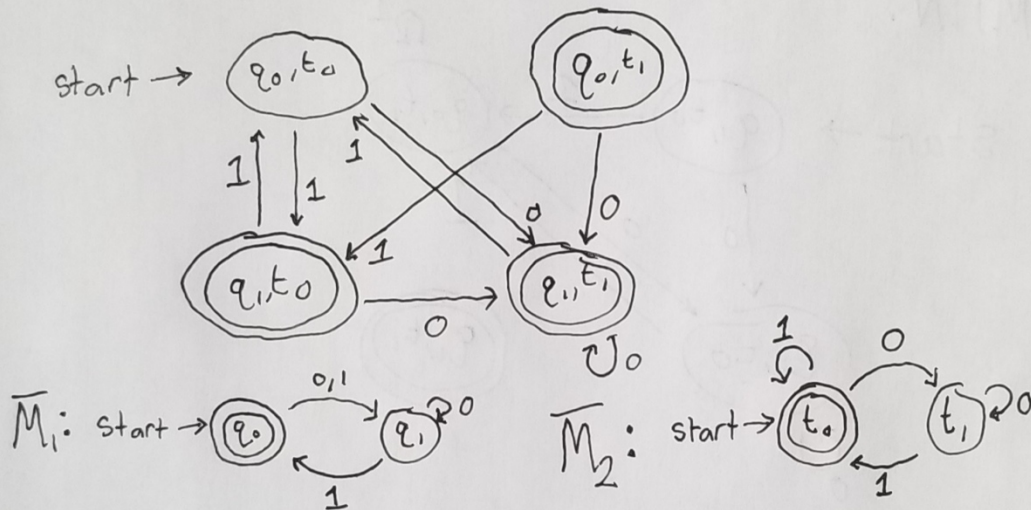
$$q \xrightarrow{a} \delta(q, a) \xrightarrow{x} \delta^*(\delta(q, a), x)$$

From q , reading the symbol a brings the DFA to state $\delta(q, a)$. From $\delta(q, a)$, reading in the string x brings the DFA to state $\delta^*(\delta(q, a), x)$.

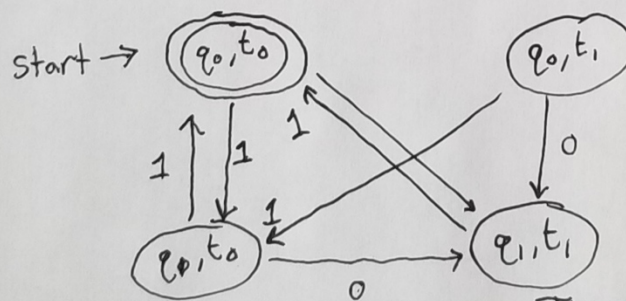
DFAUnion)



$M_1 \cup M_2$ with Union Construction:



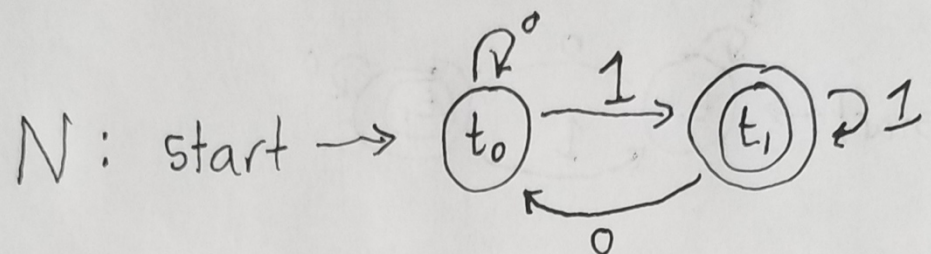
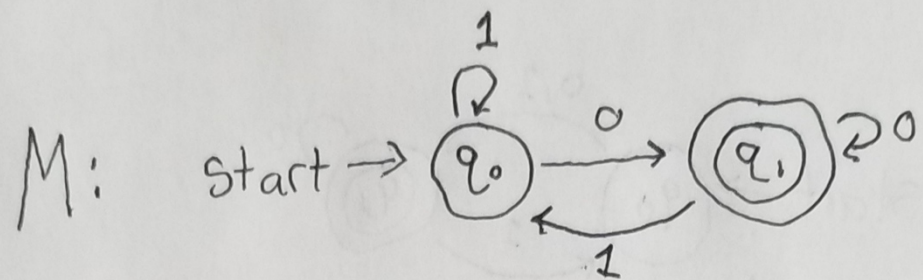
$\bar{M}_1 \cap \bar{M}_2$ with product intersection construction:



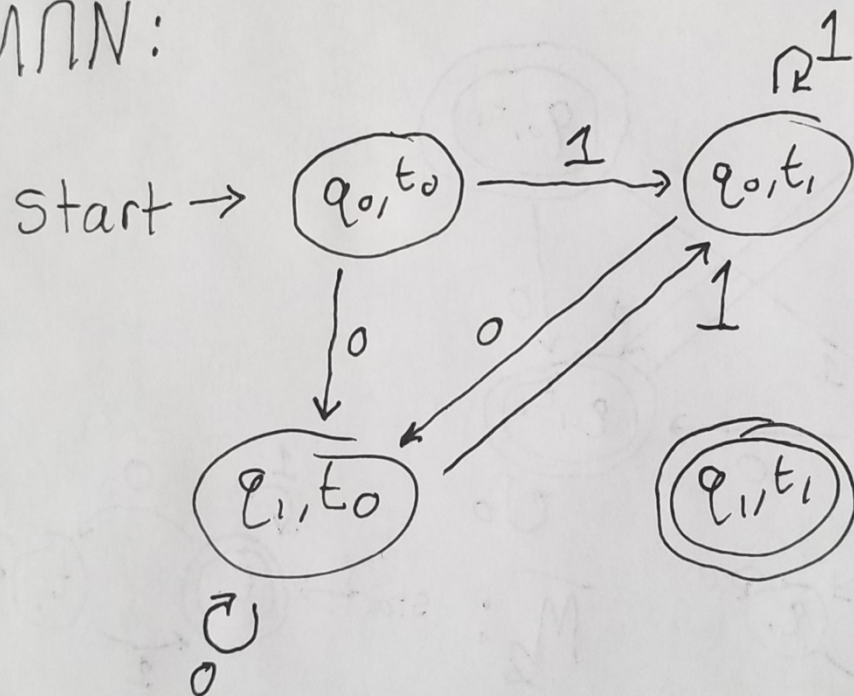
Therefore, $\overline{\bar{M}_1 \cap \bar{M}_2} = M_1 \cup M_2$.

After drawing out the example above, it was clear that the relationship between M'' and $M_1 \cup M_2$ is that they are the same DFA, since $M_1' \cap M_2'$ (aka M') is simply the complement of $M_1 \cup M_2$, as is visualized in the above drawings. It follows that $L(M'') = L(M_1 \cup M_2)$.

DFAPuzzle)



$M \cap N$:



Since $L(M) \cap L(N) = \emptyset$, there are no possible strings that the DFA of $M \cap N$ will accept. Accordingly, the diagram shows there is no way to reach the only accepting state of (q_1, t_1) .