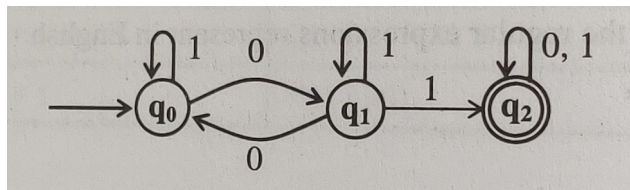


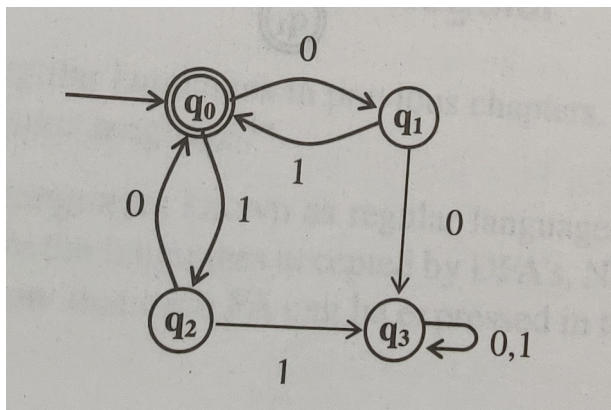
PRACTICE SET - 1

1. Construct regular expression, and convert to ϵ -NFA, NFA and DFA for the following languages.
 - a) Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and let $L = \{baa\}$.
 - b) Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and let $L = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid w \neq \epsilon \text{ and the first and last character of } w \text{ are the same}\}$.
 - c) Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and let $L = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid w \text{ is a nonempty string whose characters alternate between a's and b's}\}$.
 - d) $L = \{w \mid w \text{ is a C-style comment}\}$
 - e) Let $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ and let $L = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid w \text{ ends in } cab\}$.
 - f) Let $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ and let $L = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \text{some character in } \Sigma \text{ appears at most twice in } w\}$.
 - g) Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and let $L = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \text{the third-from-last character of } w \text{ is } a\}$.
2. Draw an ϵ -NFA which accepts 00 and 11 at the end of a string containing 0, 1 in it, e.g., 01010100 but not 000111010. Convert the ϵ -NFA to a minimized DFA by using the concept of distinguishable states.
3. Draw an ϵ -NFA which accepts a string containing “the” anywhere in a string of $\{a-z\}$, e.g., “there” but not “those”. Convert the ϵ -NFA to a minimized DFA by using the concept of distinguishable states.
4. Prove that $L = \{ww\}$ is not a regular language.
5. Prove that $L = \{w \mid w = a^n, n \text{ is prime}\}$ is not regular.
6. Show that these two REs do not represent the same language:
 - a) $aa(aUb)^* \cup (bb)^*a^*$
 - b) $(abUbaUa)^*$
7. Explain what each of the Res represent in English:
 - a) $(a+b)^*aa(a+b)^*$
 - b) $a^*b^*c^*$
 - c) $aa^*bb^*cc^*$
 - d) $(aa)^*(bb)^*b$
 - e) $(0+1)^*000$
8. Obtain RE for the following FA:

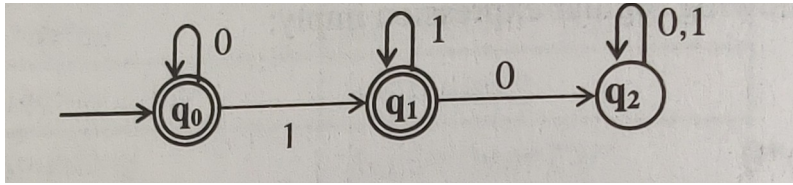
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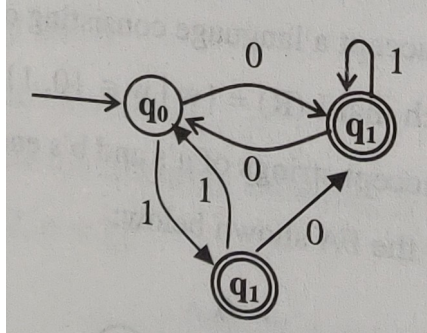
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9. What is the language accepted by the following FA?



10. Convert the following DFA to a RE.



11. Obtain ϵ -NFAs for the following REs using Ken Thomson algorithm.

a) $a^* + b^* + c^*$

b) $(a+b)^*aa(a+b)^*$

Convert those ϵ -NFAs into minimized DFA by tabular method.

***** ALSO SOLVE THE EXERCISES OF THE PRESCRIBED BOOKS*****