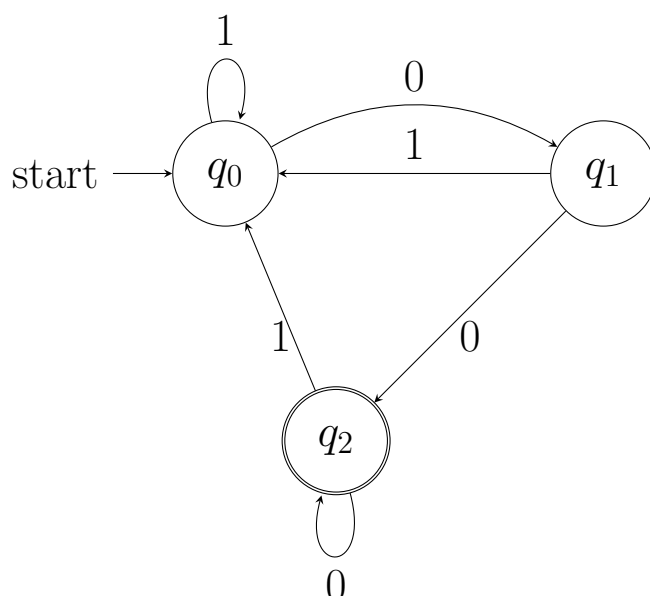


Due: Sept 19 at 11:59 pm

## 1. Describing DFAs

For the following deterministic finite automaton  $M_1$ :

- Determine what language  $M_1$  recognizes.



2. Draw an NFA whose alphabet is  $\{a, b\}$  and which accepts the language of strings such that any two consecutive  $a$ s are followed by exactly 3 consecutive  $b$ s. Note that this does not require that 2 consecutive  $a$ s ever appear in the input, just that anytime you see  $aa$ , you must then see exactly 3 consecutive  $b$ s. The following are examples of strings in the language of this NFA:

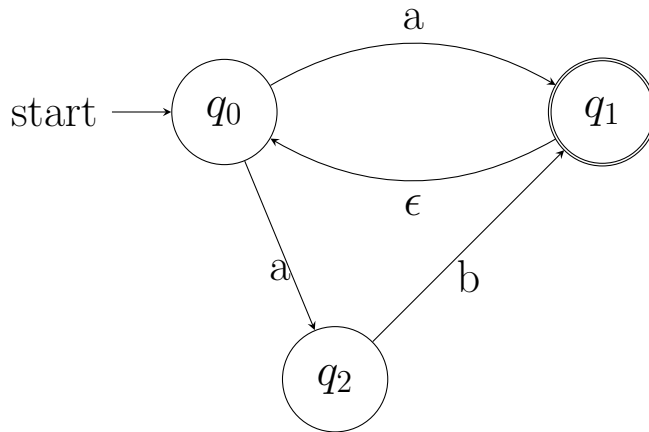
(epsilon)

a

babaabbba

aabbbaabbbabababbbbb

3. **Describing NFAs** Give the formal definition  $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  of the following NFA, and show that it accepts the string "aab" according to the formal definition of accepting.



4. **Subset Construction** Turn the above NFA into DFA using the subset construction. It should be clear from your drawing of a DFA how the subset construction was applied.
5. **Intersection** Prove that the set of regular languages is closed under the intersection operation, i.e., prove that if languages  $A$  and  $B$  are regular, then  $A \cap B$  is also regular. You may assume that  $A$  and  $B$  share the same alphabet.