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CONSTRUCTION OF FINITE AUTOMATA EQUIVALENT TO REGULAR EXPRESSION

Lecture #9

The method we are going to give for constructing a finite automaton equivalent to a given regular expression is called the *subset method* which involves two steps.

Step 1 Construct a transition graph (transition system) equivalent to the given regular expression using Λ -moves. This is done by using Theorem 5.2.

Step 2 Construct the transition table for the transition graph

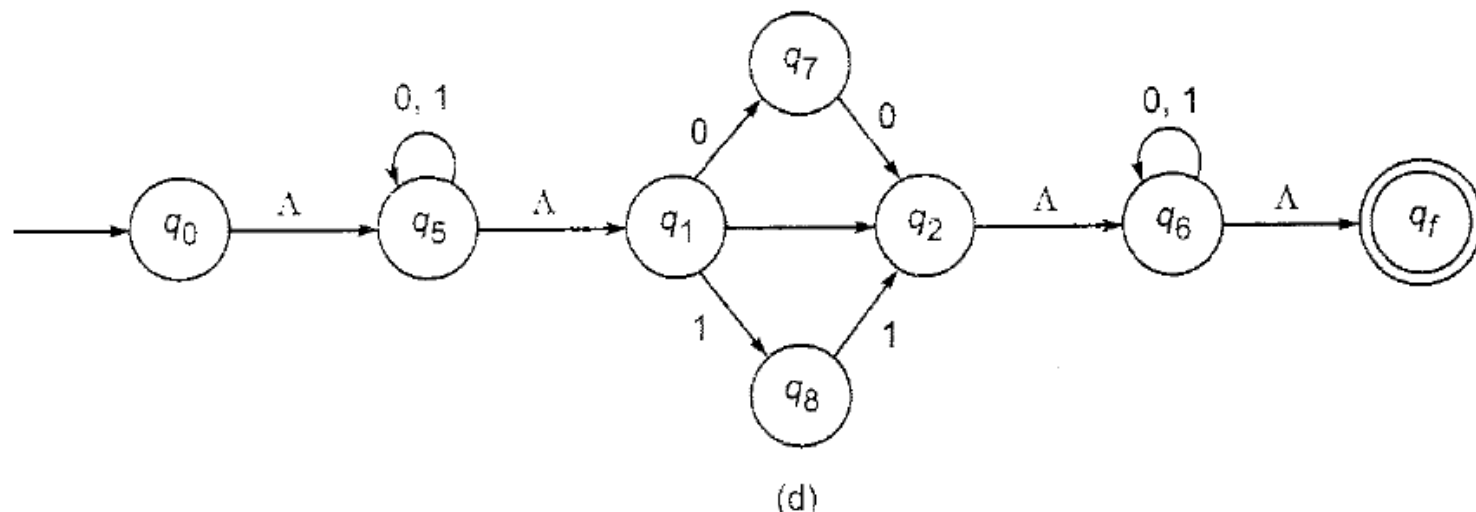
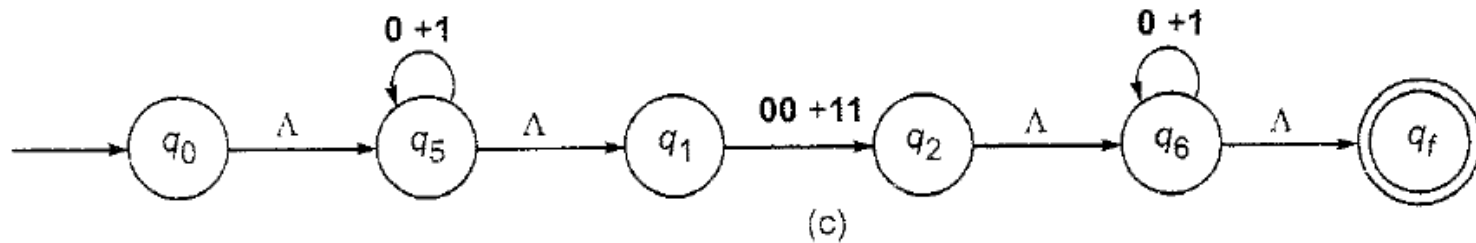
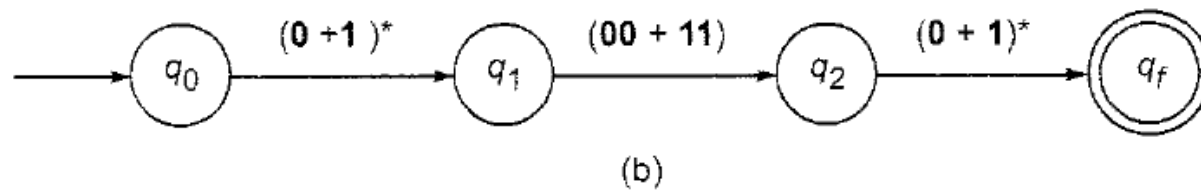
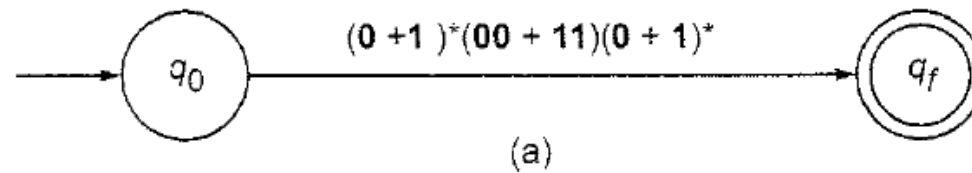
PROBLEM



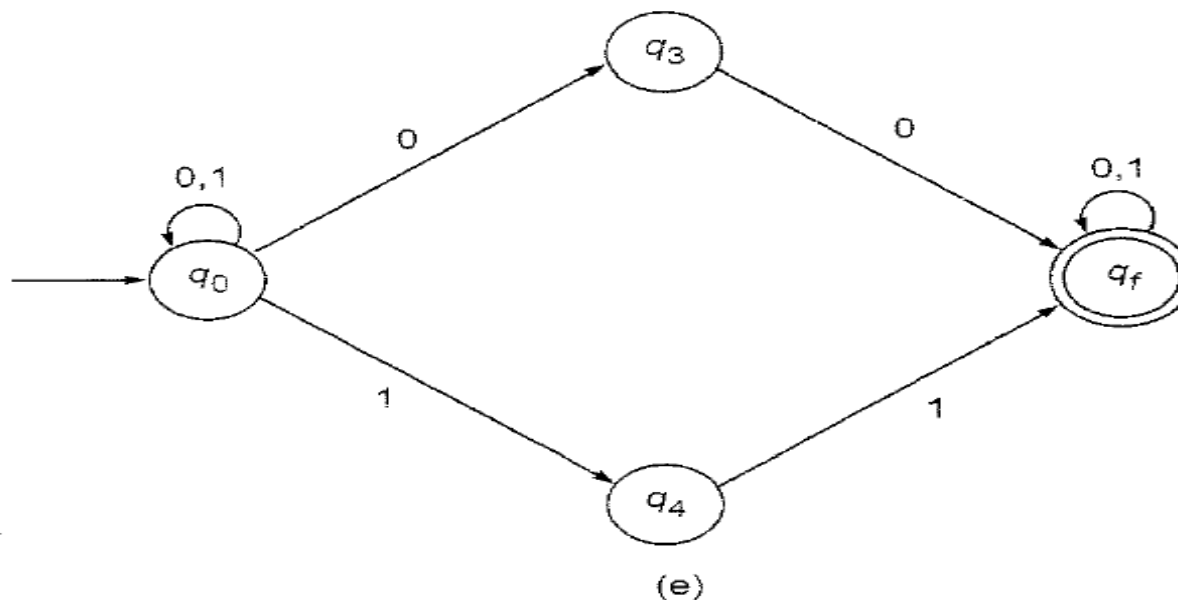
Construct the finite automaton equivalent to the regular expression

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

SOLUTION



SOLUTION

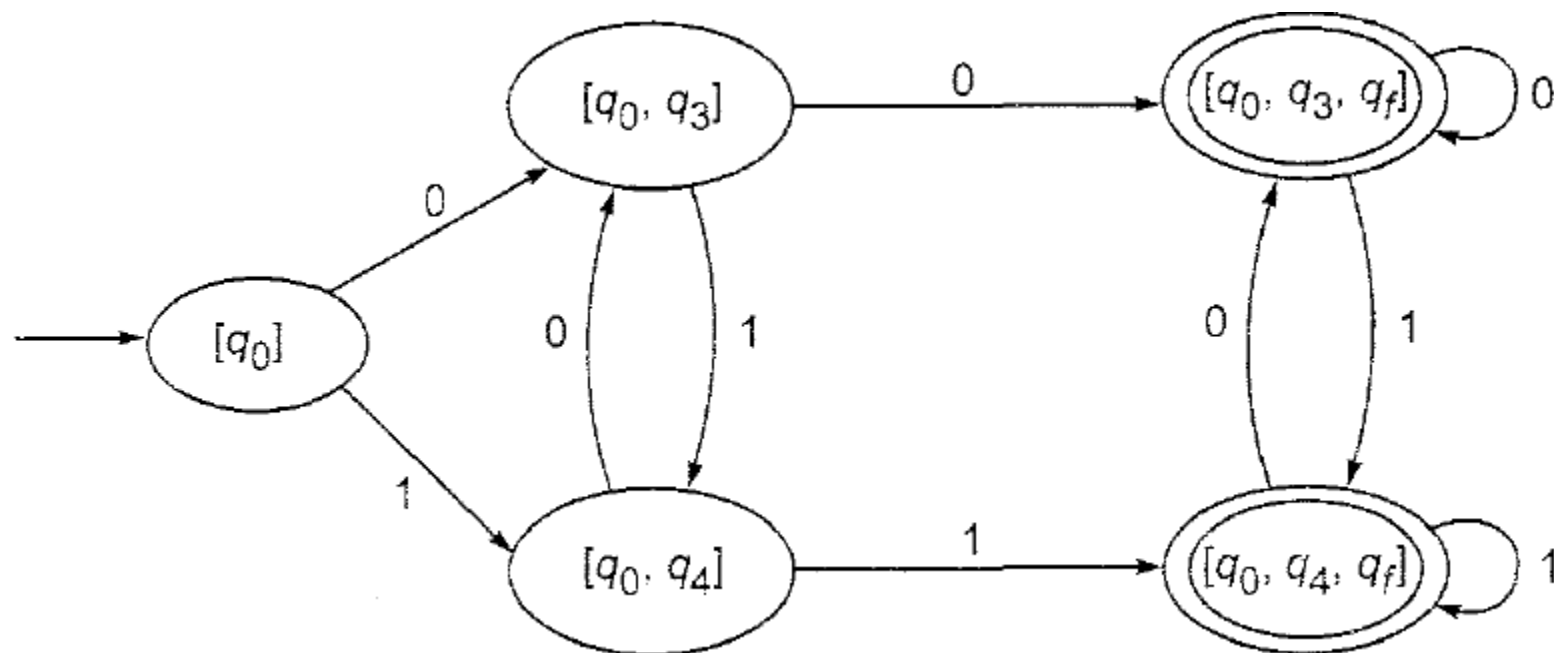


| State/ Σ | 0 | 1 |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| $\rightarrow q_0$ | q_0, q_3 | q_0, q_4 |
| q_3 | q_f | |
| q_4 | | q_f |
| q_f | q_f | q_f |

SOLUTION



| Q | Q ₀ | Q ₁ |
|---|---|---|
| → [q ₀] | [q ₀ , q ₃] | [q ₀ , q ₄] |
| [q ₀ , q ₃] | [q ₀ , q ₃ , q _f] | [q ₀ , q ₄] |
| [q ₀ , q ₄] | [q ₀ , q ₃] | [q ₀ , q ₄ , q _f] |
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EQUIVALENCE OF TWO FINITE AUTOMATA AND REGULAR EXPRESSION

Lecture #9

- Two finite automata are over Σ are equivalent if they accept the same set of string over input Σ .
- When two finite automata are not equivalent ,there is some string w over Σ satisfying the following: one automaton reaches a final state on application of w , whereas other automaton reaches a non final state.

Case 1 If we reach a pair (q, q') such that q is a final state of M , and q' is a nonfinal state of M' or vice versa, we terminate the construction and conclude that M and M' are not equivalent.

Case 2 Here the construction is terminated when no new element appears in the second and subsequent columns which are not in the first column (i.e. when all the elements in the second and subsequent columns appear in the first column). In this case we conclude that M and M' are equivalent.

PROBLEM



Consider the following two DFAs M and M' over $\{0, 1\}$ given in Fig. 5.23. Determine whether M and M' are equivalent.

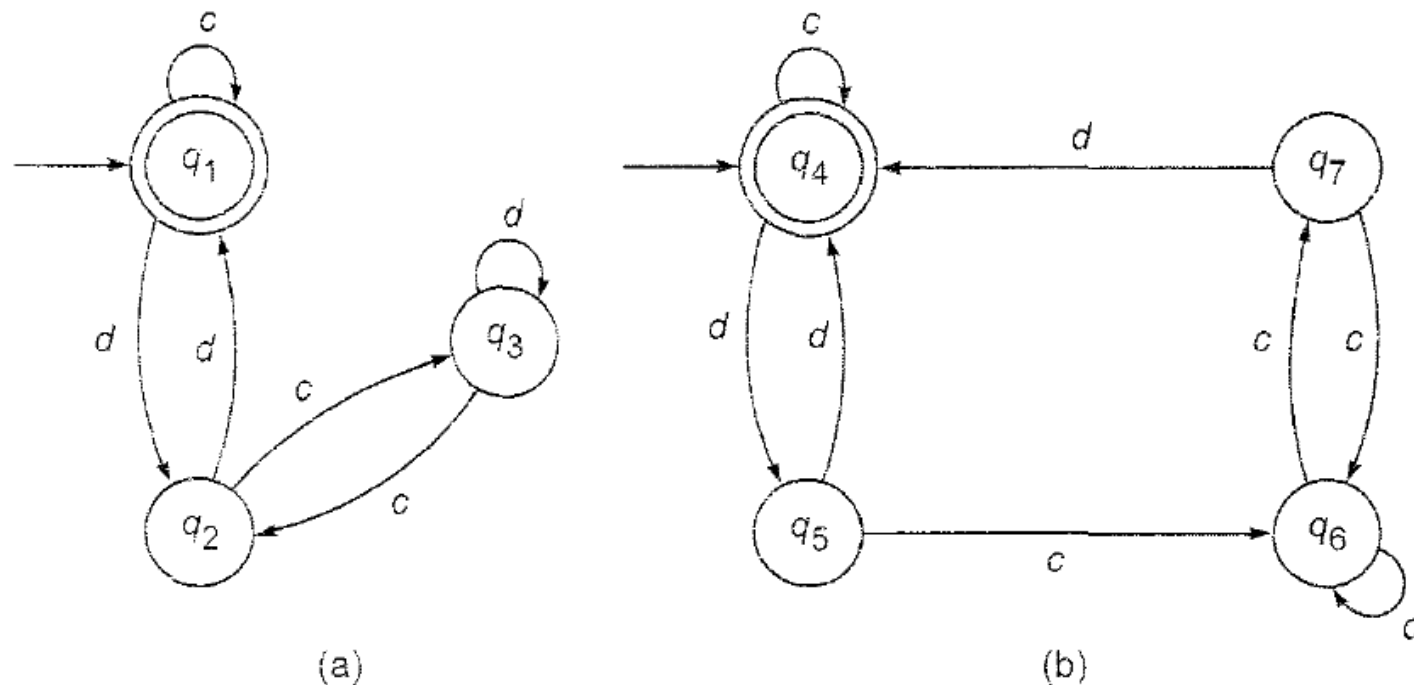


Fig. 5.23 (a) Automaton M and (b) automaton M' .

| (q, q') | (q_c, q'_c) | (q_d, q'_d) |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| (q_1, q_4) | (q_1, q_4) | (q_2, q_5) |
| (q_2, q_5) | (q_3, q_6) | (q_1, q_4) |
| (q_3, q_6) | (q_2, q_7) | (q_3, q_6) |
| (q_2, q_7) | (q_3, q_6) | (q_1, q_4) |

As we do not get a pair (q, q') , where q is a final state and q' is a nonfinal state (or vice versa) at every row, we proceed until all the elements in the second and third columns are also in the first column. Therefore, M and M' are equivalent.



- The regular expressions P and Q are equivalent iff they represent the same set. Also, P and Q are equivalent iff the corresponding finite automata are equivalent.

PROBLEM



- PROVE

$$(a+b)^* = a^*(ba^*)^*$$

SOLUTION

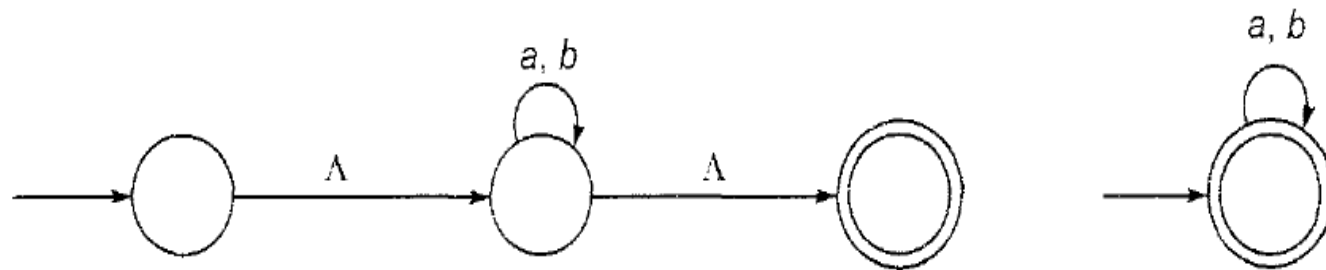


Fig. 5.25 Transition system for $(a + b)^*$.

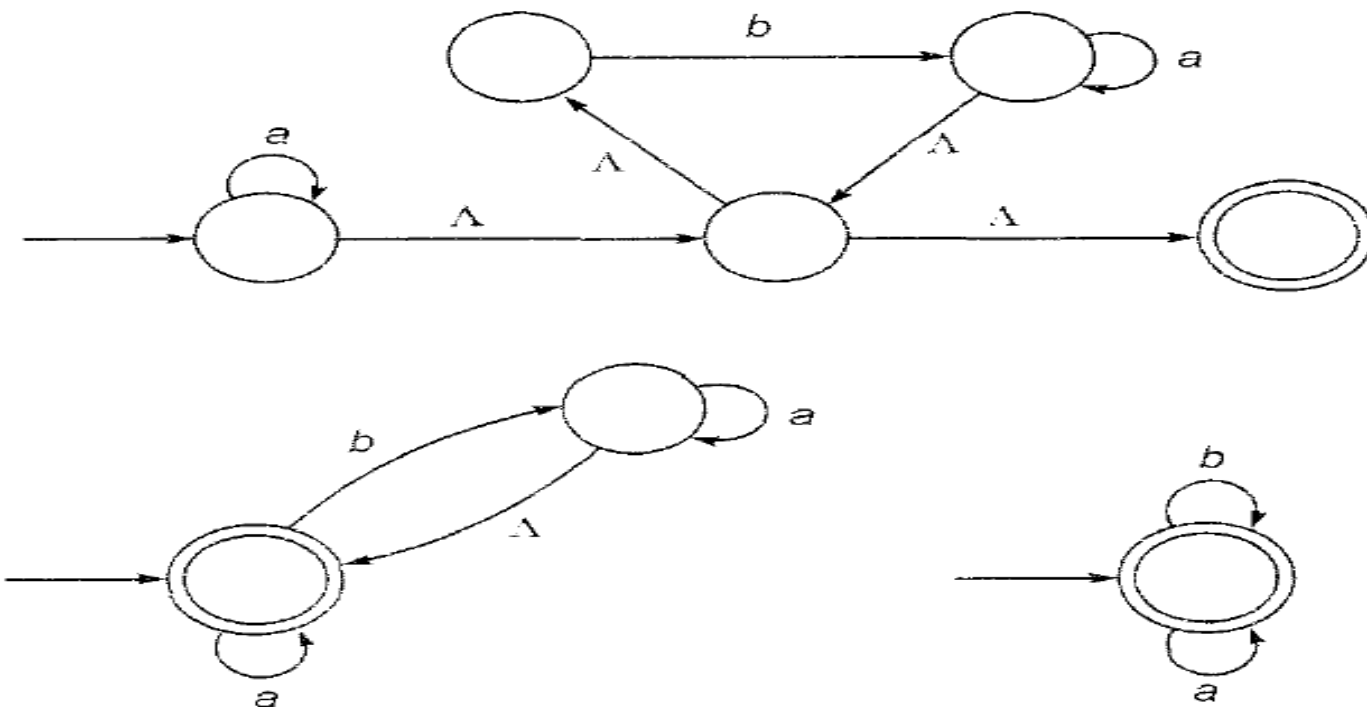


Fig. 5.26 Transition system for $a^*(ba^*)^*$.



- Set Union
- Concatenation
- Closure(iteration)
- Transpose
- Set intersection
- Complementation