CS 228 : Logic in Computer Science

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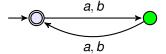
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- $\triangleright \Sigma^* = L(A) \cup \overline{L(A)}$

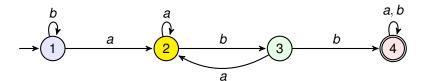
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- ▶ Blue state : ϵ , ab, ba, bb, aa, . . .
- ▶ Green state : a, b, aaa, aba, baa, bbb, bba, bab, . . .
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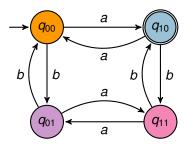
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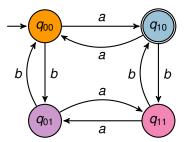


- ▶ state 1 : b*
- ▶ state 2: *b***a*, *b***aa**, *b***aa**(*ba*)*
- state 3 : b* ab, b* aa* b, b* aa* (ba)* b
- ▶ state 4 : $b^*abb\Sigma^*$, $b^*aa^*bb\Sigma^*$, $b^*aa^*(ba)^*bb\Sigma^*$
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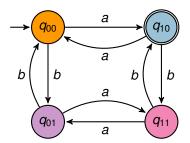
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- Thus we have good and bad buckets
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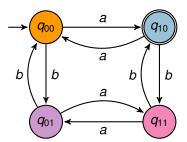




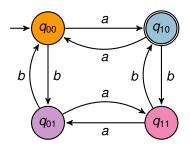
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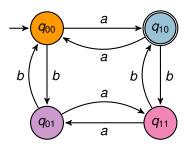
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- ▶ Show that for any $w \in \Sigma^*$,
 - $\hat{\delta}(q_{00}, w) = q_{ij}$ with $i, j \in \{0, 1\}$, parity of i same as $|w|_a$ and parity of j same as $|w|_b$



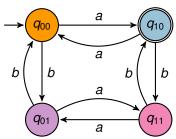
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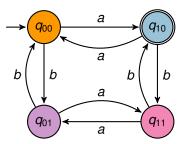
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- ▶ Assume the claim for $x \in \Sigma^*$, and show it for $xc, c \in \{a, b\}$.

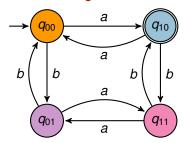


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- $\hat{\delta}(q_{00},xc) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_{00},x),c)$
- lacksquare By induction hypothesis, $\hat{\delta}(q_{00},x)=q_{ij}$ iff
 - parity of *i* and $|x|_a$ are the same
 - parity of j and $|x|_b$ are the same

If L is regular, S.T. the complement of L is also regular

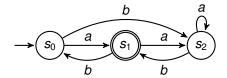


- ► Case Analysis: If $|x|_a$ odd and $|x|_b$ even, then i = 1, j = 0
 - $\delta(q_{10}, a) = q_{00}, \delta(q_{10}, b) = q_{11}$
 - ▶ $|xa|_a$ is even and $|xa|_b$ is even
 - \blacktriangleright $|xb|_a$ is odd and $|xb|_b$ is odd
- Other Cases : Similar
- $\hat{\delta}(q_{00},x)=q_{10}$ iff $|x|_a$ odd and $|x|_b$ even

Recall: Bucket Analogy for DFA

- Finite states, infinite number of words
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