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Theorem 1:

If $D = (Q_D, \Sigma, \delta_D, (q_0), F_D)$ is the DFA constructed from NFA $N = (Q_N, \Sigma, \delta_N, q_0, F_N)$ by subset construction, then $L(D) = L(N)$

Proof: By induction on $|w|$, we prove - $\delta_D^*(\{q_0\}, w) \supseteq \delta_N^*(q_0, w)$

Basis: Let $|w| = 0$ i.e. $w = \epsilon$

By definition of DFA and NFA,

$$\delta_D^*(\{q_0\}, \epsilon) = \{q_0\}$$

$$\delta_N^*(q_0, \epsilon) = \{q_0\}$$

Induction: Let w be of length $n+1$ and assume the statement for length n . Let $w = xa$ where a is the final symbol of w .

By Inductive hypothesis,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_D^*(\{q_0\}, xa) &= \delta_N^*(\{q_0\}, xa) \quad \text{--- (1)} \\ &= \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\} \end{aligned}$$

If both these sets of N 's states be $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}$,
By inductive defn of δ^* for NFA's

$$\delta_N^*(q_0, w) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k \delta_N(p_i, a) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

The subset construction,

$$\delta_D(\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}, a) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k \delta_N(p_i, a) \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\delta_D^*(\{q_0\}, xa) = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\} \quad (\text{By (3)})$$

Theorem 2:

A language L is accepted by some DFA, iff L is accepted by some NFA.

Proof: (If): The 'if' part is the subset construction method and Theorem 1.

Only If: We have only to convert a DFA into an identical NFA.

Let $D = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_D, q_0, F)$

Define $N = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_N, q_0, F)$ to be an equivalent NFA by:

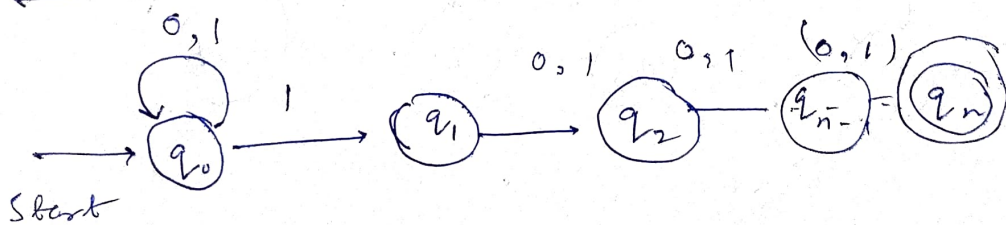
If $\delta_D(q, a) = p$, then $\delta_N(q, a) = \{p\}$

Then by induction on $|w|$, we have

If $\delta_D^*(q_0, w) = p$, then $\delta_N^*(q_0, w) = \{p\}$.

Therefore, w is accepted by ~~some DFA~~ D iff w is accepted by N i.e. $L(D) = L(N)$

Bad Case for Subset Construction:



$L(N)$ is a set of all strings of 0's and 1's, s.t. the n th symbol from the end is 1.

- DFA D accepts this language must remember the last n symbols it has read.
- Since any 2^n subsets of last n symbols could have been 1, if D have fewer than 2^n states, there would be some state q s.t. D can be in a state q .

- Since, the seq. are different, they must differ in some position, say $a_i \neq b_i$.
- Suppose that, $a_i = 1$ and $b_i = 0$. ~~q_i~~ If $i=1$, then q must be both an accepting state and a non-accepting state since q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n is accepted and $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n, 0, \dots, 0$ is not.

Finite Automata with Epsilon Transitions:

Example:

ϵ -NFA that accepts decimal numbers consisting of L.

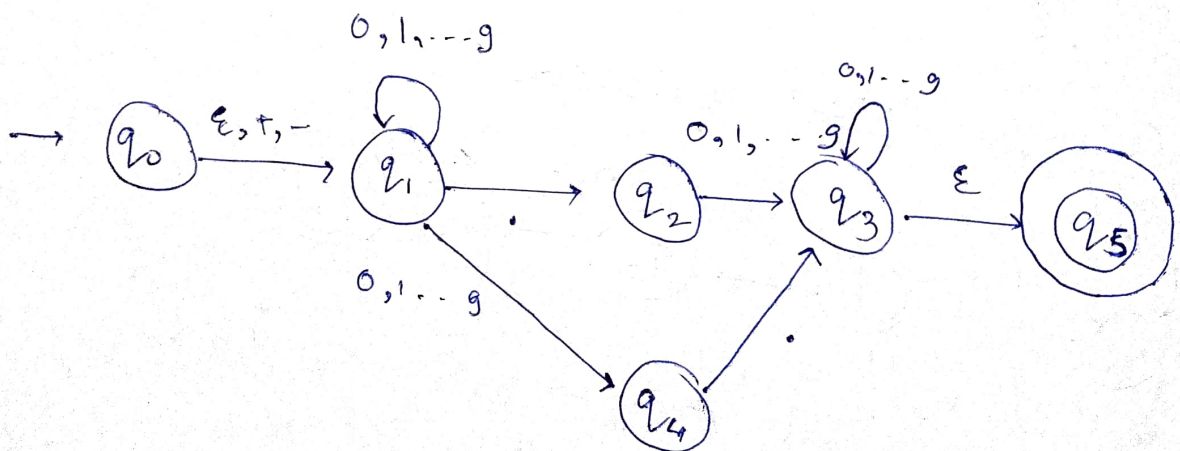
① Optional sign (+, -)

② String of digits - $\{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$

③ Decimal point

④ Another string of digits

② and ④ can be empty but at least one must be non-empty.



ϵ -NFA

Formally, $E = (\{q_0, q_1, \dots, q_5\}, \{., +, -, 0, 1, \dots, 9\}, \delta, q_0, \{q_5\})$.

$$\delta(q_0, \epsilon) = q_1$$

$$\delta(q, 4) = \{q_1, q_4\}$$

$$\delta(q_1, \cdot) = \{q_2\}$$

$$\delta(q_4, \cdot) = \{q_3\}$$

$$\delta(q_2, 2) = \{q_3\}$$

$$\delta(q_3, 0) = \{q_5\}$$

$$E\text{-}Close(q) = \{q\}$$

$$p \in E\text{-}Close(q)$$

$$\delta(p, \epsilon) = \checkmark \Rightarrow p \in E\text{-}Close(q) [E\text{-}Close(q) \cup \{p\}]$$

Extended Transitions for E-NFA:

$$\text{Basis: } \delta^*(q, \epsilon) = E\text{-}Close(q)$$

Induction: Suppose w is of the form $x\alpha$,

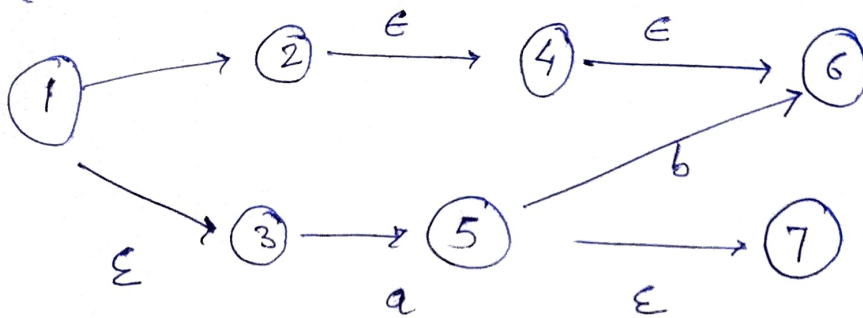
Compute $\delta^*(q, w)$

- Let $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\} \subseteq \delta^*(q, x)$ i.e. the p_i 's are all and only the states that can be reached q following a path labelled x .
- Let $\bigcup_{i=1}^k \delta(p_i, \alpha) \subseteq \{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m\}$
- $\delta^*(q, w) = \bigcup_{j=1}^m E\text{-}Close(r_j)$

~~$$\delta^*(q_0, \epsilon) = \text{ECLOSE}$$~~

$$\begin{aligned}\delta^*(q_0, 4.8) &= \delta(q_2, 8) \cup (q_3, 8) \cup \delta(q_4, 8) \\ &= \{q_3\} \cup \{q_3, q_5\} \\ &= \cancel{q_3}. \{q_3, q_5\}\end{aligned}$$

Question:



$$\text{ECLOSE}(1) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$$

$$\text{ECLOSE}(2) = \{2, 4, 6\}$$

$$\text{ECLOSE}(3) = \{3\}$$

$$\text{ECLOSE}(4) = \{4, 6\}$$

$$\text{ECLOSE}(5) = \{5, 7\}$$

$$\text{ECLOSE}(6) = \{6\}$$

$$\text{ECLOSE}(7) = \{7\}$$