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教材

- Elements of the Theory of Computation

成绩

- 作业10%
- 期中20%
- 期末70%

Introduction

Theory of Computation(计算理论概论)

Automator Theory

- 自动机理论
- computation device(计算设备)
- language(语言)

Computability Theory

- 可计算理论

Complexity Theory

- 复杂性理论
- resource
 - time
 - space
- Complexity class
 - P and NP(non-determinist polynomial)
 - PSPACE
 - EXPTION
- 不可解决的问题
 - halting problem(停机问题)

复习离散数学的知识

- 集合
- 关系
- 函数

语言(Language)

alphabet(字母表)

Definition

- any sets being non-empty and finite
 - The elements in the set also are called symbol
 - A string over an alphabet is a finite sequence of symbols in this alphabet
 - The length of the string is the number of symbols in w , when w is an alphabet.
 - $|w|$
 - Let Σ be an alphabet:
 - $\Sigma^* = \{\text{all string of } \Sigma\}$
 - this is an infinite set
 - concotention x and y
 - $x \circ y = xy$
 - 连接
 - v is a substring of w if $w = xvy$ for some $x, y \in \Sigma^*$
 - v is a prefix of w if $w = vx$ for some x in Σ^*

- 从头开始的字符串子串
- v is a suffix of w if $w = xv$ for some x in Σ^*
- 从结尾开始的字符串子串
- string exponentiation(字符乘方)
 - $w^0 = e$ (e 代表的是空集)
 - $\forall i \geq 0, w^{i+1} = w^i \circ w$

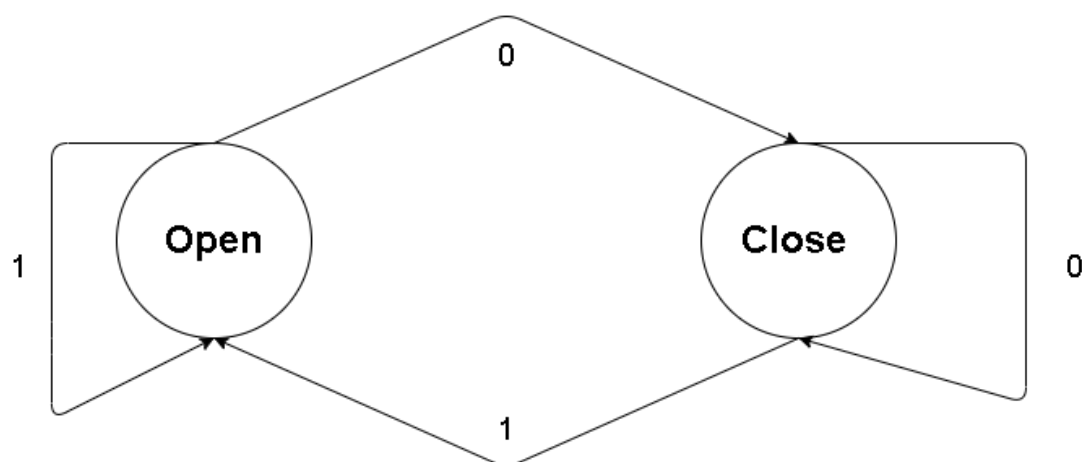
Language

Definition

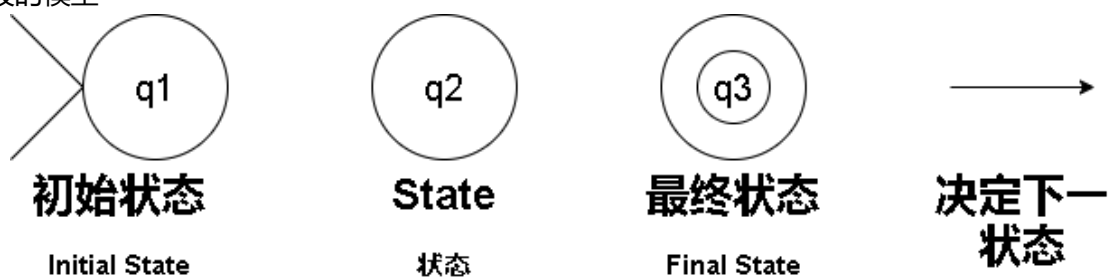
- A language over an alphabet Σ is a subset of Σ^* (finite and infinite)

Finite Automata(有限的自动装置)

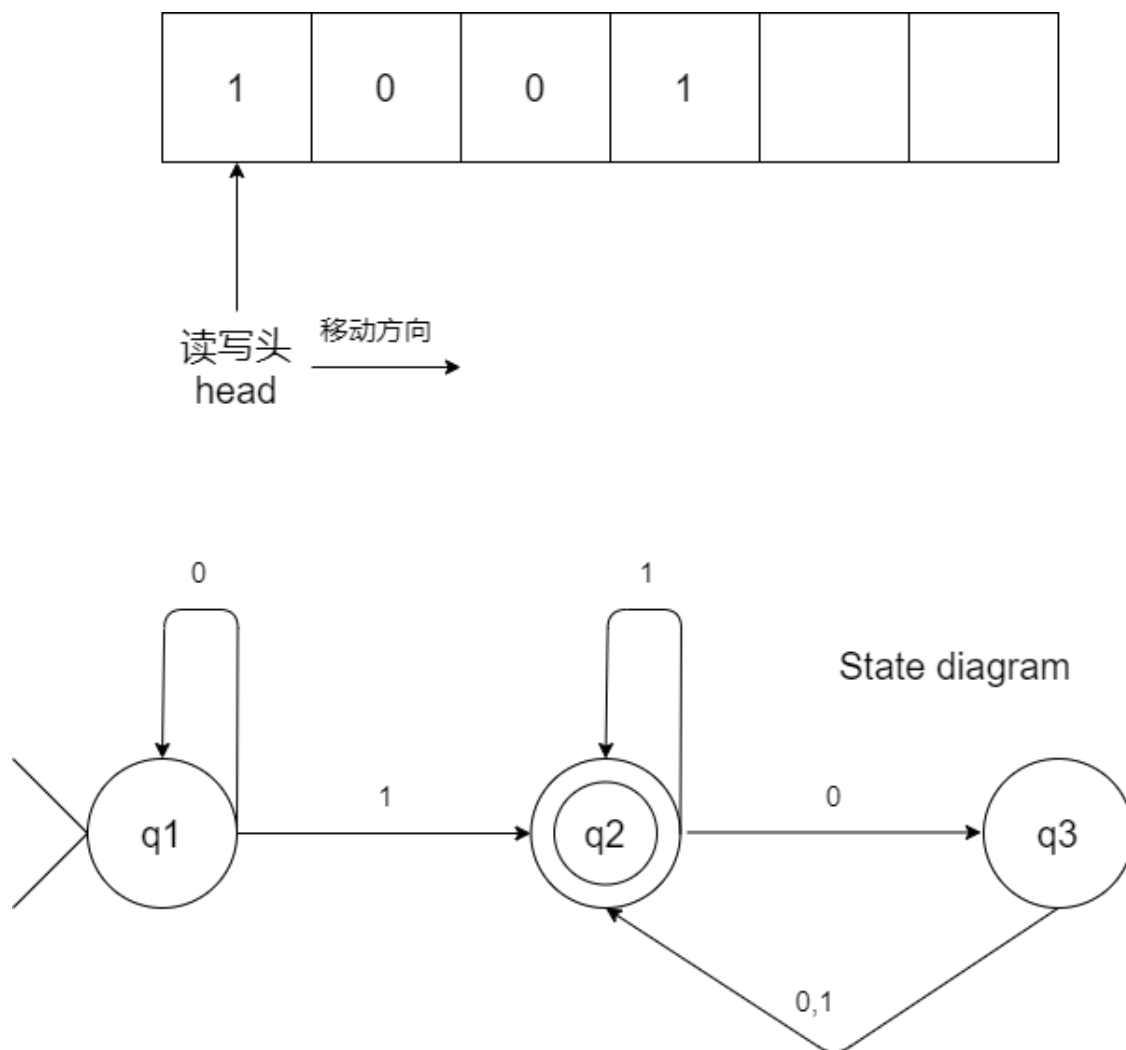
- Device with extremely limited memory(内存机器有限的设备)
 - 自动门模型



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- 更一般的模型



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- 简单演示



设备的严格定义

- K
 - a finite set of states
 - 状态集合
- Σ
 - an alphabet
- δ
 - transition function
- S
 - $S \in K$
 - initial state(unique)
- F
 - $F \subseteq K$
 - the set of final states(no unique)
- 在上面的简单演示模型中
 - $K = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$
 - $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$
 - symbols read by head
 - $S = q_1$
 - $F = \{q_2\}$

- δ
 - $\delta: K \times \Sigma \rightarrow K^*$
 - K means current state
 - Σ means symbols read by head
 - K^* means next state

$(q_1, 0)$	q_1
$(q_1, 1)$	q_2
...	...

Configuration

- A Configuration of $FA(F, \Sigma, \delta, S, K)$ is an element of
 - $K \times \Sigma^*$
 - K means current state
 - Σ^* means unread string

Yields in One Step(走一步)

- $(q, w) \vdash_M (q', w')$
 - if $\exists a \in \Sigma, w = aw' \text{ and } q' = \delta(q, a)$
- 拿上面的简单演示举例子, 有:
 - $(q_1, 1001) \vdash_M (q_2, 001)$
 - $(q_2, 001) \vdash_M (q_3, 01)$
 - $(q_3, 01) \vdash_M (q_2, 1)$
 - $(q_2, 1) \vdash_M (q_2, e)$

Yields in more than one step

- $(q, w) \vdash_M^* (q', w')$
 - if $\exists (q_1, w_1), \dots, (q_i, w_i) \text{ and we have } (q, w) \vdash_M (q_1, w_1) \vdash \dots \vdash (q_i, w_i) \vdash \dots \vdash (q', w')$
- 拿上面的简单演示举例子, 有:
 - $(q_1, 1001) \vdash_M^* (q_2, e)$

Accept

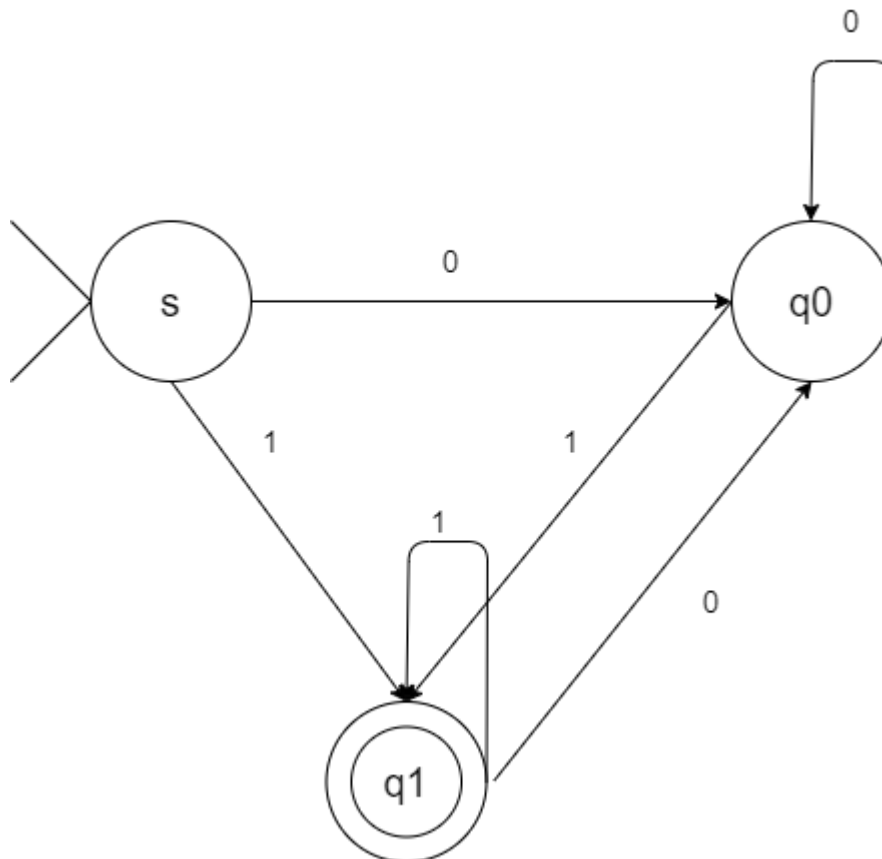
- A string $w \in \Sigma^*$ accepted by a $FA M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, S, F)$ if
 - $(s, w) \vdash_M^* (q, e)$ for $q \in F$
 - 即被接受的意思是, 通过一系列的操作后最终能够到达终止状态
 - 如果没有能到达终止状态的话, 就会被拒绝(所以上面的简单示例是会被接受的)
 - FA 中的状态(Σ)不一定需要是0, 1, 在选定一个 FA 以后, 相应的 $alphabet(\Sigma)$ 也就被给定了
- The language accepted by a $FA M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, S, F)$ is the set of all strings accepted by M
 - $L(M) = \{all \ string \ accepted \ by \ M\}$
- A language is regular if it is accepted by some FA

Operation

- Suppose A, B are language over Σ
- Union
 - $A \cup B = \{x | x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$
- Concotation
 - $A \circ B = \{xy | x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\}$
- (Kleene) Star
 - $A^* = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k | k \geq 0 \text{ and } x_i \in A\}$
 - when $k = 0, A^* = \{e\}$

Example

- Show that $L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : w \text{ ends with } 1\}$ is regular
- Suppose
 - $K = S$
 - $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$
 - $F = \{q_1\}$
 - $S = S$
- Draw the diagram



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- δ
 - w ends with 1
 - All satisfy
 - $(s, w) \vdash_M^* (q_1, e)$ for $q_1 \in F$

$(s, 0)$	q_0
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$(q_0, 1)$	q_1
$(s, 1)$	q_1
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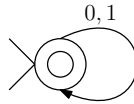
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Theory of Computation

Q & A

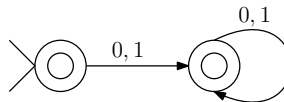
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1. *Question:* Does a language always contain the empty string ϵ ?
Answer: No. For example, $A = \{0\}$ contains only one string 0, and it does not contain ϵ .
2. *Question:* Can substring, prefix, suffix be empty string ϵ ?
Answer: Yes. Indeed, by definition, ϵ is a substring (prefix, suffix) of every string.
3. *Question:* Can the initial state s also be a final state?
Answer: Yes. Think about the definition of finite automata. The definition does not prevent F from containing s .
4. *Question:* Given a finite automaton M , is the language $L(M)$ accepted by M unique?
Answer: Yes. It is unique. $L(M)$ is defined to be the set of all strings accepted by M . In other words, $w \in L(M)$ **if and only if** w is accepted by M . For example, consider the following automaton M .



M accepts every string it receives, so $L(M) = \Sigma^*$. Σ^* is the only language accepted by M . No other language is accepted by M .

5. *Question:* Given a regular language L , is the automaton that accepts L unique?
Answer: No, two different automata may accept the same language. For the example, the following finite automaton is different from the one in the previous question, but it accepts Σ^* , too.



6. *Question:* Given a configuration (q, w) , does (q, w) yield itself? In other words, is $(q, w) \vdash_M^* (q, w)$ true?
Answer: Yes, $(q, w) \vdash_M^* (q, w)$ is always true.
Question:* But according the definition of \vdash_M^* you gave in the class, this is not true.
Answer:* Sorry, I gave an incomplete definition in the class. The correct definition is the following

Given two configurations (q, w) and (q', w') , we say $(q, w) \vdash_M^* (q', w')$ if the condition I gave in the class holds or $(q, w) = (q', w')$.