CSE 3204: Formal Language, Automata and Computability

❑ A theoretical branch of computer science

- study of ***abstract machines*** and the *computation problems* that can be solved using these machines.
- The abstract machine is called the automata.
- a team consists of biologists, psychologists, mathematicians, engineers and few computer scientists

Goals:
- ▪ to model the human thought process, in a machine
- ▪ the need to formally understand what can (and cannot) be ***computed***.

References
- ➢ **"Introduction to Automata Theory, Languages, and Computation"** by John E. Hopcroft, Rajeev Motwani, and Jeffrey D. Ullman.
- ➢ **"Theory of Computer Science: Automata, Languages and Computation"** by K.L.P. Mishra and N. Chandrasekaran.

Notable early contributions on Computability

❑ **Turing Machine** - *Alan Turing*

- Provided a simple yet powerful model to define what it means for a function to be computable.
- Established the theoretical underpinnings for modern computing and algorithms.

❑ **Lambda Calculus**   - *Alonzo Church*

- Introduced a mathematical framework for expressing computation via functions.
- Influenced the development of programming languages like Lisp, Haskell, and Scala.
- Played a crucial role in exploring the theoretical limits of what can be computed.

# Notable early contributions on Computability (cont.)

❑ **Church-Turing Thesis**

- Hypothesizes that any function *effectively calculable by an algorithm* can be computed by a Turing Machine or expressed in Lambda Calculus.

- **Unifies** various models of computation (recursive functions, Lambda Calculus, Turing Machines).

- Widely accepted despite *not being formally provable*.

- Underpins much of modern computational theory, capturing the essence of computation.

❑ **Uncomputable Problems** *Undecidable Problem (e.g. Halting Problem)*

- Alan Turing's introduction of the Halting Problem was a pivotal moment in theoretical CS.

- By **proving** that the **Halting Problem is undecidable** and, consequently, uncomputable

  - demonstrated that there are clear limits to what can be achieved through algorithms and computation.

  - illustrated that some problems cannot be solved by any algorithmic means, no matter how powerful our computational models become.

Notable early contributions on Automata

❑ Two neurophysiologists, Warren McCulloch and Walter Pitts, were the first to present a description of **finite automata** in 1943.

❑ Stephen Kleene introduced **regular expressions** and the concept of regular sets, which are crucial in the theory of finite automata.

   • His work on these topics laid the groundwork for text processing and compiler construction.

❑ Later, G.H. Mealy and E.F. Moore, generalized the theory to design much more powerful machines in 1955.
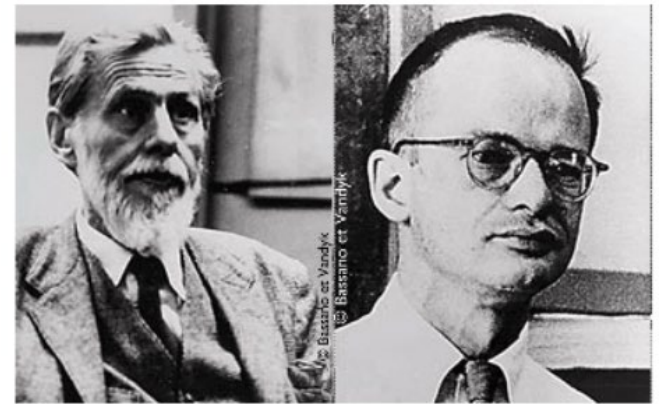
Warren McCulloch and Walter Pitts

Applications and objectives

❑ **Basis of many Applications**

- Compilers and interpreters
- Text editors and processors
- Search engines
- System verification components

❑ **Study the limits of computations**

- What kinds of problems can be solved with a computer?
- What kinds of problems can be solved efficiently?

Important Terminologies

1. Alphabets
2. Strings
3. Languages
4. Problems

❑ An *alphabet* is a finite set of symbols.
- Usually, we use Σ to represent an alphabet.
  Examples:
  - Σ = {0, 1}, the set of binary digits.
  - Σ = {a, b, ..., z}, the set of all lower-case letters.
  - Σ = {(,)}, the set of open and close parentheses.

❑ A string is a finite sequence of symbols from an alphabet.

Examples:
- 0011 and 11 are strings from Σ = {0, 1}.
- abacy and cca are strings from Σ = {a, b, ..., z}.
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- **Empty** string: ϵ

- **Length** of string: $|0010| = 4$, $|aa| = 2$, $|\epsilon| = 0$

- **Prefix** of string: a̲a̲abc, a̲a̲a̲bc, a̲a̲a̲b̲c̲

- **Proper prefix** of string: a̲a̲abc, a̲a̲a̲b̲c

- **Suffix** of string: aaab̲c̲, a a̲a̲b̲c̲, a̲a̲a̲b̲c̲

- **Proper suffix** of string: aaab̲c̲, aa̲a̲b̲c̲

- **Substring** of string: aa̲a̲bc, a̲a̲a̲b̲c, aaa̲bc

A proper prefix and proper suffix of a string is not equal to the string itself and non- empty.

Basics of Strings

- **Concatenation**: $\omega = abd, \alpha = ce, \omega\alpha = abdce$

- **Exponentiation**: $\omega = abd, \omega^3 = abdabdabd, \omega^0 = \epsilon$

- **Reversal**: $\omega = abd, \omega^R = dba$

- Σ^k = set of all k-length strings formed by symbols in Σ

  - e.g., $\Sigma = \{a, b\}, \Sigma^2 = \{ab, ba, aa, bb\}, \Sigma^0 = \{\epsilon\}$

Languages and Problems

In automata theory, a **problem** is to decide whether a given string is a member of some particular **language**.

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$

$$L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

is $S_1 = 0011 \in L?$ YES

is $S_2 = 00011 \in L?$ NO

1. Alphabets
2. Strings
3. **Languages**
4. **Problems**

This formulation is general enough to capture the difficulty levels of all computing problems.

Finite Automata or Finite State Machine

We will study **3 types** of Finite Automata

- Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA)

- Non-deterministic Finite Automata (NFA)

- Finite Automata with ε-transitions (ε-NFA)
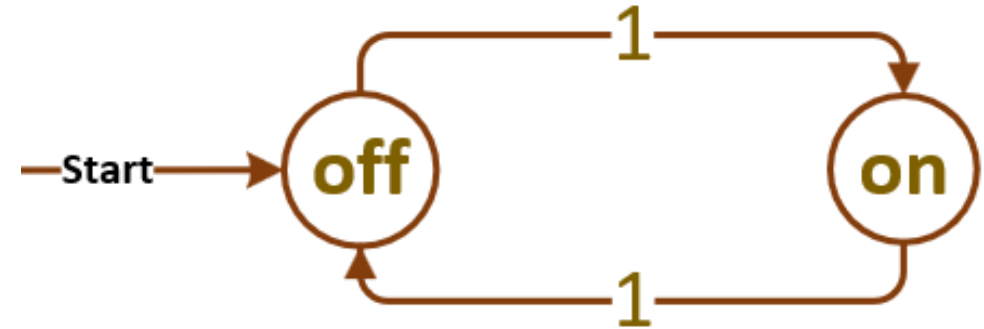
❑ There are some states and transitions (edges) between the states.

❑ An edge label defines the move from one state to another.

Deterministic Finite Automata

A DFA is a 5-tuple $<Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F>$:

- Q is a finite set of states

- Σ is a finite input alphabet

- δ is the transition function mapping $Q \times \Sigma$ to Q

- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state (only one)

- $F \in Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)

Note that there is one transition only for each input symbol from each state
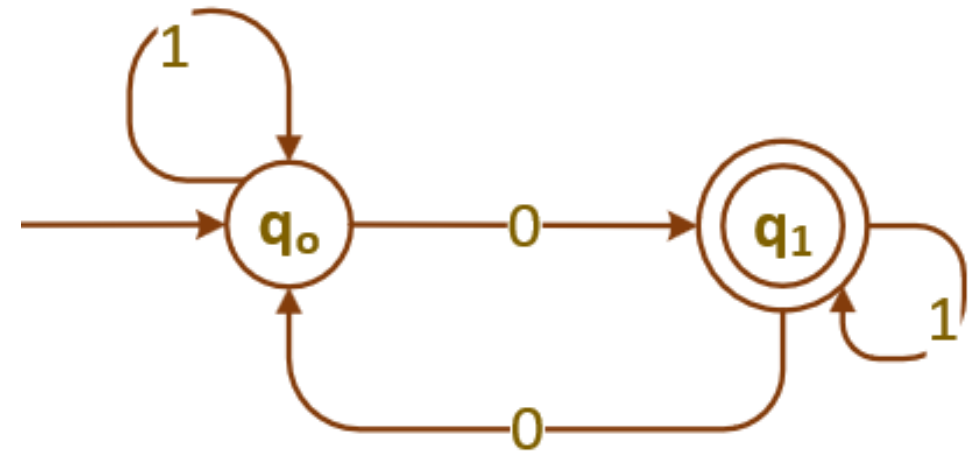
Transition Diagram

Present State	Transition Function – δ	
	Input: 0	Input: 1
$\rightarrow q_0$	q_1	q_0
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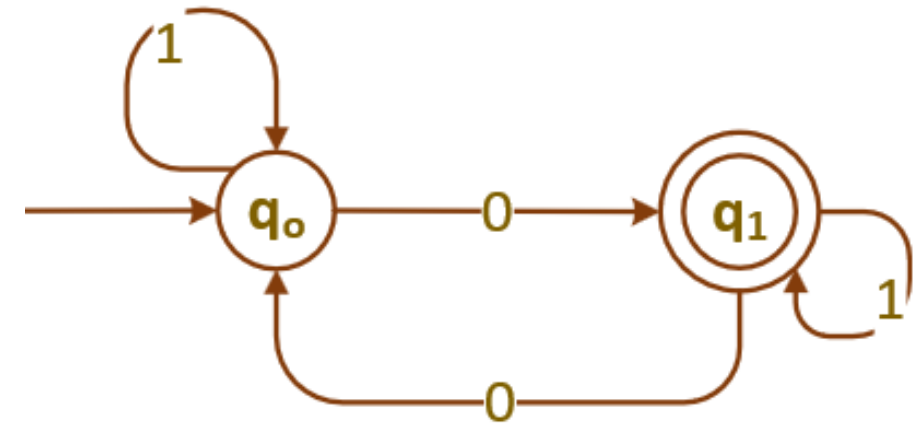
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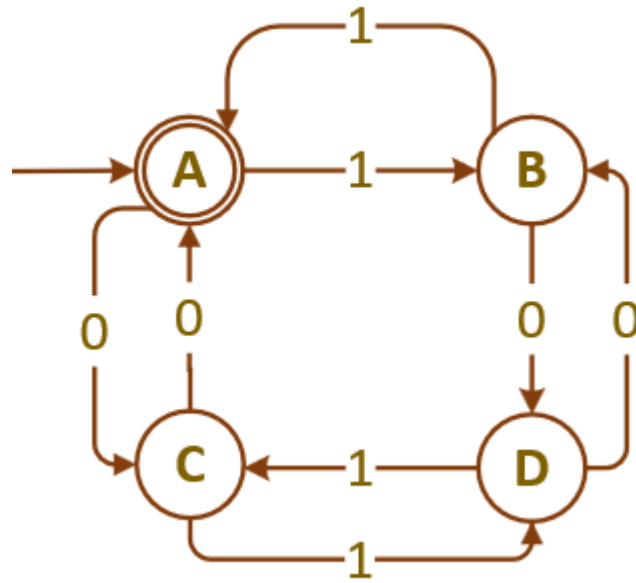**Transition Function – δ**

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A DFA for $\Sigma=\{0,1\}$ that accepts strings with odd number of 0's and any number of 1's.

Constructions of DFA

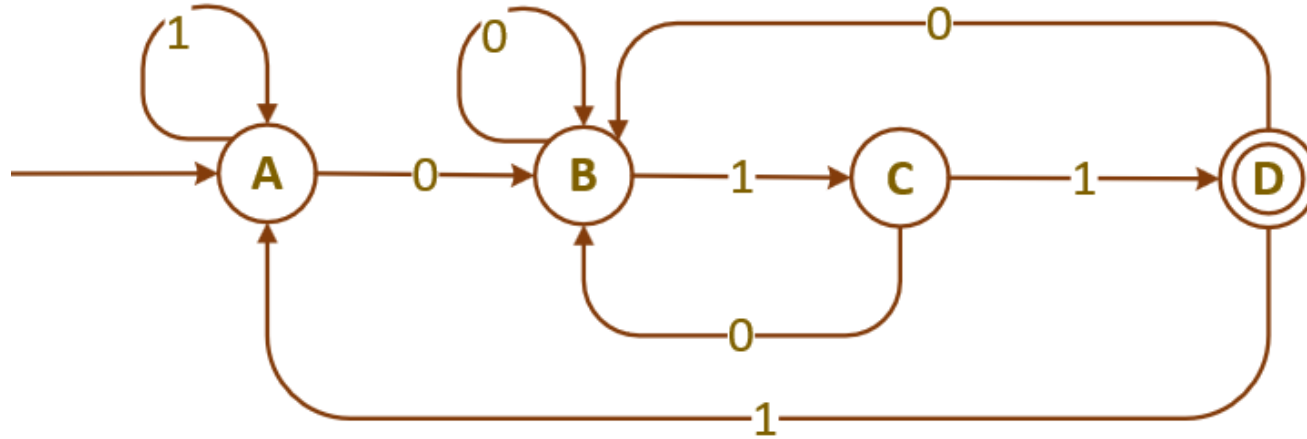L={w: w has both an even number of 0's and an even number of 1's}

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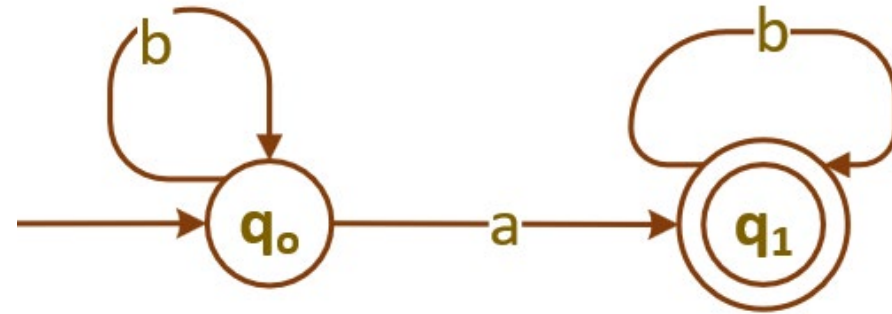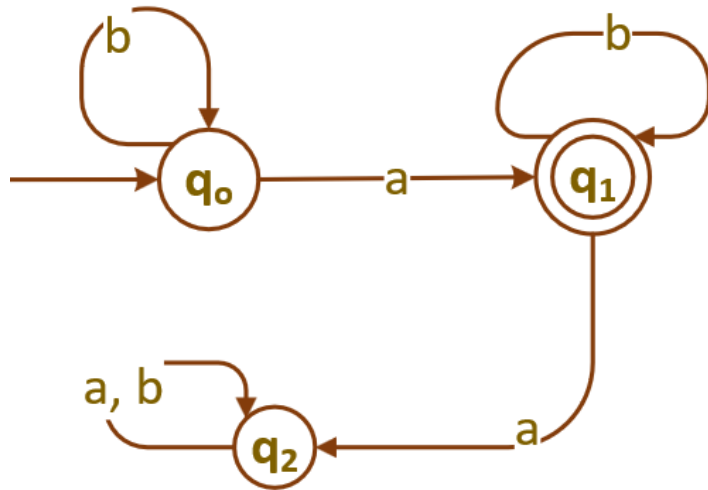- Design a DFA that accepts strings of 0's and 1's ending with 011.

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□ **A dead state** in a DFA is generally defined as a non-accepting state from which no sequence of inputs can lead to an accepting state. Two school of thoughts -
1. This state may have outgoing transitions that either loop back to itself or lead to other non-accepting states, but they do not lead to any accepting state.
2. this state must not have any outgoing transition apart from self-loop.

Constructions of DFA

Give a DFA for Σ = {0, 1}; that accepts any string with 001 as a substring.

Constructions of DFA

Construct a DFA for **Σ = {0, 1};** that accepts any string with 001 as a **subsequence**.

Constructions of DFA

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Practice DFA Constructions

❑ Design a DFA for each of the following

- To accept strings of a's and b's **that contains substring aba**

- To accept strings of a's and b's **that start with baba**

- To accept strings of a's and b's **that end with abba**

- To accept strings of a's and b's **that contains exactly two b's**

Extended transition function for DFA

❑ The DFA defines a language
  - the set of all strings that results in a sequence of state transitions from the initial state to a final state

❑ Extended Transition Function
  - denoted by $\hat{\delta}$
  - $\hat{\delta}$ takes a state q, a string ω and returns a state p
    ○ p is the states where the automaton reaches when starting in a state q and processing the sequence of inputs ω

Extended transition function for DFA

Basis
$\hat{\delta}(q, \varepsilon) = q$

Induction
Suppose, $\omega = xa$
i.e.; a is the last symbol of ω and x is the string consisting of all but the last symbol

$$\text{Then, } \hat{\delta}(q,\omega) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q,x), a)$$

- To compute $\hat{\delta}(q,\omega)$, first compute $\hat{\delta}(q,x)$, the state that the automaton is in after processing all but the last symbol of ω.

- Suppose this state is p i.e.; $\hat{\delta}(q,x) = p$.

- Then $\hat{\delta}(q,\omega)$ is what we get by making a transition from state p on input a - the last symbol of ω.

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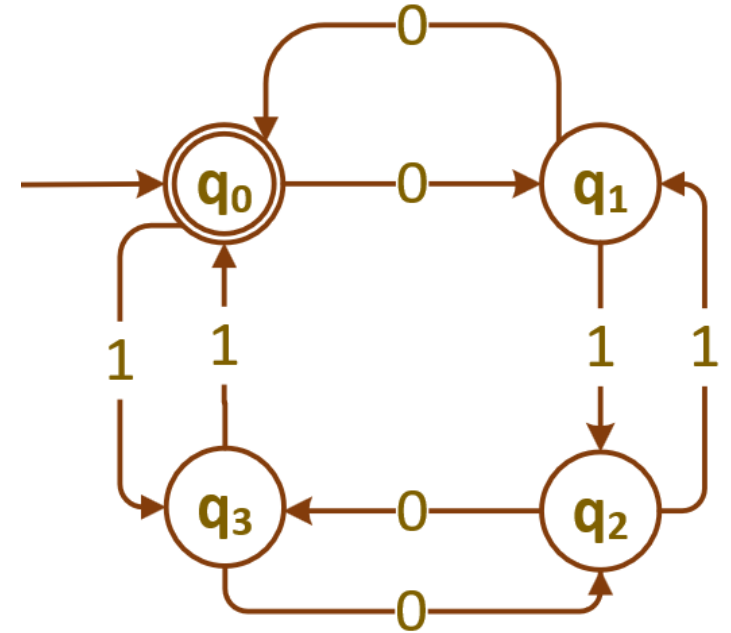
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- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon) = q_0$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 1) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon), 1) = \delta(q_0, 1) = q_3$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 11) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, 1), 1) = \delta(q_3, 1) = q_0$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 110) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, 11), 0) = \delta(q_0, 0) = q_1$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 1101) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, 110), 1) = \delta(q_1, 1) = q_2$

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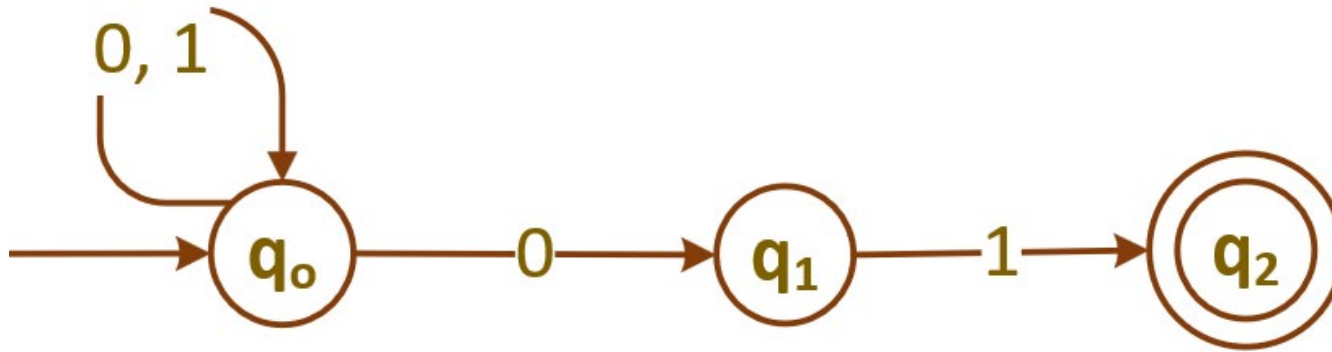
- $F \in Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)

The difference between DFA and NFA is in type of value δ returns

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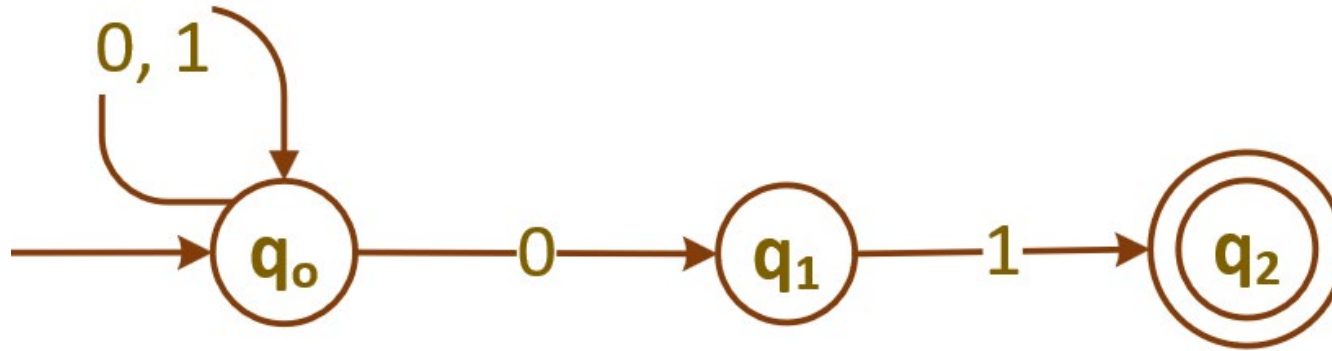
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$$A = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta, q_0, \{q_2\})$$

where the transition function δ is given by:

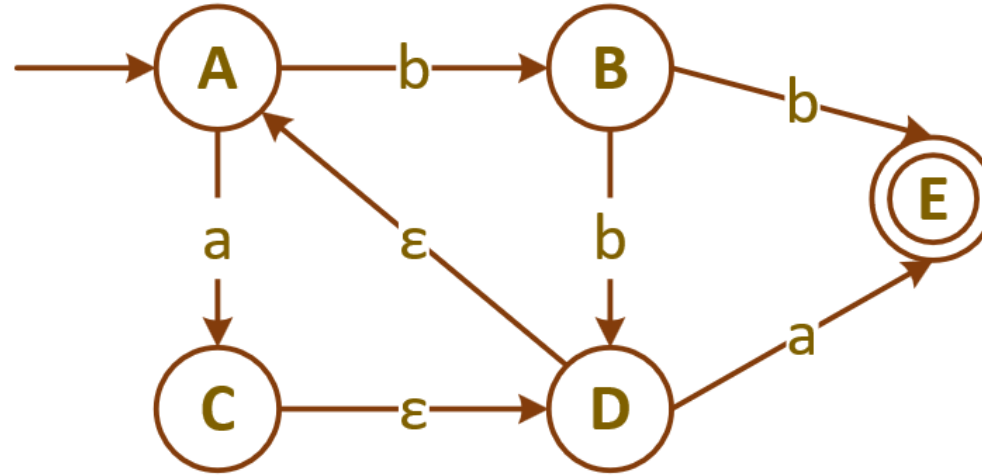|	0	1
$\rightarrow q_0$	$\{q_0, q_1\}$	$\{q_0\}$
q_1	$\emptyset$	$\{q_2\}$
$*q_2$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$

Extended Transition Function for NFA

Processing $\omega = 00101$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon) = \{q_0\}$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 0) = \delta(q_0, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\}$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 00) = \delta(q_0, 0) \cup \delta(q_1, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\} \cup \emptyset = \{q_0, q_1\}$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 001) = \delta(q_0, 1) \cup \delta(q_1, 1) = \{q_0\} \cup \{q_2\} = \{q_0, q_2\}$

- $\hat{\delta}(q_0, 0010) = \delta(q_0, 0) \cup \delta(q_2, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\} \cup \emptyset = \{q_0, q_1\}$

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Accepted

The concept of ϵ-closure

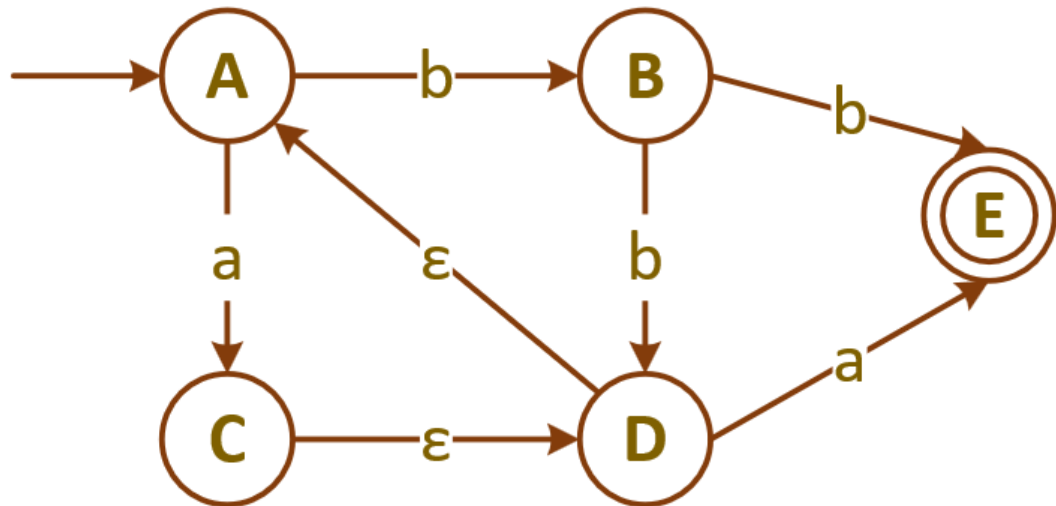**ϵ-closure(T)** = T + all NFA states reachable from any state in T using only ϵ-transitions.

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3. ϵ-closure(A, B, E)
4. ϵ-closure(C, E)

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6. ϵ-closure(δ(A, b))

7. ϵ-closure(δ(B, a))
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2. ϵ-closure(A) = {A}
3. ϵ-closure(A, B, E) = {A, B, E}
4. ϵ-closure(C, E) = {A, C, D, E}

5. ϵ-closure(δ(A, a)) = {C, D, A}
6. ϵ-closure(δ(A, b)) = {B}

7. ϵ-closure(δ(B, a)) = { }
8. ϵ-closure(δ(B, b)) = {E, D, A}

Subset Construction Algorithm: From ε-NFA or NFA to DFA

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States	a	b
➔ {1,2}	{3, 5}	{4, 5}
*{3, 5}	-	{4}
*{4, 5}	{5}	{5}
{4}	{5}	{5}
*{5}	-	-
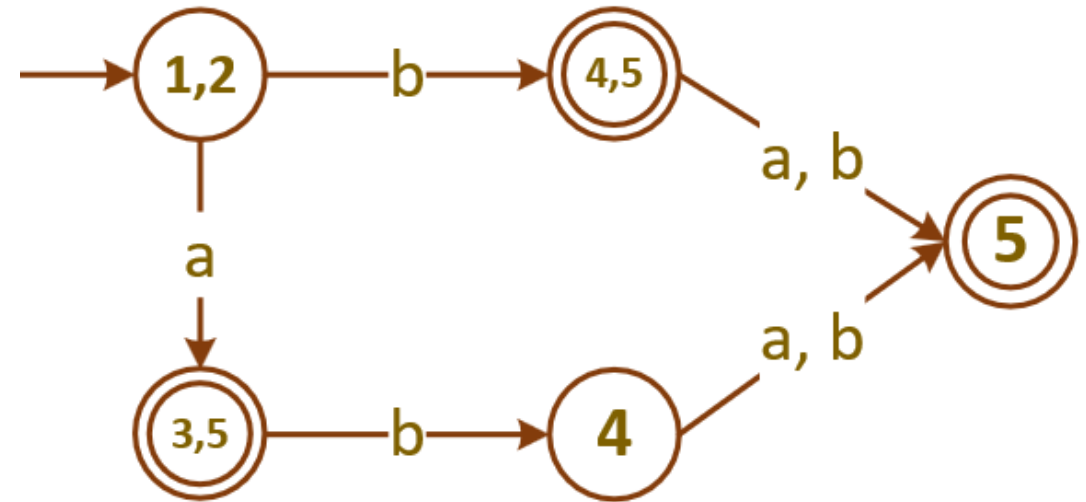
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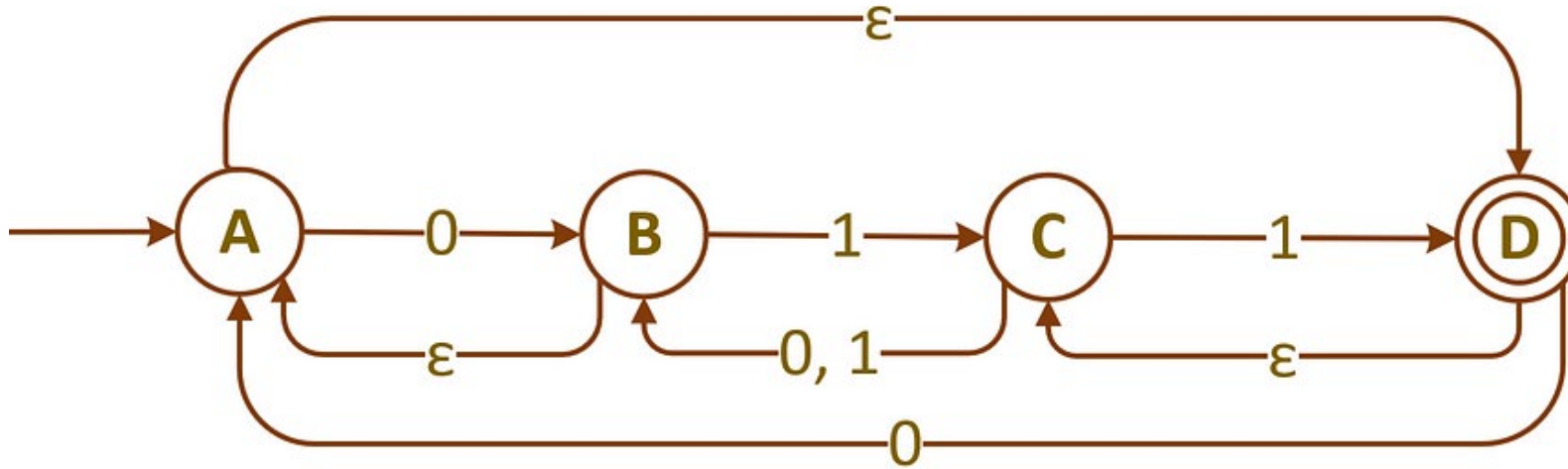
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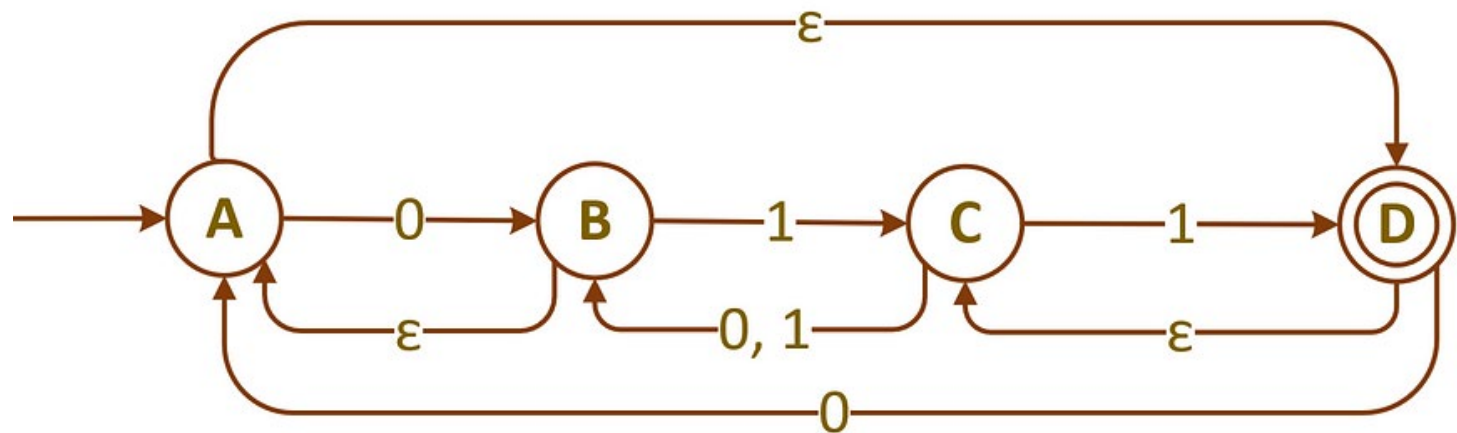
States	0	1
➜*{A, D, C}	{A, B, D, C}	{B, A, D, C}
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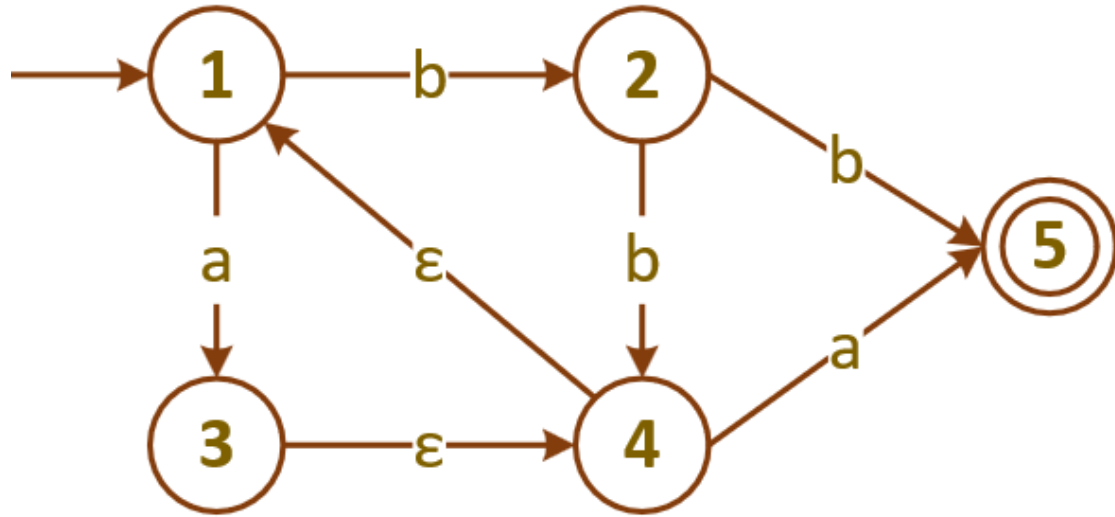
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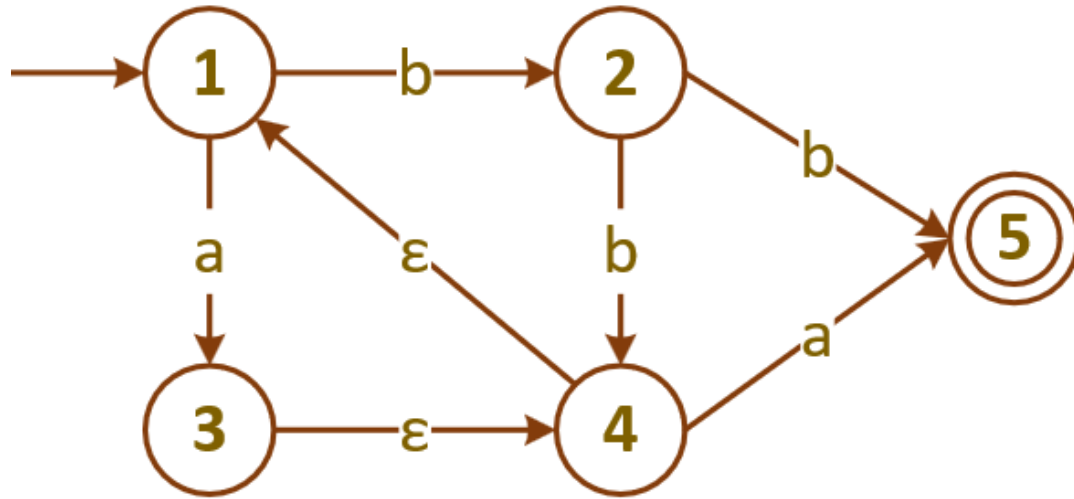
States	a	b
➔ {1}	{1, 3, 4}	{2}
{2}	-	{1, 4, 5}
{1, 3, 4}	{1, 3, 4, 5}	{2}
*{1, 4, 5}	{1, 3, 4, 5}	{2}
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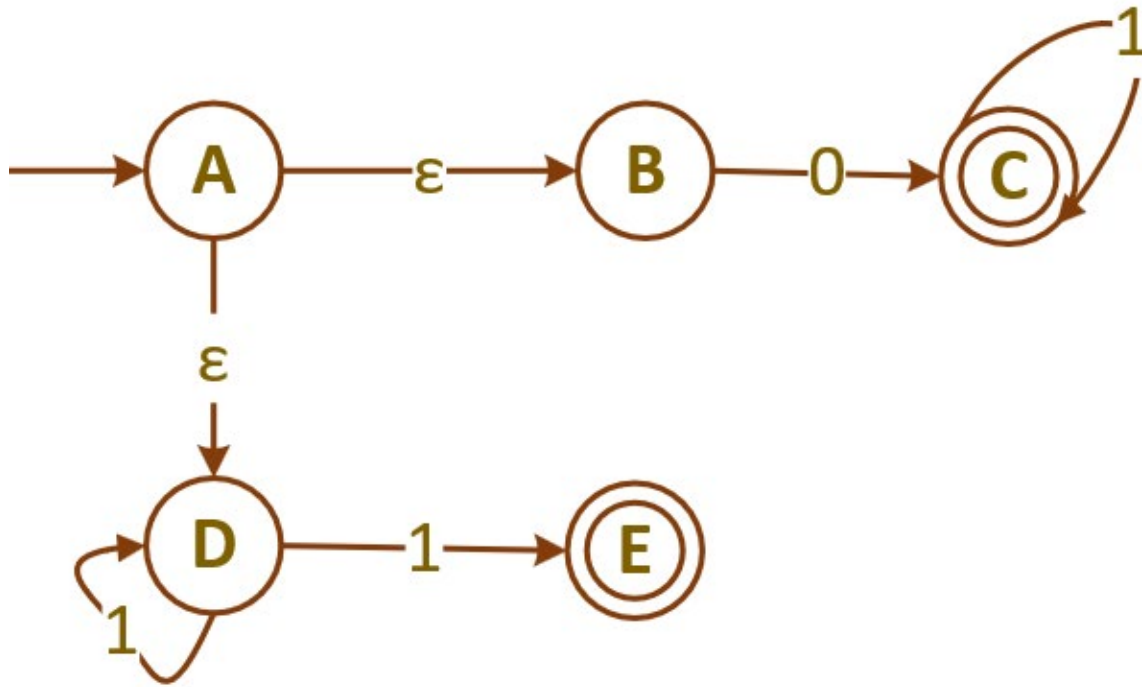
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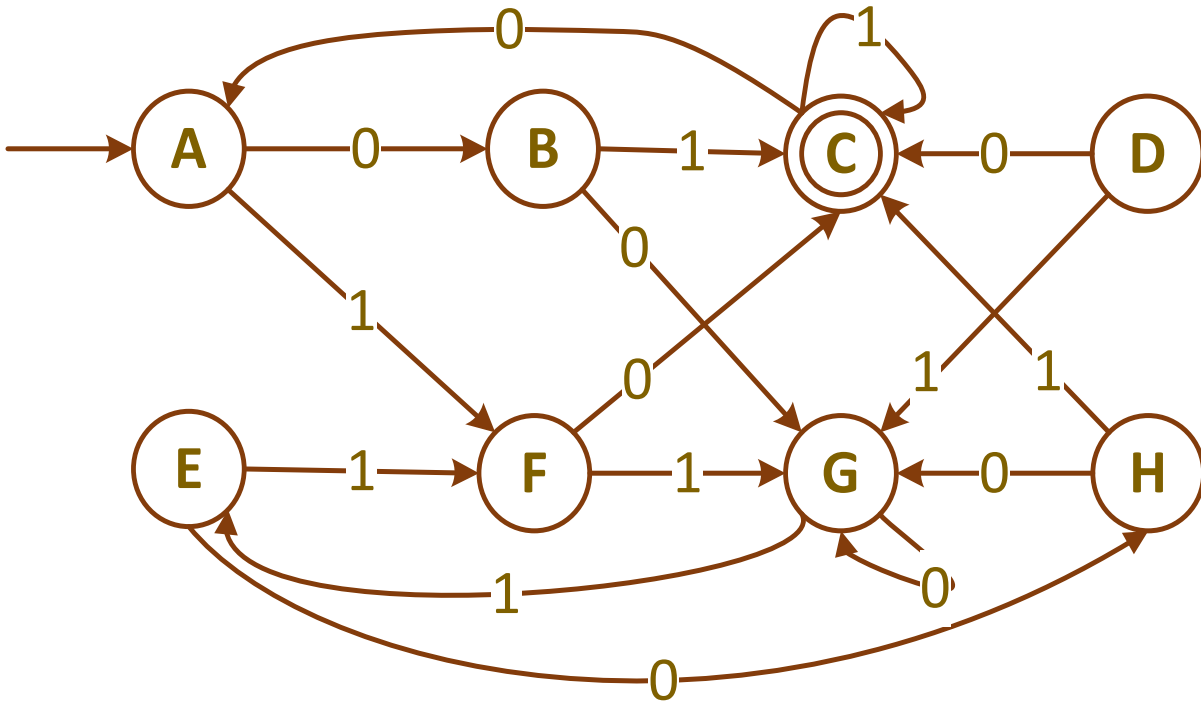
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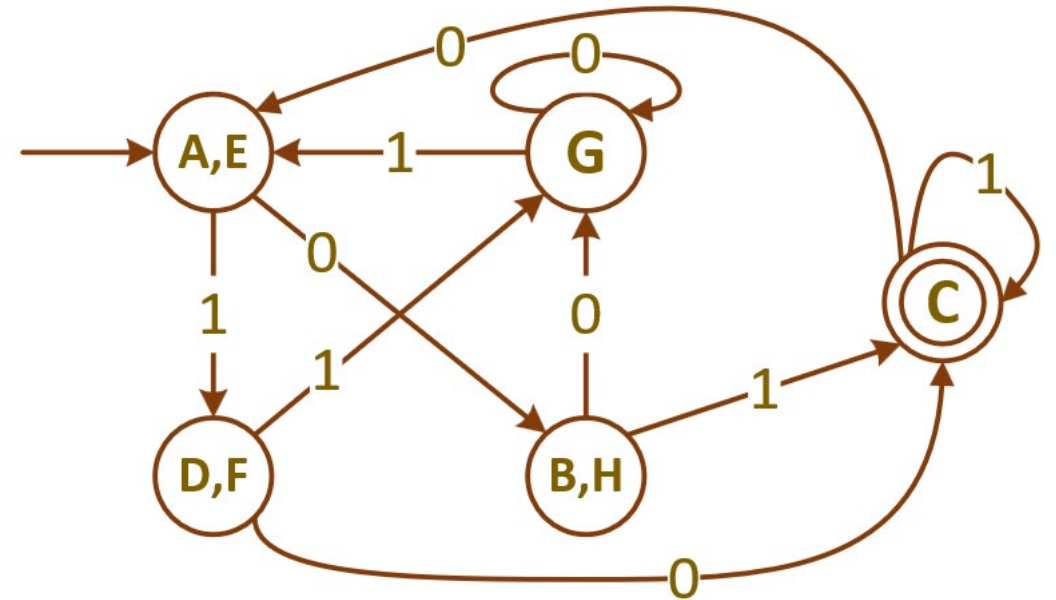
Minimized DFA

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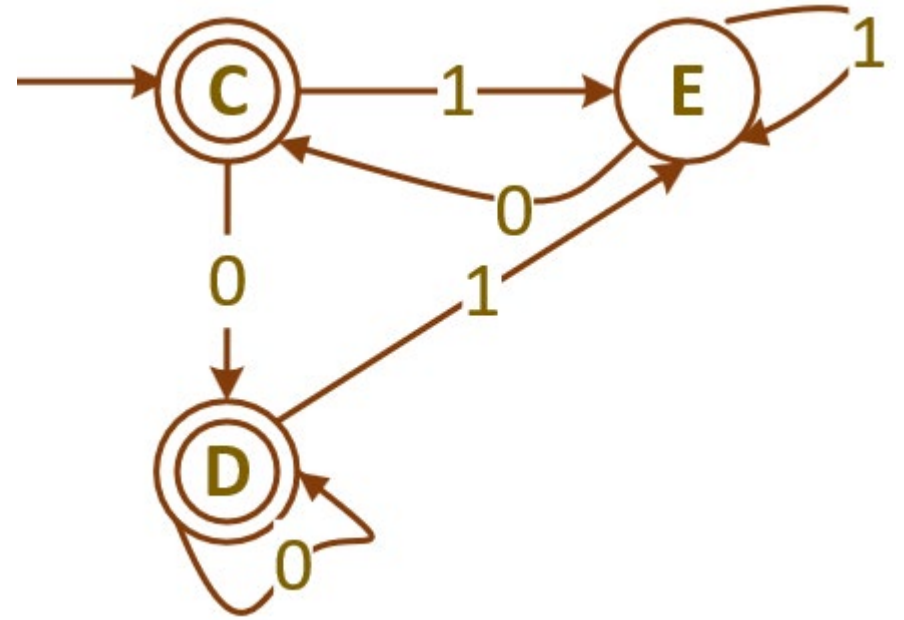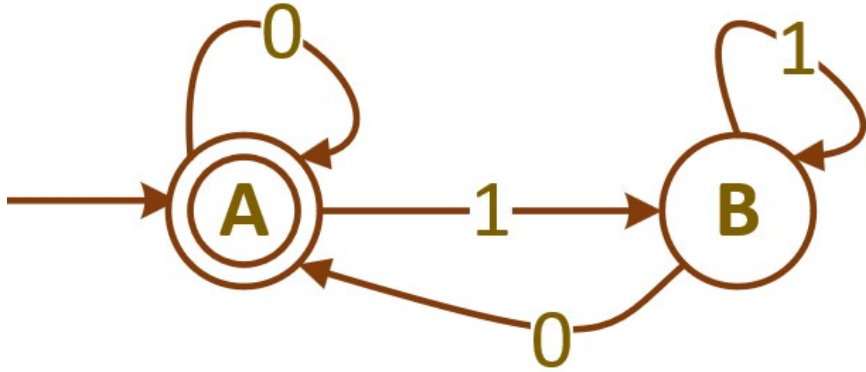
Finite Automata with Outputs: Mealy and Moore Machines

A Moore machine is a six-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Delta, \delta, \lambda, q_0)$, where
- Q is a finite set of states
- Σ is the input alphabet
- Δ is the output alphabet
- δ is the transition function $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$
- λ is the output function $\lambda: Q \rightarrow \Delta$
- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state.

A Mealy machine is a six-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Delta, \delta, \lambda, q_0)$, same as Moore machine except λ

Output Transition Function (λ): In the Mealy machine, the output is determined both by its current state and the input it's currently reading. This function, represented as $\lambda: \Sigma \times Q \rightarrow \Delta$, maps each combination of a state and an input symbol to a corresponding output from the output alphabet.

Moore Machine

Present State	Transition Function – δ			
	Next state for Input: x	Next state for Input: y	Next state for Input: z	Output λ
→A	B	A	E	7
B	B	C	D	8
C	E	E	C	7
D	A	D	C	9
E	D	B	A	8

Input String: y → y → x → z → z → y

A → A → A → B → D → C → E

Output String: 7 7 7 8 9 7 8
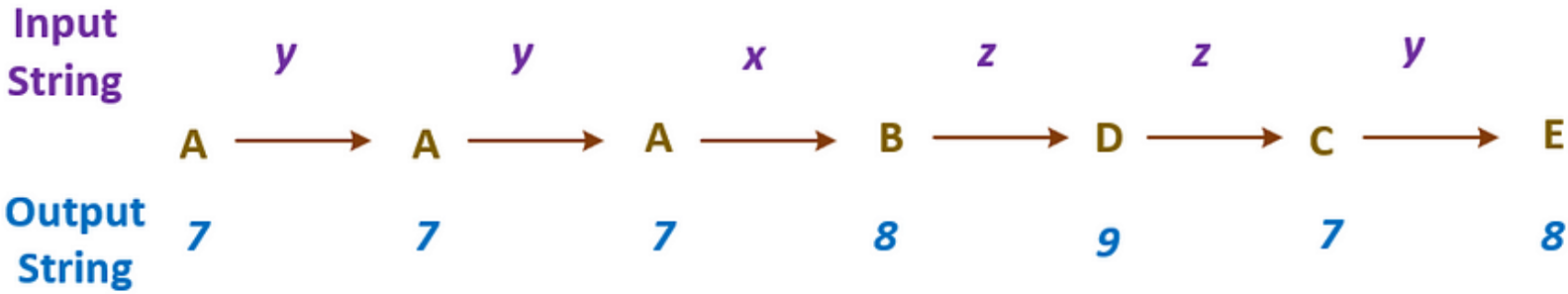
Mealy Machine

Present State	Input: *a*		Input: *b*		Input: c	
	State	Output	State	Output	State	Output
→A	B	0	E	1	D	0
B	B	1	D	b	D	b
C	E	b	C	0	B	0
D	A	b	F	1	C	0
E	D	1	A	1	B	b
F	E	0	C	0	F	1

Input String: *b*   *b*   c   *a*   c   *b*

A ⟶ E ⟶ A ⟶ D ⟶ A ⟶ D ⟶ F

Output String: 1   1   0   b   0   1

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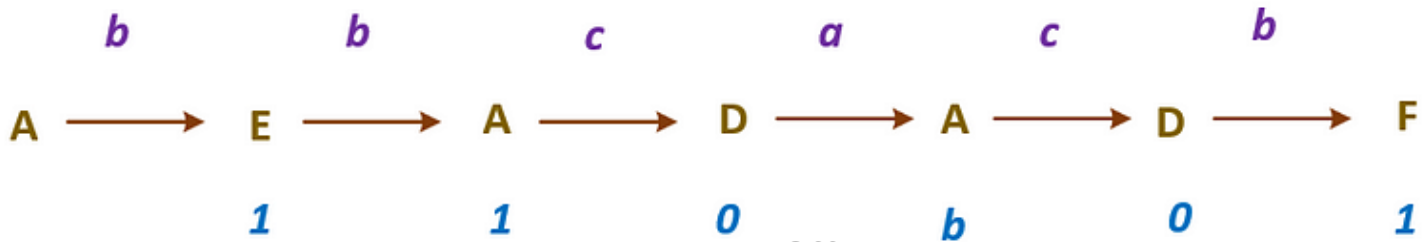
Transforming a Mealy Machine into a Moore Machine

Present State	Next State			
	Input: 0		Input: 1	
	State	Output	State	Output
→q_1	q_3	0	q_2	0
q_2	q_1	1	q_4	0
q_3	q_2	1	q_1	1
q_4	q_4	1	q_3	0

Present State	Next State			
	Input: 0		Input: 1	
	State	Output	State	Output
→q_1	q_3	0	q_{20}	0
q_{20}	q_1	1	q_{40}	0
q_{21}	q_1	1	q_{40}	0
q_3	q_{21}	1	q_1	1
q_{40}	q_{41}	1	q_3	0
q_{41}	q_{41}	1	q_3	0

Present State	Transition Function – δ		Output λ
	Next state for Input: 0	Next state for Input: 1	
→q_1	q_3	q_{20}	1
q_{20}	q_1	q_{40}	0
q_{21}	q_1	q_{40}	1
q_3	q_{21}	q_1	0
q_{40}	q_{41}	q_3	0
q_{41}	q_{41}	q_3	1

Present State	Transition Function – δ		Output λ
	Next state for Input: 0	Next state for Input: 1	
→q_{dummy}	q_3	q_{20}	---
q_1	q_3	q_{20}	1
q_{20}	q_1	q_{40}	0
q_{21}	q_1	q_{40}	1
q_3	q_{21}	q_1	0
q_{40}	q_{41}	q_3	0
q_{41}	q_{41}	q_3	1

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Transforming a Moore Machine into a Mealy Machine

Present State	Transition Function – δ		Output λ
	Next state for Input: 0	Next state for Input: 1	
→q_0	q_3	q_1	0
q_1	q_1	q_2	1
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Regular Language, Regular Grammar

Regular Expressions (RE)

- The regular expressions are useful for representing certain sets of strings in an algebraic fashion.
- These describe the languages accepted by finite state automata.

We give a formal recursive definition of regular expressions over Σ as follows:

1. Any **terminal symbol a** (an element of Σ), **Є** and $\emptyset$ are regular expressions.

2. The **union** of two regular expressions R_1 and R_2, written as **$R_1 + R_2$**, is also a regular expression.

3. The **concatenation** of two regular expressions R_1 and R_2, written as **$R_1.R_2$ (or R_1R_2)**, is also a RE.

4. The **iteration (or closure)** of a regular expression R, written as **R^***, is also a RE.

5. If R is a regular expression, then **(R)** is also a regular expression.

6. The REs over Σ are those obtained **recursively** by the application of the **rules 1–5** once or several times.

Regular Expression Examples

- L_1 = the set of all strings of 0's and 1's ending in 00.

- L_2 = the set of all strings of 0's and 1's beginning with 0 and ending with 1.

- L_3 = {ϵ, 11, 1111, 111111, ...}.

Regular Expression Examples (cont.)

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  - (0+1)*00

- L_2 = the set of all strings of 0's and 1's beginning with 0 and ending with 1.

  - 0(0+1)*1

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  - (11)*

Identities of Regular Expressions

- Two regular expressions **P** and **Q** are equivalent (we write **P = Q**) if **P** and **Q** represent the same set of strings.

$$I_1 : \emptyset + R = R$$

$$I_2 : \emptyset R = R\emptyset = \emptyset$$

$$I_3 : \epsilon R = R\epsilon = R$$

$$I_4 : \epsilon^* = \epsilon \text{ and } \emptyset^* = \epsilon$$

$$I_5 : R + R = R$$

$$I_6 : R^* R^* = R^*$$

$$I_7 : RR^* = R^* R$$

Identities of Regular Expressions (cont.)

$$I_8 : (R^*)^* = R^*$$

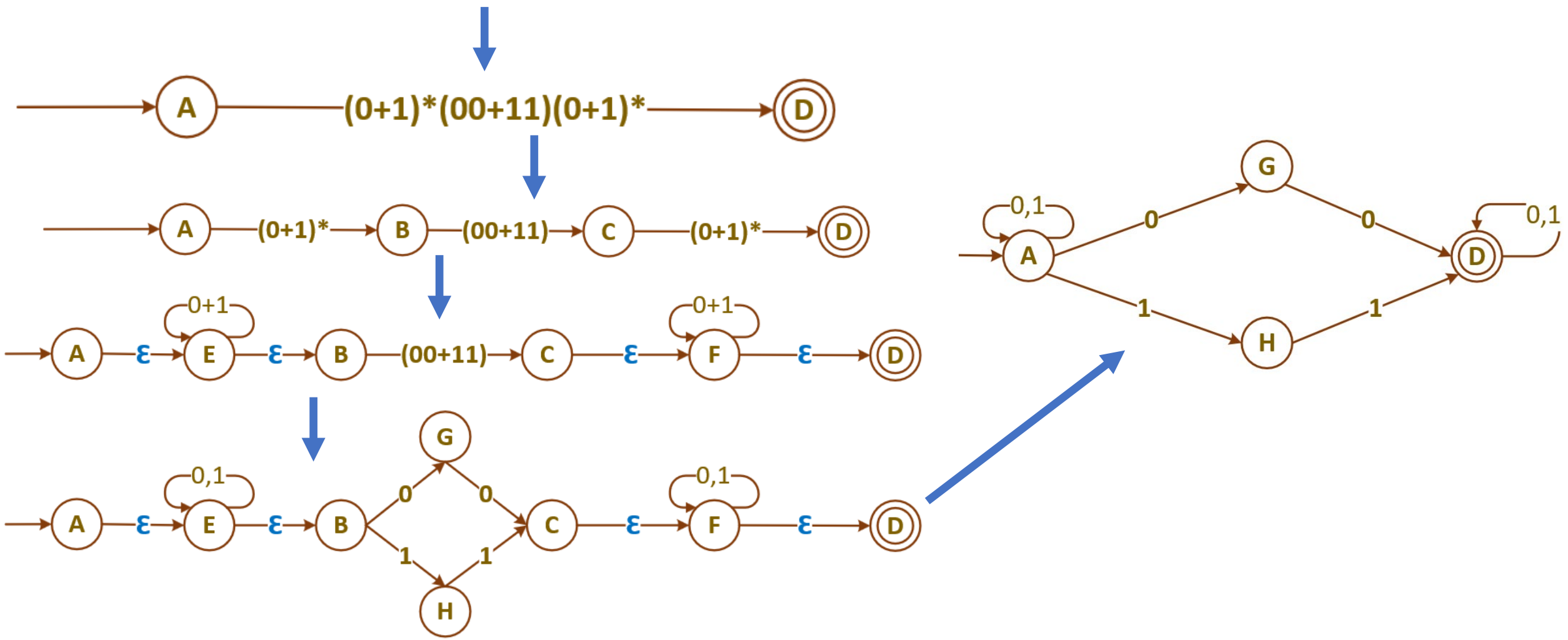$$I_9 : \epsilon + RR^* = R^* = \epsilon + R^*R$$

$$I_{10} : (PQ)^*P = P(QP)^*$$

$$I_{11} : (P + Q)^* = (P^*Q^*)^* = (P^* + Q^*)^*$$

$$I_{12} : (P + Q)R = PR + QR \text{ and } R(P + Q) = RP + RQ$$

Construct Finite Automaton equivalent to the Regular Expression

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

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Arden's Theorem

Let P and Q be two regular expressions over Σ. If P does not contain ϵ, then the following equation in R, namely

$$R = Q + RP \quad \cdots \cdots \quad \textbf{(1)}$$

has a unique solution (i.e. one and only one solution) given by $R = QP^*$.

Proof:

$$Q + (QP^*)P = Q(\epsilon + P^*P) = QP^* \text{ by } I_9$$

Hence Equation 1 is satisfied when $R = QP^*$. This means $R = QP^*$ is a solution of Equation 1.

To prove uniqueness, consider **Equation 1**. Here, replacing R by $Q + RP$ on the R.H.S., we get the equation

$$Q + RP = Q + (Q + RP)P$$
$$= Q + QP + RPP$$
$$= Q + QP + RP^2$$
$$\vdots$$
$$= Q + QP + QP^2 + \cdots + QP^i + RP^{i+1}$$
$$= Q(\epsilon + P + P^2 + \cdots + P^i) + RP^{i+1}$$
$$= Q(\epsilon + P + P^2 + \cdots + P^i) + QP^*P^{i+1}$$
$$= Q(\epsilon + P + P^2 + \cdots + P^i + P^*P^{i+1}) = QP^*$$

Application of Arden's Theorem: Convert FA to RE
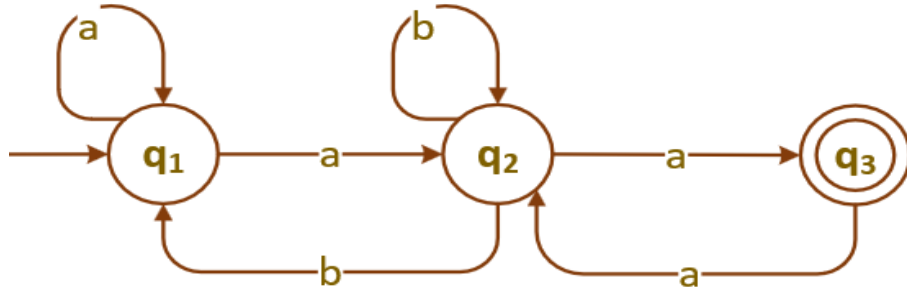
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$$q_1 = q_1 a + q_1 a (b + aa)^* b + \epsilon$$
$$= q_1 (a + a(b + aa)^* b) + \epsilon$$
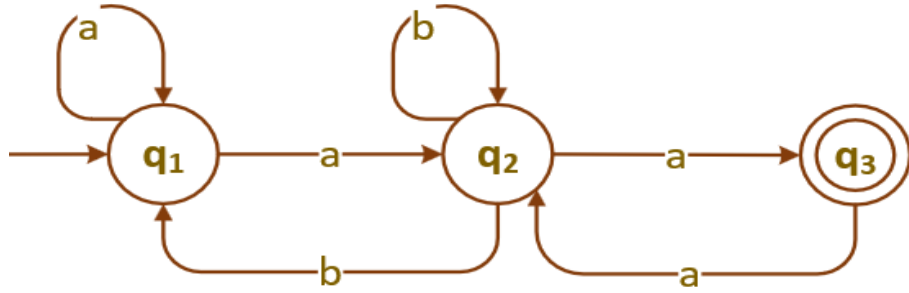$$q_1 = \epsilon (a + a(b + aa)^* b)^*$$
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$$\boxed{q_2 = (a + a(b + aa)^* b)^* a(b + aa)^*}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} q_1 &= q_1 a + q_2 b + \epsilon \\ q_2 &= q_1 a + q_2 b + q_3 a \\ q_3 &= q_2 a \end{aligned}}$$

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Since q_3 is a final state, the set of strings recognized by the graph is $(a + a(b + aa)^* b)^* a (b + aa)^* a$

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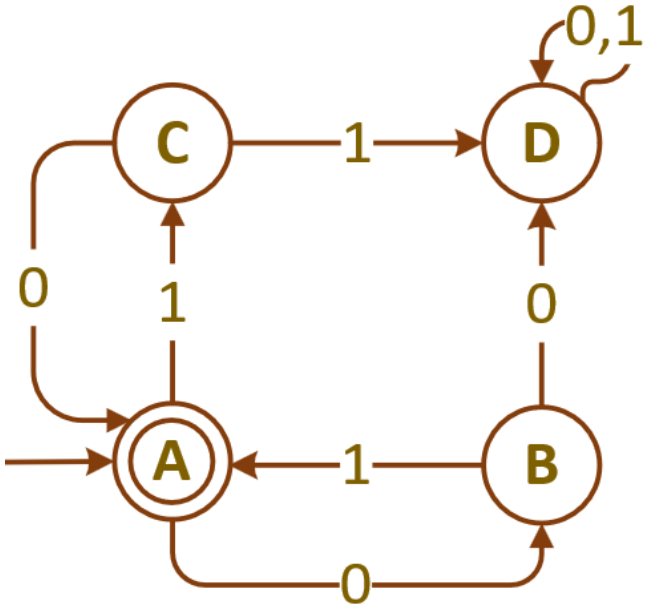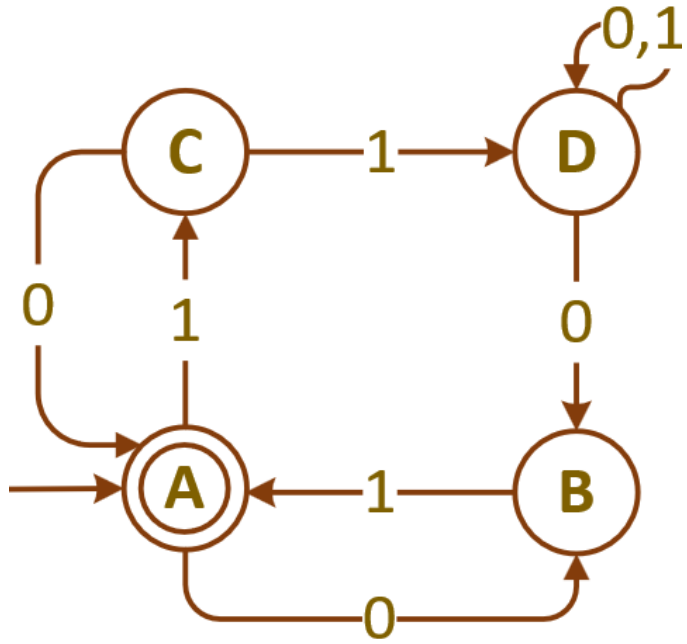
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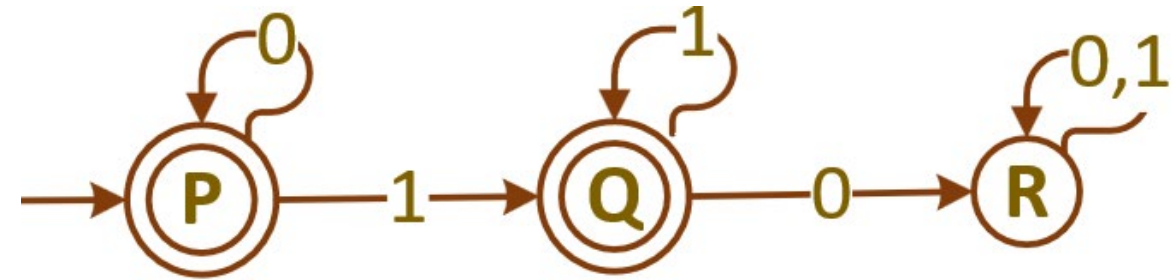
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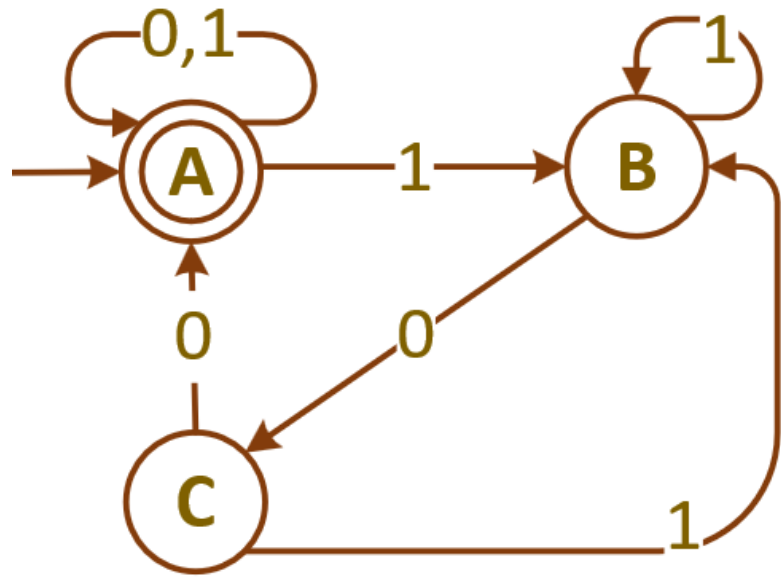
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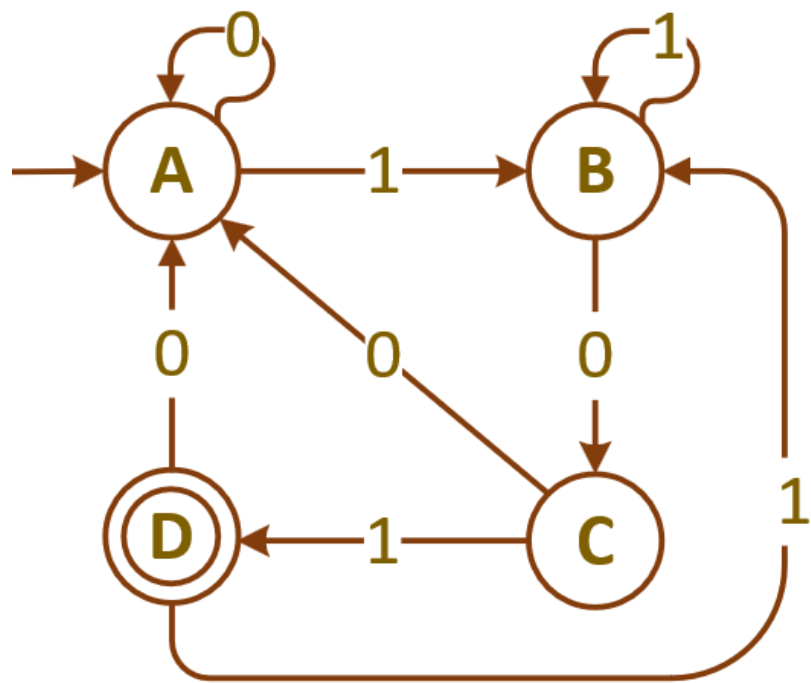
Pumping Lemma

- The Pumping Lemma is a fundamental concept in the theory of formal languages, particularly useful for demonstrating that certain languages are not regular.
    - However, the converse—that a language satisfying the conditions of the Pumping Lemma is necessarily regular—is not true.

- This lemma offers a systematic approach to demonstrate the non-regularity of languages by exploiting the inherent "repetitive" structure required of regular languages.

- Such a structural insight reveals why some languages, due to their complexity, cannot be captured by regular expressions or finite automata.

- If a language **L** is regular, then there exists an integer p (called the pumping length) such that any string s in L with length at least p can be divided into three parts, *s=xyz*, satisfying the following conditions:

    1. For each $i \geq 0$, the string $xy^i z$ is in L.

    2. $|y| > 0$ (i.e., y is not empty).

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- The lemma essentially says that every long enough string in a regular language can be "pumped" or repeated in a certain segment (denoted as y) without leaving the language.
- When processing a long string, a finite automaton must enter at least one state more than once (due to the pigeonhole principle), creating a loop that can be repeated.

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2. By the lemma, there exists a pumping length p.

3. Construct or find a string s in L with length at least p, such that no matter how s is divided into xyz, with $|xy| \leq p$ and $|y| > 0$, at least one of the pumped strings xy^iz for some $i \geq 0$ is not in L.

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Proof of Non-regularity using Pumping Lemma:

1. Assume L is regular.

2. Let p be the pumping length given by the lemma.

3. Choose $s = 0^p 1^p$. This string is in L and has length $2p$, which is greater than p.

4. According to the lemma, s can be split into xyz, where $|xy| \leq p$ and $|y| > 0$. This ensures y consists only of 0s (since the first p characters of s are all 0s).

5. Pumping y (i.e., repeating y), the string $xy^2 z = 0^{p+|y|} 1^p$ should also be in L, but this string does not have equal numbers of 0s and 1s, contradicting the definition of L.

6. Hence, L is not regular.

Pumping Lemma

Assume that the language L of palindromes is regular. According to the Pumping Lemma, there exists a pumping length p.

According to the Pumping Lemma, s can be decomposed into three parts $s = xyz$ such that:

1. For each $i \geq 0$, the string $xy^i z$ is in L.

2. $|y| > 0$.

Given these constraints, y consists only of a's because $|xy| \leq p$ means y is part of the initial sequence of a's.

Pump y by setting $i = 0$ and $i > 1$:

- **Pumping Down ($i = 0$):** $xy^0 z = xz$ results in $s = a^{p-|y|}b^p a^p$, which is not a palindrome because the symmetry is broken.

- **Pumping Up ($i > 1$):** $xy^2 z = a^{p+|y|}b^p a^p$, which also isn't a palindrome because the numbers of a's before and after b's don't match.

Both resulting strings fail to be palindromes, contradicting the lemma's stipulation that $xy^i z$ must remain in L for all i.

Context Free Grammars and Languages

$G = (V, T, P, S)$

- V – a set of variables, e.g. {S, A, B, C, D, E}

- T – a set of terminals, e.g. {a, b, c}

- P – a set of productions rules

  In the form of **A → α**, where **A∈V, α ∈(V∪T)***

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A Context Free Grammar (CFG) example

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$$P \rightarrow \epsilon$$
$$P \rightarrow 0$$
$$P \rightarrow 1$$
$$P \rightarrow 0P0$$
$$P \rightarrow 1P1$$

OR

$$P \rightarrow \epsilon \mid 0 \mid 1 \mid 0P0 \mid 1P1$$

Two ways to represent a context free grammar: palindromes over 0's and 1's

Parse tree and Derivation in CFGs

How a string ω is generated by a grammar G?

$S \rightarrow AS \mid \varepsilon$

$A \rightarrow A1 \mid 0A1 \mid 01$

$S \Rightarrow^* 0110011 ?$
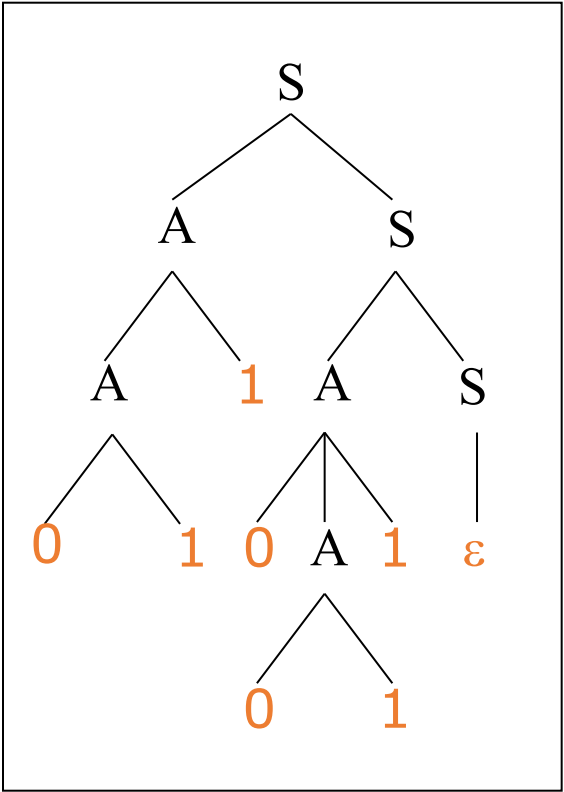
Parse Tree or Derivation Tree

$S \Rightarrow AS$

$\Rightarrow A1S$

$\Rightarrow 011S$

$\Rightarrow 011AS$

$\Rightarrow 0110A1S$

$\Rightarrow 0110011S$

$\Rightarrow 0110011\varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow 0110011$

Leftmost Derivation

$S \Rightarrow AS$

$\Rightarrow AAS$

$\Rightarrow AA\varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow A0A1\varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow A0011\varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow A10011\varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow 0110011\varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow 0110011$

Rightmost Derivation

Parse tree and Derivation in CFGs

P → Bb | aSa |a

A → a | aSa

B → aBaC | b

C → aSa

P ⟹* aabaaaaba ?

A →Bac | bTC | ba

T →aB | TB | ε

B →aTB | bBC | b

C →TBc | aBC | ac

A ⟹* babbcac?

Ambiguity in CFGs

- Each parse tree has one unique leftmost derivation and one unique rightmost derivation.

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  - This implies that the string has more than one leftmost derivation or more than one rightmost derivation.
  - Ambiguity in grammars is a critical issue because it can lead to confusion in parsing and interpreting the strings generated by the grammar, especially in compiler design and natural language processing.

Consider the following grammar G:

$$S \rightarrow AS \mid a \mid b$$
$$A \rightarrow SS \mid ab$$
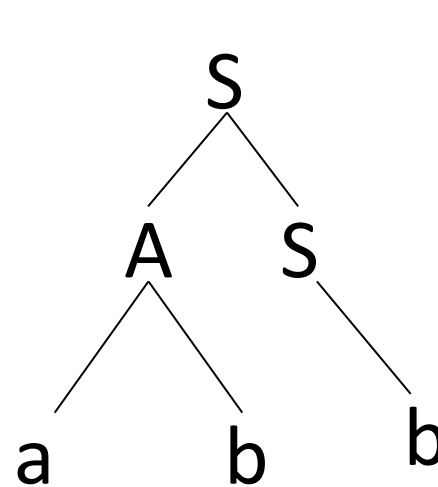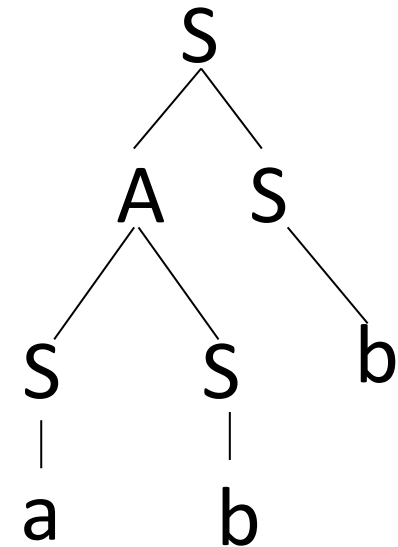
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&\Rightarrow x + E + E \\
&\Rightarrow x + y + E \\
&\Rightarrow x + y + z
\end{aligned}
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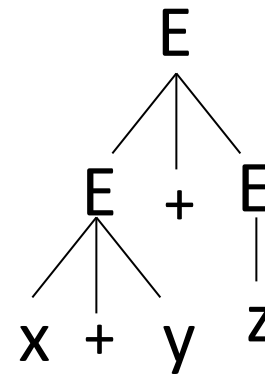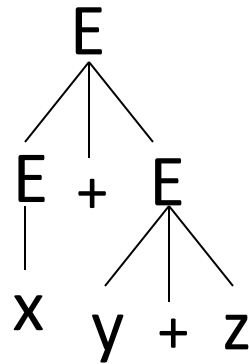
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$$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Simplification of Context Free Grammars (CFGs)

❑ Remove useless symbols

- Generating Variables

- Reachable symbols (variables and terminals)

❑ Remove ε-productions, e.g. A→ ε

❑ Remove unit-productions, e.g. A→B

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove non-generating variables and keep productive variables

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b \mid D$

$E \rightarrow c$

- The set W_1 ={**A, B, E**} includes the symbols that have productions with a terminal string on the right-hand side (RHS): $A \rightarrow a$; $B \rightarrow b$; $E \rightarrow c$

- W_2 ={**S, A, B, E**}, **S** is included in list as it can generate through **A** and **B**

- W_3 ={**S, A, B, E**} = W_2 //the stopping condition has been met

Now remove all non-generating variables and construct the revised grammar:

$$S \rightarrow AB$$
$$A \rightarrow a$$
$$B \rightarrow b$$
$$E \rightarrow c$$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove non-reachable symbols

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$

$E \rightarrow c$

- **W_1 = {S}**   // start with start symbol **S**

- **W_2 = {S, A, B}**   // from $S \rightarrow AB$, we can reach A and B

- **W_2 = {S, A, B} ∪ {a, b}**   //from A and B, terminal a and b can be reached

- **W_3 = {S, A, B} ∪ {a, b} = W_3**   //the stopping condition has been met

Now remove all non-reachable symbols and construct the revised grammar:

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$

- **For this example, 40% of the original CFG has been removed without compromising on the solution quality.**

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove useless symbols

$S \rightarrow aAa$

$A \rightarrow Sb \mid bCC \mid DaA$

$C \rightarrow abb \mid DD$

$E \rightarrow aC$

$D \rightarrow aDA$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

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$$D \rightarrow aDA$$

Reduced grammar

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$$C \rightarrow abb$$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove useless symbols

$$S \rightarrow AB \mid CA$$
$$B \rightarrow BC \mid AB$$
$$A \rightarrow a$$
$$C \rightarrow aB \mid b$$

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Reduced grammar

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$$A \rightarrow a$$
$$C \rightarrow b$$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove useless symbols

$$A \rightarrow AB \mid CA$$
$$B \rightarrow DC \mid AB \mid ab$$
$$C \rightarrow a$$
$$D \rightarrow aB \mid b$$

Reduced grammar

None of the productions are usefull !!!

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove Null Productions

$S \rightarrow aS \mid AB$

$A \rightarrow \epsilon$

$B \rightarrow \epsilon$

$D \rightarrow b$

Construction of Nullable variables

$W_1 = \{A, B\}$

$W_2 = \{S, A, B\}$

$W_3 = \{S, A, B\} = W_2$ //the stopping condition has been met

Final CFG after removing null productions

$S \rightarrow aS \mid a \mid AB \mid A \mid B$

$D \rightarrow b$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove Unit Productions

$S \rightarrow AB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow C \mid b$

$C \rightarrow D$

$D \rightarrow E$

$E \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$

W(S) = {S}
W(A) = {A}
W(B) = {B, C, D, E}
W(C) = {C, D, E}
W(D) = {D, E}
W(E) = {E}

Final CFG after removing unit productions

$S \rightarrow AB$
$A \rightarrow a$
$B \rightarrow b \mid ab \mid aBa$
$C \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$
$D \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$
$E \rightarrow ab \mid aBa$

Construction of Reduced Grammar

Remove Unit Productions

Final CFG after removing unit productions

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$D \rightarrow b$

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$D \rightarrow b$

W(S) = {S,A,B}
W(A) = {A}
W(B) = {B}
W(D) = {D}

What happens if we remove useless symbols as well?

Chomsky Normal Form - CNF

Chomsky Normal Form (CNF) is a way of organizing and simplifying the production rules of a context-free grammar (CFG) to assist in various computational processes.

A CFG is in Chomsky Normal Form if all of its production rules satisfy one of the following conditions:

- A non-terminal produces exactly two non-terminals, $A \rightarrow BC$, where A, B, and C are non-terminal symbols.

- A non-terminal produces exactly one terminal symbol $A \rightarrow 0$, where 0 is a terminal symbol.

- Optionally, a rule that allows the start symbol to produce the empty string, $A \rightarrow \varepsilon$, if necessary for deriving ε from the grammar.

Chomsky Normal Form - CNF

Converting a general CFG to Chomsky Normal Form involves several steps:

1. Remove ε-productions, Except for the start symbol

2. Remove unit-productions, e.g. A→B

3. Remove useless symbols (optional)

    I.   Generating Variables
    II. Reachable symbols (variables and terminals)

4. Finally convert the resultant CFG to CNF

Chomsky Normal Form - CNF

Reduce the following grammar to its equivalent CNF:

$S \rightarrow aAD$

$A \rightarrow aB \mid bAB$

$B \rightarrow b$

$D \rightarrow d$

Since there is no null or unit production in the original grammar, we can directly start converting it to CNF.

$S \rightarrow aAD$ → $S \rightarrow PAD$ → $S \rightarrow PQ$ $A \rightarrow aB$ → $A \rightarrow PB$

                $P \rightarrow a$ $P \rightarrow a$

                        $Q \rightarrow AD$

$A \rightarrow bAB$ → $A \rightarrow BAB$ → $A \rightarrow BR$

$B \rightarrow b$ $B \rightarrow b$ $R \rightarrow AB$

$D \rightarrow d$ $D \rightarrow d$ $B \rightarrow b$

                        $D \rightarrow d$

CNF:

$S \rightarrow PQ$	$A \rightarrow BR$
$P \rightarrow a$	$R \rightarrow AB$
$Q \rightarrow AD$	$B \rightarrow b$
$A \rightarrow PB$	$D \rightarrow d$

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Chomsky Normal Form – CNF (cont.)

Reduce the following grammar to its equivalent CNF:

$S \rightarrow aAbB$

$A \rightarrow aA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow bB \mid b$

$D \rightarrow b$

Since there is no null or unit production in the original grammar, we can directly start converting it to CNF.

$S \rightarrow aAbD$ →

$S \rightarrow PADB$
$P \rightarrow a$
$D \rightarrow b$

→

$S \rightarrow MN$
$M \rightarrow PA$
$N \rightarrow DB$
$P \rightarrow a$
$D \rightarrow b$

$A \rightarrow aA$
$A \rightarrow a$

→

$A \rightarrow PA$
$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow bB$
$B \rightarrow b$

→

$B \rightarrow DB$
$B \rightarrow b$

CNF:

$S \rightarrow MN$
$M \rightarrow PA$
$N \rightarrow DB$
$P \rightarrow a$

$A \rightarrow PA \mid a$
$B \rightarrow DB$
$B \rightarrow b$
$D \rightarrow d$

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The CYK algorithm – a dynamic programming approach for parsing

- The CYK algorithm (Cocke-Younger-Kasami algorithm) is a prominent parsing algorithm for context-free grammars, particularly useful when the grammar is presented in CNF.

- The CYK algorithm is used to decide whether a given string belongs to the language generated by a grammar.

- The algorithm uses **dynamic programming** to build a table (often a triangular array) that represents possible substrings of the input string and their corresponding derivations according to the grammar rules.

CNF grammar **G**

- S → AB | BC
- A → BA | a
- B → CC | b
- C → AB | a

w is baaba

Question Is baaba in L(G)?

Checking Membership: After filling the table, the string w is in the language of the grammar if the starting symbol (usually S) appears in $P[1, n]$ (the cell representing the whole string).

The CYK algorithm – a dynamic programming approach for parsing

CNF grammar **G**

- $S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$

- $A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

- $B \rightarrow CC \mid b$

- $C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

{S, A, C}				
Ø	{S, A, C}			
Ø	{B}	{B}		
{S, A}	{B}	{S, C}	{S, A}	
{B}	{A, C}	{A, C}	{B}	{A, C}
b	a	a	b	a

w is baaba

Question Is baaba in L(G)?

Chomsky hierarchy: Chomsky classification of grammars

Grammar Type	Grammar Accepted	Language Accepted	Automation
Type 0	Unrestricted Grammar	Recursively Enumerable Language	Turing Machine
Type 1	Context Sensitive Grammar	Context Sensitive language	Linear-bounded automaton
Type 2	Context Free Grammar	Context Free language	Push Down Automata
Type 3	Regular Grammar	Regular Language	Finite Automata

Recursively Enumerable

Context Sensitive

Context Free

Regular

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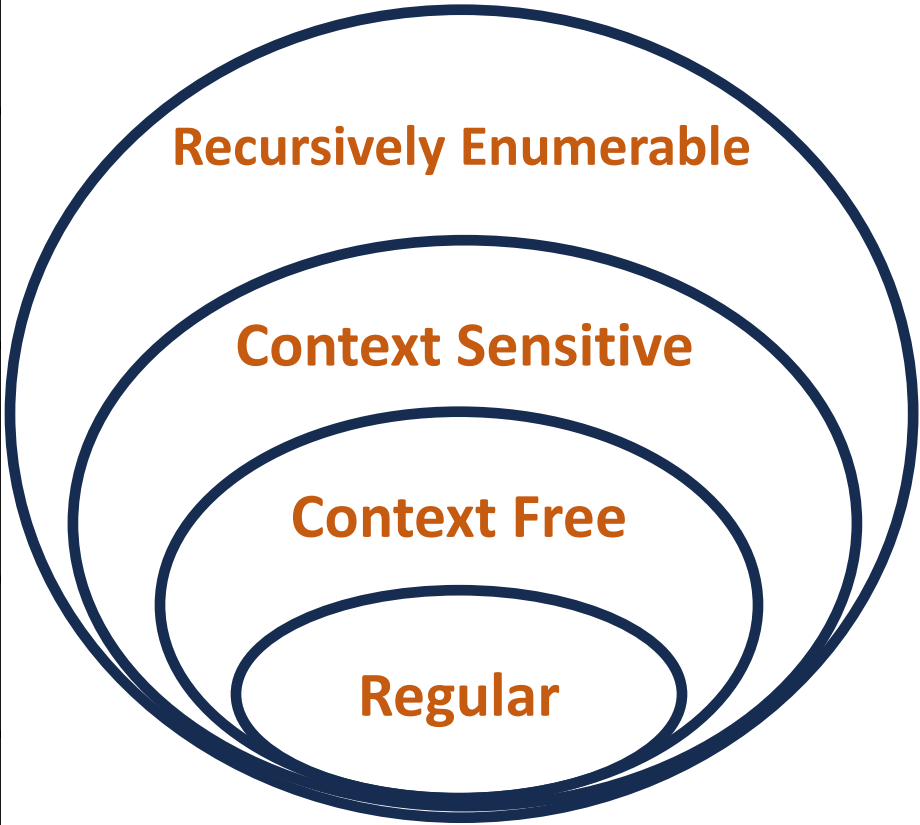
Push Down Automata

A PDA is a 7-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, Z_0, F)$

- **Q** is a finite set of states
- **Σ** is a finite input symbols
- **Γ** is a finite stack alphabet
- **δ** is the transition function that governs the behaviour of the automaton

  Formally, δ takes as argument a triple $\delta(q,a,X)$,

  i. q is a state in Q

  ii. a is either an input symbol in Σ or $a = \epsilon$, the empty string, which is assumed not to be an input symbol.

  iii. X is a stack symbol, that is, a member of Γ.

  o The output of δ is a finite set of pairs (p,γ), where p is the new state, and γ is the string of stack symbols that replaces X at the top of the stack.

  o For instance, if $\gamma = \epsilon$, then the stack is popped; if $\gamma = X$, then the stack is unchanged, and if $\gamma = YZ$, then X is replaced by Z, and Y is pushed onto the stack.

- $q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state (only one)
- $Z_0 \in \Gamma$ is the initial stack symbol, the PDA's stack consists of one instance of this symbol and nothing else.
- $F \in Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)

Input → **Finite State Control** → Accept/ Reject
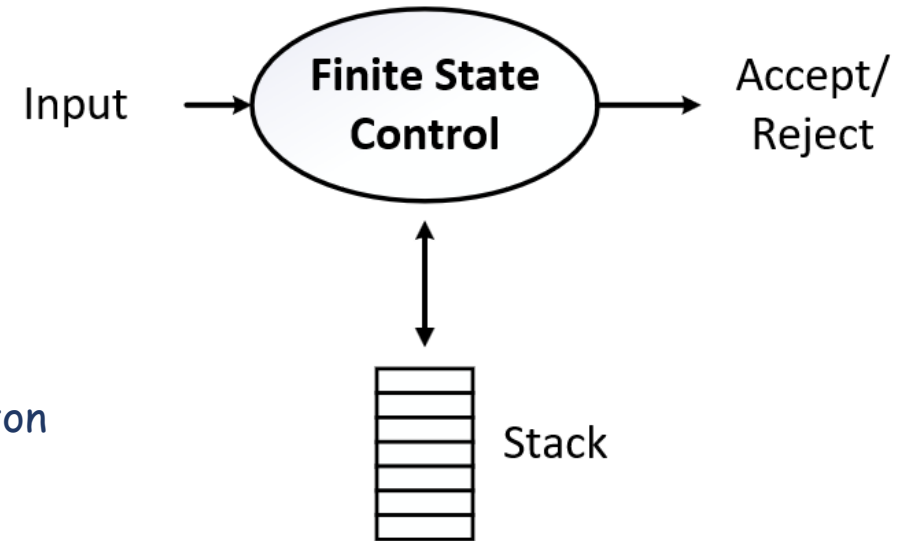
Stack

A Push Down Automata (PDA)

$$L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } (0+1)^*\}$$

$$P = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\})$$

0, Z_0/0Z_0
1, Z_0/1Z_0
0, 0/00
0, 1/01
1, 0/10
1, 1/11

0, 0/ε
1, 1/ε

ε, Z_0/Z_0
ε, 0/0
ε, 1/1

ε, Z_0/Z_0

q₀ → q₁ → q₂
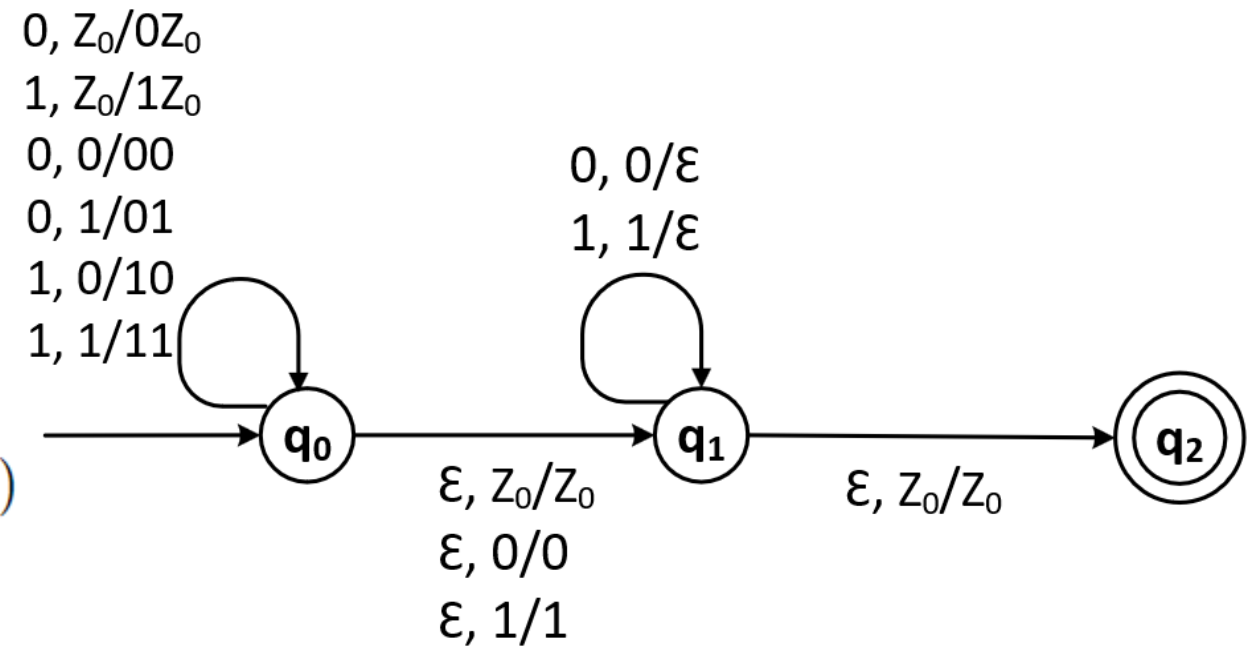
1. $\delta(q_0, 0, Z_0) = \{(q_0, 0Z_0)\}$ and $\delta(q_0, 1, Z_0) = \{(q_0, 1Z_0)\}$. One of these rules applies initially; when we are in state q_0 and we see the start symbol Z_0 at the top of the stack. We read the first input, and push it onto the stack, leaving Z_0 below to mark the bottom.

2. $\delta(q_0, 0, 0) = \{(q_0, 00)\}$, $\delta(q_0, 1, 0) = \{(q_0, 10)\}$, $\delta(q_0, 0, 1) = \{(q_0, 01)\}$, and $\delta(q_0, 1, 1) = \{(q_0, 11)\}$. These four, similar rules allow us to stay in state q_0 and read inputs, pushing each onto the top of the stack and leaving the previous top stack symbol alone.

A Push Down Automata (PDA)

$$0, Z_0/0Z_0$$
$$1, Z_0/1Z_0$$
$$0, 0/00$$
$$0, 1/01$$
$$1, 0/10$$
$$1, 1/11$$

$$0, 0/\varepsilon$$
$$1, 1/\varepsilon$$

$$L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } (0+1)^*\}$$

$$P = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\})$$

q_0 q_1 q_2

$$\varepsilon, Z_0/Z_0$$
$$\varepsilon, 0/0$$
$$\varepsilon, 1/1$$

$$\varepsilon, Z_0/Z_0$$

3. $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, Z_0) = \{(q_1, Z_0)\}$, $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, 0) = \{(q_1, 0)\}$, and $\delta(q_0, \epsilon, 1) = \{(q_1, 1)\}$. These three rules allow P to go from state q_0 to state q_1 spontaneously (on ϵ input), leaving intact whatever symbol is at the top of the stack.

4. $\delta(q_1, 0, 0) = \{(q_1, \epsilon)\}$, and $\delta(q_1, 1, 1) = \{(q_1, \epsilon)\}$. Now, in state q_1 we can match input symbols against the top symbols on the stack, and pop when the symbols match.

5. $\delta(q_1, \epsilon, Z_0) = \{(q_2, Z_0)\}$. Finally, if we expose the bottom-of-stack marker Z_0 and we are in state q_1, then we have found an input of the form ww^R. We go to state q_2 and accept.

The derivation in a PDA

$L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } (0+1)^*\}$

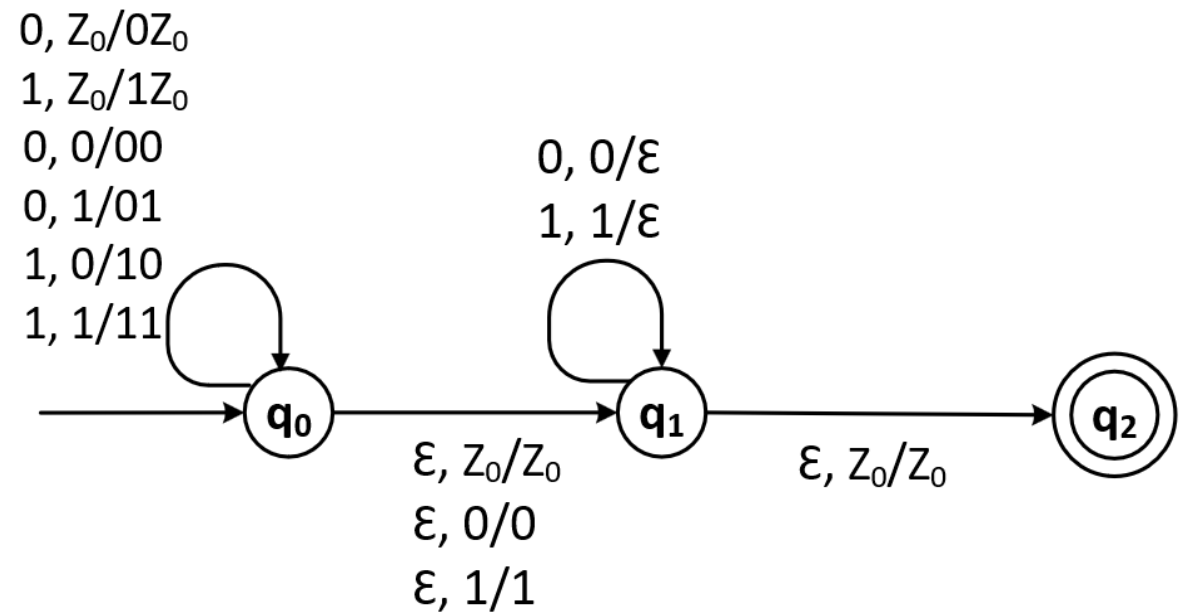$P = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 1, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0, \{q_2\})$

0, Z_0/0Z_0
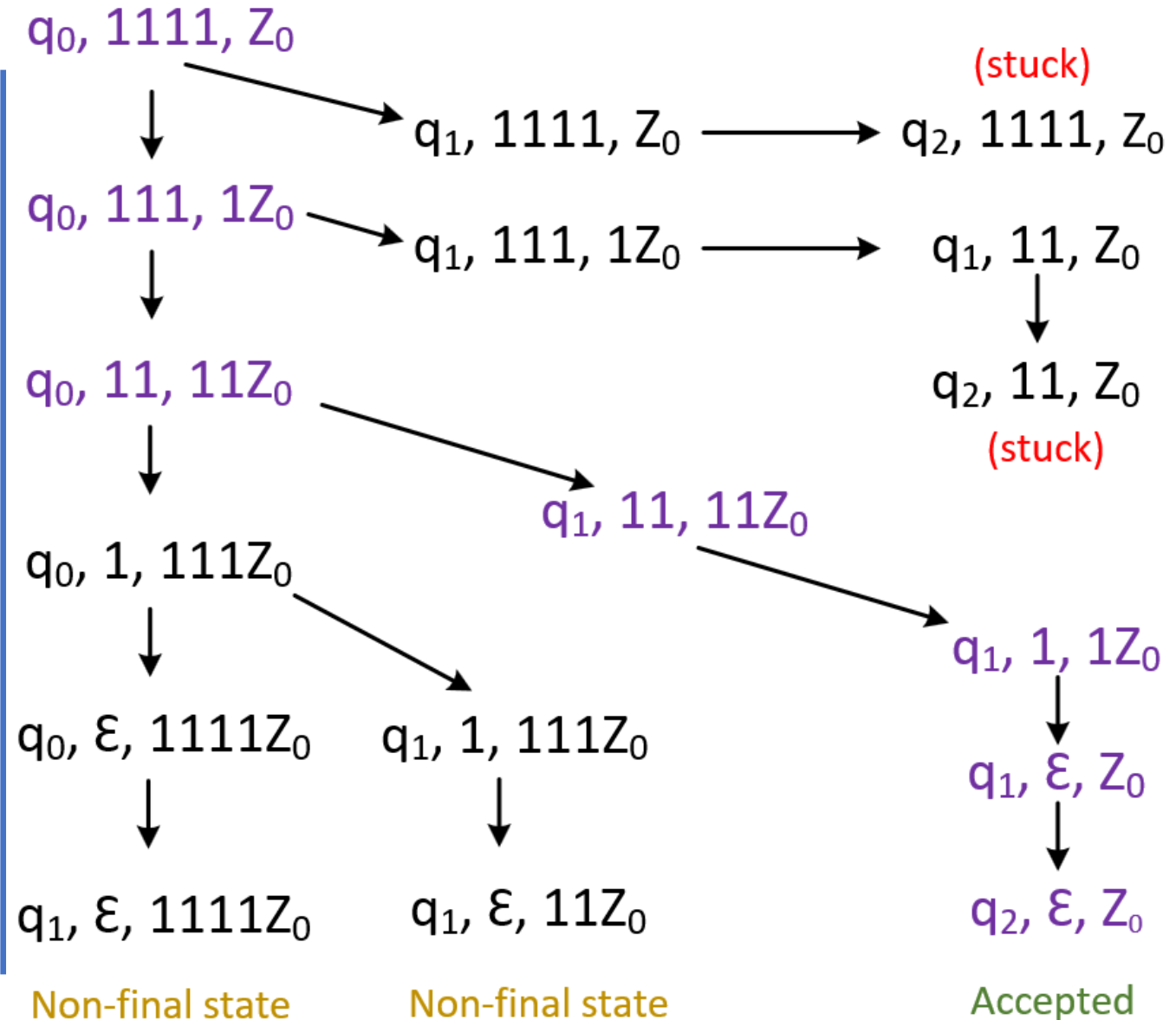1, Z_0/1Z_0
0, 0/00
0, 1/01
1, 0/10
1, 1/11

0, 0/ε
1, 1/ε

ε, Z_0/Z_0
ε, 0/0
ε, 1/1

ε, Z_0/Z_0

q_0, 1111, Z_0

(stuck)

q_1, 1111, Z_0 ⟶ q_2, 1111, Z_0

q_0, 111, 1Z_0 ⟶ q_1, 111, 1Z_0 ⟶ q_1, 11, Z_0

q_2, 11, Z_0

(stuck)

q_0, 11, 11Z_0

q_1, 11, 11Z_0

q_0, 1, 111Z_0

q_1, 1, 1Z_0

q_0, ε, 1111Z_0 q_1, 1, 111Z_0

q_1, ε, Z_0

q_1, ε, 1111Z_0 q_1, ε, 11Z_0

q_2, ε, Z_0

Non-final state   Non-final state   Accepted
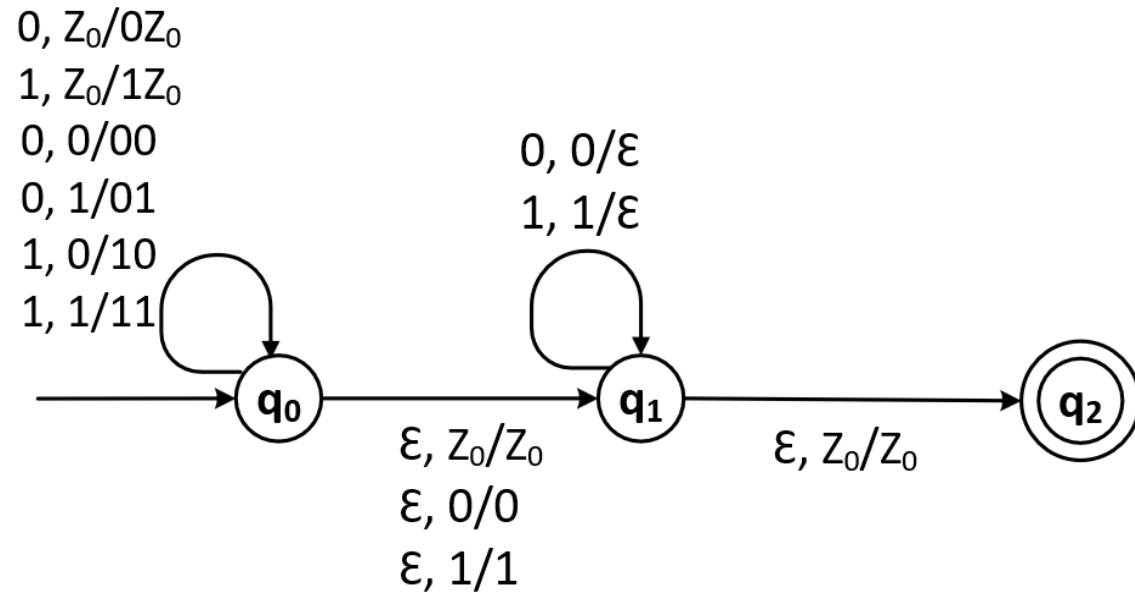
Deterministic PDA

A Language **L** that accepts strings with more 0's than 1's.

$$L = \{x \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid n_0\ (x) > n_1\ (x)\}$$

$1, Z_0/1Z_0$
$0, 1/\varepsilon$
$1, 1/11$

$0, Z_0/Z_0$

$0, Z_0/0Z_0$
$0, 0/00$
$1, 0/\varepsilon$

$1, Z_0/Z_0$

- Deterministic Push Down Automata (DPDA) follows deterministic rules for its transitions.
- a DPDA ensures that for any combination of current state, input symbol, and stack symbol, there is at most one valid transition.

To be a DPDA, the following two conditions must be met:

1. For any state $q \in Q$, any input symbol $s \in \Sigma \cup \varepsilon$, and any stack symbol $t \in \Gamma$, the set $\delta\ (q, s, t)$ has at most one element.

2. For any state $q \in Q$ and any stack symbol $t \in \Gamma$, if $\delta\ (q, \varepsilon, t)$ is not empty, then $\delta\ (q, s, t) = \emptyset$ for each $s \in \Sigma$.
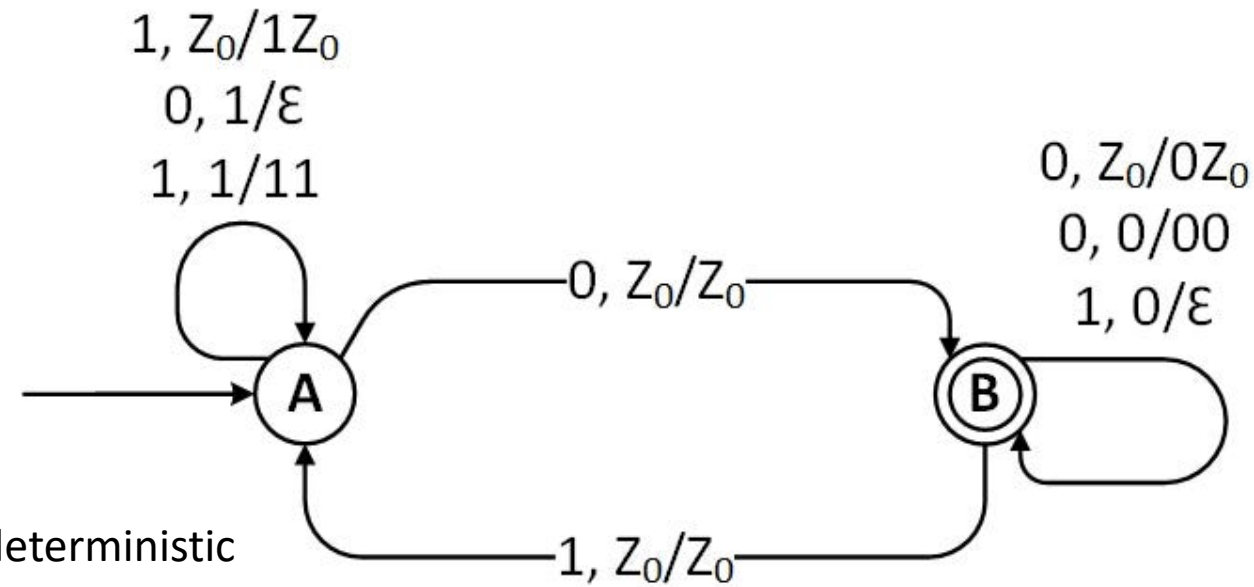
PDA Accepted by Final State

Let P = (Q, Σ, Γ, δ, q_0, Z_0, F) be a PDA. Then $L(P)$ the language accepted by P final state, is

$$L(P) = \{w \mid (q_0, w, Z_0) \overset{*}{\vdash}_P (q, \epsilon, \alpha)\}$$

- for some state q in F and any stack string α.
- That is, starting in the initial ID with w waiting on the input, P consumes w from the input and enters an accepting state.
- The contents of the stack at that time is irrelevant.

PDA Accepted by Empty Stack

Let P = (Q, Σ, Γ, δ, q_0, Z_0, F) be a PDA. We define

$$N(P) = \{w \mid (q_0, w, Z_0) \overset{*}{\vdash}_P (q, \epsilon, \epsilon)\}$$

- for any state q. That is, N(P) is the set of inputs w that P can consume and at the same time empty its stack.

PDA: Conversion from Empty Stack to Final State

$$\varepsilon, X_0/\varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon, X_0/Z_0X_0$$

$$\varepsilon, X_0/\varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon, X_0/\varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon, X_0/\varepsilon$$

$$e, Z_0/\varepsilon$$
$$i, Z_0/Z_0Z_0$$

$$e, Z_0/\varepsilon$$
$$i, Z_0/Z_0Z_0$$

$$\varepsilon, X_0/Z_0X_0$$

$$\varepsilon, X_0/\varepsilon$$
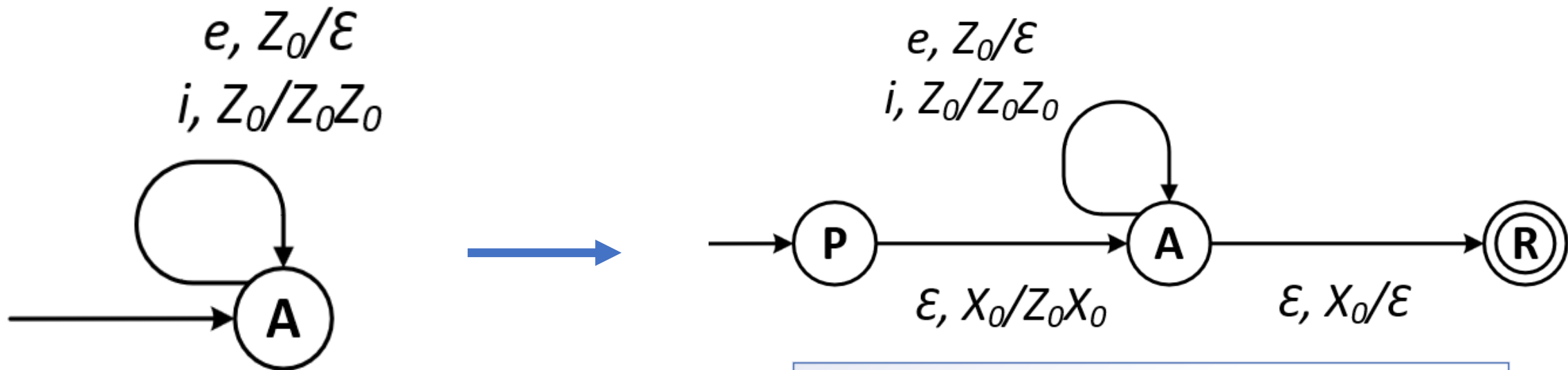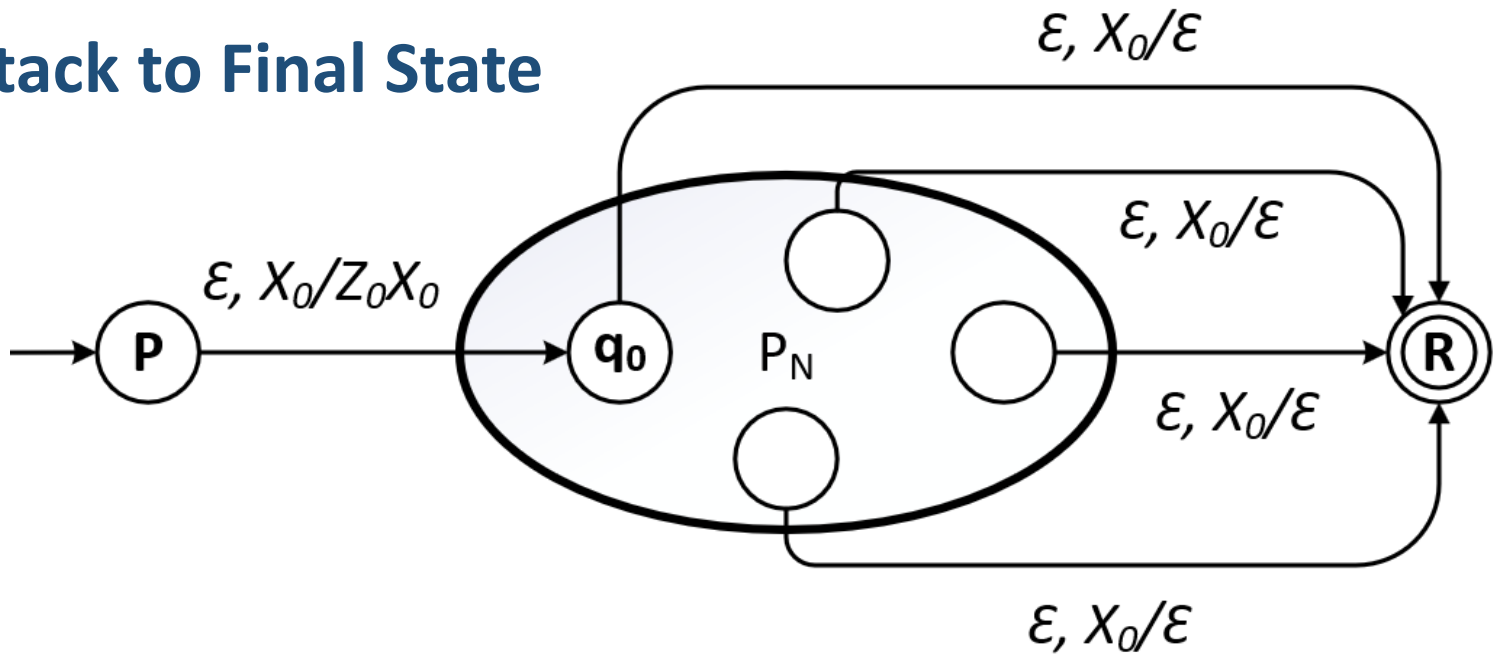
A PDA that accepts the if/else errors by empty stack.

Construction of a PDA accepting by final state from the sample PDA accepted by empty stack.

PDA: Conversion from Final State to Empty Stack

$\varepsilon, any/\varepsilon$

$\varepsilon, any/\varepsilon$

$\varepsilon, X_0/Z_0X_0$

P

q_0

P_F

R

$\varepsilon, any/\varepsilon$
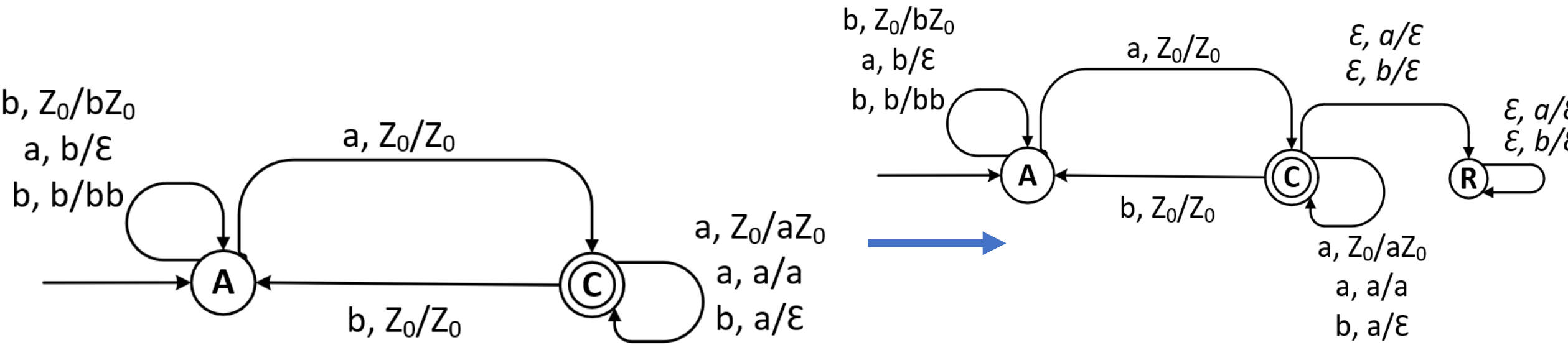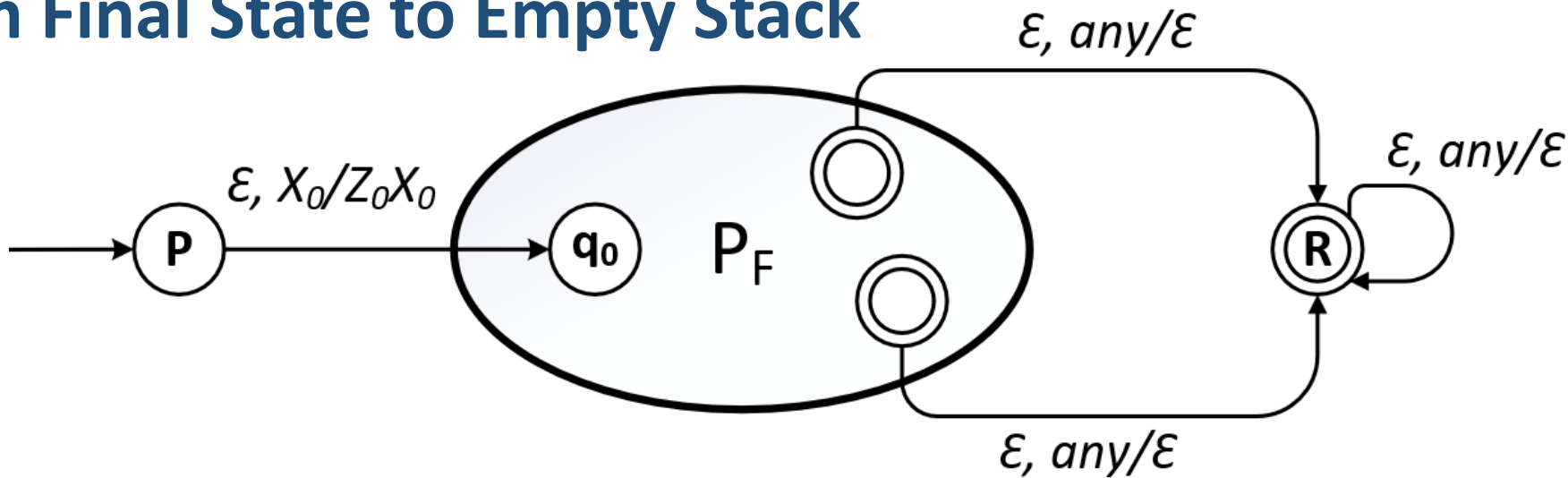
A sample PDA that is accepted by Final State

$b, Z_0/bZ_0$
$a, b/\varepsilon$
$b, b/bb$

$a, Z_0/Z_0$

A

$b, Z_0/Z_0$

C

$a, Z_0/aZ_0$
$a, a/a$
$b, a/\varepsilon$

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Construction of PDA accepting by empty state from the sample PDA accepted by final state.

$b, Z_0/bZ_0$
$a, b/\varepsilon$
$b, b/bb$

$a, Z_0/Z_0$

$\varepsilon, a/\varepsilon$
$\varepsilon, b/\varepsilon$

A

$b, Z_0/Z_0$

C

$\varepsilon, a/\varepsilon$
$\varepsilon, b/\varepsilon$

R

$a, Z_0/aZ_0$
$a, a/a$
$b, a/\varepsilon$

Summary of Transformation

Context Free Grammar → PDA by empty stack → PDA by final state
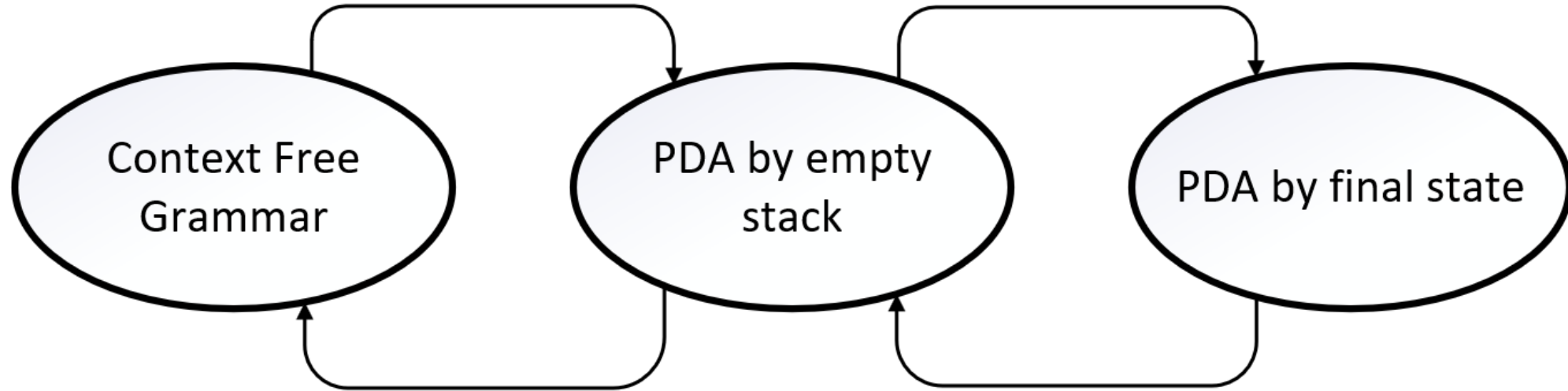
Turing Machine and Undecidability

- The Turing machine, conceptualized by Alan Turing in the 1930s, is a theoretical computational device that models the behaviour of a general-purpose computer.

- Turing machines are used to study the limits and capabilities of computation systems, and to prove that certain problems are undecidable.

- An undecidable problem is a problem that cannot be solved by a Turing machine.
  - One example of an undecidable problem is the halting problem – **proposed by Turing in 1936 and proved that** the halting problem is undecidable.

  - The halting problem asks whether there exists a program that can determine, for any given program and input, whether that program will eventually halt or continue running indefinitely.

Turing Machine and Undecidability (cont.)

- The existence of undecidable problems has important implications for the theory of computation.

- It means that there are some problems that cannot be solved by computers, no matter how powerful they are.

- This has led to the development of new techniques for solving problems that are not undecidable, such as **approximation algorithms** and **heuristics**.

Nondeterministic Polynomial (NP)

- In computational complexity theory, NP refers to the class of decision problems for which a "yes" instance can be verified in polynomial time.

- In other words, if someone claims to have a solution to an NP problem, it can be verified efficiently. However, finding a solution itself may not be computationally efficient.

Nondeterministic Polynomial (NP)

- The relationship between NP and undecidable problems lies in the concept of the "P versus NP problem."

- This problem asks whether every problem for which a solution can be verified in polynomial time (NP) can also be solved in polynomial time (P).

  In other words, is NP equal to P?

- If P = NP, it would mean that any problem with an efficient verification algorithm also has an efficient solution algorithm.

- However, if P ≠ NP, it implies that there are problems for which no efficient solution algorithm exists, even though a solution can be verified efficiently.

- This would indicate a fundamental gap between the ability to verify solutions and the ability to find solutions.

Relationship between Undecidable and NP

- Undecidable problems and NP are connected in the sense that undecidable problems generally fall outside the jurisdiction of NP.

- Undecidable problems, such as the halting problem, are beyond the scope of computation, regardless of whether efficient verification algorithms exist.

- NP problems, on the other hand, are in the jurisdiction of computation, but finding efficient solutions remains an open question for many of them.

Turing Machine

A Turing Machine can be defined by 7-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, B, F)$

- Q is a finite set of states

- Σ is a finite input symbols

- Γ is a complete set of tape symbols, Σ is always a subset of Γ.

- δ is the transition function that governs the behaviour of the automaton

  Formally, the arguments of $\delta(q, X)$ are a state q and symbol X.

  i. p is the next state, in Q

  ii. Y is the symbol, in Γ, written in the cell being scanned, replacing whatever symbol was there.

  iii. D is direction, either L or R, standing for left or right, respectively, and telling us the direction in which the head moves.

- $q_0 \in Q$ The start state, a member of Q, in which the finite control is found initially.

- $B \in \Gamma$ is the blank symbol, and is in Γ but not in Σ.

- $F \in Q$ is a set of final states (zero or more)
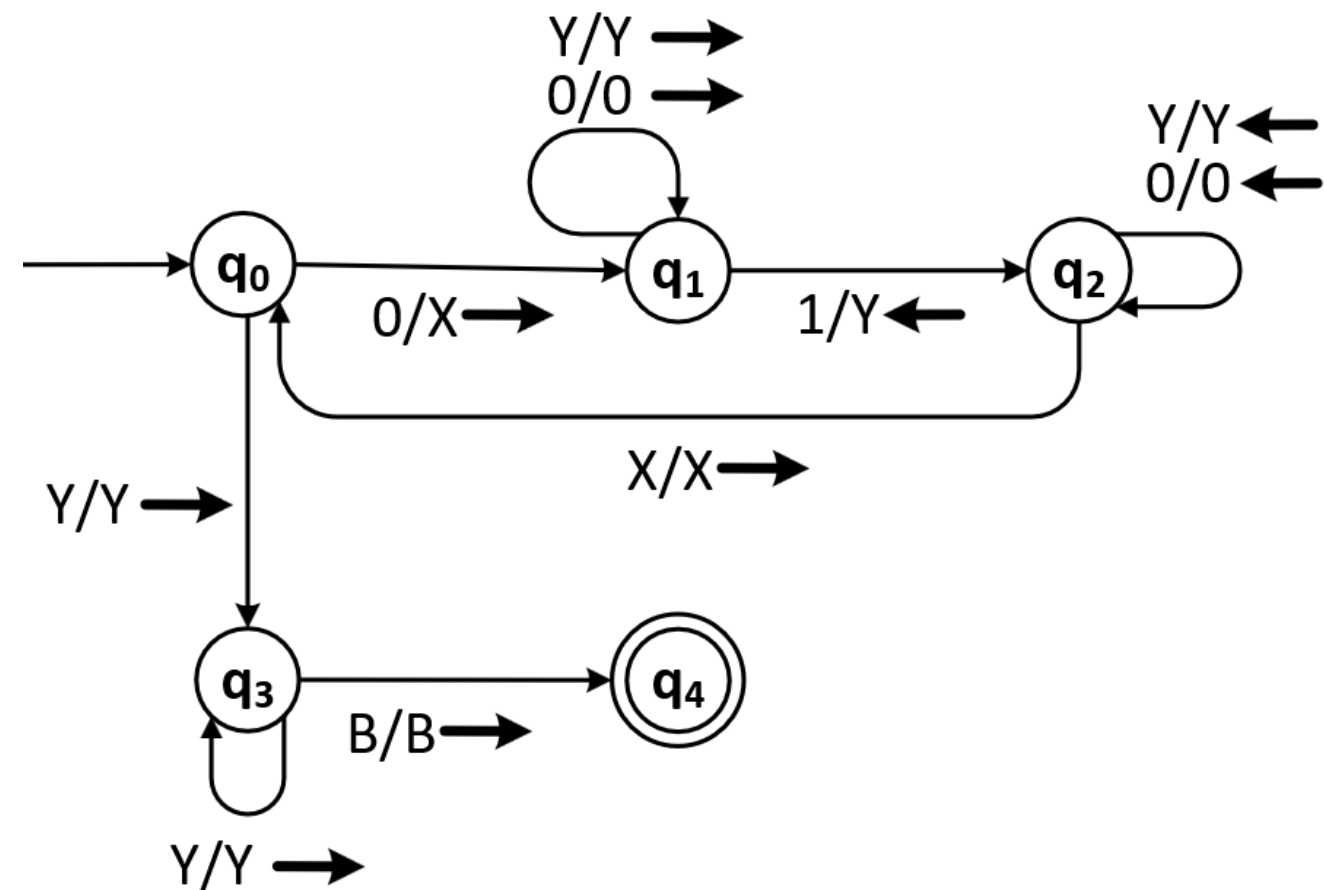
Turing Machine $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, B, F)$

State	Symbol				
	0	**1**	**X**	**Y**	**B**
q_0	(q_1, X, R)	--	--	(q_3, Y, R)	--
q_1	(q_1, O, R)	(q_2, Y, L)	--	(q_1, Y, R)	--
q_2	(q_2, O, L)	--	(q_0, X, R)	(q_2, Y, L)	--
q_3	--	--	--	(q_3, Y, R)	(q_4, B, R)
q_4	--	--	--	--	--

$q_0 0011 \vdash X q_1 011 \vdash X0 q_1 11 \vdash X q_2 0Y1 \vdash q_2 X0Y1 \vdash$

$X q_0 0Y1 \vdash XX q_1 Y1 \vdash XXY q_1 1 \vdash XX q_2 YY \vdash X q_2 XYY \vdash$

$XX q_0 YY \vdash XXY q_3 Y \vdash XXYY q_3 B \vdash XXYY q_4 B$

Constrcut a Turing machine that accepts the language $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$

Turing Machine

$$TM = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, B, F)$$

State	Symbol				
	0	**1**	**X**	**Y**	**B**
q₀	(q_1, X, R)	--	--	(q_3, Y, R)	--
q₁	$(q_1, 0, R)$	(q_2, Y, L)	--	(q_1, Y, R)	--
q₂	$(q_2, 0, L)$	--	(q_0, X, R)	(q_2, Y, L)	--
q₃	--	--	--	(q_3, Y, R)	(q_4, B, R)
q₄	--	--	--	--	--

Constrcut a Turing machine that accepts the language $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$