

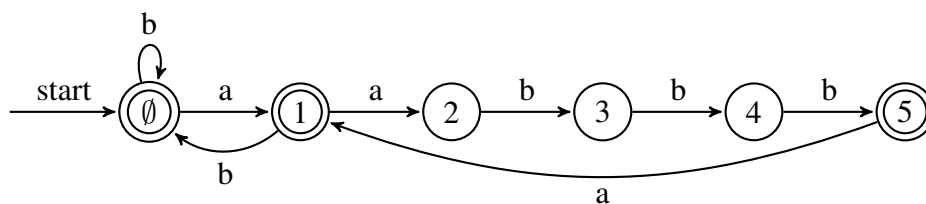
Homework 2

ECE 590

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Question 1:

NFA:



Question 2:

With alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$, there is no a after c

Regular expression:

$$(a|b)^* (c|b)^*$$

Question 3:

(a) $L = \{a^{i^2} | i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

1. Pick $w = a^{p^2}$.

2. $x = a^j$.

$y = a^k$.

$z = a^{p^2-j-k}$.

3. $n = 2$.

$$xy^n z = xy^2 z = a^{p^2+k}.$$

Clearly p^2 is a perfect square number.

$$\therefore p \geq |k| \geq 1$$

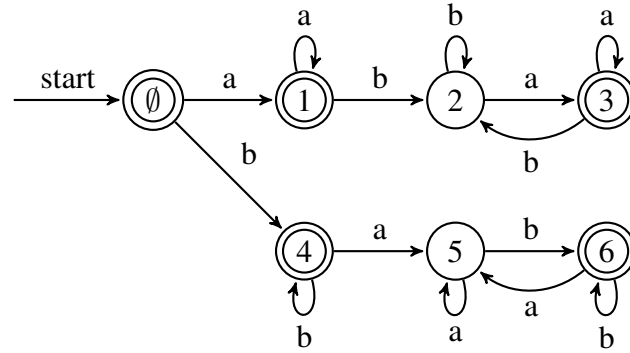
$$\therefore k \neq 0$$

$$\therefore p^2 < p^2 + k \leq p^2 + p < (p+1)^2$$

$\therefore p^2 + k$ is not a perfect square number.

$\therefore L$ is not a regular expression.

(b) $L = \{w \mid w \text{ has an equal number of } ab\text{'s and } ba\text{'s}\}$



(c) $L = \{a^i b^j \mid (i \bmod 2) + 1 = j \bmod 3\}$

