

# Theory of Computing:

## ***10. Turing Machine - 2***



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# Outline :

- **TM as**
  - **Language Acceptor/Recognizer**
  - **Transducer and Examples**
  - **Problem Solver**
- **Variations of Turing Machines**
- **Universal Turing Machine**
- **Algorithms and Church's Thesis**
- **Turing-Complete Systems**

# Formalism of Turing Machine

A *Turing machine* is a 7-tuple,  $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, q_{\text{accept}}, q_{\text{reject}})$ , where  $Q, \Sigma, \Gamma$  are all finite sets and

1.  $Q$  is the set of states,
2.  $\Sigma$  is the input alphabet not containing the *blank symbol*  $\sqcup$ ,
3.  $\Gamma$  is the tape alphabet, where  $\sqcup \in \Gamma$  and  $\Sigma \subseteq \Gamma$ ,
4.  $\delta: Q \times \Gamma \longrightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$  is the transition function,
5.  $q_0 \in Q$  is the start state,
6.  $q_{\text{accept}} \in Q$  is the accept state, and
7.  $q_{\text{reject}} \in Q$  is the reject state, where  $q_{\text{reject}} \neq q_{\text{accept}}$ .

# Classes of Languages for Turing Machine

- The collection of strings that M accepts is the language of M, or the language recognized by M
  - A language is called **Turing-recognizable** if some Turing machine recognizes it
  - Mainly : Accepting words that belong to the language.
  - For words not in the language:
    - Reject or Loop

# Classes of Languages for Turing Machine



- **Turing-decidable** language or simply decidable if some Turing machine decides it
  - Halts and Accepts for words in the language
  - Halts and Reject for words not in the language
- Every Decidable language is also recognizable.

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- **Terminologies:**

- Turing Recognizable is called a **recursively enumerable language** in some other textbooks.
- For turing decidable is called a **recursive language**

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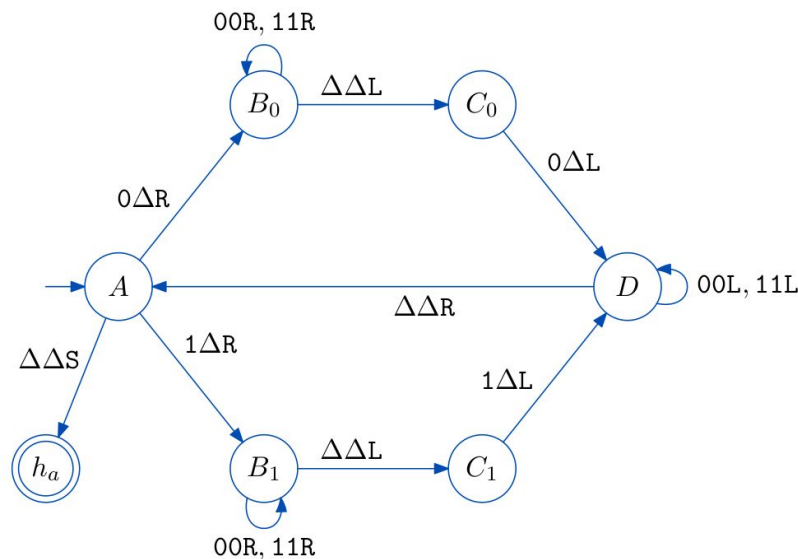
- 1. If first letter is :**
  - 1.1. 0 → Remove and Skip to Blank at extreme Right, Move Left Remove 0**
  - 1.2. 1 → Remove and Skip to Blank at extreme Right, Move Left Remove 1**
  - 1.3. Blank → Accept**
- 2. Skip to Blank at extreme left.**
- 3. Go to Step 1**



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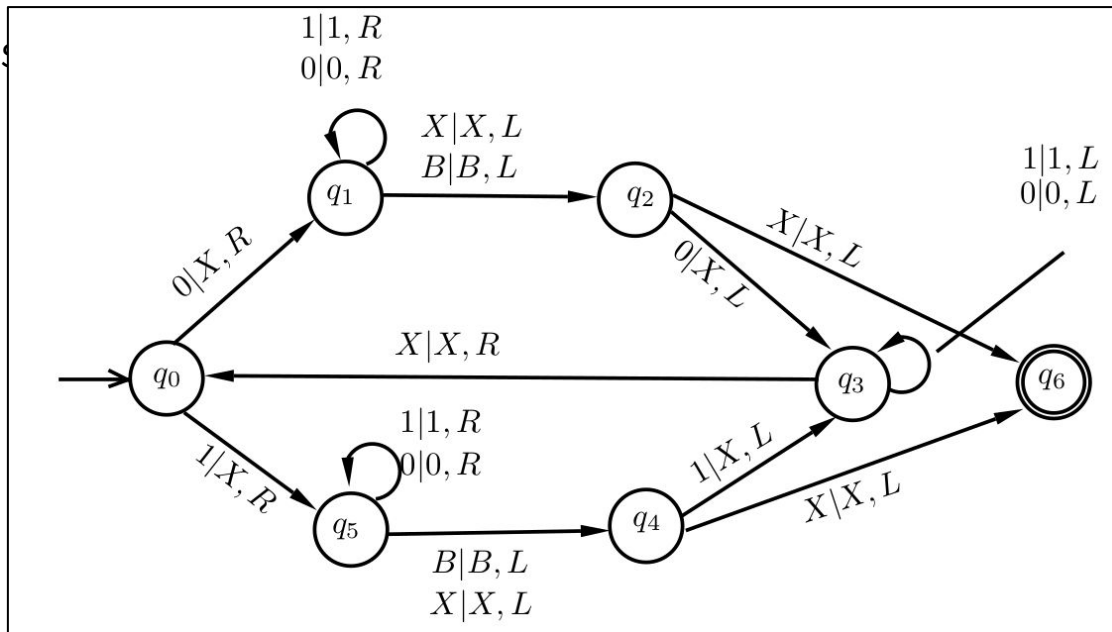
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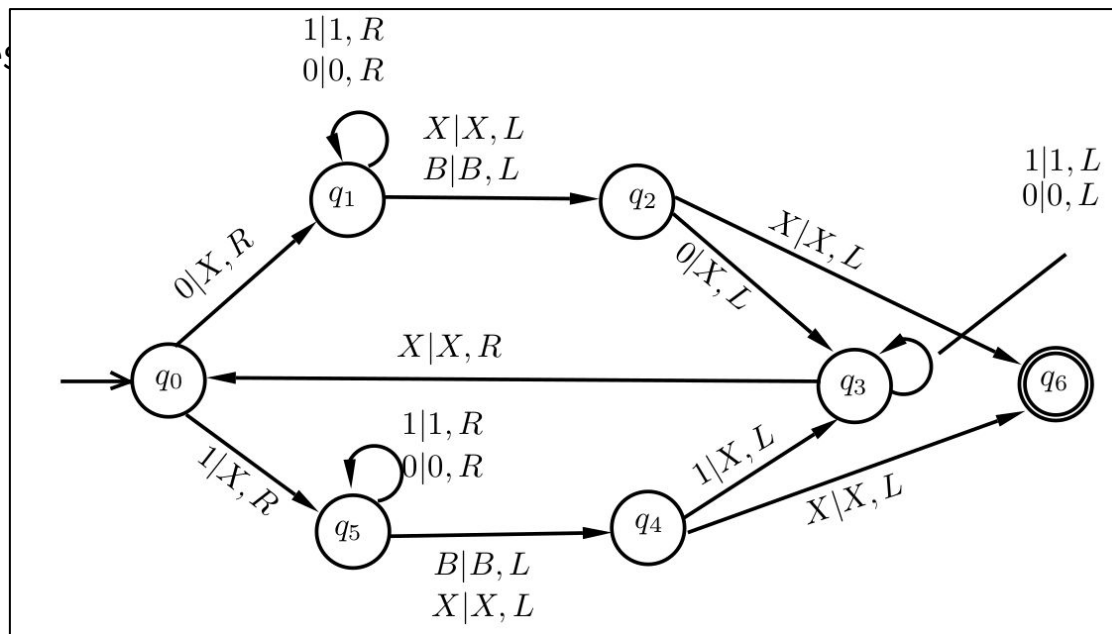




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**This Turing replaces even blanks at the left with X**



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- ? What's the algorithm ?
  - How to detect whether a word is of an even length ?
  - How to inject the symbol **#** into the middle ? or other approach ?
    - Example :
      - $101001 \Rightarrow 101\#001$
      - $101001 \Rightarrow \text{BABXXZ}$
      - ..?

# Turing Machine as Transducers



- Transducers are the devices used to convert one form of a signal into a different form.
- Transducer is a type of Turing Machine that is used to convert the given input into a specific output after the machine performs various read-writes.
- It doesn't accept or reject an input but performs series of operations to obtain the output right in the same tape and halts when finished.

# Turing Machine as Transducers



- Such type of Turing machine can be used to do:
  - Computation
    - Example :
      - Addition
  - Operation on input strings and text processing
    - Example :
      - Removing special patterns from a string

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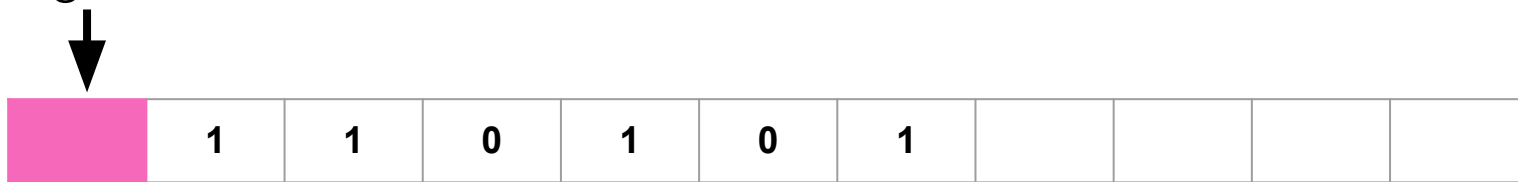


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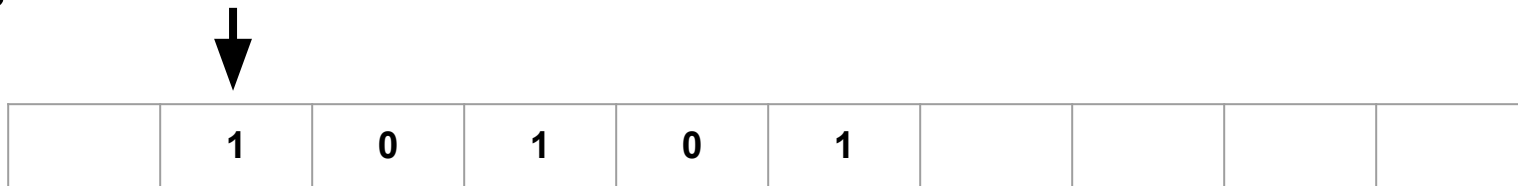




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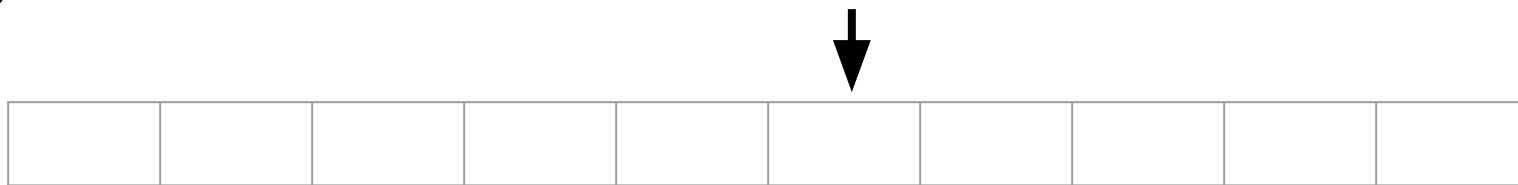
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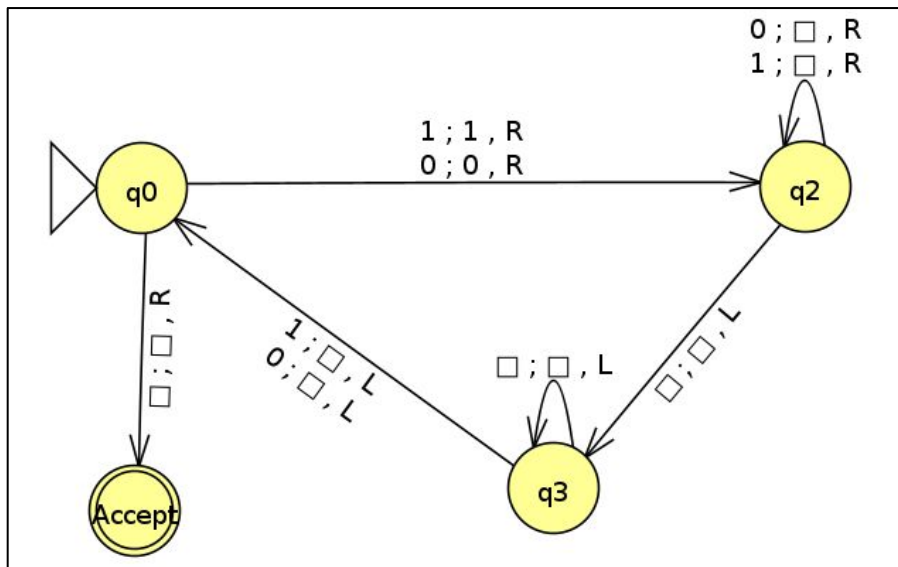


**How to restore the head to its original position ?**  
**We skip left till we find what ?**

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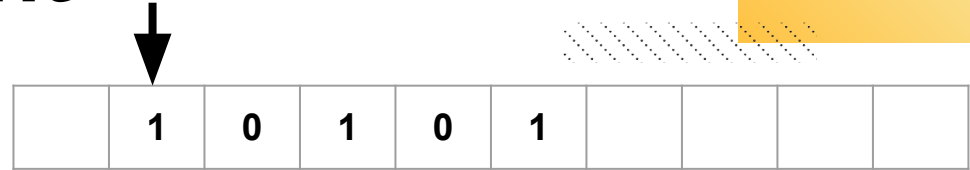
**If first 1 :**  
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**Take Branch A**

**If first 0 :**  
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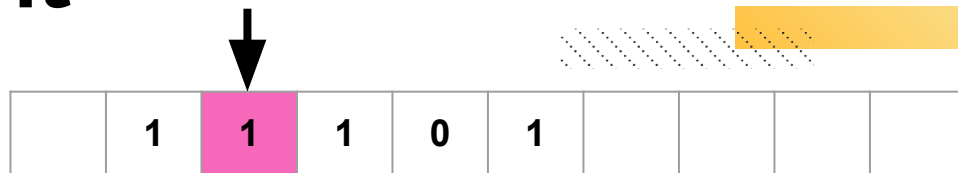
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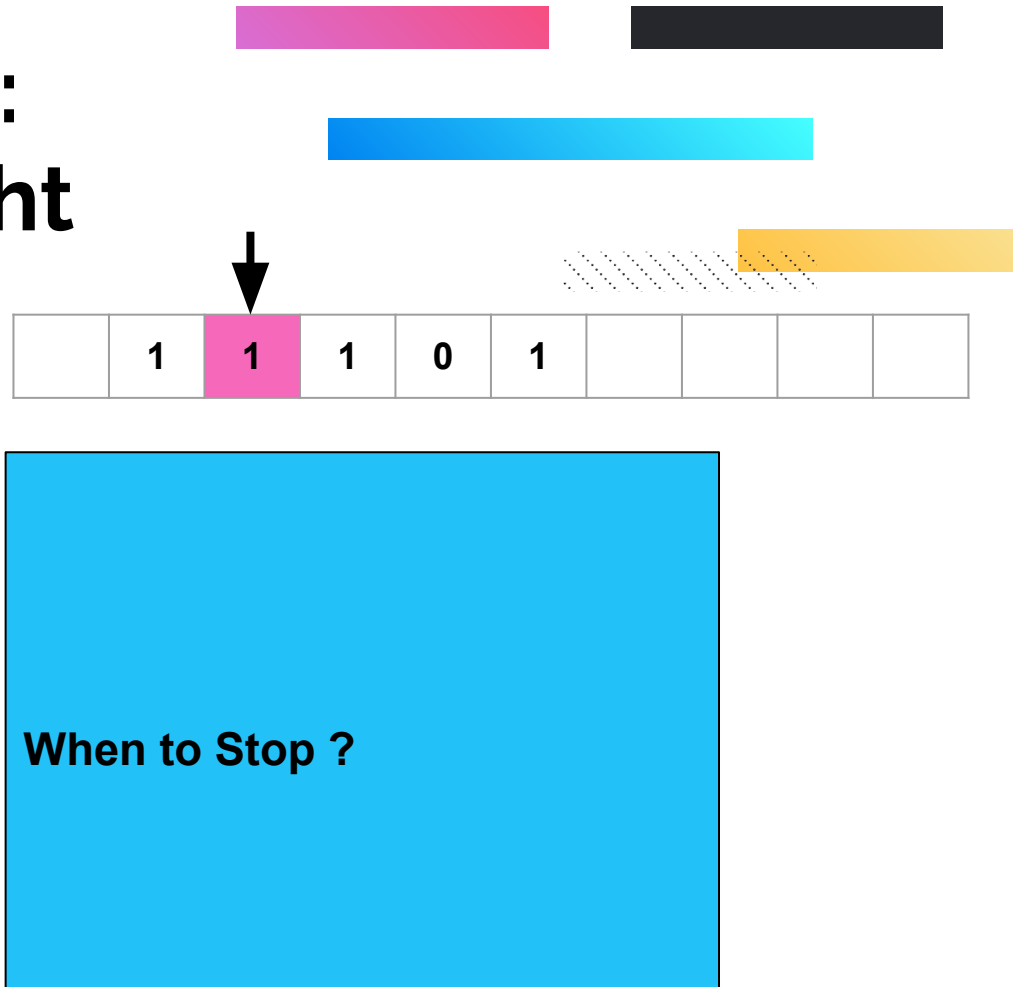
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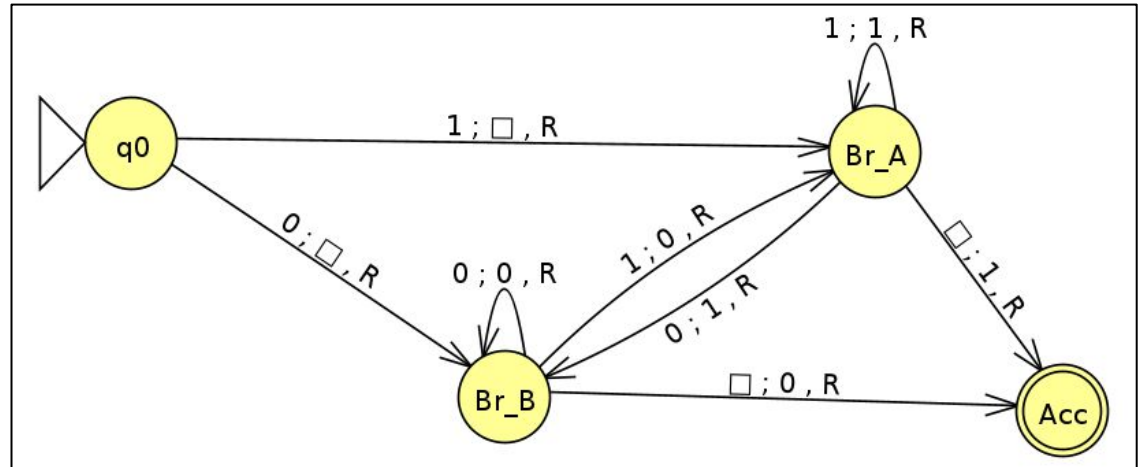
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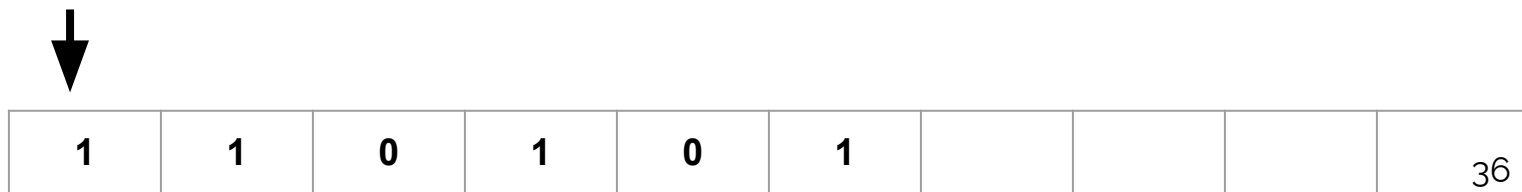
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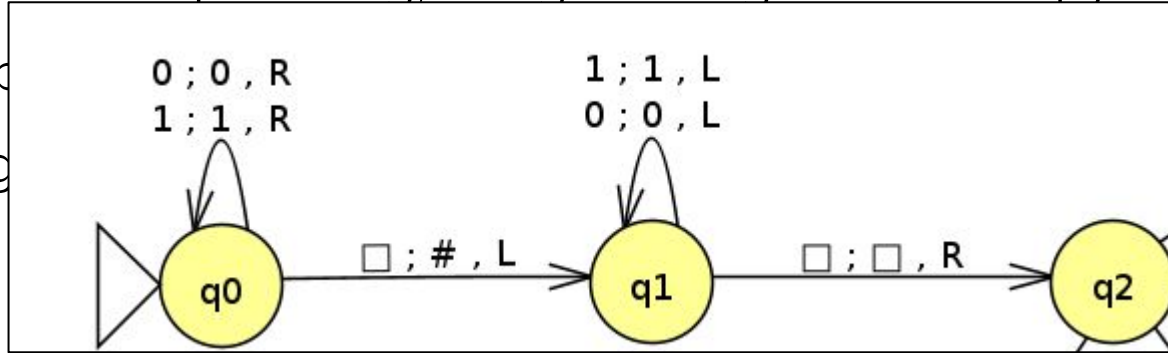
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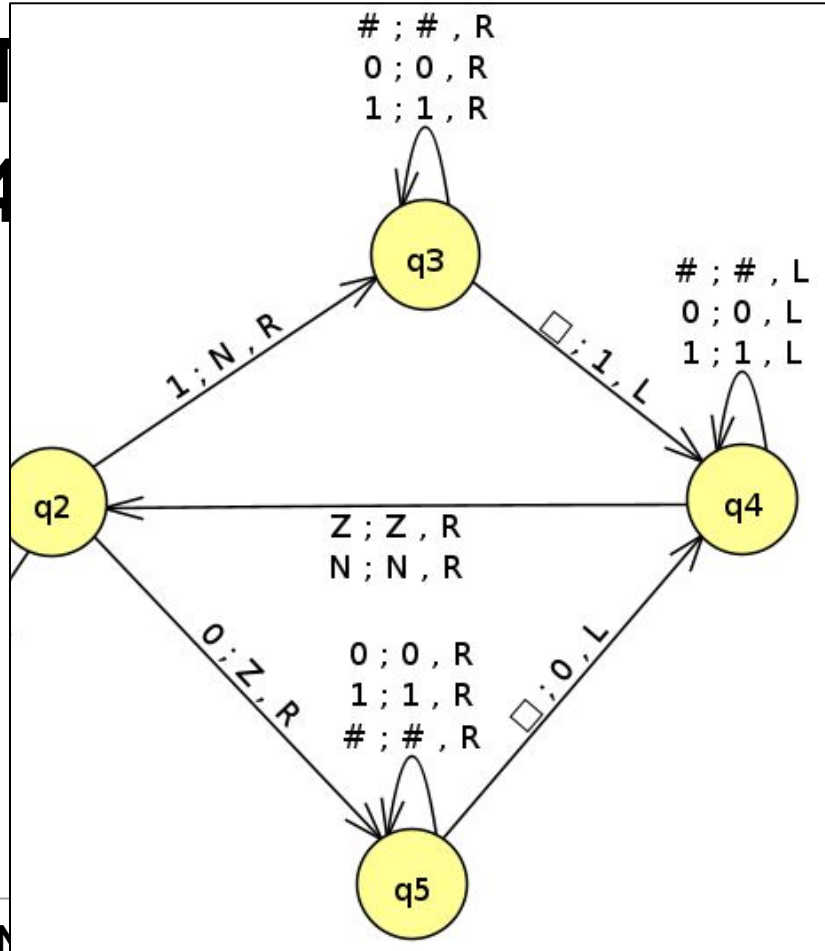
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- 2. Invert :**
  - a.  $N \rightarrow 1$**
  - b.  $Z \rightarrow 0$**
  - c.  $\# \rightarrow \text{Blank}$**

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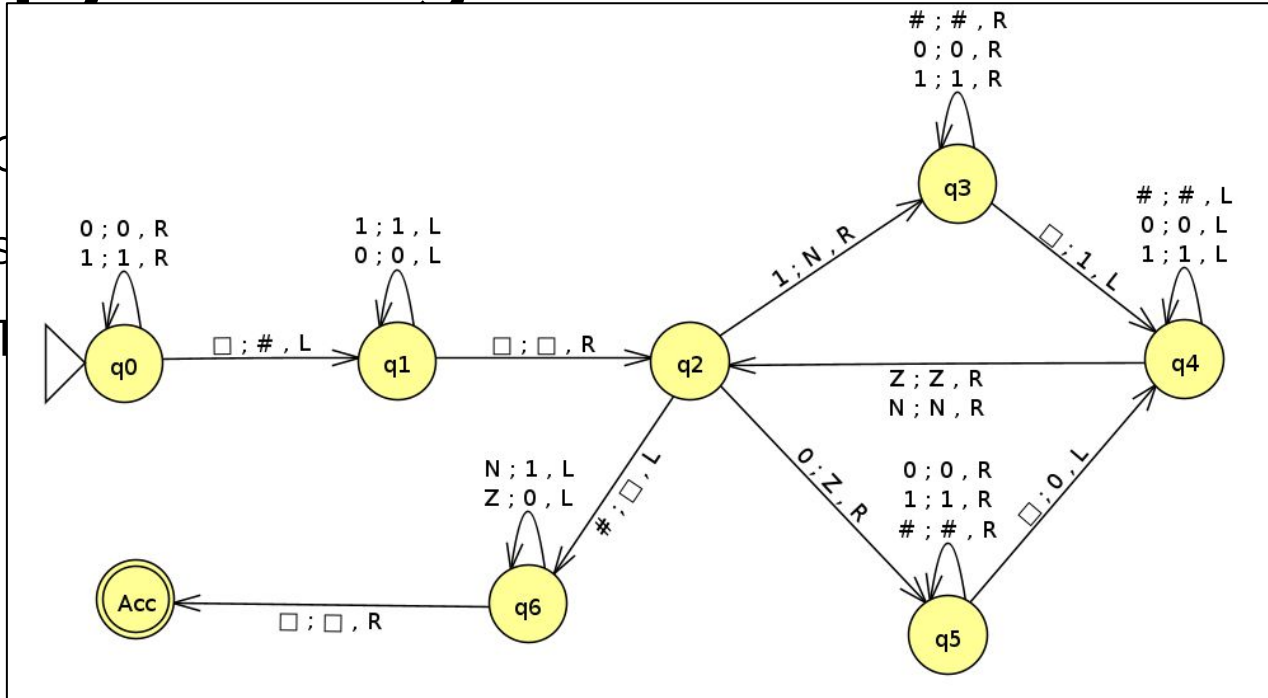
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## 5. Reversing a String

- Given an input string, reverse it or flip it.

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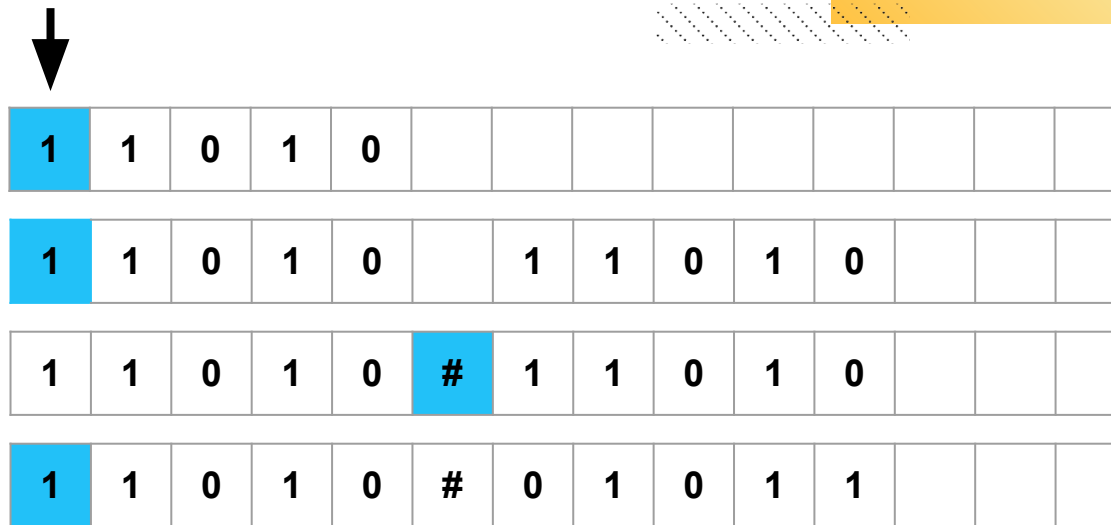
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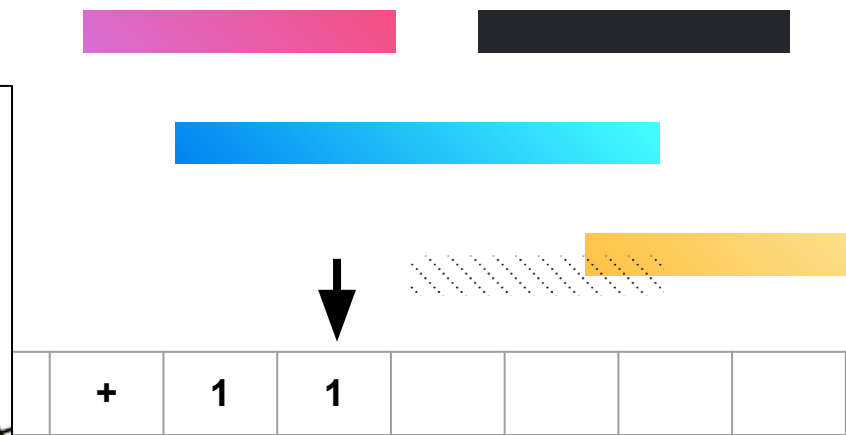
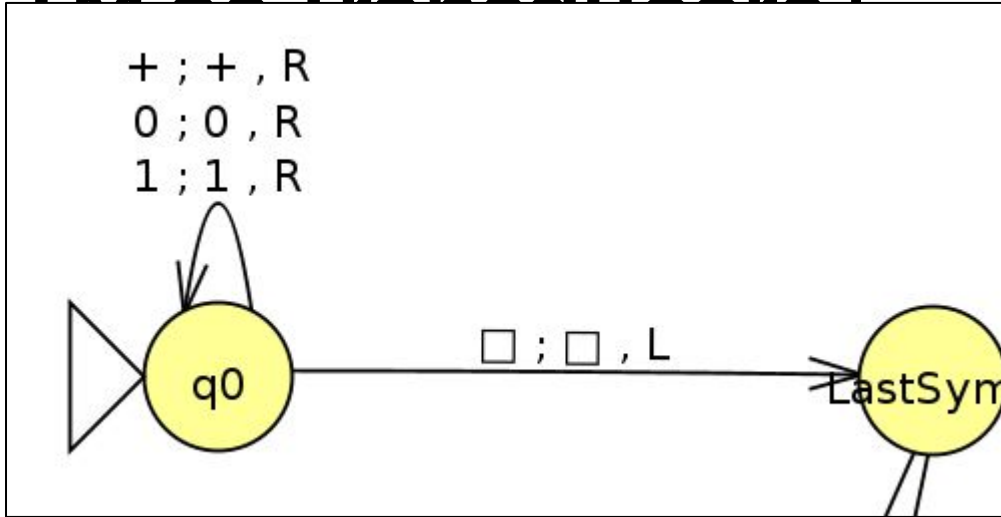
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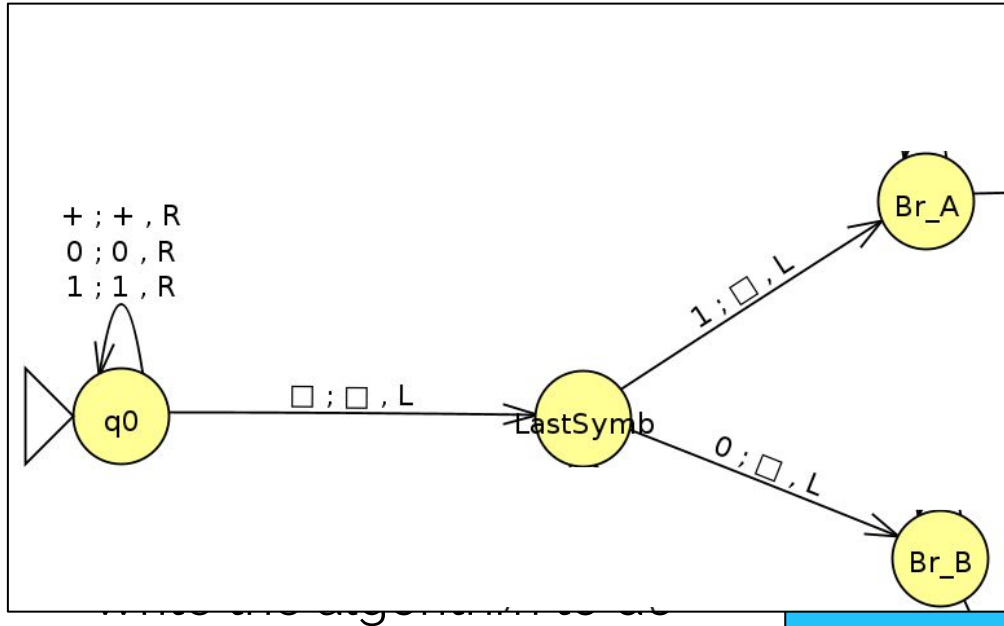
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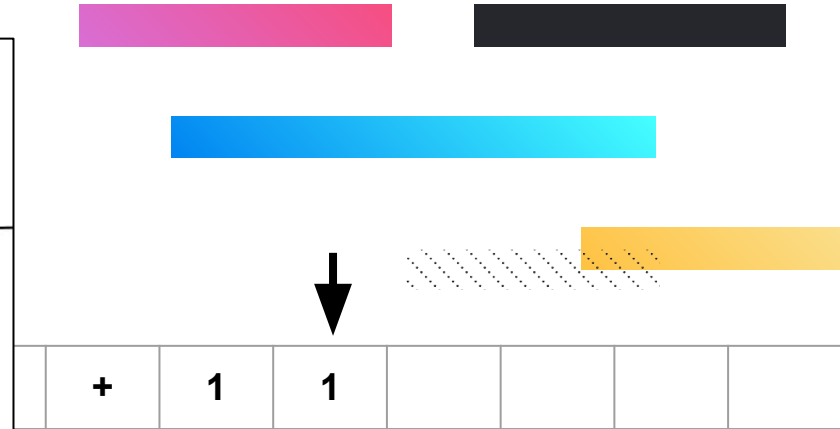


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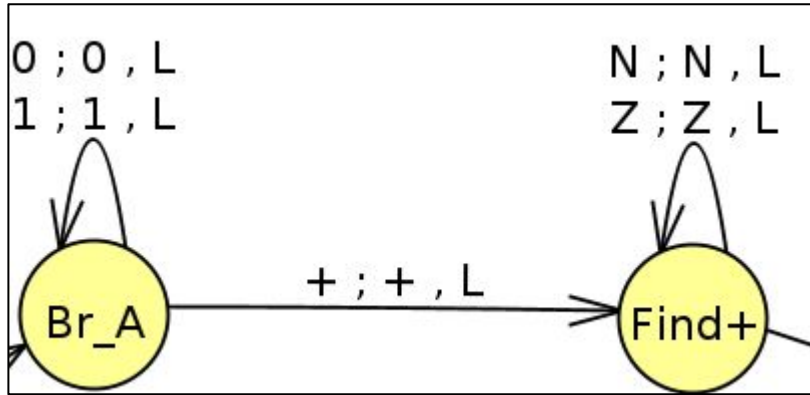
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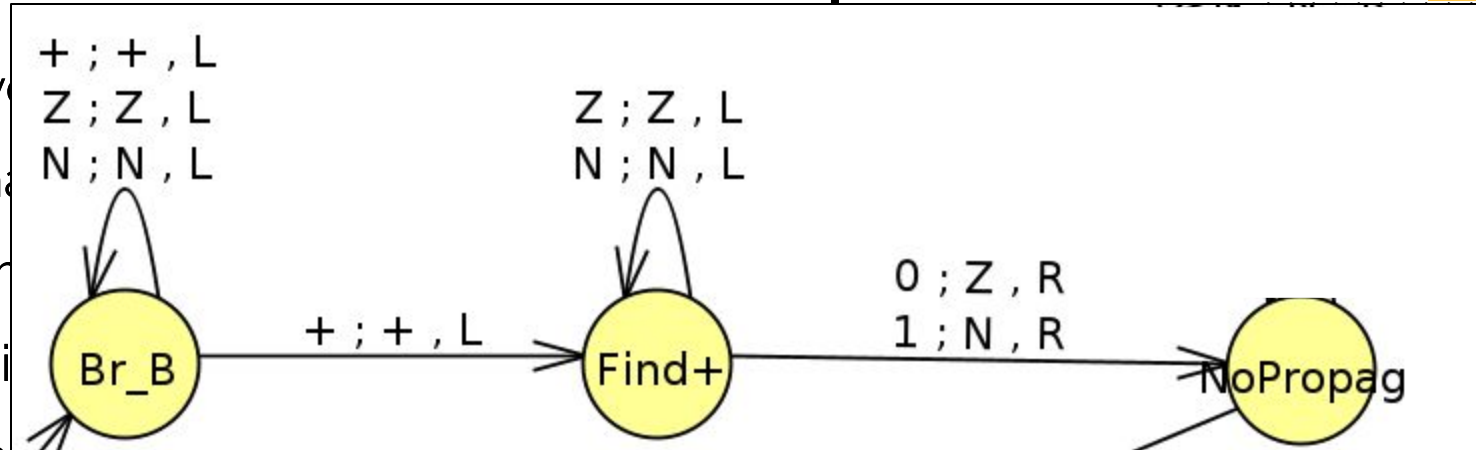


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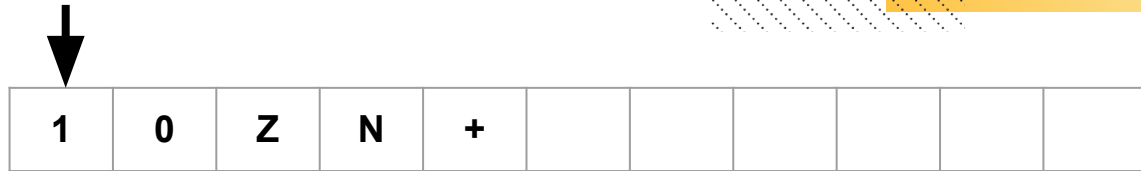


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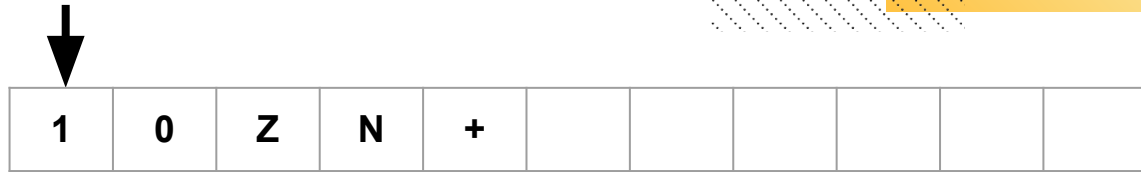


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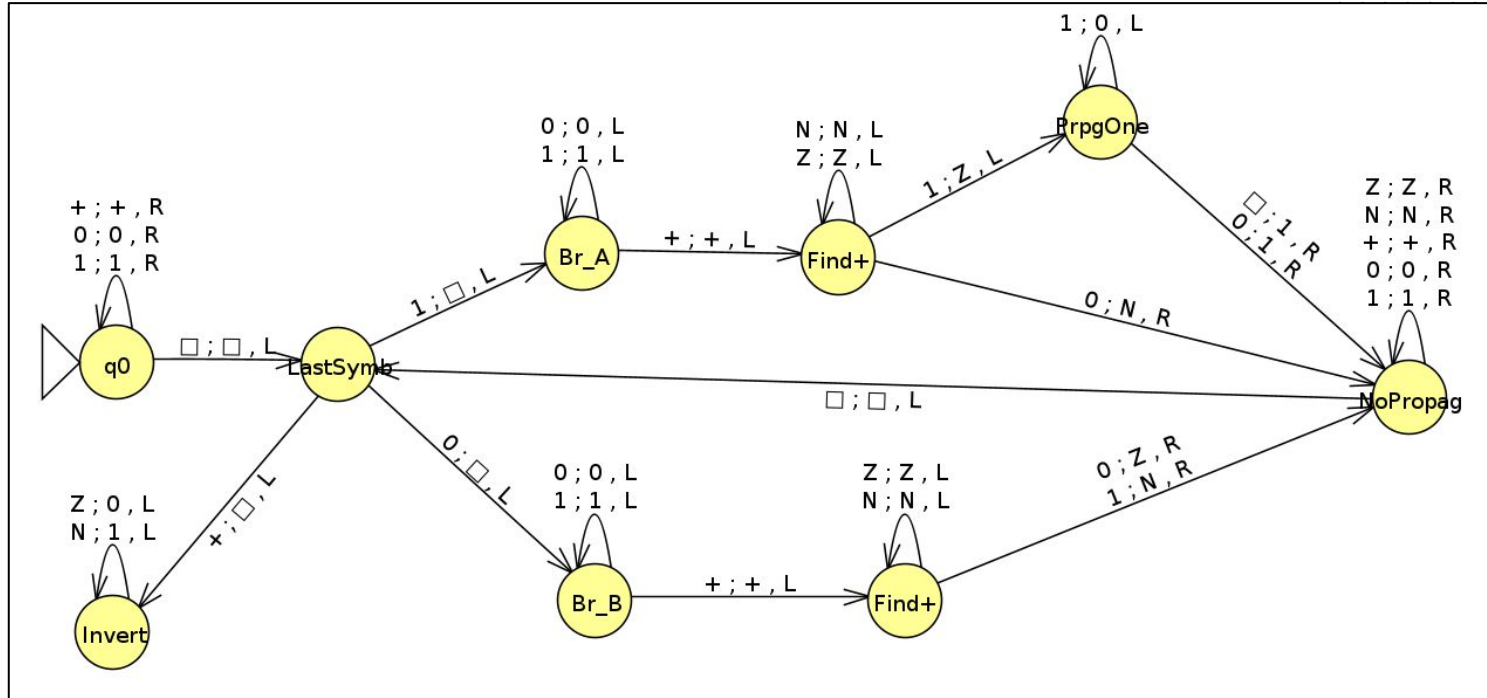
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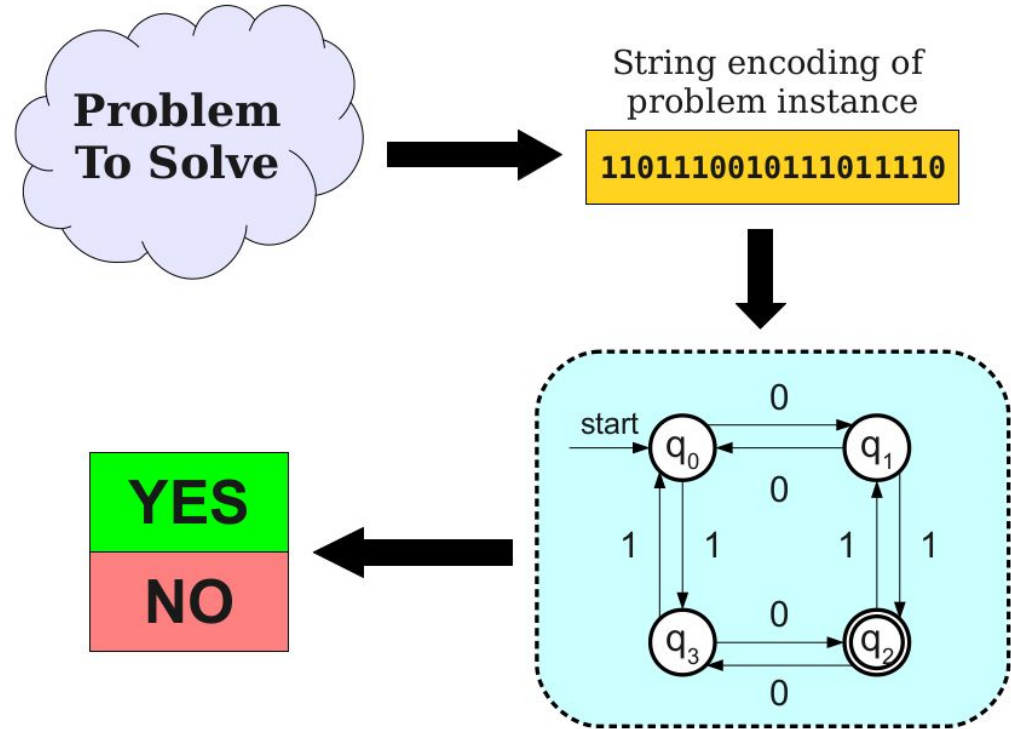


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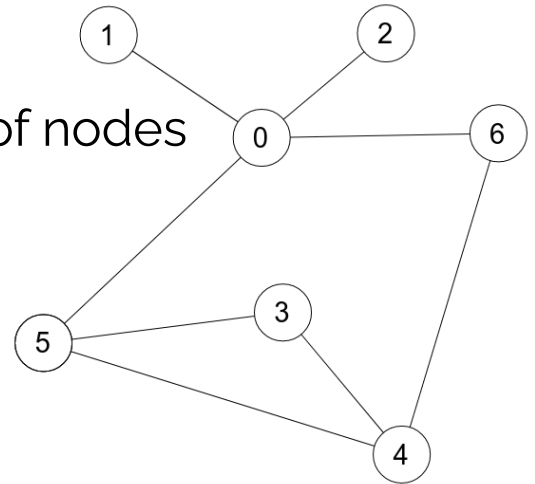


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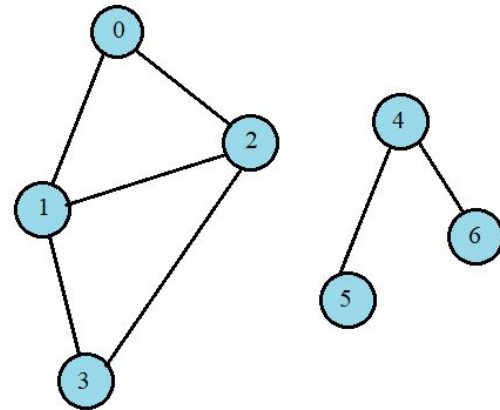
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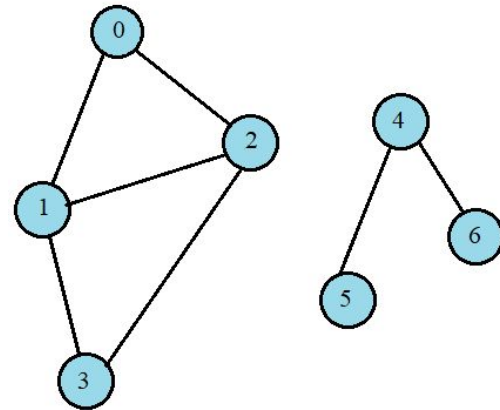
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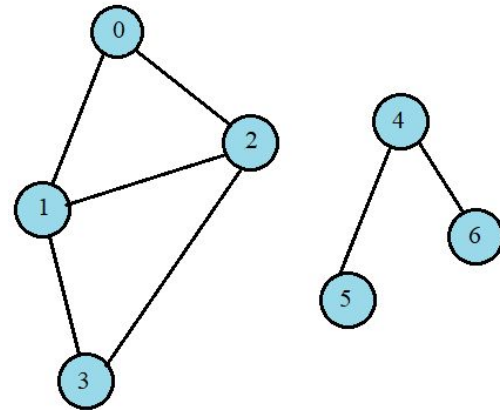


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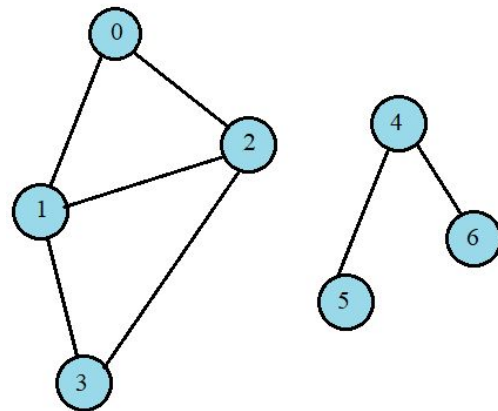
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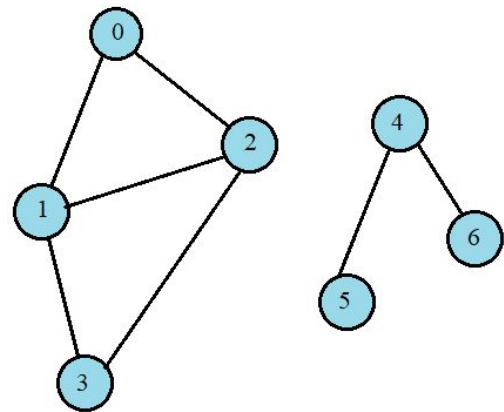


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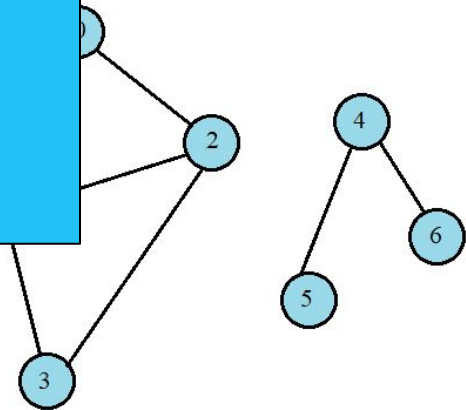
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For the representation of numbers, feel free to  
any use any format:

Unary (1111), binary (0101), decimal (1,2,3),  
hexadecimal (A) depending on the alphabet.

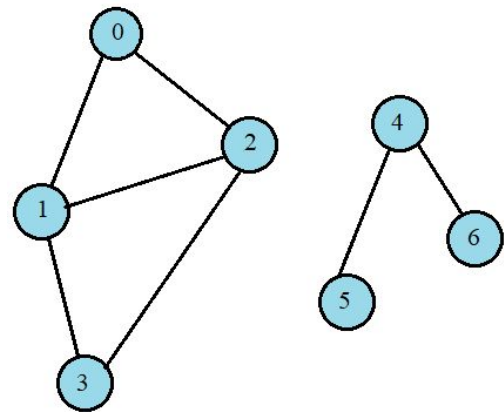


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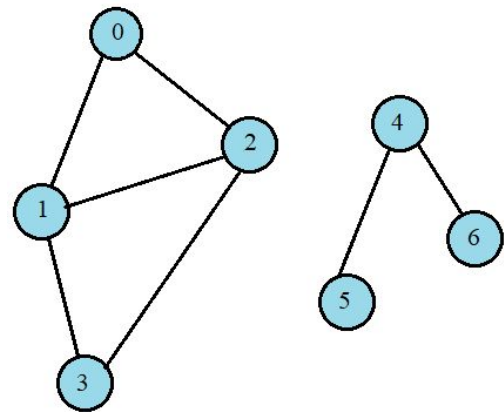
- Language of the connected graphs:

$$L = \{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is a connected graph} \}$$



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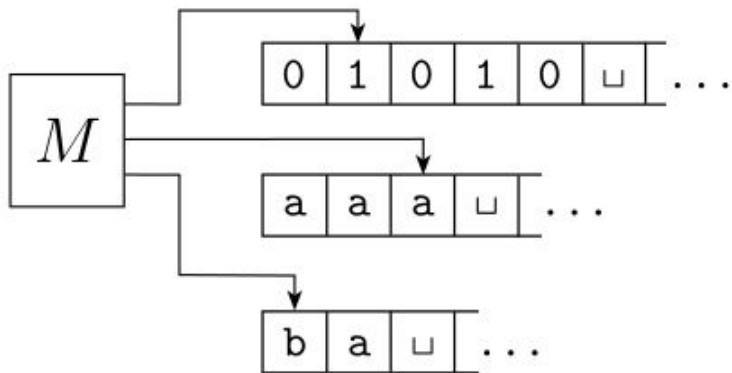
- Construction of the Turing Machine
- Better to use Subroutines:
  - Verify the encoding format
  - Verify that there is no repetition in the first part
  - Check that edges contain only existing nodes
  - Check the links between nodes



# Variations of Turing Machine

- **Multitape Turing Machine:**

- The control can access multiple tapes reading, writing and moving the head of each tape at each step.



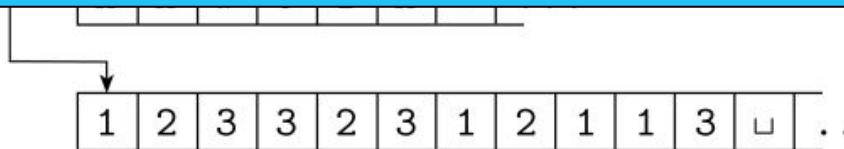
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- Multitape Turing Machine:

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**It has the same expressive power as a single tape ! Though, it may be easier and efficient in terms of constructing algorithms.**

**Take the binary addition as an example**



# Variations of Turing Machine



- **Nondeterministic Turing Machine:**

- Where at a given state, there can be many possible transitions for the same symbol being read.
- The machine would keep track of all actions in the same way as an NFA.
- Every non-deterministic TM, there is an equivalent deterministic Turing machine → Nondeterministic TM has the same expressive power as a normal turing machine.



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- You need to compile and execute the program written in X by compiler written in which language ?



# Universal Turing Machine

- Given any Turing Machine **M** to conduct some computation, there is the Universal Turing Machine to simulate or execute M for any given input  $w$
- The universal Turing Machine :
  - *Halt iff M halts on input  $w$ .*
  - *If M is a deciding/semi-deciding machine, then*
    - *If M accepts, accept.*
    - *If M rejects, reject.*
  - *If M computes a function, then  $U(\langle M, w \rangle)$  must equal  $M(w)$*

# Universal Turing Machine



- We can construct a universal TM that accepts the language  
$$L = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } w \in L(M) \}$$

# Church-Turing Thesis

- Turing Machines are an abstract model of computation, their purpose is to define in a mathematical way what problems are theoretically computable and which are not.
- In 1900, mathematician David Hilbert identified **23 mathematical problems** and posed them as a challenge for the coming century.
- Hilbert's tenth problem was to devise an **algorithm** that tests whether a **polynomial** has an integral root. (*Integers to be assigned to the polynomial variables to reach a value of zero*)

# Church-Turing Thesis

- Hilbert did not use the term algorithm but rather “a process according to which it can be determined by a finite number of operations.”
  - He assumed that such an algorithm must exist—someone need only find it.
  - But : it is algorithmically unsolvable.
- Church–Turing thesis provides the definition of algorithm necessary to resolve Hilbert’s tenth problem

# Church-Turing Thesis

A decorative graphic in the top right corner consisting of several horizontal bars: a pink bar, a dark grey bar, a blue bar, and a yellow bar. Below the yellow bar is a hatched pattern of small dots.

- Church-Turing thesis. There is an “effective procedure” for a problem if and only if there is a TM for the problem.

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  - We do not know if there are more powerful models.
  - However, there are many computational models equivalent in power to TM's. They are called **Turing-complete systems**.
- A system of data-manipulation rules is said to be complete if it can be used to simulate any Turing machine

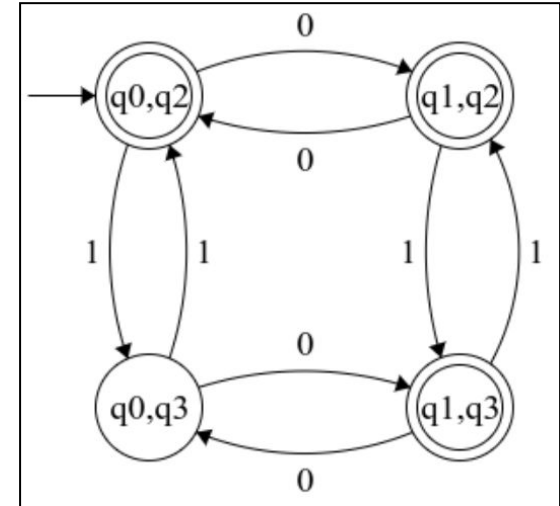
# Turing-Complete Systems

- Modern computers
- Church's lambda calculus.
- Gödel's  $\mu$ -recursive functions
- Lindenmayer systems or L-systems.
- ...



# TD8 - Solutions

Convert the following NFA to RegEx



# TD8 - Solutions

Produce the context free grammar for the following language :

The number of  $b + 2$  = the number of  $a$ . The number of  $a$  is more than  $b$  but with strictly only two letters.

Example of words in the language :  $aa$  ,  $aaba$ ,  $baaa$ ,  $aabbaa$ ,  $baaaab$ ,....

# TD8 - Solutions

Let  $D = \{xy \mid x, y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } |x| = |y| \text{ but } x \neq y\}$ . Show that  $D$  is a context-free language.

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Let  $B$  be the language of all palindromes over  $\{0,1\}$  containing equal numbers of 0s and 1s. Show that  $B$  is not context free.

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Prove that  $L = \{a^n \mid n \text{ is prime}\}$  is not CFL.

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Over alphabet  $\{0,1\}$ , Produce the RegExs for the languages :

1. L whose words do not contain the substring 101

Easy and non-brainy way  $\rightarrow$  DFA for the complement  $\rightarrow$  convert to RegEx

Hard way :

Enumerate possible strings that we need to accept ...

11111  $\rightarrow 1^*$

00000  $\rightarrow 0^*$

111100000  $\rightarrow 1^*0^*$

0000011111  $\rightarrow 0^*1^*$

001110000111000  $\rightarrow \{000^*, 111^*\}^*$

011111000001  $\rightarrow \dots$

Look for more possible words and later

optimize



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