# **Lexical Analysis**

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# Introduction to lexical analysis

### Input and output: source program to token

group character into meaningful words lexical analysis from input to output

### **Regular Expression: specify tokens**

token

- syntactic category
- · classify program substring according to its syntactic role
- output: to parser(syntax analysis)

### **Regular expression**

regular expression(pattern)

to Lex(software tool): recognize token

to Finite Automaton: recognize token

## **Regular Expression**

· alphabet string, language

• regular expression

• regular set(regular language)

#### pattern

• lexical analyzer - identify lexeme

e.g. rules specify token pattern are regular expression

## Alphabet & string

alphabet:  $\Sigma$ 

string s: drawn from  $\Sigma$ 

length: |s|

#### **Kleene Closure**

Kleene closure of  $\Sigma = \Sigma^*$ 

 $\Sigma^* = \{ \Sigma 0, \Sigma 1, \Sigma 2, ... \}$ 

 $\varepsilon$  : null expression

Union: L U M

Concatenation:  $L \cdot M$ 

Kleene closure:

| Union of L and M | L U M L   M L + M               | $s \mid s \in L \text{ or } s \in M$                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Concatenation    | $LM L \cdot M$ (Multiplication) | $st \ s \in L \ and \ t \in M$                       |
| Kleene closure   | L*                              | $L^* = \bigcup L(i)$ , where $i = 0,1,, \infty$      |
| Positive closure | L+                              | $L$ + = $\bigcup L(i)$ , where $i$ = 1, 2,, $\infty$ |

Kleene closure > concatenation > union

Example:

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Given L = \{a, b\} and M = \{a, bb\}

L \cup M = \{a, b, bb\}

LM = \{aa, abb, ba, bbb\} = multiplication

L^* = L0 \cup L1 \cup L2 \cup L3 \cup ... = \{\varepsilon\} \cup \{a, b\} \cup \{aa, ab, ba, bb\} \cup \{aaa, aba, baa, bba, aab, abb, bab, bbb\} \cup ...

L^+ = L1 \cup L2 \cup L3 \cup ... = \{a, b\} \cup \{aa, ab, ba, bb\} \cup ...
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#### Regular expression:

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a \mid b = {a, b}

(a \mid b) (a \mid b) = {aa, ab, ba, bb} OR aa \mid ab \mid ba \mid bb

a* = {\varepsilon, a, aa, aaa, ...}

(a \mid b)* = {\varepsilon, a, b, aa, bb, aaa, bbb, ...}

a \mid (a* b) = {a, b, ab, aab, aaab, aaaab, ...}

string: letter & digit starting with letter: Letter (letter \mid digit)*
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#### **Notation for remember:**

one or more instance: r+ OR rr\* zero or one instance: r? OR r  $\mid \varepsilon$  character classes: xx  $\mid$  yy OR [x-y]

## **Finite Automata**

### **NFA(Nondeterministic Finite Automata)**

- 1. input alphabet
- 2. states(s)

- 3. start state(s0)
- 4. accepting states
- 5. move(transition function)

A state

The start state

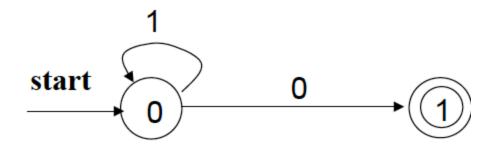
An accepting state

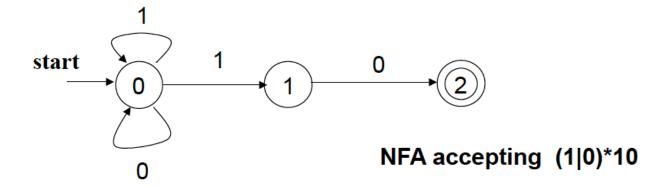
A transition — a —

A simple example: a finite automaton that accepts only "1"

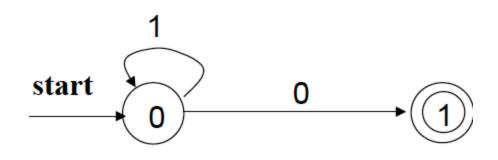


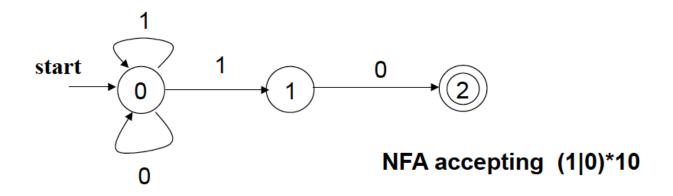
# NFA accepting 1\*0



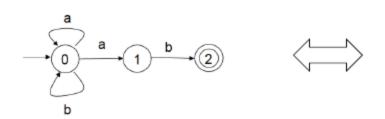


# NFA accepting 1\*0





## **State Transition Table**



| STATE | Input Symbols |     |
|-------|---------------|-----|
|       | а             | b   |
| 0     | {0, 1}        | {0} |
| 1     |               | {2} |

 $\varepsilon\textsc{-}\mathsf{Transition}$  - no reading any input

### Hard to Implement

multiple transition from 1 input in given state

can have  $\varepsilon$ -Transition

Easy to form from regular expressions

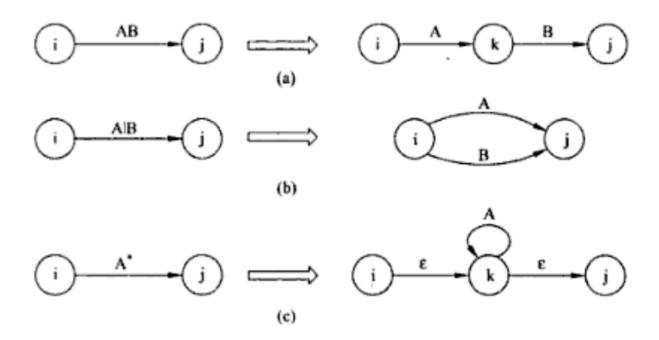
Hard to implement the recognition (decision) algorithm

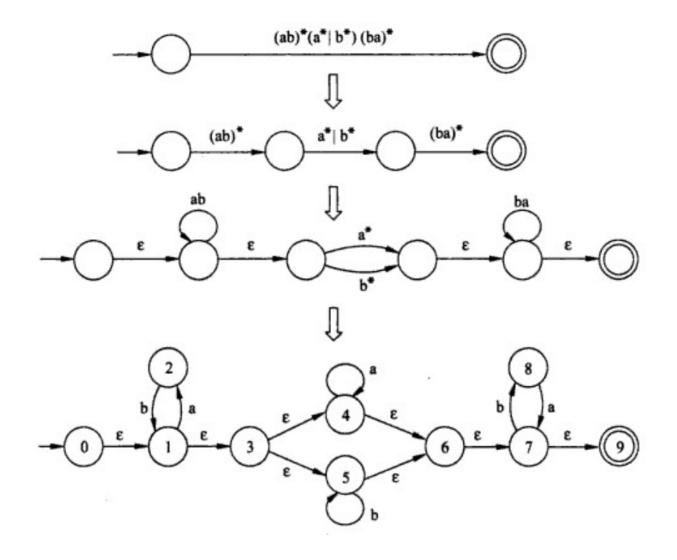
## **DFA(deterministic Finite Automata)**

1 transition per input

no  $\varepsilon$ -transition

#### Conversion

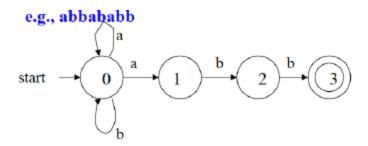




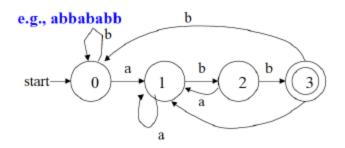
# Compare b/t DFA & NFA

| NFA  | DFA  |  |
|--|--|--|
| easy to generate string  | easy to generate & recognize string        |  |
| may go many states with 1 input                                      | go only 1 deterministic state with 1 input |  |
| may go another state when there's no input( $arepsilon$ -transition) | don't go anywhere when no input            |  |

Given alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ , an NFA recognizing the language  $(a|b)^*abb$ 



A DFA recognizing the language (a|b)\*abb



#### NFA to DFA

DFA is special case of NFA

no  $\varepsilon$ -transition

 $\varepsilon$ -closure: reachable state

 $\varepsilon$  - NFA to NFA

## **Table-driven Implementation of DFA**