

CS 374 HW 2 Problem 2

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TOTAL POINTS

70 / 100

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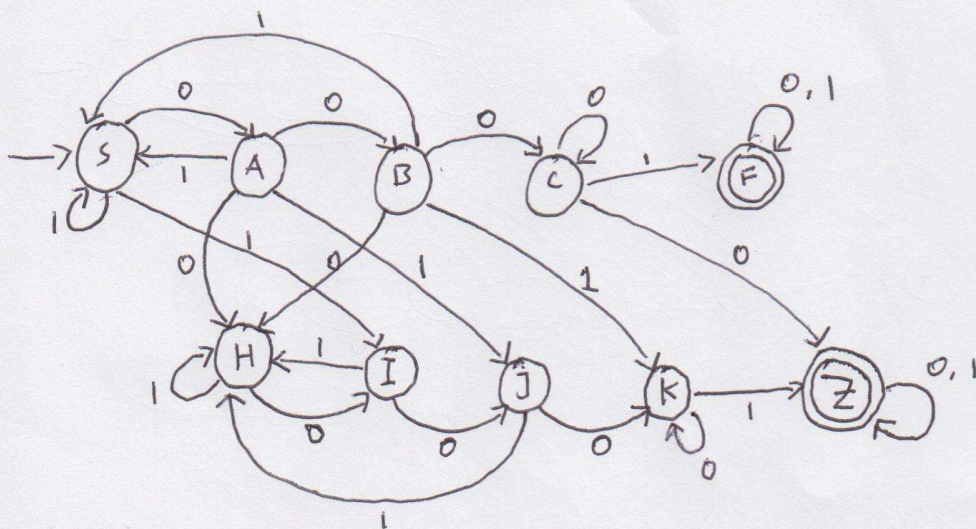
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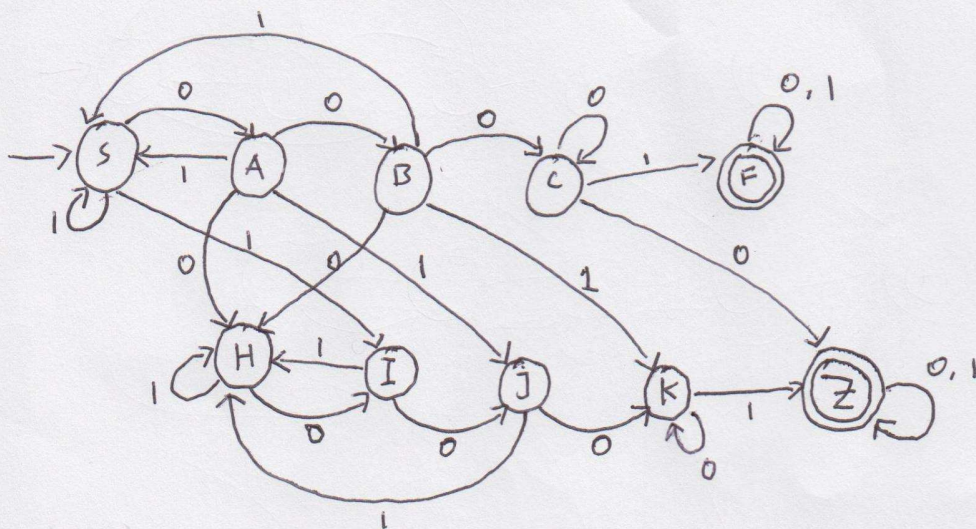
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For the following explanation assume that x is a string that is part of the language L and y is a string which has the same length as x and compared to x only differs by one character. We can construct the NFA that accepts $L_{\leq 1}$ by creating two DFA's of L , called DFA 0 & DFA 1, where DFA 0 has the starting state q_0 which also be the starting state of the NFA.

We observe all the transitions occurring in the original DFA. If there occurs some transition between state q_n & q_k (where $n \neq k$) due to some characters a then we draw a transition arrow from DFA 0 state q_n to q_k of DFA 1 which can occur due to all characters in Σ except that some character a . (these transition that connect DFA 0 to DFA 1 is what leads to one NFA because start state is in DFA 0).

What this does is allows all NFA to continue on to the remaining same DFA states as the original DFA while accepting the single variation. So if the input to the NFA is y then after our variation we are forced to go to remaining states of the DFA as if the original DFA accepted the character variation. And from this point on, the only way we can reach the accepting state is for remaining characters in y to match x because there is no way for y to return to DFA 0 which allows the variation because of the way we defined how transitions occur between DFA 0 & DFA 1.

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2e.) Let $M = (\Sigma, Q, s, A, \delta)$ be the DFA that accepts some language L . The following is the definition of ~~the~~ an NFA that accepts $L \leq k$ for some constant k .

$$Q_N = Q_M \times \overbrace{\{n_0, n_1, \dots, n_k\}}^{\text{Number of DFA copies}} // \text{So if we have } n \text{ states in the original DFA then}$$

n_0 would have n states
 n_1 would have n states
 \vdots
 n_k would have n states

$$S = (s_M, n_0) // \text{this is } q_0 \text{ in } n_0$$

$$A = \{ (q, n_i) \mid q \in A_M \text{ and } 0 \leq i \leq k \}$$

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

For $0 \leq i \leq k-1$:

$$\delta_N((q, n_i), a) = \begin{cases} \{ (\delta_M(q, 1), n_i), (\delta_M(q, 0), n_{i+1}) \} & \text{if } a=1 \\ \{ (\delta_M(q, 0), n_i), (\delta_M(q, 1), n_{i+1}) \} & \text{if } a=0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{For } i=k: \delta_N((q, n_i), a) = \delta_M(q, a) \text{ with } a \in \{0, 1\}$$

The following NFA accepts strings in $L \leq k$. Looking at the transition function we see that if there is an input say 1 that leads to state q in the DFA for L then according to our definition we would accept an input of 0 which would lead to q and then still have the remaining states as the original DFA. We are limited by the number of variations accepted because we only have k

copies of the original DFA. So if for instance $k=6$ our NFA would be able to accept 6 variations in the input string where each variation would be accepted but cause our NFA to move down a copy of the DFA. So now to get to accepting states either the string continues through the DFA-copy and matches the ~~input~~ remaining part of the input string exactly to the string being compared to from L or the NFA keeps on going down the copies of the DFA and accepting up to k variation where at the k copy the remaining part of the input string must match exactly to the string from L for the remaining DFA states in order for the input string to be accepted. And this argument can be used for any integer k .

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