

## Parallel Simulation of 2-DFAs

Suppose  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  and  $A' = (Q', \Sigma, \delta', q'_0, F')$  are two DFAs.

Then, one can construct another DFA as:

$A'' = (Q \times Q', \Sigma, \delta'', (q_0, q'_0), F'')$ ,

where  $\delta''((q, q'), a) = (\delta(q, a), \delta'(q', a))$ , and  $F''$  depends on the need.

The above DFA  $A''$  simulates the two DFAs  $A$  and  $A'$  in parallel. Note that alphabet  $\Sigma$  is same for all the three DFAs.

If we take  $F'' = F \times F'$ , then the new DFA  $A''$  accepts the intersection of the languages accepted by  $A$  and  $A'$ .

If we take  $F'' = F \times Q' \cup Q \times F'$ , then the new DFA  $A''$  accepts the union of the languages accepted by  $A$  and  $A'$ .

By taking other appropriate  $F''$ , one can build the DFA for other boolean combination of languages accepted by  $A$  and  $A'$ .