

3. (4 pts) Design a deterministic finite automaton for the language of all strings on $\{a, b\}$ which have an even number of a 's, start with an a , and in which the substring bb does not occur.

You may give your machine in tabular form, or as a diagram, either using incomplete determinism or not.

Make sure that you indicate your design principles.

♣ There are lots of different approaches. These are the states I considered, and the method is very much like what we did for regular grammars:

Q_0 - Start State

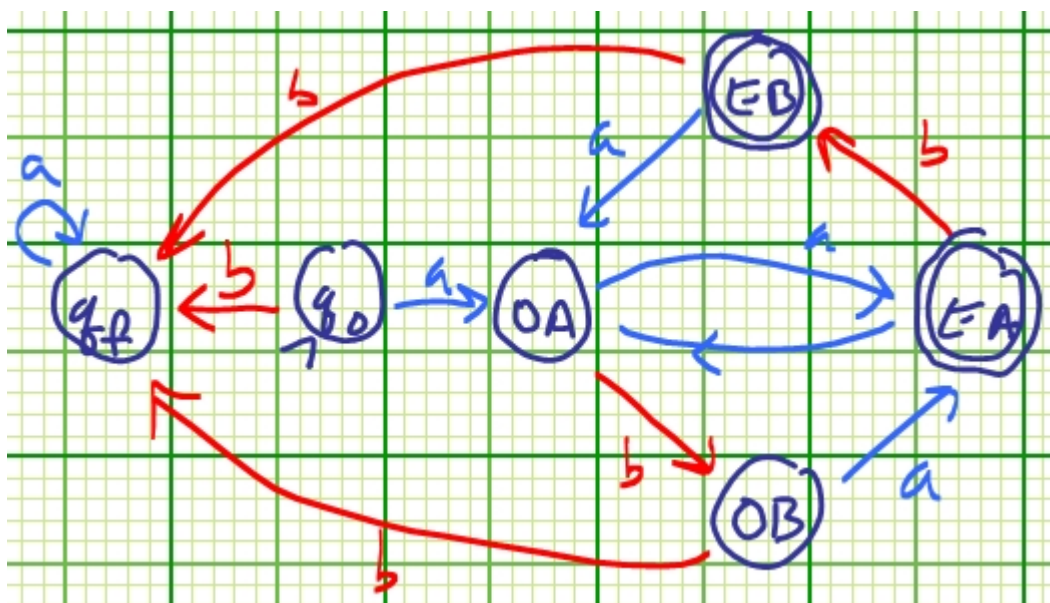
EA - Even number of a 's so far, and ends in a .

EB - Even number of a 's so far, and ends in b .

OA - Odd number of a 's so far, and ends in b .

OB - Odd number of a 's so far, and ends in b .

Q_f - failure state.



missing loop, sorry

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