

Theory of Computation

**RegExp /DFA\_Properties**

**Lecture 10**

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## Symbols Reminder

- + → Union / OR
- . → Concatenation
- $\epsilon$  → Empty string
- $\emptyset$  → Empty language
- R, S, T → Regular expressions

## Properties of + (OR / Union)

### Identity

Identity element does **not change** the expression

$$R + \emptyset = R$$

Explanation:

Union with an empty language gives the same language.

### Commutative

Order does **not matter**

$$R + S = S + R$$

Example:

$$a + b = b + a$$

## **Associative**

Grouping does **not matter**

$$(R+S)+T=R+(S+T)$$

Example:

$$(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$$

## **Idempotent**

Repeating does not change result

$$R+R=R$$

Example:

$$a + a = a$$

### **Dominator (Absorbing Element)**

$\Sigma^*$  dominates union

$$R + \Sigma^* = \Sigma^*$$

Because  $\Sigma^*$  already contains all strings.

### **Annihilator**

**NO annihilator exists for +**

Because nothing makes union empty except both  
being empty.

## **Properties of . (Concatenation)**

### **Identity**

Identity element keeps expression same

$$R.\epsilon = \epsilon.R = R$$

Explanation:

Concatenating with empty string does nothing.

### **Associative**

Grouping does **not matter**

$$(R.S).T = R.(S.T)$$

Example:

$$(ab)c = a(bc)$$

## **Commutative (NOT TRUE)**

**Order matters**

$$R.S \neq S.R$$

**Example:**

$$ab \neq ba$$

## **Annihilator**

Element that destroys everything

$$R.\emptyset = \emptyset . R = \emptyset$$

**Explanation:**

No strings available to concatenate.

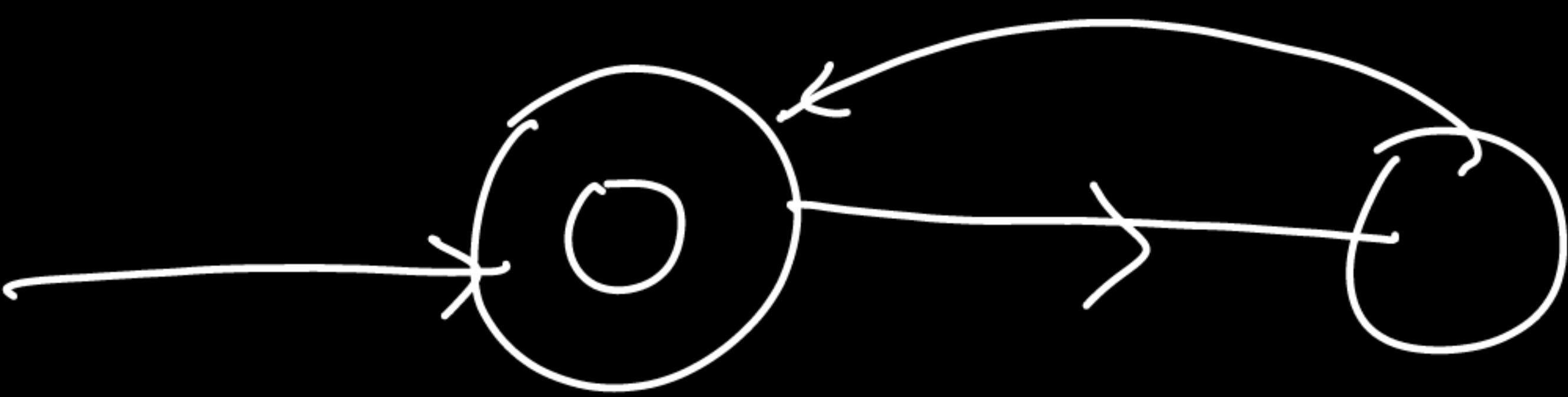
## **Dominator**

**No dominator for concatenation**

## Find All The languages of given regular expression

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

1 •  $aa + ab + ba + bb$



2 •  $(a+b)^*$   $\{a, b, \dots\}$

3 •  $(\epsilon + a + b)^2$   $L(\omega) \leq 2$   $(\epsilon + a + b) \cdot (\epsilon + a + b) = \{\epsilon, a, b, aa, ab\}$

4 •  $(a+b)^2 \cdot (a+b)^*$   $L(\omega) \geq 2$

5 •  $(\Sigma^2)^*$

6 •  $(\Sigma\Sigma)^*$   $\sum' \sum' \left[ (a+b)(a+b) \right]^*$   $L(\omega) = \text{ever}$

7 •  $(\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma)^* \Sigma$   $(aa, ab, ba, bb)^*$

8 •  $(\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma)^*$

# Find All The languages of given regular expression

- $$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

- $(a+b)^+$

$$\bullet \quad (\varepsilon + a + b)^2 \{ a, b, \dots \}$$

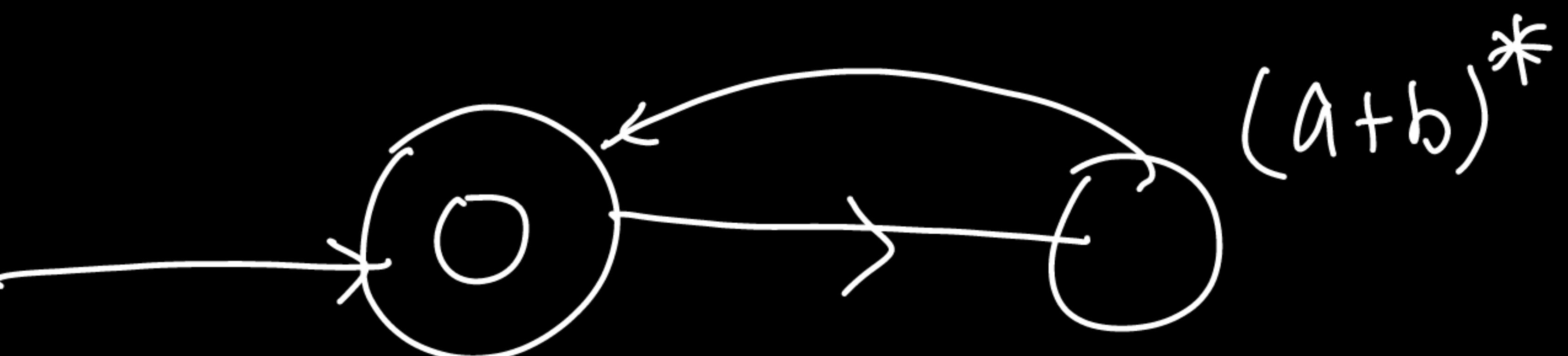
$$\bullet \quad (a+b)^2.(a+b)^* \quad L(\omega) \leq 2$$

•  $(\Sigma^2)^*$

•  $(\Sigma\Sigma)^*$

- $\underbrace{(\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma)^*}_{\Sigma} \Sigma$

- $(\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma)$



$$(\varepsilon + \underline{a} + b) \cdot (\varepsilon + a + b) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon, a, b, aa, ab \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left( \sum \sum \sum \right)^* \cdot \frac{\left[ (a+b)(a+b)(a+b) \right]^*}{\overline{I}}$$

$$\left[ \underbrace{\underline{aaa}, \underline{aab}, \underline{aba}, \underline{abb}}_i, \dots, \underbrace{i}_j \right]^* \cdot (a+b)^*$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \times 4 = 1$$

~~$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$~~

$\{0, 1\}$

~~$\Sigma = \{\phi, 1, 0, a, b\}$~~

$\phi = \{\}$

$Set \leftarrow \{0\}$

$\Sigma = \{\epsilon, a, b\}$

	Length	set	String	Symbol	RegExp
$\epsilon$	0	X	✓	X	yes
0	1	X	✓	✓	yes
1	1	X	✓	✓	yes
$\emptyset$	0	✓	X	X	yes
01	2	X	✓	X	yes
$\{01, 10\}$	2	✓	X	X	No

$\Sigma = \{01, 10\}$

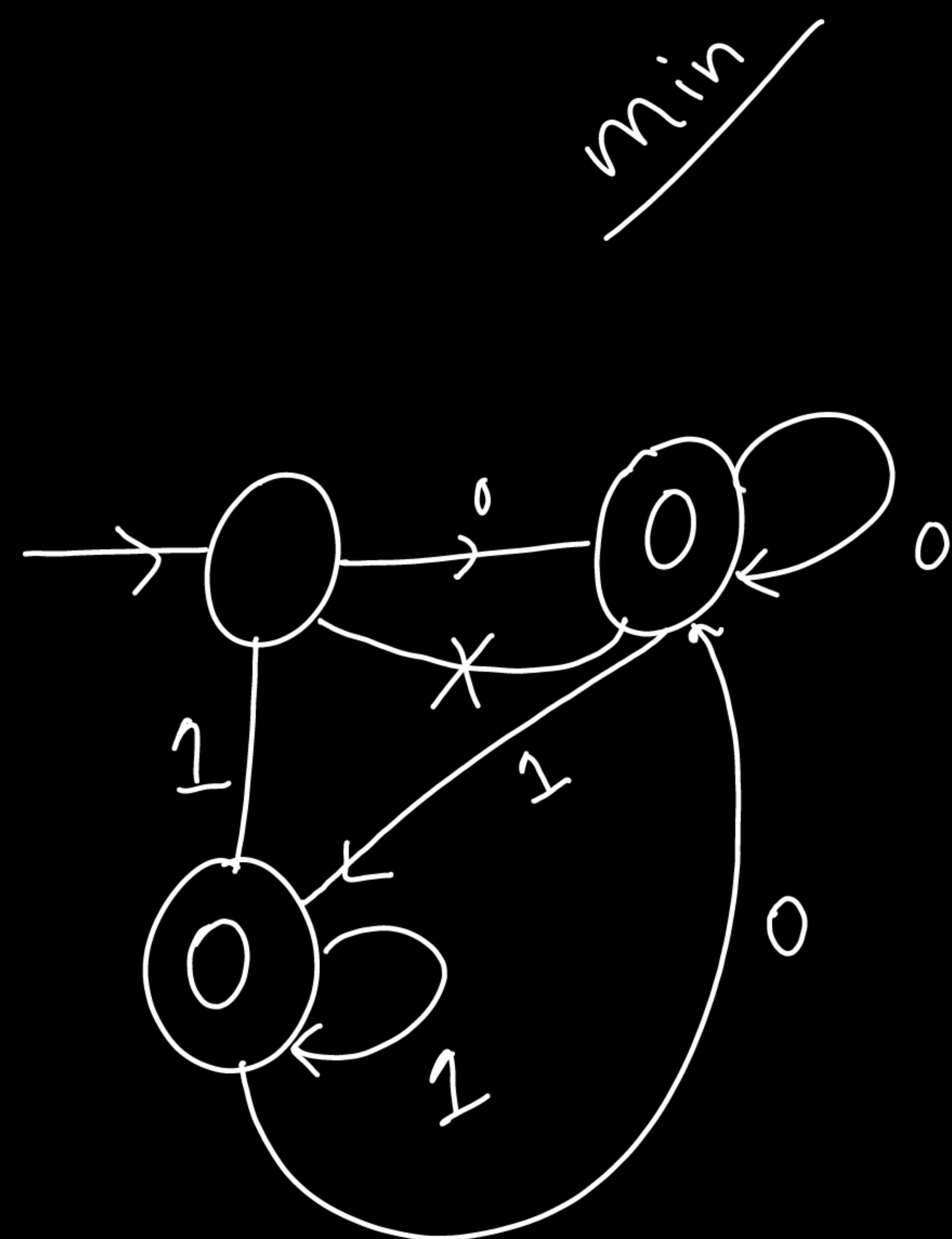
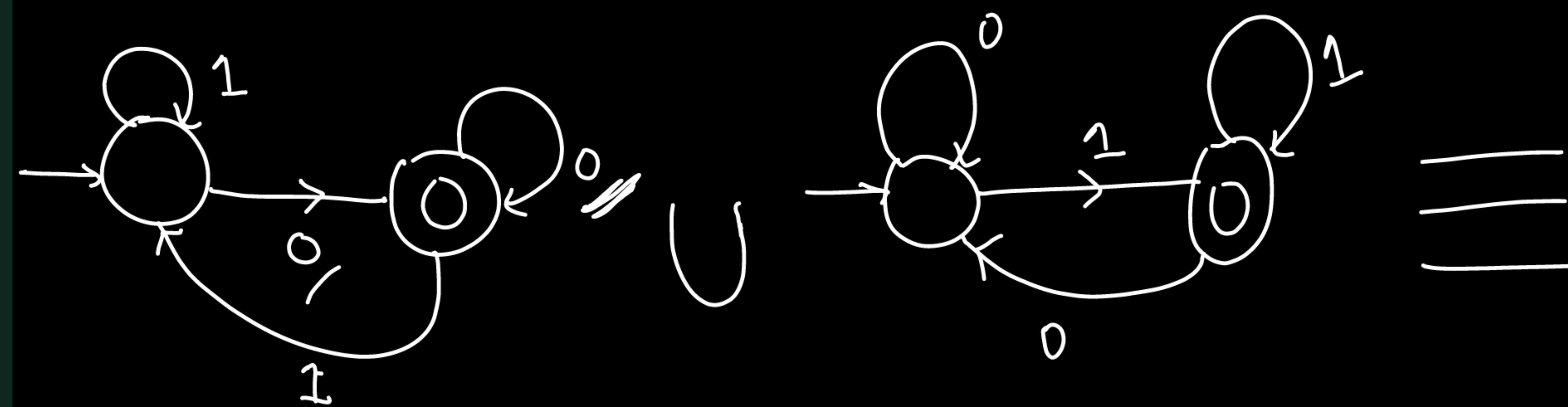
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## DFA : Union

- $L_1$  = strings over {0,1} **ending with 0**
- $L_2$  = strings over {0,1} **ending with 1**

DFA1

$$L_1 = \{ 0, 10, 00, \dots \}$$



DFA : Concatenation

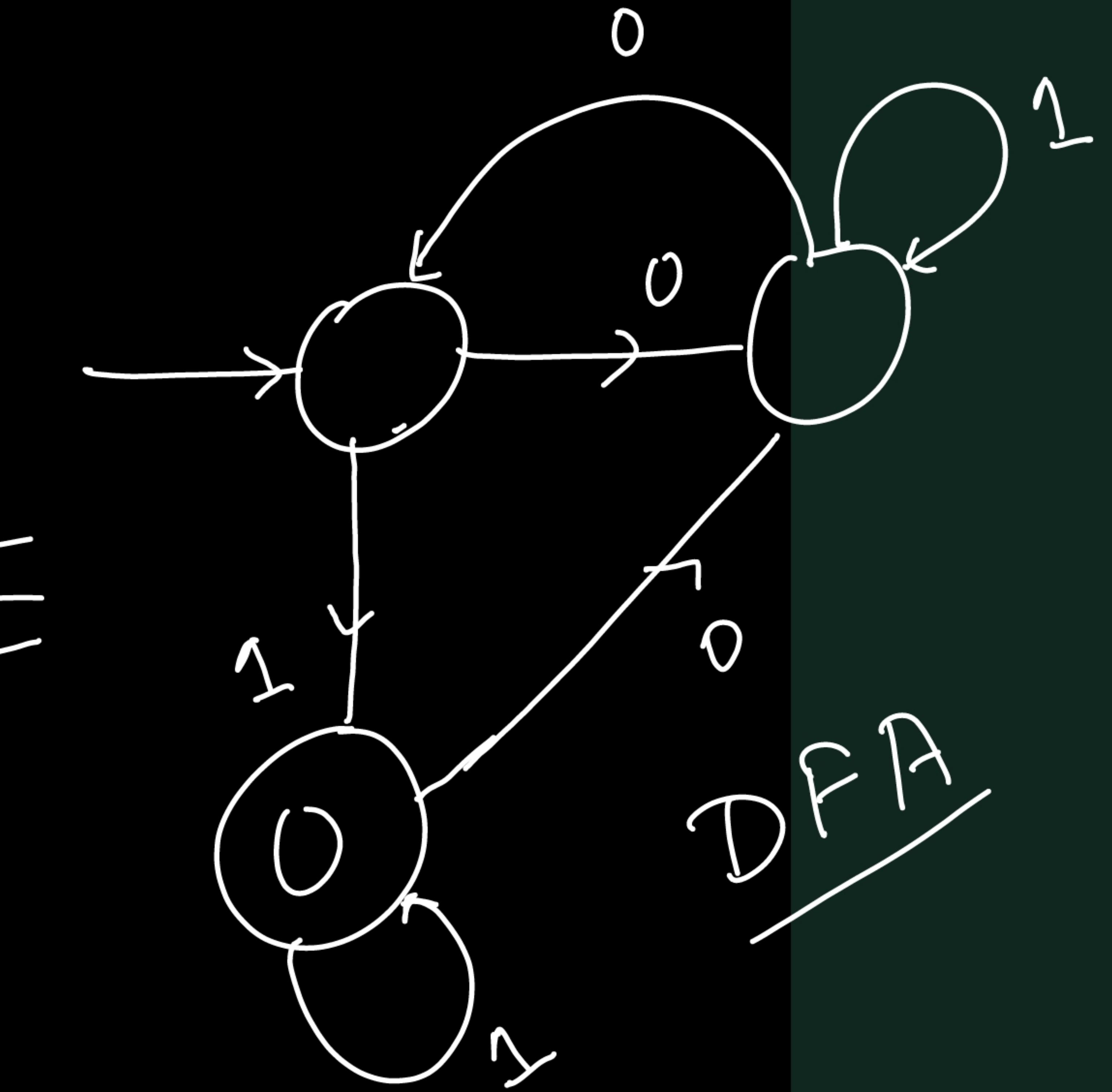
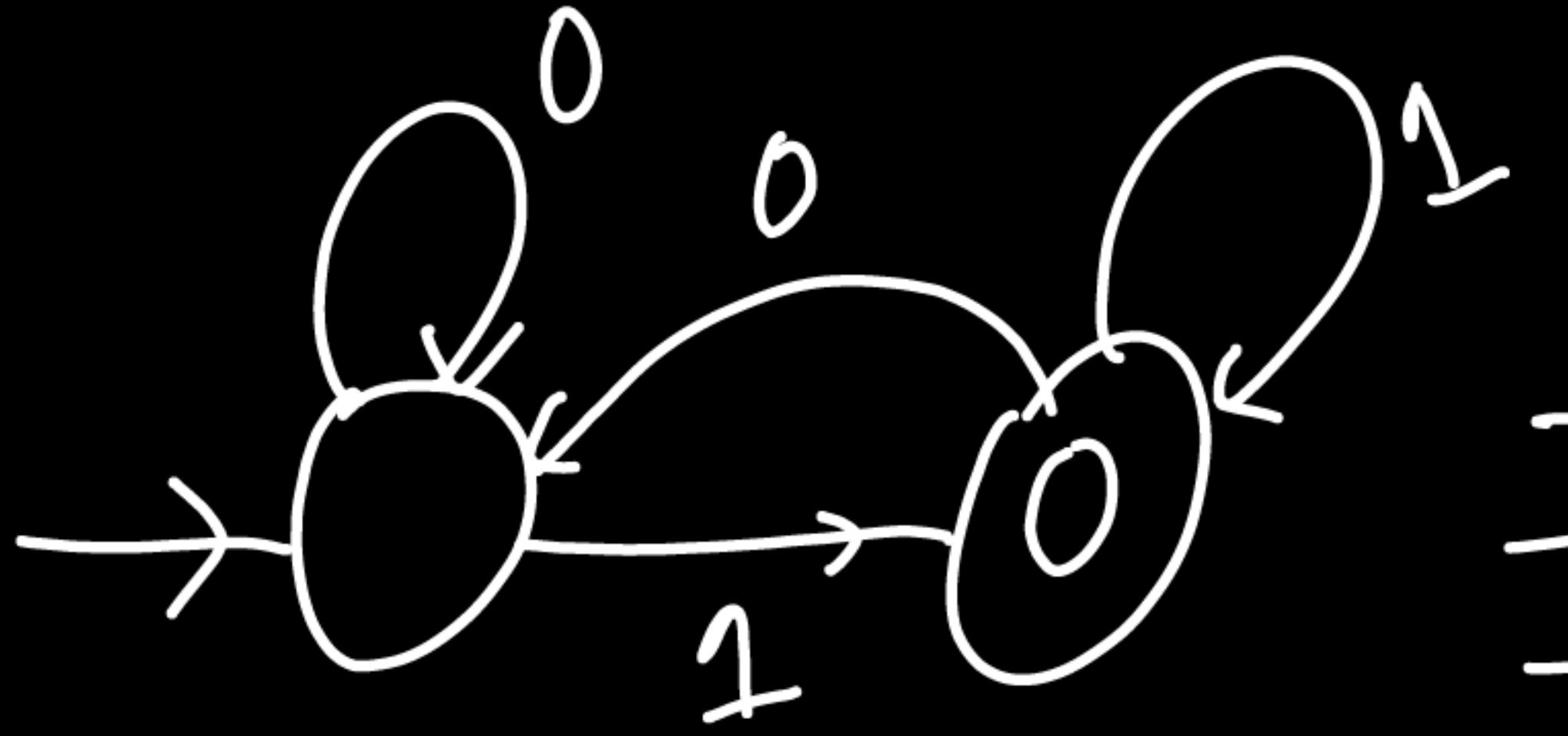
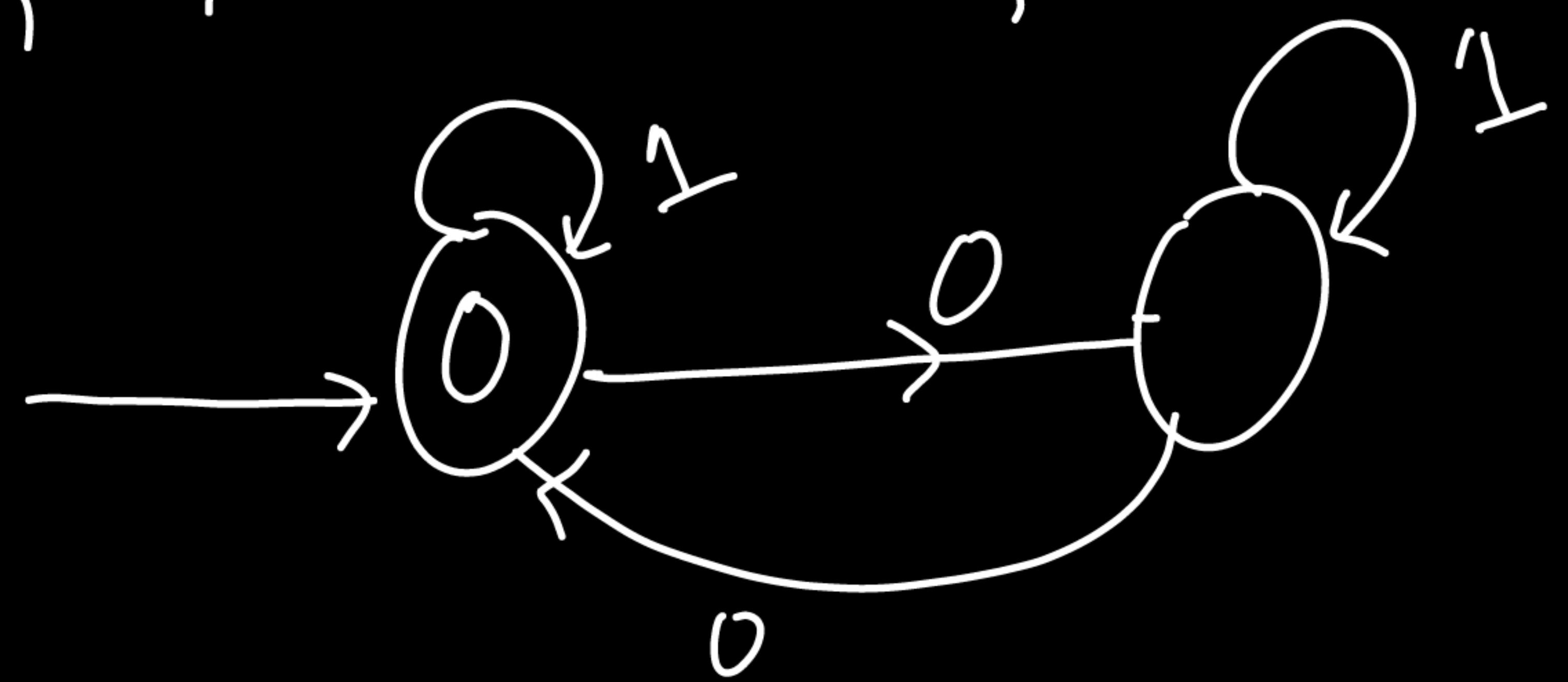
$L_1 = \{ \text{strings with even number of } 0\text{s} \}$

$L_2 = \{ \text{strings ending with } 1 \}$

$L_1 \cdot L_2$

$L_3 = L_1 \cdot L_2$

$\{ L_4 = L_2 \cdot L_1 \}$



## DFA : Cross-Product

$L_1$  = strings with **even number of 0s**

$L_2$  = strings with **even number of 1s**

DFA : Complement

$L = \text{strings over } \{0,1\} \text{ starts with 1 ending with 0}$

## DFA : Reversal

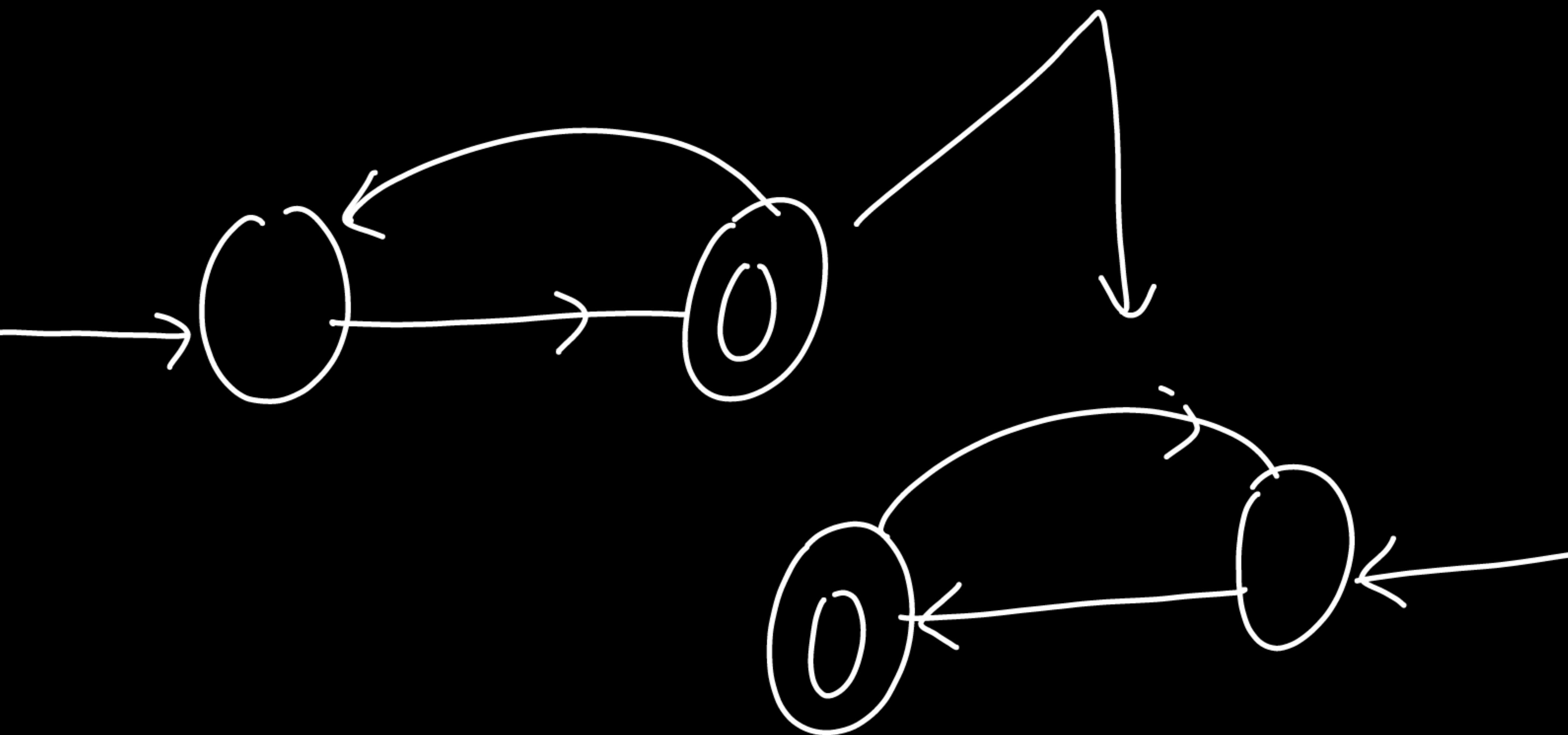
If  $L$  = strings ending with 01  
then  $L^R$  = strings starting with 10

If a language  $L$  contains strings:

$$L=\{w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots\}$$

Then the **reverse language** is:

$$L^R=\{w_1^R, w_2^R, w_3^R, \dots\}$$





Thank You

