

**HW 3 Due: 14 feb 2025**

1. Draw a DFA, simplified to the best of your abilities, that recognizes the language:

$$L = \{w \in \{0,1\}^* : w \text{ ends with } 000 \text{ or contains } 111, \text{ but not both}\}.$$

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2. Consider the  $n$ -bit binary representation of a natural number  $x$ :

$$\text{the binary representation of } x \text{ is } (x_{n-1}x_{n-2} \cdots x_1x_0)_2 \iff x = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i 2^i$$

where each bit  $x_i$  is a binary digit, either zero or one. For example,  $(00000101)_2$  is the 8-bit binary representation of the number 5, since  $0 \cdot 2^7 + 0 \cdot 2^6 + 0 \cdot 2^5 + 0 \cdot 2^4 + 0 \cdot 2^3 + 1 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2^1 + 1 \cdot 2^0 = 4 + 1 = 5$ . This is the format normally employed by digital computers to store nonnegative integers. Now, consider the language

$$L = \{a_0b_0c_0 \cdots a_{n-1}b_{n-1}c_{n-1} : n \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \forall i, 0 \leq i < n, a_i \in \{0,1\}, b_i \in \{0,1\}, c_i \in \{0,1\} \wedge (a_{n-1} \cdots a_0)_2 + (b_{n-1} \cdots b_0)_2 = (c_{n-1} \cdots c_0)_2\}$$

For example, since  $5 + 3 = 8$ ,  $5 = (000101)_2$ ,  $3 = (000011)_2$ , and  $8 = (001000)_2$ , then

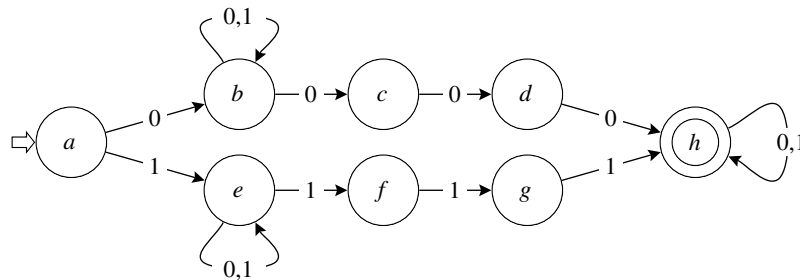
$$110 \ 010 \ 100 \ 001 \ 000 \ 000 \in L$$

(the string is spaced every three digits for readability's sake only).

Draw a DFA that recognizes  $L$ .

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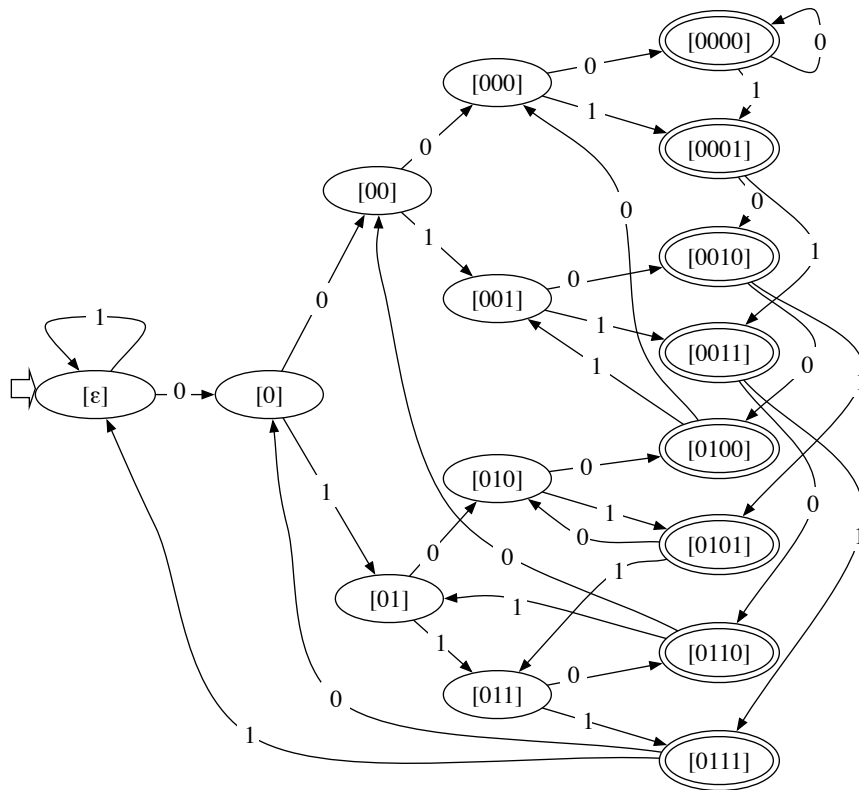
3. Precisely describe in English the language accepted by this NFA.



Then, give a regular expression for it.

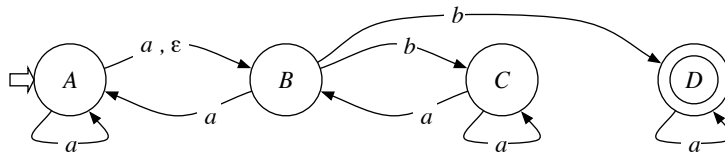
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4. Describe in a short English sentence the language accepted by the following DFA, and give a regular expression for it (hint: the “names” of the states reflect their meaning). Then, draw a 5-state NFA that accepts the same language.



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5. Consider the following NFA  $M$ :



- Using the algorithm described in class, derive an equivalent (non-minimized) DFA  $M'$ .
- Using the algorithm described in class, minimize  $M'$  and obtain the minimized DFA  $M''$ .
- Describe in English, as succinctly as you can, the essential characteristics of the language accepted by these automata.

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