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Problem 1

Algorithm 1 Checking for Infinite Strings in a DFA

Function HASINFINITESTRINGS(DFA):visited_states \leftarrow empty setstack \leftarrow [initial_state]**while** stack **is not** empty **do**current_state \leftarrow pop(stack)**Add** current_state **to** visited_states**for** each transition (current_state, input_symbol, next_state) **in** DFA **do****if** next_state **is in** visited_states **then****return true****else if** next_state **is not in** stack **then**push next_state **to** stack**end if****end for****end while****return false**

1. **Function Definition:** The function definition for HASINFINITESTRINGS which takes a DFA as input and returns a boolean value indicating whether the DFA accepts an infinite number of strings.
2. **Initialization:** Inside the function, we initialize an empty set named *visited_states* to keep track of visited states during the DFS traversal. We also initialize a stack named *stack* with the initial state of the DFA.
3. **DFS Traversal:** The algorithm enters a while loop that continues until the stack is empty. In each iteration of the loop, it pops the top state (*current_state*) from the stack.
4. **Flag Visited States:** The current state is then added to the *visited_states* set to mark it as visited.
5. **Transition Exploration:** For each transition originating from the current state in the DFA, the algorithm checks whether the next state (*next_state*) has already been visited. If it has been visited, that means there is a loop, and the function returns **true** indicating that the DFA accepts an infinite number of strings. If the next state has not been visited, it is pushed onto the stack for further exploration.
6. **Termination:** If the while loop completes without finding any loop, the function returns **false**, indicating that the DFA accepts a finite number of strings.