

FU08 - Automata and Languages

Exercise 4

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Question 1: Answer the following question

For $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, construct an NFA accepting the following language:

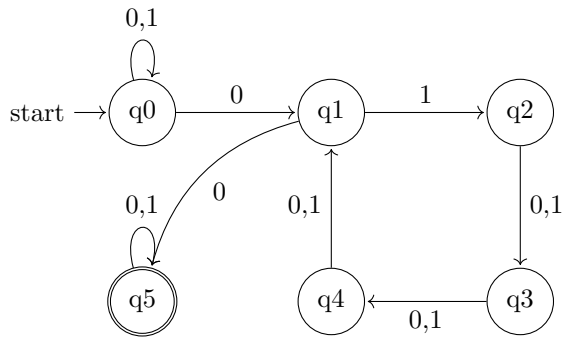
The set of all strings such that some two 0's are separated by a string whose length is $4i$, for some $i \geq 0$.

Solution:

• **State definition:**

We call the length of the interim string between the two 0's n . We want the following language to be accepted:
 $(0 \vee 1)^* 0 (0 \vee 1)^{4i} 0 (0 \vee 1)^*$

- q_0 : The string does not contain anything.
- q_1 : The string contains the first 0, and $n \% 4 = 0$.
- q_2 : The string contains the first 0, and $n \% 4 = 1$.
- q_3 : The string contains the first 0, and $n \% 4 = 2$.
- q_4 : The string contains the first 0, and $n \% 4 = 3$.
- q_5 : The string contains the first 0, $n = 4i$ (or $n \% 4 = 0$), and a second 0. $q_5 \in \mathbb{F}$.



Question 2: Answer the following question

Construct two DFA's equivalent to the NFA's

(a) $M_1 = (\{p, q, r, s\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta_1, p, \{s\})$

(b) $M_2 = (\{p, q, r, s\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta_2, p, \{q, s\})$

where δ_1 and δ_2 are given by the following tables

δ_1	0	1
p	{p,q}	{p}
q	{r}	{r}
r	{s}	-
s	{s}	{s}

Table 1: Transition Table δ_1

δ_2	0	1
p	{q,s}	{q}
q	{r}	{q,r}
r	{s}	{p}
s	-	{p}

Table 2: Transition Table δ_2

Solution:

a. We define a DFA $N_1 = (Q', \Sigma, \delta'_1, q'_1, F')$:

1. $Q' = \mathcal{P}(Q) = \{\emptyset, \{p\}, \{q\}, \{r\}, \{s\}, \{p, q, r, s\}, \{p, q\}, \{p, r\}, \{p, s\}, \{q, r\}, \{q, s\}, \{r, s\}, \{p, q, r\}, \{p, r, s\}, \{p, q, s\}, \{q, r, s\}\}$.

2. $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$.

3. $q'_1 = \{p\}$.

4. $F' = \{\{s\}, \{p, q, r, s\}, \{p, s\}, \{q, s\}, \{r, s\}, \{p, r, s\}, \{p, q, s\}, \{q, r, s\}\}$.

Since we know that $\delta'_1(R, a) = \{q \in Q \mid q \in \delta(r, a) \text{ for } r \in R\}$. Hence, we obtain the following state transitions.

for a = 0

$$\delta'_1(\emptyset, 0) = \emptyset$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p\}, 0) = \{p, q\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q\}, 0) = \{r\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{r\}, 0) = \{s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{s\}, 0) = \{s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q, r, s\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, q, r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{r\} = \{p, q, r\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, r\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, q, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, s\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, q, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q, r\}, 0) = \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q, s\}, 0) = \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{r, s\}, 0) = \{s\} \cup \{s\} = \{s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q, r\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, q, r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, r, s\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{s\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, q, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q, s\}, 0) = \{p, q\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, q, r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q, r, s\}, 0) = \{r\} \cup \{s\} \cup \{s\} = \{r, s\}$$

for a = 1

$$\delta'_1(\emptyset, 1) = \emptyset$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p\}, 1) = \{p\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q\}, 1) = \{r\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{r\}, 1) = \emptyset$$

$$\delta'_1(\{s\}, 1) = \{s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q, r, s\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} \cup \emptyset = \{p, r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \{r\} = \{p, r\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, r\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \emptyset = \{p\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, s\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q, r\}, 1) = \{r\} \cup \emptyset = \{r\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q, s\}, 1) = \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{r, s\}, 1) = \emptyset \cup \{s\} = \{s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q, r\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \{r\} \cup \emptyset = \{p, r\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, r, s\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \{s\} \cup \emptyset = \{p, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{p, q, s\}, 1) = \{p\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{p, r, s\}$$

$$\delta'_1(\{q, r, s\}, 1) = \{r\} \cup \emptyset \cup \{s\} = \{r, s\}$$

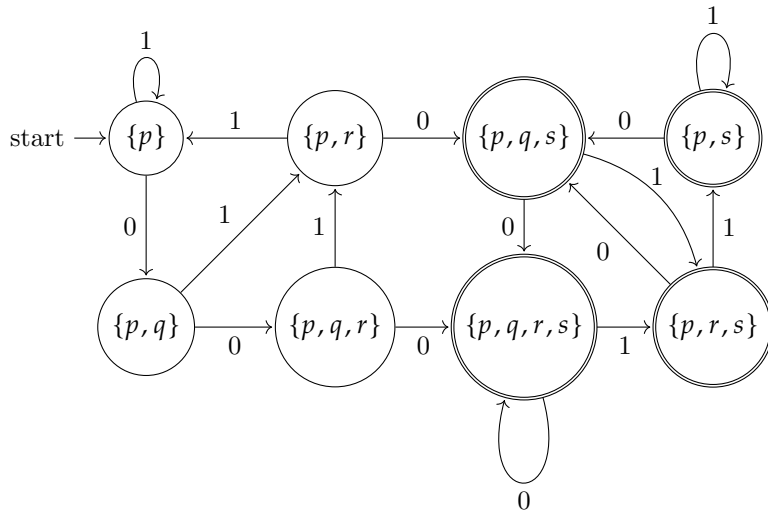
Now, we construct the state transition table. (next page)

State transition table

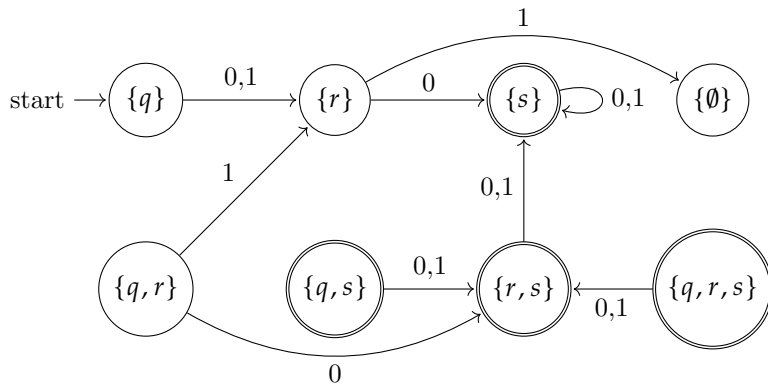
δ'_1	0	1
$\{p\}$	$\{p, q\}$	$\{p\}$
$\{q\}$	$\{r\}$	$\{r\}$
$\{r\}$	$\{s\}$	\emptyset
$\{s\}$	$\{s\}$	$\{s\}$
$\{p, q\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$	$\{p, r\}$
$\{p, r\}$	$\{p, q, s\}$	$\{p\}$
$\{p, s\}$	$\{p, q, s\}$	$\{p, s\}$
$\{q, r\}$	$\{r, s\}$	$\{r\}$
$\{q, s\}$	$\{r, s\}$	$\{r, s\}$
$\{r, s\}$	$\{s\}$	$\{s\}$
$\{p, q, r\}$	$\{p, q, r, s\}$	$\{p, r\}$
$\{p, r, s\}$	$\{p, q, s\}$	$\{p, s\}$
$\{p, q, s\}$	$\{p, q, r, s\}$	$\{p, r, s\}$
$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{r, s\}$	$\{r, s\}$
$\{p, q, r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r, s\}$	$\{p, r, s\}$

Now, we construct a DFA for this state transition table.

• with p



• without p



b. We define a DFA $N_2 = (Q', \Sigma, \delta'_2, q'_2, \mathbb{F}')$:

1. $Q' = \mathcal{P}(Q) = \{\emptyset, \{p\}, \{q\}, \{r\}, \{s\}, \{p, q, r, s\}, \{p, q\}, \{p, r\}, \{p, s\}, \{q, r\}, \{q, s\}, \{r, s\}, \{p, q, r\}, \{p, r, s\}, \{p, q, s\}, \{q, r, s\}\}$.
2. $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$.
3. $q'_2 = \{p\}$.
4. $\mathbb{F}' = \{\{p, q, r, s\}, \{q, s\}, \{p, q, s\}, \{q, r, s\}, \{q\}, \{s\}, \{p, q\}, \{p, s\}, \{q, r\}, \{r, s\}, \{p, q, r\}, \{p, r, s\}\}$.

Since we know that $\delta'_2(R, a) = \{q \in Q \mid q \in \delta(r, a) \text{ for } r \in R\}$. Hence, we obtain the following state transitions.

for a = 0

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta'_2(\emptyset, 0) &= \emptyset \\
 \delta'_2(\{p\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q\}, 0) &= \{r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{r\}, 0) &= \{s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{s\}, 0) &= \{\emptyset\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q, r, s\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} \cup \emptyset = \{q, r, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \{r\} = \{q, r, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, r\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \{s\} = \{q, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, s\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \emptyset = \{q, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q, r\}, 0) &= \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{r, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q, s\}, 0) &= \{r\} \cup \emptyset = \{r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{r, s\}, 0) &= \{s\} \cup \emptyset = \{s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q, r\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \{r\} \cup \{s\} = \{q, r, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, r, s\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \{s\} \cup \emptyset = \{q, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q, s\}, 0) &= \{q, s\} \cup \{r\} \cup \emptyset = \{q, r, s\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q, r, s\}, 0) &= \{r\} \cup \{s\} \cup \emptyset = \{r, s\}
 \end{aligned}$$

for a = 1

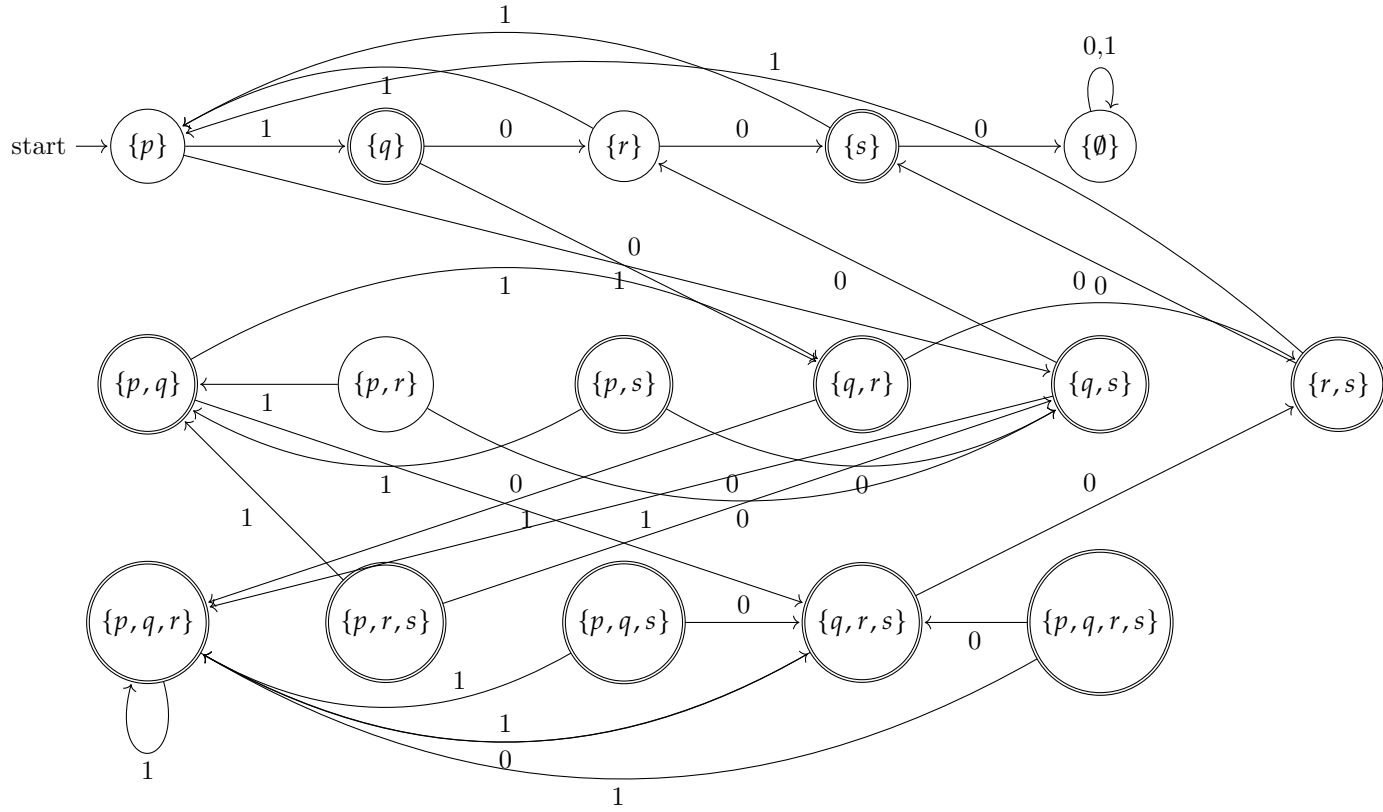
$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta'_2(\emptyset, 1) &= \emptyset \\
 \delta'_2(\{p\}, 1) &= \{q\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q\}, 1) &= \{q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{r\}, 1) &= \{p\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{s\}, 1) &= \{p\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q, r, s\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{q, r\} \cup \{p\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{q, r\} = \{q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, r\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, s\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q, r\}, 1) &= \{q, r\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q, s\}, 1) &= \{q, r\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{r, s\}, 1) &= \{p\} \cup \{p\} = \{p\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q, r\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{q, r\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, r, s\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{p\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{p, q, s\}, 1) &= \{q\} \cup \{q, r\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q, r\} \\
 \delta'_2(\{q, r, s\}, 1) &= \{q, r\} \cup \{p\} \cup \{p\} = \{p, q, r\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we construct the state transition table.

• **State transition table**

δ'_2	0	1
$\{p\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{q\}$
$\{q\}$	$\{r\}$	$\{q, r\}$
$\{r\}$	$\{s\}$	$\{p\}$
$\{s\}$	\emptyset	$\{p\}$
$\{p, q\}$	$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{q, r\}$
$\{p, r\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{p, q\}$
$\{p, s\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{p, q\}$
$\{q, r\}$	$\{r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{q, s\}$	$\{r\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{r, s\}$	$\{s\}$	$\{p\}$
$\{p, q, r\}$	$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{p, r, s\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{p, q\}$
$\{p, q, s\}$	$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{p, q, r, s\}$	$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$

Now, we construct a DFA for this transition table. (next page)



Since the graph is messy and I could not find a way to draw it efficiently. Please refer to the state transition table to check.

• **State transition table**

δ'_2	0	1
$\{p\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{q\}$
$\{q\}$	$\{r\}$	$\{q, r\}$
$\{r\}$	$\{s\}$	$\{p\}$
$\{s\}$	\emptyset	$\{p\}$
$\{p, q\}$	$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{q, r\}$
$\{p, r\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{p, q\}$
$\{p, s\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{p, q\}$
$\{q, r\}$	$\{r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{q, s\}$	$\{r\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{r, s\}$	$\{s\}$	$\{p\}$
$\{p, q, r\}$	$\{q, r, s\}$	$\{p, q, r\}$
$\{p, r, s\}$	$\{q, s\}$	$\{p, q\}$
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