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Theory of Computation

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Regular Expressions (RE)

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Regular Grammars

Specifying Language

How do we specify languages?

- If language is finite, you can list all of its strings.
 - $L = \{a, aa, aba, aca\}$
- Descriptive:
 - $L = \{x \mid n_a(x) = n_b(x)\}$
- Using basic Language operations
 - $L = \{aa, ab\}^* \cup \{b\}\{bb\}^*$
- Regular languages are described using the last method

Regular Expressions

Regular expressions describe regular languages and the notation involves a combination of:

- Strings of symbols from some alphabet Σ
- Parentheses $()$
- Operators $+$, $.$, $*$ \rightarrow 0次以上
 ↓ ↓
 or concatenate

Regular Expressions

Important thing to remember

- A regular expression is **not** a language
- A regular expression is used to **describe** a language.
↳ 是一個 modeling 的工具
- ✗ • It is incorrect to say that for a language L ,
 $L = (a + b + c)^*$
- • But it's okay to say that L is **described** by
 $(a + b + c)^*$

Regular Expressions

All finite languages can be described by regular expressions

Example: $(a + b \cdot c)^*$ $\longleftrightarrow \{\{a\} \cup \{bc\}\}^*$

Annotations:
- $+$ is labeled "or"
- \cdot is labeled "concatenate"
- $*$ is labeled "0次以上" (0 or more times)

describes the language

$$\{a, bc\}^* = \{\lambda, a, bc, aa, abc, bca, \dots\}$$

Definition 3.1

Let Σ be a given alphabet. Then

1. ϕ , λ , and $a \in \Sigma$ are all regular expressions. These are called primitive regular expressions.
2. If r_1 and r_2 are regular expressions, so are $r_1 + r_2$, $r_1 \cdot r_2$, r_1^* and (r_1) . \hookrightarrow 做出来的都是 regular expression
3. A string is a regular expression **iff** it can be derived from the primitive regular expressions by a finite number of applications of the rules in (2).

Example 3.1

A regular expression: $(a + b \cdot c)^* \cdot (c + \emptyset)$

Not a regular expression: $(a + b \underline{+})$

a^n

a^+

Languages of Regular Expressions

$L(r)$: language of regular expression r

Example

$$L((a + b \cdot c)^*) = \{\lambda, a, bc, aa, abc, bca, \dots\}$$

Definition 3.2

- For primitive regular expressions:

$$L(\emptyset) = \emptyset \quad (1)$$

$$L(\lambda) = \{\lambda\} \quad (2)$$

$$L(a) = \{a\} \quad (3)$$

Definition (continued)

For regular expressions r_1 and r_2

$$L(r_1 + r_2) = L(r_1) \cup L(r_2) \quad (4)$$

$$L(r_1 \cdot r_2) = L(r_1) L(r_2) \quad (5)$$

$$L(r_1^*) = (L(r_1))^* \quad (6)$$

$$L((r_1)) = L(r_1) \quad (7)$$

Example 3.2

Regular expression: $(a + b) \cdot a^*$

$$\begin{aligned} L((a + b) \cdot a^*) &= L((a + b)) L(a^*) \\ &= L(a + b) L(a^*) \\ &= (L(a) \cup L(b)) (L(a))^* \\ &= (\{a\} \cup \{b\}) (\{a\})^* \\ &= \{a, b\} \{\lambda, a, aa, aaa, \dots\} \\ &= \{a, aa, aaa, \dots, b, ba, baa, \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

Priority of Operators

- Regular expression: $r = a \cdot b + c$
✓ $r_1 = a \cdot b$ $r_2 = c$ or ✗ $r_1 = a$ $r_2 = b + c$
 $L(r) = \{ab, c\} \neq \{ab, ac\}$
- Star closure (*) precedes
concatenation (·) precedes
union (+)

↑
優先權

Example 3.3

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

- Regular expression $r = \underline{(a + b)^*} (a + bb)$
↳ 結尾為 a or bb

Stands for any string of a's and b's

↳ 所有 string

$$L(r) = \{a, bb, aa, abb, ba, bbb, \dots\}$$

$L(r)$ is the set of all strings on $\{a, b\}$, terminated by either an **a** or a **bb**

Example 3.4

- Regular expression $r = (aa)^*(bb)^*b$

$$L(r) = \{a^{2n}b^{2m+1} : n, m \geq 0\}$$

偶a 奇b

$L(r)$ is the set of all strings with an even number of **a's**
followed by an odd number of **b's**

Example 3.5

- For $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, give a regular expression r such that

$$L(r) = \{ w \in \Sigma^* : w \text{ has at least one pair of consecutive } 0 \}$$

連續

$$r = (0+1)^*00(0+1)^*$$

Example 3.6

$L(r) = \{ \text{all strings with no pairs of consecutive 0s} \}$
 ↳ 0的前後都要是1

- Regular expression (1) $r = (1 + 01)^* (0 + \lambda)$

$$(1) \quad r = \underbrace{(1^* 0 1^* 1^*)^*}_{\text{Add 1 immediately after a 0}} \underbrace{(0 + \lambda)}_{\text{String ending in 0}} + \underbrace{1^* (0 + \lambda)}_{\text{String with all 1's}}$$

Add 1 immediately after a 0

String ending in 0

String with all 1's

There are an unlimited number of REs for any given language!

Equivalent Regular Expressions

Definition:

Regular expressions r_1 and r_2

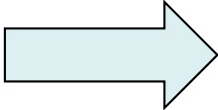
are **equivalent** if $L(r_1) = L(r_2)$

Example

$L = \{ \text{all strings without two consecutive 0} \}$

$$r_1 = (1 + 01)^* (0 + \lambda)$$

$$r_2 = (1^* 0 1 1^*)^* (0 + \lambda) + 1^* (0 + \lambda)$$

$L(r_1) = L(r_2) = L$  r_1 and r_2
are equivalent
regular expressions

More Examples

- $L_1 = \{a, aa, aba, aca\}$
- $L_1 = \{a\} \cup \{aa\} \cup \{aba\} \cup \{aca\}$
- Regular expression describing L_1 :
(a + aa + aba + aca)

More Examples

- I) • $L_2 = \{x \in \{0,1\}^* \mid |x| \text{ is even}\}$
- II) • $L_2 = \{00, 01, 10, 11\}^*$
 - Regular expressions describing L_2 :
- III) $(00 + 01 + 10 + 11)^*$
- IV) $((0 + 1)(0 + 1))^*$

More Examples

- $L_3 = \{x \in \{0,1\}^* \mid x \text{ does not end in } 01\}$

If x does not end in 01, then either

↪ 非 0.1 結尾

$|x| < 2$ or x ends in 00, 10, or 11

- A regular expression that describes L_3 is:

$(\lambda + 0 + 1) + (0 + 1)^*(00 + 10 + 11)$

More Examples

- $L_4 = \{x \in \{0,1\}^* \mid x \text{ contains an odd number of 0s} \}$

Express $x = yz$

y is a string of the form $y = 1^i 0 1^j$

In z , there must be an even number of 0's

$$z = (01^k 01^m)^*$$

- A regular expression that describes L_4 is:

$$(1^* 0 1^*)(01^* 0 1^*)^*$$

Short Quiz

- Give regular expressions for the following language on $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$.
 - All strings containing exactly one a

$$r = (b+c)^*a(b+c)^*$$

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Theorem

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Described by} \\ \text{Regular Expressions} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

For every regular language there is a regular expression
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Kleene Theorem:

Regular expressions and Finite Automata
are equivalent (w.r.t. the languages they
describe/accept)

↳ Regular expression \equiv DFA \equiv NFA



Theorem - Part 1

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Described by} \\ \text{Regular Expressions} \end{array} \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

1. For any regular expression r the language $L(r)$ is regular

■ Theorem 3.1

Theorem - Part 2

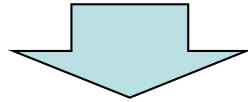
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2. For any regular language L there is a regular expression r with $L(r) = L$

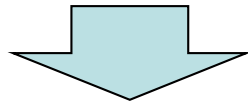
■ Theorem 3.2

$$\text{Proof - Part 1 } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Described by} \\ \text{Regular Expressions} \end{array} \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

1. For any regular expression r
the language $L(r)$ is regular



If we have any regular expression r ,
we can construct an NFA(DFA) that accepts $L(r)$



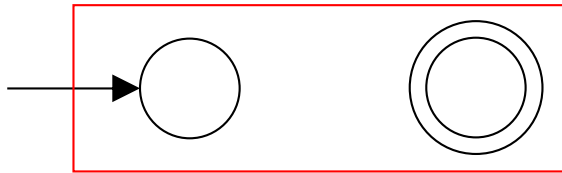
↳ 有 NFA 或 DFA 来描述 $L(r)$

Proof by induction on the size of r

Induction Basis

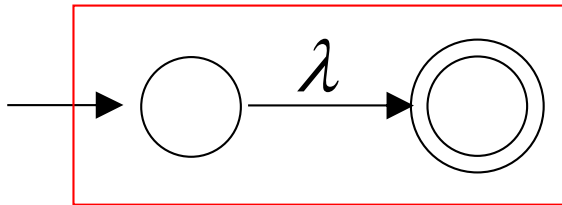
- Primitive Regular Expressions: \emptyset , λ , a

NFAs

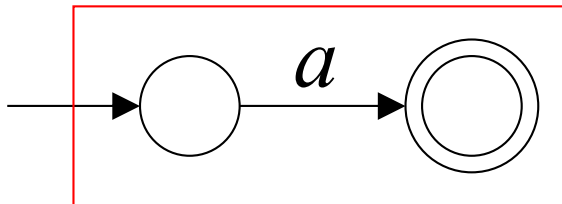


從 Primitive Regular Expression 畫 NFA

$$L(M_1) = \emptyset = L(\emptyset)$$



$$L(M_2) = \{\lambda\} = L(\lambda)$$



$$L(M_3) = \{a\} = L(a)$$

regular
languages

Inductive Hypothesis

Assume

for regular expressions r_1 and r_2

that

$L(r_1)$ and $L(r_2)$ are regular languages

Inductive Step

\therefore REs are derived from these four rules:

$$L(r_1 + r_2)$$

$$L(r_1 \cdot r_2)$$

$$L(r_1^*)$$

$$L((r_1))$$

We will prove:

Are regular
Languages

- By definition of regular expressions:

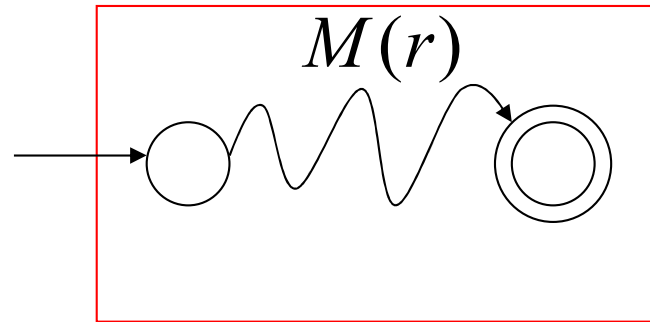
$$L(r_1 + r_2) = L(r_1) \cup L(r_2)$$

$$L(r_1 \cdot r_2) = L(r_1) L(r_2)$$

$$L(r_1^*) = (L(r_1))^*$$

$$L((r_1)) = L(r_1)$$

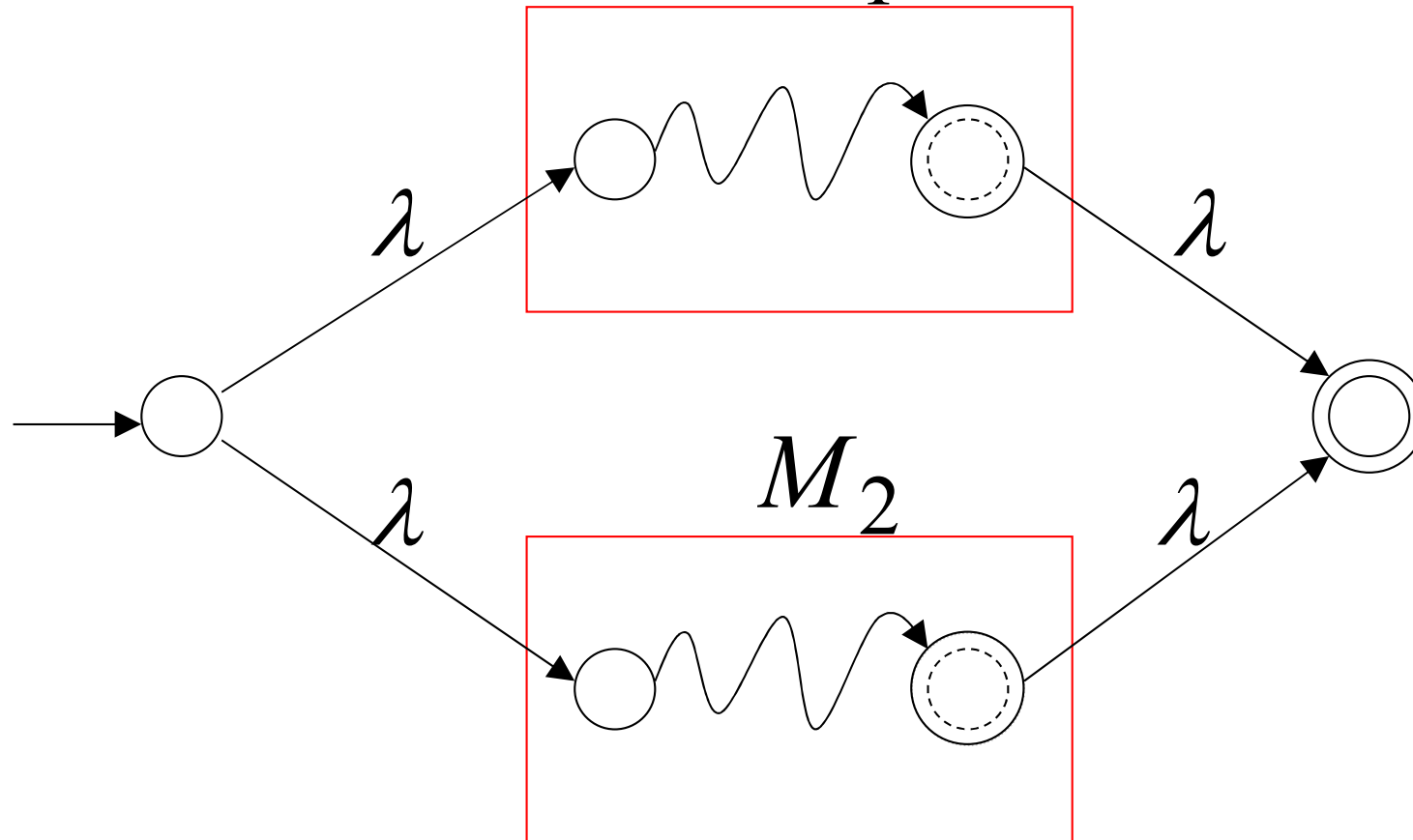
Schematic representation of an NFA ($M(r)$) accepting $L(r)$



We can claim that for every NFA there is only one final state (by exercise 7, section 2.3) \hookrightarrow NFA可畫成只有一個final

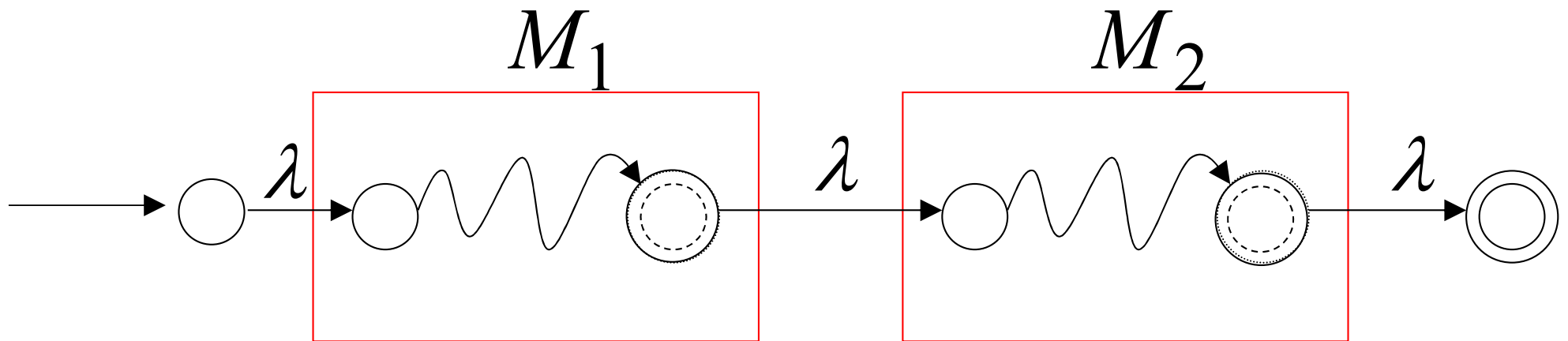
Union

- NFA for $L(r_1 + r_2)$



Concatenation

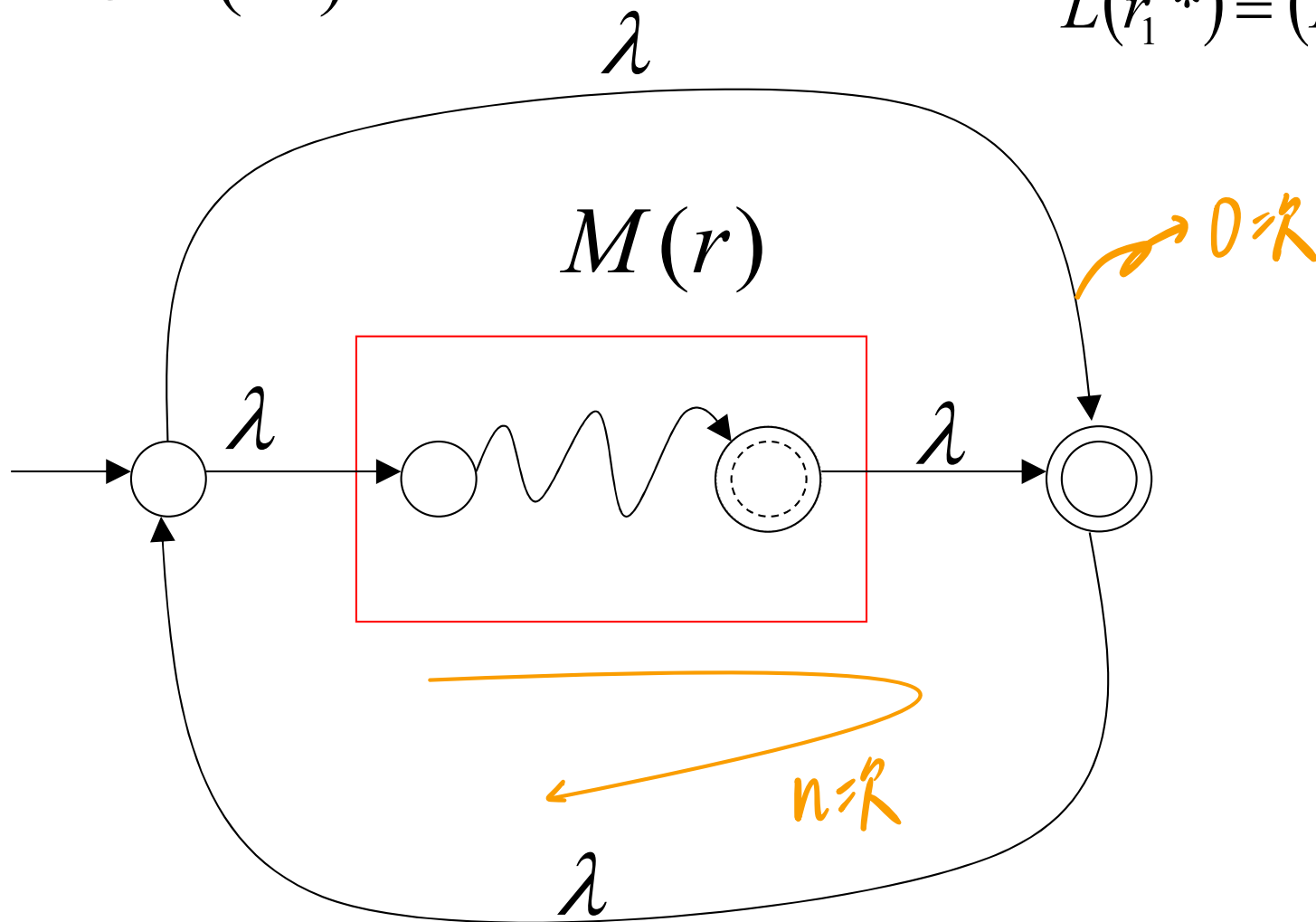
- NFA for $L(r_1 r_2)$



Star Operation

- NFA for $L(r^*)$

$$L(r_1^*) = (L(r_1))^*$$



By inductive hypothesis we know:

$L(r_1)$ and $L(r_2)$ are regular languages

We also know:

Regular languages are closed under:

Union $L(r_1) \cup L(r_2)$

Concatenation $L(r_1) L(r_2)$

Star $(L(r_1))^*$

Therefore:

$$L(r_1 + r_2) = L(r_1) \cup L(r_2)$$

$$L(r_1 \cdot r_2) = L(r_1) L(r_2)$$

$$L(r_1^*) = (L(r_1))^*$$

Are regular
languages

And trivially:

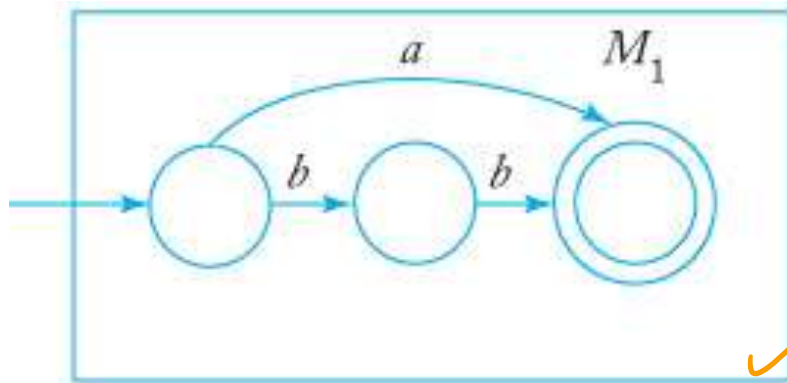
$L((r_1))$ is a regular language

\therefore For any regular expression r
the language $L(r)$ is regular

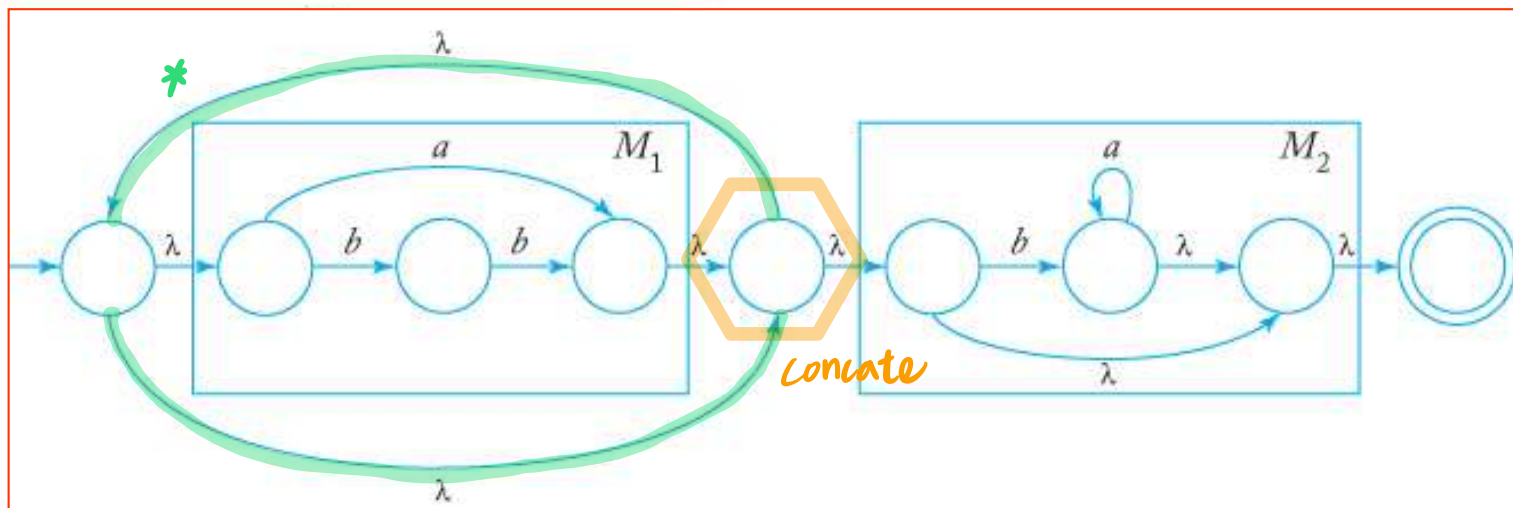
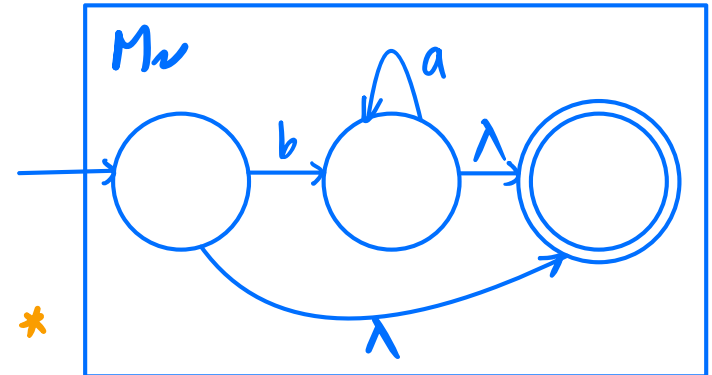
Example 3.7

- Find an NFA that accepts $L(r)$, where

$$r = (a + bb)^* (ba^* + \lambda)$$

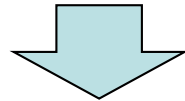


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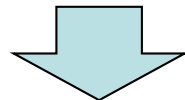


Proof – Part 2 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Described by} \\ \text{Regular Expressions} \end{array} \right\} \overset{\leftarrow}{\supseteq} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$

2. For any regular language L there is a regular expression r with $L(r) = L$



Since any regular language has an associated **NFA** and hence a **transition graph**, all we need to do is to find a **regular expression** capable of generating the labels of **all the walks from q_0 to any final state**.



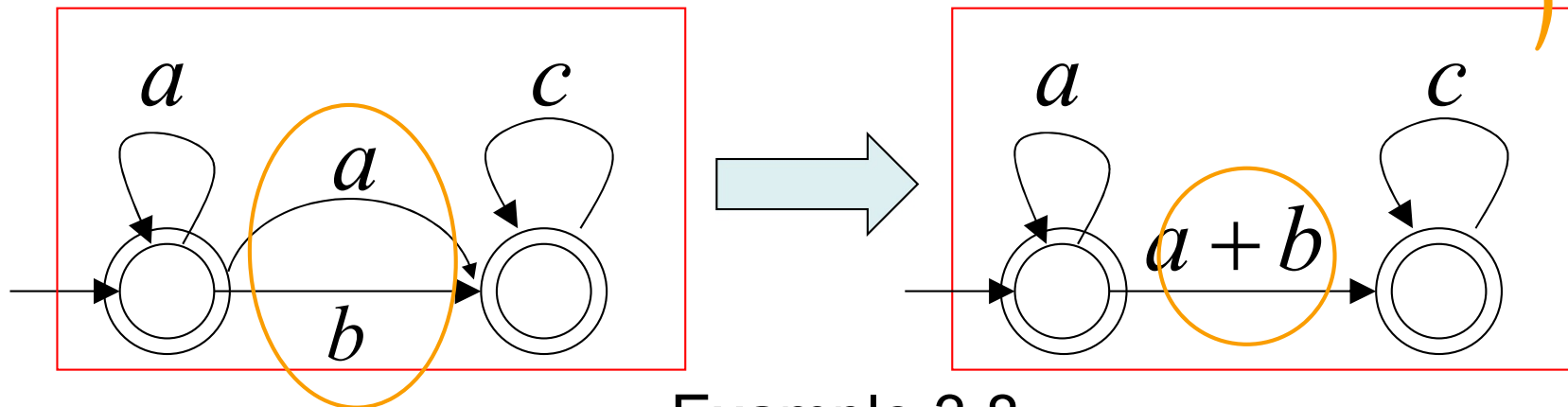
Proof by construction of regular expression

Generalized Transition Graphs (GTG)

From M construct the equivalent

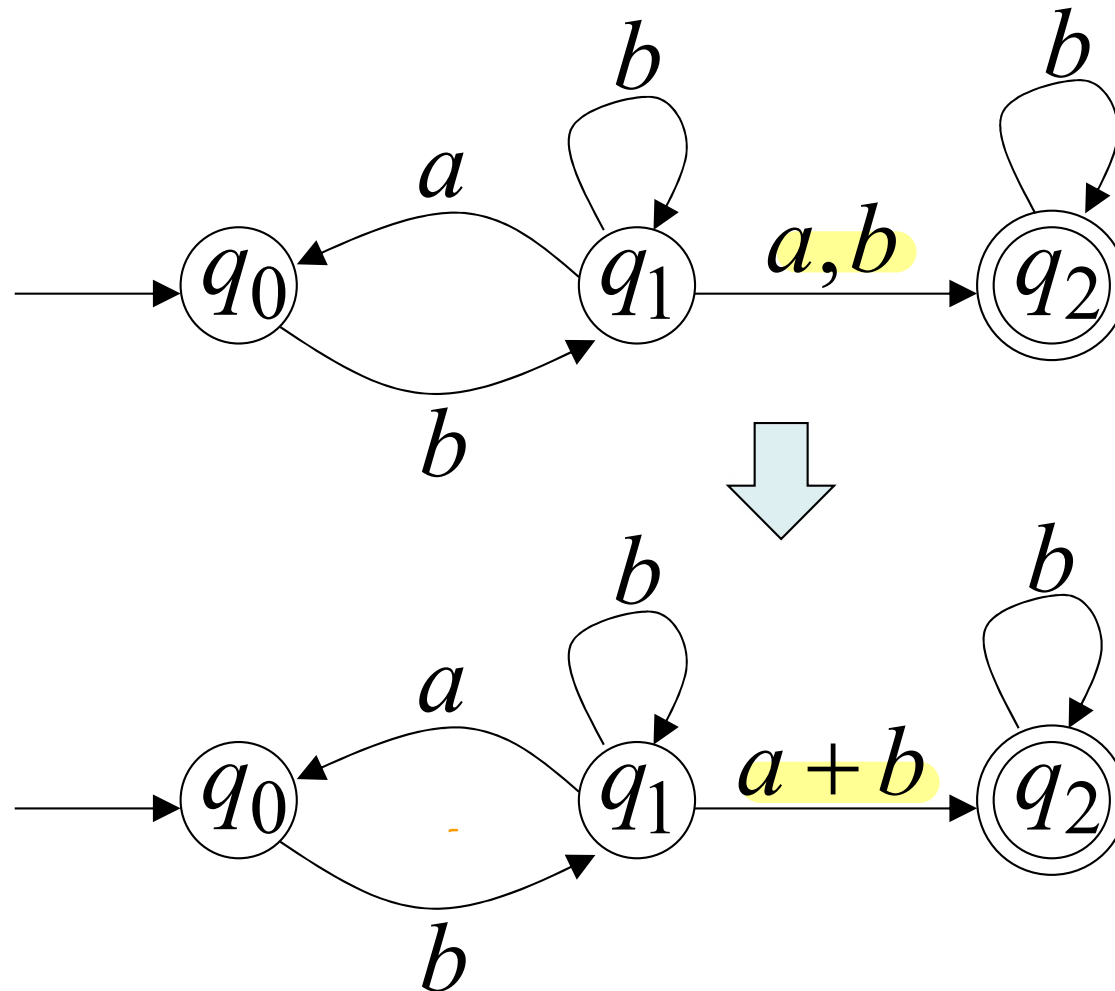
Generalized Transition Graph 把 edge 寫 regular expression
in which transition labels are regular expressions

Example: M



GTG may have many states

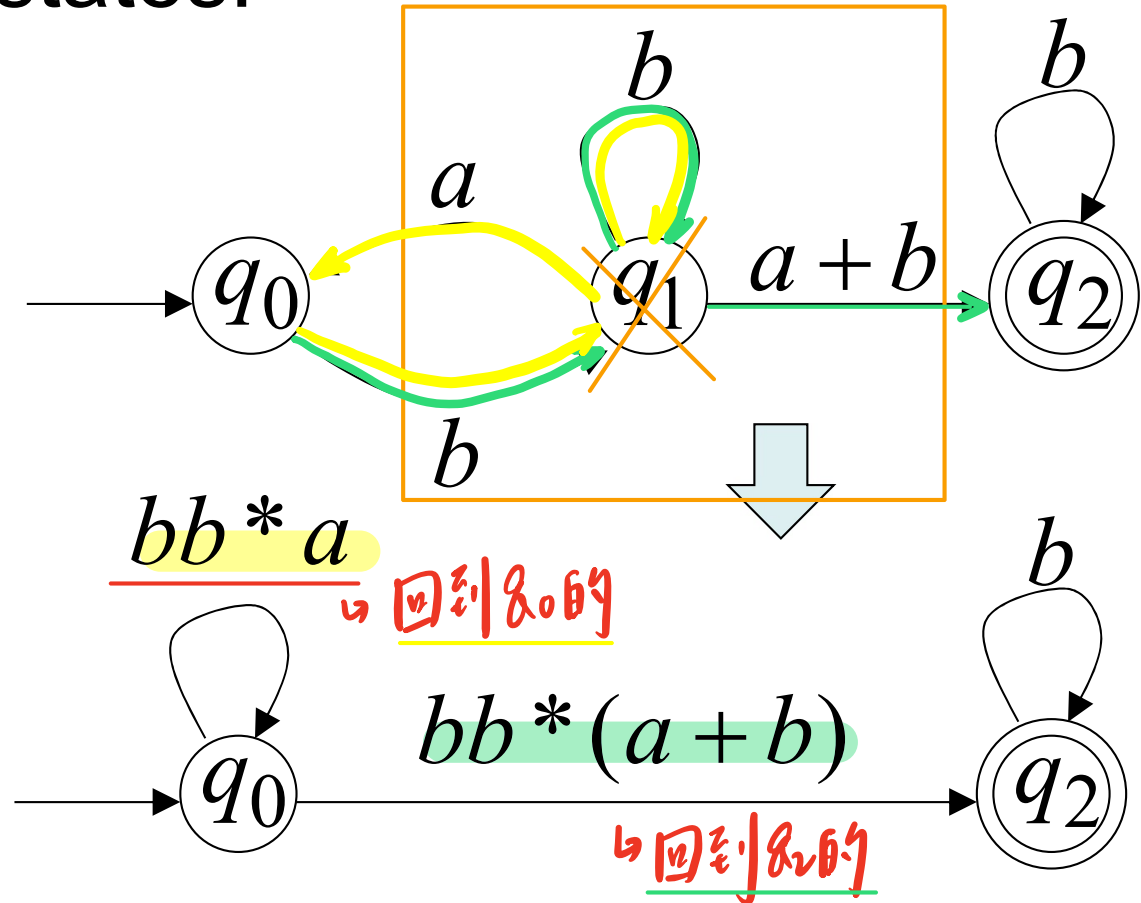
Enumerating all walks is time-consuming



Reducing the states:

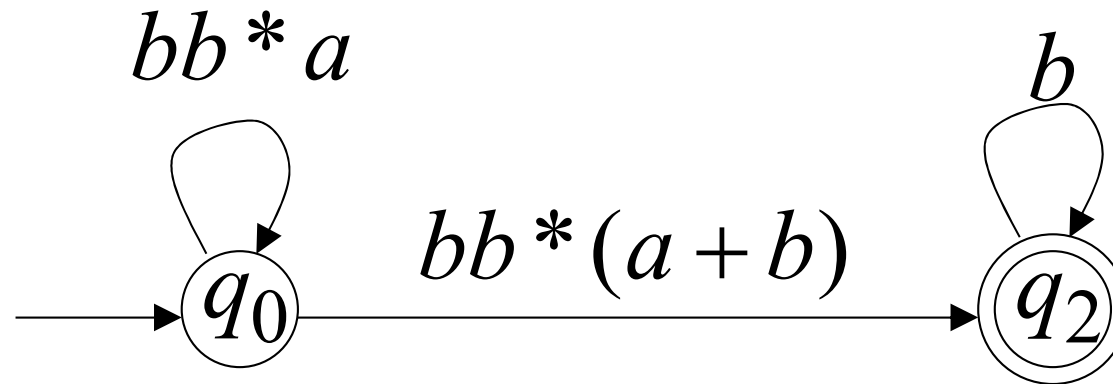
Ex. reduce q_1

分段處理



Simple two-state GTG

Resulting Regular Expression:



$$r = (bb^*a)^*bb^*(a+b)b^*$$

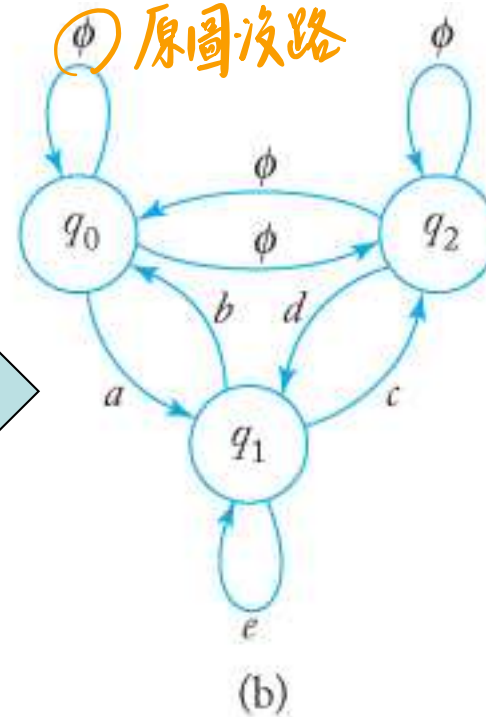
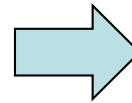
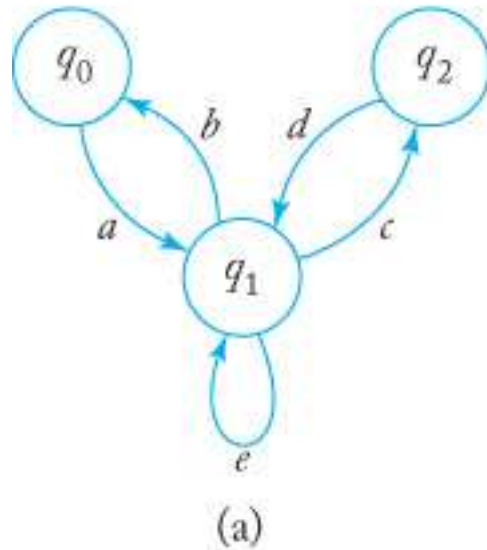
↳ reduce 到 只剩 initial 和 final

即可写出 regular expression

$$L(r) = L(M) = L$$

Complete GTG

GTG

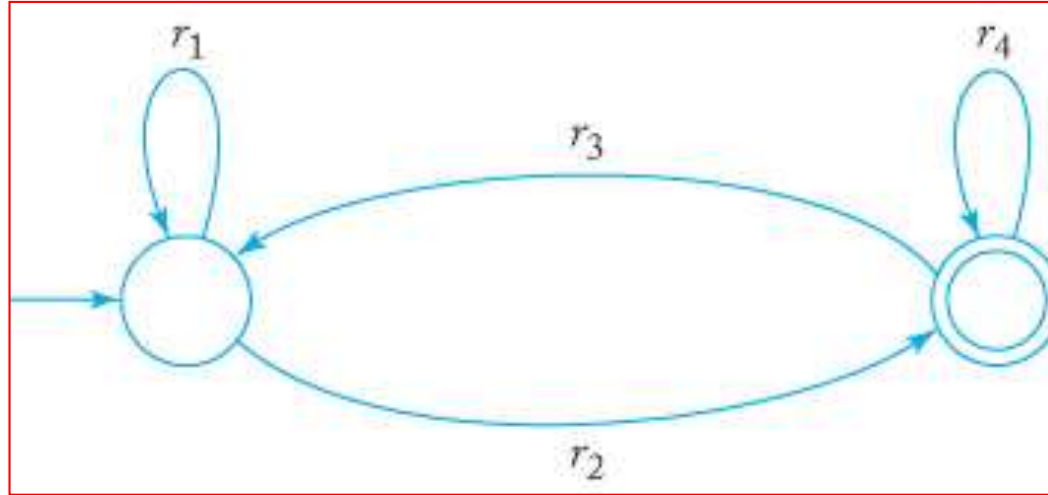


Complete GTG

補足自己
走到所有人
(含自己)的路徑

- If a GTG, after conversion from an NFA, has some edges missing, we put them in and label them with ϕ
- A complete GTG with $|V|$ vertices has exactly $|V|^2$ edges

Example 3.9



RE?

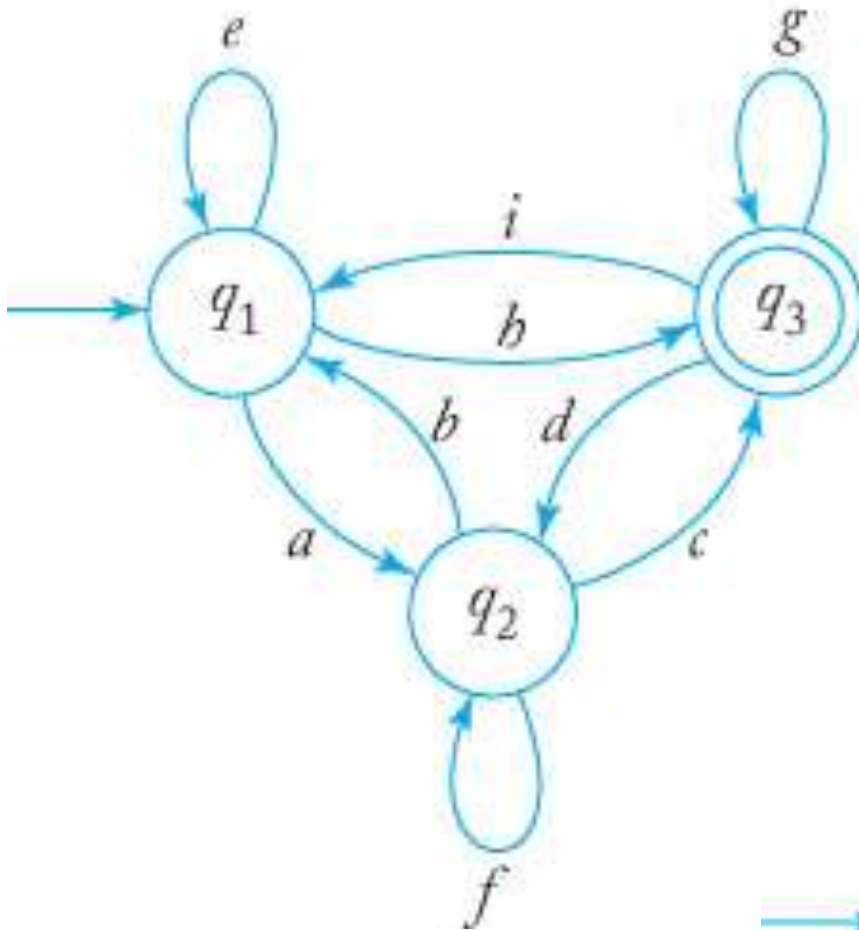
$$r = r_1^* r_2 (r_4 + r_3 r_1^* r_2)^*$$

How about a GTG with more than two states?

We can find an equivalent graph by removing one state at a time

Example 3.10

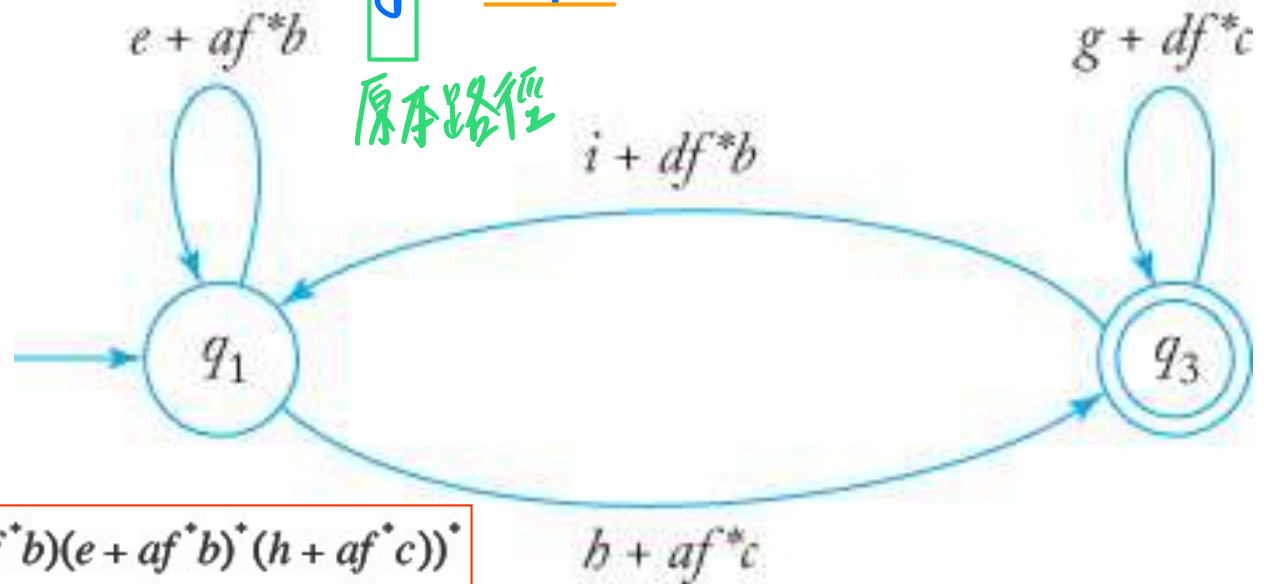
To remove q_2 , we create edges as follows:



$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{q_1 q_1} &\rightarrow e + \underline{af^*b} \\ \overrightarrow{q_1 q_3} &\rightarrow h + \underline{af^*c} \\ \overrightarrow{q_3 q_1} &\rightarrow i + \underline{df^*b} \\ \overrightarrow{q_3 q_3} &\rightarrow g + \underline{df^*c}\end{aligned}$$

經手

原有路徑



$$r = r_1^* r_2 (r_4 + r_3 r_1^* r_2)^*$$

$$(e + af^*b)^* (h + af^*c) ((g + df^*c) + (i + df^*b)(e + af^*b)^* (h + af^*c))^*$$

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NFA \rightarrow RE

- ➡ 1. Convert the NFA (with single final state) into a complete GTG. Let r_{ij} stand for the label of the edge from q_i to q_j .
2. If the GTG has only two states with $q_i \in q_0$ and $q_j \in F$, as its associated RE is:

$$r = r_{ii}^* r_{ij} (r_{jj} + r_{ji} r_{ii}^* r_{ij})^*$$

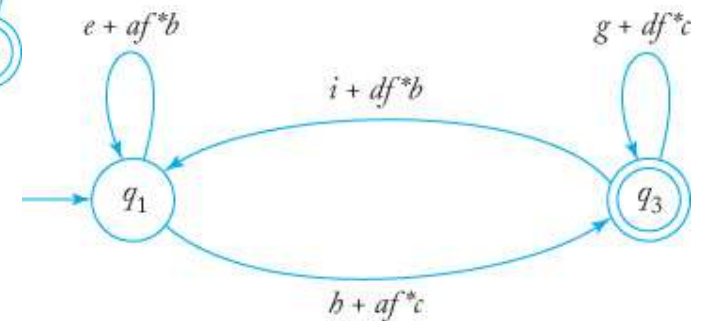
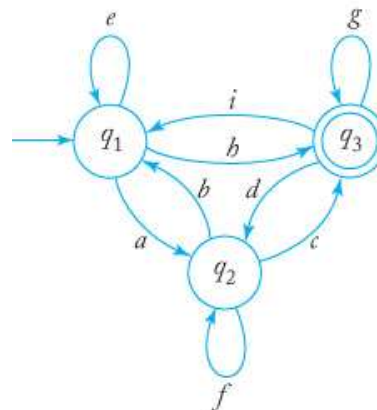
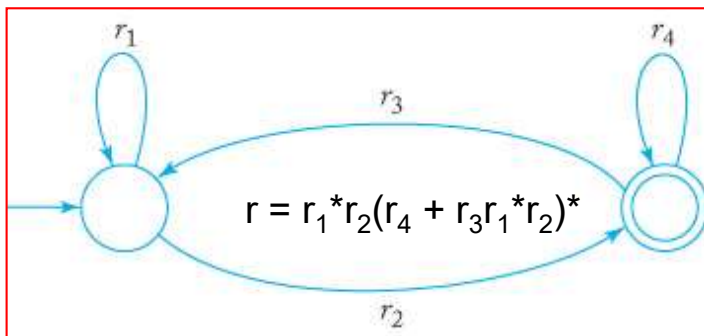
↪ 只剩 2 state 時使用

3. If the GTG has three states with $q_i \in q_0$, $q_j \in F$, and $q_k \in Q$, introduce new edges, labeled:

$$r_{pq} + r_{pk} r_{kk}^* r_{kq}$$

↪ 中間 state 消除

for $p = i, j$, $q = i, j$. When this is done, remove vertex q_k and its associated edges.



NFA \rightarrow RE

4. If the GTG has four or more states, pick a state q_k to be removed. Apply rule 3 for all pairs of states (q_i, q_j) , $i \neq k$, $j \neq k$. At each step apply the simplifying rules

$$\overset{\text{or}}{r + \phi = r}, \quad \overset{\text{concat}}{r \cdot \phi = \phi}, \quad \phi^* = \lambda$$

wherever possible. When this is done, remove state q_k .

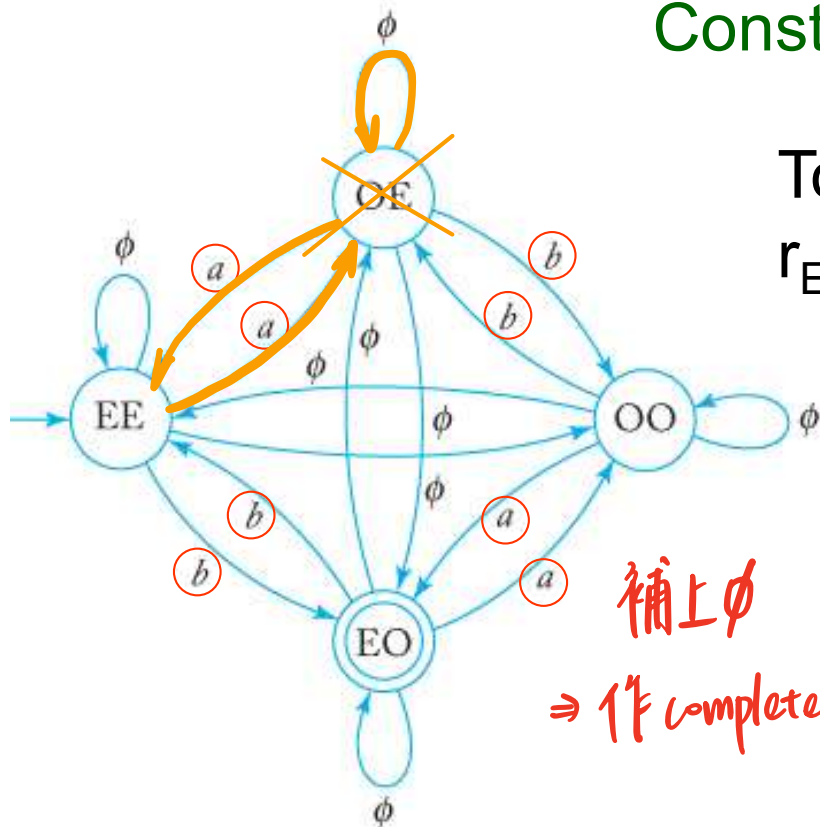
5. Repeat step 2 to 4 until the correct RE is obtained.

Example 3.11

- Find a RE for the language

$$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : n_a(w) \text{ is even and } n_b(w) \text{ is odd}\}.$$

Construct NFA first!



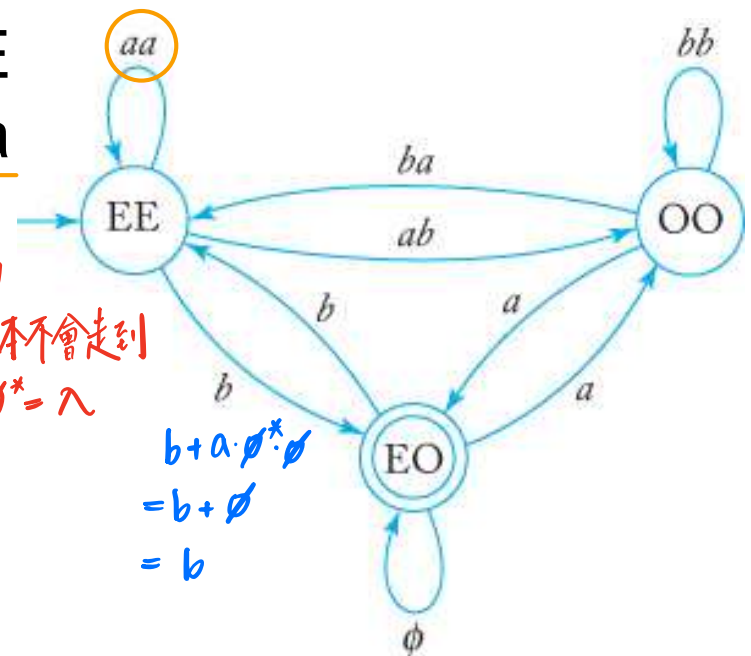
To remove OE

$$r_{EE} = \phi + a \phi^* a$$

$$= aa$$

根本不會走到
 $\therefore \phi^* = \Lambda$

補上 ϕ
 \Rightarrow 1作 complete G1G



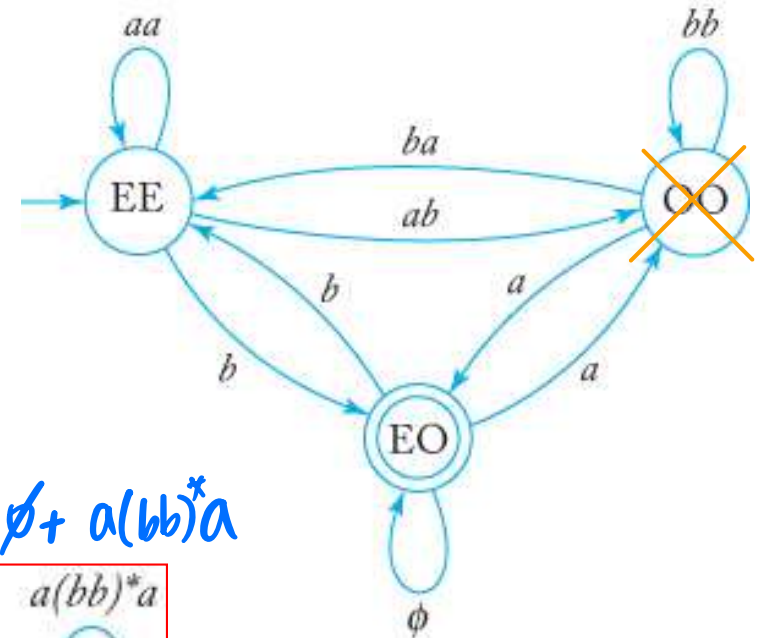
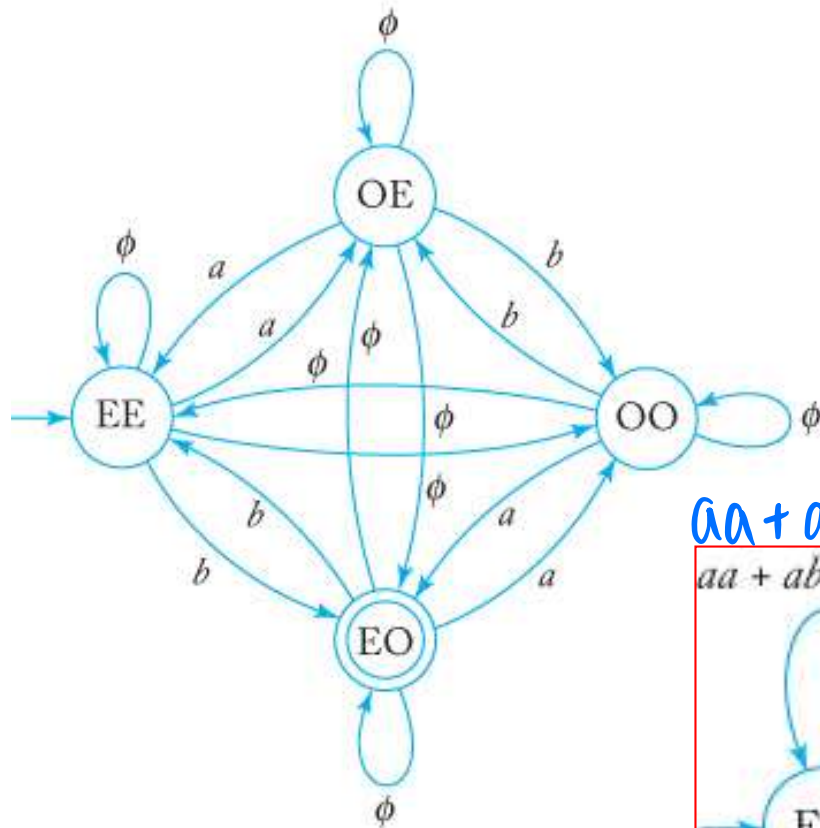
$$b + a \cdot \phi^* \cdot \phi$$

$$= b + \phi$$

$$= b$$

Example 3.11

$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : n_a(w) \text{ is even and } n_b(w) \text{ is odd}\}.$



$aa + ab(bb)^*ba$

$\emptyset + a(bb)^*a$

$aa + ab(bb)^*ba$

$a(bb)^*a$

$b + a(bb)^*ba$
 $b + a(bb)^*ba$

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Grammar Recap

- A grammar G is defined as a 4-tuple:

$$G = (V, T, S, P)$$

where

- V is a finite set of variables
- T is a finite set of terminals
- $S \in V$, called start variable
- P is a finite set of production rules

Grammar Recap

- Let $G = (V, T, S, P)$ be a grammar. Then the set

$$L(G) = \{w \in T^*: S \xRightarrow{*} w\}$$

is the language generated by G

- If $w \in L(G)$, then the sequence

$$S \Rightarrow w_1 \Rightarrow w_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow w_n \Rightarrow w$$

is a derivation of the sentence w .

- S, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n are called **sentential forms**

↳ 至少含有一個 variable

Linear Grammars

Grammars with
at most one variable at the right side
of a production

variable: 大夏
terminal: 小夏

Examples: $S \rightarrow aSb$

$S \rightarrow \lambda$

$S \rightarrow Ab$

$A \rightarrow aAb$

$A \rightarrow \lambda$

Another Linear Grammar

↳ 右邊只有一個 variable

Grammar G :

$$S \rightarrow A$$

$$A \rightarrow aB \mid \lambda$$

$$B \rightarrow Ab$$

A

aB

aAb

$aaBb$

$aaAbb$

$aa\lambda bb$

$aabb$

$$L(G) = \{a^n b^n : n \geq 0\}$$

↳ 非 regular : 畫不出 NFA, DFA

A Non-Linear Grammar

Grammar G :

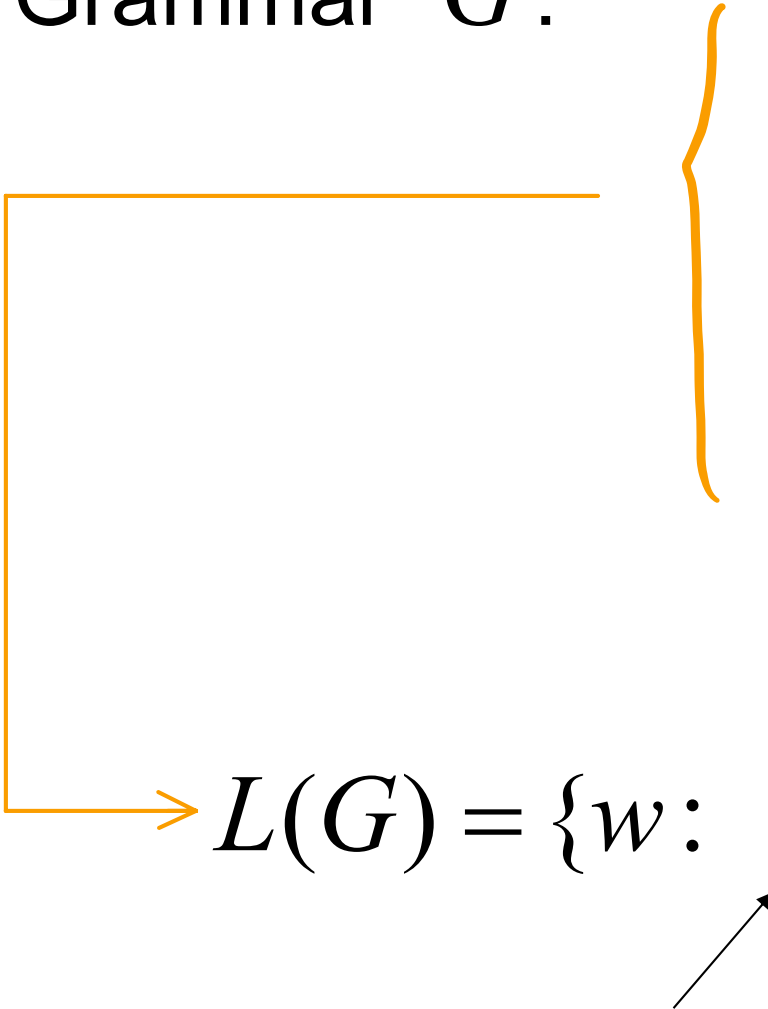
$$S \rightarrow SS$$

$$S \rightarrow \lambda$$

$$S \rightarrow aSb$$

$$S \rightarrow bSa$$

↪ 右邊有 2 個 variable


$$L(G) = \{w : n_a(w) = n_b(w)\}$$

Number of a in string w

Right-Linear Grammars

↳ variable 只能在最右邊 or 無 variable

- All productions have form: $A \rightarrow xB$

or

$$A \rightarrow x$$



string of
terminals

- Example: $S \rightarrow abS$

$$S \rightarrow a$$

Left-Linear Grammars

↳ variable 只能在最左邊 or 無 variable

- All productions have form: $A \rightarrow Bx$

or

$$A \rightarrow x$$



string of
terminals

- Example:
$$S \rightarrow Aab$$
$$A \rightarrow Aab \mid B$$
$$B \rightarrow a$$

Regular Grammars


A **regular grammar** is either right-linear or left-linear grammar

Examples:

G_1 

$S \rightarrow abS$


$S \rightarrow a$

G_2 

$S \rightarrow Aab$

$A \rightarrow Aab \mid B$

$B \rightarrow a$

G_3 

$S \rightarrow A$

$A \rightarrow aB \mid \lambda$

$B \rightarrow Ab$

Observation

Regular grammars generate regular languages

A regular grammar is always linear, but not all linear grammars are regular.

G_3 is linear grammar
but not regular grammar

G_3

$S \rightarrow A$

$A \rightarrow aB \mid \lambda$

$B \rightarrow Ab$

Example 3.13

Regular grammars generate regular languages

G_2

$$S \rightarrow A\underline{ab}$$

$$A \rightarrow Aab \mid B$$

$$B \rightarrow \textcircled{a}$$

G_1

$$S \rightarrow abS$$

$$S \rightarrow a$$

$$L(G_1) = (ab)^* a$$

$$L(G_2) = \textcircled{a}\underline{ab}(ab)^*$$

Theorem *<proof>*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Generated by} \\ \text{Regular Grammars} \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

Theorem - Part 1

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Generated by} \\ \text{Regular Grammars} \end{array} \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

Any regular grammar generates
a regular language

■ Theorem 3.3

Theorem - Part 2

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Generated by} \\ \text{Regular Grammars} \end{array} \right\} \supseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

Any regular language is generated
by a regular grammar

■ Theorem 3.4

Proof – Part 1

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Generated by} \\ \text{Regular Grammars} \end{array} \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

The language $L(G)$ generated by any regular grammar G is regular

The case of Right-Linear Grammars

Let G be a right-linear grammar

We will prove: $L(G)$ is regular \Rightarrow ~~It is~~ NFA, DFA

Proof idea: We will construct NFA M
with $L(M) = L(G)$



- Grammar G is right-linear

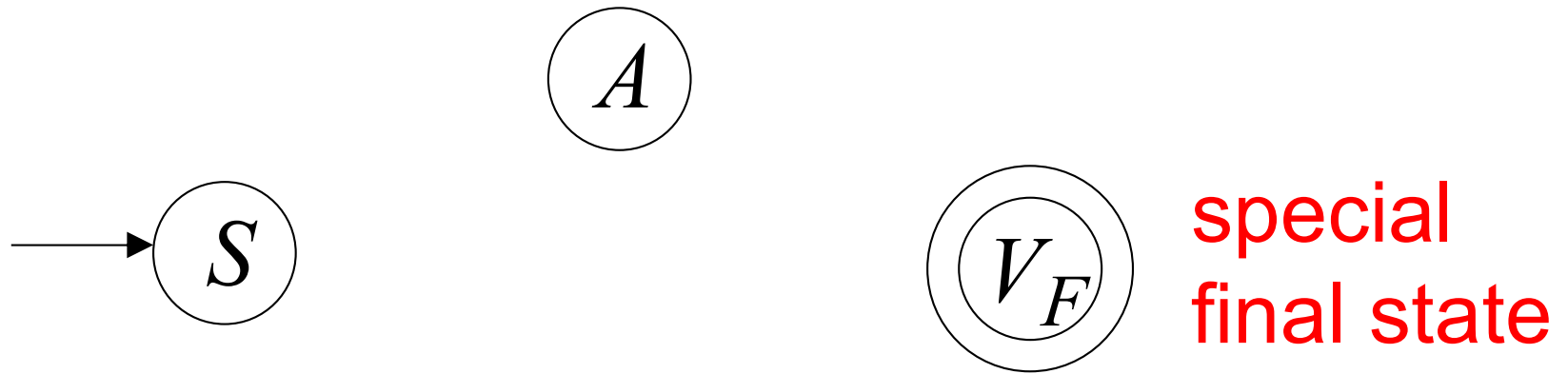
Example: $S \rightarrow aA \mid B$

$A \rightarrow aa B$

$B \rightarrow b B \mid a$

} right-linear

Construct NFA M such that
every state is a grammar variable:

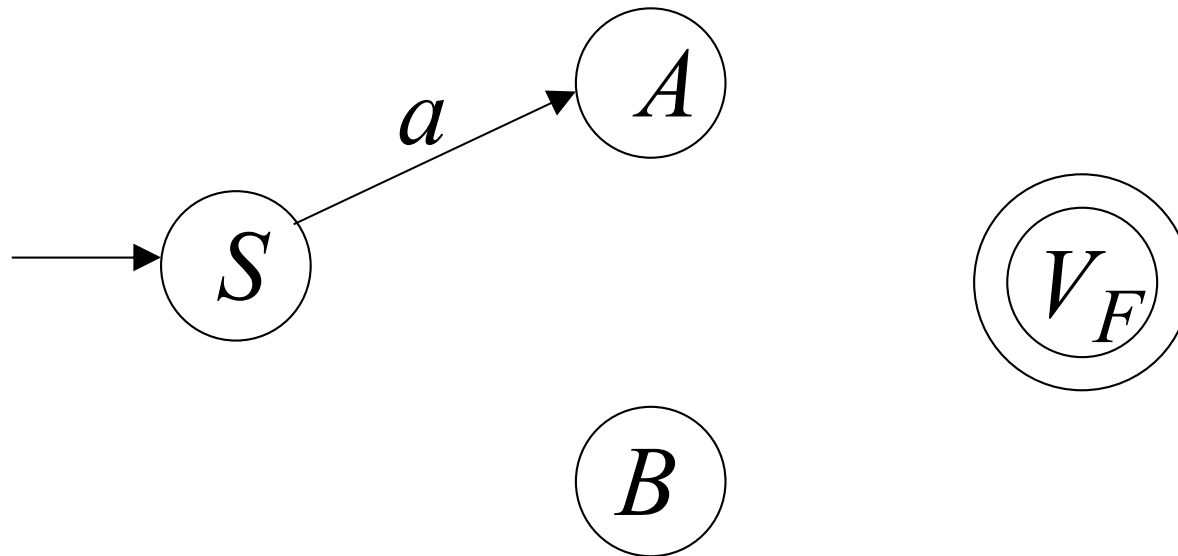


$$S \rightarrow aA \mid B$$

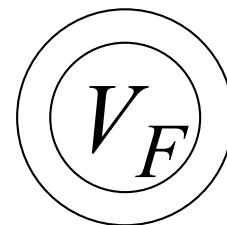
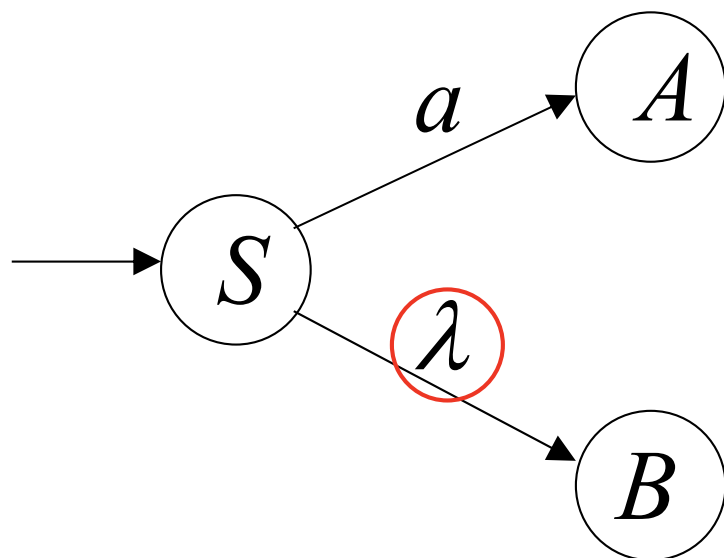
$$A \rightarrow aa B$$

$$B \rightarrow b B \mid a$$

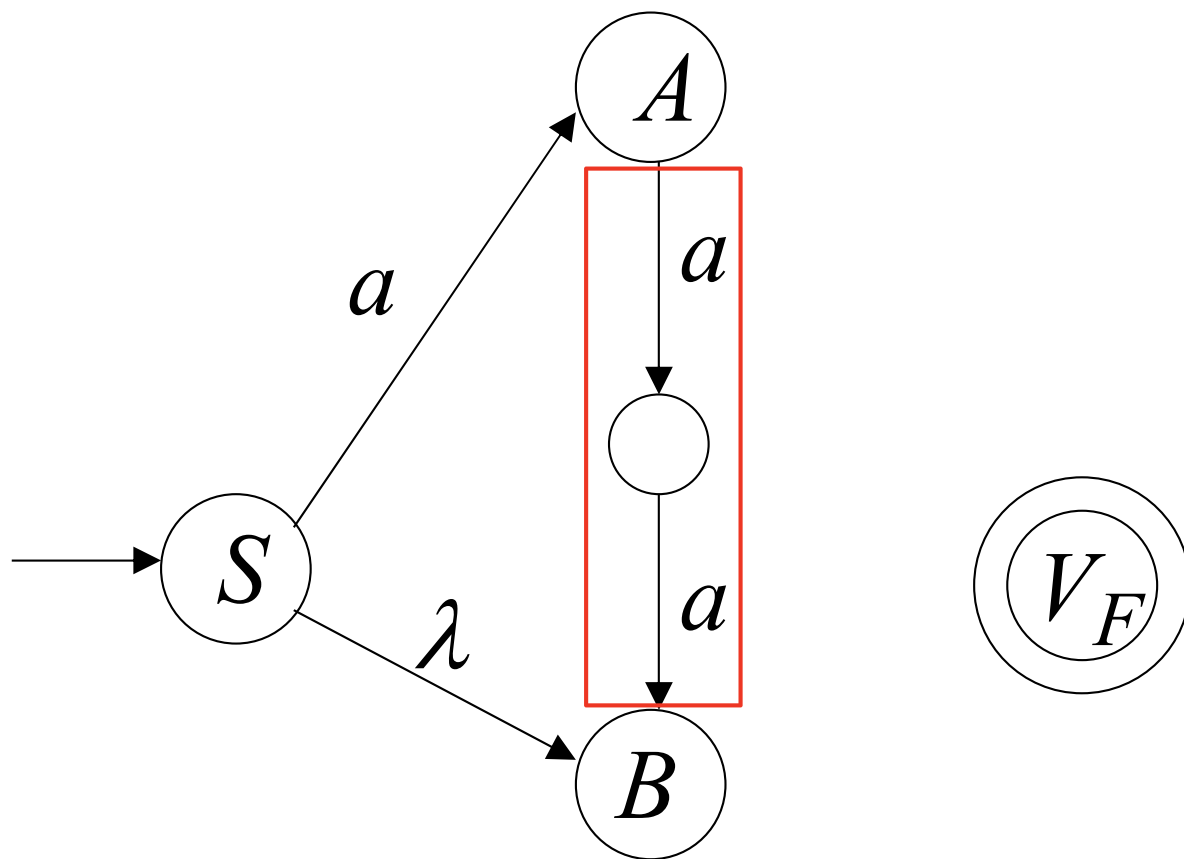
- Add edges for each production:



$$S \rightarrow aA$$

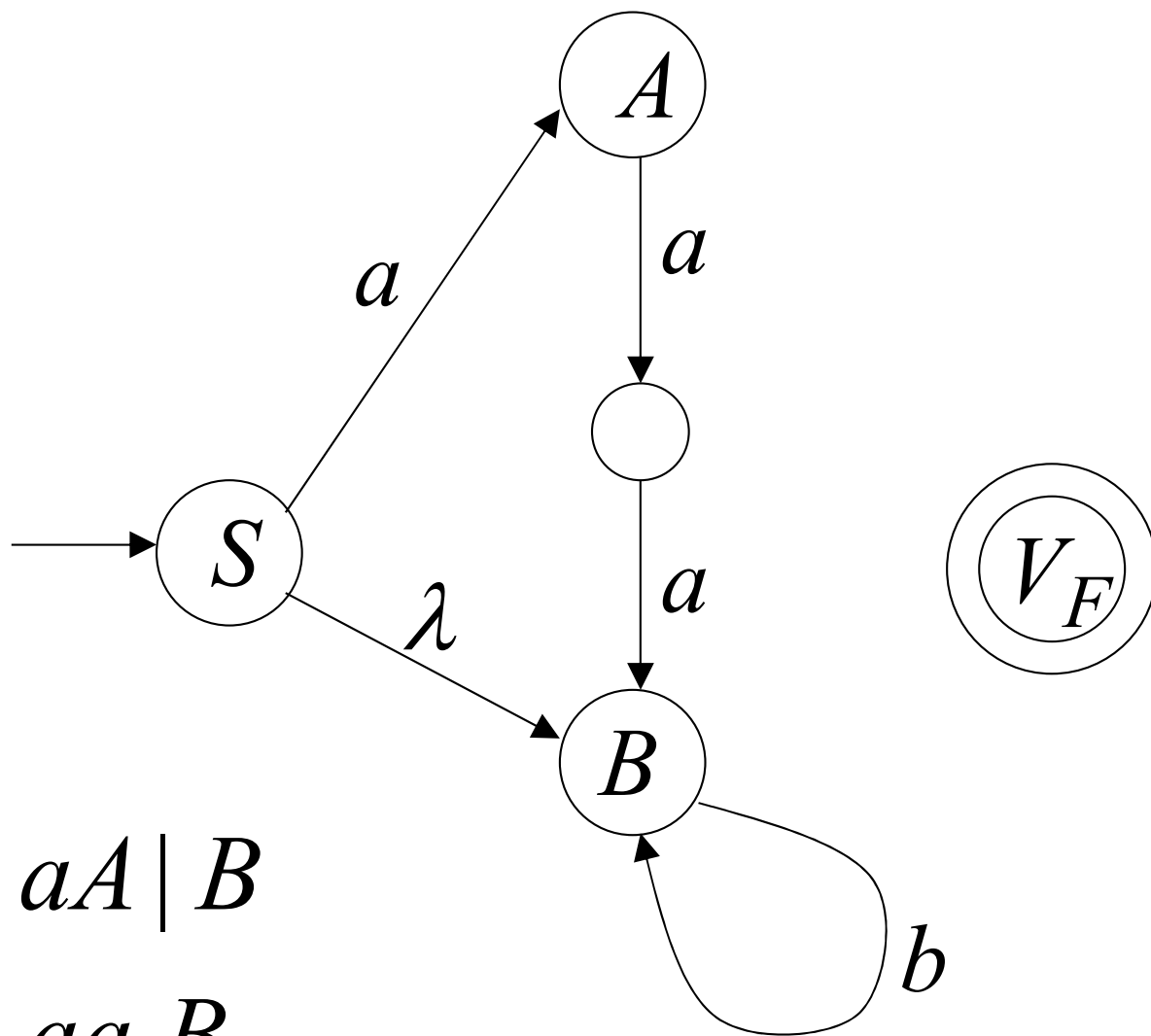


$$S \rightarrow aA \mid \textcircled{B}$$



$$S \rightarrow aA \mid B$$

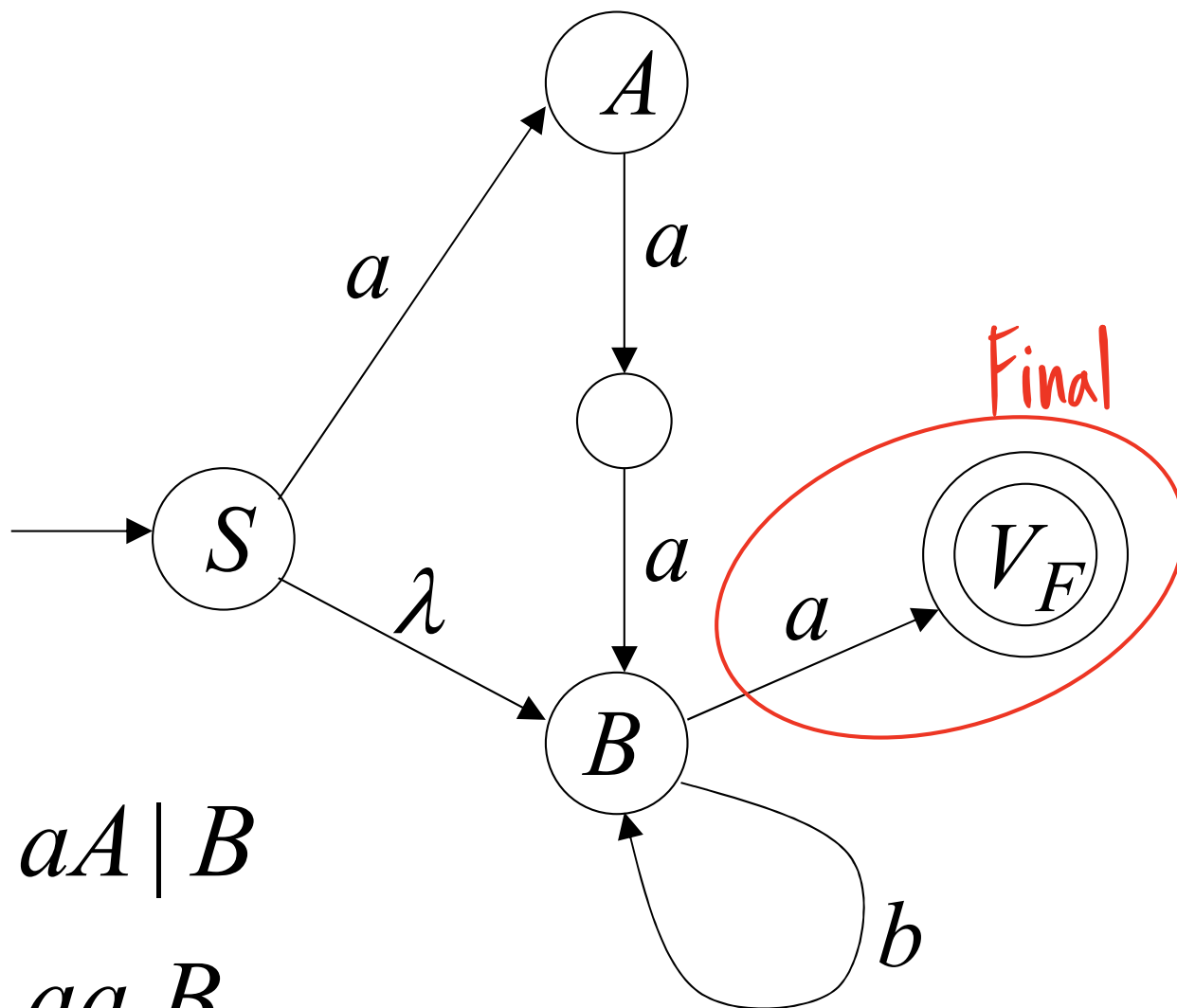
$$A \rightarrow \boxed{aa}B$$



$$S \rightarrow aA \mid B$$

$$A \rightarrow aa B$$

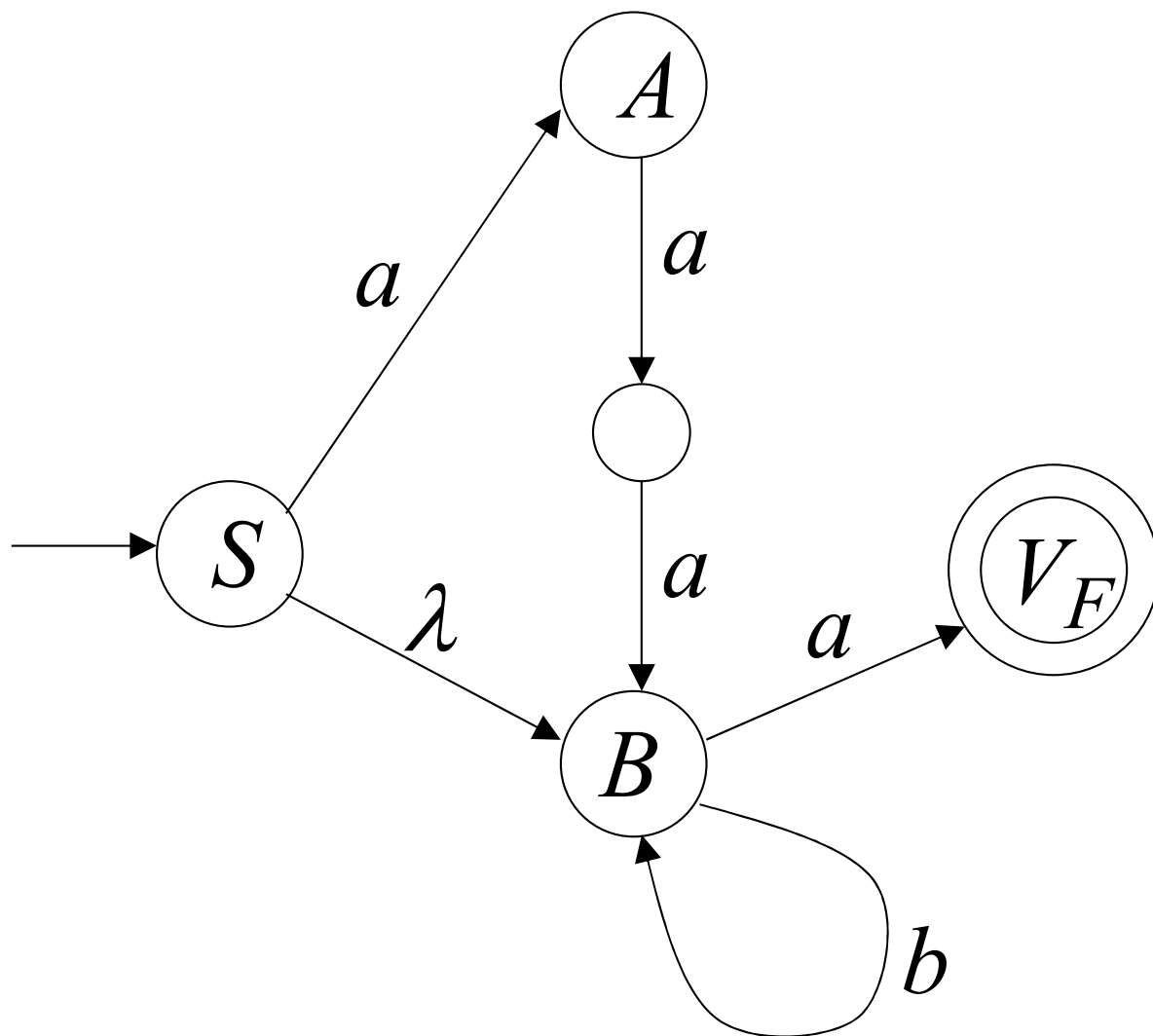
$$B \rightarrow bB$$



$$S \rightarrow aA \mid B$$

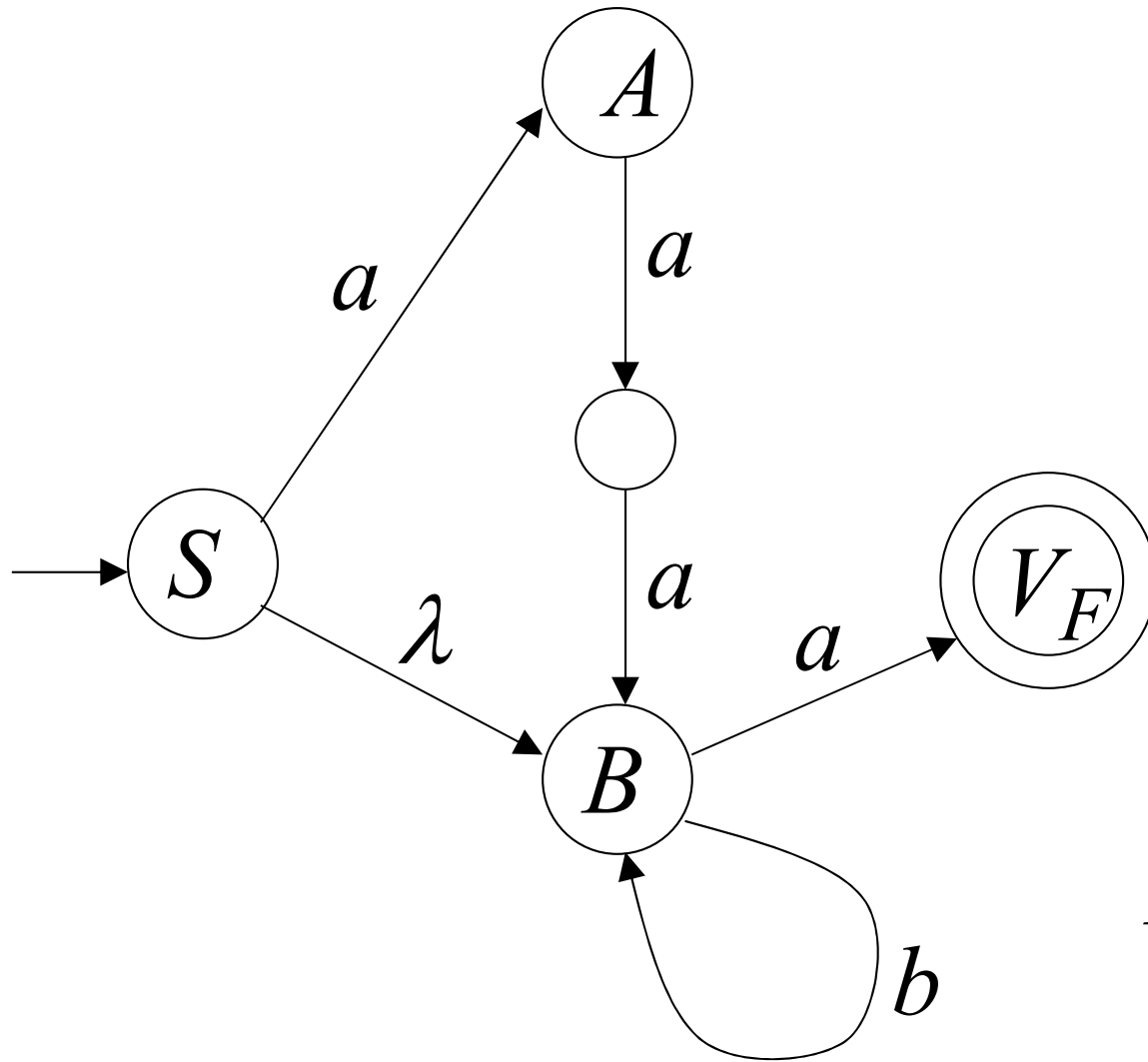
$$A \rightarrow aa B$$

$$B \rightarrow bB \mid a$$



$S \Rightarrow aA \Rightarrow aaaS \Rightarrow aaabB \Rightarrow aaaba$

NFA M



Grammar
 G

$$S \rightarrow aA \mid B$$

$$A \rightarrow aaB$$

$$B \rightarrow bB \mid a$$

$$L(M) = L(G)$$

$$= aaab^*a + b^*a$$

In General

A right-linear grammar G

has variables: V_0, V_1, V_2, \dots

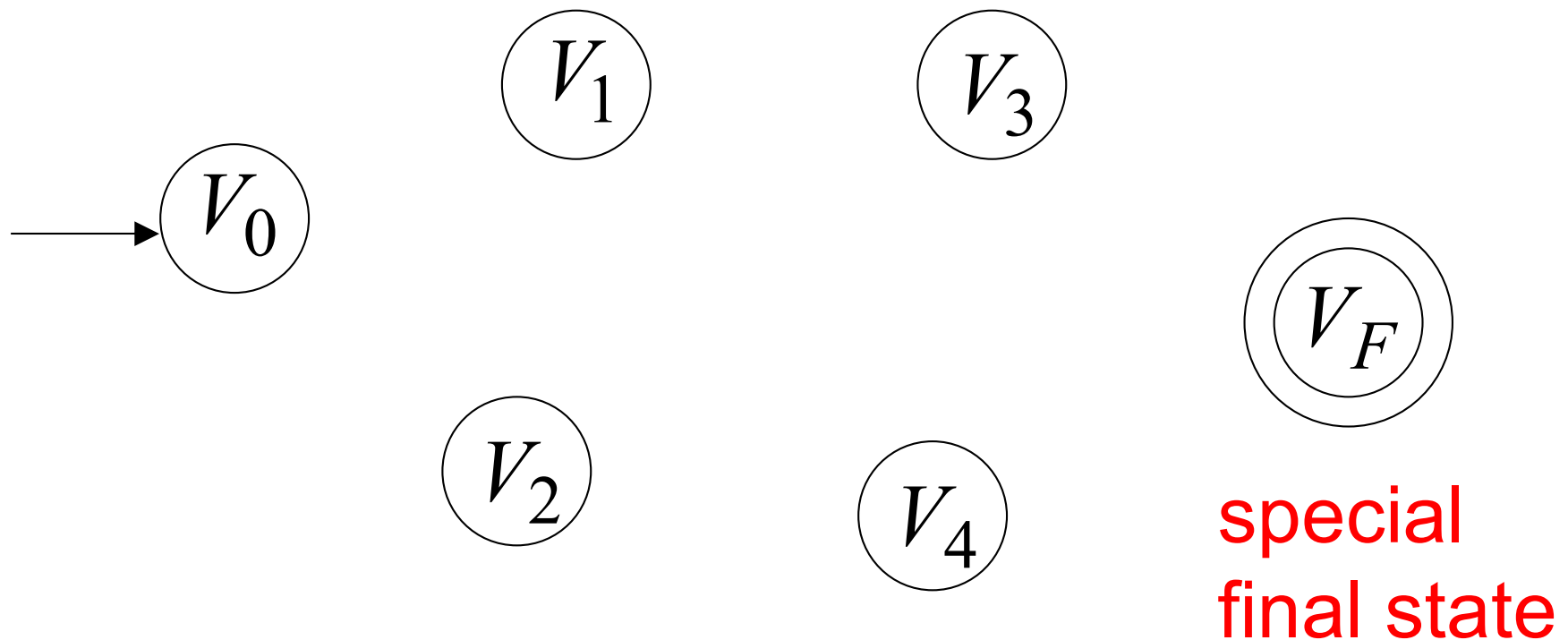
and productions: $V_i \rightarrow a_1 a_2 \cdots a_m V_j$

or

$$V_i \rightarrow a_1 a_2 \cdots a_m$$

We construct the NFA M such that:

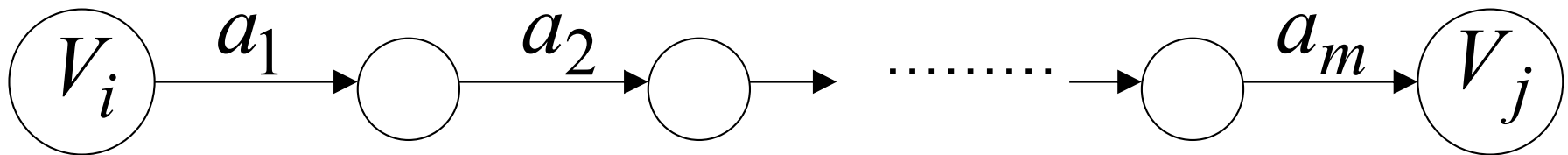
each variable V_i corresponds to a node:



多個 terminal

For each production: $V_i \rightarrow a_1 a_2 \cdots a_m V_j$

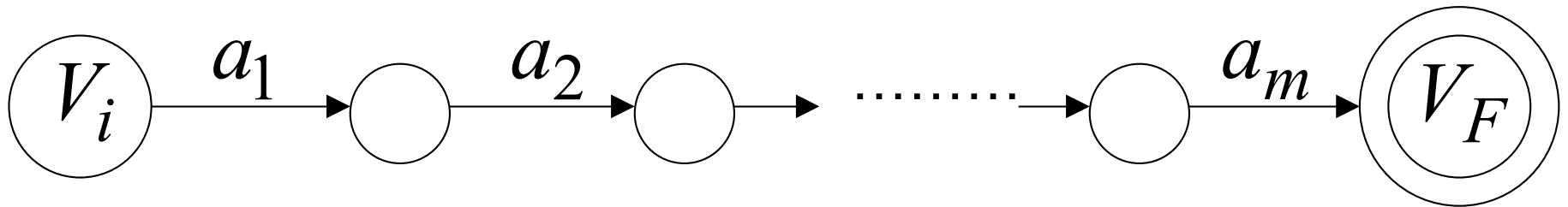
we add transitions and intermediate nodes



不具名的 state

For each production: $V_i \rightarrow a_1 a_2 \cdots a_m$

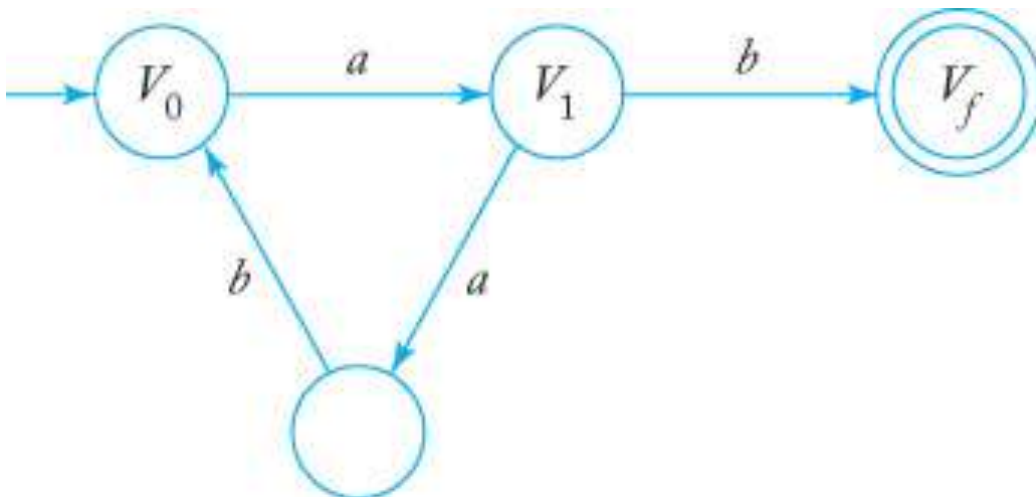
we add transitions and intermediate nodes



Example 3.15

- Construct a FA that accepts the language generated by the grammar

$$\begin{aligned}V_0 &\rightarrow aV_1, \\ V_1 &\rightarrow abV_0|b\end{aligned}$$



$$L(G) = (aab)^*ab$$

The case of Left-Linear Grammars

Let G be a left-linear grammar

We will prove: $L(G)$ is regular

Proof idea:

We will construct a right-linear grammar G' with $L(G) = L(G')^R$

Since G is left-linear grammar
the productions look like:

$$A \rightarrow Ba_1a_2 \cdots a_k$$

$$A \rightarrow a_1a_2 \cdots a_k$$

- Construct right-linear grammar G'

Left linear G

$$A \rightarrow Ba_1a_2 \cdots a_k$$

$$A \rightarrow Bv$$



Right linear G'

$$A \rightarrow a_k \cdots a_2a_1B$$

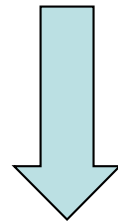
$$A \rightarrow v^R B$$

- Construct right-linear grammar G'

Left
linear G

$$A \rightarrow a_1 a_2 \cdots a_k$$

$$A \rightarrow v$$



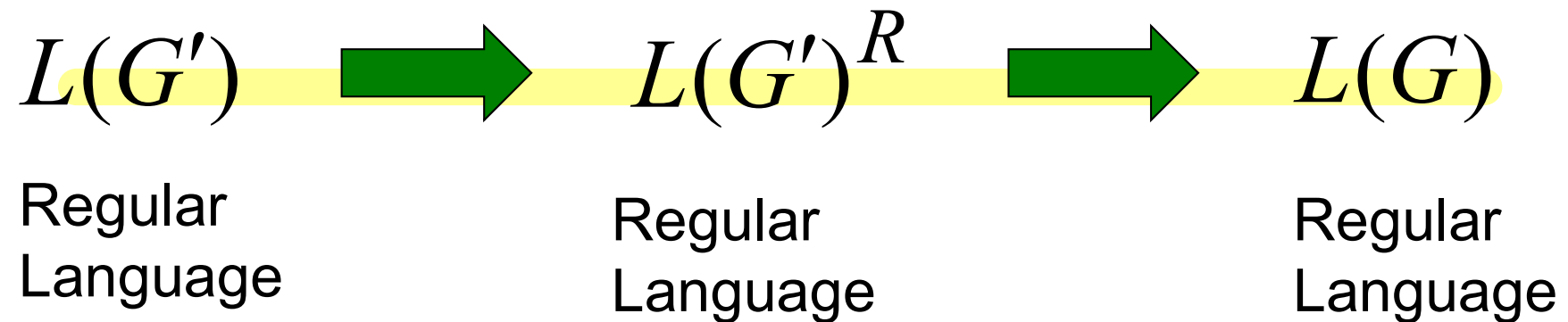
Right
linear G'

$$A \rightarrow a_k \cdots a_2 a_1$$

$$A \rightarrow v^R$$

It is easy to see that: $L(G) = L(G')^R$

Since G' is right-linear, we have:



Proof - Part 2

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Languages} \\ \text{Generated by} \\ \text{Regular Grammars} \end{array} \right\} \supseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Regular} \\ \text{Languages} \end{array} \right\}$$

Any regular language L is generated
by some regular grammar G

Any regular language L is generated
by some regular grammar G

Proof idea:

Let M be the NFA with $L = L(M)$.

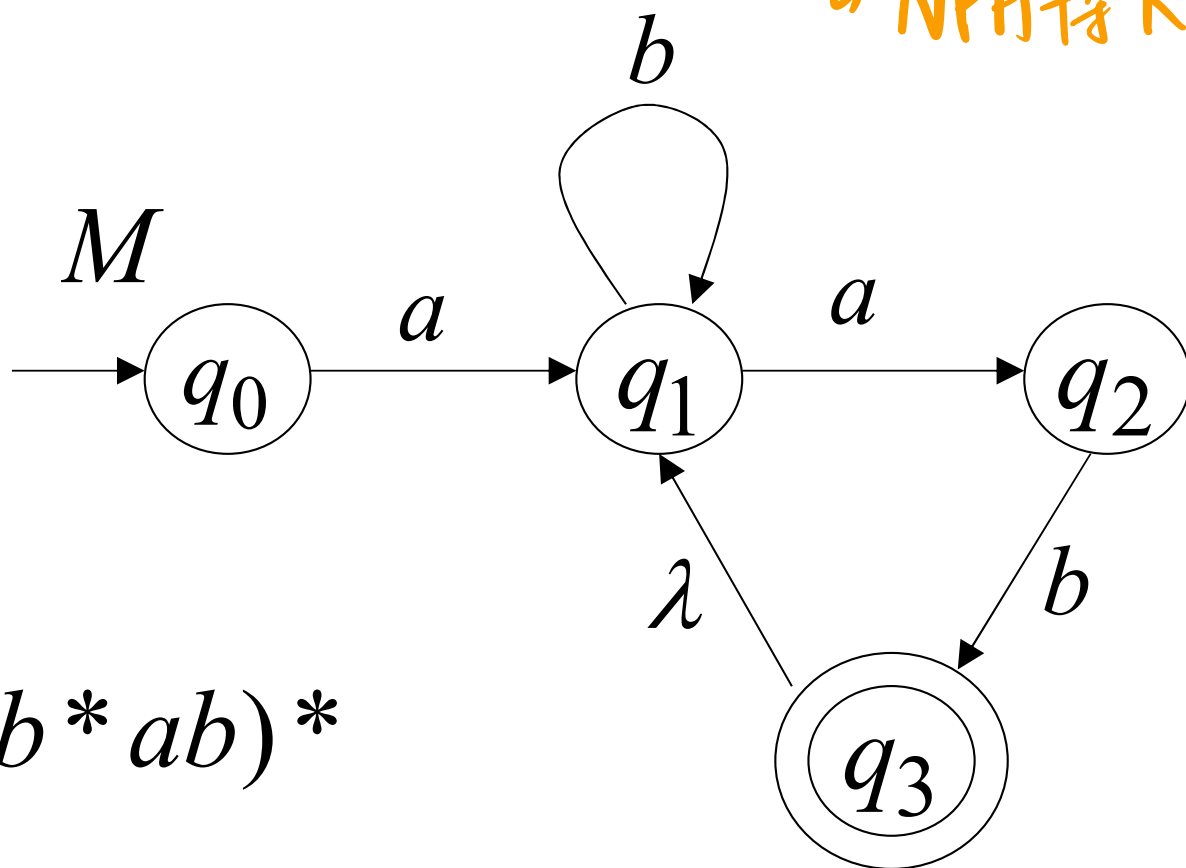
Construct from M to a regular grammar G
such that $L(M) = L(G)$

Since L is regular

there is an NFA M such that $L = L(M)$

↳ NFA轉RG

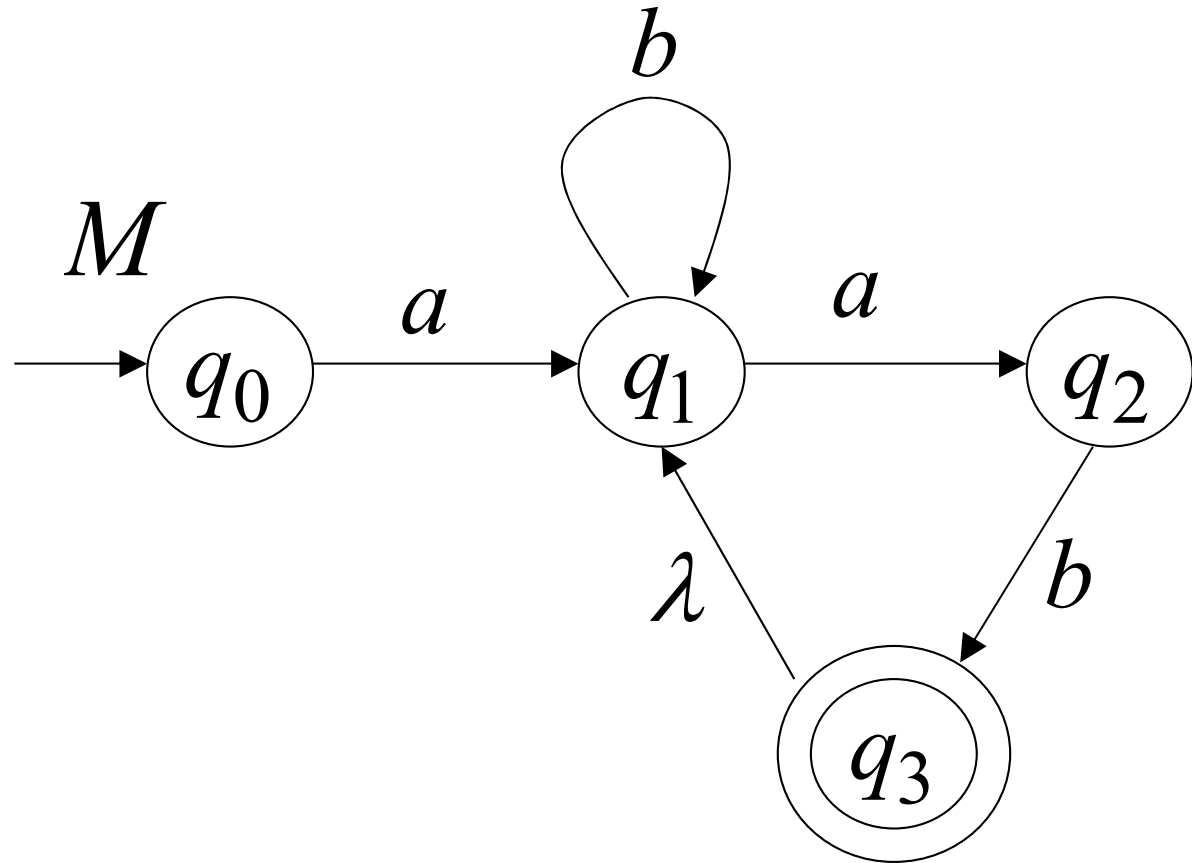
Example:



$$L = ab^*ab(b^*ab)^*$$

$$L = L(M)$$

Convert M to a right-linear grammar
(BFS-like)

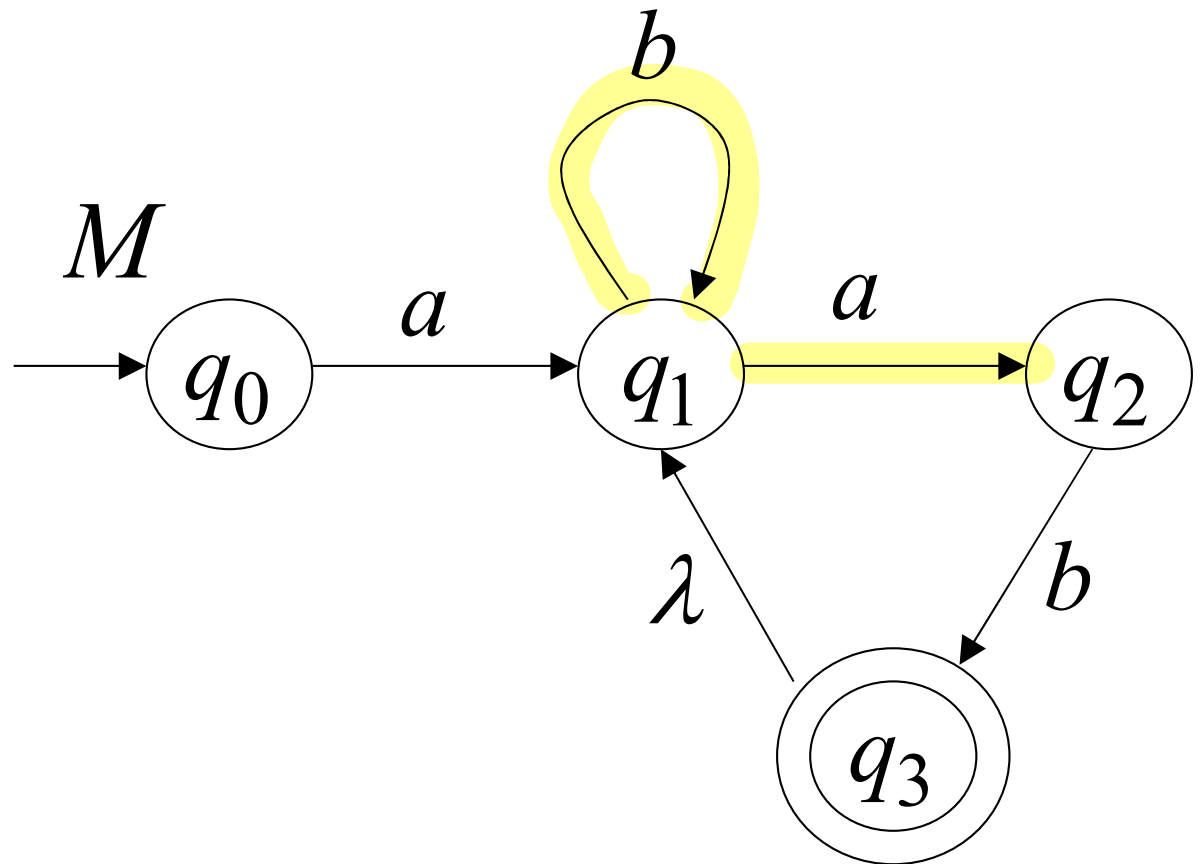


$$q_0 \rightarrow aq_1$$

$$q_0 \rightarrow aq_1$$

$$q_1 \rightarrow bq_1$$

$$q_1 \rightarrow aq_2$$

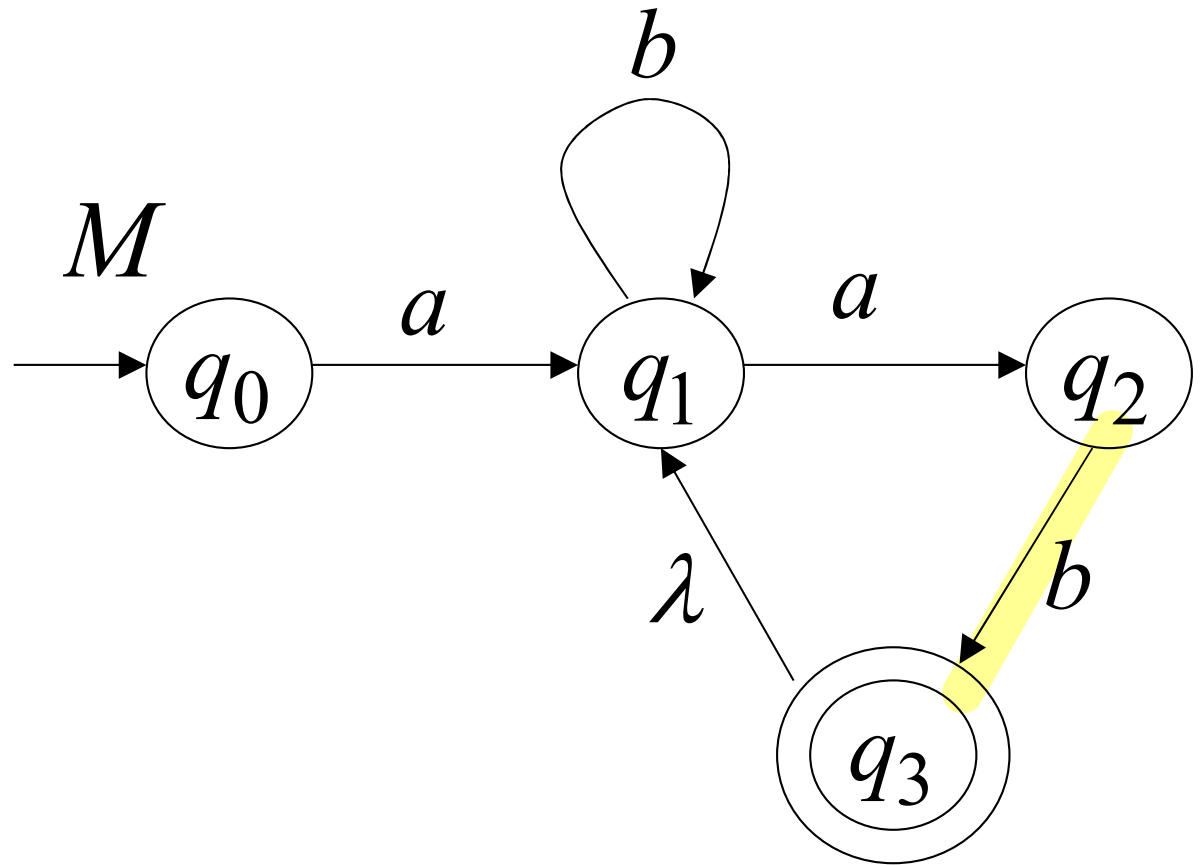


$$q_0 \rightarrow aq_1$$

$$q_1 \rightarrow bq_1$$

$$q_1 \rightarrow aq_2$$

$$q_2 \rightarrow bq_3$$



$$L(G) = L(M) = L$$

G

$$q_0 \rightarrow aq_1$$

$$q_1 \rightarrow bq_1$$

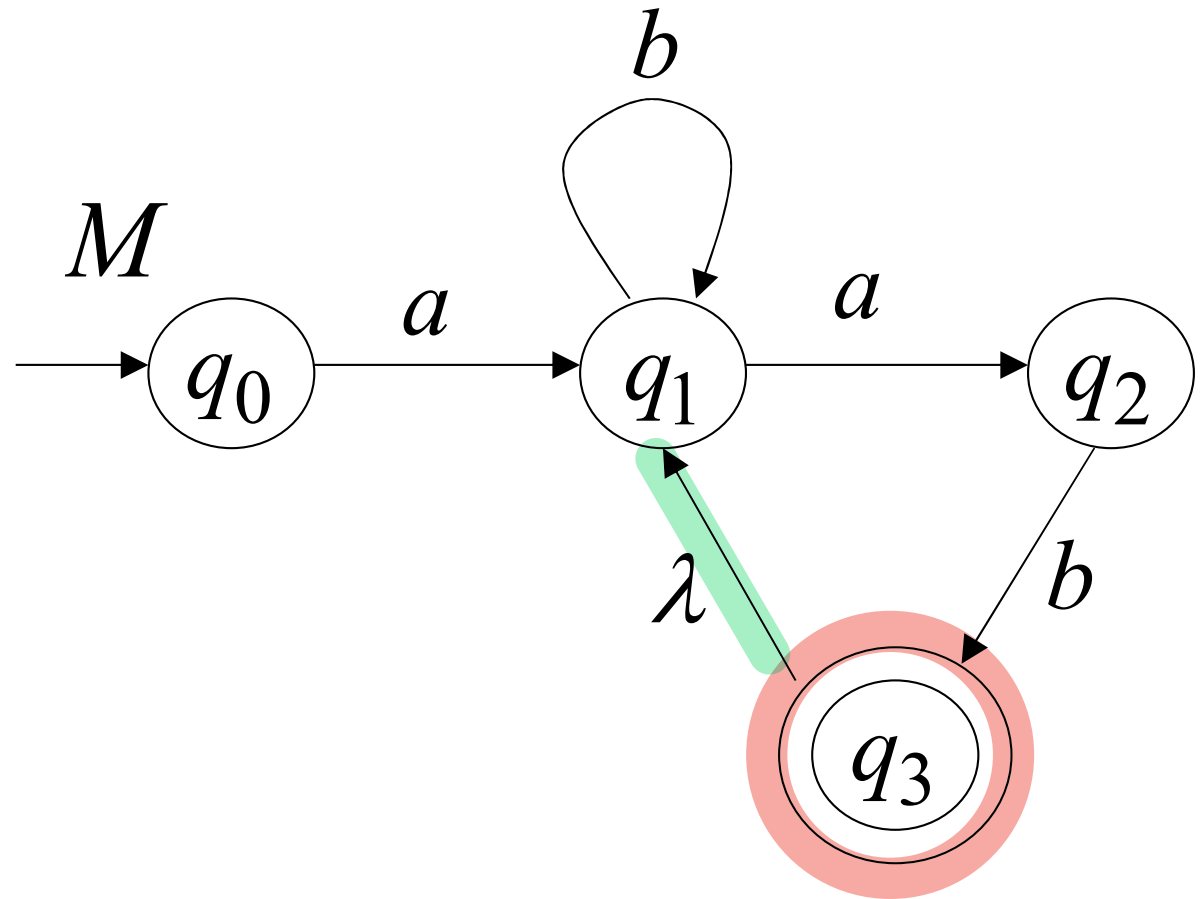
$$q_1 \rightarrow aq_2$$

$$q_2 \rightarrow bq_3$$

$$q_3 \rightarrow q_1$$

$$q_3 \rightarrow \lambda$$

↪ final state 需通向入

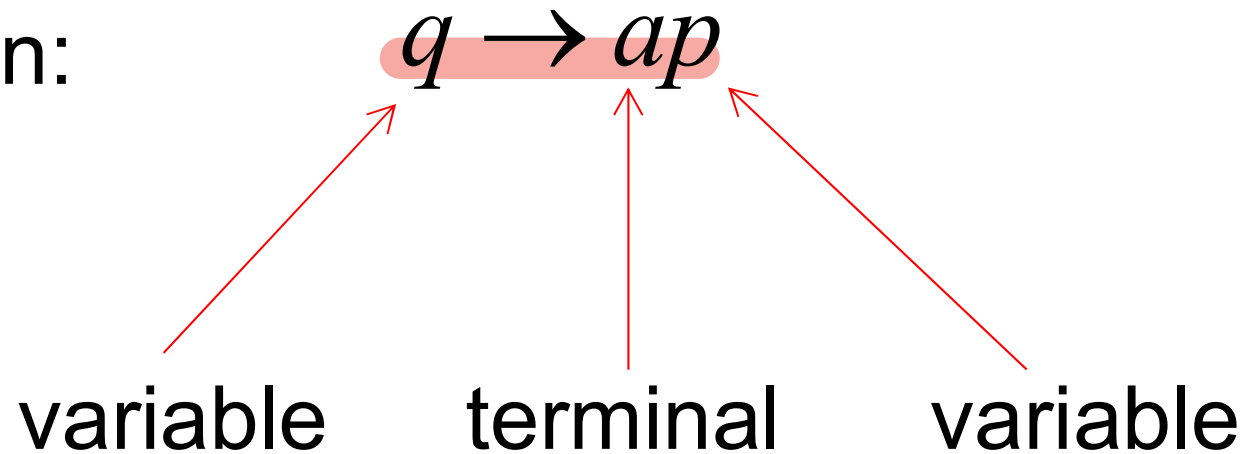


In General

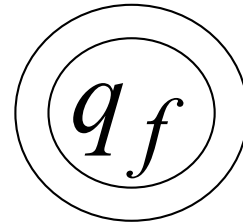
For any transition:



Add production:



For any final state:



Add production:

$$q_f \rightarrow \lambda$$

Since G is right-linear grammar

G is also a regular grammar

with $L(G) = L(M) = L$

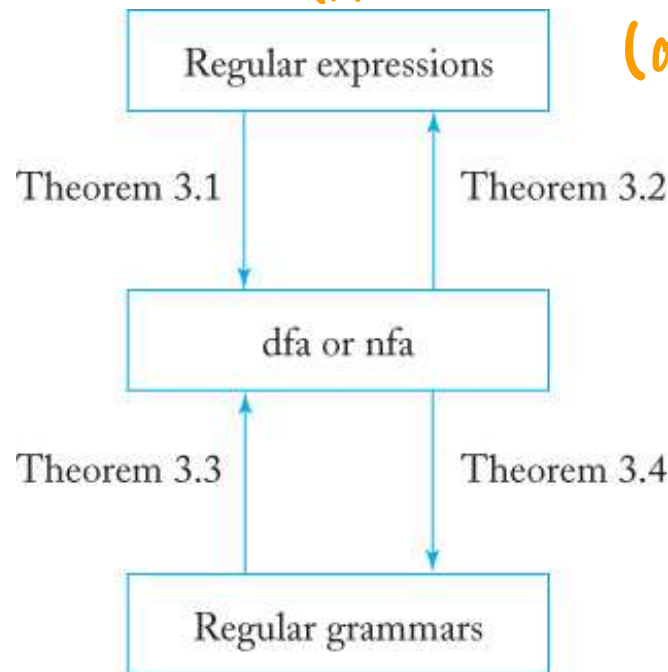
Summary

- We now have several ways of describing **regular languages**:

↳ 無記憶性, $\therefore a^n b^n$ 找不到
($a^2 b^2$, $a^1 b^1$... 可以)

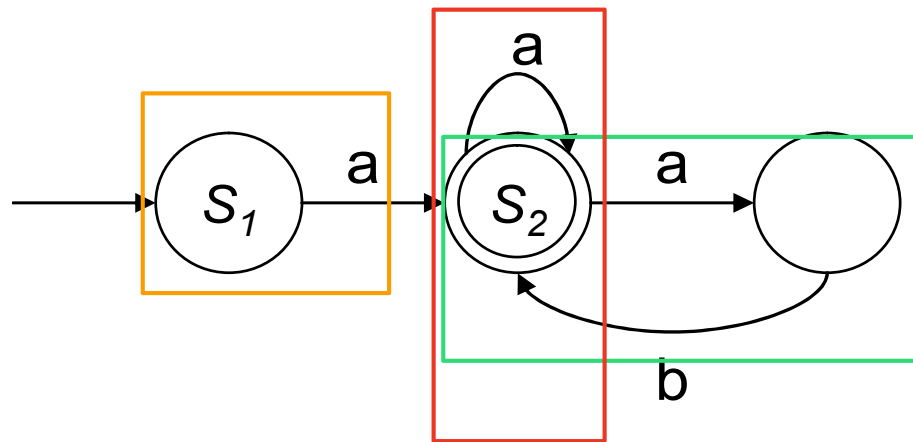
- DFA
- NFA
- RE
- RG

model
工具



Short Quiz

- Find a regular grammar that generates the language $L(\underline{a}a^*(ab+a)^*)$.



$$S_1 \rightarrow aS_2$$

$$S_2 \rightarrow aS_2 \mid abS_2 \mid \underline{\lambda}$$

Questions?