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Problem Set 2

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"I pledge my honor that I have avoided by the Stevens Honor System" J Nelson

Problem 1

a) $\{w : w \text{ has an odd number of } a's \text{ and ends with } b\}$

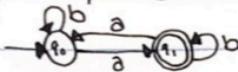
Two lang Intersection:

$L_1 \cap L_2$

$$L_1 = \{w : w \text{ has an odd # of } a's\}$$

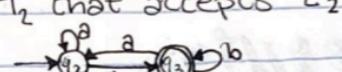
$$L_2 = \{w : w \text{ ends with } a'b\}$$

b) M_1 that accepts lang L_1



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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Transitions: } & f(q_0, a) = q_1, & Q = \{q_0, q_1\} \\ & f(q_0, b) = q_0, & \text{Start State: } q_0 \\ & f(q_1, a) = q_0, & F = q_1 \\ & \cancel{f(q_1, b) = q_1}, & \end{aligned}$$



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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Transitions: } & f(q_2, a) = q_3, & Q = \{q_2, q_3\} \\ & f(q_2, b) = q_3, & \text{Start State: } q_2 \\ & f(q_3, a) = q_4, & F = q_3 \\ & f(q_3, b) = q_3. & \end{aligned}$$

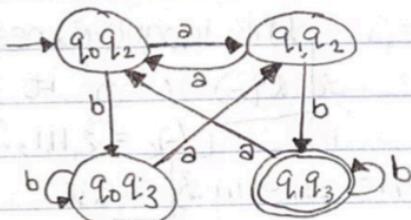
c) cross product of L_1 and L_2

$$\{q_0, q_1\} \times \{q_2, q_3\} = \{q_0q_2, q_0q_3, q_1q_2, q_1q_3\}$$

Initial state: q_0q_2

$$F = q_1q_3$$

FSA: $\{ww : w \text{ has odd# } a's \text{ and ends w/ } b\}$



Transitions: $f(q_0q_2, a) = q_1q_2$

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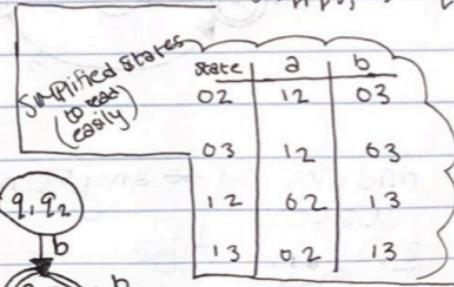
d) You can combine states

q_0q_2 and q_1q_3 together

Not ditch q_1q_2 with q_1q_3 because it affects the lang q_0q_2 and q_0q_3 w/ odd a's.

the states both go to

the same state w/ the same input
(they have the same transition states)
AND don't affect one lang.



Problem 2

$L = \{w^R \mid w \in A\}$ if $A = \emptyset$ or $A = \{\epsilon\}$

To reverse : ~~reverse~~

Reverse the transition directions

A is a reg lang

(accepted by
min. 1 FSA)

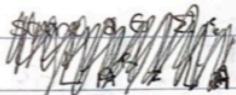
A^R accept is A start state

Add new start state with ϵ transition

to the original accept states of A

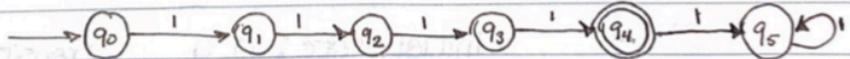
Shows $w^R \in A^R$

Reversing the states + accept reverses the language
to A^R that is also regular.



Problem 3

a) 6 state FSA for $L_4 = \{\overline{1}111\}$



Start = q_0

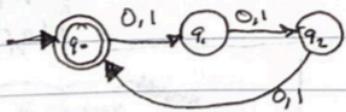
F = q_4

We can't reduce the states because
this language needs a dead state
(q_5) so it requires 6 states

b) $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

$L = 3$

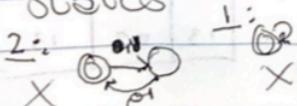
$L = \{000, 001, 010, 100, 101, 110, 111\}$ needs $k+2$ states



For any alphabet in place of $\{0, 1\}$
would be accepted for ~~K=3~~ K=3

can be accepted by a 3-state

And not by any fewer
states



~~FSA~~ ~~any regular language can be accepted by a 3-state~~
~~any regular language can be accepted by a 2-state~~

