

SCSI 1013: Discrete Structure

CHAPTER 6

FINITE AUTOMATA

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Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA)

- In computer science, we study different types of computer languages, such as Basic, Pascal, and C++.
- We will discuss a type of a language that can be recognized by special types of machines.
- A deterministic finite automaton (pl. automata) is a mathematical model of a machine that accepts languages of some alphabet.

Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA)

- Deterministic Finite Automaton is a quintuple $M = \{ S, I, q_0, f_s, F \}$ where,
 - S is a finite nonempty set of states
 - I is the input alphabet (a finite nonempty set of symbols)
 - q_0 is the initial state
 - f_s is the state transition function
 - F is the set of final states, subset of S .

Note:

Tuple: is an ordered list of elements.

Quintuple: five times as much in size; e.g., $M = \{ S, I, O, q_0, f_s \}$;

sextuple: six times as much in size, e.g., $M = \{ S, I, O, q_0, f_s, f_0 \}$.

Example 1

- Let $M = \{ \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \{0, 1\}, q_0, f_s, \{q_2\} \}$
where f_s is defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} f_s(q_0, 0) = q_1, & f_s(q_1, 1) = q_2 \\ f_s(q_0, 1) = q_0, & f_s(q_2, 0) = q_0 \\ f_s(q_1, 0) = q_2, & f_s(q_2, 1) = q_1 \end{array}$$

- Note that for M :
 $S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$, $I = \{0, 1\}$, $F = \{q_2\}$
 q_0 is the initial state

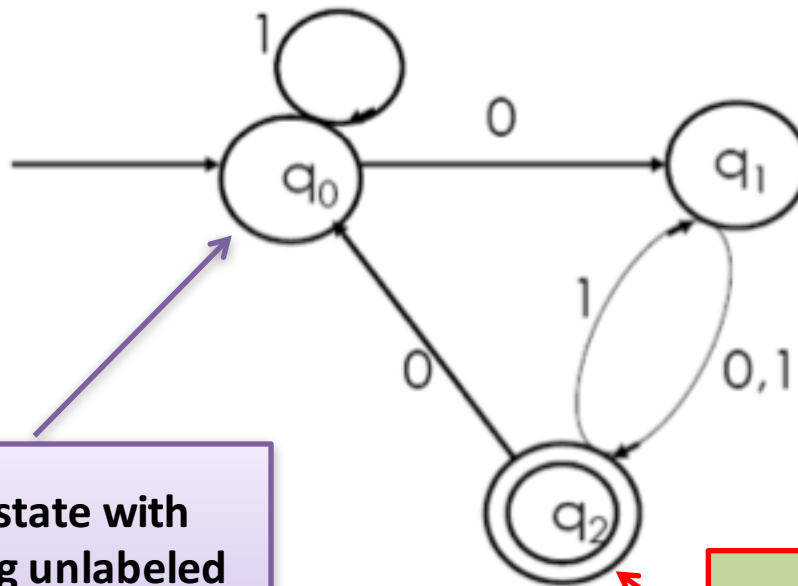
Example 1 (cont.)

- The state transition function of a DFA is often described by means of a table, called a **transition table**.

f_s	0	1
q_0	q_1	q_0
q_1	q_2	q_2
q_2	q_0	q_1

Example 1 (cont.)

- The **transition diagram** of this DFA is,



Each state represented by a small circle labeled with the state

Initial state with incoming unlabeled arrow not originating from any vertex

Final state with a double circle

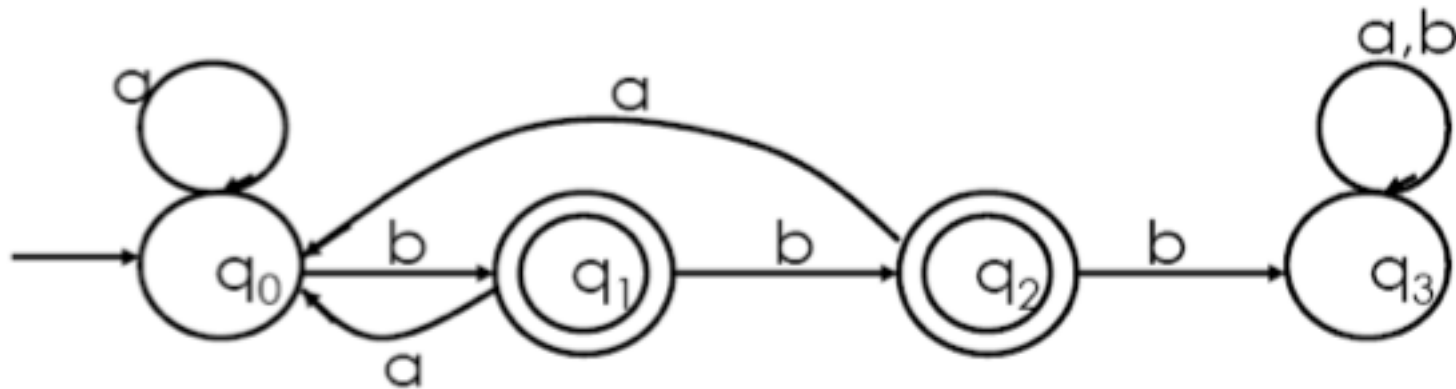
Example 2

Let $M = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \{a, b\}, q_0, f_s, \{q_1, q_2\})$
where f_s is given by the table

f_s	a	b
q_0	q_0	q_1
q_1	q_0	q_2
q_2	q_0	q_3
q_3	q_3	q_3

Example 2 (cont.)

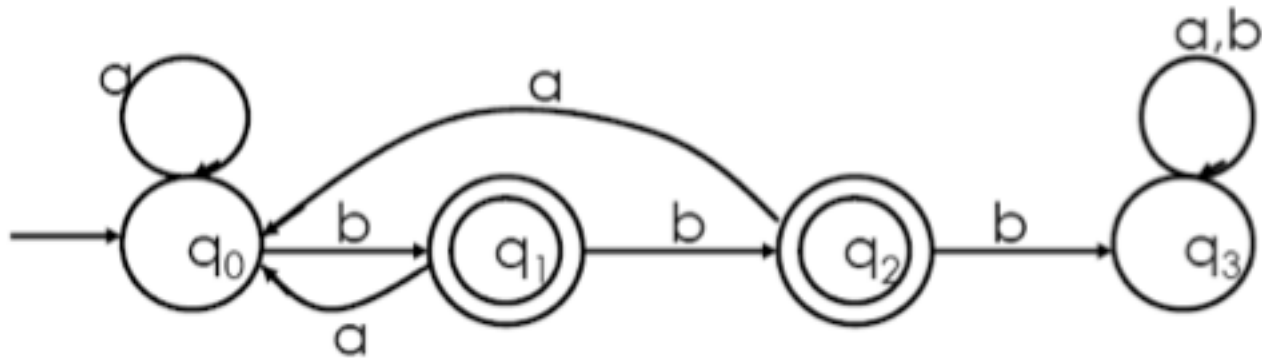
- The transition diagram of this DFA is,



DFA – with extended transition function for M

- Let $M = \{ S, I, q_0, f_s, F \}$ be a DFA and w is an input string,
- w is said to be accepted by M if
$$f_s^*(q_0, w) \in F$$
- f_s^* - extended transition function for M

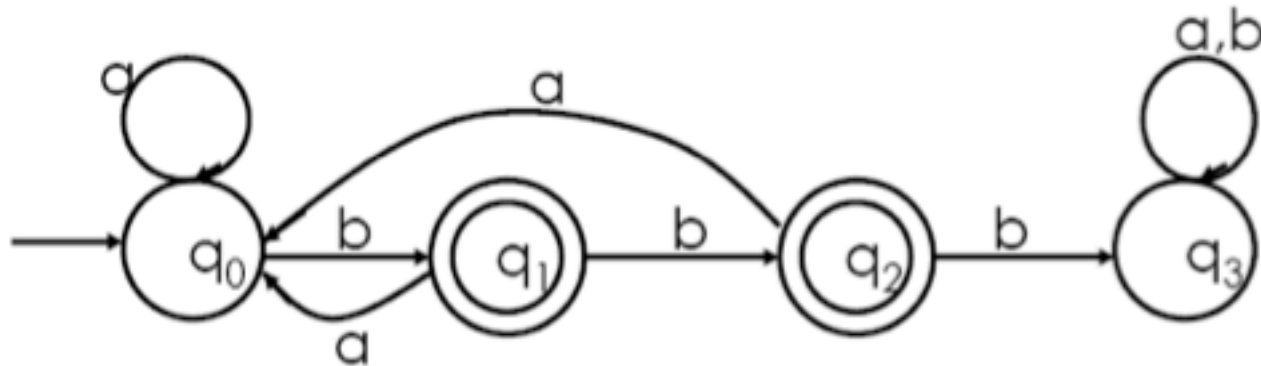
Example 3



$w = abb$

$q_0 \xrightarrow{a} q_0 \xrightarrow{b} q_1 \xrightarrow{b} q_2$
 accepted by M

Example 4

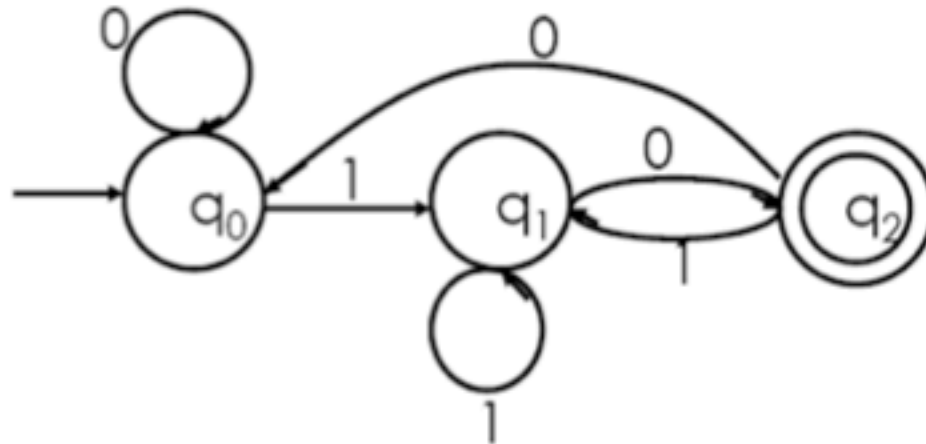


$w = abba$

$q_0 \xrightarrow{a} q_0 \xrightarrow{b} q_1 \xrightarrow{b} q_2 \xrightarrow{a} q_0$

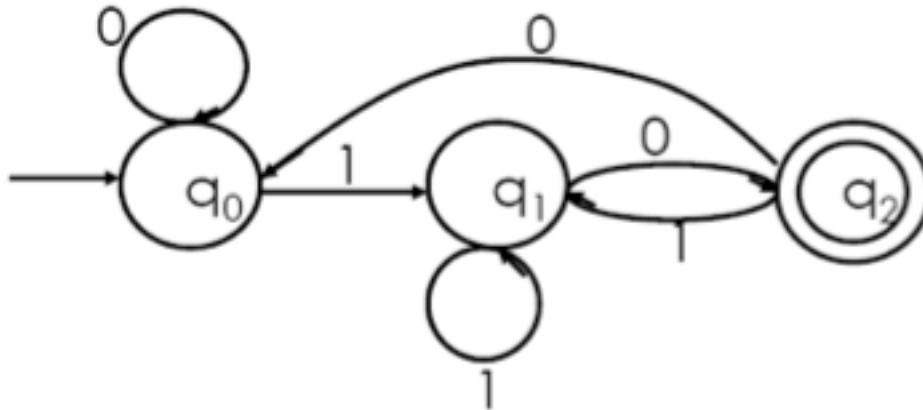
not accepted by M

Example 5



- What are the states of M ?
- Write the set of input symbols.
- Which is the initial state?

Example 5 (cont.)



● Write the set of final states.

● Write the transition table for this DFA

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Example 5 (cont.)

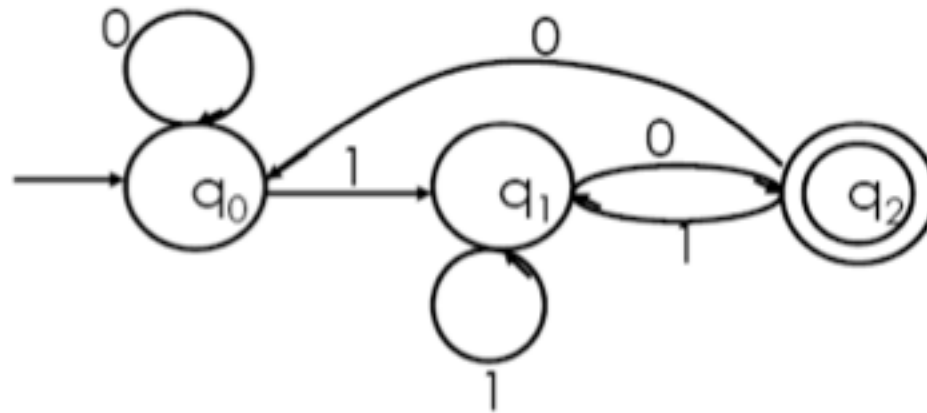
Which of the strings are accepted by M ?

0111010, 00111, 111010,

0100, 1110

Example 5 - Solution

0111010

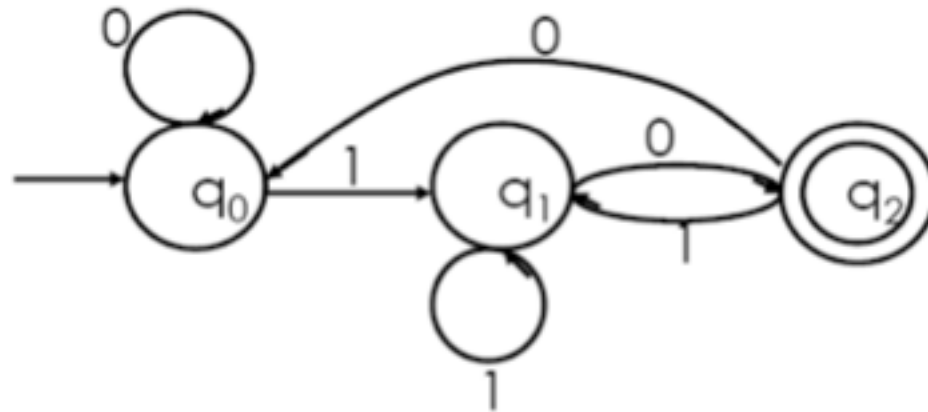


$q_0 \xrightarrow{0} q_0 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{0} q_2 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{0} q_2$

accepted by M

Example 5 – Solution (cont.)

00111

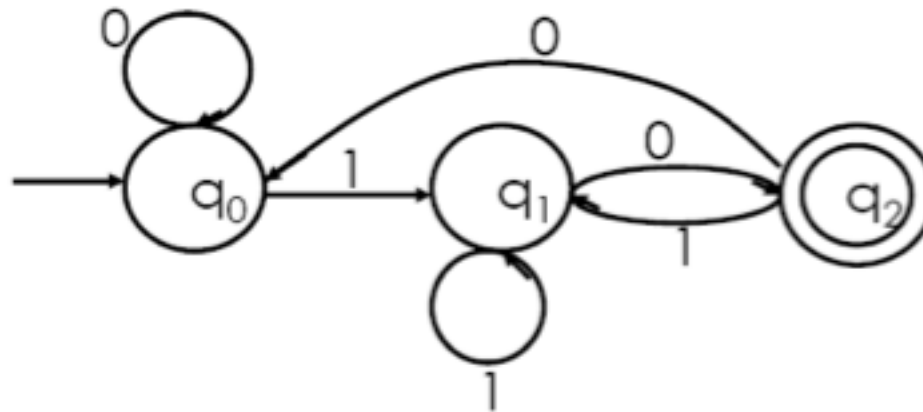


$q_0 \xrightarrow{0} q_0 \xrightarrow{0} q_0 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{1} q_1$

not accepted by M

Example 5 – Solution (cont.)

111010

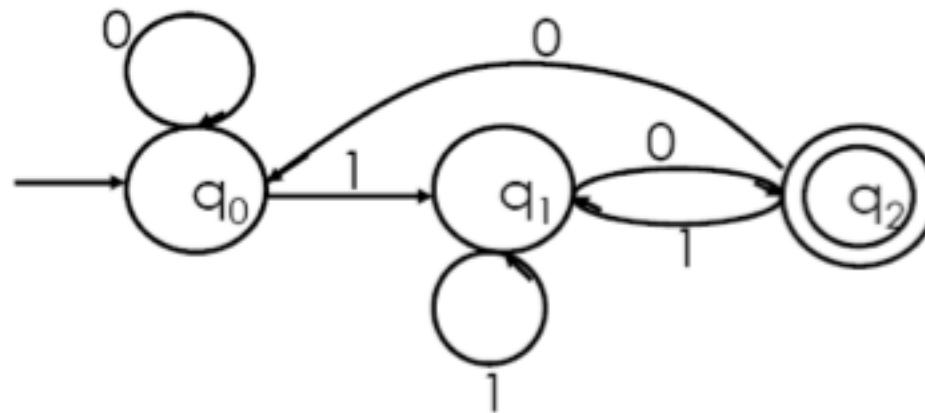


$q_0 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{0} q_2 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{0} q_2$

accepted by M

Example 5 – Solution (cont.)

0100

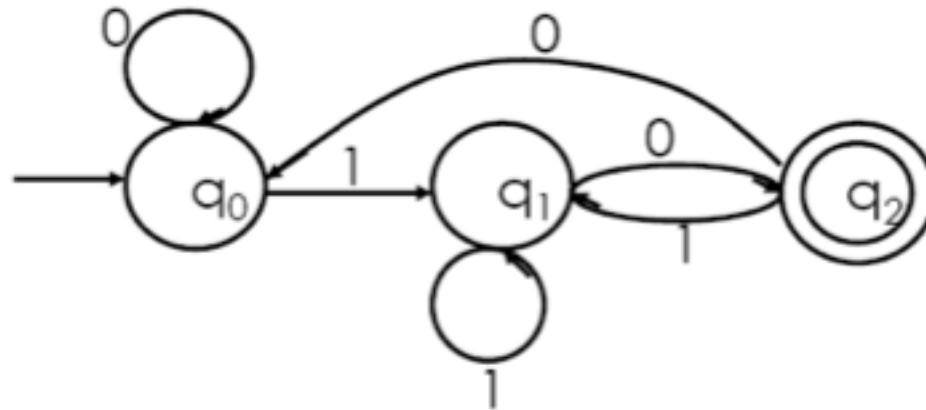


$q_0 \xrightarrow{0} q_0 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{0} q_2 \xrightarrow{0} q_0$

not accepted by M

Example 5 – Solution (cont.)

1110



$q_0 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{1} q_1 \xrightarrow{0} q_2$

accepted by M

Example 6

Construct a state transition diagram of a DFA that accepts on $\{a,b\}$ that contain an even number of a's and an odd number of b's.

Example of accepted strings:
aab, baa, baaabba

Example 6 - Solution

4 states,

q_0	even num. of a's & even num. of b's.
q_1	even num. of a's & odd num. of b's.
q_2	odd num. of a's & odd num. of b's.
q_3	odd num. of a's & even num. of b's.

$$S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

Example 6 – Solution (cont.)

set of states, $S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$

set of input symbols, $I = \{a, b\}$

initial state, q_0

final state, q_1

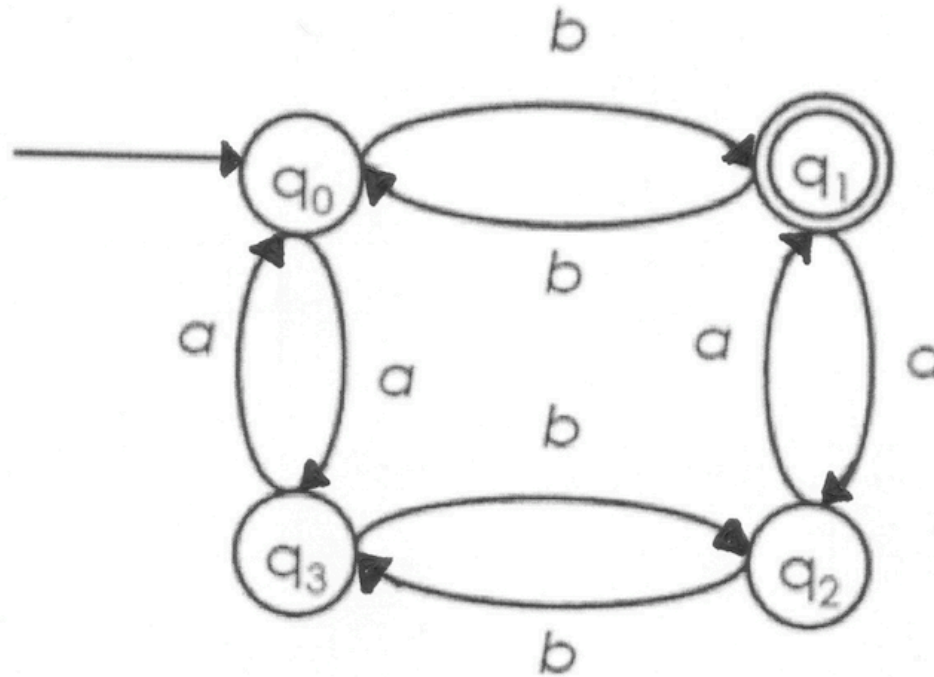
Example 6 – Solution (cont.)

State transition function

f_s	a	b
q_0	q_3	q_1
q_1	q_2	q_0
q_2	q_1	q_3
q_3	q_0	q_2

Example 6 – Solution (cont.)

State transition diagram



Exercise 1

Let $M=(S, I, q_0, f_s, F)$ be the DFA such that $S=\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$, $I=\{a, b\}$, $F=\{q_2\}$, q_0 =initial state, and f_s is given by,

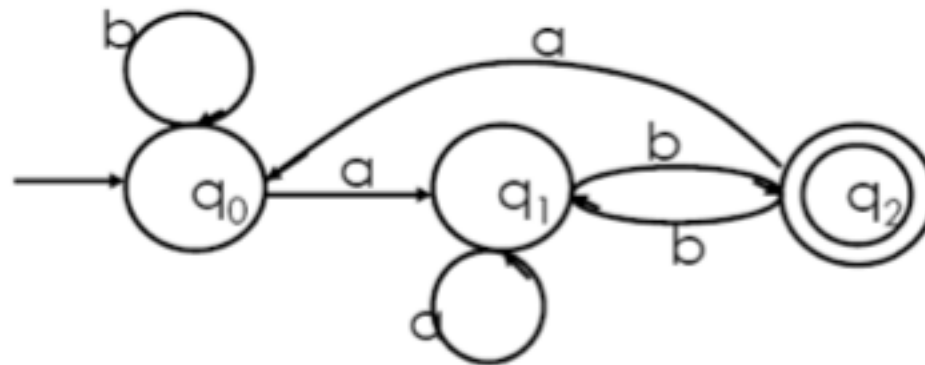
f_s	a	b
q_0	q_0	q_1
q_1	q_2	q_1
q_2	q_2	q_0

Draw the state diagram of M .

Which of the strings
 abaa, bbbabb, bbbbaa dan bababa
 are accepted by M ?

Exercise 2

The transition diagram of M is,

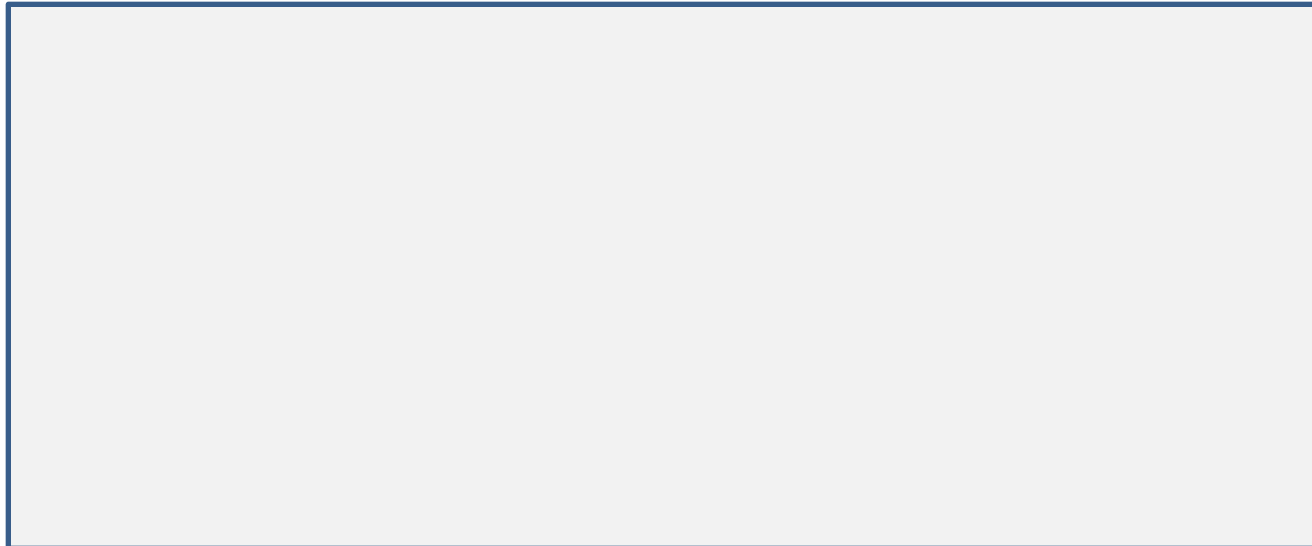


Construct the transition table of M .
Which of the strings
baba, baab, abab dan abaab
are accepted by M ?

Exercise 3

Construct a state transition diagram of a DFA M with the input set $\{0,1\}$ such that M accepts only the string 101.

Solution:



Finite State Machines (FSM)

- Automata with input as well as output.
- Every state has an input and corresponding to the input the state also has an output.
- These types of automata are commonly called **finite state machines**.

Finite State Machines (FSM)

- A finite state machine is a sextuple,
 $M = \{ S, I, O, q_0, f_s, f_o \}$
where,
 S is a finite nonempty set of states
 I is the input alphabet
 O is the output alphabet
 q_0 is the initial state
 f_s is the state transition function
 f_o is the output function.

Example 1

- Let $M = \{S, I, O, q_0, f_s, f_o\}$ be the FSM

- where,

$S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\},$

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

$O = \{0, 1\},$

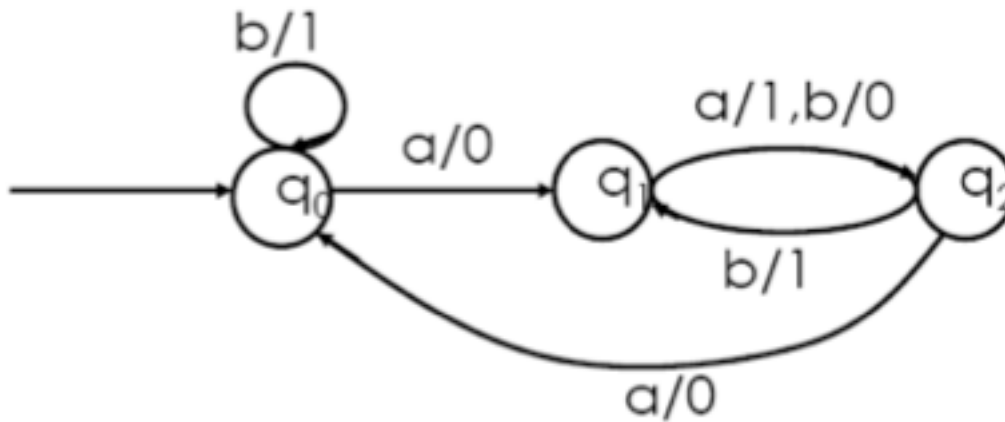
$q_0 =$ initial state,

- The f_s and f_o are \Rightarrow

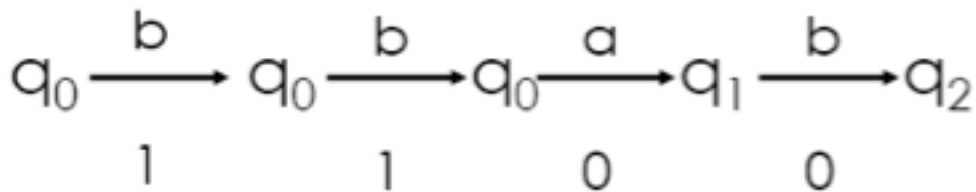
	f_s		f_o	
	a	b	a	b
q_0	q_1	q_0	0	1
q_1	q_2	q_2	1	0
q_2	q_0	q_1	0	1

Example 1 (cont.)

- The transition diagram:



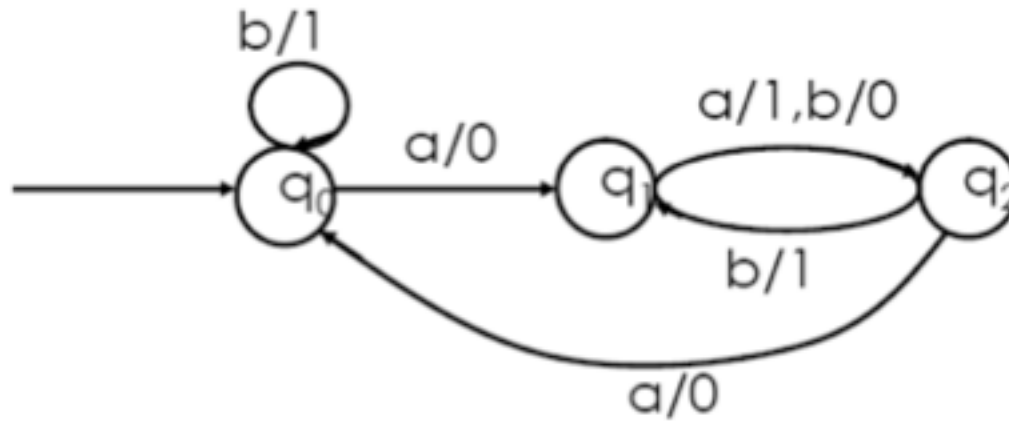
Input string: bbab



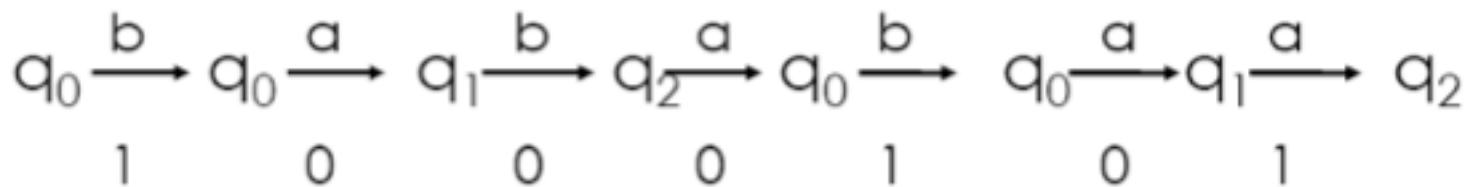
Output string: 1100

Output: 0

Example 1 (cont.)



Input string: bababaa



Output string: 1000101

Output: 1

Example 2

- Let $M = \{S, I, O, q_0, f_s, f_o\}$ be the FSM

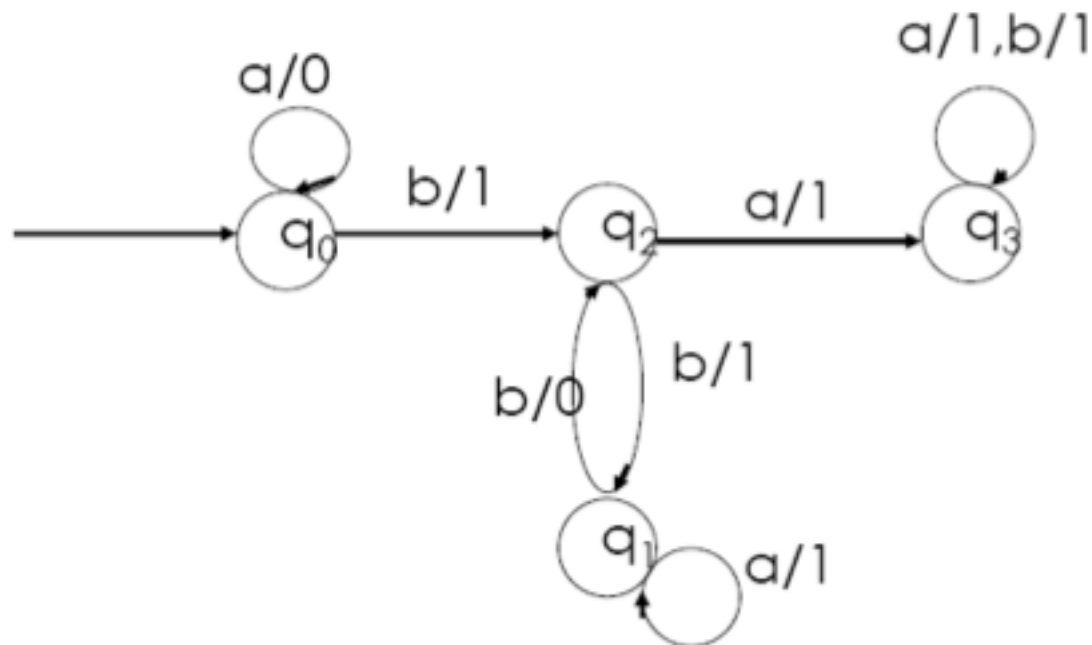
- where,
 $S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$,
 $I = \{a, b\}$,
 $O = \{0, 1\}$,
 q_0 = initial state,

- f_s and f_o

	f_s		f_o	
	a	b	a	b
q_0	q_0	q_2	0	1
q_1	q_1	q_2	1	0
q_2	q_3	q_1	1	1
q_3	q_3	q_3	1	1

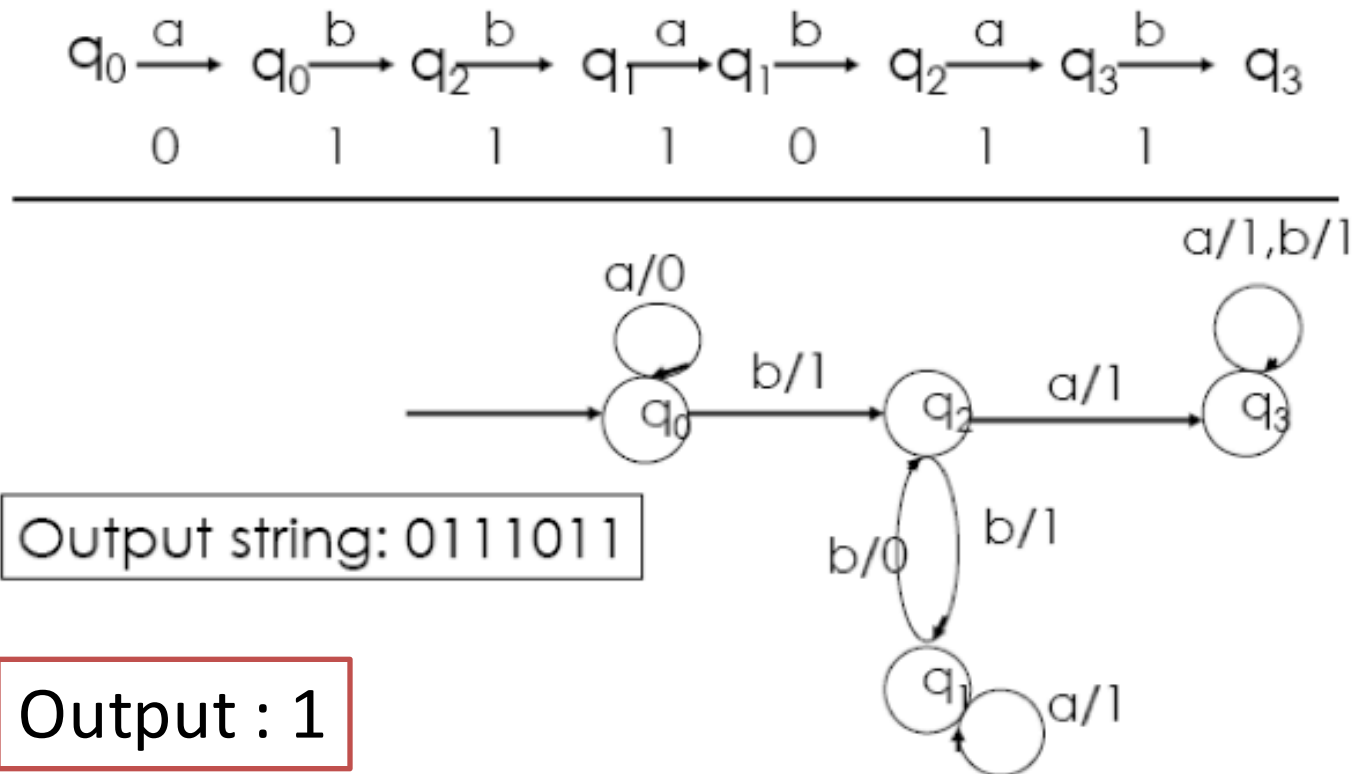
Example 2 (cont.)

- Draw the transition diagram of M .



Example 2 (cont.)

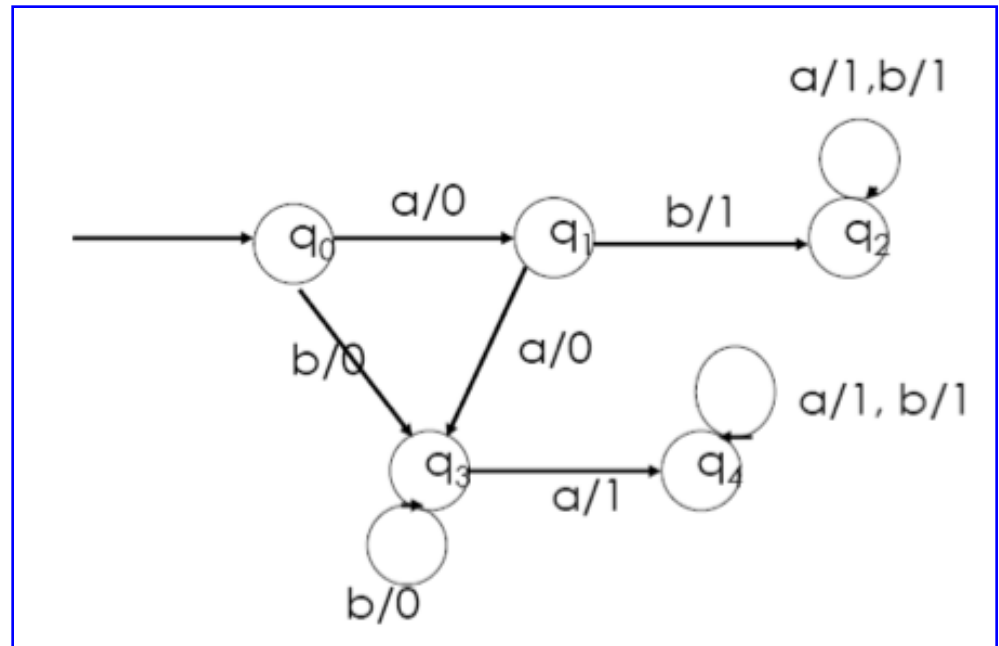
- What is the output string if the input string is *abbabab*?



Example 3

- Let M be a FSM.
- Let x be a nonempty string in M .
- We say that x is accepted by M if and only if the output of x is 1.

State transition diagram



Example 3 (cont.)

Based on the given information, answer the following:

- Write the transition table of M .
- What is the output string if the input string is *aaabbbb*?
- What is the output if the input string is *bbbaaaa*?
- Is the string *aaa* accepted by M ?
- Which of the strings *ba*, *aabbba*, *bbbb*, *aaabbbb* are accepted by M ?

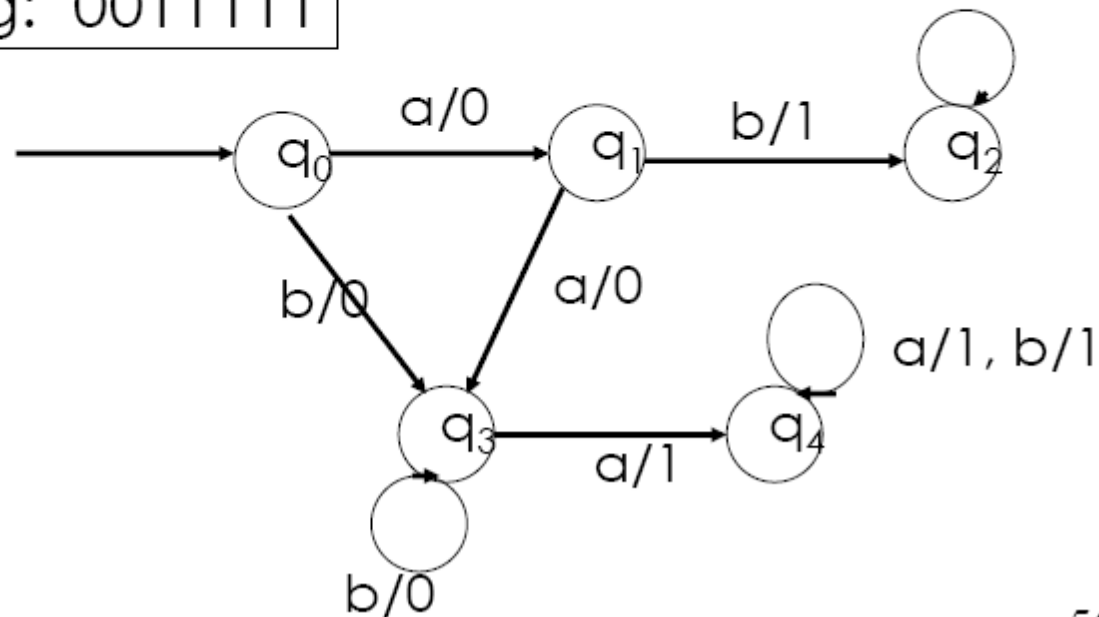
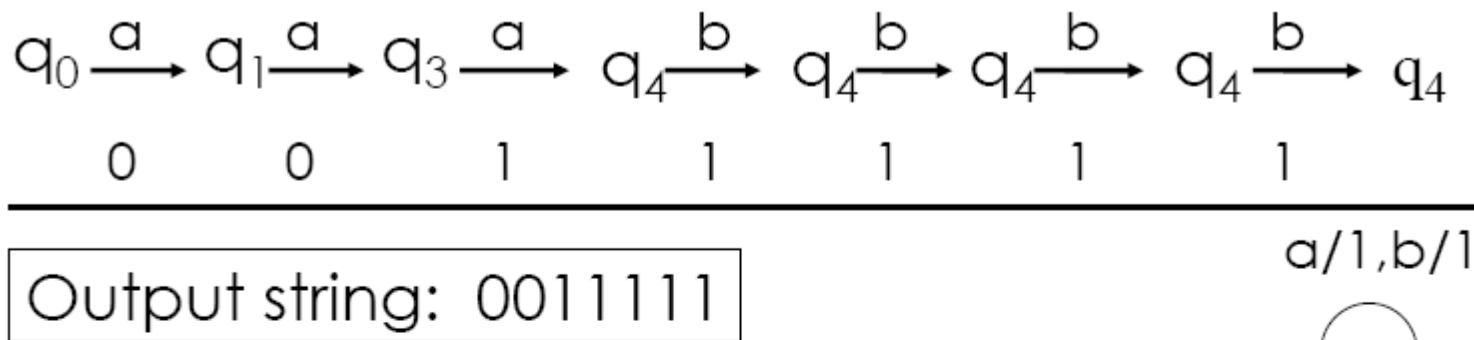
Example 3 - Solution

- The transition table of M .

	f_s		f_o	
	a	b	a	b
q_0	q_1	q_3	0	0
q_1	q_3	q_2	0	1
q_2	q_2	q_2	1	1
q_3	q_4	q_3	1	0
q_4	q_4	q_4	1	1

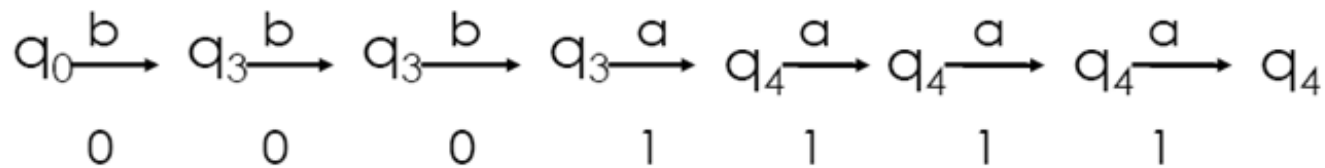
Solution (cont.)

- What is the output string if the input string is **aaabbbb**?

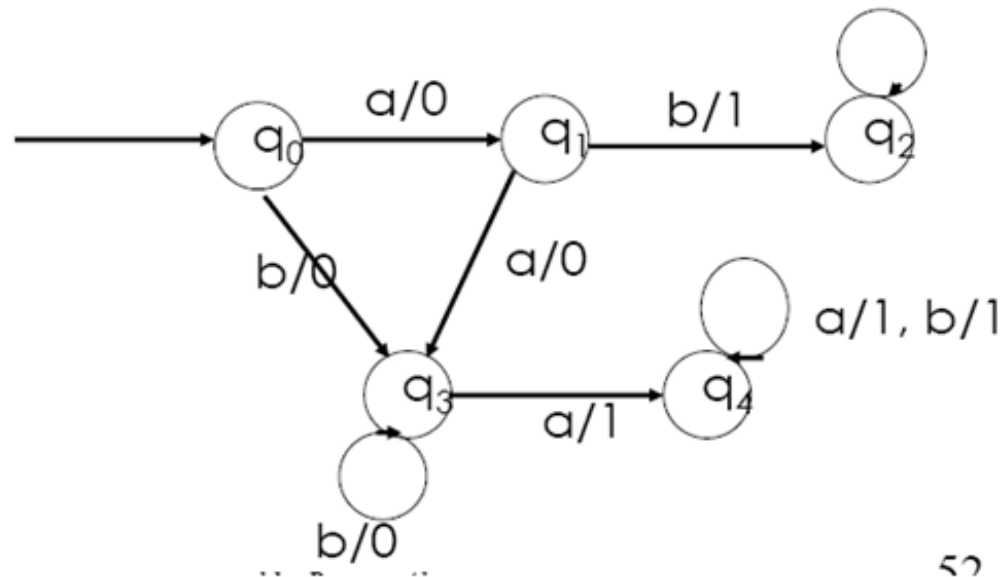


Solution (cont.)

- What is the output string if the input string is **bbbbaaaa**?



Output: 1

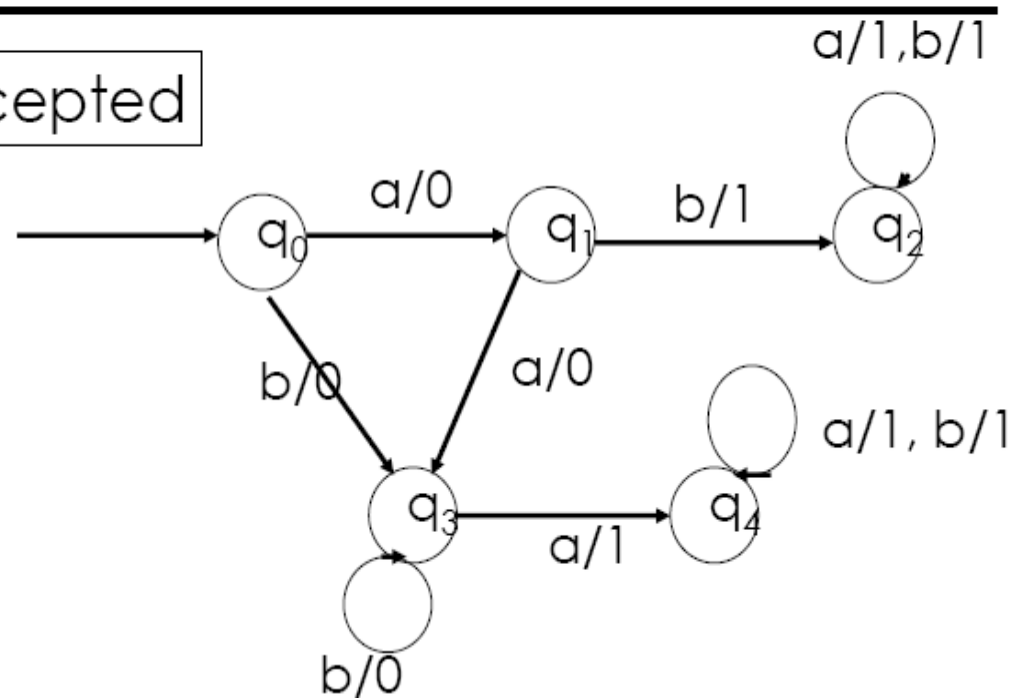


Solution (cont.)

- Is the string **aaa** accepted by *M*?

$q_0 \xrightarrow{a} q_1 \xrightarrow{a} q_3 \xrightarrow{a} q_4$
 0 0 1

Output: 1, accepted



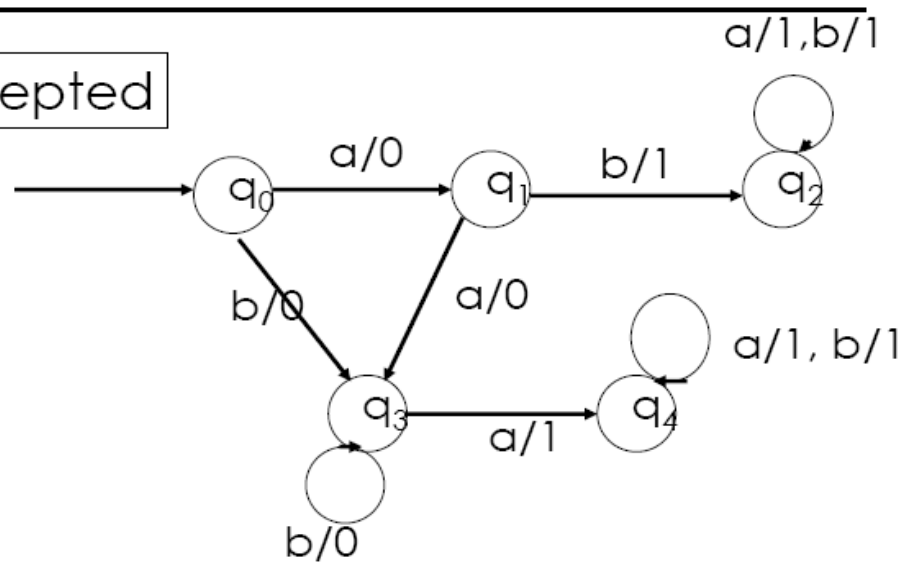
Solution (cont.)

- Which of the strings **ba**, **aabbba**, **bbbb**, **aaabbbb** are accepted by M ?

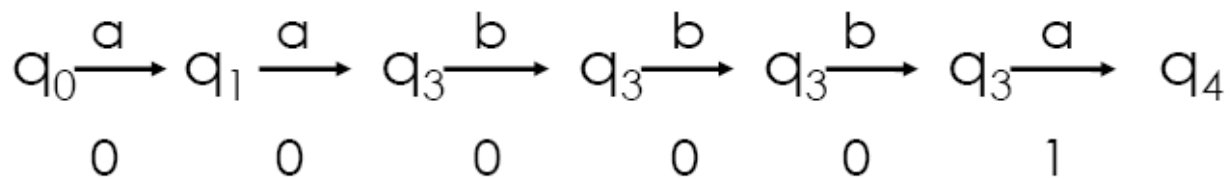
ba

$q_0 \xrightarrow[b]{b} q_3 \xrightarrow[a]{a} q_4$

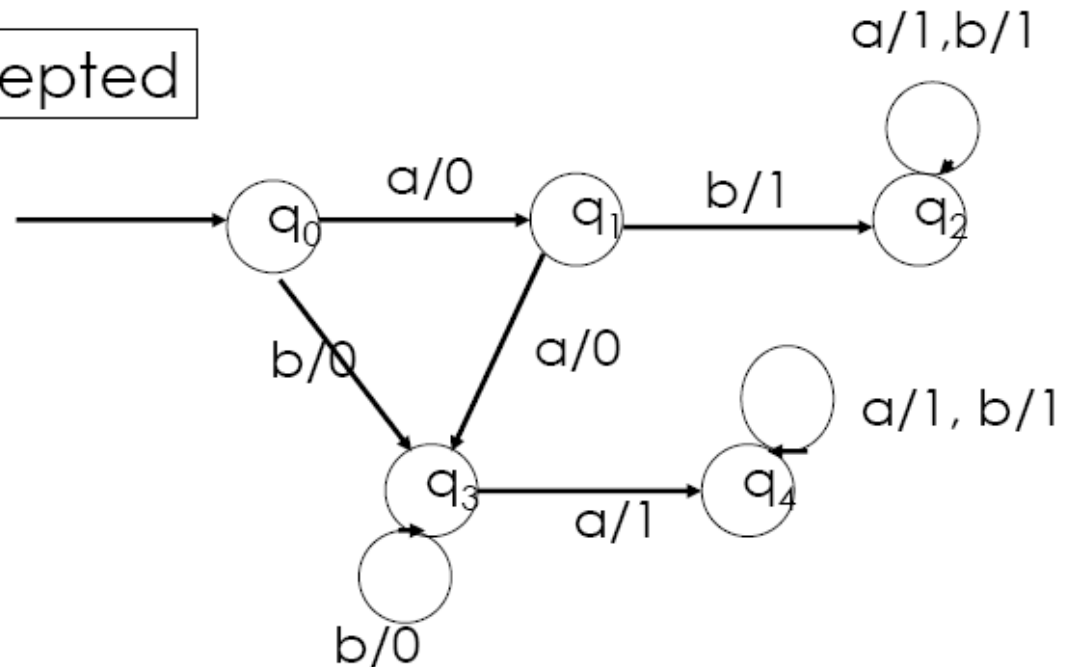
Output: 1, accepted



aabbba



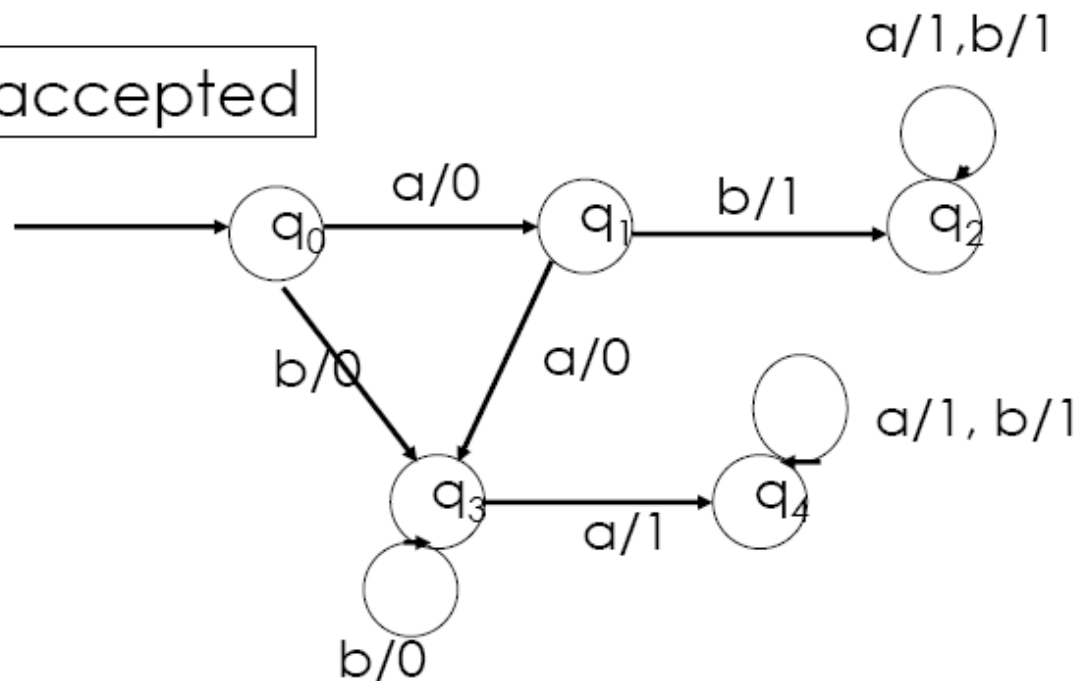
Output: 1, accepted



bbbb

$q_0 \xrightarrow[b]{b} q_3 \xrightarrow[b]{b} q_3 \xrightarrow[b]{b} q_3 \xrightarrow[b]{b} q_3$

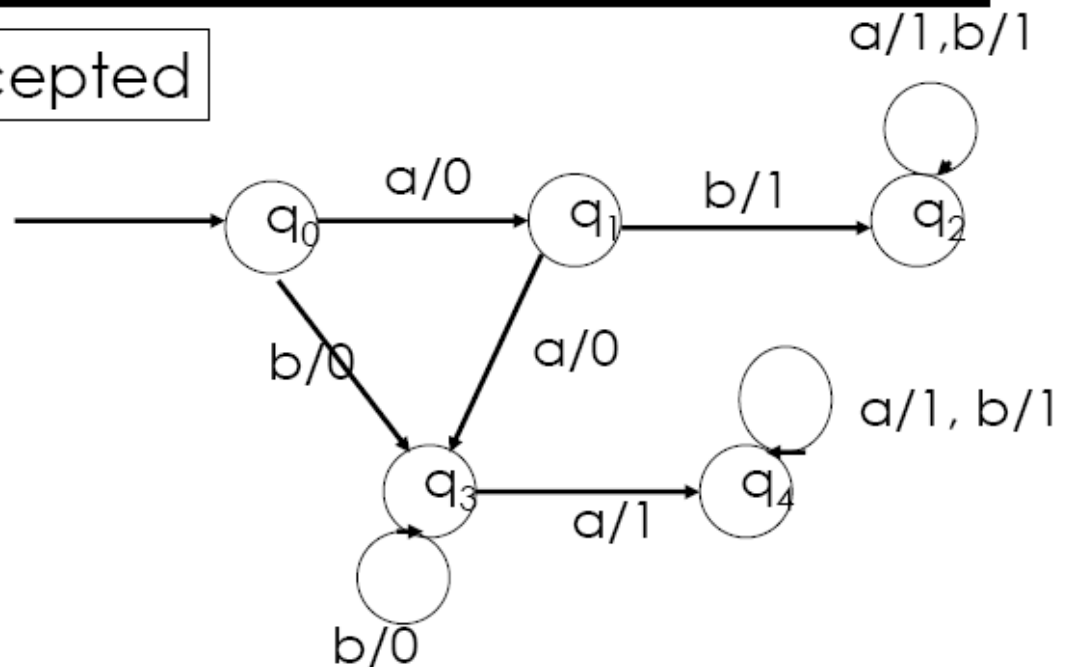
Output: 0, not accepted



aaabbbb

$q_0 \xrightarrow{a} q_1 \xrightarrow{a} q_3 \xrightarrow{a} q_4 \xrightarrow{b} q_4 \xrightarrow{b} q_4 \xrightarrow{b} q_4 \xrightarrow{b} q_4$
 0 0 1 1 1 1 1

Output: 1, accepted



Example 4

- Consider a vending machine that sells candy and the cost of a candy is 50 cents.
- The machine accepts any sequence of 10-, 20-, or 50 cent coins.
- After inserting at least 50 cents, the customer can press the button to release the candy.

- If the customer inputs more than 50 cents, the machine does not return the change.
- After selling the candy, the machine returns to initial state.
- Construct a finite state machine that models this vending machine.

Example 4 - Solution

1. List the states, S :

States,

q_0 ,	initial state (0)
q_1 ,	10 cents
q_2 ,	20 cents
q_3 ,	30 cents
q_4 ,	40 cents
q_5 ,	≥ 50 cents

2. List the elements of M :

$$S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5\},$$

$$I = \{10, 20, 50, B\},$$

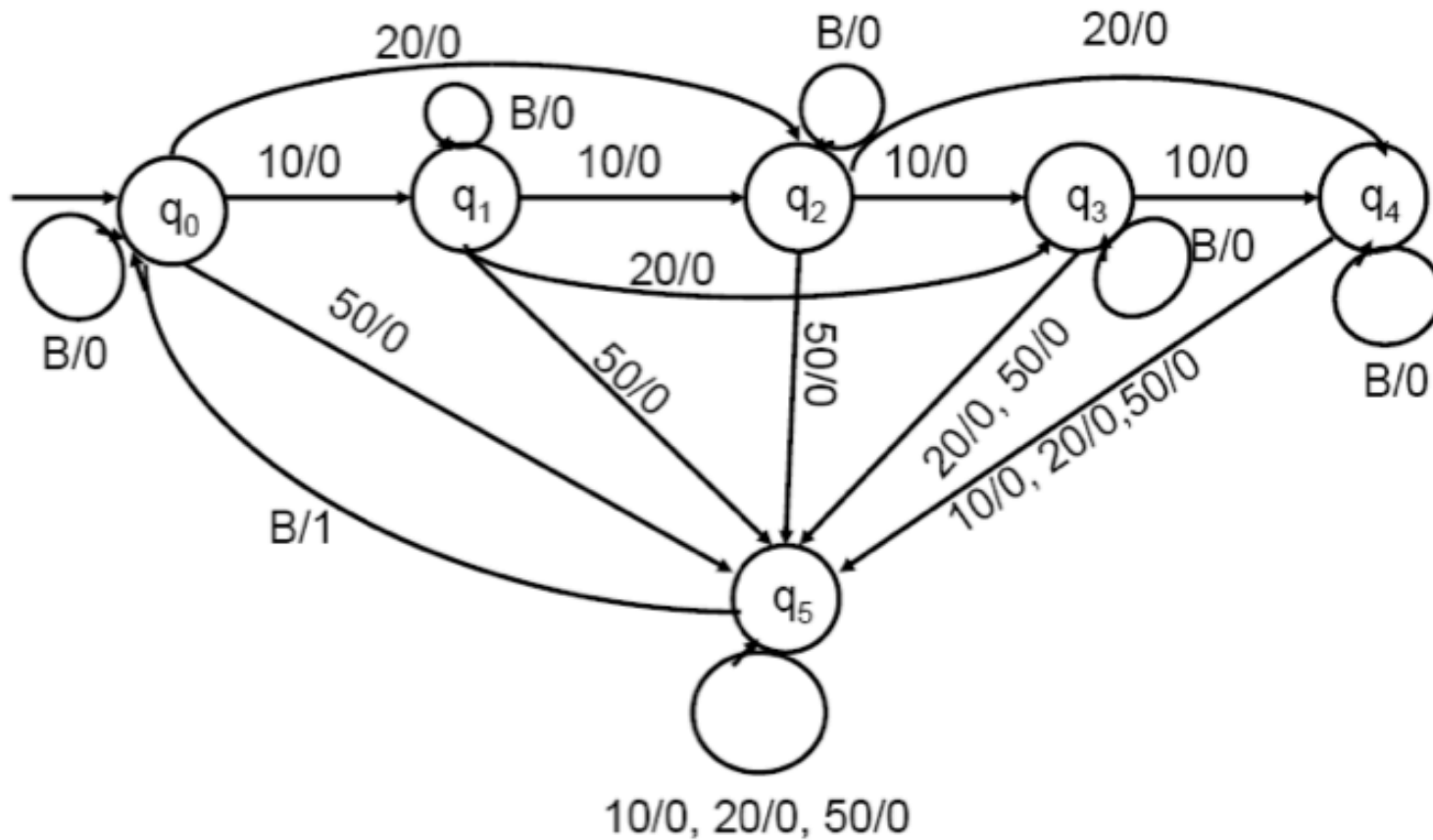
$$O = \{0, 1\},$$

$$q_0 = \text{initial state},$$

3. List the f_s and f_o :

	f_s				f_o			
	10	20	50	B	10	20	50	B
q_0	q_1	q_2	q_5	q_0	0	0	0	0
q_1	q_2	q_3	q_5	q_1	0	0	0	0
q_2	q_3	q_4	q_5	q_2	0	0	0	0
q_3	q_4	q_5	q_5	q_3	0	0	0	0
q_4	q_5	q_5	q_5	q_4	0	0	0	0
q_5	q_5	q_5	q_5	q_0	0	0	0	1

4. Draw the transition diagram of M:



Exercise #1

Let $M = \{S, I, O, q_0, f_s, f_o\}$ be a FSM

where,

$S = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\},$

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

$O = \{0, 1\},$

$q_0 = \text{initial state},$

f_s and f_o

	f_s		f_o	
	a	b	a	b
q_0	q_2	q_1	1	1
q_1	q_2	q_2	0	0
q_2	q_1	q_2	1	1

- Draw the transition diagram of M .
- What is the output string if the input string is *aabbbb*?
- What is the output string if the input string is *ababab*?
- What is the output if the input string is *abbbaba*?
- What is the output if the input string is *bbbababa*?

Exercise #2

Let $M = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5\}, \{a, b, c\}, q_0, f_s, \{q_1, q_3, q_5\})$ be the Deterministic Finite Automaton (DFA) with state transition function, f_s defined as follows:

$$f(q_0, a) = q_1 \quad f(q_0, b) = q_0 \quad f(q_0, c) = q_0$$

$$f(q_1, a) = q_1 \quad f(q_1, b) = q_2 \quad f(q_1, c) = q_1$$

$$f(q_2, a) = q_2 \quad f(q_2, b) = q_3 \quad f(q_2, c) = q_4$$

$$f(q_3, a) = q_3 \quad f(q_3, b) = q_3 \quad f(q_3, c) = q_3$$

$$f(q_4, a) = q_4 \quad f(q_4, b) = q_5 \quad f(q_4, c) = q_4$$

$$f(q_5, a) = q_5 \quad f(q_5, b) = q_5 \quad f(q_5, c) = q_5$$

- Draw the transition table for the above machine.
- Determine the final state for the input string $abcc$.
- Is the input string $abcb$ accepted by the DFA?

Exercise #3

Let $A = (S, I, O, Z, f, g)$ be a finite state machine (FSM) defined by the transition table shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Transition table of FSM A

Input State	f			g		
	a	b	c	a	b	c
X	Z	X	Y	1	0	1
Y	X	X	Z	0	1	0
Z	Y	X	Z	1	0	1

- Draw the transition diagram of the finite state machine A .
- Find the output string for the input string $babccaab$.
- Find the output generated from the input string $cabccba$.
- Determine whether the input string $abcbcbcabcc$ is accepted.

Exercise #4

A sliding barrier turnstile (shown in Figure 1), used to control access to subways, is an automated gate at waist height with a barrier across the entryway. Initially the barrier is locked, barring the entry, preventing passengers from passing through. Depositing a token in a slot on the turnstile unlocks the barrier, allowing a single customer to push through. After the customer passes through, the barrier is locked again until another coin is inserted.



Figure 1

Considered as a state machine, the turnstile has two states: **Locked** and **Unlocked**. There are two inputs that affect its state: putting a token in the slot (**token**) and retract the barrier (**retract**). In the locked state, retracting the arm has no effect; no matter how many times the input **retract** is given, it stays in the locked state. Putting a **token** as an input, shift the state from **Locked** to **Unlocked**. In the unlocked state, putting additional tokens does not change the state. However, a customer passing through the retracted barrier, giving a **retract** input, shifts the state back to **Locked**.

Given

State

L: Locked
U: Unlocked

Input

T: Token
R: Retract

Output

0: Nothing happened
1: Retract the barrier so passenger can pass through
2: Lock the barrier when passenger has passed through

(a) Complete the transition table below.

Table 1

State	Input, f_s		Output, f_o	
	T	R	T	R
L				
U				

(b) Draw the transition diagram for the turnstile system described above. |