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Algorithm (continued):

6. Mapping δ :
 - (a) $\delta(q_0, x)$ contains $x_i, \forall x_i \in B$.
 - (b) $\delta(x_i, y)$ contains $y_j, \forall x_i y_j \in P$
7. Set F is the set of final states.

□

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7. Conversions between RG, RE and FA

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Algorithm Construction of FA for a given regular expression – Glushkov's method

Input: Regular expression E .

Output: Finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$, $h(E) = L(M)$.

Method:

1. We assign numbers $1, 2, \dots, n$ to all occurrences of symbols from T in expression E . The resultant regular expression is denoted E' .
2. Set of symbols at the beginning $B = \{x_i : x \in T, \text{ symbol } x_i \text{ is the first symbol of some string in } h(E')\}$.
3. Set of neighbours $P = \{x_i y_j : \text{ symbols } x_i \text{ and } y_j \text{ occur next to each other in some string from } h(E')\}$.
4. Set of final symbols $F = \{x_i : \text{ symbol } x_i \text{ is the last symbol of some string from } h(E)\} \cup \{q_0 : \varepsilon \in h(E)\}$.
5. $Q = \{q_0\} \cup \{x_i : x \in T, i \in \langle 1, n \rangle\}$.

Example

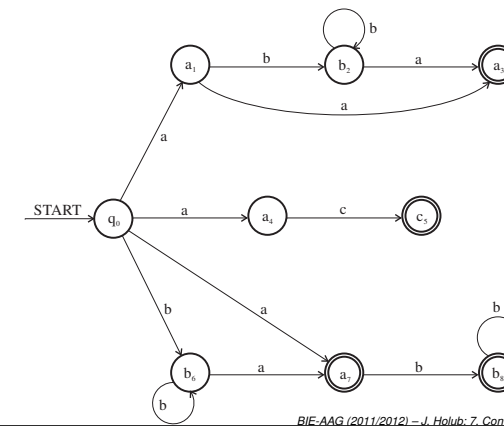
$E = ab^*a + ac + b^*ab^*, T = \{a, b, c\}$.

$E' = a_1 b_2^* a_3 + a_4 c_5 + b_6^* a_7 b_8^*, B = \{a_1, a_4, b_6, a_7\}$.

$P = \{a_1 b_2, a_1 a_3, b_2 b_2, b_2 a_3, a_4 c_5, b_6 b_6, b_6 a_7, a_7 b_8, b_8 b_8\}$.

$F = \{a_3, c_5, a_7, b_8\}$.

$M = (\{q_0, a_1, b_2, a_3, a_4, c_5, b_6, a_7, b_8\}, \{a, b, c\}, \delta, q_0, \{a_3, c_5, a_7, b_8\})$



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Algorithm Construction of DFA for a given regular expression – method of derivatives, Janusz A. Brzozowski.

Input: Regular expression E over alphabet T .

Output: Finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$, $h(E) = L(M)$.

Method:

1. $Q = \{E\}$, $Q_0 = \{E\}$, $i := 1$.
2. $Q_i = \{\frac{dU}{da} : U \in Q_{i-1}, a \in T\} \setminus Q$.
3. If $Q_i \neq \emptyset$, $Q = Q \cup Q_i$, $i := i + 1$, go to step 2.
If $Q_i = \emptyset$, we create automaton M thusly:
 $M = (Q, T, \delta, E, F)$,
 $\delta(\frac{dU}{dx}, a) = \frac{dU}{d(xa)}$.
Set $F = \{\frac{dU}{dx} : \varepsilon \in h(\frac{dU}{dx})\}$.

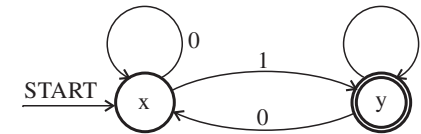
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Example (continued)

4. state $x = (0 + 1)^*1$,
state $y = (0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon$,
start state is x ,
final state is y , because $\varepsilon \in h((0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon)$
 $\frac{dx}{d1} = y$, $\frac{dx}{d0} = x$, $\frac{dy}{d1} = y$, $\frac{dy}{d0} = x$,



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Example

$(0 + 1)^*1$

1. We set $Q = \{(0 + 1)^*1\}$, $Q_0 = \{(0 + 1)^*1\}$.
2. We compute Q_1 :
 $\frac{d}{d1} ((0 + 1)^*1) = (\emptyset + \varepsilon)(0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon = (0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon$
 $\frac{d}{d0} ((0 + 1)^*1) = (\varepsilon + \emptyset)(0 + 1)^*1 + \emptyset = (0 + 1)^*1$.
Since $\frac{d}{d0} ((0 + 1)^*1) = (0 + 1)^*1$,
 $Q_1 = \{(0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon\}$ and $Q = \{(0 + 1)^*1, (0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon\}$.
3. We compute Q_2 :
 $\frac{d}{d1} ((0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon) = (\emptyset + \varepsilon)(0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon + \emptyset = (0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon$
 $\frac{d}{d0} ((0 + 1)^*1 + \varepsilon) = (\varepsilon + \emptyset)(0 + 1)^*1 + \emptyset = (0 + 1)^*1$.
Since both expressions are already in set Q , set Q_2 is empty.

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Algorithm Construction of FA for a given regular expression – Thompson's method.

Input: Regular expression E over alphabet T .

Output: Finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$, $h(E) = L(M)$.

Method:

1. We create FA for elementary regular expressions:

- (a) For regular expression $E = \emptyset$:
- (b) For regular expression $E = \varepsilon$:
- (c) For regular expression $E = a$:

2. For parts of regular expression in form
 $E = E_1 + E_2$, $E = E_1 E_2$, $E = E_1^*$ we create finite automata using appropriate algorithms.

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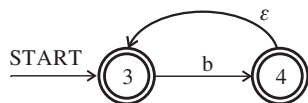
Example

$$E = ab^*a + ab.$$

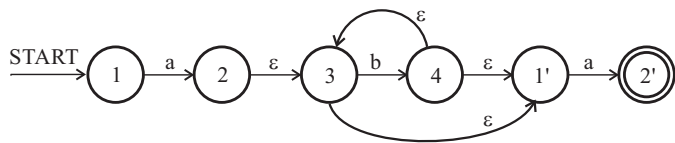
Necessary elementary expressions are:



We further create automaton for expression b^* :



For expression ab^*a the FA is of the form:



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Theorem

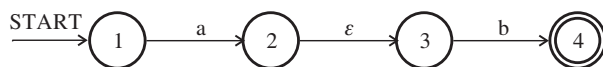
For every finite automaton M a regular expression E can be constructed such that $L(M) = h(E)$. □

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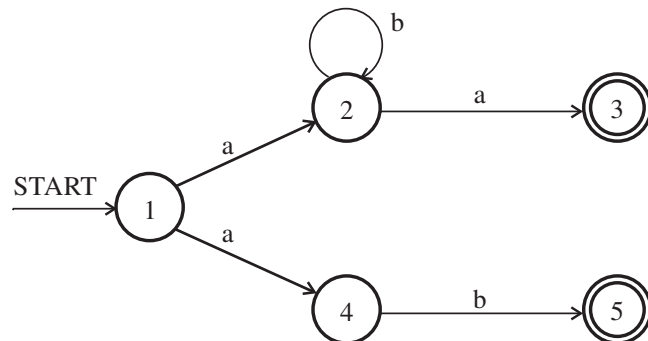
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Example (continued)

For expression ab the FA is of the form:



For expression $E = ab^*a + ab$:



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Definition

Extended finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \gamma, q_0, F)$, where

Q is a finite set of states,

T is a finite input alphabet,

γ is mapping from $Q \times Q$ into R_T ,

$q_0 \in Q$ is the initial state,

$F \subseteq Q$ is a set of final states.

$\gamma(p, q) = \emptyset$, if transition from p to q is not defined.

Definition

Language accepted by the extended FA M is $L(M) = \{x : x \in T^*,$

$x = x_1x_2 \dots x_n$ and there exists a sequence of states

$q_0, q_1, \dots, q_n, q_n \in F$ such that

$x_1 \in h(\gamma(q_0, q_1)), x_2 \in h(\gamma(q_1, q_2)), \dots, x_n \in h(\gamma(q_{n-1}, q_n))\}$.

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Theorem

Let $M = (Q, T, \gamma, q_0, F)$ be an extended finite automaton. Assume that q is neither a start state, nor a final state. Then the equivalent extended finite automaton is $M' = (Q \setminus \{q\}, T, \gamma', q_0, F)$, where mapping γ' is defined for every pair $p, r \in (Q \setminus \{q\})$ thusly:
 $\gamma'(p, r) = \gamma(p, r) + \gamma(p, q)\gamma(q, q)^*\gamma(q, r)$. □

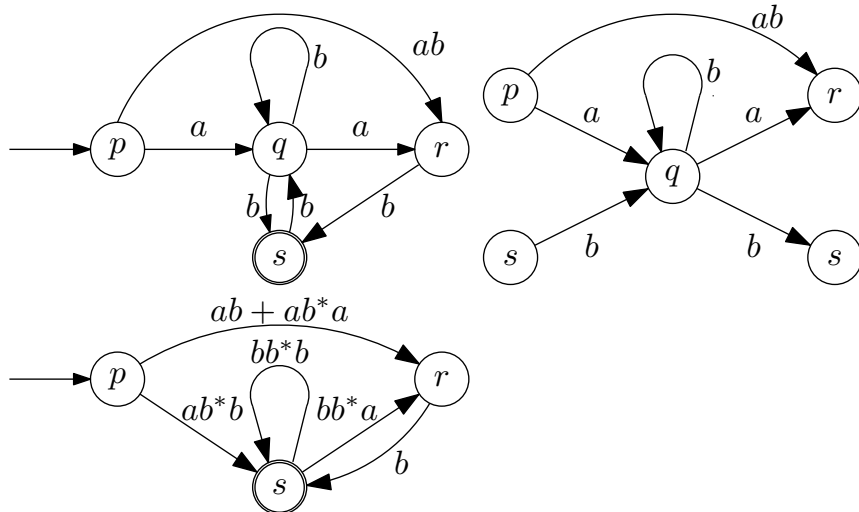
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Second term of expression

$\gamma'(p, r) = \gamma(p, r) + \gamma(p, q)\gamma(q, q)^*\gamma(q, r)$ will not apply if $\gamma(p, q) = \emptyset$ or $\gamma(q, r) = \emptyset$.

Relationship between FA and RE

Example



Relationship between FA and RE

Algorithm Construction of regular expression for a given FA – elimination of states.

Input: Finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$.

Output: Regular expression E such that $h(E) = L(M)$.

Method:

1. We create $M_R = (Q, T, \gamma, q_0, F)$, where
 $\gamma(p, q) = \{a\}$, $a \in T \cup \{\varepsilon\}$ if $\delta(p, a)$ contains q .
2. Automaton M_R will be extended:
 - (a) If start state $q_0 \in F$ or $\gamma(q, q_0) \neq \emptyset$, then $Q = Q \cup \{q'_0\}$
 $\gamma(q'_0, q_0) = \varepsilon$. q'_0 is the start state.
 - (b) If $|F| > 1$, then $Q = Q \cup \{f\}$ and $\gamma'(q, f) = \varepsilon, \forall q \in F$.
 Set of final states $F' = \{f\}$.
 After these modifications $M'_R = (Q', T, \gamma', q'_0, F')$.

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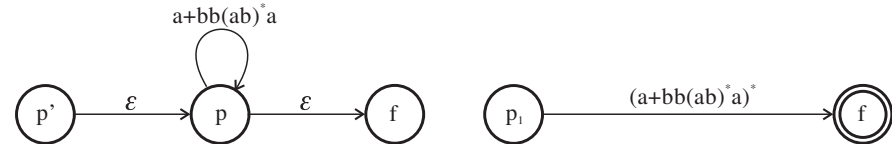
Algorithm (continued):

3. If $Q' = \{q'_0, f\}$, then regular expression is $\gamma'(q'_0, f)\gamma'(f, f)^*$. End.
Else continue by step 4.
4. Choose $q \in Q', q \notin \{q'_0, f\}$. $Q' = Q' \setminus \{q\}$ and γ' are modified accordingly. Continue by step 3.

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Example (continued)

Eventually we exclude state p .

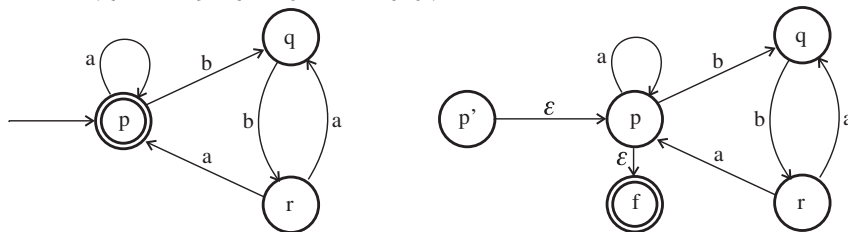


The resulting regular expression is $E = (a + bb(ab)^*a)^*$.

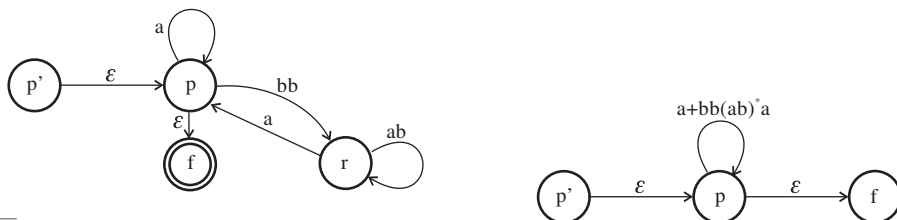
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Example

$M = (\{p, q, r\}, \{a, b\}, \delta, p, \{p\})$



We create the extended finite automaton and add a new initial and final state. In the next step we exclude states q and r .



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Algorithm Construction of regular expression for a given finite automaton – solution of regular equations, incoming transitions

Input: Finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$.

Output: Regular expression E , $h(E) = L(M)$.

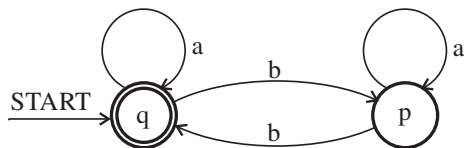
Method:

1. For every state q from Q :
 $X_q = X_{p_1}a_1 + X_{p_2}a_2 + \dots + X_{p_n}a_n$, if $q \in \delta(p_i, a_i)$. In case that q is the start state, we add ε .
2. The system of left regular equations is solved through Gauss elimination.
3. Resulting regular expression:
 $E = X_{p_1} + X_{p_2} + \dots + X_{p_n}$ if $p_i \in F$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

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Example

$$M = (\{q, p\}, \{a, b\}, \delta, q, \{q\})$$



$$X_q = X_q a + X_p b + \varepsilon$$

$$X_p = X_p a + X_q b$$

$$X_p = X_q b a^*$$

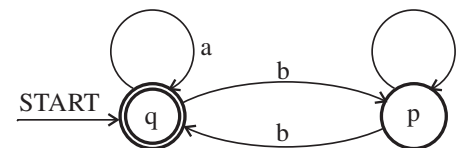
$$X_q = X_q a + X_q b a^* b + \varepsilon = X_q (a + b a^* b) + \varepsilon$$

Resulting regular expression: $E = X_q = (a + b a^* b)^*$

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Example



$$X_q = aX_q + bX_p + \varepsilon$$

$$X_p = aX_p + bX_q$$

We express the variable X_p : $X_p = a^* b X_q$

We substitute for X_p into the first equation:

$$X_q = aX_q + b a^* b X_q + \varepsilon$$

$$X_q = (a + b a^* b) X_q + \varepsilon$$

We express the variable X_q

$$X_q = (a + b a^* b)^* = E$$

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Algorithm Construction of reg. expression for a given finite automaton – solution of regular equations, outgoing transitions

Input: Finite automaton $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$.

Output: Regular expression E , $h(E) = L(M)$

Method:

1. For each state q from Q :
 $X_q = a_1 X_{p_1} + a_2 X_{p_2} + \dots + a_n X_{p_n}$, if $p_i \in \delta(q, a_i)$.
 In case that q is a final state, we add ε .
2. The system of right regular equations is solved through Gauss elimination.
3. Resulting regular expression is the expression for the initial state q_0 (for variable X_{q_0}).

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Relationship between FA and RE

Algorithm Construction of regular expression for a given finite automaton – integral method.

Input: Total DFA $M = (Q, T, \delta, q_0, F)$.

Output: Regular expression E , $h(E) = L(M)$.

Method:

1. For each state q we find the shortest string x_q for which there exists a path from state q_0 into state q ; $x_{q_0} = \varepsilon$.
2. A sequence of expressions $\frac{dE}{dx_q} = Y_q$ ordered by the length of minimal strings x_q beginning with string x_{q_0} .
3. We create a tree for all derivatives by $x_q, q \in Q$:
 - (a) $x_{q_0} = \varepsilon$: $E = \frac{dE}{d\varepsilon} = q_0$
 - (b) $\forall a_i \in T, \forall x_q, q \in Q$, we add edges labeled by symbols a_i leading into nodes $Y_{qa_i} = \frac{dE}{dx_q a_i} = \delta(q, a_i)$
 If $\delta(q, a_i)$ is an error state, then $Y_{qa_i} = \emptyset$.

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Algorithm (continued):

- For the last minimal string in the ordering by the step 2 we perform integration of expressions by which the targets of the string are labeled.
- If the node corresponding to state q_i has descendants for which we found in step 4 the values of integrals p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k by a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k , then we construct the following equation:

$$q_i = a_1 p_1 + a_2 p_2 + \dots + a_k p_k + \varepsilon, \text{ if } q_i \in F,$$

$$q_i = a_1 p_1 + a_2 p_2 + \dots + a_k p_k, \text{ otherwise.}$$
We solve this equation and remove nodes for which we performed the integration from the tree.
- We repeat steps 4 and 5 for every minimal string by the ordering from step 2, until the integration is over.
- The output is regular expression for the start state q_0 . \square

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Example (continued)

- Shortest strings for individual states are these:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{q_0} &= \varepsilon, & x_{q_1} &= 1, \\ x_{q_5} &= 0, & x_{q_2} &= 10, \\ x_{q_3} &= 11, & x_{q_4} &= 110. \end{aligned}$$

- This is the ordered sequence of expressions:

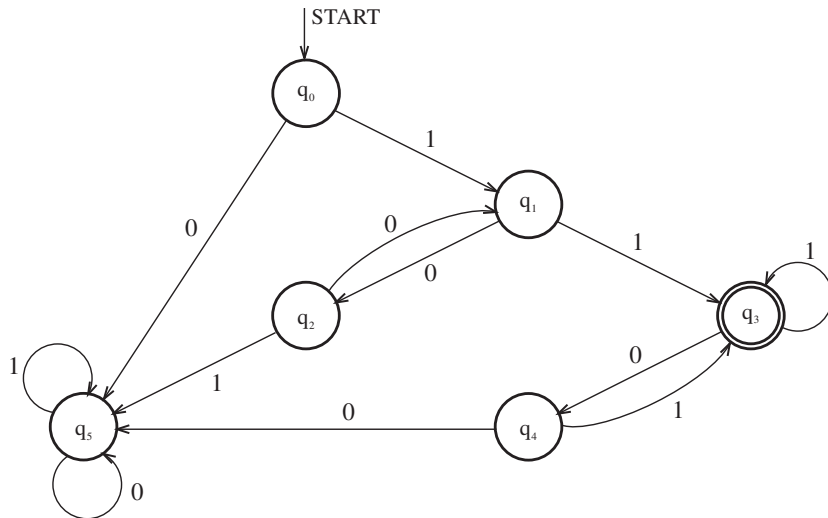
$$\begin{aligned} Y_{q_0} &= \frac{dE}{d\varepsilon} = E, \\ Y_{q_1} &= \frac{dE}{d1}, \\ Y_{q_5} &= \frac{dE}{d0} = \emptyset, \\ Y_{q_2} &= \frac{dE}{d10}, \\ Y_{q_3} &= \frac{dE}{d11}, \\ Y_{q_4} &= \frac{dE}{d110}. \end{aligned}$$

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Example

$M = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5\}, \{0, 1\}, q_0, \delta, \{q_3\})$.

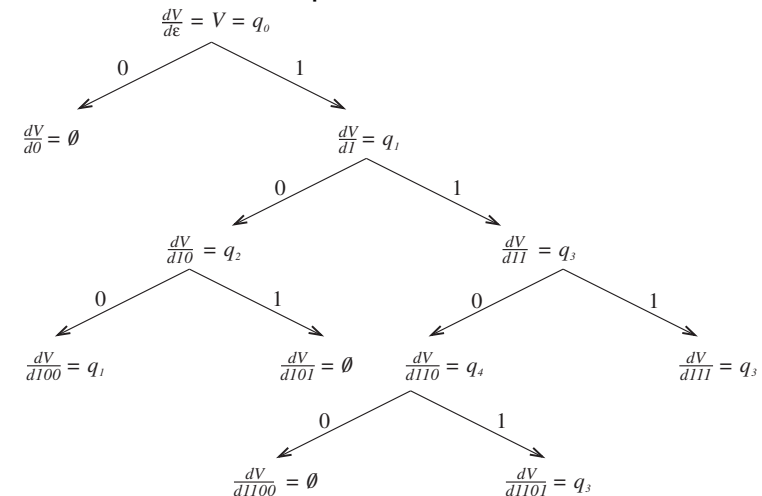
We add error state $q_0 = q_5$.



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Example (continued) $Y_{q_0} = \frac{dE}{d\varepsilon} = E, Y_{q_1} = \frac{dE}{d1}, Y_{q_5} = \frac{dE}{d0} = \emptyset,$
 $Y_{q_2} = \frac{dE}{d10}, Y_{q_3} = \frac{dE}{d11}, Y_{q_4} = \frac{dE}{d110}.$

- Tree constructed in step 3.



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Example (continued)

4. We integrate $\frac{dE}{d1100}$ a $\frac{dE}{d1101}$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d1100} d0 = \int \emptyset d0 = 0\emptyset = \emptyset,$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d1101} d1 = \int q_3 d1 = 1q_3.$$

5. The equation has the form: $q_4 = 1q_3 + \emptyset$

We further repeat steps 4 and 5:

$$\int \frac{dE}{d110} d0 = \int q_4 d0 = \int 1q_3 d0 = 01q_3,$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d111} d1 = \int q_3 d1 = 1q_3,$$

$$q_3 = 01q_3 + 1q_3 + \varepsilon = (01 + 1)q_3 + \varepsilon = (01 + 1)^*,$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d100} d0 = \int q_1 d0 = 0q_1$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d101} d1 = \int \emptyset d1 = 1\emptyset = \emptyset,$$

$$q_2 = 0q_1 + \emptyset$$

Relationship between RG and RE

Theorem

For every regular grammar $G = (N, T, P, S)$ a regular expression E such that $L(G) = h(E)$ can be constructed.

Definition

Extended (right) regular grammar is the quadruple $G = (N, T, P, S)$, where

N is the finite set of nonterminal symbols,

T is the finite set of terminal symbols,

P is the set of rules in the form $A \rightarrow \alpha B$ or

$A \rightarrow \alpha$, $A, B \in N$, $\alpha \in R_T$,

$S \in N$ is the start symbol.

Relationship between FA and RE

Example (continued)

$$\int \frac{dE}{d10} d0 = \int q_2 d0 = \int 0q_1 d0 = 00q_1$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d11} d1 = \int q_3 d1 = \int (01 + 1)^* d1 = 1(01 + 1)^*$$

$$q_1 = 00q_1 + 1(01 + 1)^* = (00)^* 1(01 + 1)^*$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d0} d0 = \int \emptyset d0 = 0\emptyset = \emptyset$$

$$\int \frac{dE}{d1} d1 = \int q_1 d1 = \int (00)^* (01 + 1)^* d1 = 1(00)^* 1(01 + 1)^*$$

$$q_0 = 1(00)^* 1(01 + 1)^* + \emptyset$$

6. $L(M) = h(E) = 1(00)^* 1(01 + 1)^*$

Relationship between RG and RE

W.L.O.G. we assume that there are at most two production rules of the form $A \rightarrow \alpha B$ or $A \rightarrow \alpha$ in the extended regular grammar.

Modification: The pair of rules $A \rightarrow \alpha B$, $A \rightarrow \beta B$ is replaced by rule $A \rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)B$.

Definition

Language defined by the extended regular grammar

$L(G) = \{x : x \in T^*, x = x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \text{ and there exists a derivation } S \Rightarrow \alpha_1 A_1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2 A_2 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \alpha_{n-1} A_{n-1} \Rightarrow \alpha_n \text{ such that } x_i \in h(\alpha_i), 1 \leq i \leq n\}.$

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Theorem

Let $G = (N, T, P, S)$ be an extended regular grammar. Assume that the nonterminal symbol A is not a start symbol. Then the equivalent extended regular grammar is $G' = (N \setminus \{A\}, T, P', S)$, where rules in P' are formed thusly:

If there are rules in G :

$$B \rightarrow \alpha_1 C$$

$$B \rightarrow \alpha_2 A$$

$$A \rightarrow \alpha_3 A$$

$$A \rightarrow \alpha_4 C,$$

then the following rules are in P' of G' :

$$B \rightarrow (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3^* \alpha_4) C.$$

Relationship between RG and RE

Algorithm Construction of regular expression for a given regular grammar – elimination of nonterminal symbols.

Input: Right regular grammar $G = (N, T, P, S)$.

Output: Regular expression E such that $h(E) = L(G)$.

Method:

1. Extended right regular grammar $G_R = (N, T, P_R, S)$ equivalent with G . All n -tuples of rules in the form $A \rightarrow \alpha_1 B, A \rightarrow \alpha_2 B, \dots, A \rightarrow \alpha_n B$ are replaced by the rule $A \rightarrow (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_n) B$, where $A \in N, B \in N \cup \{\varepsilon\}$.

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Note:

If some of the given rules does not occur in grammar G , then it is replaced by rule $X \rightarrow \emptyset Y$, where $X \in \{A, B, C\}, Y \in \{A, C\}$.

The corresponding rules will not occur in G' either.

For example if G misses a rule $A \rightarrow \alpha_4 C$, we replace it with a rule $A \rightarrow \emptyset C$ and then rule $B \rightarrow (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3^* \emptyset) C$ degenerates to rule $B \rightarrow \alpha_1 C$.

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Algorithm (continued):

2. Grammar G_R is further extended thusly:
 - (a) new start symbol $S' \notin N$ and we add $S' \rightarrow S$,
 - (b) new final nonterminal symbol $F \notin N$, all rules $A \rightarrow \alpha$ are replaced by rules $A \rightarrow \alpha F$ and we add $F \rightarrow \varepsilon$. $G'_R = (N', T, P'_R, S')$, where $N' = N \cup \{S', F\}$,
 $P'_R = \{A \rightarrow \alpha B : A \rightarrow \alpha B \in P_R\}$
 $\cup \{A \rightarrow \alpha F : A \rightarrow \alpha \in P_R\} \cup \{S' \rightarrow S, F \rightarrow \varepsilon\}$.
3. If $N' = \{S'\}$ and $P'_R = \{S' \rightarrow \alpha F, F \rightarrow \varepsilon\}$, then $E = \alpha$ and the algorithm ends. Otherwise it continues by step 4.
4. We choose $A \in N'$ such that $A \notin S'$. $N' = N' \setminus \{A\}$ and rules P'_R are modified correspondingly. We continue by step 3.

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Example

$G = (\{S, A, B\}, \{a, b\}, P, S)$, where P :

$$S \rightarrow bA \mid aS \mid \varepsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow bB$$

$$B \rightarrow aA \mid aS.$$

$S' \rightarrow S$, S' is a new nonterminal symbol

$S \rightarrow \varepsilon$ is replaced by rule $S \rightarrow F$ and for F we add rule $F \rightarrow \varepsilon$.

$G'_R = (\{S', S, A, B, F\}, \{a, b\}, P', S')$:

$$S' \rightarrow S$$

$$S \rightarrow bA \mid aS \mid F$$

$$A \rightarrow bB$$

$$B \rightarrow aA \mid aS$$

$$F \rightarrow \varepsilon.$$

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Algorithm Construction of regular expression for the given regular grammar

Input: Regular grammar $G = (N, T, P, S)$.

Output: Regular expression E such that $h(E) = L(G)$.

Method:

1. For every nonterminal symbol from N we construct a regular equation.
2. The resulting system of regular equations is solved using Gauss elimination for the start symbol of the grammar S . □

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Example (continued)

We exclude symbol A . $G_R^1 = (\{S', S, B, F\}, \{a, b\}, P^1, S')$:

$$S' \rightarrow S$$

$$S \rightarrow bbB \mid aS \mid F$$

$$B \rightarrow abB \mid aS$$

$$F \rightarrow \varepsilon.$$

We exclude symbol B . $G_R^2 = (\{S', S, F\}, \{a, b\}, P^2, S')$:

$$S' \rightarrow S$$

$$S \rightarrow (a + bb(ab)^*a)S \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow \varepsilon.$$

We exclude symbol S . $S' \rightarrow (a + bb(ab)^*a)^*F$
 $F \rightarrow \varepsilon.$

$$E = (a + bb(ab)^*a)^*$$

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Example

$G = (\{S, A\}, \{0, 1\}, P, S)$, P :

$$S \rightarrow 0S \mid 1A \mid 1$$

$$A \rightarrow 1S \mid 0A \mid 0$$

The system of regular equations has the following form:

$$S = 0S + 1A + 1$$

$$A = 1S + 0A + 0$$

We solve the system by elimination:

$$S = 0^*(1A + 1) = 0^*1(A + \varepsilon)$$

$$A = 10^*1A + 10^*1 + 0A + 0$$

$$A = (10^*1 + 0)A + 10^*1 + 0$$

$$A = (10^*1 + 0)^*(10^*1 + 0)$$

$$S = 0^*1((10^*1 + 0)^*(10^*1 + 0) + \varepsilon) = 0^*1(10^*1 + 0)^*$$

Resulting regular expression describing language $L(G)$ has the form:

$$S = 0^*1(10^*1 + 0)^*$$

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Theorem

For each regular expression E a regular grammar G such that $L(G) = h(E)$ can be constructed.

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Example

$(ab + \varepsilon)^*$

1. $G_a = (\{A\}, \{a\}, \{A \rightarrow a\}, A)$
 $G_b = (\{B\}, \{b\}, \{B \rightarrow b\}, B).$
2. $G_\varepsilon = (\{E\}, \emptyset, \{E \rightarrow \varepsilon\}, E).$
3. Iteratively we construct grammars for languages that are values of expressions $ab, ab + \varepsilon, (ab + \varepsilon)^*$:
 $G(ab) = (\{A, B\}, \{a, b\}, \{A \rightarrow aB, B \rightarrow b\}, A)$
 $G(ab + \varepsilon) = (\{N_1, A, B, E\}, \{a, b\}, P_1, N_1), \text{ where } P_1:$
 $N_1 \rightarrow A \mid E, E \rightarrow \varepsilon, A \rightarrow aB, B \rightarrow b.$
 $G((ab + \varepsilon)^*) = (\{N_2, N_1, A, B, E\}, \{a, b\}, P_2, N_2), \text{ where } P_2:$
 $N_2 \rightarrow N_1 \mid \varepsilon, N_1 \rightarrow A \mid E, E \rightarrow N_2, A \rightarrow aB, B \rightarrow bN_2.$

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Algorithm Construction of right regular grammar for a given regular expression – iterative construction.

Input: Regular expression E over alphabet T .

Output: $G = (N, T, P, S), L(G) = h(E)$

Method:

1. $\forall a \in T$ we create grammars:
 $G_a = (\{A\}, \{a\}, \{A \rightarrow a\}, A).$
2. We create grammar $G_\varepsilon = (\{E\}, \emptyset, \{E \rightarrow \varepsilon\}, E).$
3. Grammars for subexpressions of the form $x_1 + x_2, x_1x_2, x_1^*$, if we already have grammars for subexpressions x_1, x_2 .
4. We exclude ε -rules and simple rules.

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Example (continued)

4. We exclude ε -rules $(N_\varepsilon = \{N_2, E, N_1\})$:

$N'_2 \rightarrow N_2 \mid \varepsilon, N_2 \rightarrow N_1, N_1 \rightarrow A \mid E, E \rightarrow N_2, A \rightarrow aB, B \rightarrow bN_2 \mid b.$

Further we exclude simple rules:

$N_{N2'} = \{N'_2, N_2, N_1, A, E\}, N_{N2} = \{N_2, N_1, A, E\},$
 $N_{N1} = \{A, E, N_2, N_1\}, N_E = \{E, N_2, N_1, A\}, N_A = \{A\},$
 $N_B = \{B\}$ and we get rules:
 $N'_2 \rightarrow \varepsilon \mid aB, N_2 \rightarrow aB, N_1 \rightarrow aB, E \rightarrow aB, A \rightarrow aB,$
 $B \rightarrow bN_2 \mid b.$

Symbols N_1, E, A are redundant:

$G = (\{N'_2, N_2, B\}, \{a, b\}, P, N'_2), \text{ where } P:$

$N'_2 \rightarrow \varepsilon \mid aB, B \rightarrow bN_2 \mid b, N_2 \rightarrow aB$

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Algorithm Construction of right regular grammar for a given regular expression – method of derivatives.

Input: Regular expression E over alphabet T .

Output: $G = (N, T, P, S)$, $L(G) = h(E)$.

Method:

1. $N = \{E\}$, $N_0 = \{E\}$, $i = 1$.
2. We create derivatives of all expressions from N_{i-1} by all alphabet symbols from alphabet T . Into the set N_i we put all expressions created through derivatives of expressions from N_{i-1} .
3. If $N_i \neq \emptyset$, we add N_i into N , $i = i + 1$ and we go to st. 2. Otherwise we create gr. $G = (N, T, P, E)$, where P :
 We add $\frac{dE}{dx} \rightarrow a \frac{dE}{d(xa)}$ into P .
 We add $\frac{dE}{dx} \rightarrow a$ into P in case that $\varepsilon \in h(\frac{dE}{d(xa)})$.
 We add $E \rightarrow \varepsilon$ into P in case that $\varepsilon \in h(E)$.

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1. $N = \{(ab + \varepsilon)^*\}$, $N_0 = \{(ab + \varepsilon)^*\}$, $i = 1$.
2. $\frac{d(ab+\varepsilon)^*}{da} = (b + \emptyset)(ab + \varepsilon)^* = b(ab + \varepsilon)^*$
 $\frac{d(ab+\varepsilon)^*}{db} = (\emptyset + \emptyset)(ab + \varepsilon)^* = \emptyset$
 $N_1 = \{b(ab + \varepsilon)^*\}$, $N = \{(ab + \varepsilon)^*, b(ab + \varepsilon)^*\}$.
3. $\frac{d(b(ab+\varepsilon)^*)}{da} = \emptyset$
 $\frac{d(b(ab+\varepsilon)^*)}{db} = \varepsilon(ab + \varepsilon)^* = (ab + \varepsilon)^*$
 $N_2 = \emptyset$, $N = \{(ab + \varepsilon)^*, b(ab + \varepsilon)^*\}$

If we label $A = (ab + \varepsilon)^*$, $B = b(ab + \varepsilon)^*$, we get grammar $G = (\{A, B\}, \{a, b\}, P, A)$, where P contains rules:

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow aB \mid \varepsilon \\ B &\rightarrow bA \mid b \end{aligned}$$