

# Regular Expression

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Regular expression or rational expression is a sequence of characters that define a search pattern.

## Operations on Regular Language

1. Union If  $L$  &  $M$  are 2 regular languages then their union  $L \cup M$  is also a union.

$$L \cup M = \{ s \mid s \text{ is in } L \text{ or } s \text{ is in } M \}$$

2. Intersection: If  $L$  &  $M$  are 2 regular languages then their intersection is also an intersection.

$$L \cap M = \{ st \mid s \text{ is in } L \text{ and } t \text{ is in } M \}$$

3. Kleen closure: If  $L$  is a regular language then its Kleen closure  $L^*$  will also be a regular language.

$L^* =$  zero or more occurrence of language  $L$ .

Q1. Write the regular expression for the language accepting all the strings in which any number of a's is followed by any number of b's and c's

Ans. a's no. =  $a^*$   
b's " =  $b^*$   
c's " =  $c^*$

$$\therefore R = a^* b^* c^*$$

Q2. Write the regular expression for the language over  $\Sigma = \{0\}$  having even length of string.

sol: The regular expression has to build the language

$$L = \{ \text{00, 0000, 000000, ...} \}$$

$$R = (00)^*$$

Q3. Write the regular expression for the language having a string which should have at least one 0 and at least one 1

$$\text{Ans. } R = [(0+1)^* 0 (0+1)^* 1 (0+1)^*] + [(0+1)^* 1 (0+1)^* 0 (0+1)^*]$$



Q4. Describe the language denoted by following regular expression

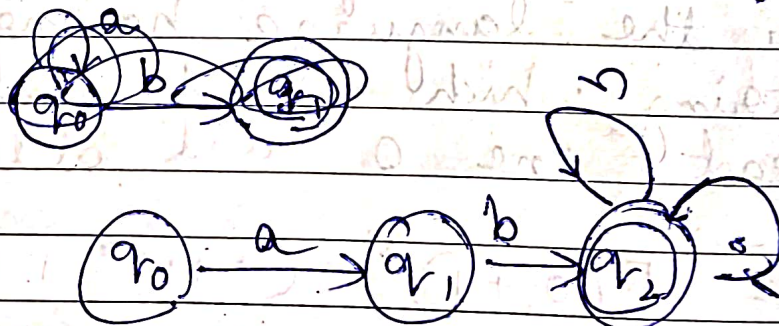
$$R = (b^* (aaa)^* b^*)^*$$

sol.  $R = ((\text{Any combination of } b's)(aaa)^*)^*$

Q5. Write the regular expression for the language containing the string in which every 0 is immediately followed by 11.

soln.  $R = (011 + 1)^*$

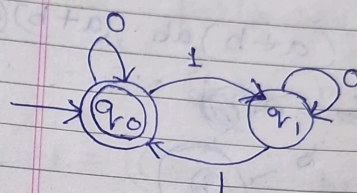
Q. Draw a DFA that accepts  $ab(a+b)^*$   
 $ab, ab(a+b), ab(a+b)(a+b)$





## Example of DFA

Ex 1.  $L_1 = \{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ has an even no. of 1's}\}$

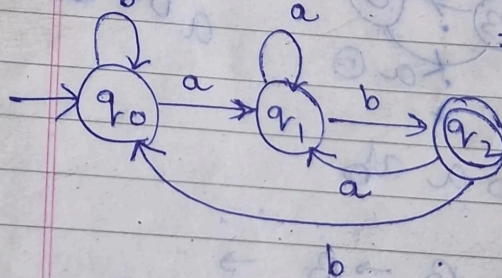


01, 0101, 1101  
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$q_0 \rightarrow$  all strings having an even no. of 1's

$q_1 \rightarrow$  all strings having an odd no. of 1's

Ex 2.  $L_2 = \{w \in \{a,b\}^* \mid w \text{ ends with the substring } ab\}$



$w_2 = \{ \underline{a} \underline{ab}, \underline{ab} \underline{ab}, \underline{baab} \underline{ab} \}$

$\underline{baaabab}, \underline{baabaaab}, \dots$

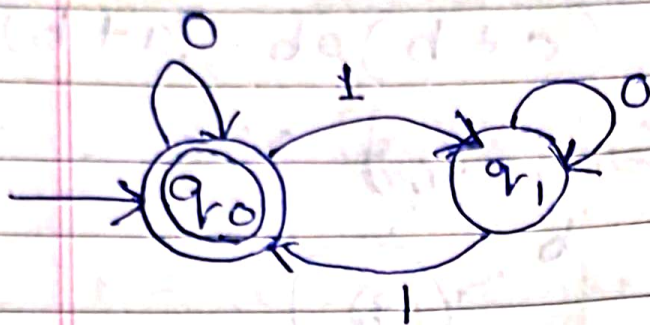


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