

Set Theory Basics

• Types of definition

- By listing

◦ Eg. $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

- By description

◦ Eg. $S = \{x \mid x \in N \text{ and } x > 8\}$

- By induction

◦ Eg. Basis: $1 \in N$

Inductive step: if $x \in N$, then $x+3 \in N$.

• The Power Set

- A set of all subsets of the given set.

◦ Eg. $P(N) = \{x \mid x \subseteq N\}$

◦ Eg. $S = \{0, 1\}$

$P(S) = \{\{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}, \emptyset\}$

• Basic Symbols

\cup Union

\cap Intersection

\subset Proper subset

\subseteq Subset

\supset Proper superset

\supseteq Superset

"Proper" means not equal, so $\{0, 1\} \subseteq \{0, 1\}$

but

$$\{0, 1\} \not\subseteq \{0, 1\}$$

Sequences

- A list of things in order
 - Normal brackets
 - Order and repetition do matter
- A finite sequence is a tuple. A k -tuple is a tuple with k elements. A 2-tuple is an ordered pair.
- Sequences are equal if the values in every position are equal
Eg. $(0, 1, 2) = (0, 1, 2)$ but $(0, 1, 2) \neq (0, 2, 1)$

• Cartesian Product

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

$$A_1 \times \dots \times A_n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in A_i \text{ for } i=1 \rightarrow n\}$$

• Binary Relations

- The B.R. of sets A and B is any subset (R) of the Cartesian product $A \times B$
 - $a R b$ denotes $(a, b) \in R$
 - $a \not R b$ denotes $(a, b) \notin R$

• Properties of Relations

- Relation R on set A is reflexive if

$$(a, a) \in R \text{ for every } a \in A$$

◦ i.e. every element loops ?

- Relation R on set A is **irreflexive** if

$(a, a) \notin R$ for every $a \in A$

◦ i.e. no element loops



- Relation R on set A is **symmetric** if

$(a, b) \in R$ whenever $(b, a) \in R$, for every $a, b \in A$

◦ i.e. all relations are 2-way



- Relation R on set A is **anti-symmetric** if

(a, b) and (b, a) cannot both be in R , unless $a = b$.

◦ i.e. no two-way relations



- Relation R on set A is **transitive** if the following holds:

if (a, b) and $(b, c) \in R$, then $(a, c) \in R$ for all $a, b, c \in R$

◦ i.e. anything that can be done in 2 or more steps
can also be done in 1 single step

• Transitive Closure

If R is a relation on set A , the T.C. of R is the smallest transitive relation on A that contains R .

R^* is the T.C. of R

If R is transitive, $R = R^*$

- Given R , R^* can be defined inductively:

Basis: $R \subseteq R^*$

Inductive: If $(a, b) \in R^*$ and $(b, c) \in R^*$
 $(a, c) \in R^*$

• Computing The Transitive Closure

- Warshall's algorithm computes R^* given the matrix of R
 - R is the rel on a set w/ n elements
 - Start with $M_0 = R$
 - There are n rounds. Let k be the counter from 1 to n .
 - For each k :
 - Study each element of M_{k-1}
 - M_{ij} = the element in row i , col j
 - If $M_{ij} = 1$, skip
 - If $M_{ik} = M_{kj} = 1$, change M_{ij} to 1
 - Call the resulting matrix M_k
 - $M_n = R^*$

• Partial Orders/Equivalence Relations

- A relation is a partial order if it is...

- Reflexive
- Antisymmetric
- Transitive

- A relation is an equivalence if it is...

- Reflexive
- Symmetric
- Transitive

STEP ONE

$$M_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & ? & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

STEP
TWO

STEP
THREE

$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

STEP
FOUR

• Hasse Diagram

- Used when a relation is known to be a partial order.
- From a directed graph...
 - Remove loops
 - Remove arrows that are only there b/c of Transitivity
 - Rearrange so that arrows point "up"
 - Remove arrow heads.

• Linear Order

- A relation is a linear/total order if...
 - R is a partial order
 - Every given pair of elements is connected one way or another

• Composition

- If R is a relation from sets A to B
S is a relation from sets B to C

$$R \circ S = \{(a, c) \in A \times C \mid (a, b) \in R \text{ and } (b, c) \in S \text{ for some } b \in B\}$$

- N.B. $R \circ S \neq S \circ R$

- Can be seen as connecting two relations where a "through" path exists

Functions

- A func. from set A to set B maps every element of set A to exactly one element of set B .

- Rules:

- Every element of A must map to B
- Not every element in B must be mapped from A
- An element in A must map to exactly one element in B
- Two + elements in A can map to the same element in B

• Multiple Arguments

- If the domain of f is a Cartesian product, we say f has arity of n , f is n -ary or f has n arguments

• Tuples / Sequences as Functions

- The 4-tuple $(4, 12, 15, 11)$ can be thought of as listing the values of $f: \{4, 12, 15, 11\} \rightarrow N$ defined by $f(0)=4$, $f(1)=12$, etc.

• Functions as Binary Relations

- A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ can be seen as a relation from A to B :

$$R = \{(a, b) \in A \times B \mid f(a) = b\}$$

• Properties

- Injective if it is one-to-one ($x \neq y$ implies $f(x) \neq f(y)$)
- Surjective if every element of the codomain is mapped to
- Bijective if both of the above.

• bijections and Inverses

- Bijections work in pairs:

If $f(a) = b$, $f^{-1}(b) = a$

If $f: A \rightarrow B$, $f': B \rightarrow A$

• Useful Functions

- Identity Function

- $\text{id}_A: A \rightarrow A$, such that $\text{id}_A(a) = a$ for all $a \in A$.
- id_A is a bijection, and the inverse is itself.

- Characteristic Set.

- For every $a \in A$ where $A \subseteq S$ and S is any set.
- $f_A: S \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

$$f_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in A \end{cases}$$

• Describing $N \rightarrow N$ by Induction

- Fibonacci Function:

◦ Basis: $f(0) = 1$ and $f(1) = 1$

◦ Inductive: if $n > 1$, $f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$

• Combining functions: Compositions

- Let $g: A \rightarrow B$ and $f: B \rightarrow C$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) \quad \leftarrow g(x) \text{ is done first.}$$

- $f \circ g$ is only defined if the domain of f is the codomain of g

◦ Eg. $f: A \rightarrow B$ $f: B \rightarrow C$ $\therefore f \circ g$ is okay

$g: A \rightarrow B$ $f: A \rightarrow C$ $\therefore f \circ g$ is undefined.

- $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ can be different

$$- f \circ (g \circ h) = (f \circ g) \circ h \quad (\circ \text{ is associative})$$

- if $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a bijection, then

$$f^{-1} \circ f = id_A \quad \text{and} \quad f \circ f^{-1} = id_B$$

- for any $f: A \rightarrow B$, $f \circ id_A = id_B \circ f = f$

• Comparing Finite Sets

- Two finite sets with the same length always have a bijection between them.

- A set is countable if there is a bijection between it and N .

Sets - Counting and Selection

- $|S|$ is the length of the finite set S .
 - $|\emptyset| = 0$

• The Sum Rule

- If A and B are disjoint sets, $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$

• Inclusion/Exclusion Principle

$$- |A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$$

$$\begin{aligned} - |A \cup B \cup C| &= |A| + |B| + |C| \\ &\quad - |A \cap B| - |B \cap C| - |A \cap C| \\ &\quad + |A \cap B \cap C| \end{aligned}$$

• The Product Rule

$$- |A_1 \times \dots \times A_n| = |A_1| \times \dots \times |A_n|$$

Cartesian Product

Multiplication

- If $|A| = n$ and $|B| = m$, the number of $f: A \rightarrow B$ functions is

$$\underbrace{m \times m \times \dots}_{n} = m^n$$

• Counting Subsets

- The number of possible subsets in a n -length set is 2^n
- $|P(S)| = 2^n$ if $|S| = n$

• Pigeonhole Principle

- If n objects are to be placed in k boxes, at least one box contains at least $\lceil \frac{n}{k} \rceil$ objects

• Selection Methods

- A bag has 3 items; A, B and C. How many ways to pick 2?

◦ Order matters, No repetition
→ AB, AC, BA, BC, CB, CA

◦ Order matters, Repetition okay.
→ AA, AB, AC, BA, BB, BC, CA, CB, CC

◦ Order irrelevant, No repetition
→ AB, BC, AC

◦ Order irrelevant, Repetition Okay
→ AA, AB, AC, BB, BC, CC

• Order Matters / No Repetition

"How many k -length photo lineups from an n -number group?"

- n options for the first number
- $(n-1)$ options for the second number
- And so on, up to $n-(k-1)$ for the k^{th} number

$$n \times (n-1) \times \dots \times n-(k-1) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

• Order Matters / Repetition Okay

"How many k -letter words from an n -letter alphabet?"

- n ways for the first letter
- n ways for the second letter
- And so on, up to n ways for the k^{th} letter

$$\underbrace{n \times n \times \dots \times n}_k = n^k$$

• Order Irrelevant / No Repetition

"How many k -people groups from a n -size class?"

◦ With order important, we use $\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$

◦ But each set of k people was counted $k!$ times, so divide by $k!$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \div k! = \frac{n!}{k! \times (n-k)!} = \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n \times (n-1) \times \dots \times n-(k-1)}{1 \times 2 \times \dots \times k}$$

↑ "n choose k"

- Order I relevant / Repetition Okay.

"How many k -component mixes can be made from an n -colour set of options, where colours can be picked more than once?"

$$\binom{k+n-1}{n-1} = \binom{k+n-1}{k}$$

- Summary of Counting Selections:

- When picking k items from n options...

	Order M matters (permutations)	Order I relevant (combinations)
No Repetition	$\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$	$\binom{n}{k}$
Repetition Okay	n^k	$\binom{k+n-1}{k}$

• Binomial Theorem

- Let $n, k \in N$, $n \geq k$. Then $\binom{n}{k}$ is a binomial coefficient
- This is b/c these numbers appear as coefficients in the expansion of powers of binomial expressions

$$\text{- Eg. } (a+b)^n = \binom{n}{0}a^n b^0 + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b^1 + \dots + \binom{n}{n}a^0 b^n$$

- Properties:

$$\bullet \quad \binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{Pascal's identity: } \binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k+1}$$

Probability Theory

• Probability of a Union of an Event

$$- P(E_1 \cup E_2) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) - P(E_1 \cap E_2)$$

• Conditional Probability

- $P(A|B)$ means "prob. of A given B has happened"

$$- P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

- If $P(A|B) \neq P(A)$ then A and B are not independent

• Independence

- Independent events do not impact each other

$$- P(A|B) = P(A)$$

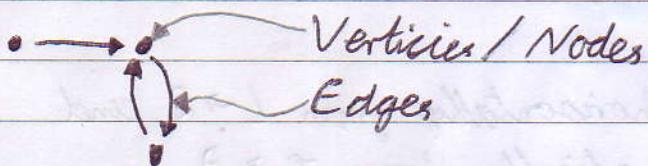
$$- P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

} If A and B
are independent

• Bayes Theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) \cdot P(A)}{P(B|A) \cdot P(A) + P(B|\bar{A}) \cdot P(\bar{A})}$$

Graphs



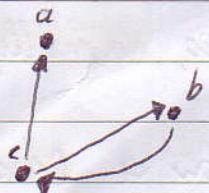
• Terms

- Simple graph: undirected edges, no multiple edges, no loops
- Multigraphs: undirected edges, multiple edges okay, loops okay
- Directed graphs: directed edges, no multiple edges, no loops
- Directed multigraphs can show a binary relation
 - If there is an edge e between nodes a and b , we say a and b are adjacent or e is incident with a and b .
- The degree of a node is the num. of connected edges it has.
 - If degree = 0, the node is isolated
 - If degree = 1, the node is pendant
- Number of edges = $\frac{\text{sum of degrees}}{2}$
- For the directed graph

• Adjacency Matrix

- List vertices horizontally from L → R
- List vertices vertically from T → B
- The number in the i^{th} row/ j^{th} column is the number of edges going from i to j
- For an undirected graph $(i, j) = (j, i)$

Eg.



$$= \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} a & b & c \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix} \right] \end{matrix}$$

• Paths in Simple Graphs

- A path is a sequence of nodes travelling on edges
- The length is the number of edges
- Simple path: no same edge twice
- Hamiltonian Path: simple path passing through every node once

• Cycles in Simple Graphs

- A cycle is a path that starts and ends at the same node
- Length, simplicity and Hamiltonian-ness have the same definitions as above

• Special Graphs

- The complete/ n -clique/ k_n graph has one edge for each node pair
- The n -cycle/ C_n graph looks like a cycle. Obviously.

- Eg: $C_3 = \triangle$ $C_4 = \square$ $k_3 = \triangle$ $k_4 = \square$

• Sub-Graphs

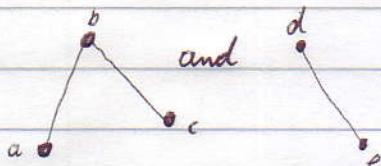
- A sub-graph is an original graph with nodes or edges removed.

• Connectivity

- A graph is connected if a path exists between any two nodes

- A connected component is a maximal connected subgraph

- Eg.



could be connected components
of a larger graph.

• Isomorphism

- Graphs are isomorphic if they represent the same information
- You can change one to the other by dragging nodes but not changing connections

- Graphs are isomorphic if there is an isomorphism between them: a function f mapping the nodes of one to the nodes of the other.
 - f is a bijection
 - f maps edges to edges and non-edges to non-edges.

- An invariant is a property preserved under isomorphisms
 - num. of nodes
 - C_n/k_n subgraphs
 - num. of edges
 - num. of x -degree nodes

- To confirm an iso., find the bijective function
- To refute an iso., find an invariant that is "broken"

Trees

- A tree is a connected simple path with no cycles
- In a tree there is one unique path between two nodes
 - Adding any edge creates a cycle
 - Removing any edge makes it non-connected

• Rooted Trees

- One node is nominated as the root, usually drawn at the top
- Any node can be a root.
- Two rooted trees are isomorphic if the bijective function maps roots to roots, edges to edges and non-edges to non-edges.

- In this rooted tree...



- a is the parent of b
- b is the child of a
- c and d are siblings
- b and a are ancestors of c
- b, c and d are descendants of a

- The depth/level of a node is the length of the path back to root
- The height of a rooted tree is the max length from root to leaf
- A subtree is created by picking a new node to use as the root and discarding everything above it.

- A child-less node is a leaf
- A node with children is internal.

- For any $m \in N^+$, a m -ary rooted tree has no internal node with more than m children.
 - A full m -ary rooted tree exists where every internal node has exactly m children

• Tree Properties

- A full m -ary tree with n internal nodes has $mn+1$ nodes overall.
 - Because each internal node has m children, plus 1 for the root
- A tree with n nodes has $n-1$ edges
 - Proof by induction: Let $n=1$, edges = $n-1$.
Then let $n=n+1$, edges = $n-1+1 = n$

• Binary Search Trees

- Given a linear order α and a list L , in the binary search tree the children of any given node are on the left if they are smaller or the right if they are larger than the given node.
- Building a binary search tree, given list L and order α :
 - Go through list $L \rightarrow R$
 - First item: root
 - Compare: take each item and compare to existing tree, starting at the root and...
 - moving left if α -less
 - moving right if α -greater

• Tree Traversal

- Used to visit each node to read and process data.

- Preorder Traversal

- Visit root first
- Repeat traversal in preorder, left to right
- Recurse until complete

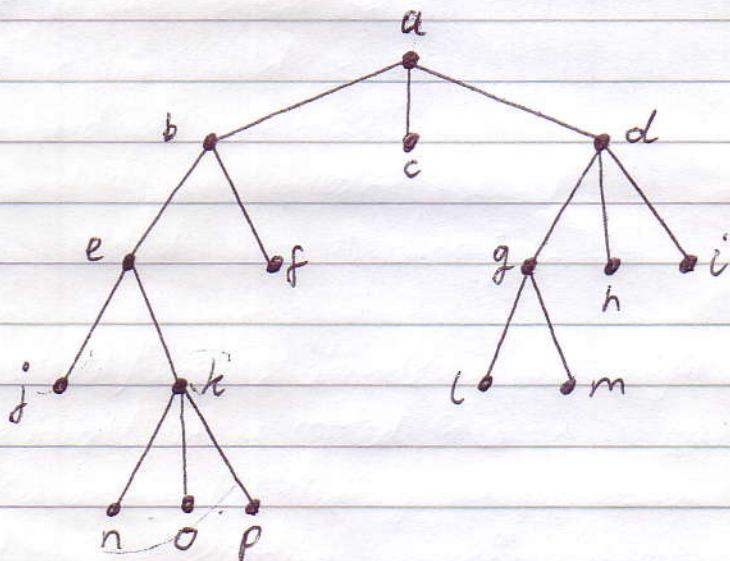
- Inorder Traversal

- Traverse leftmost subtree in inorder
- Visit root
- Traverse subtrees in inorder, left to right

- Postorder Traversal

- Traverse leftmost subtree in postorder
- Continue traversing in postorder, left to right
- Finally visit root.

- Eg.



Preorder : abejknoppfcldglmhi

Inorder : jenkopbfaclgmdhi

Postorder : jnopkefbcmghida

Finite Automata

- aka. Finite State Machines

• Terms

- **Alphabet**: all available symbols to make a word (Σ)
- **word**: 1 or more symbols from the alphabet.
- ϵ : the empty word
- Σ^* : set of all words from alphabet Σ (includes ϵ)
 - Σ^* is infinite if Σ is non-empty

- Length of word $w = |w|$
 - $|\text{Hello}| = 5$ $|\epsilon| = 0$

- xy = concatenation of x and y
- $x^n = xx...x$
- $\epsilon x = x \epsilon = x$ for all words x
- $x^0 = \epsilon$

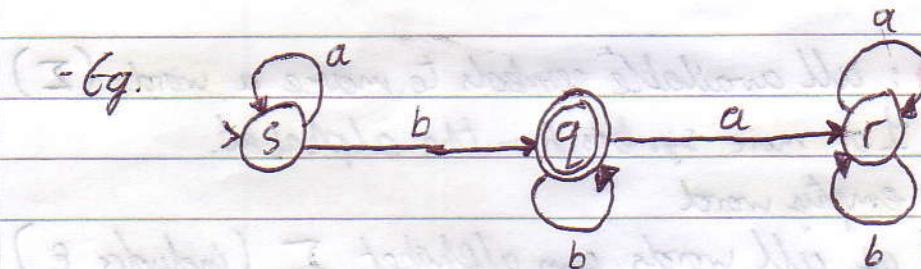
- A **language** is a set of words over a given alphabet
 - Can be defined as $L_1 = \{a^x b^y \mid x > y\}$
 - Can be infinite

• Theoretical Model

- An F.A. has one or more states. At any time it can be in any of its states
 - Special states: one initial state, and possibly some favourable
- The F.A. is hardwired on how to move from one state to the next, usually depending on an input.
- At the end of the input, the word is accepted/rejected depending on if the F.A. ends in a favourable state or not.

• State Transition Diagram

- $\circlearrowleft a$ = initial state
- $\circledast b$ = favourable state
- $\rightarrow c$ = move on given input



- Example Computation:

- Input: abba
- Computation: $(s, abba)$,
 (s, bba) ,
 (q, ba) ,
 (q, a)
 (r, ϵ)

◦ Result: rejected

Each called a configuration.
 (current state, remaining input)

• Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA's)

- A DFA is a 5-tuple $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, s, F)$ where...
- Q is the set of states
- Σ is the finite input alphabet
- $s \in Q$ is the initial state
- $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of favourable states
- $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$ is the transition function:

If the system is in state $q \in Q$ and reads input $a \in \Sigma$, it will move to the new state $q' = \delta(q, a)$

- These are described as deterministic b/c at every state there is one unique arrow for each symbol in the alphabet.
 - o i.e. the pair (current state, symbol read) uniquely determine the next state.
- δ may be shown as a transition table:

$$Q = \{s, q, r\} \quad \Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

δ	a	b
s	s	q
q	r	a
r	r	r

- The language of a DFA is all words accepted by that DFA

• Non-deterministic Finite Automata (NFA)

- A finite automaton is non-deterministic if, from any state, the input read does not determine exactly the next state.
- Easier to design than DFAs
 - o Any NFA can be expressed as a DFA
- An NFA can have multiple computations of a word
 - o A word is accepted if any computation end favourably.
 - o A word being stuck in a favourable state does not count as acceptance

- An NFA is a 5-tuple $A = (Q, \Sigma, \Delta, s, F)$ where...
 - Q, Σ, s and F are the same as for DFAs
 - $\Delta \subseteq Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}) \times Q$ is the transition relation:

If A is in state q and reads input a , it enters any of the states q' for which $(q, a, q') \in \Delta$.

- An NFA can be spotted by:
 - Multiple same-label arrows from one state
 - Trap states
 - ϵ -jumps

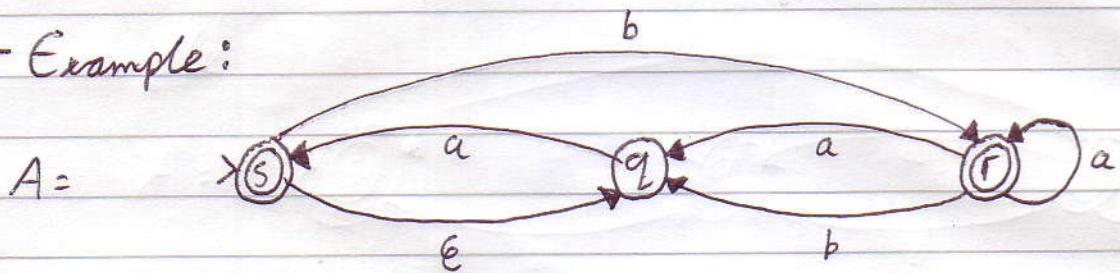
• NFA \rightarrow DFA

Given... $NFA = A$, $DFA = A'$

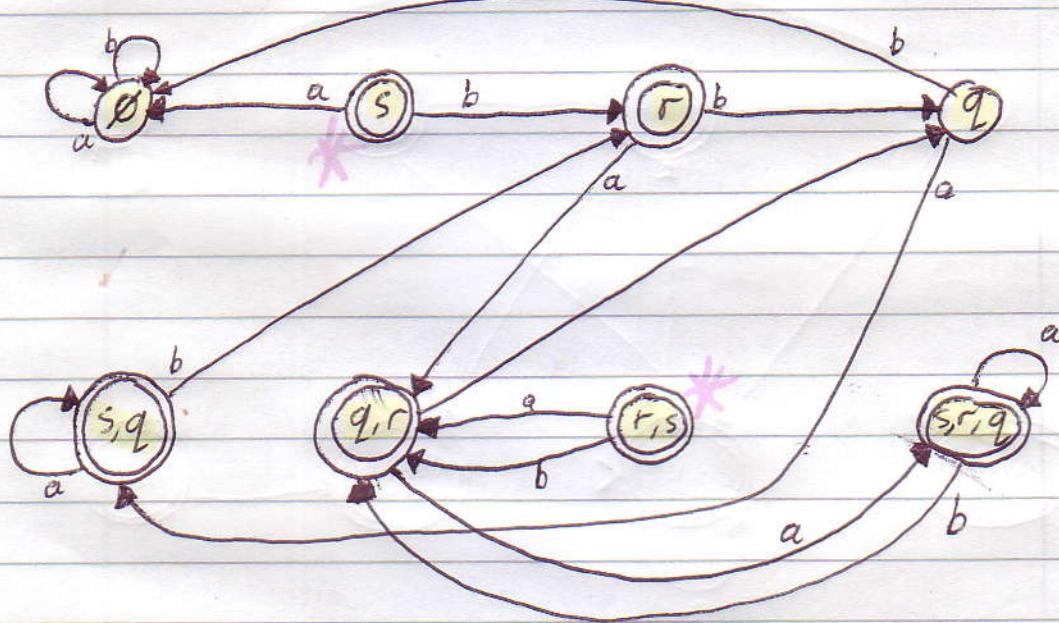
- States of A' = all subsets of A 's set of states
- Initial state of A' = the set containing the initial state from A and all states reachable by an ϵ -jump from the initial state
- Favourable states of A' = all states containing at least 1 favourable state from A
- Transition formula = for every new state in A' and all $a \in \Sigma$:
 $\delta(q, a) =$ the set of states reachable from any state in q by following an a -arrow, followed by any ϵ -arrows
- Remove unreachable "extra" states

- Example:

$A =$



$A' =$



* Nothing goes to s or r,s so these can be removed.

Language and Regular Expressions

- Many languages can be represented as regular expressions

- $L = L[a^*b^*]$ means "L is represented by the regex a^*b^* "

• Description by Induction

- A regex over an alphabet Σ is a string consisting of...

- symbols from Σ

- plus symbols from $* \in \cup () \emptyset$
 $\stackrel{\text{1 or more}}{\cup}$ "or"

- The set of regexes over Σ can be described inductively:

- Basis: \emptyset, ϵ and each symbol in Σ are regexes

- Inductive: if a and b are regexes, so are $(a \cup b), (ab)$ and (a^*) .

- Closure: no other strings are regexes over Σ

• Conventions

- Brackets are omitted in concatenation; i.e. $(ab)b = abb$

- $*$ binds tighter than concatenation, so $aba^* = (ab)(a^*)$

• Representing Languages

- Every regex over Σ represents a language over Σ

- There are two different ideas:

- A regex = a

- The language represented by $a = L[a]$

- $L[\emptyset] = \emptyset \quad L[\epsilon] = \{\epsilon\} \quad L[a] = \{a\}$ for any $a \in \Sigma$

- If a and b are regexes...
 - $L[a \cup b] =$ all words in $L[a]$ or $L[b]$
 - $L[ab] =$ any word in $L[a]$ followed by any word in $L[b]$
 - $L[a^*] =$ zero or more consecutive words from $L[a]$

• Regular Languages

- Can be described by a regex.
i.e. L is regular if $L = L[a]$ for some regex a .

- Not all languages are regular

- There are general procedures to convert from a regex to a NFA and from a NFA to a regex.
 - Every regular language is accepted by some automaton
 - Every language accepted by an automaton is regular

• Regex \rightarrow NFA

- An inductive process using regex a to make NFA A such that $L(A) = L[a]$

• Base cases:

◦ If $a = \emptyset$, then $L[a] = \emptyset$ $A: \text{ } \times \emptyset$

◦ If $a = \epsilon$, then $L[a] = \{\epsilon\}$ $A: \text{ } \times \circlearrowleft$

◦ If $a = x$, then $L[a] = \{x\}$ $A: \text{ } \times \xrightarrow{x} \circlearrowright$

- Inductive Cases:

- Automaton accepting $L[a \cup b]$

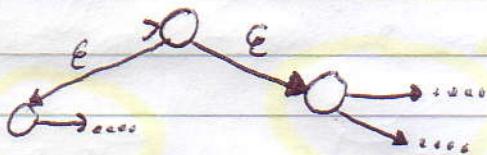
A_a : accepts $L[a]$



A_b : accepts $L[b]$



A : accepts $L[a \cup b]$



- Automaton accepting $L[ab]$

A_a : accepts $L[a]$



A_b : accepts $L[b]$



A : accepts $L[ab]$



- Automaton accepting $L[a^*]$

A_a : accepts $L[a]$



A : accepts $L[a^*]$

