

## Finite Automaton

A Finite Automaton is formally a tuple  $A = \langle \Sigma, F, Q, \delta \rangle$  where  $\Sigma, F, Q$  are finite nonempty sets with  $F \subset Q$ . The *set of states*  $Q$  contains a special *initial state*  $\iota$ . The *transition function*  $\delta$  has type

$$\delta : Q \times \Sigma \longrightarrow Q$$

The interpretation of  $\delta(q, s) = q'$  is that if  $A$  is in state  $q$  and receives input symbol  $s$ , then  $q'$  is the new state.

We assume the sets  $Q$  and  $\Sigma$  are disjoint. A *configuration* of  $A$  is a string  $xqy$  with  $x, y \in \Sigma^*$ , and  $q \in Q$ . Configuration  $xqy$  is interpreted as:  $A$  is in state  $q$ , the input already consumed is  $x$ , the remaining input is  $y$ , and the next input symbol is the left-most symbol of  $y$ . If  $C$  and  $C'$  are configurations, then  $C \rightarrow C'$  if  $C = xqsy$ ,  $\delta(q, s) = q'$ , and  $C' = xsq'y$ . A configuration  $xqy$  is *accepting* if  $q \in F$  (elements of  $F$  are called *accept states*). A configuration  $xqy$  is *halting* if  $y$  is empty.

The *computation* of  $A$  on input  $w \in \Sigma^*$  beginning from state  $q$  is the unique sequence  $C_0, C_1, \dots$  of configurations such that  $C_0 = qw$ ,  $C_i \rightarrow C_{i+1}$  for each  $i$ , and the sequence ends in a halting configuration. The *number of steps* in a computation is one less than the number of configurations. Automaton  $A$  therefore induces a function

$$\delta^* : Q \times \Sigma^* \longrightarrow Q$$

defined by  $\delta^*(q, w) = q'$  where  $q'$  is the state in the halting configuration of the computation of  $A$  on input  $w$  beginning from state  $q$ . We say that  $A$  *accepts*  $w$  iff  $\delta^*(\iota, w) \in F$ . The *language*  $\mathcal{L}(A)$  *accepted by*  $A$  is the set of all strings in  $\Sigma^*$  which  $A$  accepts.

A *nondeterministic* finite automaton is in some sense a generalization of a finite automaton; it has a transition function  $\delta$  of type

$$\delta : Q \times \Sigma \longrightarrow 2^Q$$

The interpretation of  $\delta(q, s) = S$  is that if  $A$  is in state  $q$  and receives input symbol  $s$ , then any element  $q' \in S$  may be the new state. Accordingly, if  $C$  and  $C'$  are configurations, then  $C \rightarrow C'$  if  $C = xqsy$ ,  $q' \in \delta(q, s)$ , and  $C' = xsq'y$ . Moreover, a computation of  $A$  on input  $w \in \Sigma^*$  beginning from state  $q$  is *any* sequence  $C_0, C_1, \dots$  of configurations such that  $C_0 = qw$ ,  $C_i \rightarrow C_{i+1}$  for each  $i$ , and the sequence ends in a halting configuration. Nondeterministic automaton  $A$  therefore induces a function

$$\delta^* : Q \times \Sigma^* \longrightarrow 2^Q$$

where  $\delta^*(q, w)$  is the set of all  $q'$  such that  $q'$  is the state in the halting configuration of *any* computation of  $A$  on input  $w$  beginning from state  $q$ . We say that  $A$  *accepts*  $w$  iff  $\delta^*(\iota, w)$  contains some element of  $F$ . The language  $\mathcal{L}(A)$  *accepted by*  $A$  is the set of all strings in  $\Sigma^*$  which  $A$  accepts.

A nondeterministic automaton  $A$  with  $\lambda$ -transitions is in some sense a generalization of a nondeterministic finite automaton; it has a transition function  $\delta$  of type

$$\delta : Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}) \longrightarrow 2^Q$$

where  $\lambda \notin Q \cup \Sigma$ . The interpretation of  $\delta(q, s) = S$  is that:

- If  $A$  is in state  $q$  and receives input symbol  $s \in \Sigma$ , then any element  $q' \in S$  may be the new state. Accordingly, if  $C$  and  $C'$  are configurations, then  $C \rightarrow C'$  if  $C = xqsy$ ,  $q' \in \delta(q, s)$ , and  $C' = xsq'y$ .
- If  $A$  is in state  $q$  and  $s = \lambda$ , then any element  $q' \in S$  may be the new state; this corresponds to a state transition which does not consume input. Accordingly, if  $C$  and  $C'$  are configurations, then  $C \rightarrow C'$  if  $C = xqy$ ,  $q' \in \delta(q, \lambda)$ , and  $C' = xq'y$ .

Moreover, a computation of  $A$  on input  $w \in \Sigma^*$  beginning from state  $q$  is *any* sequence  $C_0, C_1, \dots$  of configurations such that  $C_0 = qw$ ,  $C_i \rightarrow C_{i+1}$  for each  $i$ , and the sequence ends in a halting configuration. Nondeterministic automaton  $A$  with  $\lambda$ -transitions therefore induces a function

$$\delta^* : Q \times \Sigma^* \longrightarrow 2^Q$$

where  $\delta^*(q, w)$  is the set of all  $q'$  such that  $q'$  is the state in the halting configuration of *any* computation of  $A$  on input  $w$  beginning from state  $q$ . We say that  $A$  accepts  $w$  iff  $\delta^*(\iota, w)$  contains some element of  $F$ . The language  $\mathcal{L}(A)$  accepted by  $A$  is the set of all strings in  $\Sigma^*$  which  $A$  accepts.

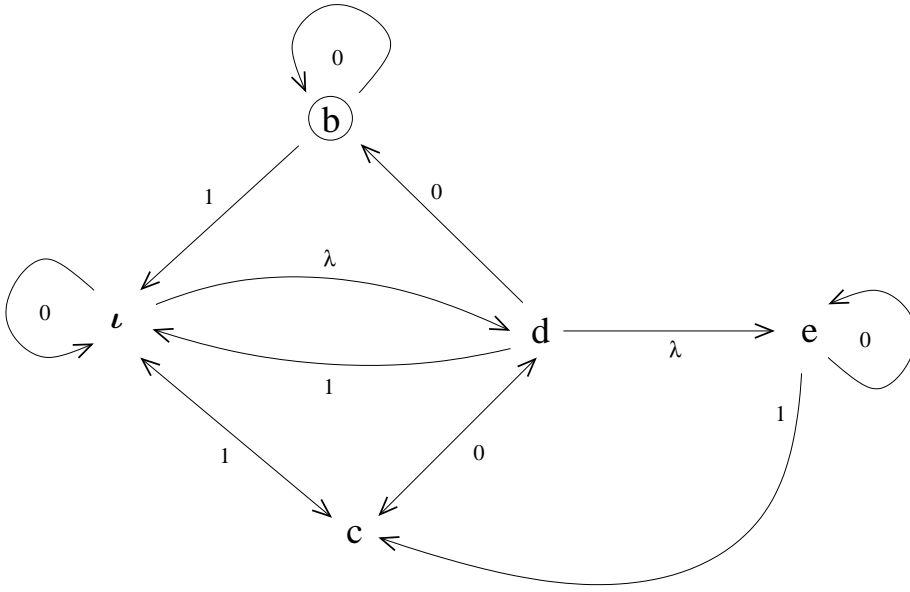
A nondeterministic automaton  $A = \langle \Sigma, F, Q, \delta \rangle$  with  $\lambda$ -transitions is equivalent to some (deterministic) automaton  $A'$  in the sense that given  $A$  one can construct  $A' = \langle \Sigma, F', Q', \delta' \rangle$  such that  $\mathcal{L}(A') = \mathcal{L}(A)$ . The following algorithm — which is described in terms of the graphical representation for automaton — implements the construction.

1. The initial state of  $A'$  is  $\delta^*(\iota, \varepsilon)$ , where  $\varepsilon$  is the empty string.
2. Repeat until no edges are missing:
  - (a) Let  $v$  be a vertex (state) of  $A'$  that has no outgoing edge for some  $s \in \Sigma$ .
  - (b) Let  $v'$  be a vertex (state) of  $A'$  defined by

$$v' = \bigcup_{a \in v} \delta^*(a, s)$$

- (c) If not already present, add an  $s$ -labeled edge from  $v$  to  $v'$  (i.e.,  $\delta'(v, a) = v'$ ).

3. The accept states of  $A'$  are those that contain some element of  $F$ .



$$\iota \rightarrow d \rightarrow e$$

Initial state:  $\{\iota, d, e\}$

$$\iota 0 \rightarrow 0\iota \rightarrow 0d \rightarrow 0e$$

$$\iota 0 \rightarrow d0 \rightarrow 0b$$

$$\iota 0 \rightarrow d0 \rightarrow 0c$$

$$\iota 0 \rightarrow d0 \rightarrow e0 \rightarrow 0e$$

$$\{\iota, d, e\}0 \longrightarrow \{\iota, b, c, d, e\}$$

$$\therefore \{\iota, b, c, d, e\}0 \longrightarrow \{\iota, b, c, d, e\}$$

$$\iota 1 \rightarrow 1c$$

$$\iota 1 \rightarrow d1 \rightarrow 1\iota \rightarrow 1d \rightarrow 1e$$

$$\iota 1 \rightarrow d1 \rightarrow e1 \rightarrow 1c$$

$$\{\iota, d, e\}1 \longrightarrow \{\iota, c, d, e\}$$

$$\therefore \{\iota, c, d, e\}0 \longrightarrow \{\iota, b, c, d, e\}$$

$$b1 \rightarrow 1\iota \rightarrow 1d \rightarrow 1e$$

$$c1 \rightarrow 1\iota \rightarrow 1d \rightarrow 1e$$

$$\{\iota, b, c, d, e\}1 \longrightarrow \{\iota, c, d, e\}$$

$$\therefore \{\iota, c, d, e\}1 \longrightarrow \{\iota, c, d, e\}$$

Final state:  $\{\iota, b, c, d, e\}$

An *alphabet*  $\Sigma$  is a finite set. A *language*  $R$  over  $\Sigma$  is a subset  $R \subset \Sigma^*$ . The *empty string*  $\lambda$  has zero length and is the identity for concatenation (the concatenation  $rs$  of string  $r$  with  $s$  is their juxtaposition).

The product  $RS$  of languages  $R$  and  $S$  is

$$RS = \{rs \mid r \in R, s \in S\}$$

Note that if either  $R$  or  $S$  is empty, then  $RS = \emptyset$ . Language product is associative, but not commutative.

Given integer  $n \geq 0$ , the power  $R^n$  of language  $R$  is a language, defined recursively by

$$\begin{aligned} R^0 &= \{\lambda\} \\ R^{i+1} &= RR^i \end{aligned}$$

The *kleene closure*  $R^*$  of a language  $R$  is the language

$$R^* = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} R^n$$

The union of languages  $R$  and  $S$  is denoted by  $R + S$ .

A *regular expression* is defined inductively as follows:

- $\emptyset$  is a regular expression denoting the language  $\emptyset$ .
- $x \in \Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}$  is a regular expression, denoting the language  $\{x\}$ .
- Let  $x$  and  $y$  be regular expressions denoting the languages  $\mathcal{L}(x)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(y)$  respectively.
  - $(xy)$  is a regular expression denoting the language  $\mathcal{L}(x)\mathcal{L}(y)$ .
  - $(x + y)$  is a regular expression denoting the language  $\mathcal{L}(x) + \mathcal{L}(y)$ .
  - $(x^*)$  is a regular expression denoting the language  $\mathcal{L}(x)^*$ .

Given a language  $R$  over an alphabet  $\Sigma$ , define  $\delta : R \longrightarrow \{\lambda, \emptyset\}$  by

$$\delta(R) = \begin{cases} \lambda & \text{if } \lambda \in R \\ \emptyset & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x) &= \emptyset \quad \text{for all } x \in \Sigma \\ \delta(\emptyset) &= \emptyset \\ \delta(\lambda) &= \lambda \\ \delta(R^*) &= \lambda \quad \text{for every language } R \\ \delta(RS) &= \delta(R)\delta(S) \\ \delta(R + S) &= \delta(R) + \delta(S) \quad \text{for all languages } R, S \end{aligned}$$

Given language  $R$  and sequence  $s \in \Sigma^*$ , the *derivative* of  $R$  with respect to  $s$  is

$$\mathcal{D}_s R = \{t \mid st \in R\}$$

Note that  $s \in \Sigma^*$  is contained in a regular expression  $R$  if and only if  $\lambda \in \mathcal{D}_s R$ .

If  $R$  is regular and  $s \in \Sigma$ , then  $\mathcal{D}_s R$  may be computed recursively by

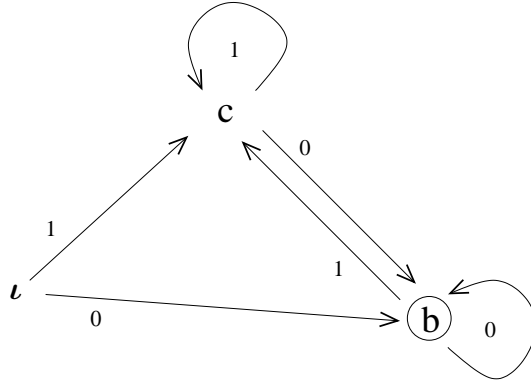
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_s(R^*) &= (\mathcal{D}_s R)R^* \\ \mathcal{D}_s(RS) &= (\mathcal{D}_s R)S + \delta(R)\mathcal{D}_s S \\ \mathcal{D}_s(R + S) &= \mathcal{D}_s(R) + \mathcal{D}_s S \\ \mathcal{D}_s s &= \lambda \\ \mathcal{D}_s a &= \emptyset \quad \text{for } a = \lambda, a = \emptyset, \text{ or } a \in \Sigma \setminus \{s\} \end{aligned}$$

If  $R$  is regular and  $s = s_1 \dots s_{n+1} \in \Sigma^*$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_s R &= \mathcal{D}_{s_{n+1}}(\mathcal{D}_{s_1 \dots s_n} R) \\ \mathcal{D}_\lambda R &= R \end{aligned}$$

The language  $\mathcal{L}(A)$  of a finite automaton  $A$  is regular (i.e., it is denoted by some regular expression). To obtain a regular expression  $R_t$  denoting  $\mathcal{L}(A)$ ,

1. Associate an equation  $R_q$  with each state  $q$  of  $A$ ; if there is a transition from  $q$  to  $p$  on input  $a$ , then  $R_q$  contains the term  $aR_p$ . Moreover,  $\lambda$  is a term of  $R_q$  if and only if  $R_q$  is an accepting state.
2. Solve for  $R_t$ , using the fact that  $S^*T$  is the solution to  $X = SX + T$  if  $\delta(S) = \emptyset$ .



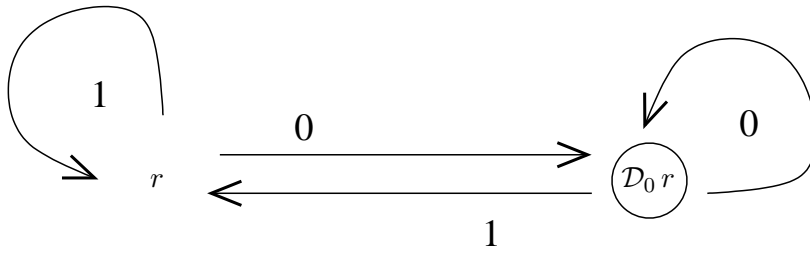
$$\begin{aligned} R_t &= 1R_c + 0R_b \\ R_b &= \lambda + 1R_c + 0R_b \\ R_c &= 1R_c + 0R_b \implies R_c = 1^*0R_b \\ \therefore R_b &= \lambda + 11^*0R_b + 0R_b \implies R_b = (11^*0 + 0)^*\lambda = (1^*0)^* \\ \therefore R_t &= 11^*0(1^*0)^* + 0(1^*0)^* = (11^*0 + 0)(1^*0)^* = (1^*0)(1^*0)^* \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, to obtain an automaton  $A$  from a regular expression  $r$ ,

Associate a state with each derivative  $\mathcal{D}_s r$ ; if  $\mathcal{D}_a(\mathcal{D}_s r) = \mathcal{D}_t r$  then state  $\mathcal{D}_s r$  transitions to state  $\mathcal{D}_t r$  on input  $a$ . A state  $\mathcal{D}_s r$  is accepting if it contains  $\lambda$ .

Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 r &= 1^*0(1^*0)^* \\
 \mathcal{D}_\lambda r &= r \\
 \mathcal{D}_0 r &= (\mathcal{D}_0 1^*0)(1^*0)^* + \delta(1^*0)\mathcal{D}_0(1^*0)^* \\
 &= ((\mathcal{D}_0 1^*)0 + \delta(1^*)\mathcal{D}_0 0)(1^*0)^* \\
 &= ((\mathcal{D}_0 1)1^*0 + \lambda)(1^*0)^* \\
 &= (1^*0)^* \quad \text{//contains } \lambda \\
 \mathcal{D}_1 r &= (\mathcal{D}_1 1^*0)(1^*0)^* + \delta(1^*0)\mathcal{D}_1(1^*0)^* \\
 &= ((\mathcal{D}_1 1^*)0 + \delta(1^*)\mathcal{D}_1 0)(1^*0)^* \\
 &= ((\mathcal{D}_1 1)1^*0)(1^*0)^* \\
 &= r \\
 \mathcal{D}_{00} r &= \mathcal{D}_0(\mathcal{D}_0 r) \\
 &= (\mathcal{D}_0 1^*0)(1^*0)^* \\
 &= \mathcal{D}_0 r \\
 \mathcal{D}_{01} r &= \mathcal{D}_1(\mathcal{D}_0 r) \\
 &= (\mathcal{D}_1 1^*0)(1^*0)^* \\
 &= r
 \end{aligned}$$



*HOMEWORK: create an example of a nondeterministic automaton having three or four states, and:*

- Obtain an equivalent deterministic automaton using the algorithm on page 2 (an example is on page 3).
- Obtain a corresponding regular expression using the algorithm illustrated on pages 4 and 5.
- Beginning from the regular expression (obtained in the previous step), obtain an equivalent deterministic automaton using the algorithm illustrated on page 6.

HOMEWORK: prove (any 5 of) the following simplification rules:

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha &= \lambda\alpha = \alpha\lambda & (1) \\
(\alpha\beta)\gamma &= \alpha(\beta\gamma) & (2) \\
\alpha + \alpha &= \alpha & (3) \\
\alpha + \beta &= \beta + \alpha & (4) \\
(\alpha + \beta)(\gamma + \delta) &= \alpha\gamma + \alpha\delta + \beta\gamma + \beta\delta & (5) \\
\alpha \subset \alpha' \wedge \beta \subset \beta' &\implies \alpha\beta \subset \alpha'\beta' & (6) \\
\alpha \subset \beta &\implies \alpha^* \subset \beta^* & (7) \\
\alpha\beta \subset \beta \wedge \lambda \in \beta &\implies \alpha^* \subset \beta & (8) \\
\alpha^* &= (\alpha^*)^* & (9) \\
&= \alpha^*\alpha^* & (10) \\
&= \lambda + \alpha^+ & (11) \\
\alpha^+ &= \alpha\alpha^* & (12) \\
&= \alpha^*\alpha & (13) \\
(\alpha + \beta)^* &= (\alpha^*\beta^*)^* & (14) \\
&= (\beta^*\alpha^*)^* & (15) \\
&= (\beta^*\alpha)^*\beta^* & (16) \\
&= (\alpha^*\beta)^*\alpha^* & (17) \\
(\alpha + \beta)^*\alpha &= (\alpha^*\beta)^*\alpha^+ & (18) \\
&= (\beta^*\alpha)^+ & (19)
\end{aligned}$$

*Hint:*

To establish (8), induct on  $n \geq 0$  to show  $\alpha^n \subset \beta$ .

To establish (17), show  $(\alpha + \beta)^* \subset (\alpha^*\beta)^*\alpha^* \subset (\alpha + \beta)^*$   
(consider using (8) for the first containment).

Note that (18) and (19) follow from (17) and (16) respectively.

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}
&1(0^*1)^*0^+ + 0^+ + 0^+1(0^*1)^*0^+ \\
&\quad 1(1^*0)^+ + 0^+ + 0^+1(1^*0)^+ && \text{via } (\alpha^*\beta)^*\alpha^+ \rightarrow (\beta^*\alpha)^+ \\
&\quad 0^+ + (\lambda + 0^+)1(1^*0)^+ && \text{via (4), (5)} \\
&\quad 0^+ + 0^*1(1^*0)^+ && \text{via } \lambda + \alpha^+ \rightarrow \alpha^* \\
&\quad 0^+ + (0^*1)(0^*1)^*0^+ && \text{via (2), } (\beta^*\alpha)^+ \rightarrow (\alpha^*\beta)^*\alpha^+ \\
&\quad 0^+ + (0^*1)^+0^+ && \text{via (12)} \\
&\quad (\lambda + (0^*1)^+)0^+ && \text{via (5)} \\
&\quad (0^*1)^*0^+ && \text{via } \lambda + \alpha^+ \rightarrow \alpha^* \\
&\quad (1^*0)^+ && \text{via } (\alpha^*\beta)^*\alpha^+ \rightarrow (\beta^*\alpha)^+
\end{aligned}$$

Given automaton  $A = \langle \Sigma, F, Q, \delta \rangle$  having  $n$  states, let  $s = s_1 \dots s_n \in \Sigma^*$  and consider

$$\begin{aligned} f : \{p_0, \dots, p_n\} &\longrightarrow Q \\ x &\longmapsto \delta^*(\iota, x) \end{aligned}$$

where  $p_i$  is the length  $i$  prefix of  $s$ . Since the domain of  $f$  (the set of all prefixes of  $s$ ) has greater cardinality than the range of  $f$  (the set of states of  $A$ ),  $f$  cannot be injective; let  $i < j$  be minimal such that

$$\delta^*(\iota, p_i) = \delta^*(\iota, p_j)$$

Therefore, if  $x = p_i$ ,  $y = s_{i+1} \dots s_j$ ,  $z = s_{j+1} \dots s_n$  (where  $z = \lambda$  if  $j = n$ ), then

$$\begin{aligned} s &= xyz \\ |y| &> 0 \\ |xy| &\leq n \\ \delta^*(\iota, x) &= \delta^*(\delta^*(\iota, x), y) \end{aligned}$$

It follows that for any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0}$ ,

$$\delta^*(\iota, xz) = \delta^*(\delta^*(\iota, x), z) = \delta^*(\delta^*(\delta^*(\iota, x), y^i), z) = \delta^*(\iota, xy^iz)$$

The above is the *Pumping lemma for finite automaton*.

If  $R$  is an infinite regular language, then

$$\sum_{s \in R} [|s| \leq t] = \Omega(t)$$

*Proof:* Let  $A$  be an automaton with  $n$  states such that  $\mathcal{L}(A) = R$ . Let  $s \in R$  have length greater than  $n$ . Appealing to the the pumping lemma,  $s = xyz$  for some  $x, y, z$  where  $|y| > 0$  and for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0}$ ,

$$xy^iz \in R$$

It follows that for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$$i + 1 \leq \sum_{s \in R} [|s| \leq |x| + |z| + i|y|]$$

Let  $t > |s|$ , and determine  $i$  by  $|x| + |z| + i|y| \leq t < |x| + |z| + (i + 1)|y|$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{s \in R} [|s| \leq t] &\geq i + 1 \\ &\geq \frac{t - |x| - |z|}{|y|} \\ &\geq t \frac{1 - (|s| - |y|)/|s|}{|y|} \end{aligned}$$



Let  $\pi(x)$  denote the number of primes less than or equal to  $x$ . The *prime number theorem* is the result that

$$1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x)}{x/\ln x}$$

Let  $R = \{1^p : p \text{ is a prime number}\}$ . Note that if  $R$  were regular, then

$$\pi(t) = \sum_{s \in R} [|s| \leq t] = \Omega(t)$$

which leads to the contradiction

$$1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x)}{x/\ln x} \geq \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Omega(x)}{x/\ln x} = \infty$$

## Finite Automaton with I/O

A Finite Automaton with input/output is formally a tuple  $A = \langle \mathcal{Q}, \Sigma, \mathcal{O}, \delta, \omega \rangle$  where  $\mathcal{Q}$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $\mathcal{O}$  are finite nonempty sets;  $\mathcal{Q}$  is the set of states,  $\Sigma$  is the input alphabet, and  $\mathcal{O}$  is the output alphabet (we assume  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $\Sigma$  are disjoint). The *transition function*  $\delta$  has type

$$\delta : \mathcal{Q} \times \Sigma \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}$$

The interpretation of  $\delta(q, s) = q'$  is that if  $A$  is in state  $q$  and receives input symbol  $s$ , then  $q'$  is the new state. The *output function*  $\omega$  has type

$$\omega : \mathcal{Q} \times \Sigma \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}$$

The interpretation of  $\omega(q, s)$  is that if  $A$  is in state  $q$  and receives input symbol  $s$ , then  $\omega(q, s)$  is output as the automaton transitions from state  $q$  to  $\delta(q, s)$ .

A Finite Automaton with input/output is often represented by a *state table*. For example, the following table

	$\delta$	$\omega$
	0 1	0 1
$q_1$	$q_6 \ q_3$	0 0
$q_2$	$q_3 \ q_1$	0 0
$q_3$	$q_2 \ q_4$	0 0
$q_4$	$q_7 \ q_4$	0 0
$q_5$	$q_6 \ q_7$	0 0
$q_6$	$q_5 \ q_2$	1 0
$q_7$	$q_4 \ q_1$	0 0

indicates

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q} &= \{q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5, q_6, q_7\} \\ \Sigma &= \{0, 1\} \\ \mathcal{O} &= \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

- $\delta(q_i, 0)$  is in the row labaled by  $q_i$  and column labeled (in the  $\delta$  section) by 0.
- $\delta(q_i, 1)$  is in the row labaled by  $q_i$  and column labeled (in the  $\delta$  section) by 1.
- $\omega(q_i, 0)$  is in the row labaled by  $q_i$  and column labeled (in the  $\omega$  section) by 0.
- $\omega(q_i, 1)$  is in the row labaled by  $q_i$  and column labeled (in the  $\omega$  section) by 1.

For example,  $\delta(q_5, 1) = q_7$ , and  $\omega(q_6, 0) = 1$ .

The following *minimization process* takes a finite state machine as input, and produces an equivalent machine — one having the same I/O behavior — which has a minimal number of states.

1.  $k = 1$ : determine  $k$ -equivalent states  $q, q'$  defined by

$$q \sim_k q' \iff \forall x \in \Sigma^k. \omega^*(q, x) = \omega^*(q', x)$$

where  $\omega^*$  denotes the extension of  $\omega$  from  $\Sigma$  to  $\Sigma^*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \omega^*(q, \lambda) &= \lambda \\ \omega^*(q, s_1 \dots s_{n+1}) &= \omega^*(q, s_1 \dots s_n) \omega(\delta^*(q, s_1 \dots s_n), s_{n+1}) \\ \delta^*(q, \lambda) &= q \\ \delta^*(q, s_1 \dots s_{n+1}) &= \delta(\delta^*(q, s_1 \dots s_n), s_{n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $P_k$  be the partition of  $Q$  corresponding to the equivalence classes of  $\sim_k$ .

2. determine  $k+1$ -equivalent states;

$$q \sim_{k+1} q' \iff q \sim_k q' \wedge \forall s \in \Sigma. \delta(q, s) \sim_k \delta(q', s)$$

Let  $P_{k+1}$  be the partition of  $Q$  corresponding to the equivalence classes of  $\sim_{k+1}$ .

3. If  $P_{k+1} \neq P_k$ , then increment  $k$  and goto step 2.

At termination ( $P_{k+1} = P_k$ ) the desired result is obtained by restricting the automaton to a set of equivalence class representatives.

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= \{\{q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5, q_7\}, \{q_6\}\} \\ P_2 &= \{\{q_1, q_5\}, \{q_2, q_3, q_4, q_7\}, \{q_6\}\} \\ P_3 &= \{\{q_1, q_5\}, \{q_2, q_7\}, \{q_3, q_4\}, \{q_6\}\} \\ P_4 &= \{\{q_1\}, \{q_5\}, \{q_2, q_7\}, \{q_3, q_4\}, \{q_6\}\} \\ P_5 &= \{\{q_1\}, \{q_5\}, \{q_2, q_7\}, \{q_3, q_4\}, \{q_6\}\} \end{aligned}$$

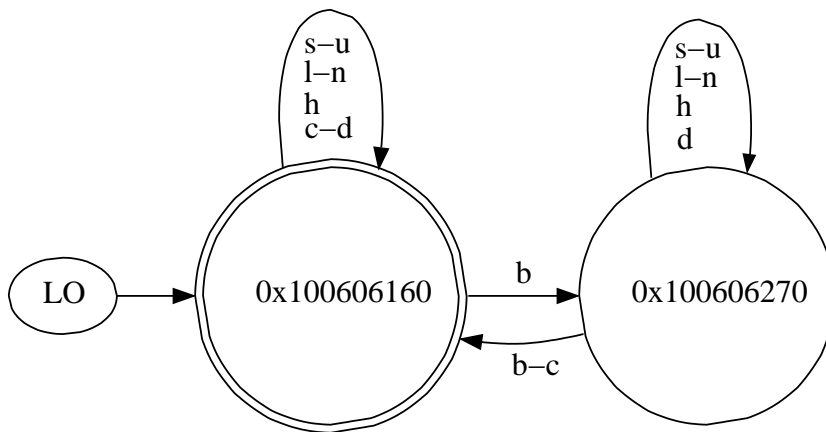
	$\nu$	$\omega$
	0 1	0 1
$q_1$	$q_6 \ q_3$	0 0
$q_2$	$q_3 \ q_1$	0 0
$q_3$	$q_2 \ q_3$	0 0
$q_5$	$q_6 \ q_2$	0 0
$q_6$	$q_5 \ q_2$	1 0

a	bake
b	broil
c	clear
d	down
h	hour
l	light
m	minute
n	on
o	off
s	start
t	temp
u	up

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> even_b='[cdhlmnstu]*(b[dhlmnstu]*(c[cdhlmnstu]*|b[cdhlmnstu]*))*'
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> ~/c/fa $even_b '' 2>/dev/null
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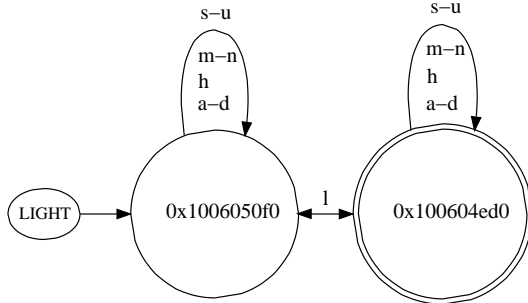
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'c' : [cdhl-ns-u]*b([bc][cdhl-ns-u]*b|[dhl-ns-u])*[bc][cdhl-ns-u]*|[cdhl-ns-u]*>
      (b[dhl-ns-u]*[bc]| [cdhl-ns-u])(b[dhl-ns-u]*[bc]| [cdhl-ns-u])*
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> no_light='[abcdhmnstu]*(l[abcdhmnstu]*l[abcdhmnstu])*'
> ~/c/fa '[abcdhlmnstu]*' $no_light 2>/dev/null
'al' : [a-dhl-ns-u]* > [a-dhmns-u]*l(l[a-dhmns-u]*l|
[a-dhmns-u])*l[a-dhmns-u]*|[a-dhmns-u]*
[a-dhmns-u]*l(l[a-dhmns-u]*l|[a-dhmns-u])*

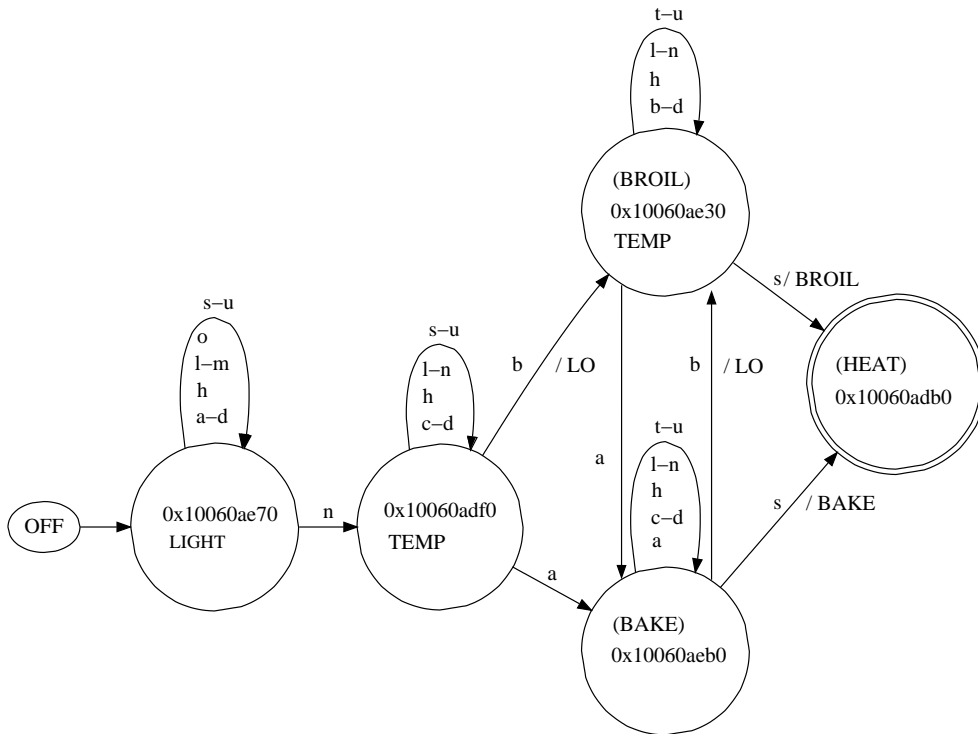
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> on='[abcdhlmostu]*n'
> broil='[cdhlmnstu]*b[bcdhlmntu]*s'
> bake='[cdhlmnstu]*a[acdhlmntu]*s'
> ~/c/fa "$on($broil|$bake)" '' 2>/dev/null
'nbs' : [a-dhlmos-u]*n[cdhl-ns-u]*(b[b-dhl-ntu]*s|a[acdhl-ntu]*s) >< : ''
(null)

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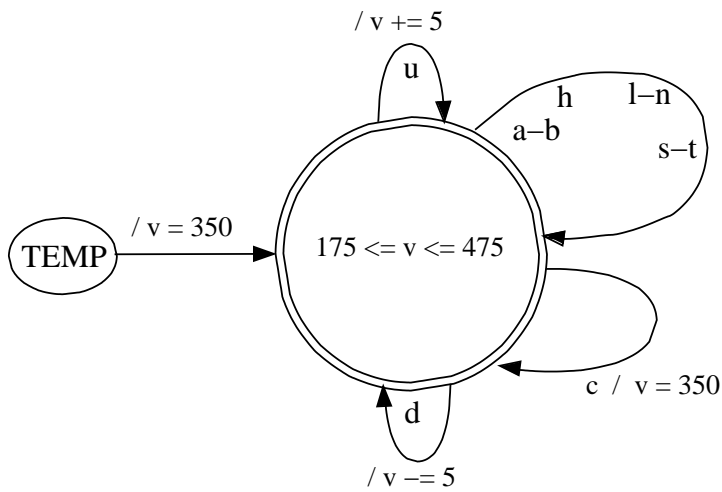
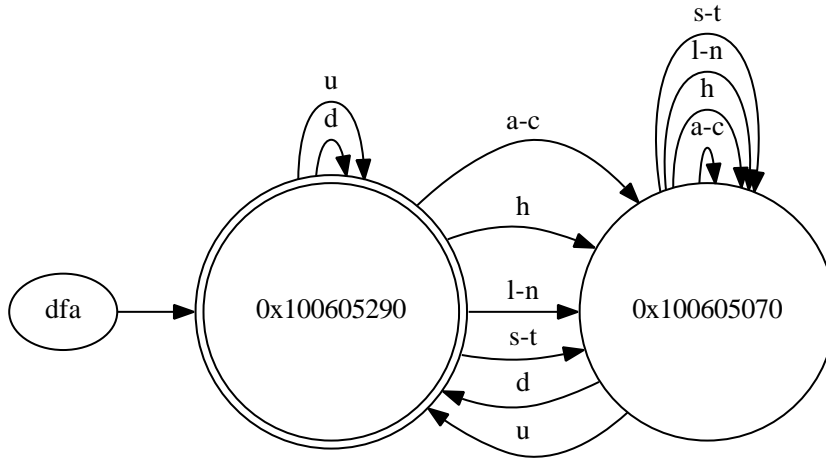


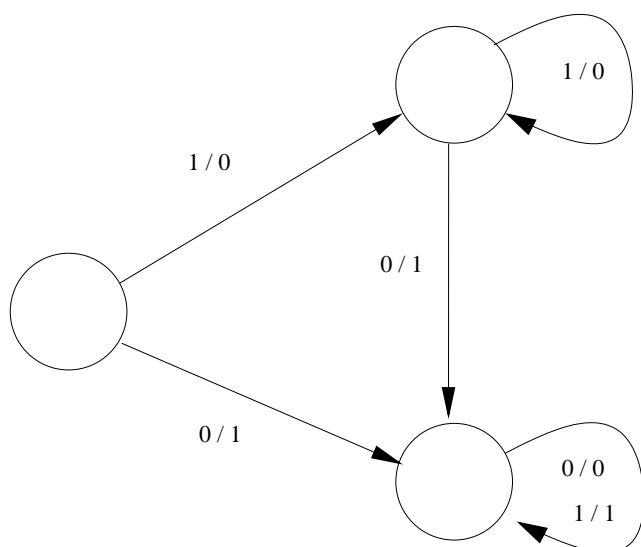
(add self-loops to 0x10060adb0 and transition — on input c — to 0x10060adf0)

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> temp='([abchlmnst]*(d|u))*'
> ~/c/fa $temp '' 2>/dev/null
'd' : [du]*[a-chl-nst]([du][du]*[a-chl-nst]|[a-chl-nst])*[du][du]*|[du]*>
      ([a-chl-nst][a-chl-nst]*[du]|[du])([a-chl-nst][a-chl-nst]*[du]|[du])*

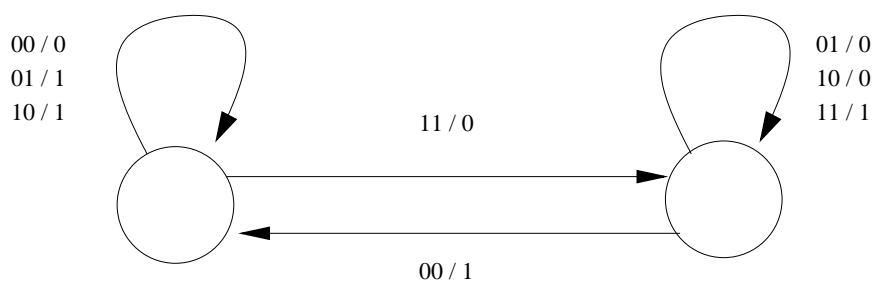
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Increment, binary representation (bits in reverse order,  $0^k$  represents  $2^k$ ).

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Add, binary representation (bits in reverse order, 0 padded).

*HOMEWORK: Let “addition check” refer to the task of checking whether  $x + y = z$ , where  $x, y, z$  are positive integers in unary representation. Give a finite automaton which solves the “addition check” problem (provide complete details). Show that if the input alphabet is  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  and the representation is of the form  $x0y0z0$  — here 0 is used to terminate inputs  $x, y, z$  (respectively), then the “addition check” problem can not be solved by a finite automaton.*