

Announcements

- Recitations start tomorrow
- Problem Set #1 out
- Problem Set #0

Maximum:

1. raw total as before
2. top 25 out of 30 non bonus
probs, scale up to 30th points
and add any bonus points after

NFA \leftarrow DFA

Thm: Every reg lang can be recognized
by an NFA.

Proof: State diagram of a DFA is
already an NFA.

If $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ is a DFA,
we make an NFA $N = (Q, \Sigma, \delta', q_0, F)$

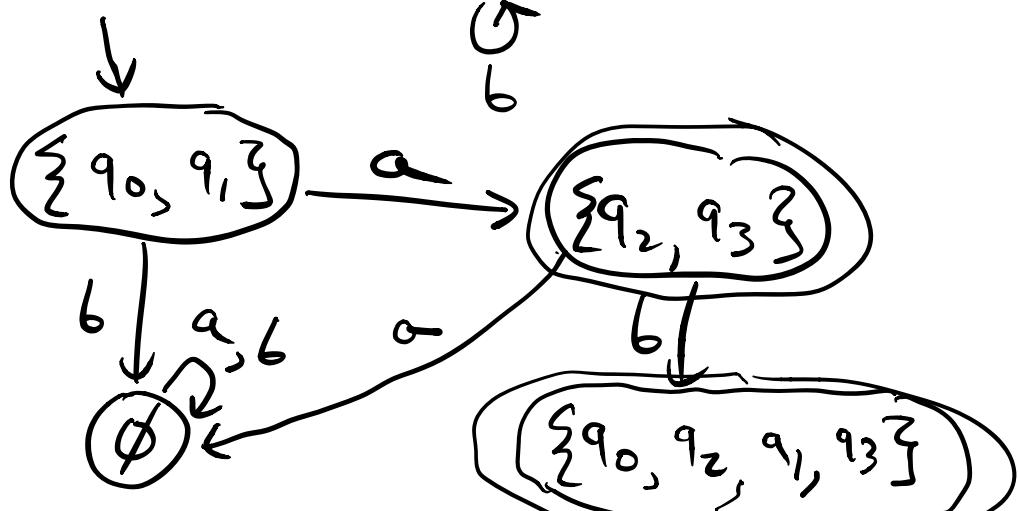
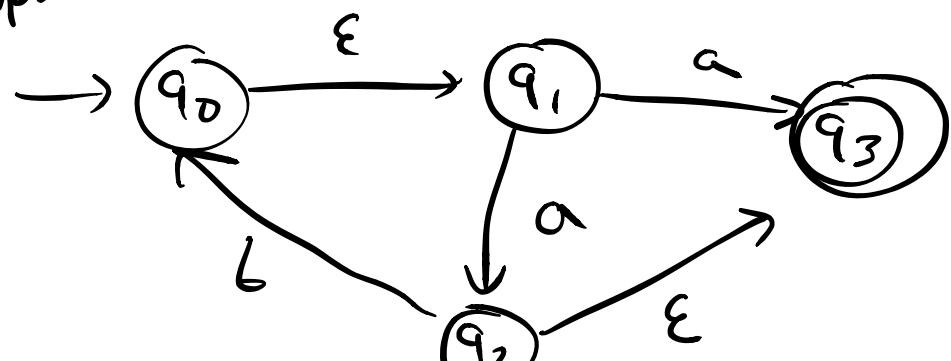
$$\delta'(q, a) = \underline{\{q'\}}$$

$$\text{if } \delta(q, a) = q'$$

So $L(M) = L(N)$. QED

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Example:



Thm: Every language recognized by an NFA  
is regular.

(NFA  $\rightarrow$  DFA)

Let  $N = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  be an NFA.

We construct a DFA  $D = (Q', \Sigma, \delta', q'_0, F')$   
as follows:

(Powerset construction)

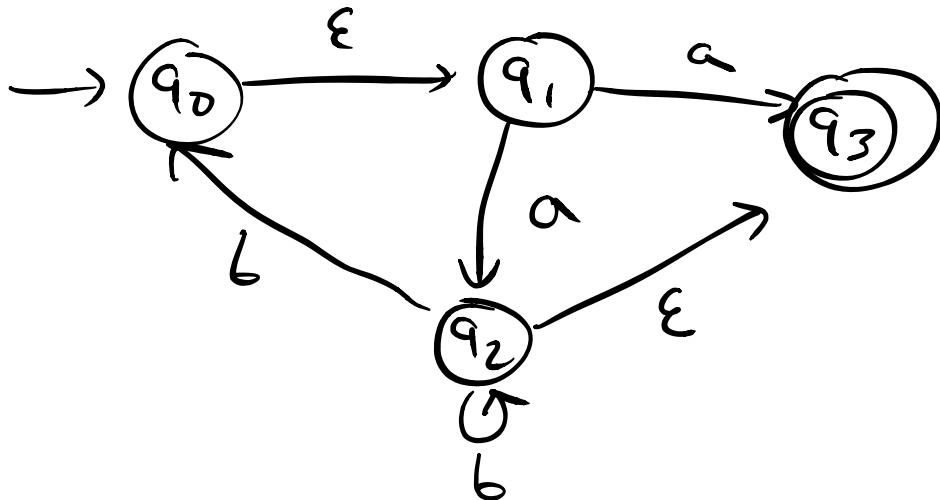
$$\bullet Q' = \mathcal{P}(Q)$$

Def'n: The epsilon-closure ( $\epsilon$ -closure)

of a set of states  $S$ ,  $E(S)$ , the  
smallest subset  $X \subseteq Q$  s.t.

$$1. S \subseteq X$$

2. if  $s \in X$  and  $t \in \delta(s, \epsilon)$   
then  $t \in X$ .



$$E(\{q_0\}) = \{q_0, q_1\}$$

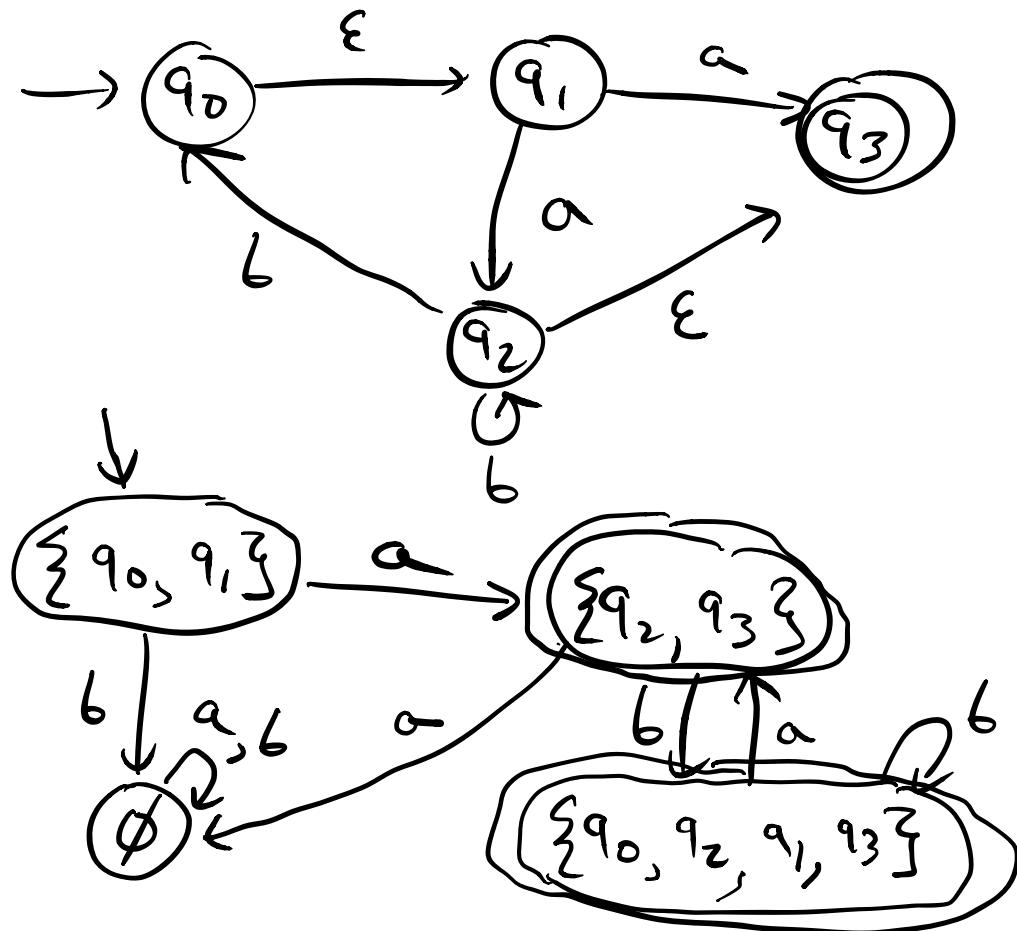
$$E(\{q_0, q_2\}) = \{q_0, q_2, q_1, q_3\}$$

We construct a DFA  $D = (Q', \Sigma, \delta', q_0', F')$   
as follows:

(Powerset construction)

- $Q' = \mathcal{P}(Q)$
- $q_0' = E(\{q_0\})$
- $F' = \{X \subseteq Q : X \cap F \neq \emptyset\}$ .
- $\delta'(S, a) = E\left(\bigcup_{s \in S} \delta(s, a)\right)$

for all  $a \in \Sigma$  and  $S \in Q$



Starts with  $a$ , and does not  
have the substring  $aa$ , or is  
of the form  $ab^*$



# Regular Expressions

Let  $\Sigma$  be an alphabet.

Then we say  $R$  is a regular expression if:

$$1. R = a \text{ for some } a \in \Sigma$$

$$2. R = \epsilon$$

$$3. R = \emptyset$$

$$4. R = (R_1 \cup R_2) \text{ where } R_1, R_2 \text{ are regexes}$$

$$5. R = (R_1)(R_2)$$

$$6. R = (R_1^*) \text{ where } R_1 \text{ is a regex}$$

Then define the language of a regex  $R$ :

$$1. \text{ if } R = a, \text{ then } L(R) = \{a\}$$

$$2. \text{ if } R = \epsilon, \text{ then } L(R) = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$3. \text{ if } R = \emptyset, \text{ then } L(R) = \emptyset$$

$$4. \text{ if } R = R_1 \cup R_2, \text{ then } L(R) = L(R_1) \cup L(R_2)$$

$$5. \text{ if } R = R_1 R_2, \text{ then } L(R) = L(R_1) L(R_2)$$

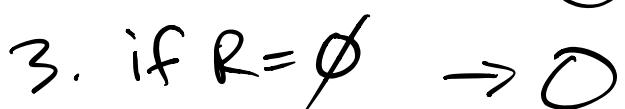
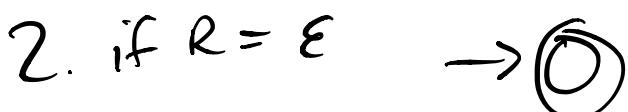
$$6. \text{ if } R = R_1^*, \text{ then } L(R) = (L(R_1))^*$$

Example: a regex for all strings in  $\{0, 1\}^*$   
that have the substring 101

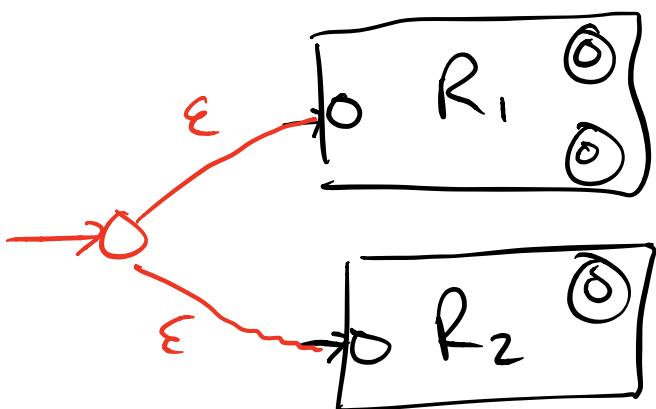
$(0 \cup 1)^* 101 (0 \cup 1)^*$

Thm The languages of regexes are the  
same as the regular languages

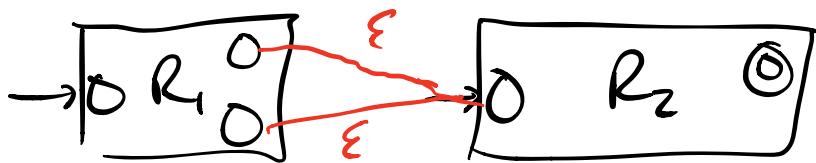
(Regex  $\rightarrow$  NFA)



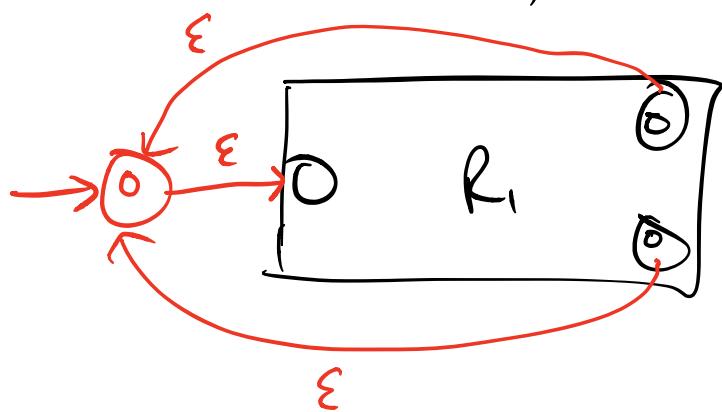
4. if  $R = R_1 \cup R_2$



5. if  $R = R_1 R_2$



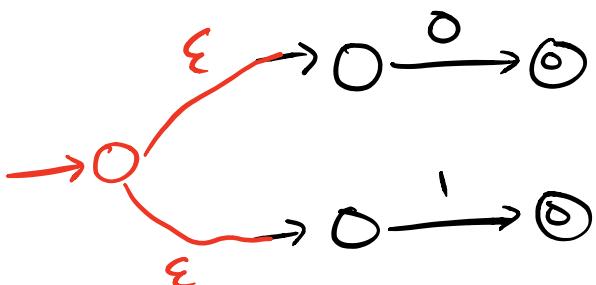
6. if  $R = (R_1)^*$

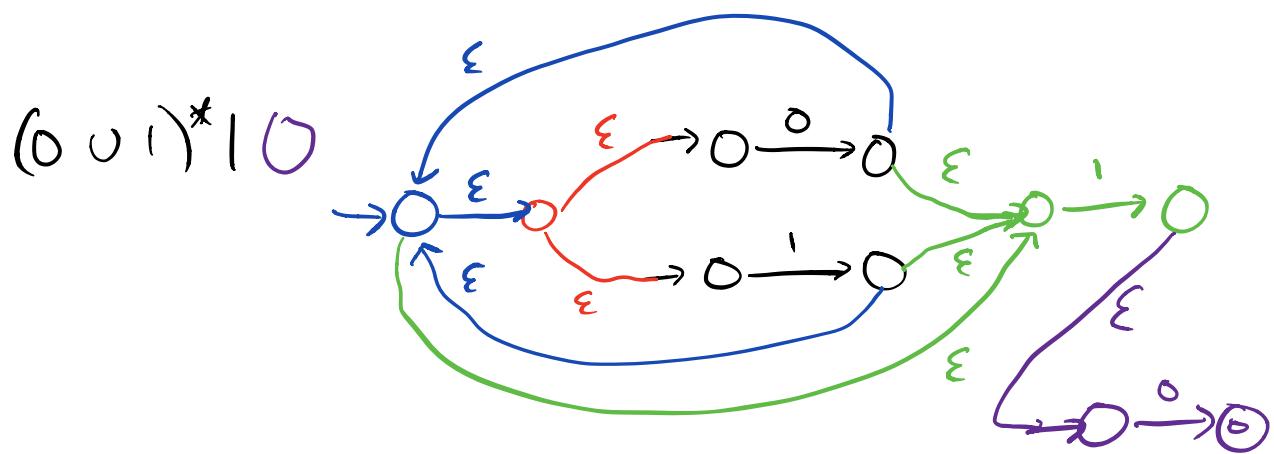
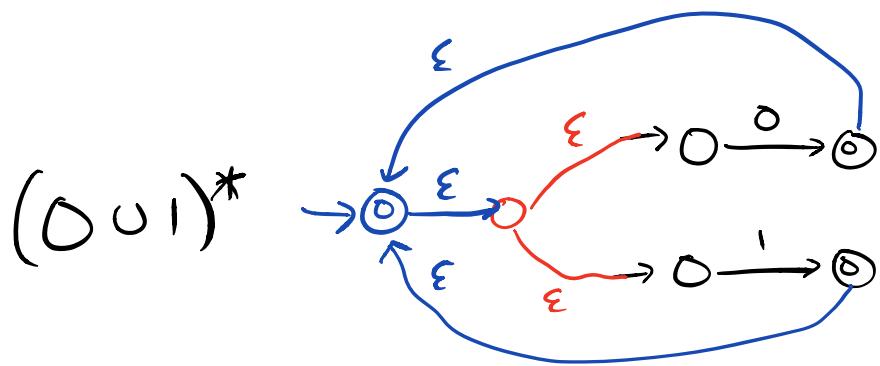


(0 U 1)\* | 01 make an NFA

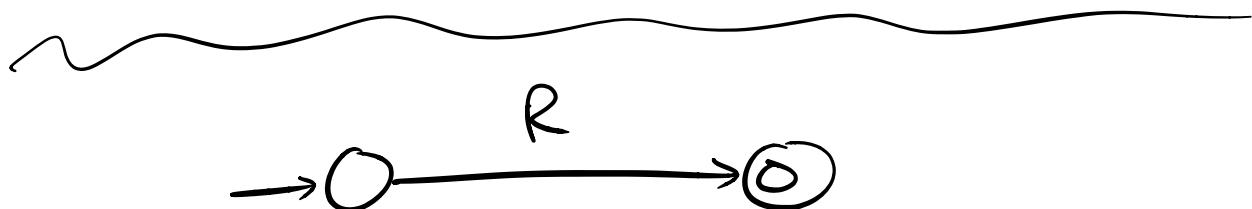


0 U 1:





$$0^* \rightarrow 0^* \rightarrow 0$$



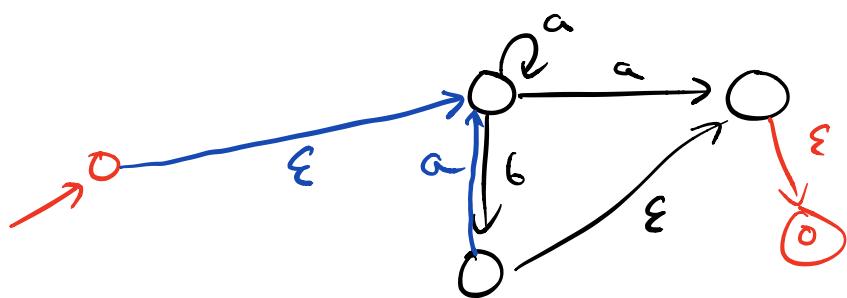
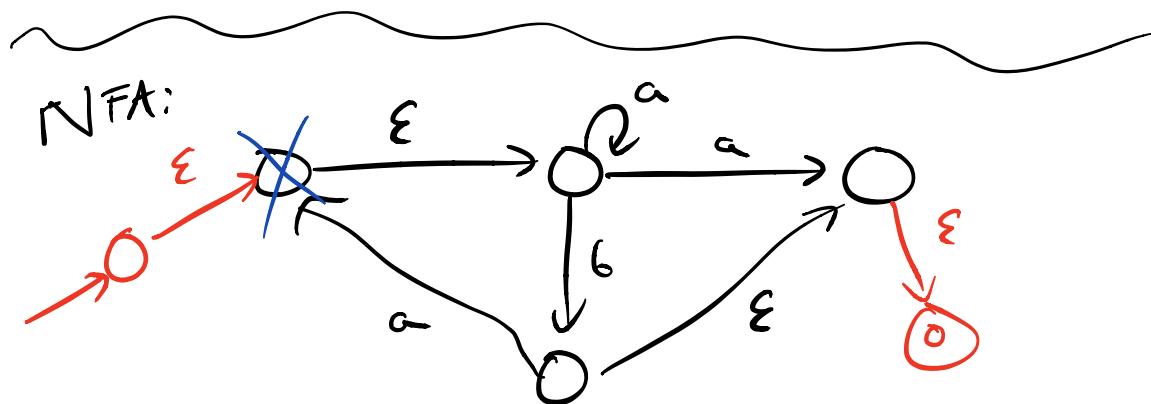
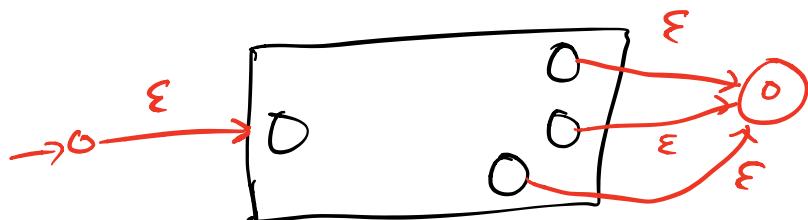
where  $R$  is a regex

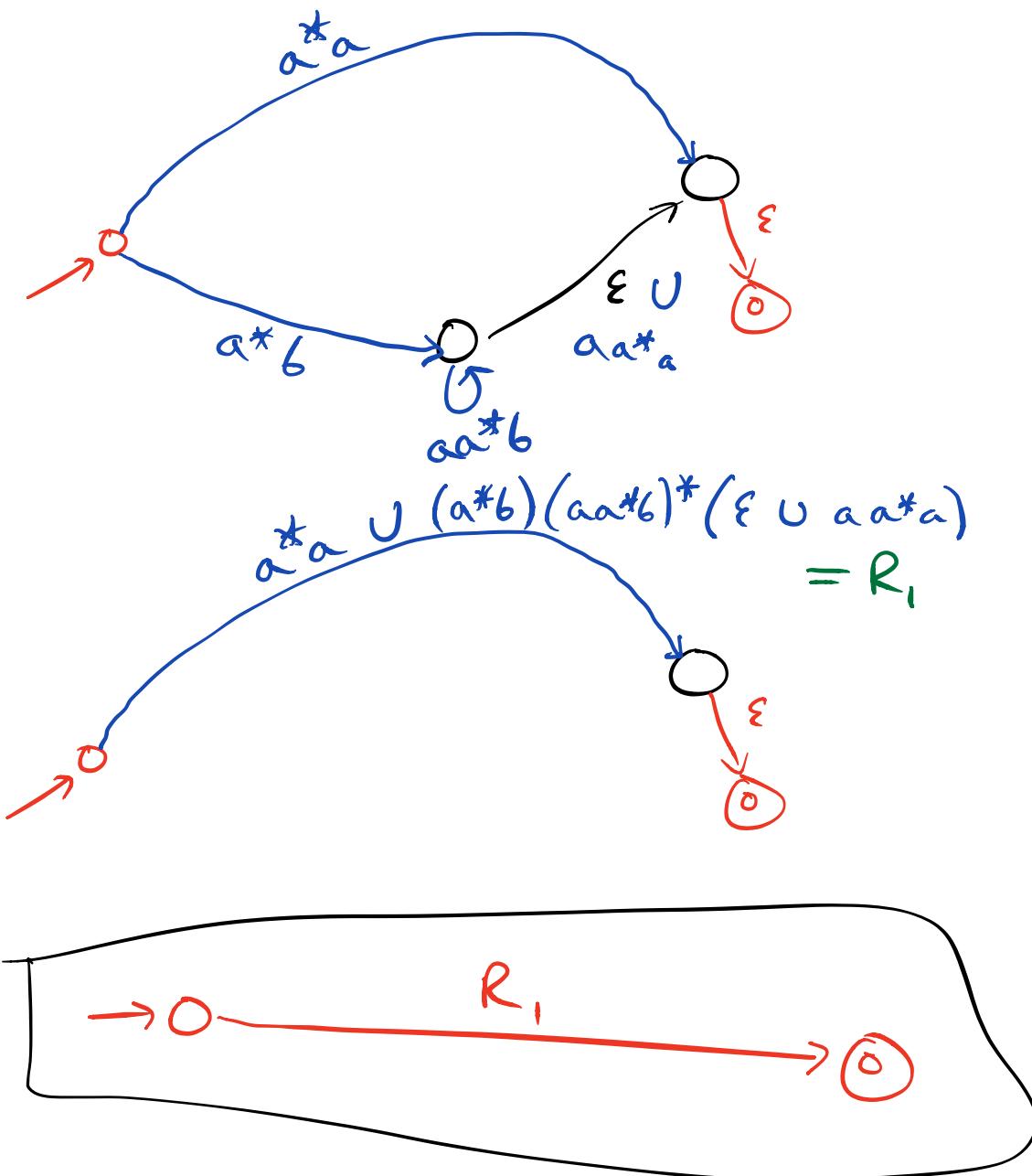
So the language of the NFA is  $L(R)$ .

Def'n: A generalized NFA (gNFA)

is an NFA but has a single start state,  
single final state, has no transition leaving the  
final state, has no transition entering the start  
state, and every transition is a regex.

Q: Can every NFA be converted into one  
with a single final state?





The regex is  $R_1$ .

## Problem Solving Session

Let  $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  be defined as follows:

- $10 \in L \quad \#_0(10) = \#_1(10) = 1$
- for any  $x \in L$ ,  $x01x \in L$ .

Prove that every  $x \in L$  has equal number of 0's and 1's.

(Formally)

Define  $\#_0(\omega)$  and  $\#_1(\omega)$ :

$$\#_0(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \omega = \epsilon \\ 1 + \#_0(x) & \text{if } \omega = 0x \quad \text{and } x \in \{0, 1\}^* \\ \#_0(x) & \text{if } \omega = 1x \quad \text{and } x \in \{0, 1\}^* \end{cases}$$



Prove: if  $\omega = xy$

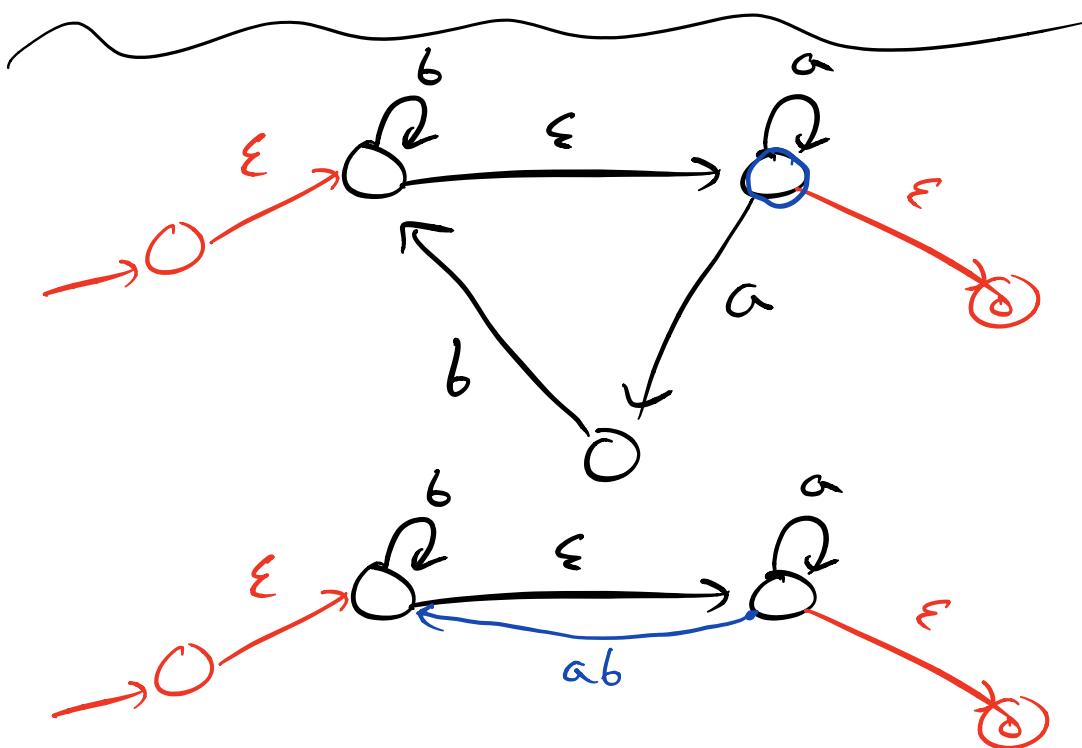
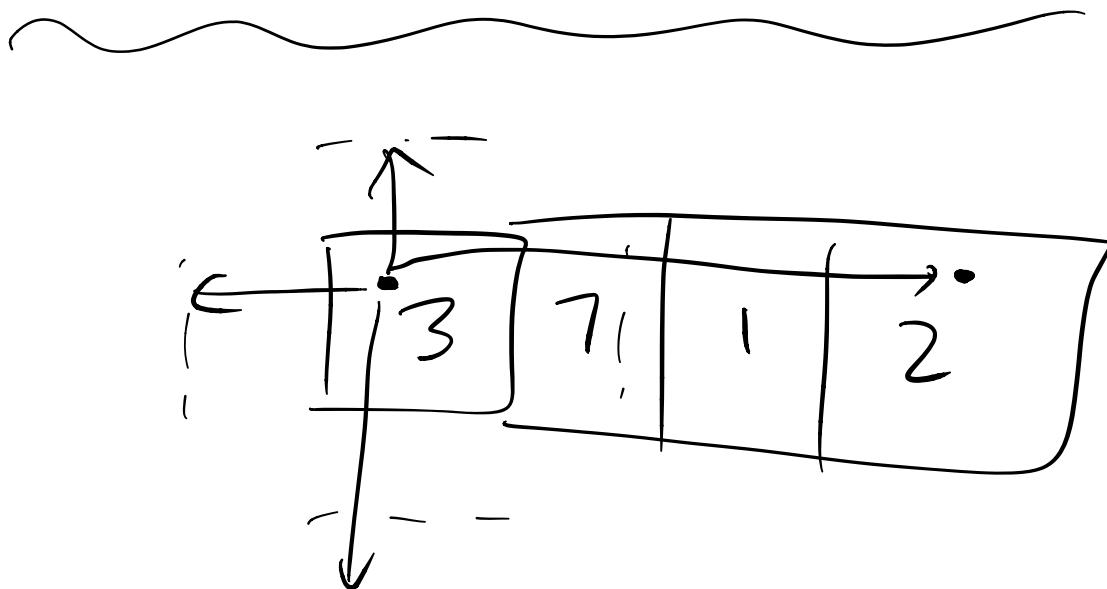
$$\text{then } \#_0(\omega) = \#_0(x) + \#_0(y)$$

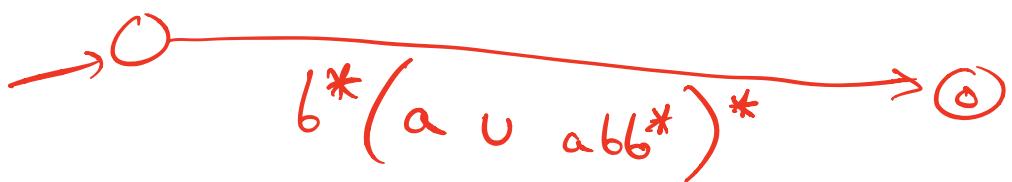
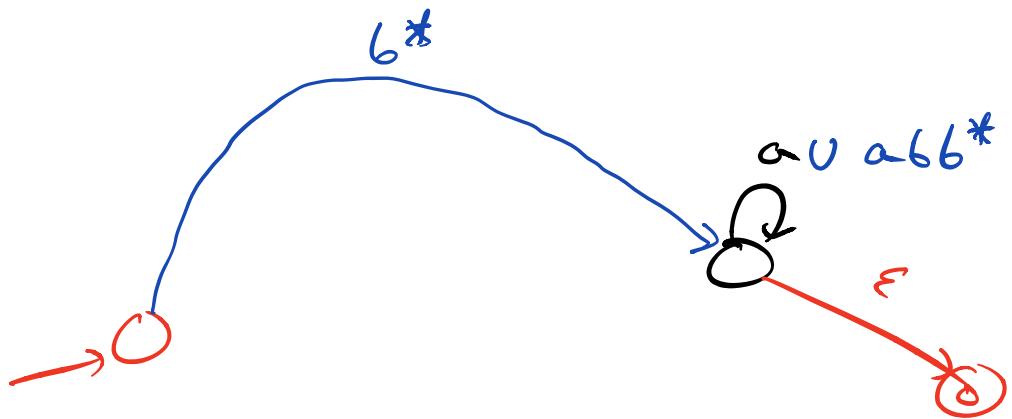


Assume  $x \in L$  has  $\#_0(x) = \#_1(x)$

then does  $x01x$  have  $\#_0(x01x) = \#_1(x01x)$ ?

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Regex is  $b^*(a \cup abb^*)^*$

