

# CS 181 Midterm

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TOTAL POINTS

**223 / 302**

## QUESTION 1

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1.1 1a 27 / 30

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## QUESTION 3

3 Extra Credit: FPDA 0 / 50

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4 Extra Credit: Automadoggos 2 / 2

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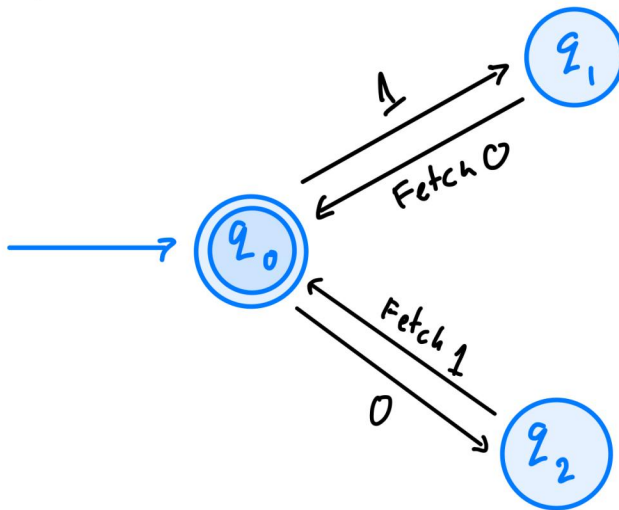
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5 Honor Code Agreement 0 / 0

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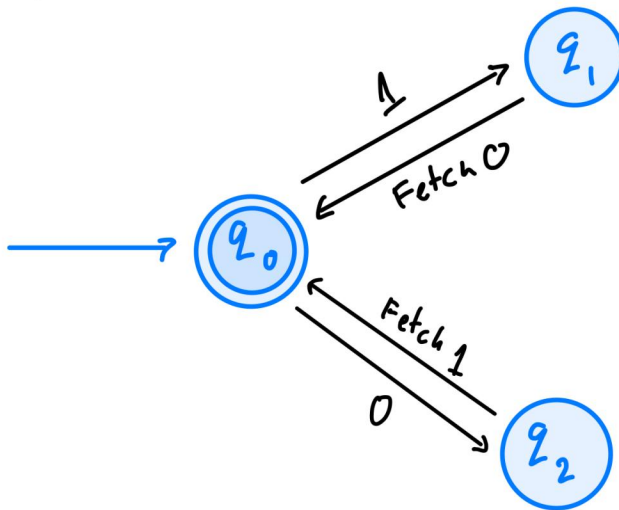
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(c) **Fetching Pumping Lemma**

**Claim:**

For all Fetching languages  $L$ , there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t. for all  $x \in L$  with  $|x| \geq n$ , there exists strings  $a, b, c$  s.t.  $w = abc \in L$  where  $w$  is a permutation of  $x$  and  $|ab| \leq n$ ,  $|b| > 0$ , and  $\forall i \geq 0, ab^i c \in L$ .

**Proof:**

**Given**  $L$  is a Fetching Language

**Let** the FFA  $M_F = (Q, q_0, \Sigma, \delta, F)$  solve the language  $L$ .

**Let**  $n$  be the number of states in  $M_F$ .

$$n = |Q|$$

Let  $w$  be a permutation of  $x$  in which we can replace all Fetch transitions with a regular transition (where "regular" refers to transitions which operate on the immediate input character). For example, from 1b the permutation of  $x = 1222211000$  where  $w = 1202020211$ . Using this permutation of  $x$ ,  $w$ , and running that through the FFA in 1b is the same as replacing each fetch transition with a normal transition in an NFA.

**Let** this string  $w = abc \in L$  and  $|x| = |w| \geq n$ .

**Let**  $q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{|w|}$  be the states in order that  $M_F$  visits when processing the word  $w$ .

When we process **a** we go from state

$$q_0 \text{ to state } q_{|a|}$$

and when we process **b** we will visit

$$q_{|a|} \rightarrow q_{|a|+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow q_{|a|+|b|}$$

When we process **c**  $M_F$  will go from state

$$q_{|a|+|b|} \text{ to } q_{|w|}$$

Because of the **pigeonhole principle** I have more states visited than I have states in the machine.

Since there are  $|w| \geq n$  states we need to visit, there exists an  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|a| \leq i < j \leq |ab| \leq n$  where  $q_i = q_j$ . This means that there is a point in processing the input  $w$  where a loop occurs.

This means for every  $k \geq 0$ ,  $M_F$  will have the computation path of the following when processing  $ab^k c$

$$q_0 \text{ to state } q_{|a|}$$

$$q_{|a|} \rightarrow q_{|a|+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow q_{|a|+|b|} \text{ which happens } k \text{ times}$$

$$q_{|a|+|b|} \text{ to } q_{|w|}$$

Because  $q_{|w|} \in F$  we can say that  $ab^i c \in L \forall i \geq 0$ . Therefore our claim holds.

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1.3 1c 49 / 50

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(d)  $L_{count}$

i. Assume for contradiction that  $L_{count}$  is Fetching.

Now we can apply the pumping lemma about Fetching languages from question 1c.  
PL gives us some  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ .

ii. Given a string  $x \in L_{count}$  where  $w$  is the identity permutation of  $x$  s.t.  
 $w = 0^p 1^p \in L_{count}$ .

iii. PL tells us that  $w$  can be partitioned into  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  s.t.

$$w = abc \in L_{count}$$

and  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  will satisfy these 3 conditions.

A.  $ab$  is of the form  $0^x 0^y$  because length of  $ab$

$$|ab| = x + y \leq p$$

B. Since  $b$  is non empty,  $|b| > 0$ ,  $b$  contains at least one 0.

C. Apply condition A to see that

$$0^x 0^{y \cdot i} 1^p \in L_{count} \forall i \geq 0$$

This is a contradiction on the definition of  $L_{count}$  for  $i > 1$  and  $i = 0$ .

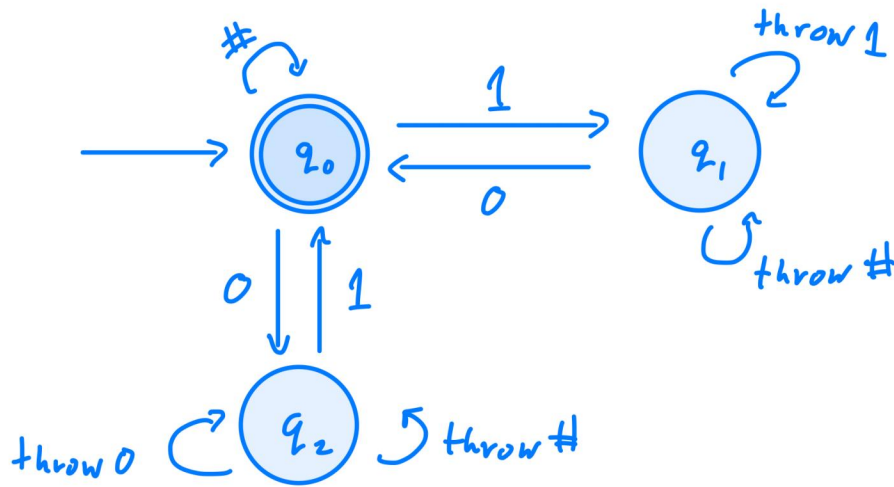
$\therefore L_{count}$  is not Fetching.

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## 2. TFA

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For example we can try a string  $w = 1100 \in l_{EQ}$  which will be turned into  $1100\#$ .

$1100\#, q_0$   
 $100\#, q_1$   
 $00\#1, q_0$   
 $0\#1, q_0$   
 $\#1, q_2$   
 $1\#, q_2$   
 $\#, q_0$   
 $\varepsilon, q_0$  *accepts*

Another string  $w = 0010 \notin l_{EQ}$  will be turned into  $0010\#$ .

$0010\#, q_0$   
 $010\#, q_2$   
 $10\#0, q_2$   
 $0\#0, q_0$   
 $\#0, q_2$   
 $0\#, q_2$   
 $\vdots$

goes on to infinity and therefore rejects.

This construction will always take input in 0 and 1 pairs so it will be left with only  $\#$  at  $q_0$  if the string is in  $L_{EQ}$ .

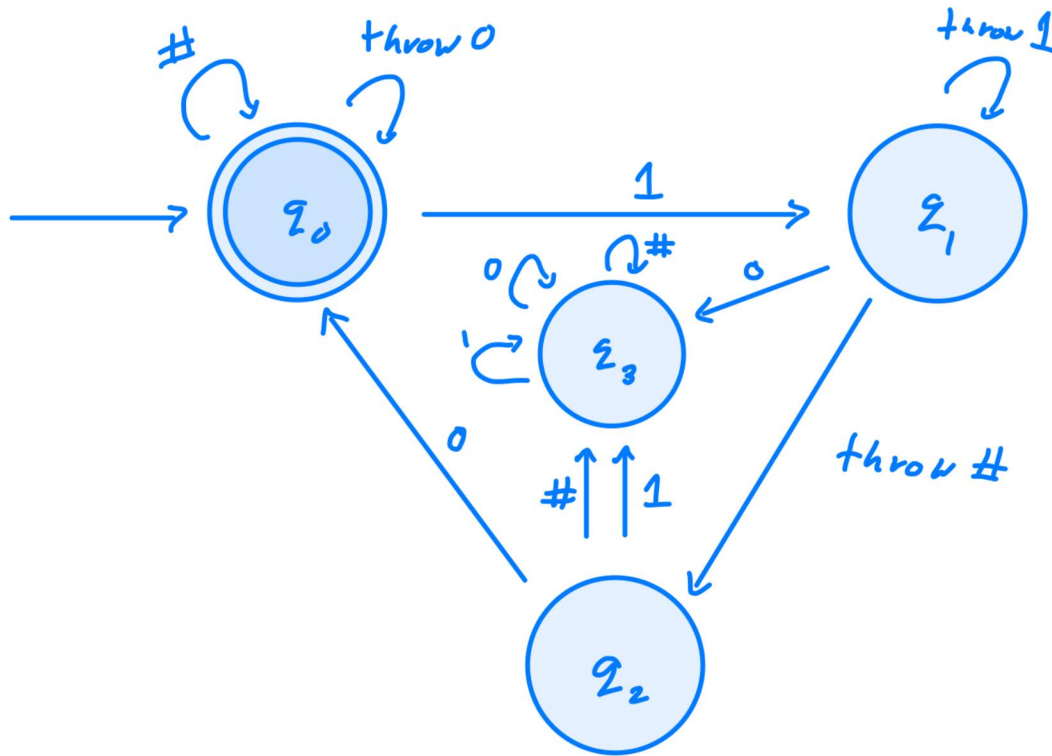
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This construction will accept only if there are the same number of 0's as there are 1's given that the 0's are consecutive and come before the consecutive 1's. Sanity check strings such as "1" and "0" both fail by ending in the dead state  $q_3$  or with an infinite computation path which means the string does not ever accept. While "01" accepts by going from state 0 to 1 to 2 and accepts in state 0.

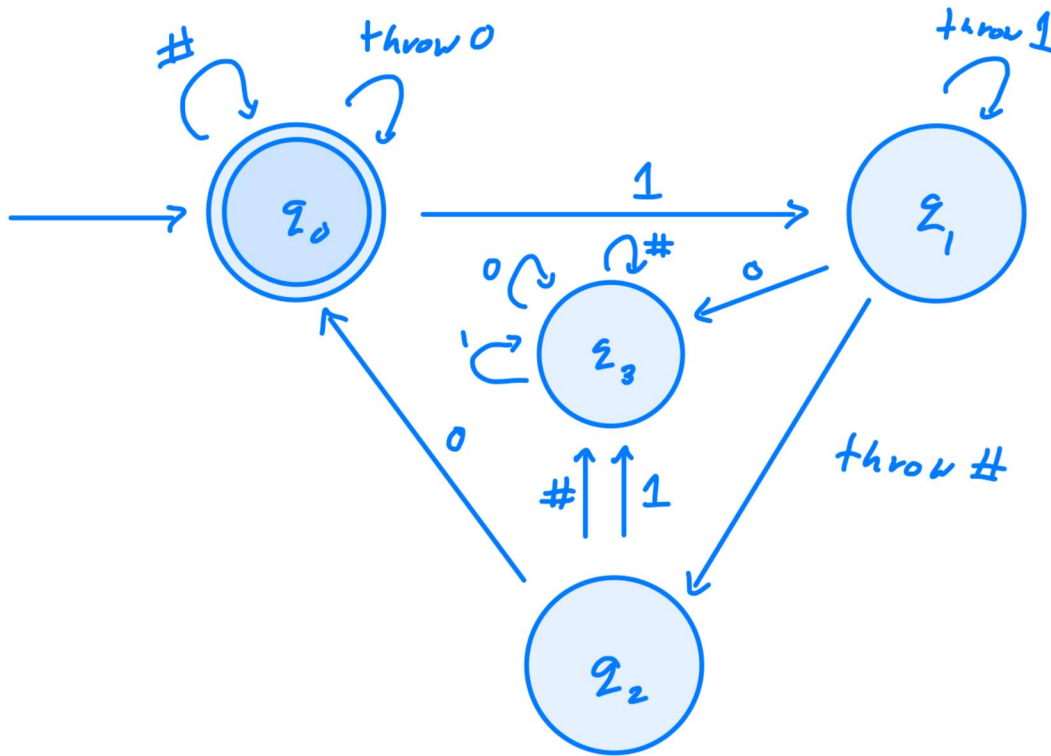
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(d) **Fetch = Thrown**

**Claim:**

If L is Fetching then L is Thrown.

**Proof:**

Let L be Fetching so that there exists a FFA  $M_f = (Q, q_0, \Sigma, \delta, F)$  which solves L.

If L is also Thrown there must exist a TFA  $M_t = (Q', q'_0, \Sigma', \delta', F')$  which also solves L.

$$Q' = Q \cup \{\text{set of states needed to change each Fetch into a Throw}\} \cup \{q_f\}$$

$$q'_0 = q_0$$

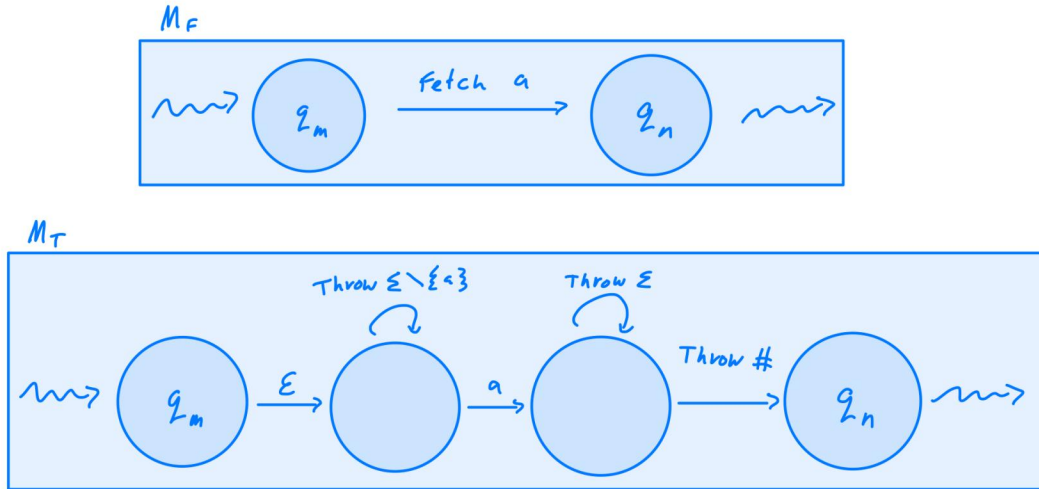
$$\Sigma' = \Sigma \cup \{\#\} \cup \{\varepsilon\}$$

For our delta function it is the same for all transitions except those that are defined as any tuple such as  $(\{\text{Throw}\}, \sigma \in \Sigma')$ .

$$\delta'(q \in Q', \sigma \in \Sigma') = \delta(q \in Q, \sigma \in \Sigma')$$

See the Figure below to see how you implement a Fetch transitions with Throw transitions.

$$\delta'(q \in Q, (\{\text{Throw}\}, \sigma \in \Sigma'))$$



From this figure we can see that for any Fetch transition starting at  $q_m \in Q$  we need to define two more states which we use to implement the Fetch transition with Throw transitions. First we Throw on the entire alphabet except on the symbol which we want to Fetch. Then we transition on the symbol which we want to Fetch, and after that we throw on the entire alphabet except #. Finally we throw # and proceed to the next state  $q_n \in Q$ . On Fetch transitions we will essentially have to create

$$F' = q_f \text{ where } \delta'(p \in F, \#) = q_f$$

Therefore by proof by construction if L is Fetching then L is Thrown.

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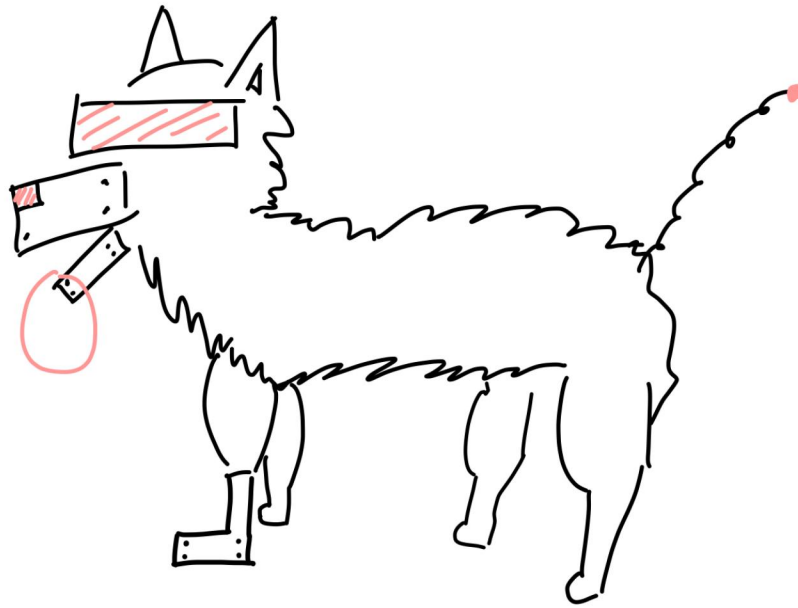
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