

# CS & IT ENGINEERING

Theory of Computation  
Finite Automata:  
Doubt Clearing Session  
Lecture No. 20



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## TOPICS TO BE COVERED

01 Regulars and Non Regulars

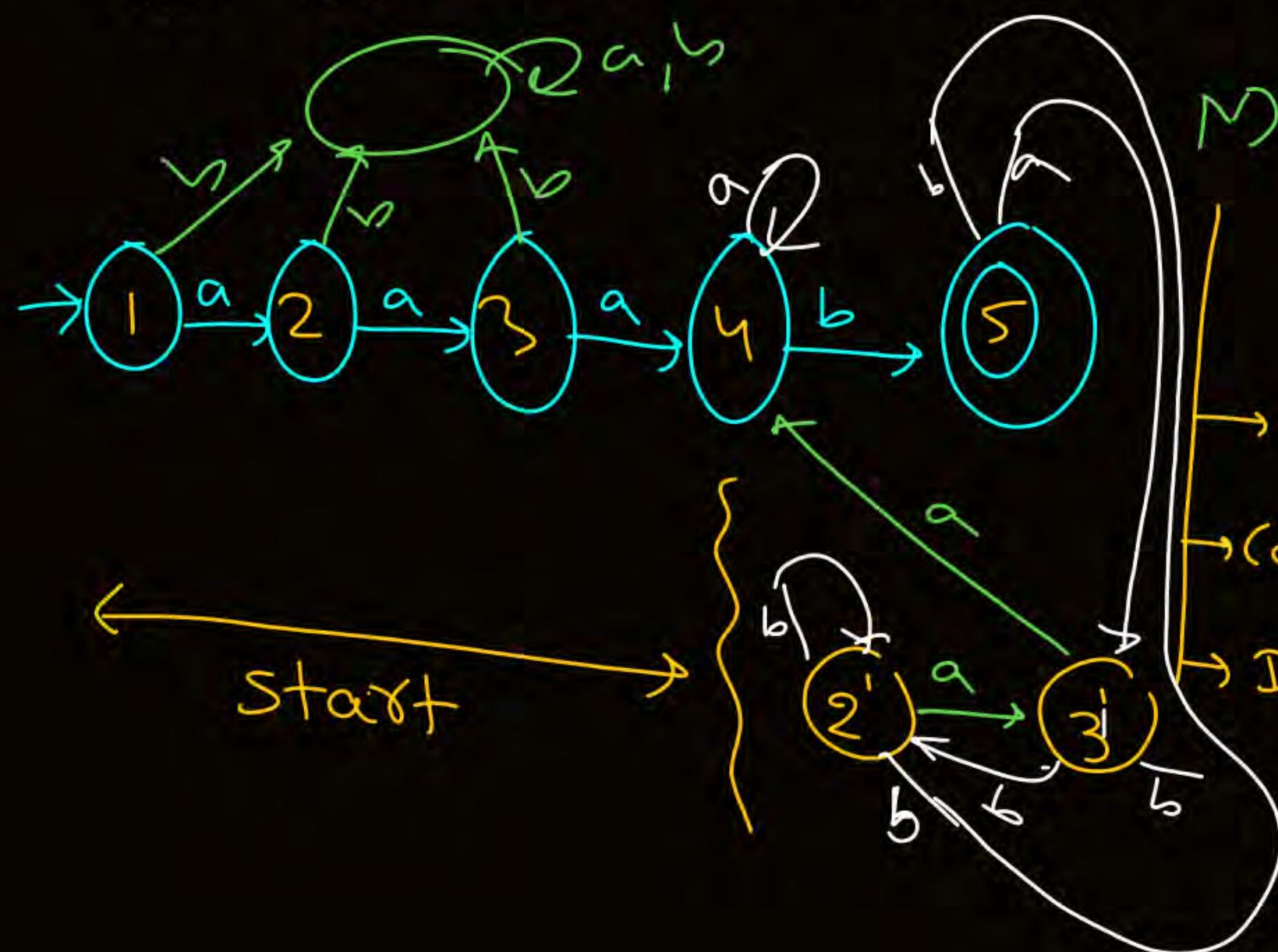
02 FA Construction

03 Regular Grammar

04 Regular Expressions

05 Conversions

① Starts with aaa & ends with aab



Min = aaaL  
Starts

Len = 4  $\Rightarrow$  5 states

Common = 2  $\Rightarrow$  2 states

$\Rightarrow$  1 state

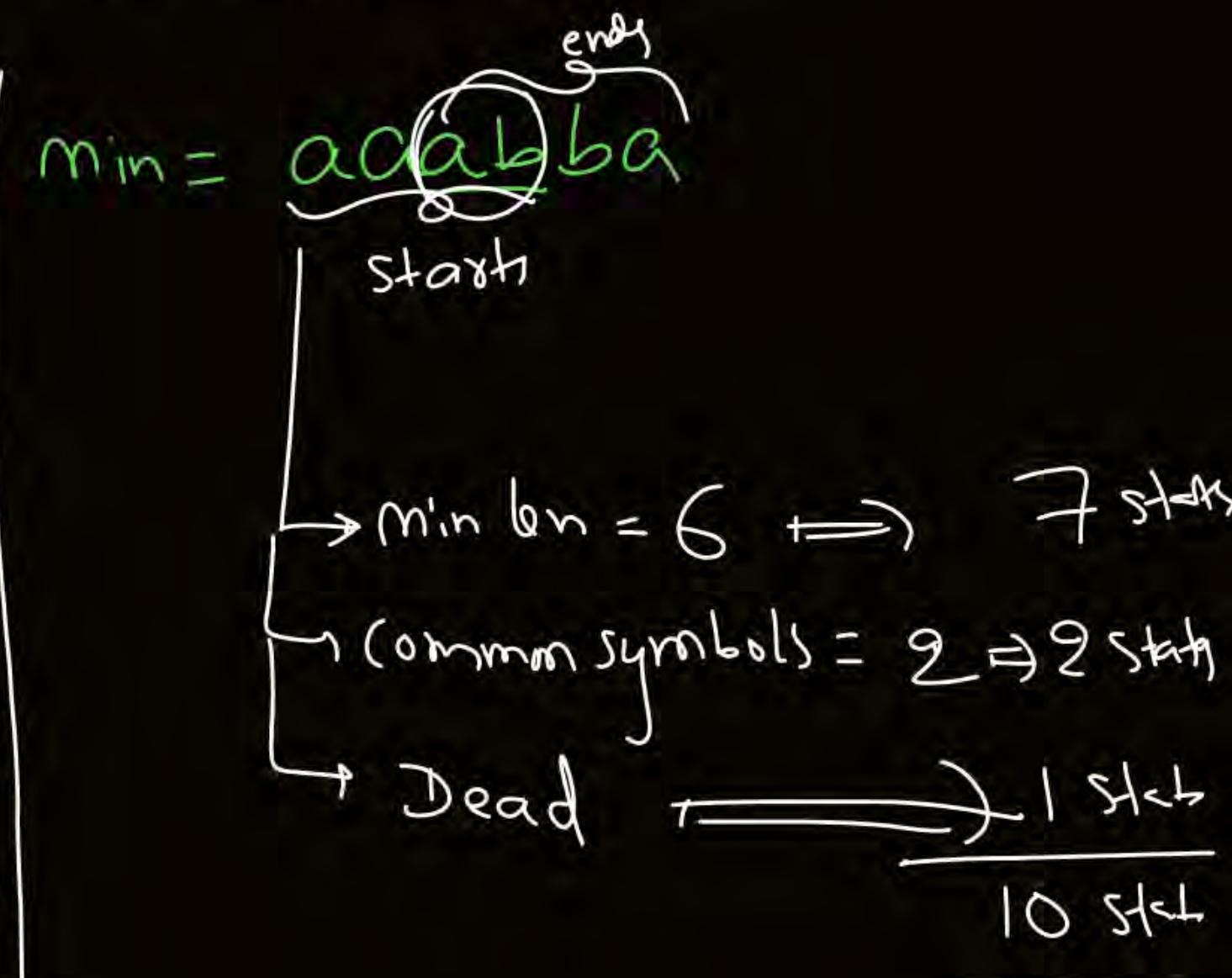
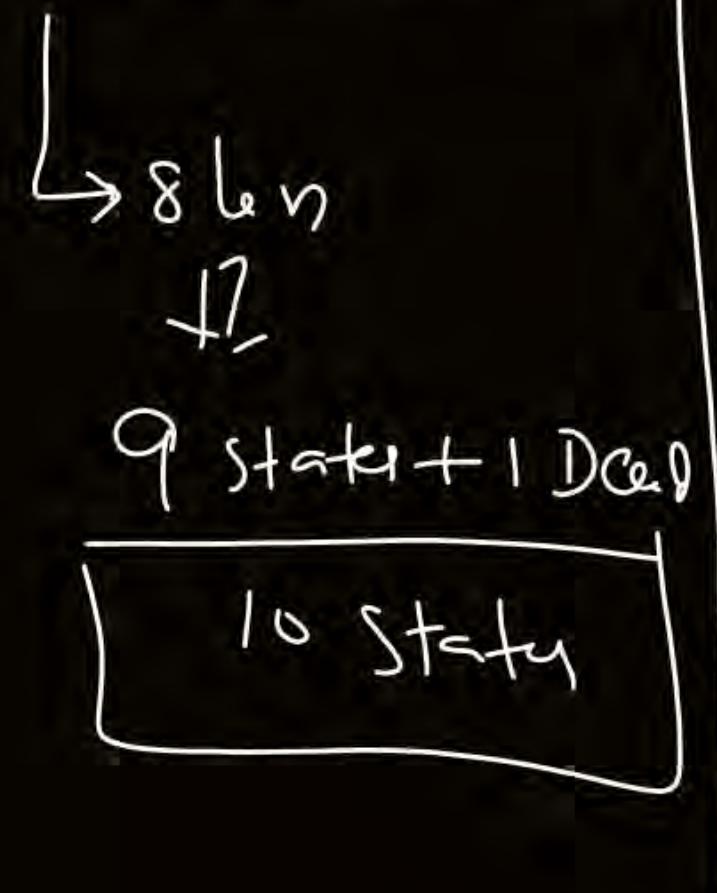
8 States

aaaab

8 States

Note : Starts with aaab and ends with abba

Important: aaababba



Starks will aaa & ends will bbb

min = aaabbb



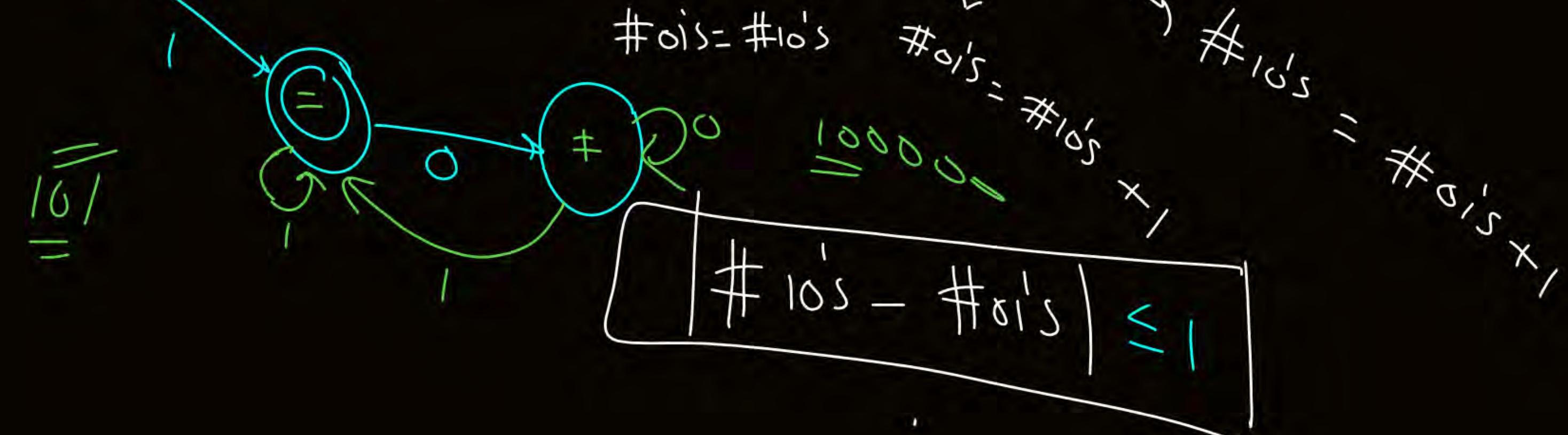
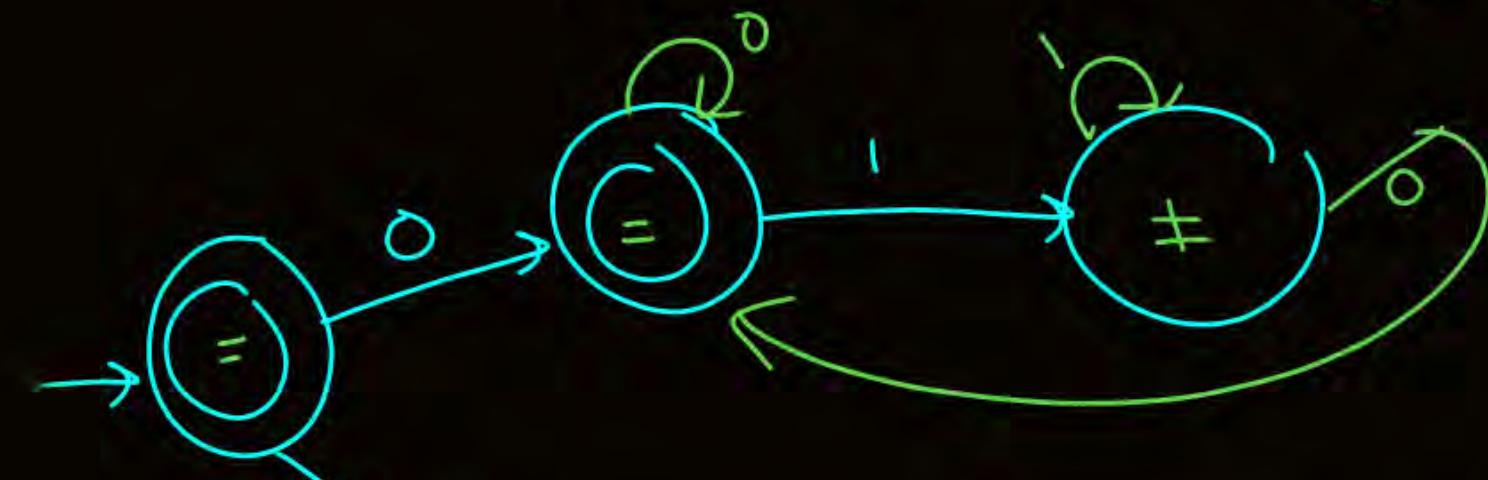
→ min len = 6  $\Rightarrow$  7 states

→ Dead  $\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}}$  1 state

8 states

$$\textcircled{2} \quad L = \{ \omega \mid \omega \in \{0, 1\}^*, \quad \#_{01}(\omega) = \#_{10}(\omega) \}$$

$= \{ \epsilon, \overset{\checkmark}{0}, \overset{\checkmark}{1}, \overset{\checkmark}{00}, \overset{\times}{01}, \overset{\times}{10}, \overset{\checkmark}{11}, \overset{\checkmark}{000}, \overset{\times}{001}, \overset{\checkmark}{010}, \overset{\times}{011}, \dots \}$



$$\#_a(\omega)$$

$$n_a(\omega)$$

no. of 'a's in  $\omega$

\*③  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, \text{ Decimal}(w) \text{ is div by } 3\}$



Bin	Dec	Remainder
101	5	2
100	4	1
Bin	Dec	Remainder
0	0	0 $\Rightarrow q_0$
1	1	1 $\Rightarrow q_1$
10	2	2 $\Rightarrow q_2$
11	3	0 $\Rightarrow q_0$

Note: 1)  $\{ \omega \mid \omega \in \{0,1\}^*, \text{Dec}(\omega) \text{ is div by } \underbrace{1024}_{2^{10}} \}$

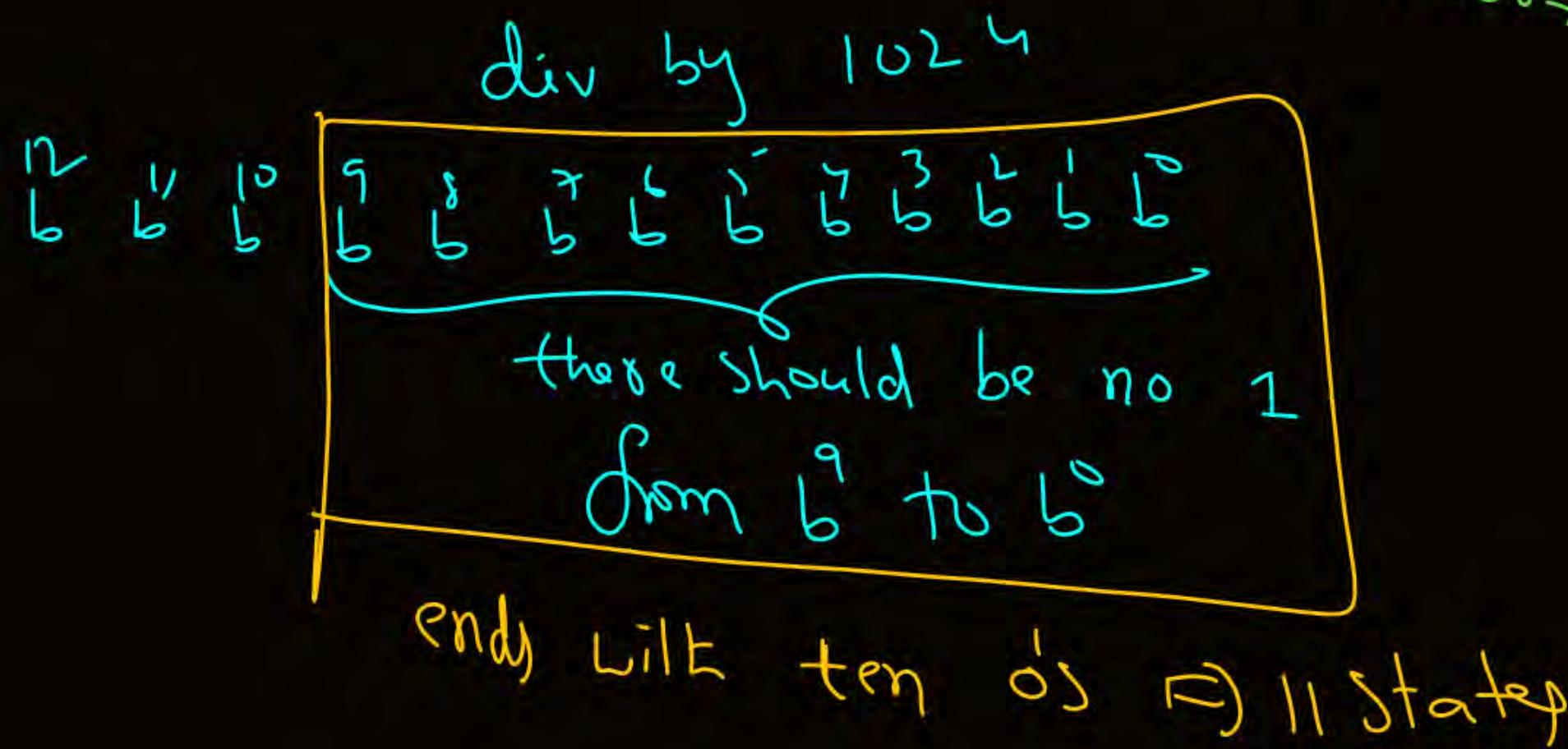
$$L =$$

$2^{10} \Rightarrow 11 \text{ states}$   
 $(10+1)$

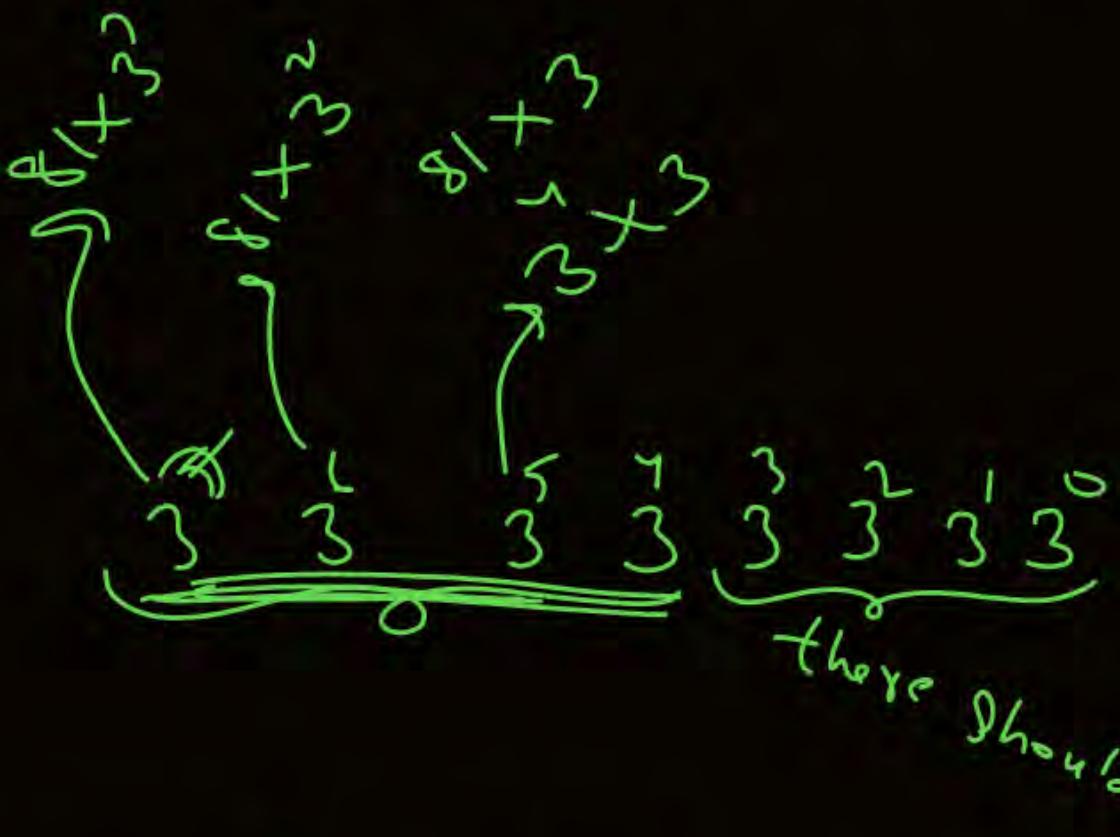
2)  $\{ \omega \mid \omega \in \{0,1\}^*, \text{Dec}(\omega) \text{ is div by } \underbrace{64}_{2^6} \}$

$$L = \epsilon + 0 + 00 + 000 + 0000 + 00000 + 000000 +$$

$2^6 \Rightarrow 7 \text{ states}$   
 $1^* 000000$



Note:  $D\{\omega | \omega \in \{0,1,2\}^*\}$ ,  $\text{Dec}(\omega)$  is div by 81



$$3^4 = 81$$

ends with 4 zeros

1  
5 states

$$L = \varepsilon + 0 + 00 + 000 + (1+2)^* 0000 \text{ only } 7 \text{ terms}$$

Over 1 symbol

$$(ww^R)^R = w^{Rev}w$$

$$(ww)^R = ww$$

$$ww = ww$$

④

Why  $(\underline{ww}^R)^R \neq w^{Rev}w$  ?

$$\begin{cases} w = ab \\ w^R = ba \end{cases}$$

$$(abba)^R \neq baab$$

$$oba \neq baal$$

1

(ε | > |)

need not be equal

(S)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow AB \\ A \rightarrow a \\ B \rightarrow b \end{array} \right\}$$

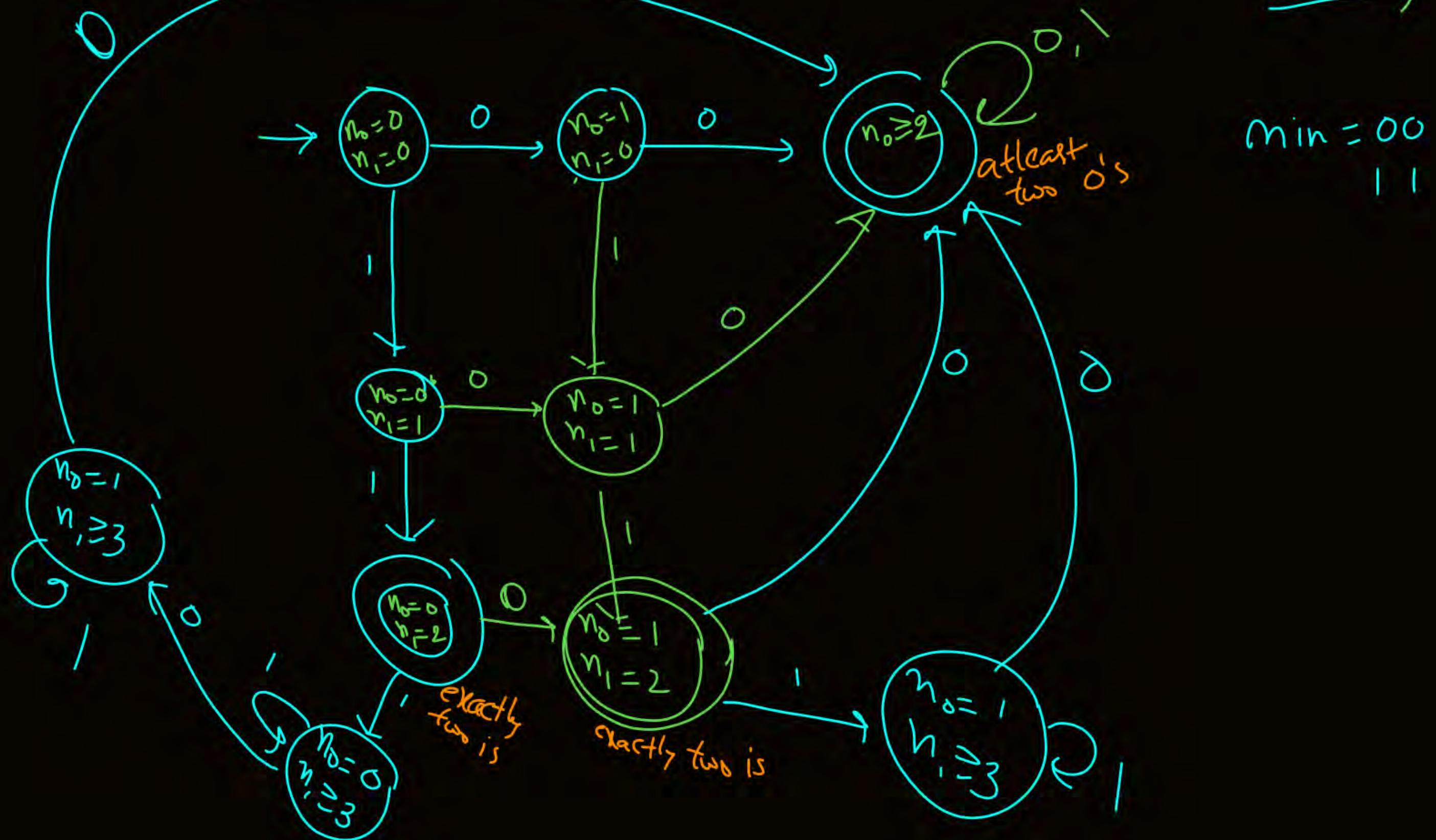
$$L = \{ab\}^*$$

Fin      Inf  
deg      lang

Not Regular Grammar

⑥

$\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, w \text{ has at least 2 zeros or exactly 2 ones}\}$



## Pumping Lemma for Regular Languages



- The pumping lemma is a property of a regular language.
- It is used to prove the non-regularity of certain languages.
- Regular languages always satisfy the pumping lemma.
- If Pumping Lemma satisfied for any language, then it need not be regular.
- This is only useful for infinite languages since all finite languages are regular.

{ Prove reg ✓  
Prove non-reg ✓

→ P.L. is used to prove regular or non regular

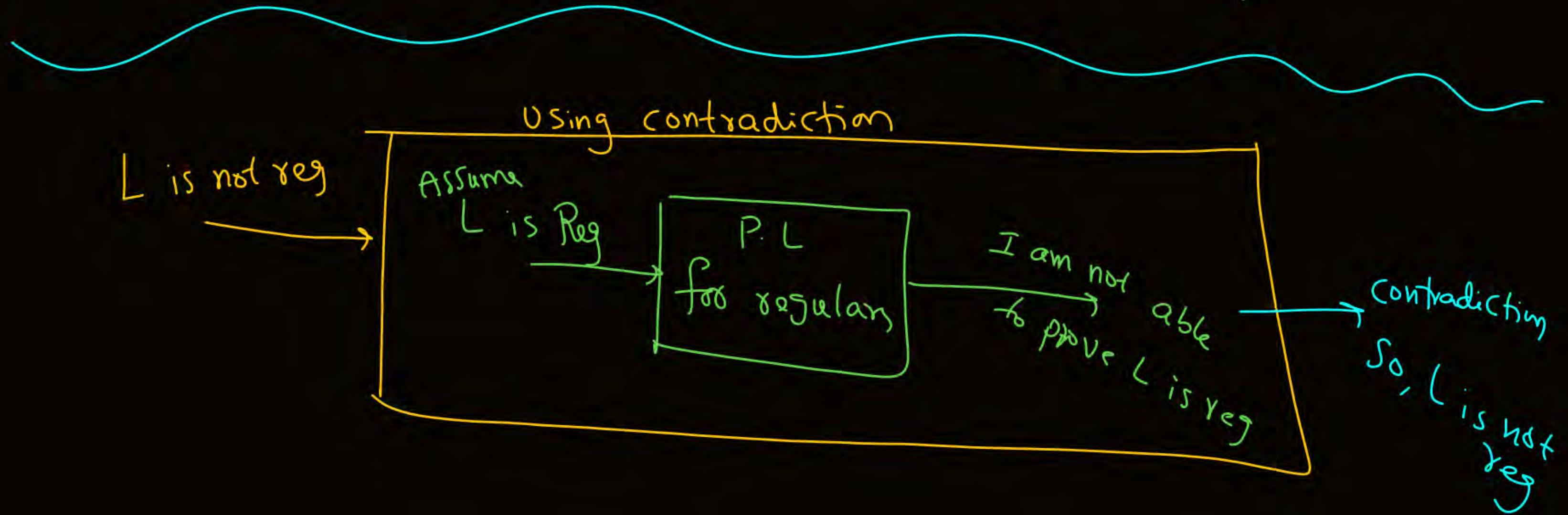
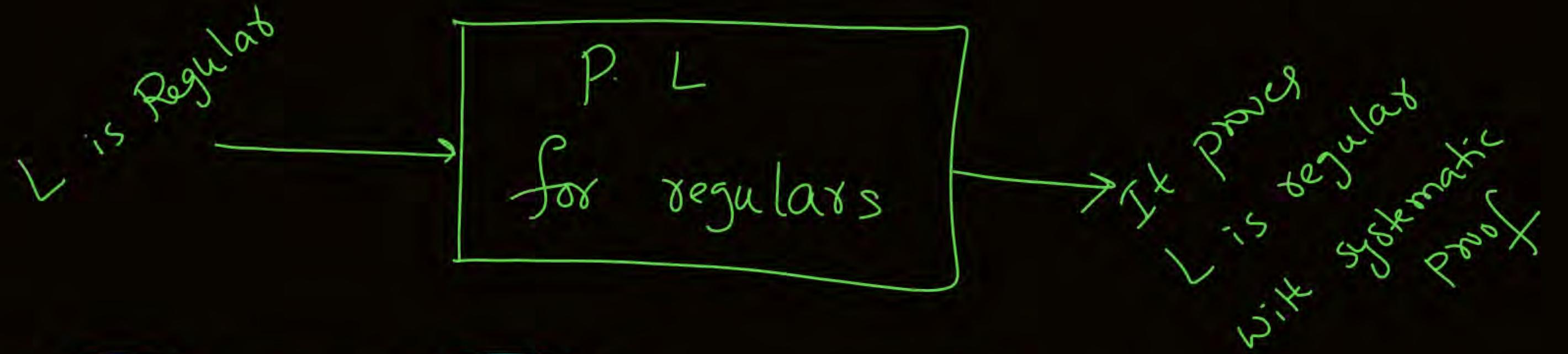
→ P.L. is not used to check language is reg or not

→ If you know that lang is reg then you can use P.L. to prove it.  
↳ " " " " " notreg " " "

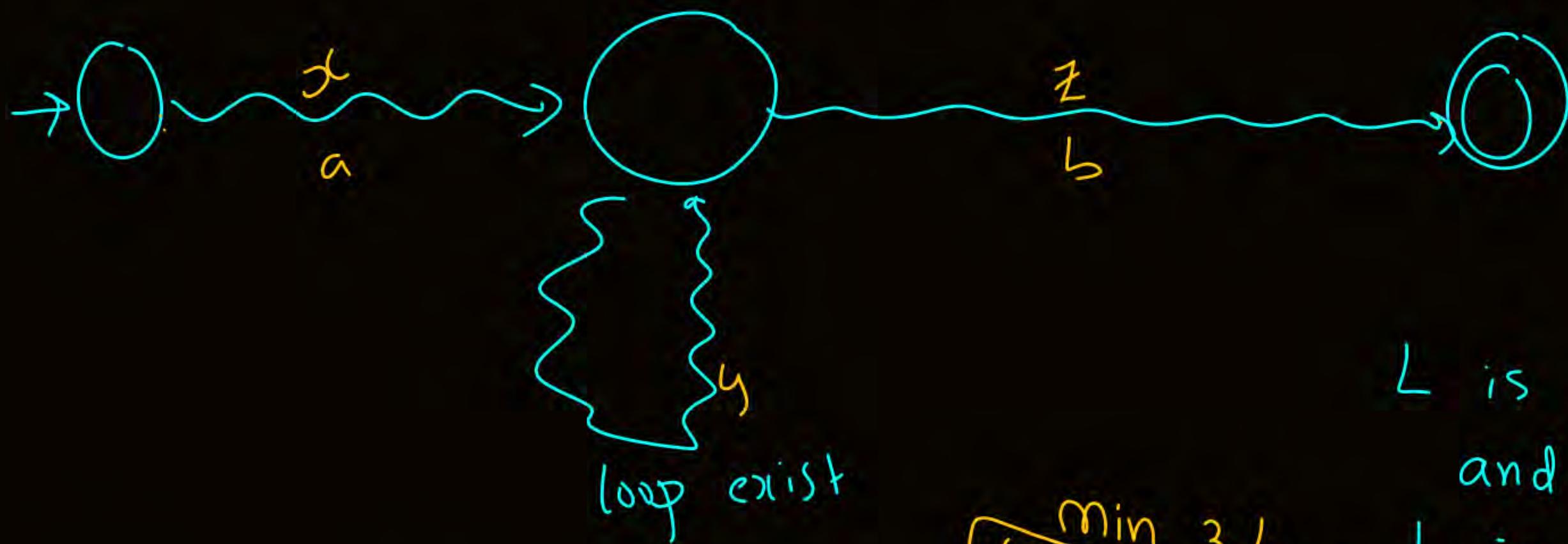
Every finite lang is Regular

Some inf languages are regular.

Some inf languages are not regular.



Some loop definitely exist



$$\forall i \geq 0, xy^i z \in L$$

$L$  is inf  
and  
 $\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{min } 3 \text{ length } L \text{ is reg} \\ (\omega \geq \text{no. of states}) \end{array}}$   
 $\frac{3 \text{ states}}{\text{don't consider dead state}}$  to detect loop

## Pumping Lemma for Regular Languages

P  
W

L is regular language iff

- FA with p states holds string w belongs to L.
- For all strings w belongs to L with  $|w| \geq p$
- There exist division of w into three parts:  $w = xyz$  such that the following conditions are held:

$w \in L$

$|w| \geq p$

- $|x.y| \leq p$  (length of x + length of y is  $\leq p$ )
- $|y|! = 0$  ( $x, z$  can be null, but y cannot be null, and the length of y  $\geq 1$ )
- $xy^iz \in L \forall i \geq 0$

L is Reg

P is no. of states  
in FA

choose w

$w \in L$

$|w| \geq p$

$w = xyz$

$|xy| \leq p$   
 $\exists i. |y| \neq 0$

$\forall i. xy^iz \in L$

$L$  is  $R$

$P \rightarrow$  no. of states in min FA

Pumping Constant  $\geq$  No. of states  
in FA

Chooe  $\omega$ ,  $|\omega| \geq P$   
 $\# \omega \in L$



- i)  $|xy| \leq P$
- ii)  $|y| \neq 0$  ( $y \neq \epsilon$ )

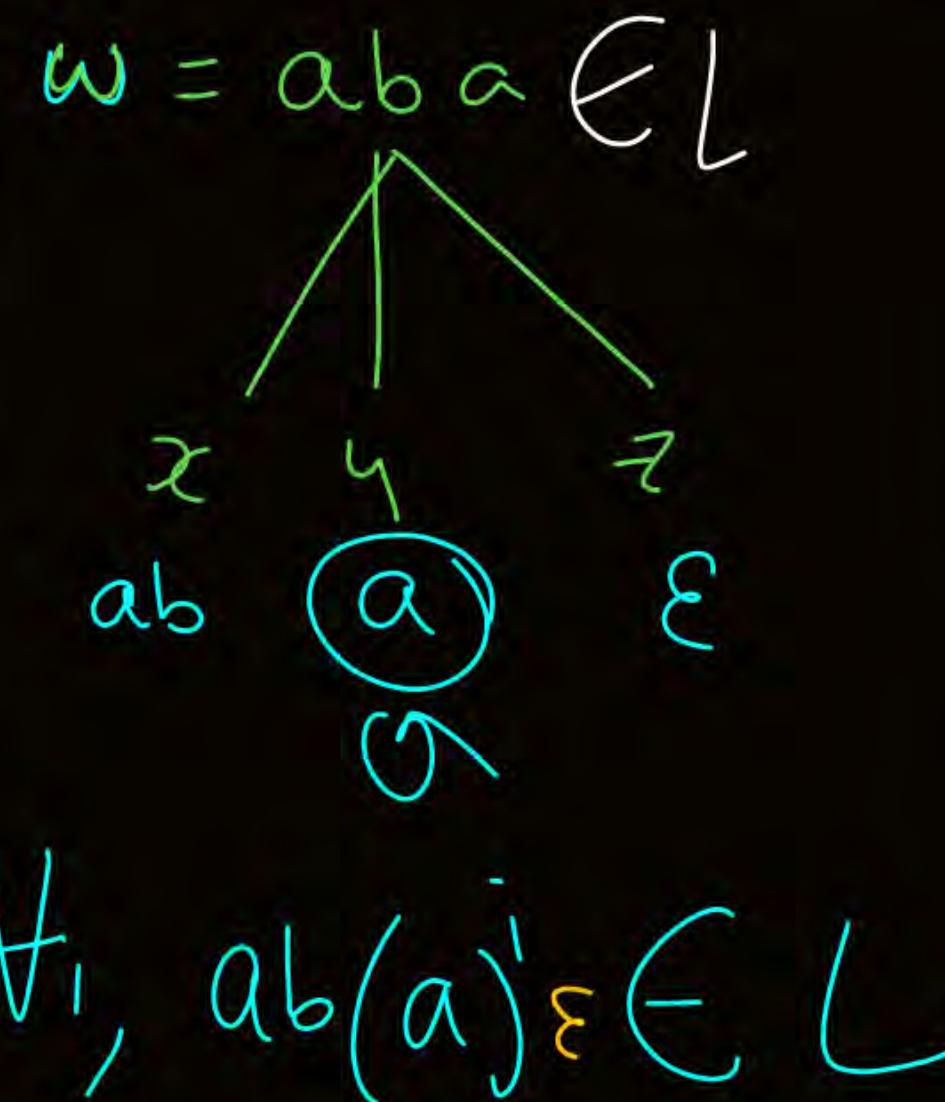
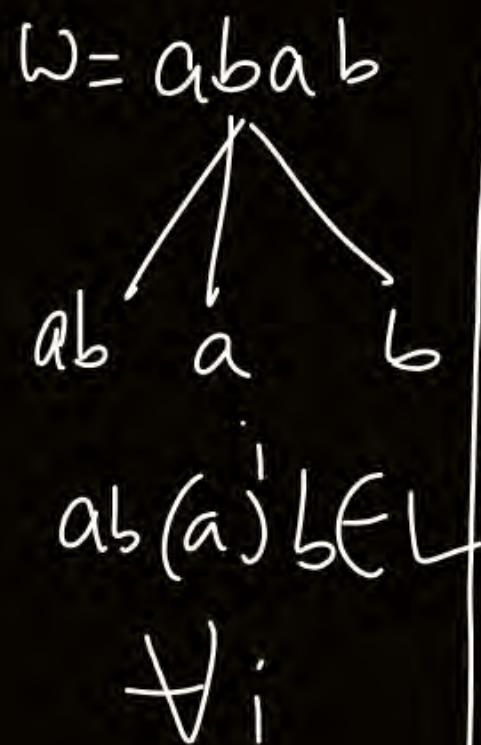
$x$  and  $z$  can be  $\epsilon$   
may be  $|x|=0$  } depends  
 $|z|=0$  } on your  
requirement

$\forall i \geq 0$ ,  $xy^iz \in L$  iff  $L$  is Regular

$$\textcircled{1} \quad L = ab(a+b)^*$$

$$|w| \geq 3$$

$|w| \geq 3 \rightarrow L \text{ is Reg} \rightarrow P.L \rightarrow L \text{ is Regular w.r.t. Pumping}$

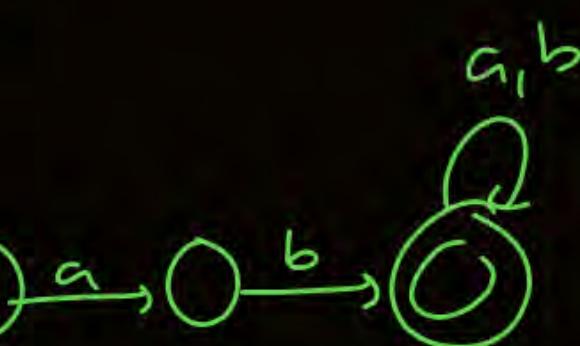


$$\left| \begin{array}{l} x^i y^j z \\ i=0 \Rightarrow ab \\ i=1 \Rightarrow aba \\ i=2 \Rightarrow abaa \\ \vdots \\ x^i y^j z \end{array} \right\| \in L$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{array} \right\|$$

which of the following can be pumping constant?

A) 2  
B) 5

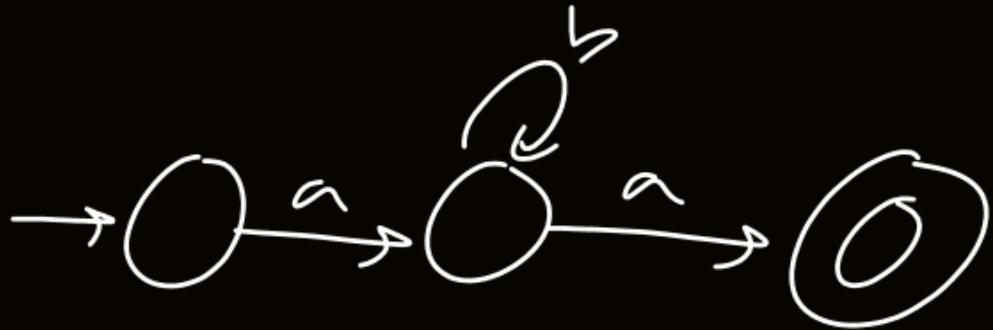


3 states

$$|w| \geq 3 \text{ (P)}$$

C) 7  
D) 1

$$② L = \underline{a} b^* \underline{a}$$



choose  $\omega$  with min 3 length

Don't choose abba

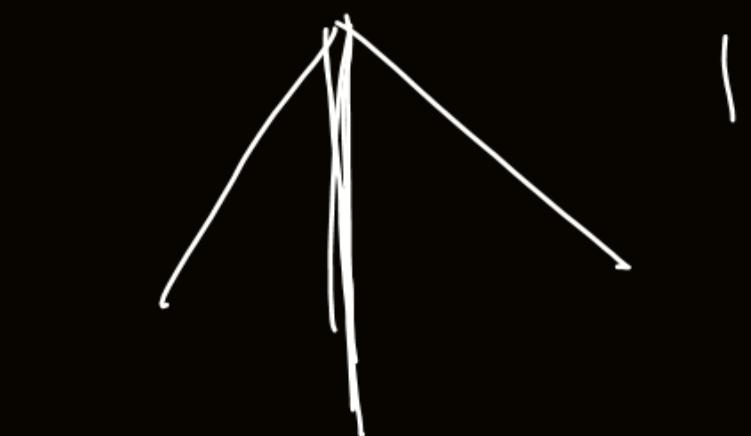


$$\omega = abba$$

$$|\omega| = 4 \geq 3$$

3 states

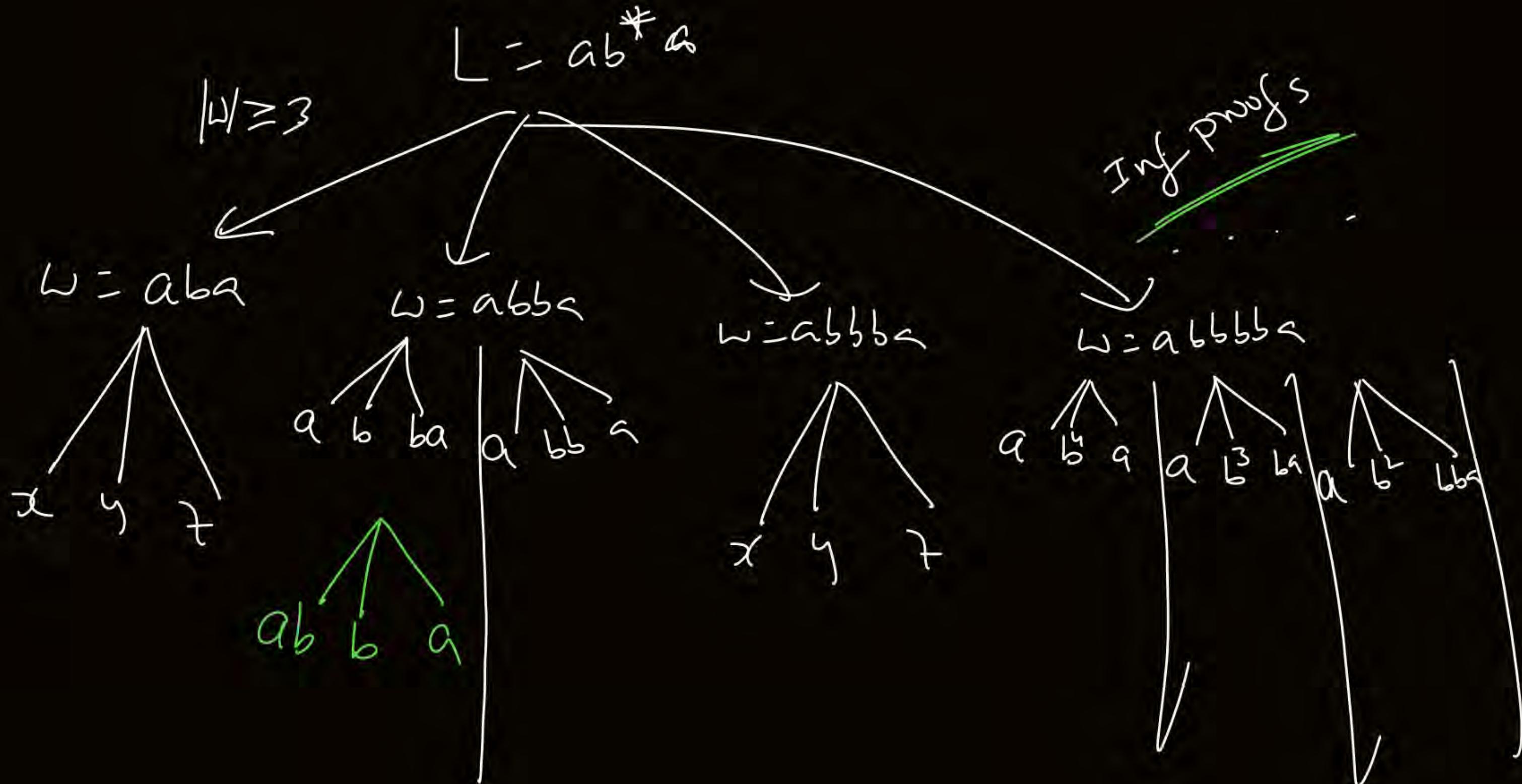
$$|\omega| \geq 3$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} x & y & z \\ a & b & ba \end{array}$$

$$ba \Rightarrow a(b)ba \in L$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a & bb & a \end{array} \Rightarrow a(bb)a \in L$$



P.L. also can be used to prove non regulars using contradiction.

$L$  is not reg

$\Downarrow$   
Assume  $L$  is Reg

$\boxed{P \cdot L}$

I am not able to prove  
 $L$  is Regular

$\Downarrow$  Contradiction occurs.  
 $L$  is not regular

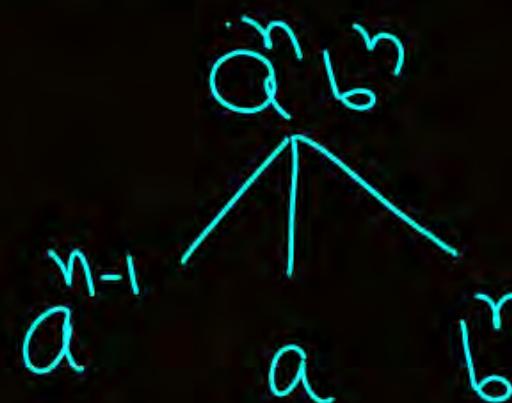
$L = a^n b^n$  is not reg [given]

Step 1: Assume  $L$  is Reg

Step 2: choose  $w = a^n b^n$

Step 3: Divide  $w$  into 3 parts

Step 4:  
 $\forall i \geq 0$   $a^{n-i} a^i b^n \in L$  iff  $L$  is reg  
 $i=0 \Rightarrow a^{n-1} b^n \notin L$ ,  $L$  is not reg



$\omega = aaaaabb$



$x \neq y$

$\epsilon (aaaaabb)^j \epsilon$

$i=0 \Rightarrow a \in L$

$i=1 \Rightarrow a \in L$

$i=2 \Rightarrow aaaaabb aaaaabb \notin L$

$$L = a^n b^n$$

If

$\omega = aaaaabb$

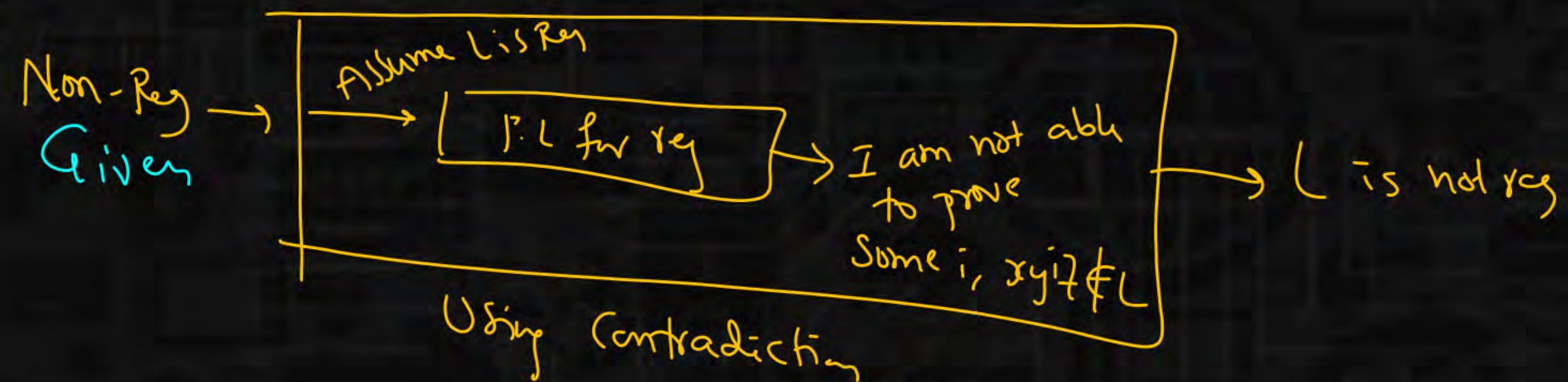
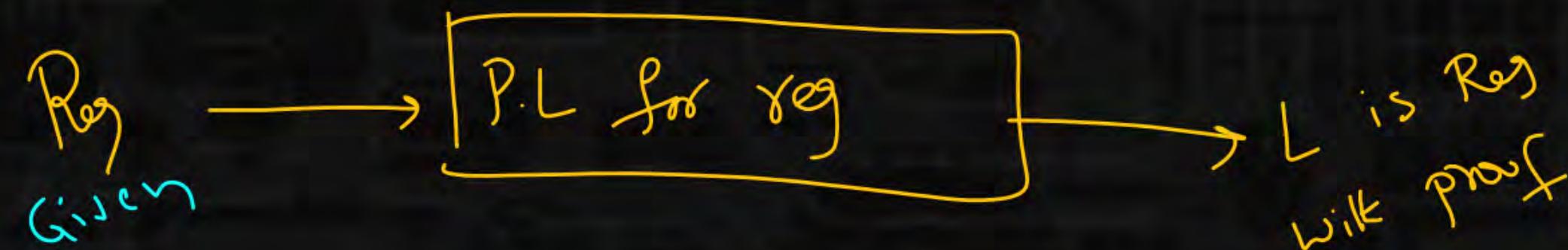


$\forall i \geq 0 \quad a^2 a^i b^3 \in L \text{ iff } L \text{ is Reg}$

Some  $i$ ,  $a^2 a^i b^3 \notin L$ , so  $L$  is not Reg

$i=0 \Rightarrow a^2 b^3 \notin L$

## Pumping Lemma for Regular Languages



## Myhill Nerode Theorem

A language is regular if and only if  $\equiv_L$  partitions  $\Sigma^*$  into finitely many equivalence classes. If  $\equiv_L$  partitions  $\Sigma^*$  into n equivalence classes, then a minimal DFA recognizing L has exactly n states.

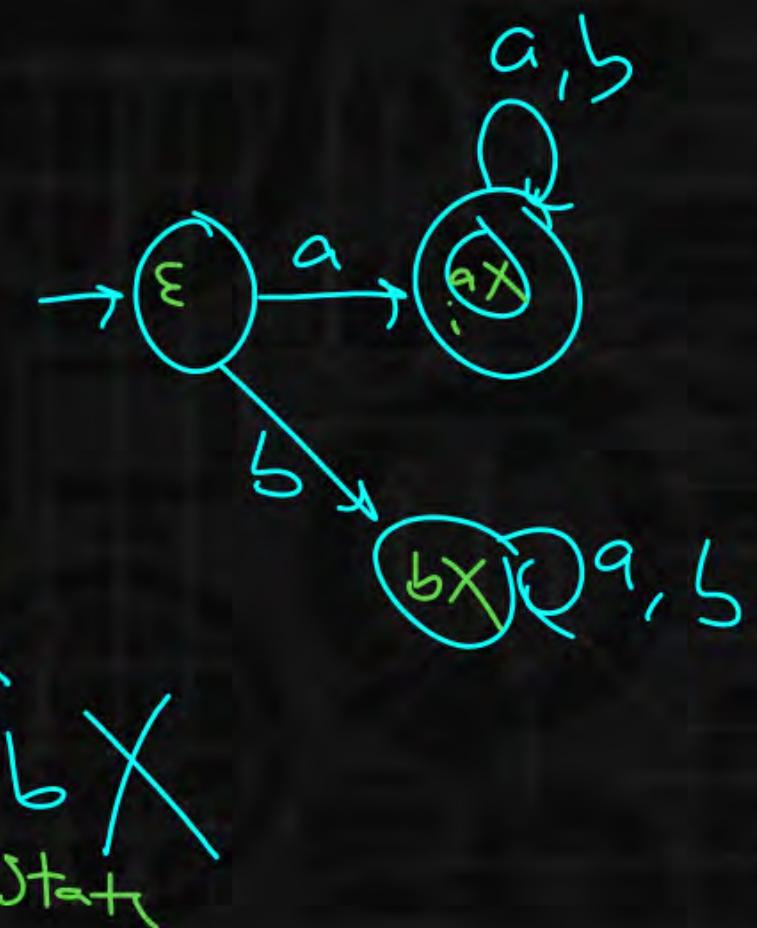
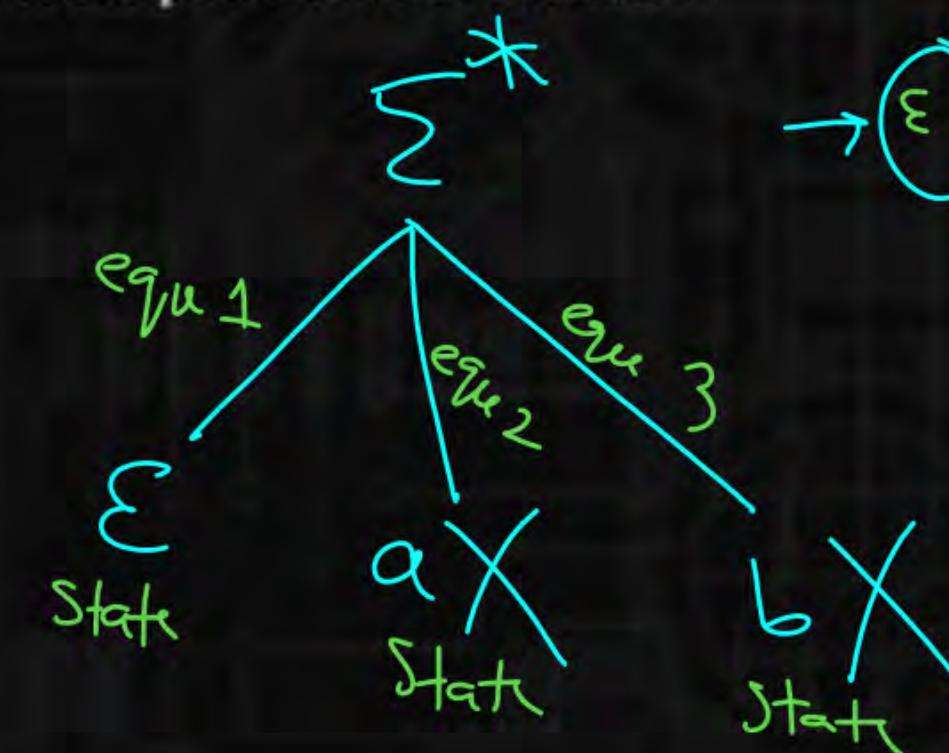
If L is non regular then L never satisfies Myhill Nerode Theorem.

If L is regular then L has finite number of equivalence classes

If L is non regular then L has infinite number of equivalence classes

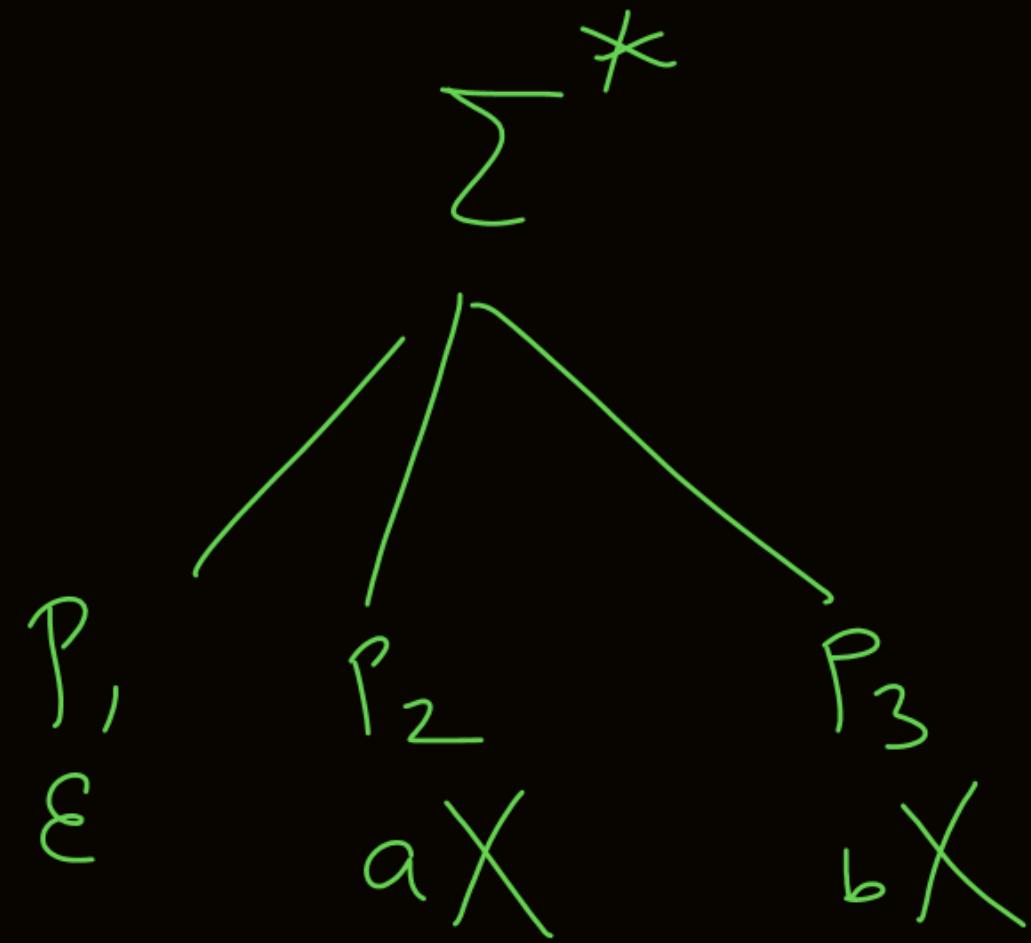
$$L = a(a+b)^*$$

3 equivalence classes



$$L = a(a+b)^*$$

II  
3 states in min DFA  
 $P_1, P_2, P_3$



I)  $P_1 \cup P_2 \cup P_3 = \Sigma^*$

II)  $P_1 \cap P_2 = \emptyset$

$$P_1 \cap P_3 = \emptyset$$

$$P_2 \cap P_3 = \emptyset$$

# Languages

81  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_0(w) = n_1(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Not reg}$

82  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{00}(w) = n_{11}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Not reg}$

\*\* 83  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{01}(w) = n_{10}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Regular} \quad (\text{Try DFA for this})$

84  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{00}(w) = n_{01}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Not regular}$

\* 85  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{001}(w) = n_{100}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Regular}$

\* 86  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{110}(w) = n_{011}(w)\} \nearrow$

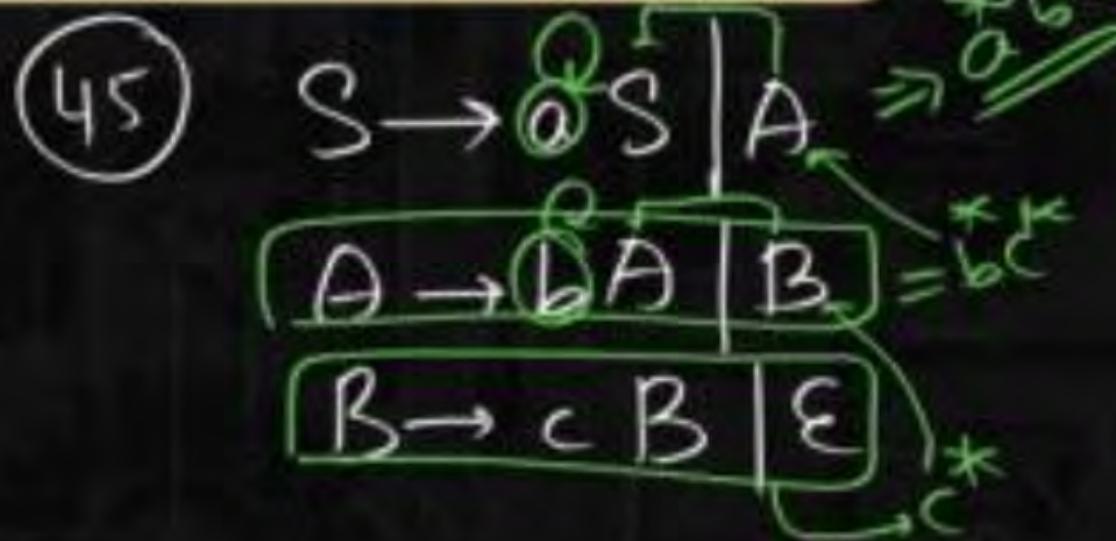
87  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{000}(w) = n_{111}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Not regular}$

88  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{000}(w) \leq n_{100}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Regular}$

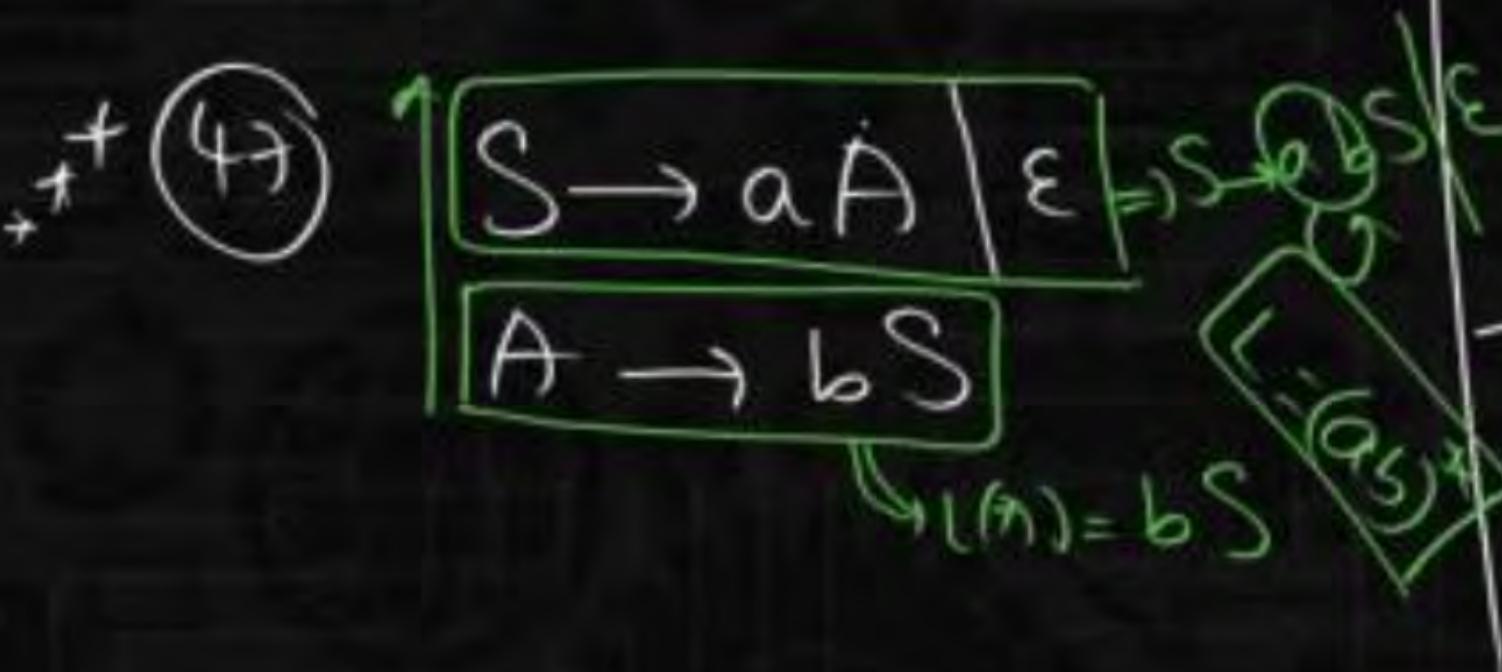
89  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{00}(w) \neq n_{100}(w)\} \nearrow$

90  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_{00}(w) \neq n_{11}(w)\} \Rightarrow \text{Not reg}$

H.W.



46  $S \rightarrow aS \mid bS \mid cS \mid d$



\*bx  
48  $\frac{S \rightarrow aB}{A \rightarrow bS \mid \epsilon}$

49  $\frac{S \rightarrow aA \mid aB \mid aD}{\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow bA \mid \epsilon \\ B \rightarrow cB \mid \epsilon \\ D \rightarrow dD \mid \epsilon \end{array}}$

50  $\frac{S \rightarrow aS \mid \#}{\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow \#B \\ B \rightarrow aB \mid \epsilon \end{array}}$

Q

Let  $L = \{ w \in (0+1)^* \mid w \text{ has even number of } 1s \}$ , i.e.,  $L$  is the set of all bit strings with even number of 1s. Which one of the regular expressions below represents  $L$ ? [2010: 2 Marks]

- A  $(0^*10^*)^*$
- B  $0^*(10^*10^*)^*$
- C  $0^*(10^*1)^*0^*$
- D  $0^*1(10^*1)^*10^*$

Q

P  
W

Let P be a regular language and Q be a context-free language such that  $Q \subseteq P$ . (For example, let P be the language represented by the regular expression  $p^* q^*$  and Q be  $\{p^n q^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ). Then which of the following is ALWAYS regular?

[2011: 1 Mark]

- A  $P \cap Q$
- B  $\Sigma^* - P$
- C  $P - Q$
- D  $\Sigma^* - Q$

**Q**

Given the language  $L = \{ab, aa, baa\}$ , which of the following strings are in  $L^*$ ?

- |    |              |    |           |
|----|--------------|----|-----------|
| 1. | abaabaaaabaa | 2. | aaaabaaaa |
| 3. | baaaaabaaaab | 4. | baaaaabaa |

[2012: 1 Mark]

- A** 1, 2 and 3
- B** 2, 3 and 4
- C** 1, 2 and 4
- D** 1, 3 and 4

**PW**

Q

Consider the languages  $L_1 = \phi$  and  $L_2 = \{a\}$ . Which one of the following represents  $L_1L_2^* \cup L_1^*$ ?

P  
W

[2013: 1 Mark]

- A  $\{\epsilon\}$
- B  $\phi$
- C  $a^*$
- D  $(\epsilon, a)$

Q

The length of the shortest string NOT in the language  
(over  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ ) of the following regular expression is

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$$a^*b^*(ba)^*a^*$$

[2014-Set3: 1 Mark]

P  
W

Consider alphabet  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ , the null/empty string  $\lambda$  and the sets of strings  $X_0, X_1$  and  $X_2$  generated by the corresponding non-terminals of a regular grammar.  $X_0, X_1$  and  $X_2$  are related as follows:

[2015-Set2: 2 Marks]

$$X_0 = 1X_1$$

$$X_1 = 0X_1 + 1X_2$$

$$X_2 = 0X_1 + \{\lambda\}$$

Which one of the following choices precisely represents the strings in  $X_0$ ?

- A  $10(0^* + (10)^*)1$
- B  $10(0^* + (10)^*)^*1$
- C  $1(0 + 10)^*1$
- D  $10(0 + 10)^*1 + 110(0 + 10)^*1$

Q

P  
W

Which one of the following regular expressions represents the language: *the set of all binary strings having two consecutive 0s and two consecutive 1s?*

[2016-Set1: 1 Mark]

- A  $(0 + 1)^*0011(0 + 1)^* + (0 + 1)^* 1100(0 + 1)^*$
- B  $(0 + 1)^*(00(0 + 1)^*11 + 11(0 + 1)^* 00)(0 + 1)^*$
- C  $(0 + 1)^*00(0 + 1)^* + (0 + 1)^* 11(0 + 1)^*$
- D  $00(0 + 1)^*11 + 11 (0 + 1)^*00$

Q

Which one of the following regular expression represents the set of all binary strings with an odd number of 1's?

P  
W

[2020: 1 Mark]

- A  $(0^*10^*10^*)^*0^*1$
- B  $10^*(0^*10^*10^*)^*$
- C  $((0 + 1)^* 1(0 + 1)^*1)^*10^*$
- D  $(0^*10^*10^*)^*10^*$

Q

Which of the following regular expressions represents(s) the set of all binary numbers that are divisible by three? Assume that the strings  $\epsilon$  is divisible by three.

P  
W

[2021-Set2-MSQ: 2  
Marks]

- A  $(0^*(1(01^*0)^*1))^*$
- B  $(0 + 1(01^*0)^* 1)^*$
- C  $(0 + 11 + 10(1 + 00)^*01)^*$
- D  $(0 + 11 + 11(1 + 00)^*00)^*$

Q

Let  $w$  be any string of length  $n$  in  $\{0, 1\}^*$ . Let  $L$  be the set of all substrings of  $w$ . What is the minimum number of states in a non-deterministic finite automaton that accepts  $L$ ?

P  
W

[2010: 2 Marks]

- A  $n-1$
- B  $n$
- C  $n+1$
- D  $2^{n-1}$

Q

The lexical analysis for a modern computer language such as Java needs the power of which one of the following machine models in a necessary and sufficient sense?

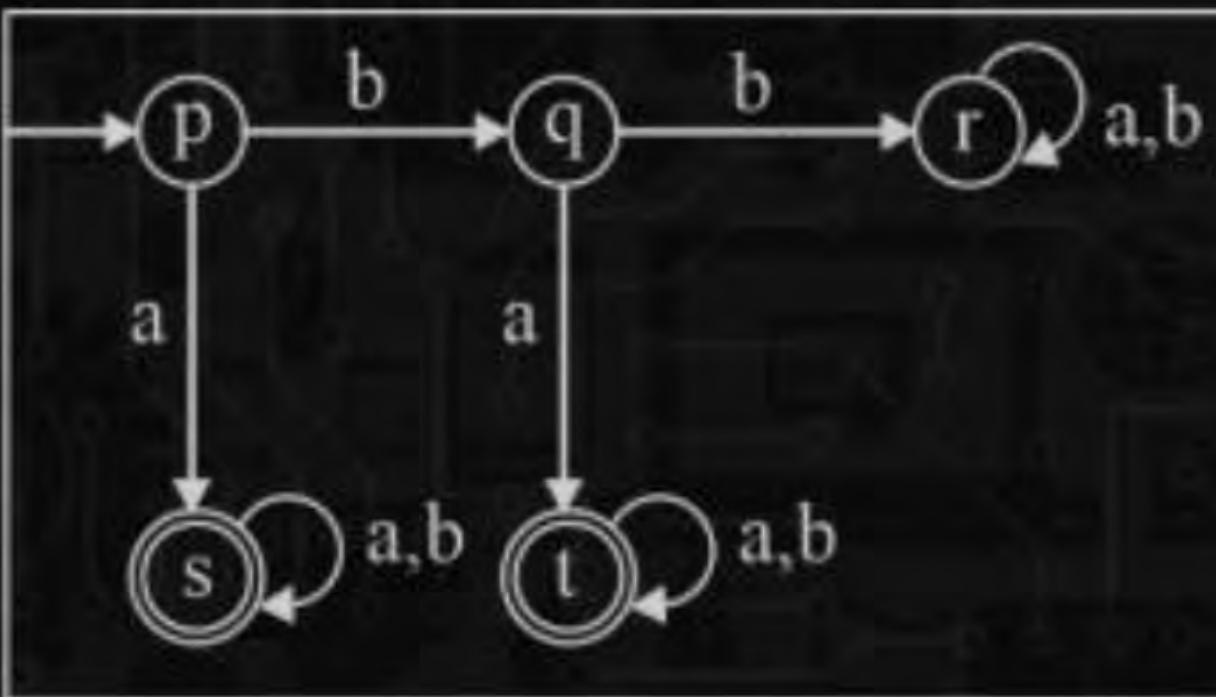
P  
W

- A Finite state automata
- B Deterministic pushdown automata
- C Non-deterministic pushdown automata
- D Turing machine

[2011: 1 Marks]

Q

A deterministic finite automaton (DFA) D with alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$  is given below:

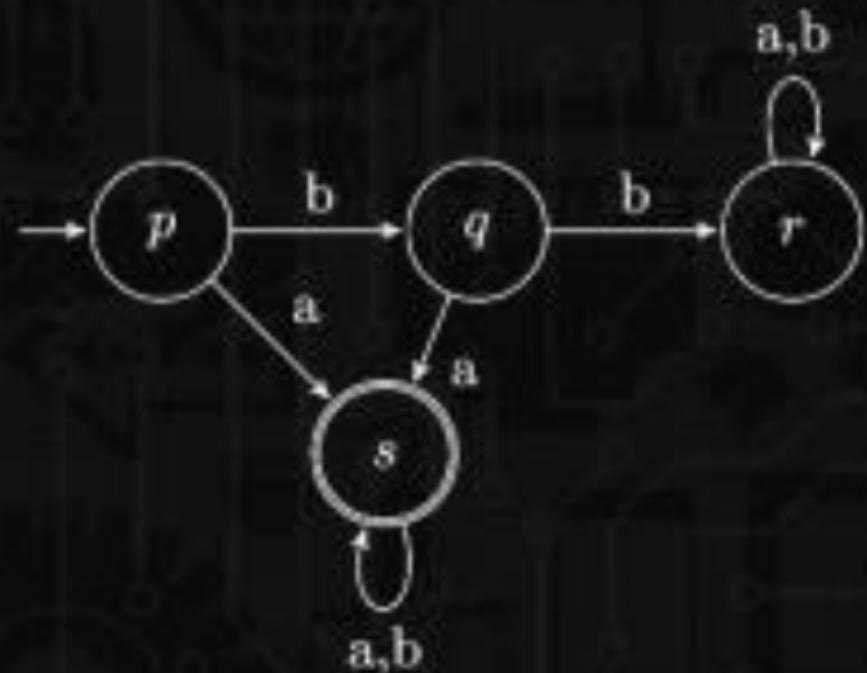


Which of the following finite state machines is a valid minimal DFA which accepts the same language as D?

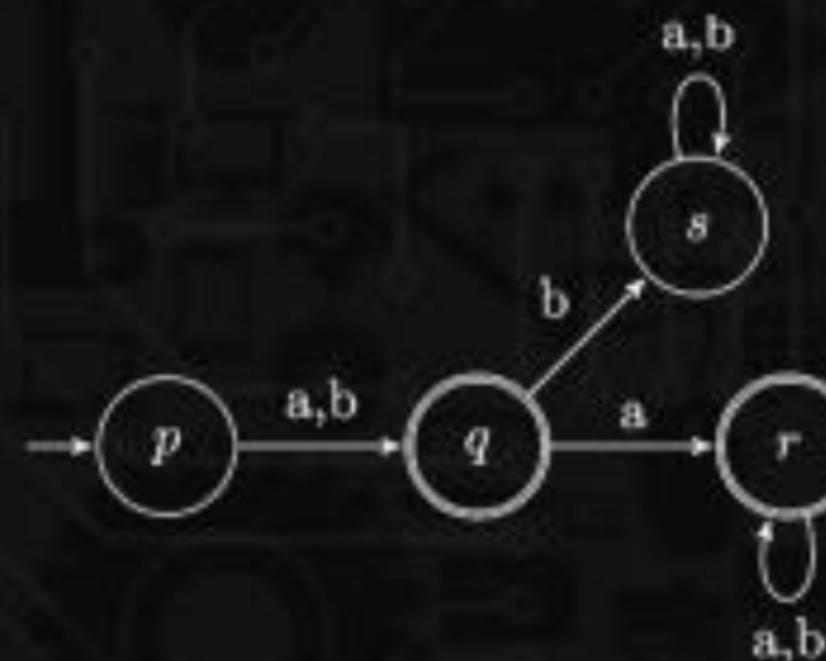
[2011:2 Mark]

P  
W

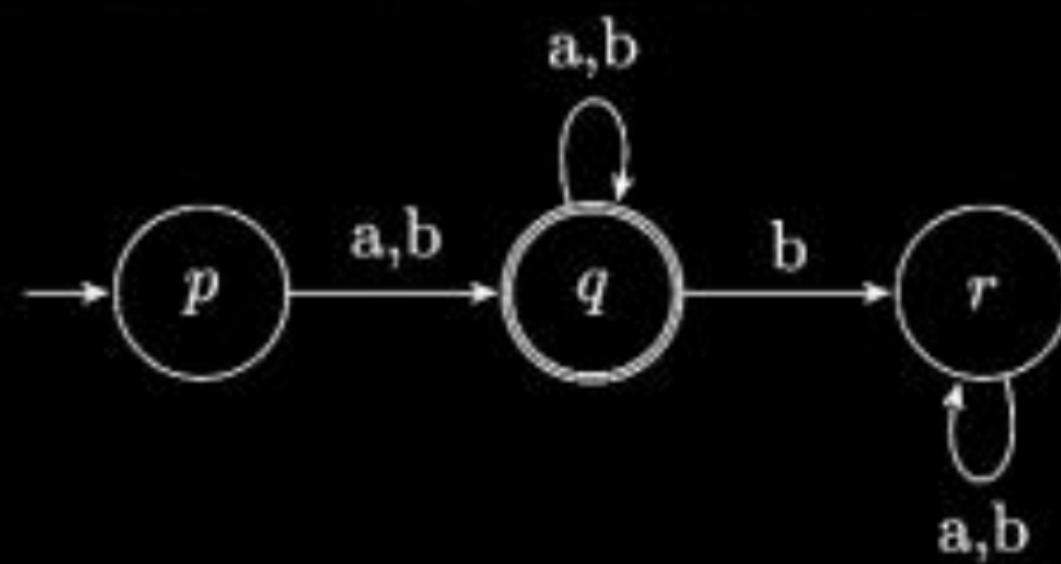
A



B



C



D

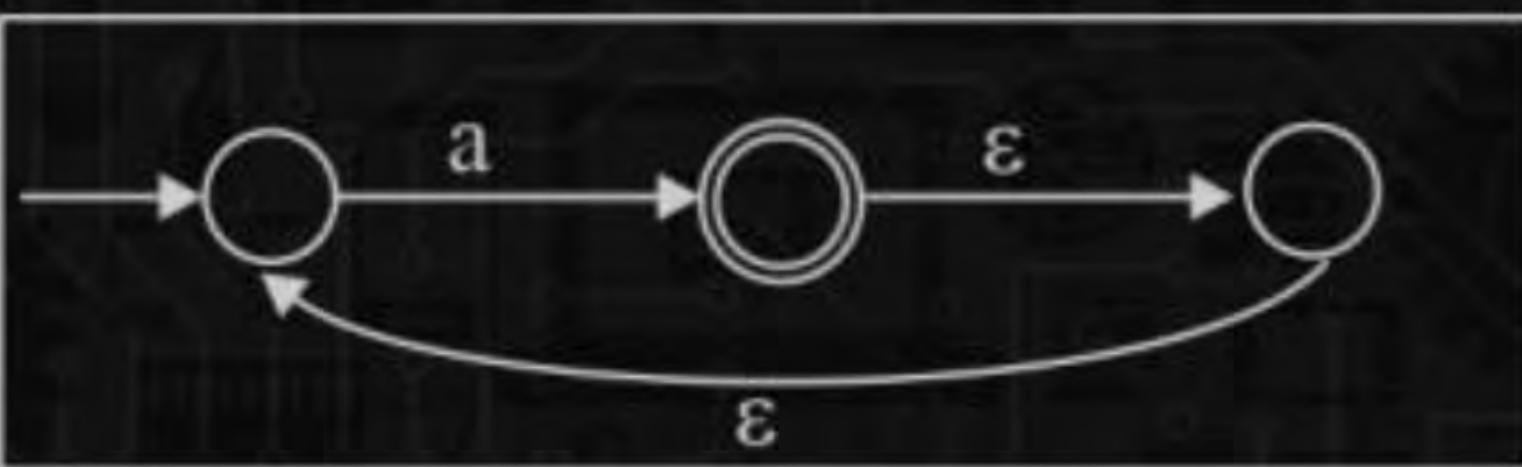


Q

What is the complement of the language accepted by the NFA shown below? Assume  $\Sigma = \{a\}$  and  $\epsilon$  is the empty string.

P  
W

[2012: 1 Mark]



- A  $\emptyset$
- B  $\{\epsilon\}$
- C  $a^*$
- D  $\{a, \epsilon\}$

Q

P  
W

Consider the set of strings on  $\{0, 1\}$  in which, every substring of 3 symbols has at most two zeros. For example, 001110 and 011001 are in the language, but 100010 is not. All strings of length less than 3 are also in the language. A partially complete DFA that accepts this language is shown below.



The missing arcs in the DFA are?

[2012: 2 Marks]

**A**

	00	01	10	11	q
00	1	0			
01				1	
10	0				
11		0			

**B**

	00	01	10	11	q
00		0			1
01			1		
10				0	
11		0			

**C**

	00	01	10	11	q
00		1		0	
01		1			
10			0		
11		0			

**D**

	00	01	10	11	q
00		1			0
01				1	
10	0				
11			0		

Q Consider the DFA A given below:



Which of the following are FALSE?

1. Complement of  $L(A)$  is context-free.
2.  $L(A) = L((11^*0 + 0)(0 + 1)^*0^*1^*)$
3. For the language accepted by A, A is the minimal DFA.
4. A accepts all strings over  $\{0, 1\}$  of length at least 2.

[2013: 1 Mark]

- A 1 and 3 only
- B 2 and 4 only
- C 2 and 3 only
- D 3 and 4 only

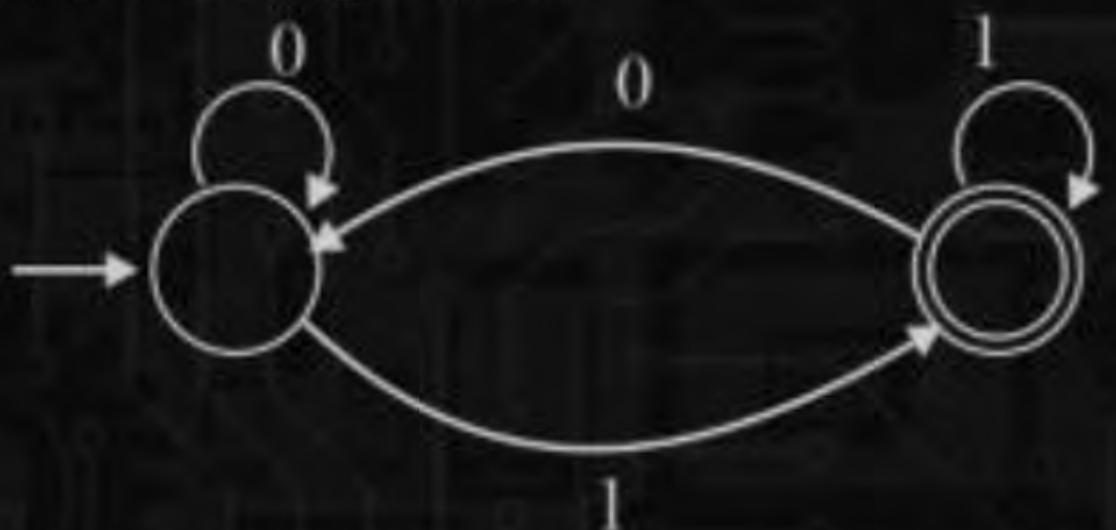
Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2014-Set1: 1 Mark]

- A The language  $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  is regular.
- B The language  $L = \{a^n \mid n \text{ is prime}\}$  is regular.
- C The language  $L = \{w \mid w \text{ has } 3k + 1 \text{ b's for some } k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } \Sigma = \{a, b\}\}$  is regular.
- D The language  $L = \{ww \mid w \in \Sigma^* \text{ with } \Sigma = \{0, 1\}\}$  is regular.

Q

Which of the regular expressions given below represent the following DFA?



- I.  $0^*1(1 + 00^*1)^*$
- II.  $0^*1^*1 + 11^*0^*1^*$
- III.  $(0 + 1)^*1$

[2014-Set1: 2 Mark]

- A I and II only
- B I and III only
- C II and III only
- D I, II, and III

Q

If  $L_1 = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  and  $L_2 = \{b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ , consider

- I.  $L_1 \cdot L_2$  is a regular language
- II.  $L_1 \cdot L_2 = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

Which one of the following is CORRECT?

- A Only I
- B Only II
- C Both I and II
- D Neither I nor II

[2014-Set2: 1 Mark]

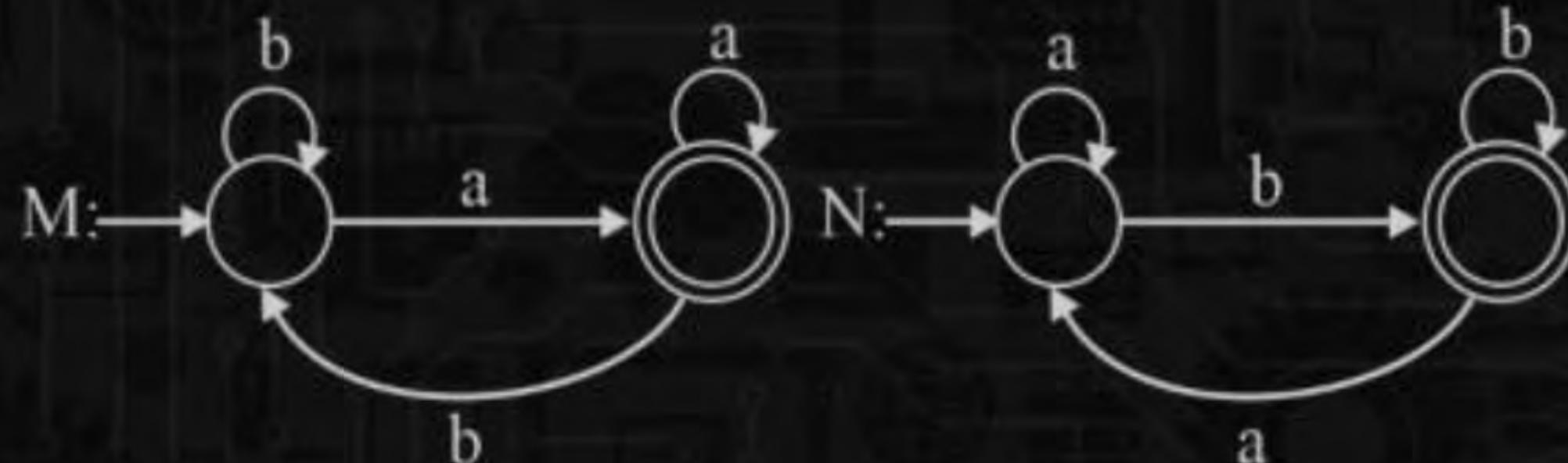
Q

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Let  $L_1 = \{\omega \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \omega \text{ has at least as many occurrences of } (110) \text{'s as } (011)\text{'s}\}$ . Let  $L_2 = \{\omega \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \omega, \text{ has at least as many occurrences of } (000)\text{'s as } (111)\text{'s}\}$ . Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2014-Set2: 2 Marks]

- A  $L_1$  is regular but not  $L_2$
- B  $L_2$  is regular but not  $L_1$
- C Both  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are regular
- D Neither  $L_1$  nor  $L_2$  are regular



Consider the DFAs M and N given above. The number of states in a minimal DFA that accepts the language  $L(M) \cap L(N)$  is

[2015-Set1: 2 Marks]

Q

The number of states in the minimal deterministic finite automaton corresponding the regular expression  $(0 + 1)^*(10)$  is \_\_\_\_.

P  
W

[2015-Set2: 2 Marks]

Q

Let L be the language represented by the regular expression  
 $\Sigma^*0011\Sigma^*$  where  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

P  
W

What is the minimum number of states in a DFA that  
recognizes  $L'$  (complement of L)?

[2015-Set3: 1 Mark]

- A 4
- B 5
- C 6
- D 8

Q

Which of the following languages is/are regular?

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$L_1: \{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{a, b\}^* \text{ and } |w|, |x| > 0\}$   $w^R$  is the reverse of string  $w\}$

$L_2: \{a^n b^m \mid m \neq n \text{ and } m, n \geq 0\}$

$L_3: \{a^p b^q c^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0\}$

[2015-Set2: 2 Marks]

- A L<sub>1</sub> and L<sub>3</sub> only
- B L<sub>2</sub> only
- C L<sub>2</sub> and L<sub>3</sub> only
- D L<sub>3</sub> only

Q

The number of states in the minimum sized DFA that accepts the language defined by the regular expression

$(0 + 1)^* (0 + 1) (0 + 1)^*$  is \_\_\_\_.

[2016-Set2: 1 Mark]

P  
W

Q

P  
W

Consider the following two statements:

- I. If all states of an NFA are accepting states then the language accepted by the NFA is  $\Sigma^*$ .
- II. There exists a regular language A such that for all language B,  $A \cap B$  is regular.

[2016-Set2: 2 Marks]

Which one of the following is CORRECT

- A Only I is true
- B Only II is true
- C Both I and II are true
- D Both I and II are false

Q

Consider the language  $L$  given by the regular expression  $(a + b)^*b(a + b)$  over the alphabet  $\{a, b\}$ . The smallest number of states needed in a deterministic finite-state automaton (DFA) accepting  $L$  is \_\_\_\_.

P  
W

[2017-Set1: 2 Marks]

**Q**

The minimum possible number of states of a deterministic finite automaton that accepts the regular language  $L = \{w_1 aw_2 \mid w_1, w_2 \in \{a, b\}^*, |w_1| = 2, |w_2| \geq 3\}$  is \_\_\_\_.

**PW**

[2017-Set2: 1 Mark]

Q

Let  $\delta$  denote the transition function and  $\hat{\delta}$  denote the extended transition function of the  $\epsilon$ -NFA whose transition table is given below:

[2017-Set2: 2 Mark]

$\delta$	$\epsilon$	a	b
$\rightarrow q_0$	$\{q_2\}$	$\{q_1\}$	$\{q_0\}$
$q_1$	$\{q_2\}$	$\{q_2\}$	$\{q_3\}$
$q_2$	$\{q_0\}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
$q_3$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\{q_2\}$

The  $\hat{\delta}(q_2, aba)$  is

- A  $\emptyset$
- B  $\{q_0, q_1, q_3\}$
- C  $\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$
- D  $\{q_0, q_2, q_3\}$

Q

Let  $N$  be an NFA with  $n$  states. Let  $k$  be the number of states of a minimal DFA which is equivalent to  $N$ . Which one of the following is necessarily true?

[2018: 1 Mark]

- A  $k \geq 2^n$
- B  $k \geq n$
- C  $k \leq n^2$
- D  $k \leq 2^n$

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Q

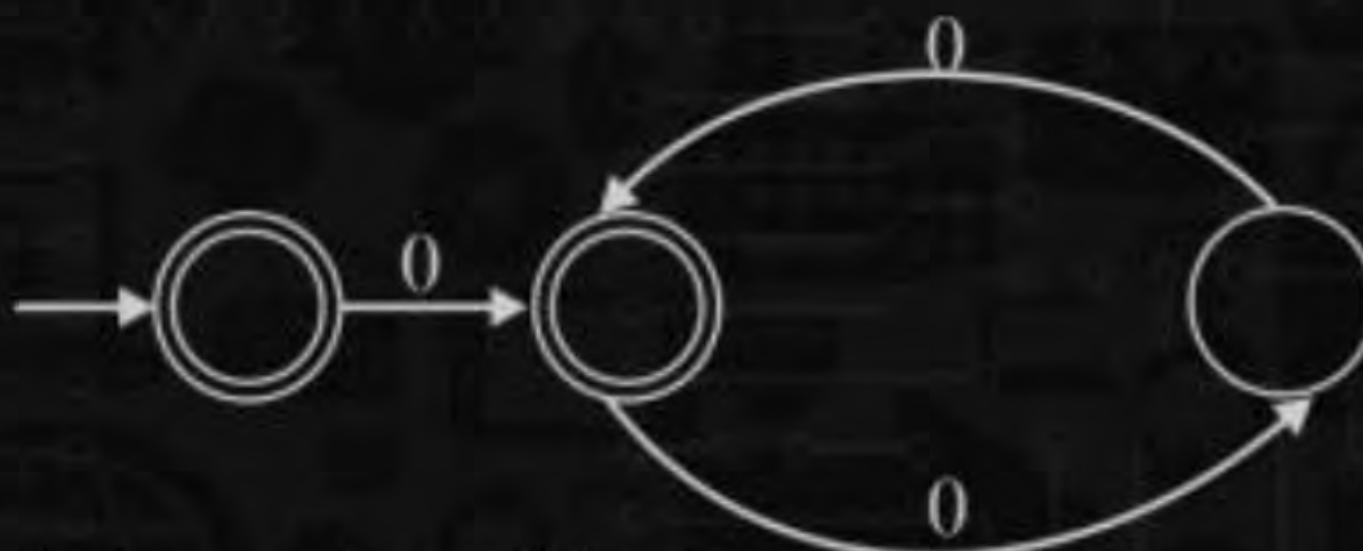
Given a language  $L$ , define  $L^i$  as follows:

$$L^0 = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$L^i = L^{i-1} \cdot L \text{ for all } i > 0$$

The order of a language  $L$  is defined as the smallest  $k$  such that  $L^k = L^{k+1}$ .

Consider the language  $L_1$  (over alphabet 0) accepted by the following automaton



The order of  $L_1$  is \_\_\_\_.

[2018: 2 Marks]

Q

For  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ , let us consider the regular language  $L = \{x \mid x = a^{2+3k} \text{ or } x = b^{10+12k}, k \geq 0\}$ . Which one of the following can be a pumping length (the constant guaranteed by the pumping lemma) for  $L$ ?

P  
W

[2019: 1 Mark]

- A 9
- B 24
- C 3
- D 5

Q

Let  $\Sigma$  be the set of all bijections from  $\{1, \dots, 5\}$  to  $\{1, \dots, 5\}$ , where  $id$  denotes the identity function, i.e.  $id(j) = j, \forall j$ .

Let  $\circ$  denote composition on functions.

For a string  $x = x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \in \Sigma^n$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , let  $\pi(x) = x_1 \circ x_2 \circ \dots \circ x_n$ .

Consider the language  $L = \{x \in \Sigma^* \mid \pi(x) = id\}$ .

The minimum number of states in any DFA accepting  $L$  is \_\_\_\_.

[2019: 2 Marks]

Q

Consider the following language:

$L = \{x \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{number of } a's \text{ in } x \text{ is divisible by 2 but not divisible by 3}\}$

The minimum number of states in a DFA that accepts  $L$  is \_\_\_\_.

[2020: 2 Marks]

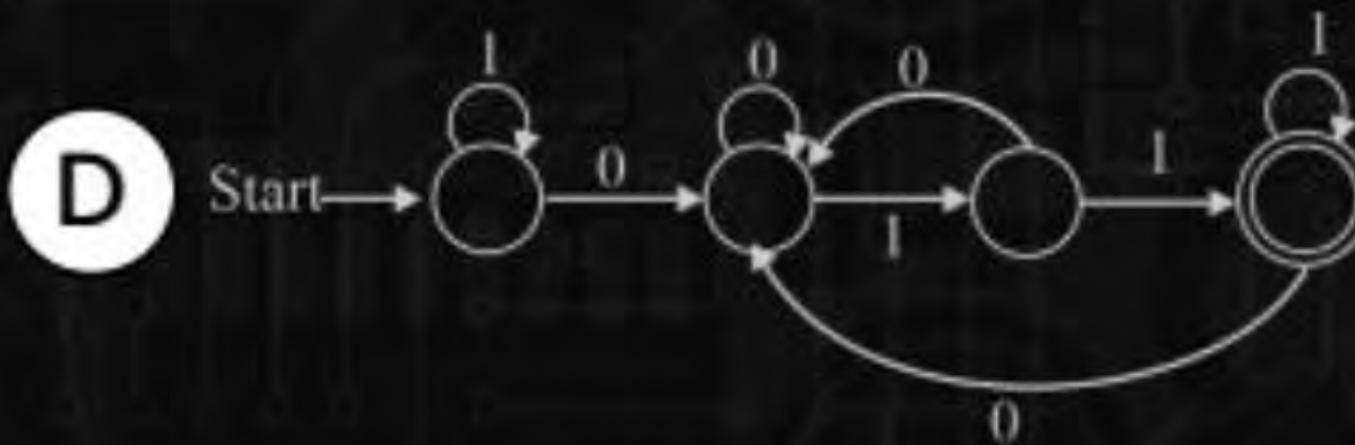
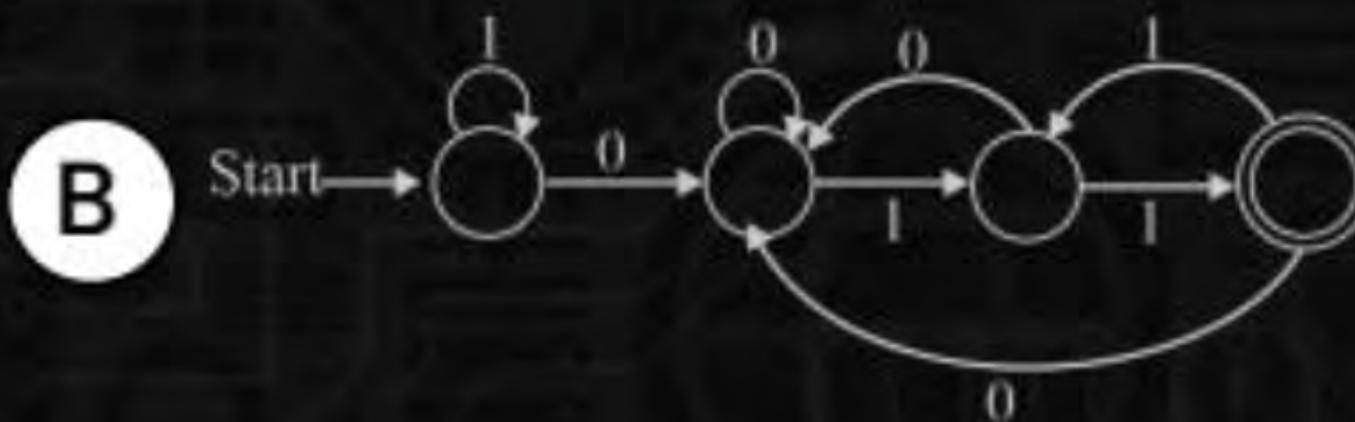
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Q Consider the following language:

$$L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid w \text{ ends with the substring } 011\}.$$

Which one of the following deterministic finite automata accepts L?

[2021-Set1: 2 Marks]



Q

Let  $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  be an arbitrary regular language accepted by a minimal DFA with  $k$  states. Which one of the following languages must necessarily be accepted by a minimal DFA with  $k$  states?

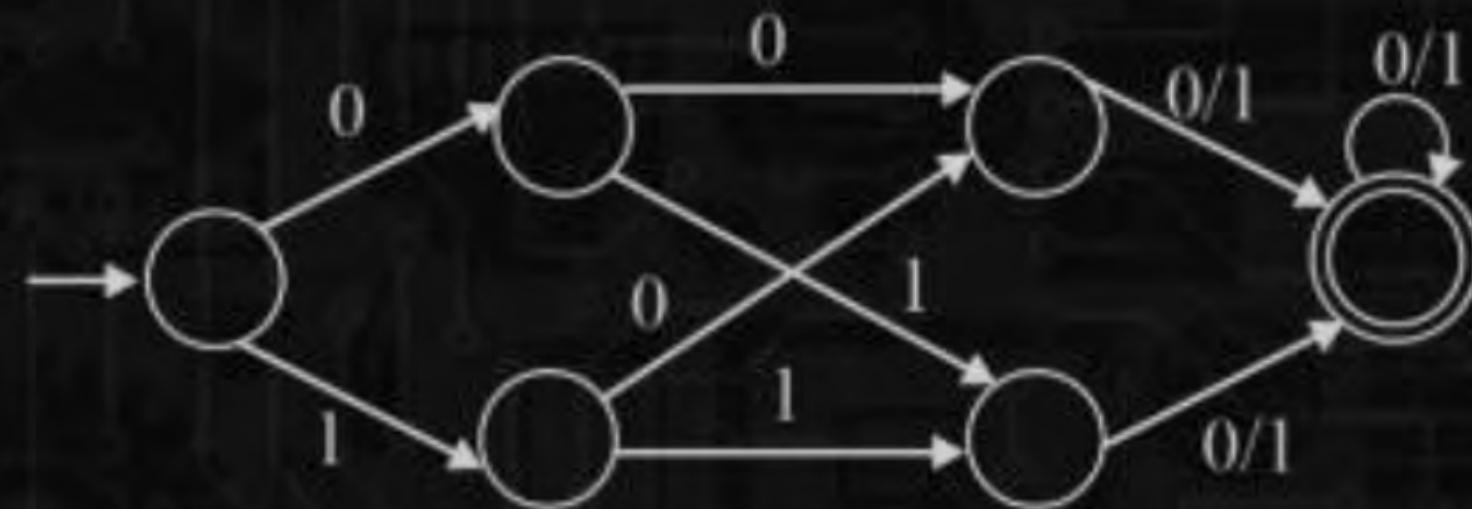
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[2021-Set2: 1 Marks]

- A  $\{0, 1\}^* - L$
- B  $L \cup \{01\}$
- C  $L \cdot L$
- D  $L - \{01\}$

Q

Consider the following deterministic finite automaton (DFA).

P  
W

The number of strings of length 8 accepted by the above automaton is \_\_\_\_.

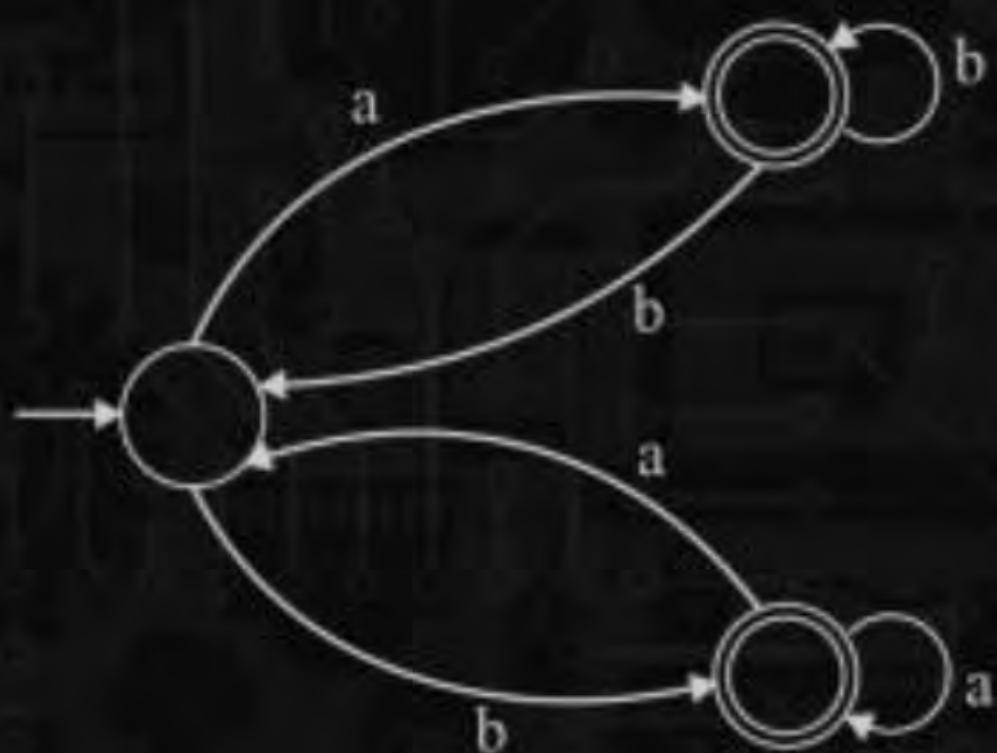
[2021-Set2: 1 Marks]

Q

Which one of the following regular expressions correctly represents the language of the finite automaton given below?

P  
W

[2022: 1 Mark]



- A  $ab^*bab^* + ba^*aba^*$
- B  $(ab^*b)^*ab + (ba^*a)^*ba^*$
- C  $(ab^*b + ba^*a)^*(a^* + b^*)$
- D  $(ba^*a + ab^*b)^*(ab^* + ba^*)$

## Summary

- Doubts
- P. L.
- eqn clashes

