

## Phase-1 15 questions

**Question 1:** Given language of DFA  $L(A)$  where  
 $A$  is DFA  $A = (Q, \Sigma, S, q_0, F)$  then  $L(A) = \{w | \hat{s}(q_0, w) \text{ is in } F\}$  where  $w$  is strings start state  $q_0$

$$\text{show } \hat{s}(q_0, xy) = \hat{s}(\hat{s}(q_0, x), y)$$

where,  $\hat{s}$  - breaks string (input) with certain string of labels  
 $q$  - any state  
 $x, y$  - strings

Answer:-

Let say length of string  $y = \epsilon$

and then  $\hat{s}(q_0, y) = \hat{s}(\hat{s}(q_0, x), \epsilon)$  ( $\because$  from  $\hat{s}$  def)

lets says a string  $t$  which is shorter than  $y$   
then  $y = ta$  on giving 'a' as input symbol of  $y$

$$\text{now, } \hat{s}(\hat{s}(q_0, x), y) \quad \text{RHS}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{s}(\hat{s}(q_0, x), ta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{s}(\hat{s}(\hat{s}(q_0, x), t), a) \quad (\text{breaking } ta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{s}(\hat{s}(q_0, xt), a)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{s}(q_0, xta) \quad (\hat{s} \text{ definition})$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{s}(q_0, xy) \quad (\because ta = y \text{ earlier assumption})$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

Thus LHS = RHS is proven.

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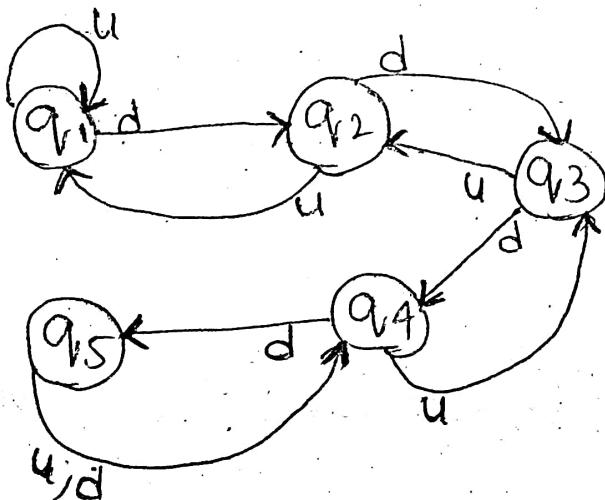
Question - 2:

Provide the state diagram for the following DFA M where  $(\{q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5\}, \{u, d\}, \delta, q_3, \{q_3\})$ , and  $\delta =$

	u	d
$q_1$	$q_1$	$q_2$
$q_2$	$q_1$	$q_3$
$q_3$	$q_2$	$q_4$
$q_4$	$q_3$	$q_5$
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Answer:-

from transition table



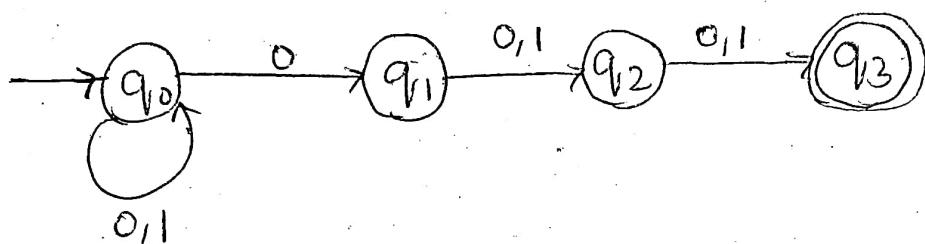
Question 3:

Design an NFA, where NFA A and

its language  $L(A), A = (\mathcal{Q}, \Sigma, q_0, F, \delta)$  where it accepts a state give set of possible next states (empty)

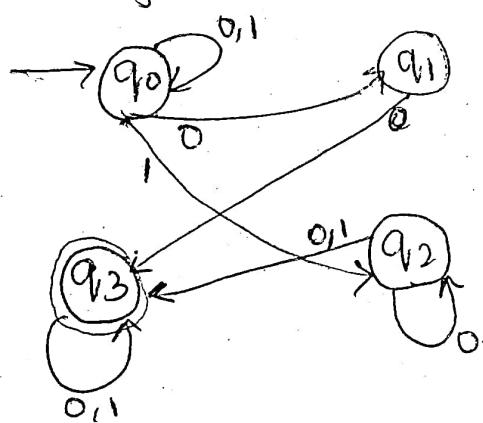
- (a)  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  accepts all strings when third symbol from right is 0.

Answer: To make NFA, firstly the start state could be  $q_0$  then, third digit be zero when  $q_1$  is obtained on taking 0 action/input. Thus we have four states designed as following



Thus NFA is designed

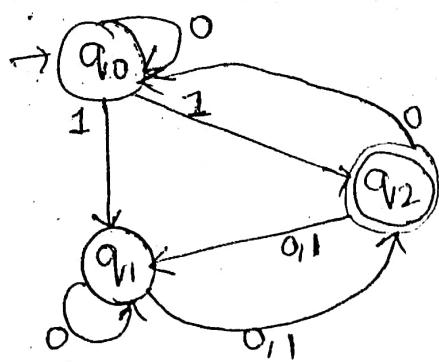
(B) Obtain the transition table for following NFA state diagram for NFA M



Answer: NFA  $M = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta, q_0, \{q_3\})$

$\delta$	0	1
$\rightarrow q_0$	$q_0, q_1$	$q_0, q_2$
$q_1$	$*q_3$	$\emptyset$
$q_2$	$q_2, *q_3$	$*q_3$
$*q_3$	$*q_3$	$*q_3$

Question 4: Convert the NFA to DFA



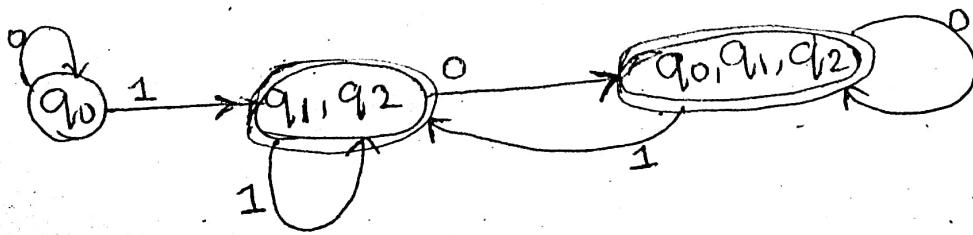
Answer: for the given NFA state diagram the transition state table is

$\delta$	0	1
$\rightarrow q_0$	$q_0$	$q_1, *q_2$
$q_1$	$q_1, *q_2$	$*q_2$
$*q_2$	$q_0, q_1$	$q_1$

Let write down every state transition one by one, initial state  $q_0$ .

$\delta$	0	1
$\rightarrow q_0$	$q_0$	$\{q_1, q_2\}$
$*\{q_1, q_2\}$	$\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$\{q_1, q_2\}$
$*\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$*\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$	$*\{q_1, q_2\}$

Thus DFA state diagram is :-

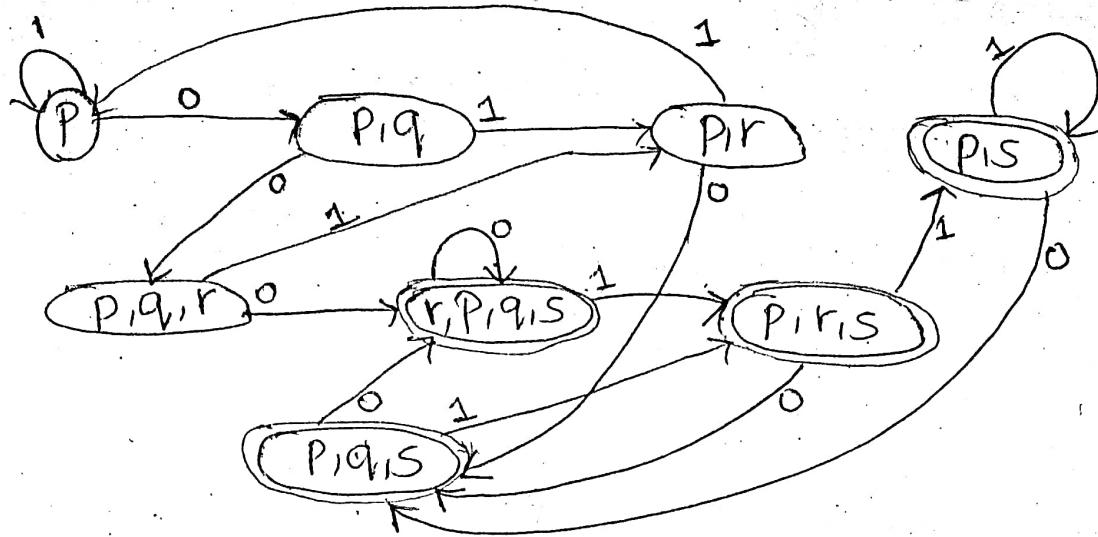


Question 5: Convert to a DFA given the transition function table for NFA and state diagram.

	$\delta$	0	1
$\rightarrow P$		$\{P, Q\}$	$\{P\}$
Q		$\{r\}$	$\{r\}$
R		$\{S\}$	$\emptyset$
*S		$\{S\}$	$\{S\}$

Solution: transition table for DFA will be

	$\delta$	0	1
$\rightarrow \{P\}$		$\{P, Q\}$	$\{P\}$
$\{P, Q\}$		$\{P, Q, R\}$	$\{P, R\}$
$\{P, R\}$		$\{P, Q, S\}$	$\{P\}$
$\{P, Q, R\}$		$\{P, Q, R, S\}$	$\{P, R\}$
* $\{P, Q, S\}$		$\{P, Q, R, S\}$	$\{P, Q, R, S\}$
* $\{P, Q, R, S\}$		$\{P, Q, R, S\}$	$\{P, R, S\}$
* $\{P, R, S\}$		$\{P, Q, S\}$	$\{P, S\}$
* $\{P, S\}$		$\{P, Q, S\}$	$\{P, S\}$



is the DFA state diagram for given NFA.

**Question 6:** Prove that every NFA can be converted to an equivalent one which has a single accept state.

We know that NFA's has power set of states for next state from any given state (possibility)

Now, to construct an NFA with single accept state be  $N_s$  and this  $N_s$  should able to recognise  $N = (Q, \Sigma, S, F, q_0)$

$$N_s = (Q \cup \{q_{\text{accept}}\}, \Sigma, S, \{q_{\text{accept}}\}, q_0)$$

Since,  $q_{\text{accept}}$  has no apparent transition, total  $\epsilon$ -transitions

Transition function

$$\delta'(q, a) = \begin{cases} S(q, a) & a \neq \epsilon \text{ or } q \notin F \\ S(q, a) \cup \{q_{\text{accept}}\} & a = \epsilon \text{ and } q \in F \end{cases}$$

where  $a \in \Sigma$

and then  $\delta'(q_{\text{accept}}, a) = \emptyset \quad \forall a \in \Sigma$

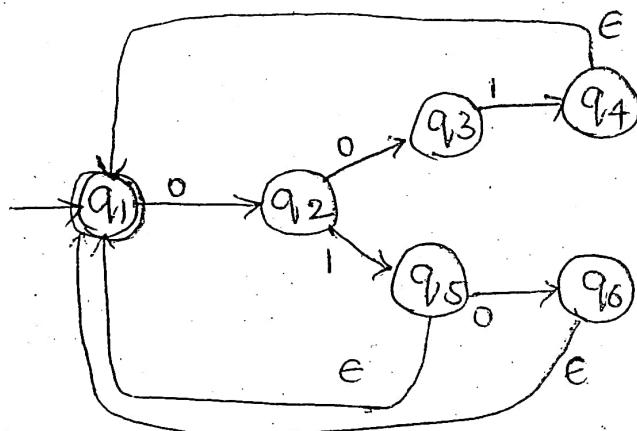
Question 7:

(a) Give an NFA which recognizing  
the language  $(01 \cup 001 \cup 010)^*$

(b) Convert this NFA to equivalent DFA. only one portion  
of DFA reachable to start state.

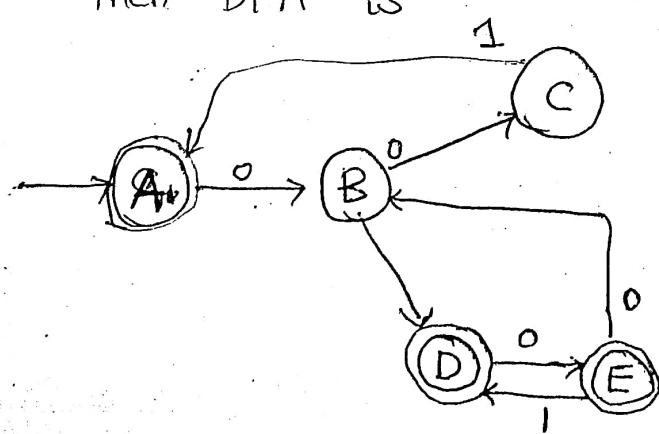
Solutions:

(a) observe the no. of strings in the expression (3)  
and apply the theorem (class of regular language  
closed under star operation)



(b) We know maximum states in DFA is  $2^n = 2^6 = 64$   
here, the fragment is selected (other part won't  
be computed by machine)

Then DFA is



$A =$   
 $B =$   
 $C =$  different states  
 $D =$  possible/happened  
 $E =$  from NFA  
 transitions)

Question 8:

- (a) Describe the language for following regular expression :  $RE = (b^* (aaa)^* b^*)^*$
- (b) Language  $L, \Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  where all strings don't contain substring 01. Write RE
- (c) Write RE for  $L, \Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  where ~~has at least~~ two occurrences of 1's between any two occurrences of 0's.

Answer:-

(a) Now, to describe the language.  
Firstly given RE means (any combination of b's)  
 $(aaa)^*$  (any combination of b's)  
Thus Language is string with triplets of a's  
and with zero restriction on count of b's.

(b) Language  $L$  over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

$$so, L = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 100, 11, \dots\}$$

Regular Expression  $RE = (1^* 0^*)^*$

(c) From question  $L$  is string with atleast two 1's between two occurrence of 0's.

$$\Rightarrow (0111^* 0)^*$$

Now,  $(1 + (0111^* 0))^*$  (since no occurrence of 0's  
thus many no. of 1's)

Question 9: Let  $C_n = \{x \mid x \text{ is a binary number}$   
that is multiple of  $n\}$ . Show that for each  $n \geq 1$   
language  $C_n$  is regular.

Answer: Let  $M$  be a DFA with  $n$  states that  
recognizes  $C_n$ .

Here  $M$  is defined as simulating binary division.

Then  $n$  states are  $n$  possible remainders from  
that division.

So,  $M$  gets MSB first thus goes on till LSB as  
input string.

Claim to prove  $M$  results as regular is to end  
the input string with accept state (remainder 0).

In Proof-

For each input bit,  $M$  doubles the remainder  
its current and adds the input bits.

If new state is sum modulo  $n$

double remainder ( $\because$  left shift)

Thus, we left with no remainder on dividing  
the bit with  $n$ .

Therefore, member of  $C_n$

$$M = (\{q_0, q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{n-1}\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta, q_0, \{q_0\})$$

$$\forall q_i \in Q \quad a \in \{0, 1\} \quad \delta(q_i, a) = q_j$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$(\because j = (q_i + a) \bmod n)$$

Question 10: Give an algorithm that takes a DFA A and computes the number of strings of length n (for some given n) accepted by A. Should be polynomial in both n & no. of states of A.

Answer:-

NOW, claim:- No. of paths from start (any state)

say  $R_{ijm}^{(K)}$  where i-state i  
j-state j (length m)

through, no states numbered higher than K is found.

Now, by induction for states we will have the following sequence

Basis:-  $R_{ij1}^0$  is no of arcs from state i to j

$$R_{ij0}^0 = 1 \text{ and } R_{ijm}^0 = 0 \quad (m \neq 0)$$

Claim:- For all states i, j, for m no greater than n  
by induction on K

$$\text{Induction:- } R_{ijm}^{(K)} = R_{ijm}^{(K-1)} + \sum_{q=1}^r p_q \quad (p = \text{positive integers})$$

$$R_{ikp_1}^{(K-1)} * R_{kqp_2}^{(K-1)} * R_{kkp_3}^{(K-1)} * R_{kkp(r-1)}^{(K-1)} * R_{kjpr}^{(K-1)} \quad (r \geq 2, r \leq m)$$

So, sum of  $R_{ijn}^{(K)}$  is the required

where K is no. of states

1 is start state

j is accepting state

Question 11: Use the pumping lemma to show that following are not regular:

(a)  $A_1 = \{0^n 1^n 2^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

(b)  $A_2 = \{a^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\}$  ( $a^{2n}$  is string of  $a$ 's with  $2^n$   $a$ 's)

Solution:

(a) By contradiction proof say  $A_1$  is regular.

From pumping lemma (p be pumping length)

Say length of  $b$  is  $m$  ( $m \geq p$ ) then  $b$  is member of  $A_1$  ( $\because$  Pumping lemma)

We have  $b = 0^p 1^p 2^p$  also

then from pumping lemma  $b = xyz$

and  $ay^iz$  for  $i \geq 0$  in  $A_1$

$\Rightarrow$  String  $y$  - only  $0$ 's  
(or)  
only  $1$ 's  
(or)  
only  $2$ 's  $\Rightarrow$  string has more than 1 kind of symbol  
then  $ayyz$  have ~~more~~ repeated  
So, contradicts (not a member)

Then  $ayyz$  is not a member of  $A_1$

contradicts

Thus  $A_1$  contradicts and proven to be not regular.

(b) Given  $A_3 = \{a^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\}$

Assume regular and claim contradiction

let  $b$  is  $a^{2^p}$  where  $p$  is pumping length

since  $b$  is member of  $A_2$  and  $b$  is longer than  $p$

third condition of pumping lemma  
 $b = xyz$  ( $\because$  pumping lemma)

For  $|xyz| \leq p$  and  $p < 2^p$  we have  $|y| < 2^p$

then  $|xyyz| = |xyz| + |y| < 2^p + 2^p = 2^{p+1}$

second cond. of pumping lemma

For  $|y| > 0$  so,  $2^p < |xyyz| < 2^{p+1}$

but  $xyyz$  length can't be power of 2

then contradicts as can't be a member of  $A_2$

Proven  $A_2$  is not regular.

Question 12: Using pumping lemma show

$A = \{www \mid w \in \{a,b\}^*\}$  is not regular

Solution:-

Proving through contradiction

Assume  $A$  is regular

$p$  is pumping length (from pumping lemma)

say  $q$  is string such that  $q = a^p b a b a^p b$

so then  $q$  is member (where length is longer than  $p$ )

then,  $q = xyz$  (satisfying all three

condition of Pumping lemma)

But observe,

third condition  $y$  consists only if

$xyz \notin A_2$ . Thus other violated

Proved  $A_2$  is not regular.

Question 143: Give an algorithm to tell whether a regular language  $L$  is infinite (using pumping lemma)

Answer:

Let  $p$  be the pumping length

Now string  $s$  be of length atleast  $2n$

And  $L$  is defined for strings with length atleast  $2n$ . Then,

Claim:- ~~s~~  $s$  is member of  $L$

Proof:- As length of  $s$  is as short as length of strings of  $L$  atleast  $2n$ .

$s = xyz$  ( $\because$  pumping lemma)

$xz$  is in  $L$

Now,

length of  $xz$  can't be  $2n$  ( $\because s$  is shorter than  $L$  and  $xz$  is longer than  $s$ )

It is  $n$  ( $\because n < 2n$  (or)  $s$ )

So, It is between  $n$  and  $2n-1$

If we assume  $L$  has no strings between  $n$  and  $2n-1$ , then this claim contradicts as  $s$  is member. Thus from pumping lemma if one string exists then it applies to such a string and pumped to show infinite seq of strings in  $L$ .

As the claim is resulted then,  $L$  can't be empty thus contradicts wrong assumption of its emptiness.

Thus  $L$  is infinite (as  $L$  is regular here)



**Question 14:**

For the following languages give the minimum pumping length & justify:

(a)  $r = 001 + 0^*1^*$

(b)  $r = 0^*1^*$

(c)  $r = (01)^*$

(d)  $r = \epsilon$

Answers:-

Given  $r = 001 + 0^*1^*$

then elements can be  $L = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 11, 01, 000, \dots\}$

length can't be zero ( $\because \epsilon \in L$ , can't be pumped)

Thus also non-empty (remaining strings)

can be splitted using pumping lemma into 3.

Thus, minimum pumping length is 1.

(b) Given  $r = 0^* 1^*$

Same as (a)  $L = \{\epsilon, 0, 00, 11, 01, 000, 111, 001, \dots\}$

for any string in this language, first symbol is possible, thus, all strings of length are greater than 1.

Thus minimum pumping length = 1

(c)  $r = (01)^*$

then  $L$  can be  $\{\epsilon, 01, 0101, 010101, \dots\}$

Observe, you can take any string  $|w| \geq 2$  thus first symbols i.e. 01 as  $y$ , pump it.

Min pumping length is 2.

(d)  $r = \epsilon$

As  $\epsilon$  is pumped to the finite language

Because we couldn't find infinite seq, (no atleast 1 string is greater than 0)

Thus, By a fact if language is Finite then minimum pumping length  $x+1$  ( $x$  - strength of string)

Here,  $x=0$

thus Minimum pumping length = 1

Question 15:

Let  $A/B = \{w \mid w \in A, \text{ for some } x \in B\}$

(a) If  $A$  is any language and  $B$  is regular, is  $A/B$  necessarily any language? Explain.

(b) If  $A$  is regular and  $B$  is any language. Show  $A/B$  is regular.

Solution:-

(a) Given,  $a$  is any language then from pumping lemma, a string  $s$  in  $A$  and  $|s| \geq p$  the  $s = uvxyz$ .

So, let  $M_1, M_2$  be machine for  $A, B$  then it guesses a string  $x$  and processes  $y$  by  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  ( $\because$  NFA)

Thus machine will accept only if both machines simultaneously accepts. Thus  $A/B$  is any language or context-free.

(b) To show; let  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  be DFA for  $A$ . Then its language for state  $q \in Q$

$$L_q = \{x \mid \delta(q, x) \in F\}$$

Then other  $M' = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F')$  is a DFA

where  $A/B$  for  $F' = \{q \mid L_q \cap B \neq \emptyset\}$

i.e when intersection of language of  $A$  and  $B$  is non-empty.

thus  $A/B$  is regular is possible.