

Moore Machine and Mealy machine (FA with output)

- ❖ Both Moore and Mealy machine are special case of DFA.
- ❖ Both acts like **output producers rather than language acceptors**
- ❖ In Moore and Mealy machine **no need to define final state**.
- ❖ No concepts of **dead states** and no concepts of **final states**.
- ❖ Both machines are equivalent in power.
- ❖ Finite automata may have outputs corresponding to each transition.
- ❖ There are two types of finite state machines that generate output as:
 - ✓ Mealy Machine
 - ✓ Moore machine

Moore Machine

- ❖ In computation theory, we refer to a Moore Machine as a **Finite State Machine(FSM)**.
- ❖ In a Moore Machine, we determine the output values by their **current state only**.
- ❖ It is a finite state machine in which the next state is decided by the **current state and current input symbol**.
- ❖ The **output symbol** at a given time depends only on the **present state of the machine**.
- ❖ In Moore machine for every state output is associated.
- ❖ If the length of input string is n , then the length of output string will be $n+1$.
- ❖ This machine response for empty string ϵ .
- ❖ Moore machine can be described by **6 tuples** $(Q, q_0, \Sigma, O, \delta, \lambda)$ where,

Q: finite set of states

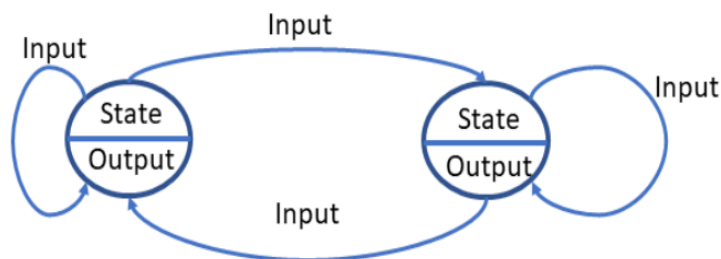
q_0 : initial state of machine

Σ : finite set of input symbols

O: output alphabet

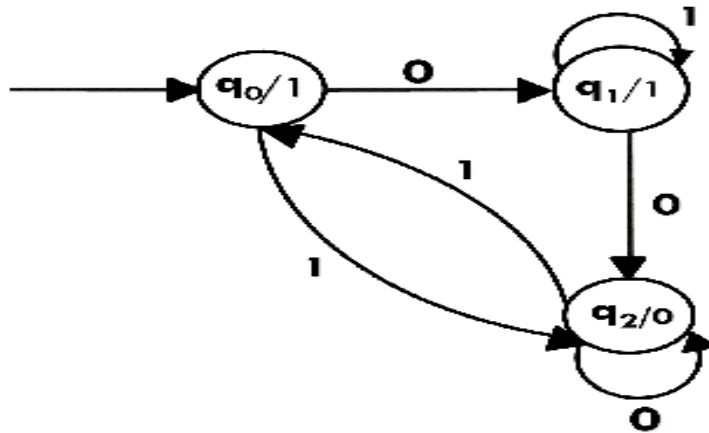
δ : transition function where $Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$

λ : output function where $Q \rightarrow O$



Generic Moore model

Example 1: The state diagram for Moore Machine is



❖ Transition table for Moore Machine is:

Current State	Next State (δ)		Output(λ)
	0	1	
q_0	q_1	q_2	1
q_1	q_2	q_1	1
q_2	q_2	q_0	0

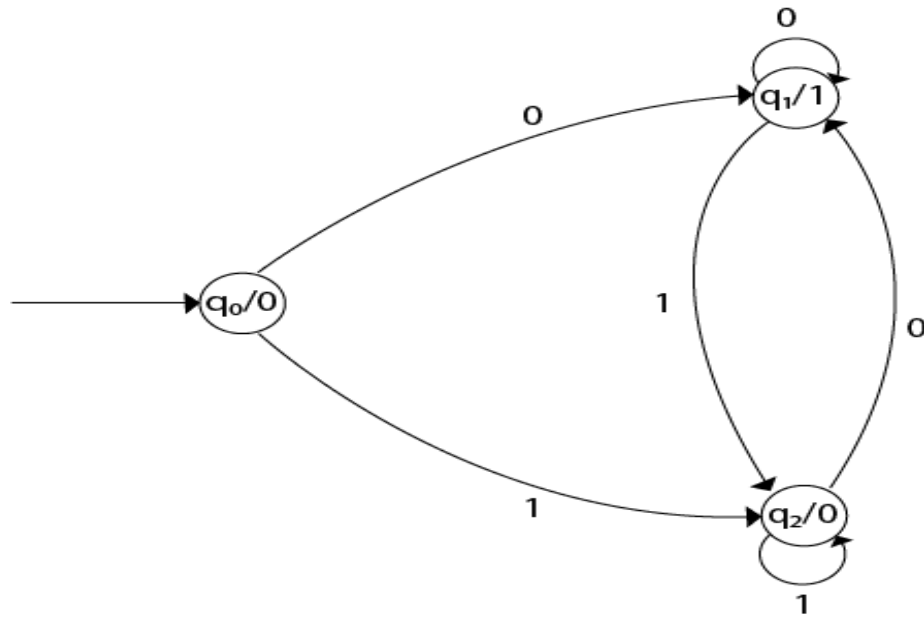
- ❖ In the above Moore machine, the output is represented with each input state separated by /.
- ❖ The output length for a Moore machine is greater than input by 1.
 - ✓ **Input:** 010
 - ✓ **Transition:** $\delta(q_0, 0) \Rightarrow \delta(q_1, 1) \Rightarrow \delta(q_1, 0) \Rightarrow q_2$
 - ✓ **Output:** 1110 (1 for q_0 , 1 for q_1 , again 1 for q_1 , 0 for q_2)

Example 2: Design a Moore machine to generate 1's complement of a given binary number.

Solution:

- ❖ To generate 1's complement of a given binary number the simple logic is that if the input is 0 then the output will be 1 and if the input is 1 then the output will be 0.
- ❖ That means there are three states.
 - One state is start state.
 - The second state is for taking 0's as input and produces output as 1.
 - The third state is for taking 1's as input and producing output as 0.

❖ Hence the Moore machine will be,



❖ For instance, take one binary number 1011 then

Input		1	0	1	1
State	q0	q2	q1	q2	q2
Output	0	0	1	0	0

❖ Thus we get 00100 as 1's complement of 1011, we can neglect the initial 0 and the output which we get is 0100 which is 1's complement of 1011.

❖ The transaction table is as follows:

Current State	δ		λ
	Next State		Output
	0	1	
→ q ₀	q ₁	q ₂	0
q ₁	q ₁	q ₂	1
q ₂	q ₁	q ₂	0

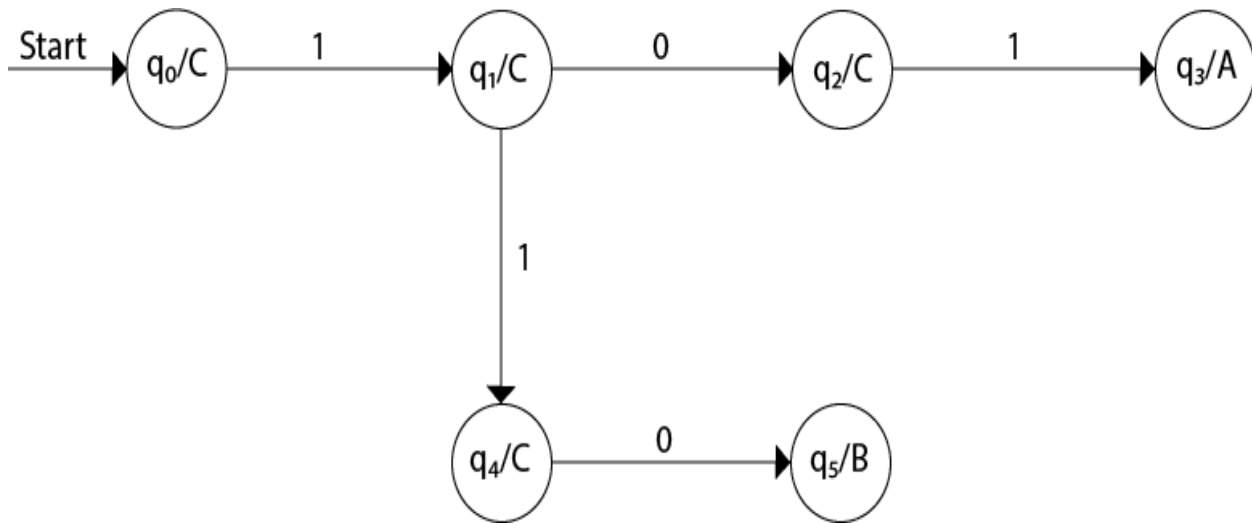
❖ Thus Moore machine $M = (Q, q_0, \Sigma, O, \delta, \lambda)$; where $Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$, $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, $O = \{0, 1\}$. the transition table shows the δ and λ functions.

Example 3:

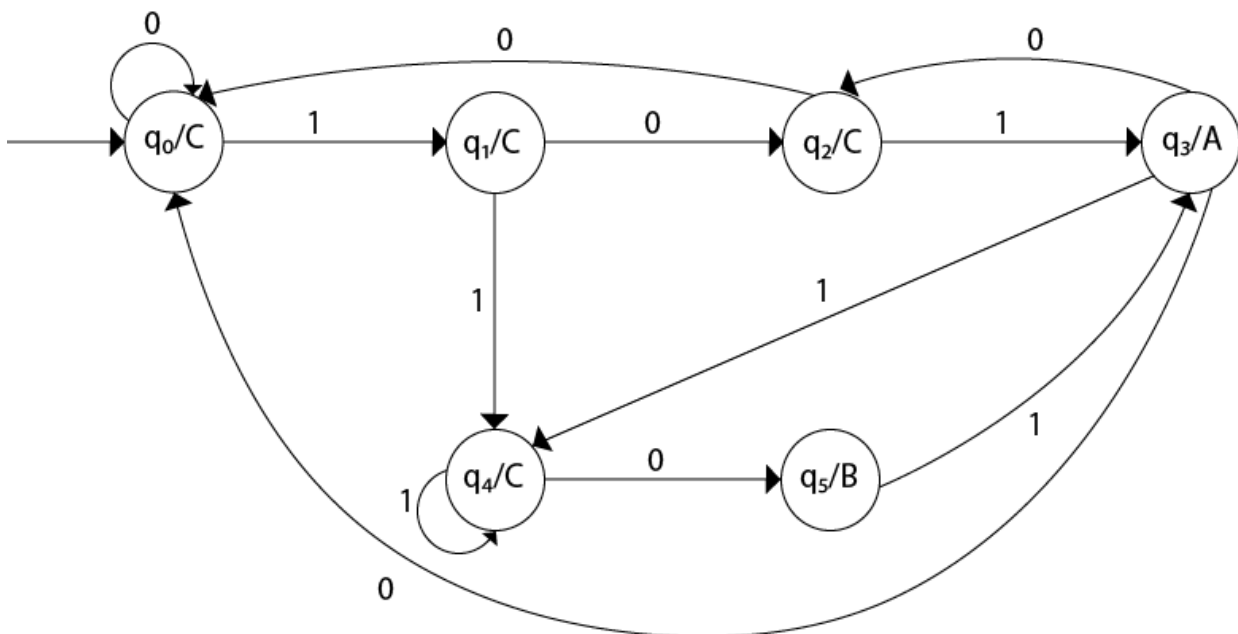
Design a Moore machine for a binary input sequence such that if it has a substring 101, the machine output A, if the input has substring 110, it outputs B otherwise it outputs C.

Solution:

- ❖ For designing such a machine, we will check two conditions, and those are 101 and 110.
- ❖ If we get 101, the output will be A, and if we recognize 110, the output will be B. For other strings, the output will be C.
- ❖ The partial diagram will be:



Now we will insert the possibilities of 0's and 1's for each state. Thus the Moore machine becomes:

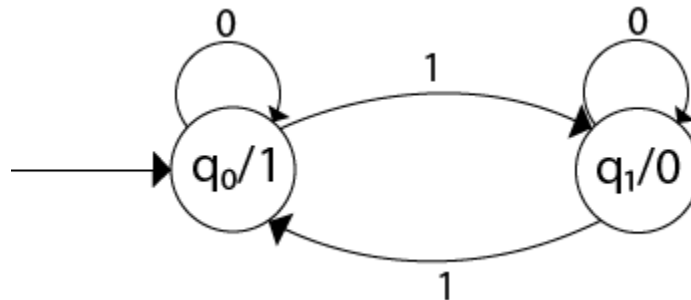


Example 4:

Construct a Moore machine that determines whether an input string contains an even or odd number of 1's. The machine should give 1 as output if an even number of 1's are in the string and 0 otherwise.

Solution:

❖ The Moore machine will be:



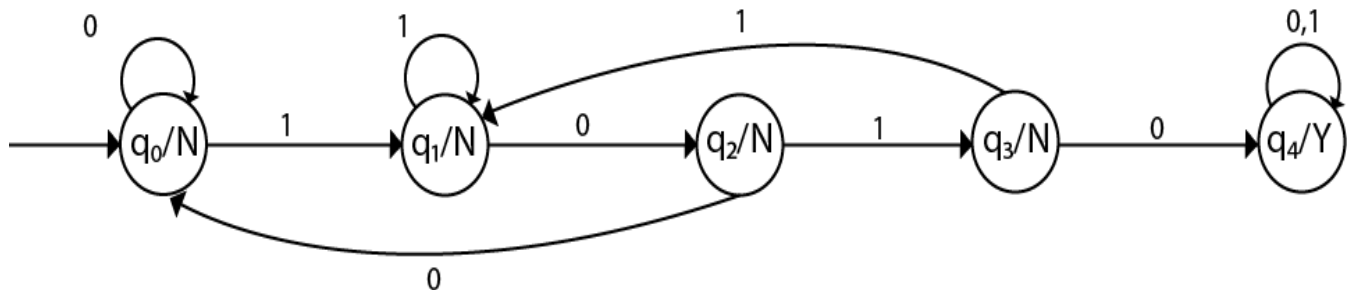
❖ This is the required Moore machine. In this machine, state q1 accepts an odd number of 1's and state q0 accepts even number of 1's. There is no restriction on a number of zeros. Hence for 0 input, self-loop can be applied on both the states.

Example 5:

Design a Moore machine with the input alphabet {0, 1} and output alphabet {Y, N} which produces Y as output if input sequence contains 1010 as a substring otherwise, it produces N as output.

Solution:

❖ The Moore machine will be:



Mealy Machine

- ❖ A Mealy machine is a machine in which output symbol depends upon the present input symbol and present state of the machine.
- ❖ The mealy machine is a finite state machine with an output value on each transition.
- ❖ In the Mealy machine, the output is represented with each input symbol for each state separated by /.
- ❖ The Mealy machine can be described by 6 tuples $(Q, q_0, \Sigma, O, \delta, \lambda)$ where

Q: finite set of states

q₀: initial state of machine

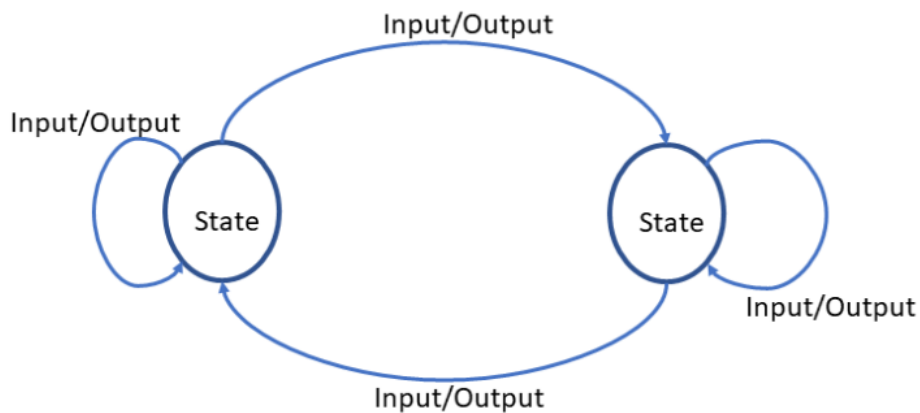
Σ : finite set of input alphabet

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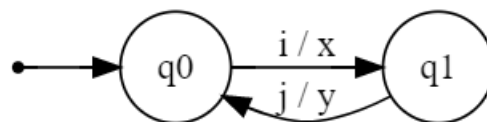
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- ❖ The Mealy machine forms an FA of the type:



Generic Mealy model



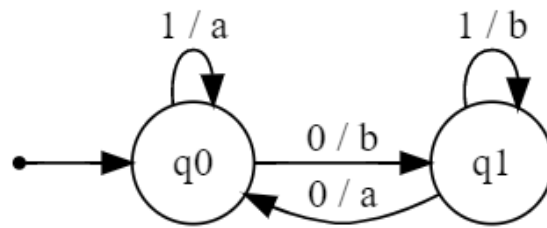
An example format of a Mealy machine

- ❖ In the machine above, the transition on input i will give an output x from the state q_0 . Moreover, from q_1 a transition on input j will provide an output y .

Note: If the input string is of **length n**, the output produced by a Mealy machine will also be of **length n**.

Example

Suppose we have the following Mealy machine:

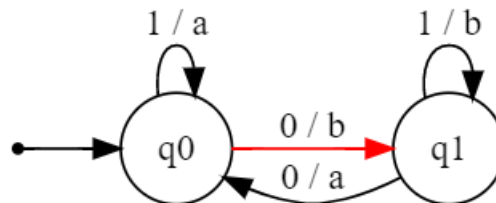


An example Mealy machine.

Now, we take an input string in $\Sigma=\{0,1\}$ and see its output in $\Sigma=\{a,b\}$. Let's take $x=0010$.

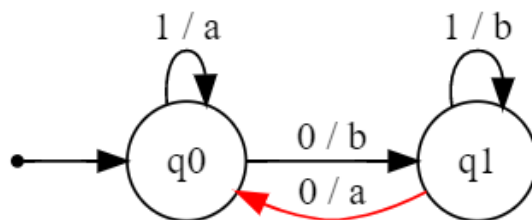
Transitions Explanation

- ❖ The first input character is 0. Hence, we move to $q1$ and output b . Our output string is b .



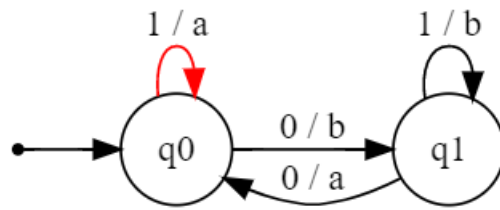
"b" is produced by transition $q0$ to $q1$ on "0".

- For the next 0, we move to $q0$, which outputs an a . The output string becomes ba .



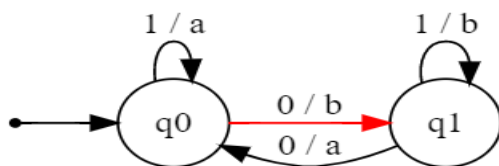
"a" is produced by transition $q1$ to $q0$ on "0".

- The next 1 gives another *a*. The output string becomes *baa*.



"a" is produced by transition q0 to q0 on "1".

- The last 0 takes us to *q1* and produces *b*. The final output string is *baab*.



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Transition table

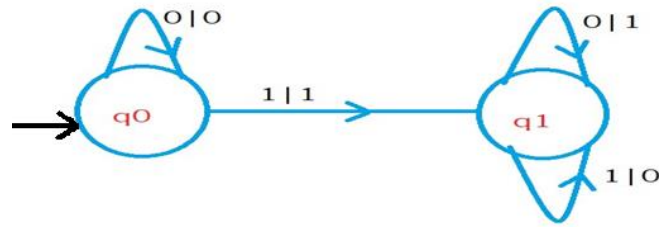
The transition table for the above machine will be:

Current State	Destination State for 0	Output at 0	Destination State for 1	Output at 1
q0	q1	b	q0	a
q1	q0	a	q1	b

The Mealy machine is faster than the Moore machine as it is asynchronous to the fluctuations of a clock pulse.

Example 1: write a mealy machine to convert a binary number to its 2's complement.

- ❖ **Logic:** Take a binary number 10100. The 2's complement of 10100 is 01100.
- ❖ We move from right to left on the binary number.
- ❖ We keep the binary values the same until we find the first 1. After finding the first one, we change the bits from 0 to 1 and 1 to 0.
- ❖ The below diagram shows the mealy machine to convert binary to its 2's complement form.



- ❖ On state q0, if we find the input symbol zero, we move to state q0 and display zero.
- ❖ On state q0, if we find the input symbol one, we move to state q1 and display 1.
- ❖ We are moving to state q1 when we find the first input symbol 1.
- ❖ We use the state q1 to change the bits 1 to 0 and 0 to 1.
- ❖ On state q1, if we see input symbol 0, we display 1.
- ❖ Similarly, for input symbol one, we display 0.

- ❖ Now the transition table for the above machine will be:

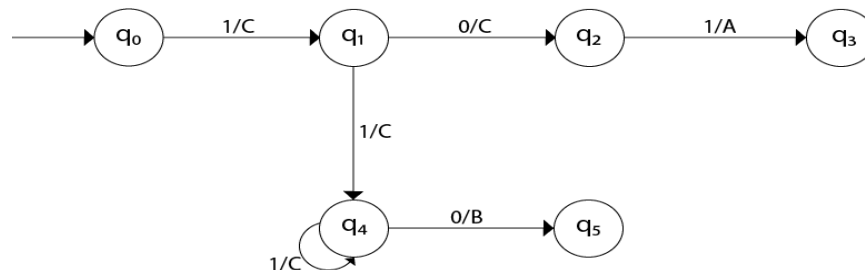
State	Next State			
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Example 2:

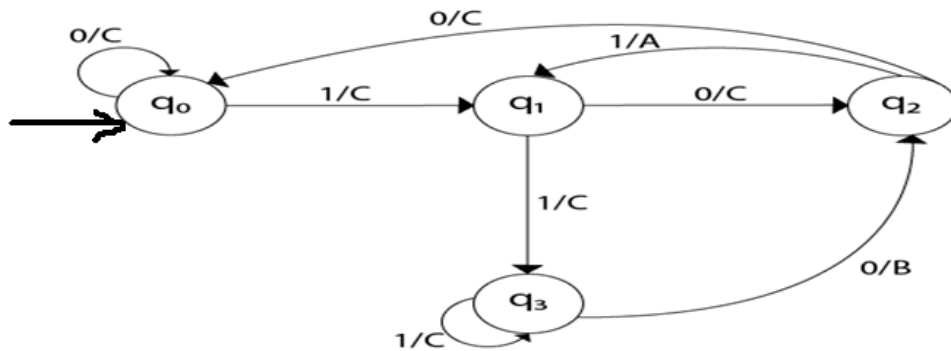
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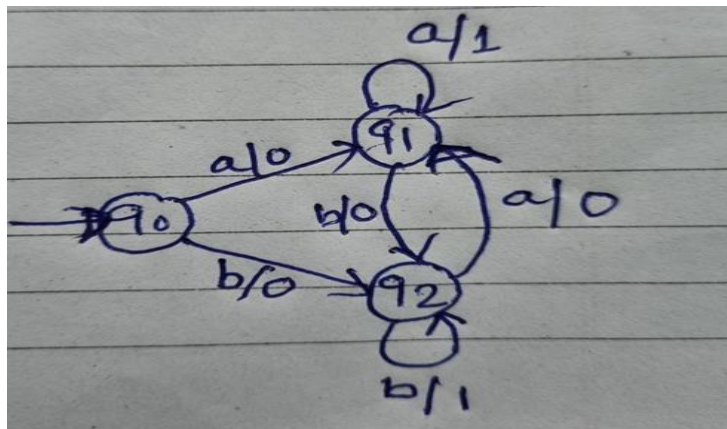


- ❖ Now we will insert the possibilities of 0's and 1's for each state. Thus the Mealy machine becomes:



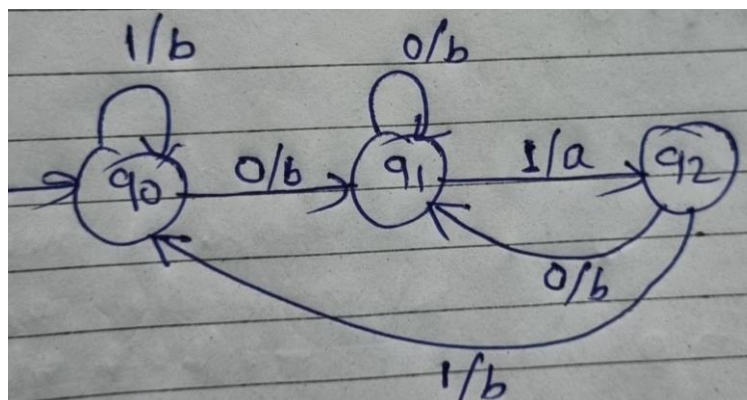
Example 3:

Construct a Mealy machine that prints '1' whenever the sequence 'aa' or 'bb' is encountered in any input binary string from Σ^* where $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.



Example 4:

Construct a Mealy machine that prints 'a' whenever the sequence '01' is encountered in any input binary string from Σ^* where $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.



Difference between Moore Machine and Mealy Machine

The difference between the Mealy machine and Moore machine is as follows:

Moore Machine	Mealy Machine
Output depends only upon the present state.	Output depends on the present state as well as present input.
Moore machine also places its output on the transition.	Mealy Machine places its output on the transition.
More states are required.	Less number of states are required.
There is less hardware requirement for circuit implementation.	There is more hardware requirement for circuit implementation.
Synchronous output and state generation.	Asynchronous output generation.
Output is placed on states.	Output is placed on transitions.
Easy to design.	It is difficult to design.

Conversion from Mealy machine to Moore Machine

Conversion from Mealy to Moore Machine is little bit complex than conversion of Moore to Mealy Machine. There are two cases while conversion of Mealy to Moore Machine.

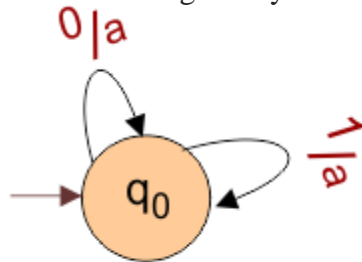
Case 01: When the every entering Input in Mealy state providing the same output, then simply place that output with state.

Case 02: When the every entering Input in any particular Mealy state is providing the different output then we cannot represent more than one output in one state of Moore Machine. In this case that particular **state is duplicated**.

Examples of Mealy to Moore Machine Conversion

Let explain some examples of Mealy to Moore Machine Conversions.

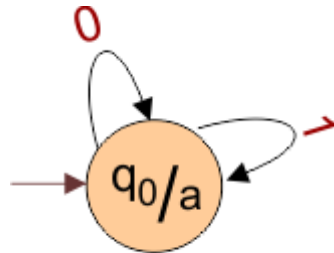
Example 01: Consider the following Mealy Machine



Mealy Machine

As in the above Mealy Machine,

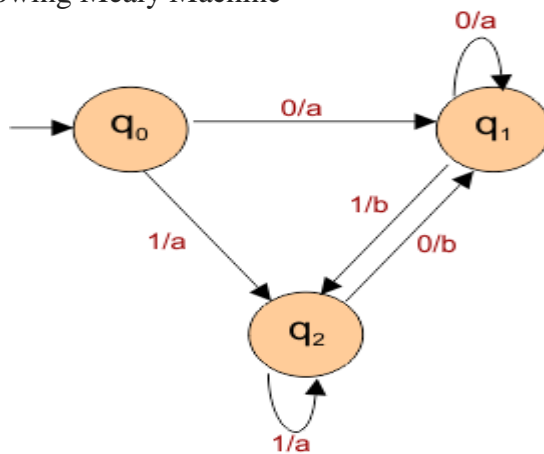
- ✓ q_0 is the start state, (0,1) are inputs and “a” is the output.
- ✓ Every entering input in the state q_0 having the similar output “a”.
- ✓ So, simply cut the output “a” over arrow and place along with state “ q_0 ”.
- ✓ After conversion the Moore Machine is given under



Moore Machine

Example 02

Consider the following Mealy Machine



Mealy Machine

At point q_0 ,

There is no arrow is entering into the state q_0 . So, the output for the q_0 is null. As given Below

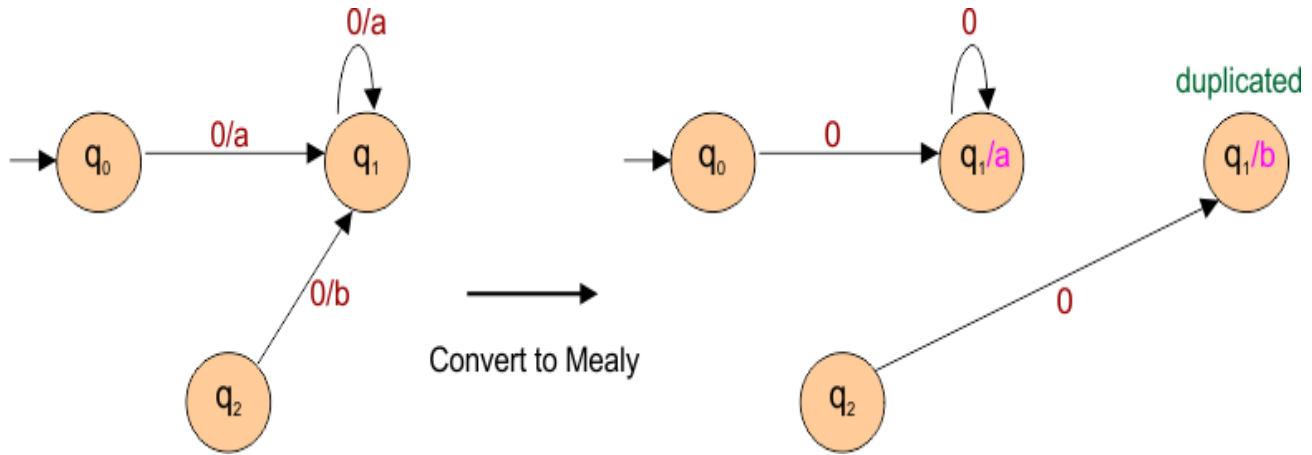


At point q_1 ,

There are three arrows are entering into the state q_1 . Arrow from q_0 and q_1 has the input “0” with output “a” and Arrow from q_2 has the input “1” with “b” output.

Output of 2 types (0,1) are entering into state q_1 , So One duplicate of q_1 is generated with different output.

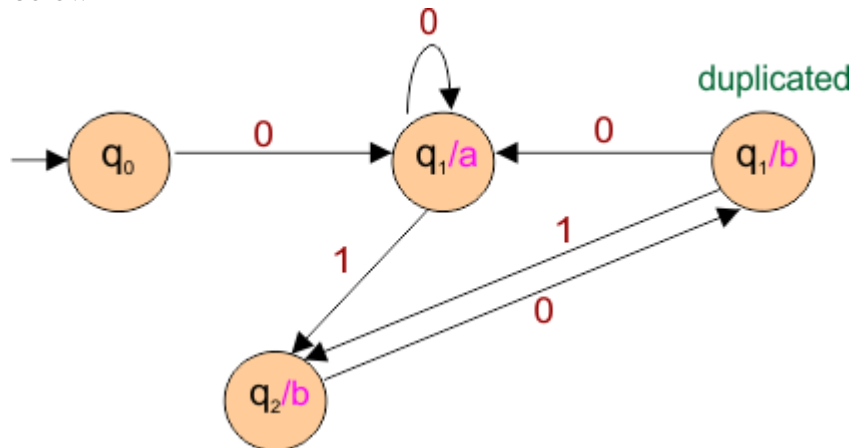
So, the output of type “0” is placed along with state q_1 . And Output of type “1” is placed along with duplicated state (q_1) as given below



Further Proceeding of above, now make the transition from both states (original q_1 and duplicate q_1) for input 0 and 1.

- ✓ For input “0” transition goes to q_1 with “a”.
- ✓ For input “1” transition goes to q_2 with output “b”.

As given below



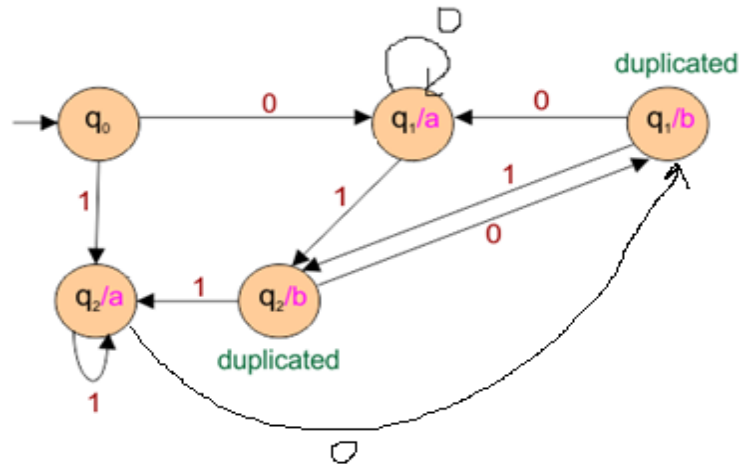
Now remaining state is only q_2 which has to discuss.

There are three arrows are entering into the state q_2 . Arrow from q_0 and q_2 (itself) has the input “1” with output “a” and Arrow from q_1 has the input “1” with “b” output.

Output of 2 types (0,1) are entering into state q_2 , So One duplicate state of q_2 is generated.

By completing the **transition from both states (original q_2 and duplicate q_2) for input 0 and 1**,

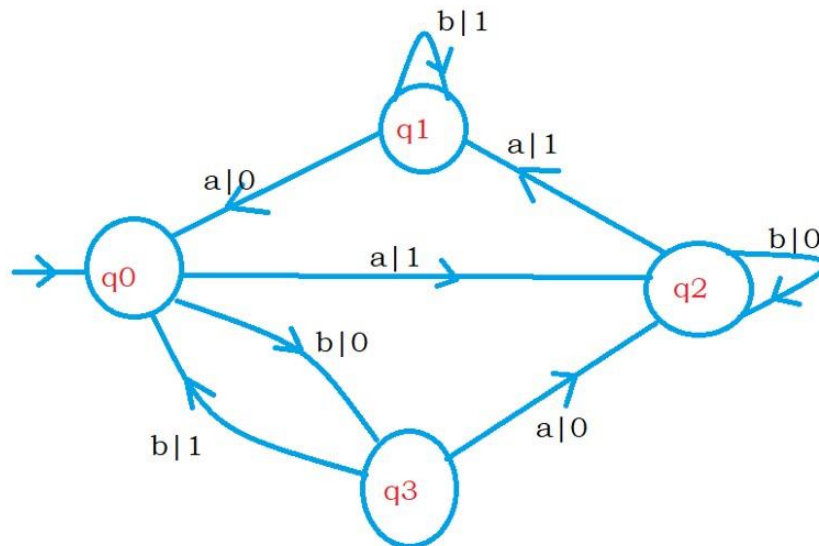
The final Mealy machine is given below : As shown in following diagram



Important.

- ✓ If “M” is the number of states and “N” is number of outputs in Mealy Machine, then maximum number of States in Mealy Machine will be “M” multiply by “N”.
- ✓ Suppose if 3 number of states and 2 number of outputs in Mealy, then 6 will be the maximum state in Moore Machine

Example 2: The below diagram shows the mealy machine. Convert into Moore Machine

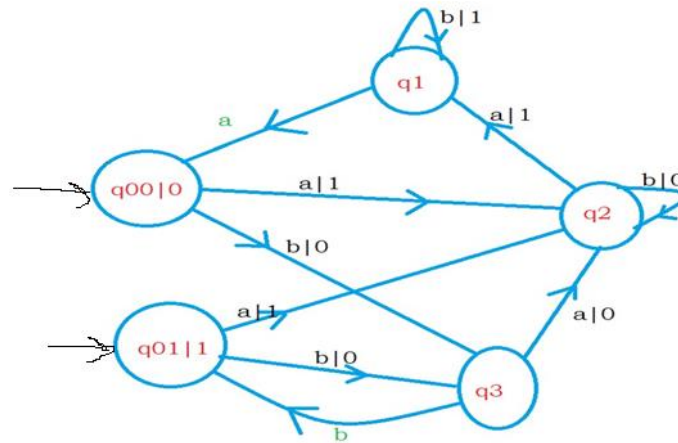


The mealy machine will display output based on transition.

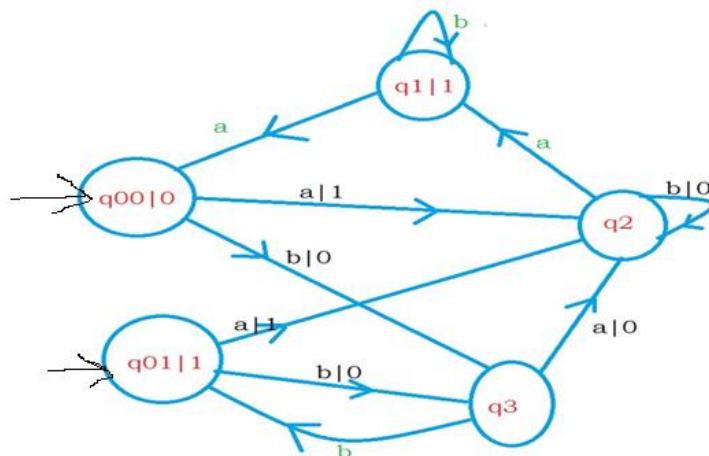
Procedure:

- ❖ Start from the initial state.
- ❖ The initial state q0 has **two incoming edges**.: One incoming edge is from state q3 and the other from state q1.
- ❖ The output on the two incoming edges is 0 and 1. So we take two different states in the Moore machine: One state is going to display 0, and the other state display 1.
- ❖ One state is named q00, and this state display 0. another state is named q01, and this state display 1.

- ❖ on state q1, if we take input symbol a, we move to state q0 and display 0.
- ❖ In the Moore machine, we move to state q00 because the state q00 has output 0.
- ❖ Similarly, on state q3, if we take input symbol b, we move to state q01. To display 1.
- ❖ We write the outgoing edges in the mealy machine on both the states in the Moore machine.
- ❖ **On state q0**, we have **two outgoing edges**. We mention both edges on the states q00 and q01 in the Moore machine.
- ❖ The below diagram shows the Moore machine after converting state q0.

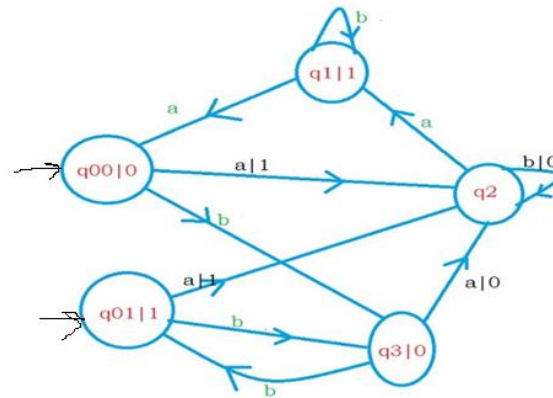


- ❖ Similarly, convert all the states.
- ❖ Now we will consider state q1.
- ❖ We have two incoming edges on state q1.
- ❖ Both incoming edges display output 1, so we take one state q1 and display output 1.
- ❖ Write the incoming and outgoing edges for state q1.
- ❖ In the incoming edges, we are eliminating the output symbol.
- ❖ The below diagram shows the Moore machine after changing state q1.



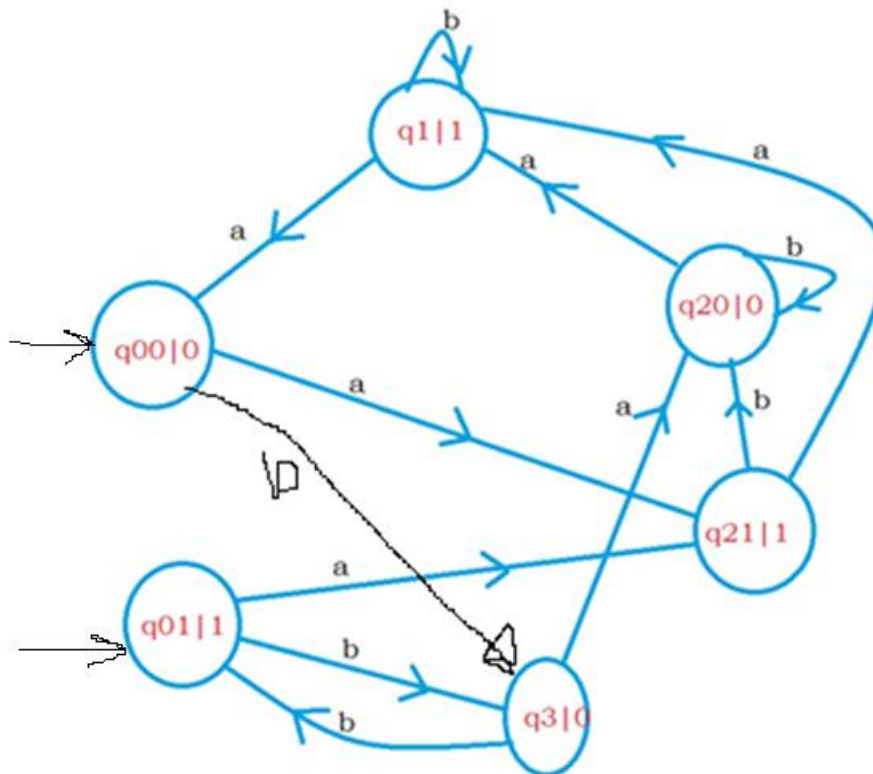
- ❖ Now we consider state q3.
- ❖ We have two incoming edges on state q3.
- ❖ Both the incoming edges display output zero.
- ❖ We take only one state, q3, and the state will display output zero.
- ❖ We write incoming and outgoing edges to state q3.

- ❖ The below diagram shows the Moore machine after converting state q3



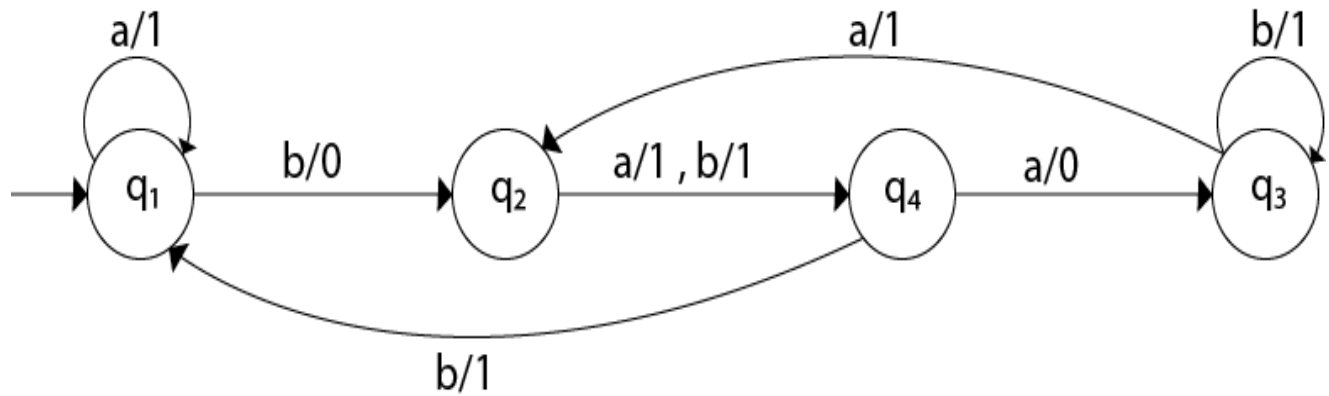
Now we consider state q2.

- ❖ We have four incoming edges to state q2.
- ❖ Two incoming edges are displaying output 1.
- ❖ Two incoming edges are displaying output 0.
- ❖ We take two different states q20 and q21.
- ❖ The state q20 will display output zero. And the state q21 will display output 1.
- ❖ We write the incoming and outgoing edges to states q20 and q21.
- ❖ The incoming edges which are displaying 0 will move to state q20.
- ❖ The incoming edges which are displaying one will move to state q21.



Final Moore Machine

Example 3: Convert the following Mealy machine into equivalent Moore machine.

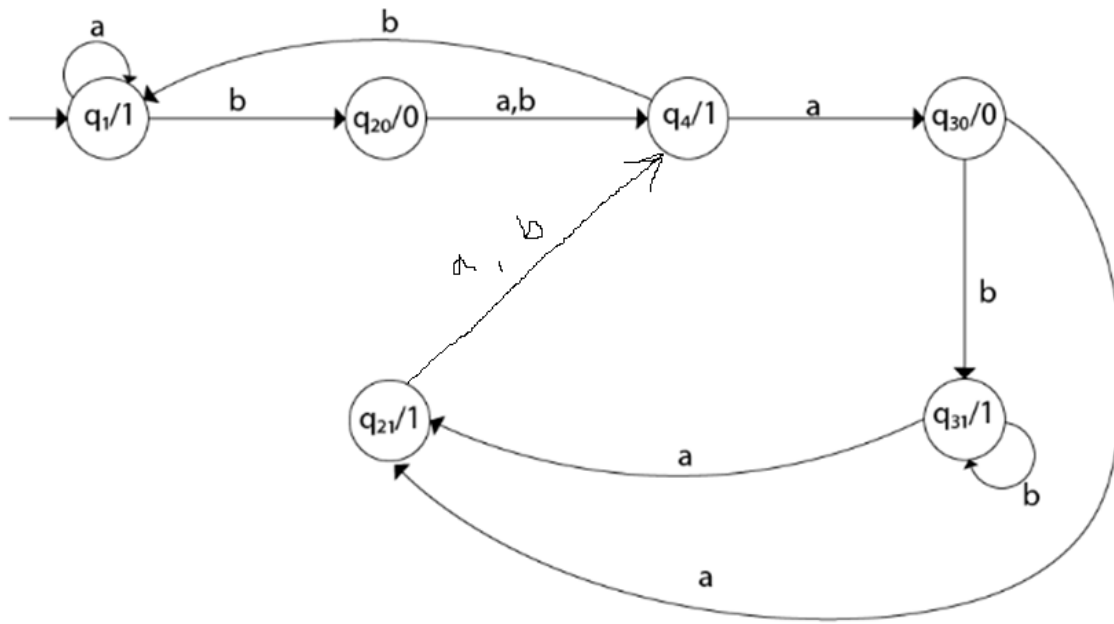


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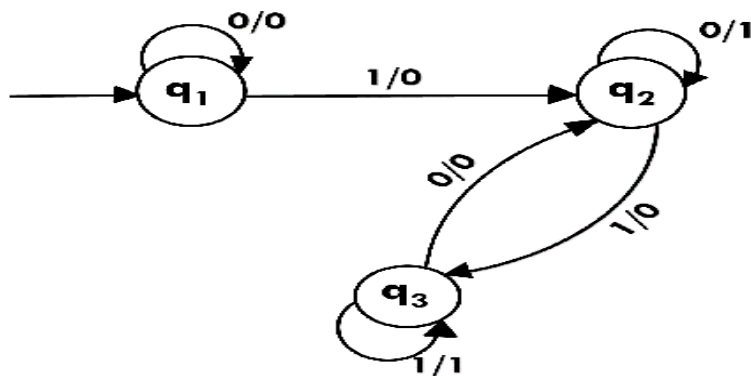
❖ Transition table for above Mealy machine is as follows:

Present State	Next State			
	a		b	
	State	O/P	State	O/P
q ₁	q ₁	1	q ₂	0
q ₂	q ₄	1	q ₄	1
q ₃	q ₂	1	q ₃	1
q ₄	q ₃	0	q ₁	1

❖ Transition diagram for Moore machine will be:



Example 4: Convert the following Mealy machine into equivalent Moore machine.

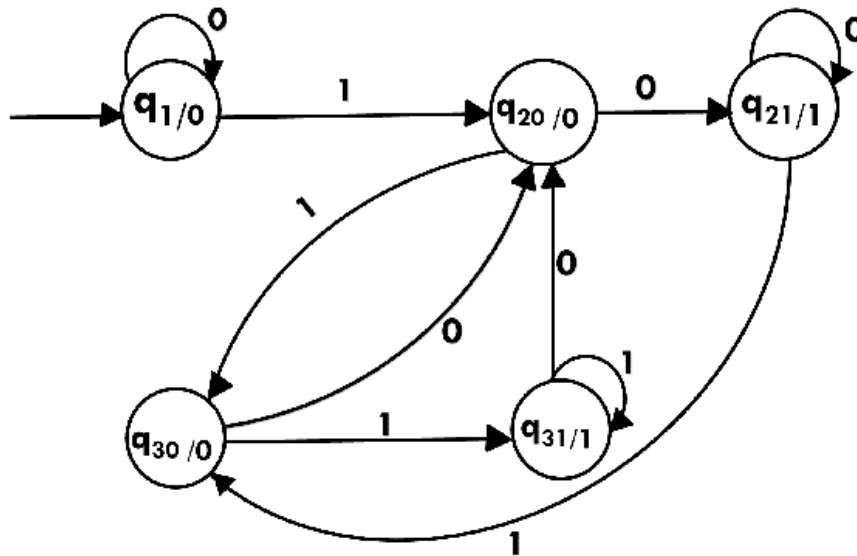


Solution:

❖ Transition table for above Mealy machine is as follows:

Present State	Next State 0		Next State 1	
	State	o/P	State	o/P
q₁	q₁	0	q₂	0
q₂	q₂	1	q₃	0
q₃	q₂	0	q₃	1

❖ Transition diagram for Moore machine will be:



Conversion from Moore machine to Mealy Machine

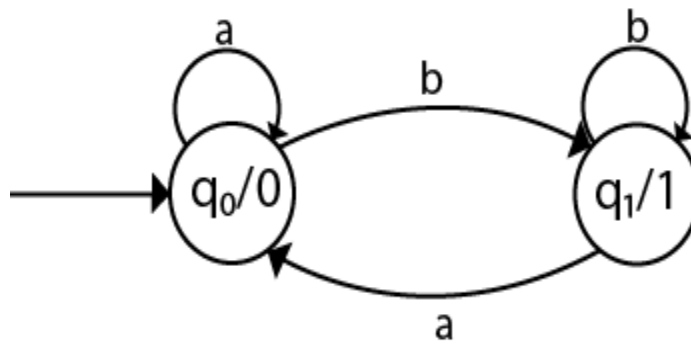
- ❖ In the Moore machine, the output is associated with every state, and in the mealy machine, the output is given along the edge with input symbol.
- ❖ The equivalence of the Moore machine and Mealy machine means both the machines generate the same output string for same input string.
- ❖ We cannot directly convert Moore machine to its equivalent Mealy machine because the length of the Moore machine is one longer than the Mealy machine for the given input.
- ❖ To convert Moore machine to Mealy machine, state output symbols are distributed into input symbol paths.
- ❖ We are going to use the following method to convert the Moore machine to Mealy machine.

Method for conversion of Moore machine to Mealy machine

- ❖ Let $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, \lambda, O, q_0)$ be a Moore machine. The equivalent Mealy machine can be represented by $M' = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, \lambda', O, q_0)$. The output function λ' can be obtained as:

$$\lambda'(q, a) = \lambda(\delta(q, a))$$

Example 1: Convert the following Moore machine into its equivalent Mealy machine.



Solution:

The transition table of given Moore machine is as follows:

Q	a	b	Output(λ)
q0	q0	q1	0
q1	q0	q1	1

The equivalent Mealy machine can be obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda'(q_0, a) &= \lambda(\delta(q_0, a)) \\
 &= \lambda(q_0) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda'(q_0, b) &= \lambda(\delta(q_0, b)) \\
 &= \lambda(q_1) \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

The λ for state q1 is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda'(q_1, a) &= \lambda(\delta(q_1, a)) \\
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 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

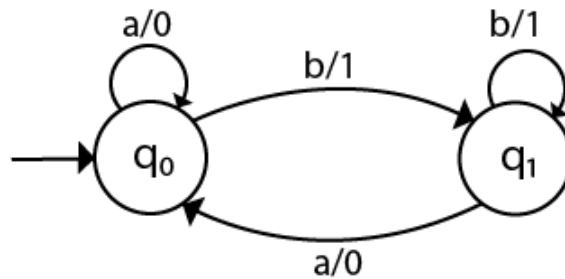
$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda'(q_1, b) &= \lambda(\delta(q_1, b)) \\
 &= \lambda(q_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1$$

Hence the transition table for the Mealy machine can be drawn as follows:

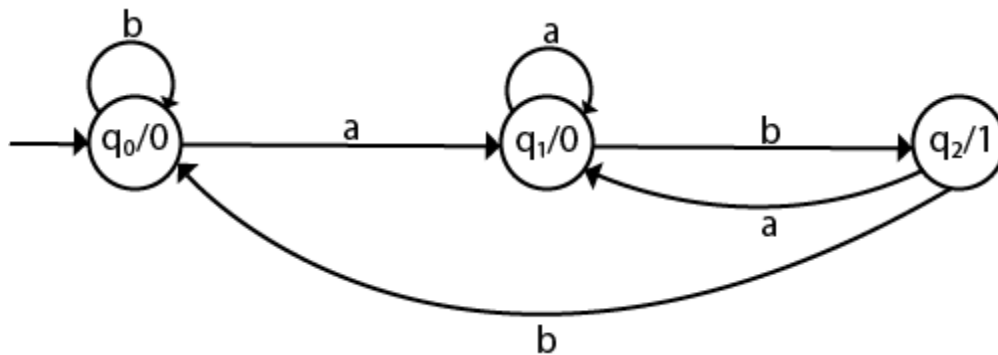
Σ Q	Input a		Input b	
	State	O/P	State	O/P
q_0	q_0	0	q_1	1
q_1	q_0	0	q_1	1

The equivalent Mealy machine will be,



Note: The length of output sequence is 'n+1' in Moore machine and is 'n' in the Mealy machine.

Example 2: Convert the given Moore machine into its equivalent Mealy machine.



Solution:

❖ The transition table of given Moore machine is as follows:

Q	a	b	Output(λ)
q0	q1	q0	0
q1	q1	q2	0
q2	q1	q0	1

❖ The equivalent Mealy machine can be obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda' (q0, a) &= \lambda (\delta (q0, a)) \\
 &= \lambda(q1) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda' (q0, b) &= \lambda (\delta (q0, b)) \\
 &= \lambda(q0) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

The λ for state q1 is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda' (q1, a) &= \lambda (\delta(q1, a)) \\
 &= \lambda(q1) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda' (q1, b) &= \lambda(\delta (q1, b)) \\
 &= \lambda(q2) \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

The λ for state q2 is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda' (q2, a) &= \lambda(\delta(q2, a)) \\
 &= \lambda(q1) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda' (q2, b) = \lambda(\delta(q2, b))$$

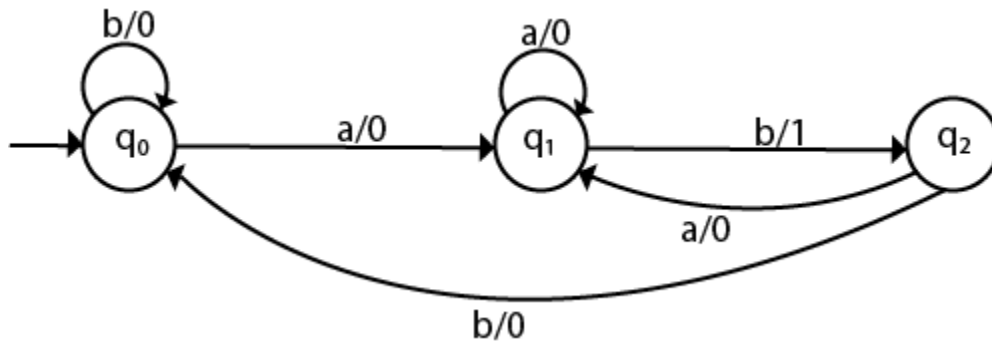
$$= \lambda(q_0)$$

$$= 0$$

Hence the transition table for the Mealy machine can be drawn as follows:

Q \ Σ	Input a		Input b	
	State	Output	State	Output
q_0	q_1	0	q_0	0
q_1	q_1	0	q_2	1
q_2	q_1	0	q_0	0

The equivalent Mealy machine will be,

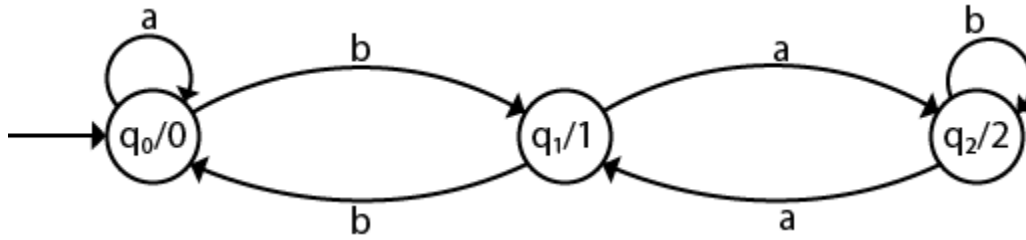


Example 3: Convert the given Moore machine into its equivalent Mealy machine.

Q	a	b	Output(λ)
q_0	q_0	q_1	0
q_1	q_2	q_0	1
q_2	q_1	q_2	2

Solution:

- ❖ The transaction diagram for the given problem can be drawn as:



- ❖ The equivalent Mealy machine can be obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda'(q_0, a) &= \lambda(\delta(q_0, a)) \\ &= \lambda(q_0) \\ &= 0 \\ \lambda'(q_0, b) &= \lambda(\delta(q_0, b)) \\ &= \lambda(q_1) \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

The λ for state q_1 is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda'(q_1, a) &= \lambda(\delta(q_1, a)) \\ &= \lambda(q_2) \\ &= 2 \\ \lambda'(q_1, b) &= \lambda(\delta(q_1, b)) \\ &= \lambda(q_0) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

The λ for state q_2 is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda'(q_2, a) &= \lambda(\delta(q_2, a)) \\ &= \lambda(q_1) \\ &= 1 \\ \lambda'(q_2, b) &= \lambda(\delta(q_2, b)) \\ &= \lambda(q_2) \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

- ❖ Hence the transition table for the Mealy machine can be drawn as follows:

Q \ Σ	Input a		Input b	
	State	O/P	State	O/P
q_0	q_0	0	q_1	1
q_1	q_2	2	q_0	0
q_2	q_1	1	q_2	2

❖ The equivalent Mealy machine will be,

