

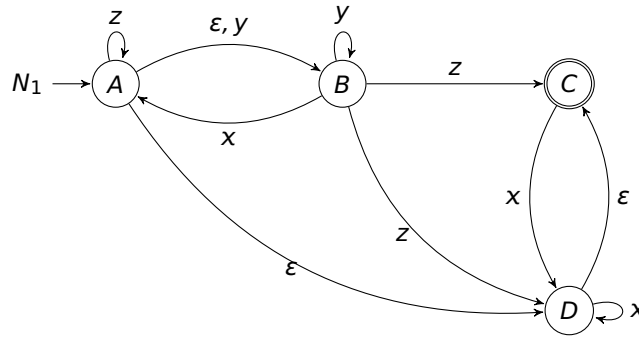
Assignment II (20 pts)

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Assigned : March the 31st, 23h55

Due : April the 8th, 23h55

Q1. (15 pts) Given an NFA_ε $N_1 = (\{A, B, C, D\}, \{x, y, z\}, \varepsilon, \Delta_1, \{A\}, \{C\})$ with the below state diagram



- (5 pts)** employ ε -elimination over N_1 to obtain an equivalent NFA $N_2 = (\{A, B, C, D\}, \{x, y, z\}, \Delta_2, \{A\}, F_2)$ with no ε -transitions. Clearly show intermediate steps.
- (5 pts)** apply subset construction algorithm to the NFA N_2 so as to get an equivalent DFA $D = (Q, \{x, y, z\}, \delta, s, F)$. Clearly show intermediate steps.
- (5 pts)** minimize the DFA D benefiting the marking algorithm. Justify your reasoning.

A1.

- To start with, we compute ε -closure of below singleton sets:

$$C_\varepsilon(\{A\}) = \{A, B, C, D\} \quad C_\varepsilon(\{B\}) = \{B\} \quad C_\varepsilon(\{C\}) = \{C\} \quad C_\varepsilon(\{D\}) = \{C, D\}$$

We then apply ε -elimination to compute the transition function Δ_2 for the NFA N_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta_2(A, x) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{A\}, x) & \Delta_2(A, y) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{A\}, y) \\
 &= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, x)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{A\}, \varepsilon)\} & &= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, y)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{A\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
 &= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(A, x)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(B, x)) \cup & &= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(A, y)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(B, y)) \cup \\
 &\quad C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, x)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(D, x)) & &\quad C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, y)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(D, y)) \\
 &= C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \cup C_\varepsilon(\{A\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\{D\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\{D\}) & &= C_\varepsilon(\{B\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\{B\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \cup C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \\
 &= \emptyset \cup \{A, B, C, D\} \cup \{C, D\} \cup \{C, D\} & &= \{B\} \cup \{B\} \cup \emptyset \cup \emptyset \\
 &= \{A, B, C, D\} & &= \{B\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(A, z) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{A\}, z) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, z)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{A\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(A, z)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(B, z)) \cup \\
&\quad C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, z)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(D, z)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\{A\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\{C, D\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \cup C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \\
&= \{A, B, C, D\} \cup \{C, D\} \cup \emptyset \cup \emptyset \\
&= \{A, B, C, D\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(B, x) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{B\}, x) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, x)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{B\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(B, x)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\{A\}) \\
&= \{A, B, C, D\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(B, y) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{B\}, y) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, y)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{B\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(B, y)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\{B\}) \\
&= \{B\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(B, z) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{B\}, z) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, z)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{B\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(B, z)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\{C, D\}) \\
&= \{C, D\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(C, x) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{C\}, x) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, x)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{C\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, x)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\{D\}) \\
&= \{C, D\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(C, y) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{C\}, y) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, y)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{C\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, y)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \\
&= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(C, z) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{C\}, z) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, z)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{C\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, z)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \\
&= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(D, x) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{D\}, x) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, x)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{D\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, x)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(D, x)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\{D\}) \cup C_\varepsilon(\{D\}) \\
&= \{C, D\} \cup \{C, D\} \\
&= \{C, D\}
\end{aligned}$$

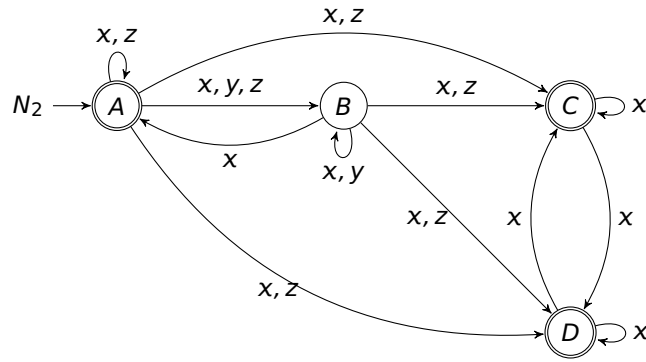
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\Delta_2(D, y) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{D\}, y) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, y)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{D\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, y)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(D, y)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \cup C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \\
&= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2(D, z) &= \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{D\}, z) \\
&= \bigcup \{C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(q, z)) \mid q \in \widehat{\Delta}_1(\{D\}, \varepsilon)\} \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(C, z)) \cup C_\varepsilon(\Delta_1(D, z)) \\
&= C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \cup C_\varepsilon(\emptyset) \\
&= \emptyset
\end{aligned}$$

The set of final states for N_2 is computed as follows:

$$F_2 := \{q \mid C_\varepsilon(\{q\}) \cap F_1 \neq \emptyset\} = \{A, C, D\}.$$

Therefore, the state diagram for N_2 looks like:



b) Let us now apply subset construction over the NFA N_2 to obtain an equivalent DFA $D = (Q, \{x, y, z\}, \delta, s, F)$:

$\delta(\{A\}, x) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A\}, x)$	$\delta(\{A\}, y) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A\}, y)$
$= \{A, B, C, D\}$	$= \{B\}$
$\delta(\{A\}, z) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A\}, z)$	$\delta(\{B\}, x) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{B\}, x)$
$= \{A, B, C, D\}$	$= \{A, B, C, D\}$
$\delta(\{B\}, y) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{B\}, y)$	$\delta(\{B\}, z) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{B\}, z)$
$= \{B\}$	$= \{C, D\}$
$\delta(\{C, D\}, x) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{C, D\}, x)$	$\delta(\{C, D\}, y) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{C, D\}, y)$
$= \hat{\Delta}_2(\{C\}, x) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{D\}, x)$	$= \hat{\Delta}_2(\{C\}, y) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{D\}, y)$
$= \{C, D\} \cup \{C, D\}$	$= \emptyset \cup \emptyset$
$\{C, D\}$	$= \emptyset$
$\delta(\{C, D\}, z) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{C, D\}, z)$	$\delta(\{A, B, C, D\}, x) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A, B, C, D\}, x)$
$= \hat{\Delta}_2(\{C\}, z) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{D\}, z)$	$= \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A\}, x) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{B\}, x) \cup$
$= \emptyset \cup \emptyset$	$\hat{\Delta}_2(\{C\}, x) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{D\}, x)$
$= \emptyset$	$= \{A, B, C, D\} \cup \{A, B, C, D\} \cup$
	$\{C, D\} \cup \{C, D\}$
	$= \{A, B, C, D\}$
$\delta(\{A, B, C, D\}, y) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A, B, C, D\}, y)$	$\delta(\{A, B, C, D\}, z) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A, B, C, D\}, z)$
$= \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A\}, y) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{B\}, y) \cup$	$= \hat{\Delta}_2(\{A\}, z) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{B\}, z) \cup$
$\hat{\Delta}_2(\{C\}, y) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{D\}, y)$	$\hat{\Delta}_2(\{C\}, z) \cup \hat{\Delta}_2(\{D\}, z)$
$= \{B\} \cup \{B\} \cup \emptyset \cup \emptyset$	$= \{A, B, C, D\} \cup \{C, D\} \cup \emptyset \cup \emptyset$
$= \{B\}$	$= \{A, B, C, D\}$
$\delta(\emptyset, x) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\emptyset, x)$	$\delta(\emptyset, y) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\emptyset, y)$
$= \emptyset$	$= \emptyset$
$\delta(\emptyset, z) = \hat{\Delta}_2(\emptyset, z)$	
$= \emptyset$	

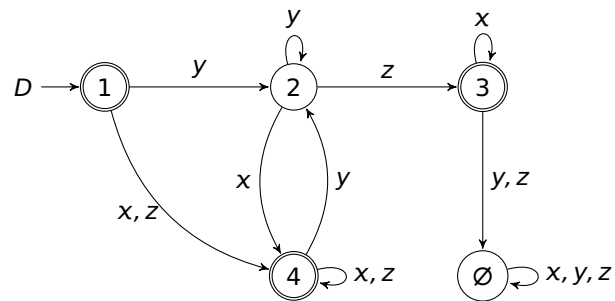
The set of final states F for the DFA D is given as follows:

$$F := \{A \subseteq Q_{N_2} \mid A \cap F_{N_2} \neq \emptyset\} = \{\{A\}, \{C, D\}, \{A, B, C, D\}\}.$$

Obviously,

$$s := S_{N_2} = \{A\}.$$

Given all these, we depict below the state diagram for the DFA D :



where

$$1 = \{A\} \quad 2 = \{B\} \quad 3 = \{C, D\} \quad 4 = \{A, B, C, D\}.$$

- c) We now check whether D is the minimal DFA with the above configuration. Observe that D has no inaccessible states. We can then employ the marking algorithm to perform the (in)distinguishability test for each pair of states.

As final and non-final states are distinguishable, we mark them in the below tabular right from the starch:

1
✓ 2
✓ 3
✓ 4
✓ ✓ ✓ ∅

We then compare pairs of states in the below given order, and resume accordingly:

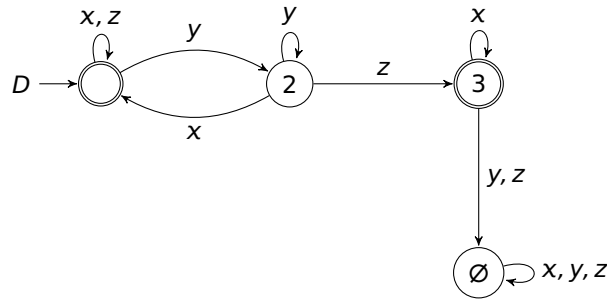
$\{4, 3\}$	\xrightarrow{z}	$\{4, \emptyset\}$	mark (4, 3)	as (4, ∅) is already marked
$\{1, 3\}$	\xrightarrow{z}	$\{4, \emptyset\}$	mark (1, 3)	as (4, ∅) is already marked
$\{2, \emptyset\}$	\xrightarrow{x}	$\{4, \emptyset\}$	mark (2, ∅)	as (4, ∅) is already marked

1
✓ 2
✓ ✓ 3
✓ ✓ 4
✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ∅

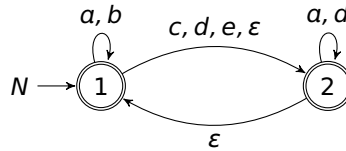
We cannot mark the pair (1, 4) as the states 1 and 4 are indistinguishable:

$\{1, 4\}$	\xrightarrow{x}	$\{4, 4\}$
$\{1, 4\}$	\xrightarrow{y}	$\{2, 2\}$
$\{1, 4\}$	\xrightarrow{z}	$\{4, 4\}$

Therefore, we collapse states 1 and 4 to obtain the minimal DFA for D :



Q2. (5 pts) Given a $NFA_{\epsilon} N = (\{1, 2\}, \{a, b, c, d, e\}, \epsilon, \Delta, \{1\}, \{1, 2\})$ with below depicted state diagram



compute the regular expression α such that $\mathcal{L}(\alpha) = \mathcal{L}(N)$ employing the algorithm (definition) given in w4.pdf, slide #18.

A2.

By specializing the theorem given in w4.pdf on slide #18, we obtain that $\mathcal{L}(N) = \alpha_{12}^{\{1,2\}} + \alpha_{11}^{\{1,2\}}$.

- The unfolding of the algorithm in computing the expression $\alpha_{12}^{\{1,2\}}$ is itemized as follows.

1. 1st recursive call:

$$\alpha_{12}^{\{1,2\}} = \alpha_{12}^{\{1\}} + \alpha_{12}^{\{1\}} (\alpha_{22}^{\{1\}})^* \alpha_{22}^{\{1\}} \quad u = 1, \mathbf{q} = 2, v = 2$$

2. 2nd recursive call:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{12}^{\{1\}} &= \alpha_{12}^{\emptyset} + \alpha_{11}^{\emptyset} (\alpha_{11}^{\emptyset})^* \alpha_{12}^{\emptyset} \quad u = 1, \mathbf{q} = 1, v = 2 \\ \alpha_{22}^{\{1\}} &= \alpha_{22}^{\emptyset} + \alpha_{21}^{\emptyset} (\alpha_{11}^{\emptyset})^* \alpha_{12}^{\emptyset} \quad u = 2, \mathbf{q} = 1, v = 2 \end{aligned}$$

3. In the 3rd recursive call, the algorithm reaches the base case:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{12}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon} \\ \alpha_{11}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{a + b + \epsilon} \\ \alpha_{22}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{a + d + \epsilon} \\ \alpha_{21}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

4. At this stage, it folds back:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{12}^{\{1\}} &= (\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon}) + [(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})^*(\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon})] \\ \alpha_{22}^{\{1\}} &= (\mathbf{a + d + \epsilon}) + [(\mathbf{\epsilon})(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})^*(\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon})] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\alpha_{12}^{\{1,2\}} = (((\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon}) + [(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})^*(\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon})]) + ((\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon}) + [(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})^*(\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon})])(\mathbf{a + d + \epsilon}) + [(\mathbf{\epsilon})(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})^*(\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon})])^* ((\mathbf{a + d + \epsilon}) + [(\mathbf{\epsilon})(\mathbf{a + b + \epsilon})^*(\mathbf{c + d + e + \epsilon})])$$

- The unfolding of the algorithm in computing the expression $\alpha_{11}^{\{1,2\}}$ is summarized in the following.

1. 1st recursive call:

$$\alpha_{11}^{\{1,2\}} = \alpha_{11}^{\{2\}} + \alpha_{11}^{\{2\}} (\alpha_{11}^{\{2\}})^* \alpha_{11}^{\{2\}} \quad u = 1, \mathbf{q} = 1, v = 1$$

2. 2nd recursive call:

$$\alpha_{11}^{\{2\}} = \alpha_{11}^{\emptyset} + \alpha_{12}^{\emptyset}(\alpha_{22}^{\emptyset})^* \alpha_{21}^{\emptyset} \quad u = 1, \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{2}, v = 1$$

3. In the 3rd recursive call, the algorithm reaches the base case:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{12}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \\ \alpha_{11}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \\ \alpha_{22}^{\emptyset} &= \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \\ \alpha_{21}^{\emptyset} &= \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \end{aligned}$$

4. At this stage, it folds back:

$$\alpha_{11}^{\{2\}} = (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})]$$

Therefore,

$$\alpha_{11}^{\{1,2\}} = \left(((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})]) + \right. \\ \left. ((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})])((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})])^* \right. \\ \left. ((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})]) \right)$$

• Finally,

$$\alpha_{12}^{\{1,2\}} + \alpha_{11}^{\{1,2\}} = \left(((\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})]) + \right. \\ \left((\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})] \right) ((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})])^* \\ \left((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})] \right) \right) + \\ \left(((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})]) + \right. \\ \left((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})] \right) ((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})])^* \\ \left. ((\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) + [(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})^*(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})]) \right)$$

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- Collaboration is strictly and positively prohibited; lowers your score to 0 if detected.
- Any submission after 23h55 on April the 8th will NOT be accepted. Please beware and respect the deadline!
- All handwritten answers should somehow be scanned into a single pdf file, and only then submitted. Make sure that your handwriting is decent and readable.