

Minimization of DFA:

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- * It is a problem of minimization of states in a given DFA to construct the minimal DFA.
- * Minimization of states can be done only with equivalent states or states which are equivalent.

Two states (p, q) are equivalent states

if $\delta(p, w) \in F$ OR if $\delta(p, w) \notin F \Rightarrow \delta(q, w) \notin F$
then $\delta(q, w) \in F$

* If length $|w| = 0$, then both states are called 0-equivalent

→ if $|w| = 1 \Rightarrow$ 1-equivalent

→ if $|w| = 2 \Rightarrow$ 2-equivalent

In general, if $|w| = n$, n -equivalent

$p \Leftrightarrow q$

* Any two final states are 0-equivalent and any two non-final states are also 0-equivalent.

* Two states (p, q) are K -equivalent ($K \geq 0$) if both $\delta(p, w)$ & $\delta(q, w)$ are final states or both $\delta(p, w) \notin F$ & $\delta(q, w) \notin F$, for all strings $|w| = K$.

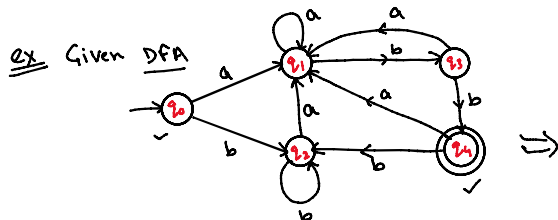
Prop-1: Equivalence relations are reflexive, symmetric, and transitive

Prop-2: Partitioning of Q into $\pi_K \rightarrow K$ -equivalence classes

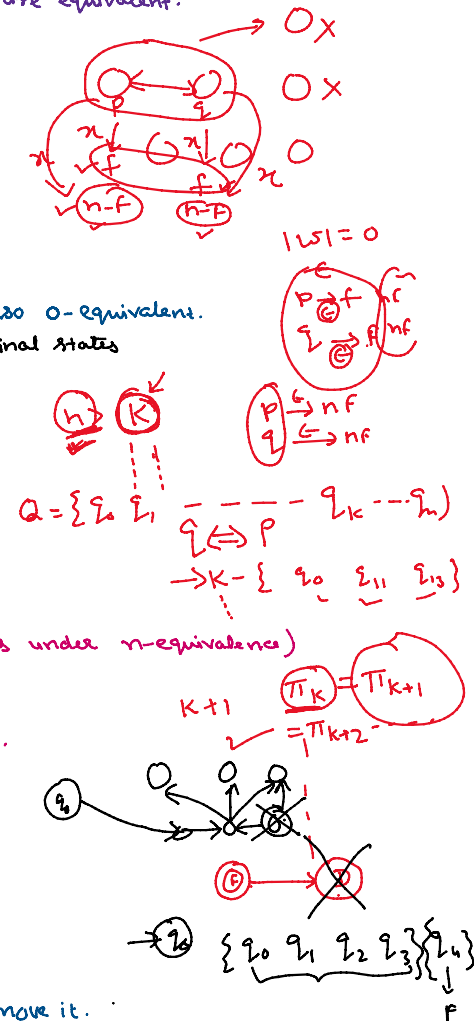
Prop-3: If p, q are K -equivalent, for all $K \geq 0$, then they are equivalent

Prop-4: If p, q are $(K+1)$ equivalent, then they are K -equivalent

Prop-5: $\pi_n = \pi_{n+1}$ for some n . (π_n denotes the set of equivalence classes under n -equivalence)



	a	b
q_0	q_1 nf	q_2 nf
q_1	q_1	q_3
q_2	q_1 nf	q_2 nf
q_3	q_1	q_4
q_4	q_1	q_2



* find the dead state that is unreachable from the final state, remove it.

* All the states should be reachable from the initial state and if particular state is unreachable from the initial state, remove it.

* Now find equivalent states & merge them.

π_0 0-equivalent sets $\Rightarrow [q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3] [q_4]$ * finding set of non-final states & final states

π_1 1-equivalent sets \Rightarrow consider every pair of states in 0-equivalent set and check the equivalency based on final & non-final states

So (q_0, q_1) are equivalent, similarly (q_0, q_2) are equivalent as both are in same group of 0-equivalent class.

But (q_0, q_3) will not be in same group as q_3 goes to final state q_4 on accepting the input b .

$\Rightarrow [q_0, q_1, q_2] [q_3] [q_4]$

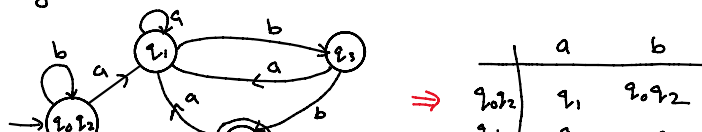
$q_0 \neq q_3$ are not 1-equivalent

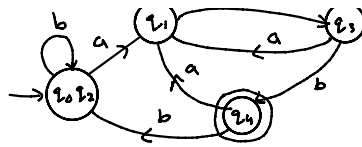
π_2 2-equivalent sets $\Rightarrow [q_0, q_2] [q_1] [q_3] [q_4]$

π_3 3-equivalent " $\rightarrow [q_0, q_2] [q_1] [q_3] [q_4]$

π_K K -equivalent " $\Rightarrow [q_0, q_2] [q_1] [q_3] [q_4]$

Now we can merge q_0 & q_2 as one state

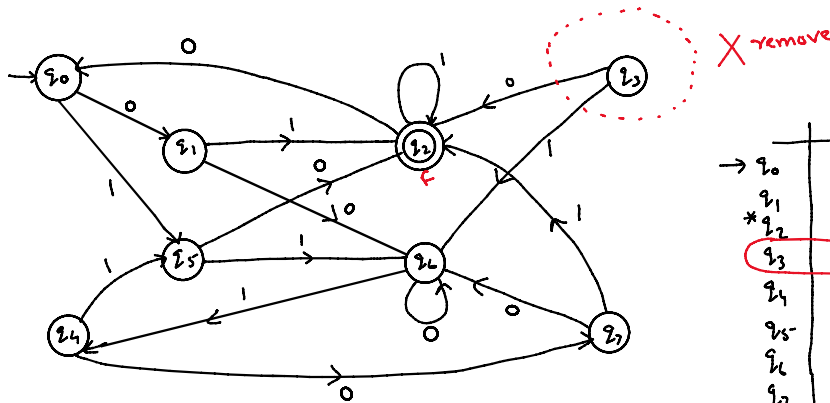




Minimal DFA

	a	b
q0, q2	q1	q0, q2
q1	q1	q3
q3	q1	q4
q4	q1	q0, q2

ex



	0	1
→ q0	q1 nf	q5- nf
q1	q6 nf	*q2 f
*q2	q0	*q2
q3	*q2	q6
q4	q7 nf	q5- nf
q5-	*q2 f	q6
q6	q1 nf	q4 f
q7	q1 nf	*q2 f

→ remove this entry because q3 is unreachable from the initial state

q0 q5

Now partitioning the states: $Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5, q_6, q_7\}$

final $\rightarrow Q_1^0 = \{q_2\} = F$

non final $\rightarrow Q_2^0 = Q - Q_1^0$

$\pi_0 = \{q_2\}, \{q_0, q_1, q_4, q_5, q_6, q_7\}$

$\pi_1 = \{q_2\}, \{q_0, q_4, q_6\}, \{q_1, q_7\}, \{q_5\}$ ✓

$\pi_2 = \{q_2\}, \{q_0, q_4\}, \{q_6\}, \{q_1, q_7\}, \{q_5\}$

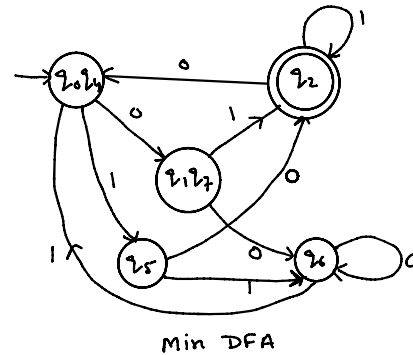
$\pi_3 = \{q_2\}, \{q_0, q_4\}, \{q_6\}, \{q_1, q_7\}, \{q_5\}$

$\pi_4 = \{q_2\}, \{q_0, q_4\}, \{q_6\}, \{q_1, q_7\}, \{q_5\}$

$\pi_2 = \pi_3 = \pi_4 = \dots$ $\pi_k = \{q_2\}, \{q_0, q_4\}, \{q_6\}, \{q_1, q_7\}, \{q_5\}$

So π_2 gives an equivalence class

$M' = \{Q', \{0, 1\}, \delta', q_0', F'\}$

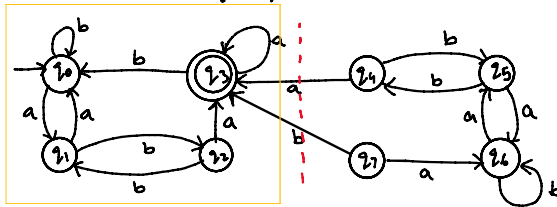


Min DFA

$[q_0, q_4, q_6]$ $[q_1, q_7]$ $[q_5]$

$[q_0, q_5] \neq$
 $[q_1, q_7] \neq$
 $[q_6, q_1] \neq$

ex



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$\pi_2 = \{q_0\}, \{q_1\}, \{q_2\}, \{q_3\}$