

Sept 27

COMPSCI 3331

Fall 2022

What's next?

- ▶ Assignment 1: out now, due Oct 11.
- ▶ Quiz 1 tomorrow **IN CLASS.** *in person, MC 110.*
- ▶ Remaining material tomorrow - asynchronous.

no proof on the quiz.

2 questions.

Section 2.3.

Some questions ..

transition.
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- ▶ Can a DFA match a prefix or suffix (ie: str*, obj*, db*, etc) or does each line have to match a single character to for each state ↑ one letter for each state currently.

- ▶ How do we start A1 Question 1? (Two proofs - Sept 21)

$$L_1 \subseteq L_2$$

wild card system.

$$L^* = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} L^i = \{\epsilon\} \cup L \cup L^2 \cup \dots$$

$$x \in L^* \Rightarrow \exists n \geq 0 \text{ such that } x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \in L.$$

$$\text{then } x = x_1 x_2 \dots x_n$$

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starting point.

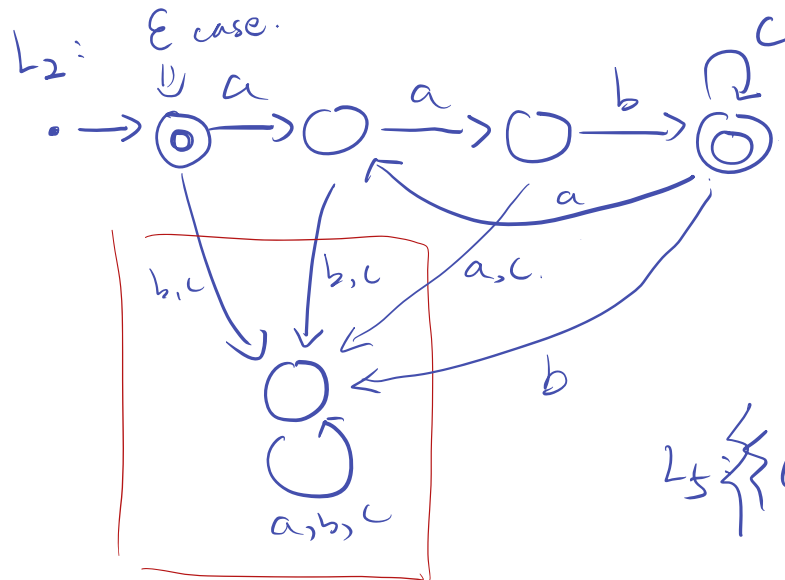
DFAs

Build DFAs for the following languages.

► $L_2 = \{(aabc^*)^*\}$ ← any number of c.

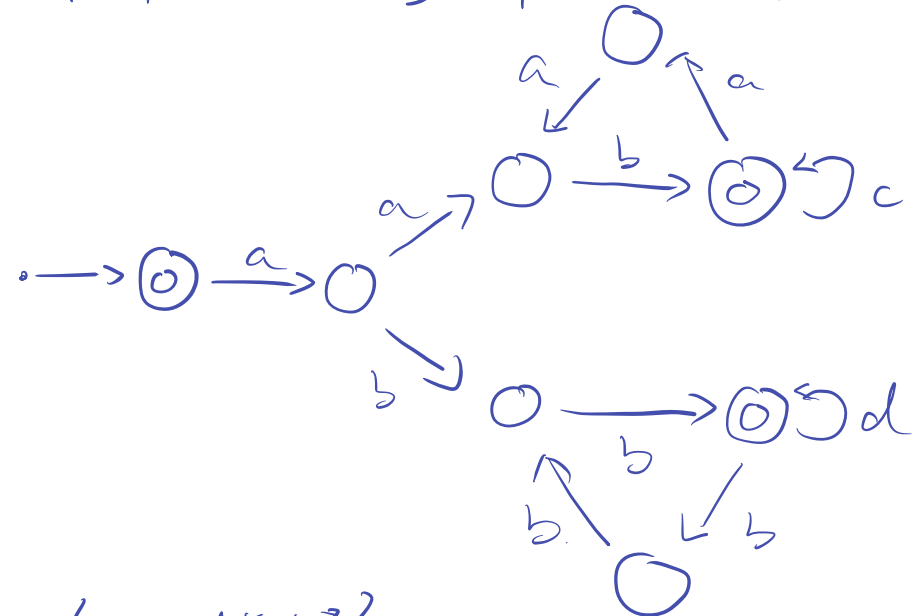
► $L_3 = \{(abbd^*)^*\}$ → a b b d*

► $L_4 = L_2 \cup L_3$



Sink stage.
all unspecified
transitions should
go into this stage.

$L_4 = \{ (aabc^*)^*, * \} \cup \{ (abbd^*)^*, * \}.$

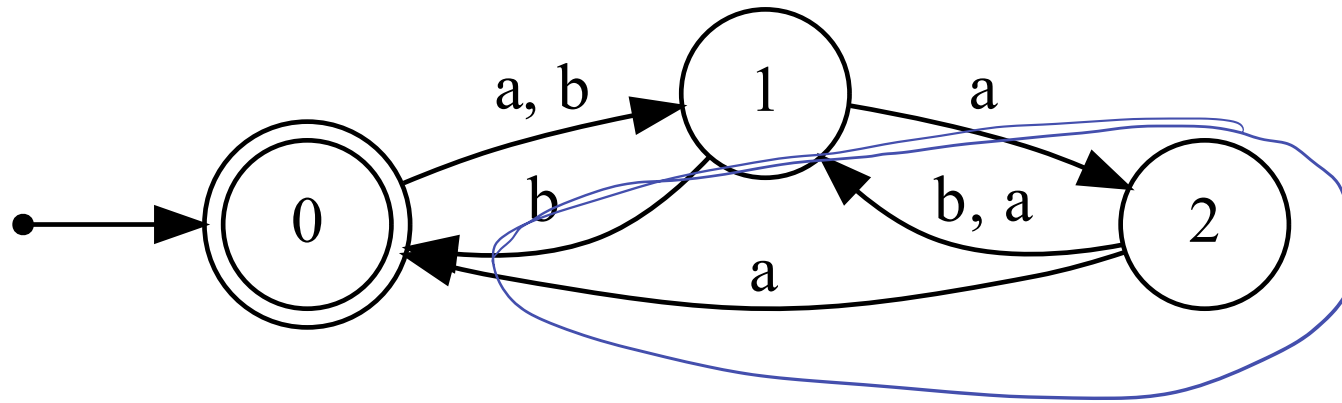


$L_5 = \{ (aabc^*)^*, * \} \cup \{ (aabd^*)^*, * \}.$

DFA must be deterministic in each
stage.

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Sink stage is
not added
yet

NFAs



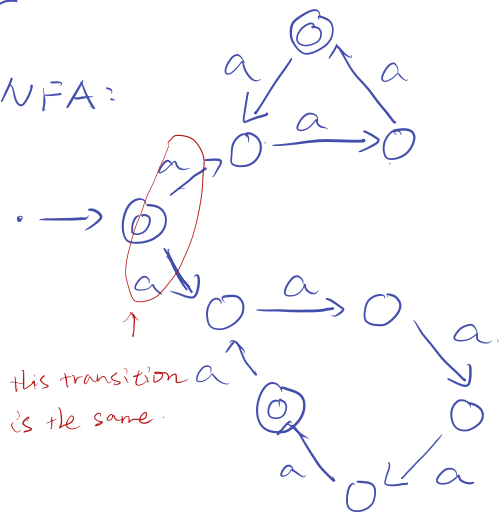
the difference is. in NFA, they could have multiple transition in each stage with same letter.

$baa \begin{cases} 0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \end{cases}$

* but $0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$
is not the accepted
path. $0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 0$ is.

$$L = \{a^i : i \equiv 0 \pmod{5} \vee i \equiv 0 \pmod{3}\}.$$

NFA:



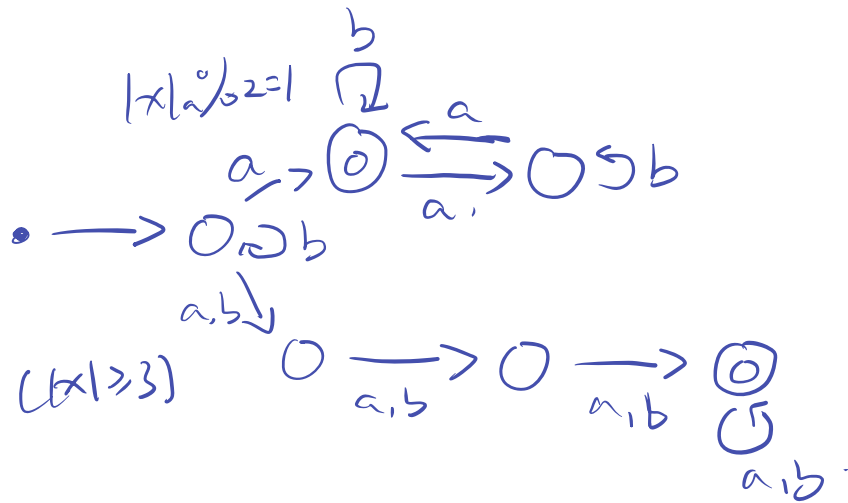
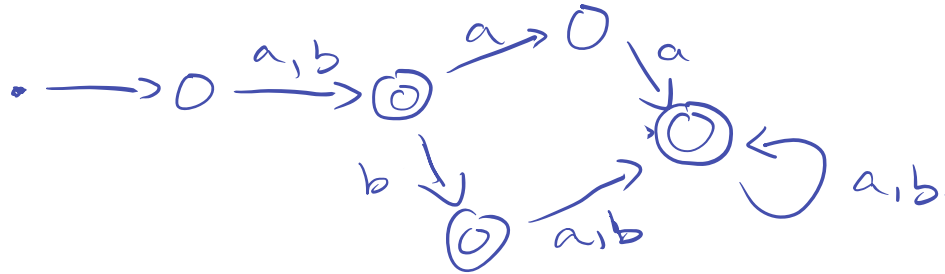
NFAs

Which statements about NFAs are true?

- ▶ **A** In an NFA, there can be multiple transitions with the same label leaving one state. ✓
- ✗ **B** In an NFA, there must be more than one path through the NFA for **some** word.
- ✗ **C** To accept a word, every path from the initial state must end in a final state.
- ▶ **D** To accept a word, ^{at least} one path from the initial state must end in a final state. ✓
- ▶ **E** To **reject** a word, no paths from the initial state can end in a final state. ✓

NFAs

- $L_5 = \{x \in \{a, b\}^* : |x|_a \text{ is odd or } |x| \geq 3\}$



Subset Construction : Convert NFA to DFA.

- ▶ $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ be an NFA. $\delta : \overset{\text{state}}{Q} \times \overset{\text{letter}}{\Sigma} \rightarrow 2^Q$. $2^Q = \{ P : P \subseteq Q \}$.
- ▶ Define a DFA $M_D = (2^Q, \Sigma, \delta_D, q_D, F_D)$.
 2^Q has 2^n subsets.
 Q has n states.
- ▶ $\delta_D(P, a) =$
- ▶ $q_D =$
- ▶ $F_D =$

the conversion from NFA to DFA
could be expensive.

Subset Construction Example

