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HW2

1) RegExps over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

1.1) Do not end with aa

$$(a+b)^*(ab+ba+bb) + a+b + \epsilon$$

1.2) Even number of b's

$$a^*(ba^*b)^*a^*$$

1.3) Do not contain the substring ba

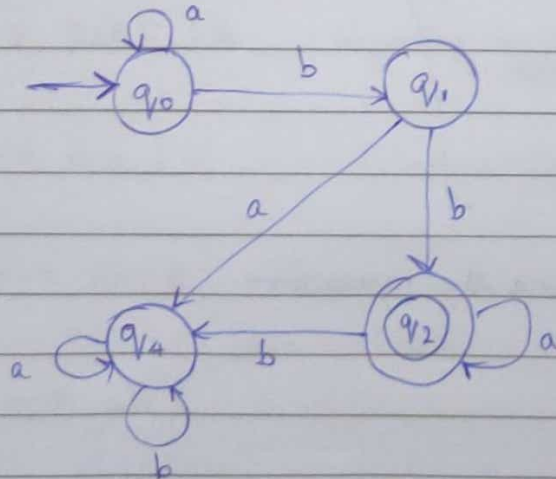
$$a^*b^*$$

1.4) Odd/Even-length block of a's is immediately followed by an odd/even-length block of b's

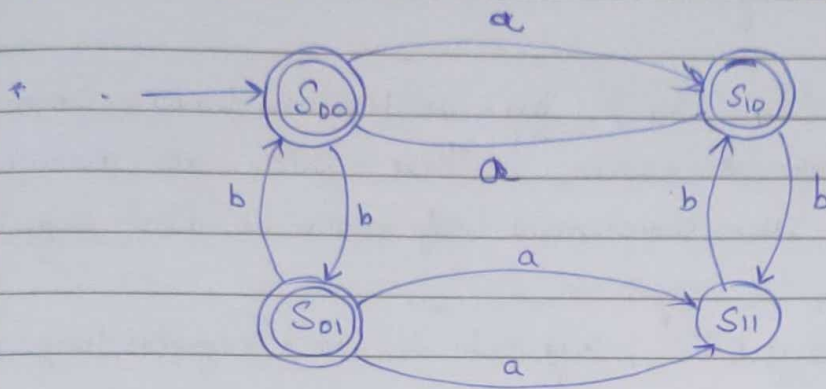
$$b^*((aa)^*(bb)^* + a(aa)^*b(bb)^*)^*$$

2) Minimal DFA

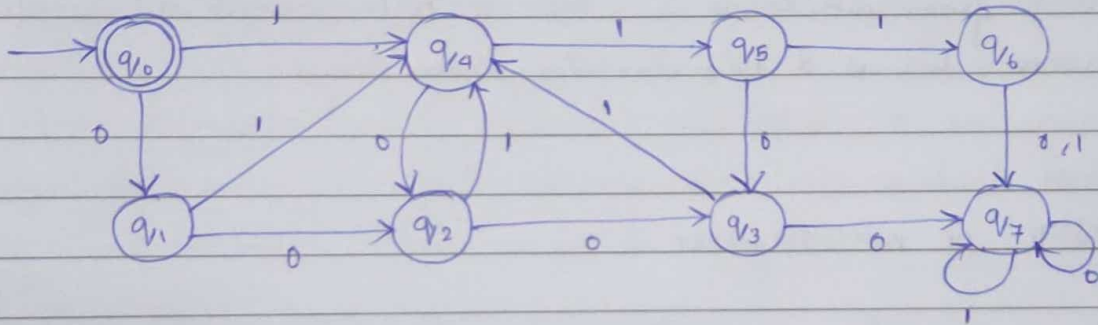
a.1) $L = \{a^*bba^*\}$



2.2) $L = \{ w \in (a+b)^* \mid n_a(w) \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \text{ OR } n_b(w) \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \}$



2.3) $L = \{ w \in (0+1)^* \mid \text{every block of 4 consecutive symbols contains the substring } 01 \}$



3) L_1, L_2 are regular languages over Σ , show:

3.1) $L_1^c = \Sigma^* - L_1$ is a regular language

L_1 is regular, so DFA (D) can be constructed for it. In D, if we make $F' = Q - F$ (reject states as accept states and vice versa) and call this new DFA: D' . We can see that D' accepts every string D doesn't and rejects every string D does. $\therefore D'$ accepts L_1^c
 $\Rightarrow L_1^c$ is a regular language.

3.2) $L_1 \cap L_2$ is a regular lang.

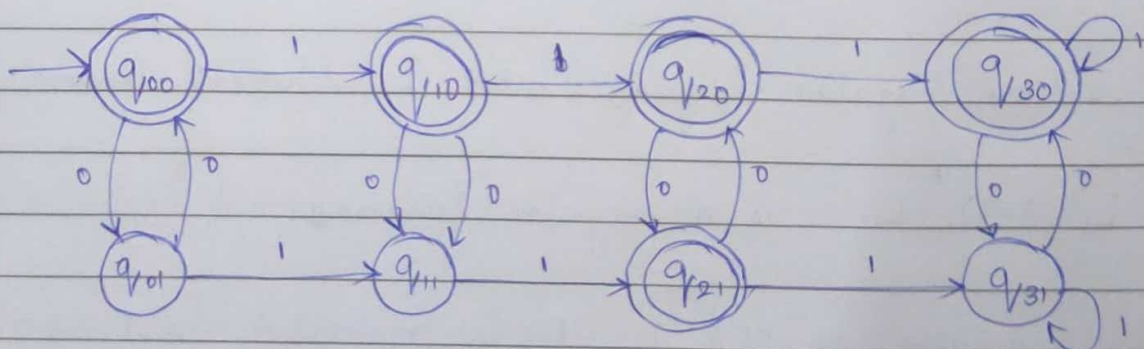
$L_1 \cap L_2$ is same as $(L_1^c \cup L_2^c)^c$ by De-Morgan's Law. From 3.1 we know L_1^c, L_2^c are regular. Their union is also regular by closure and then the complement of union is also regular.

3.3) $L_3 = \{ x \in \Sigma^* \mid \exists y \in \Sigma^*, xy \in L \}$ is a regular language.

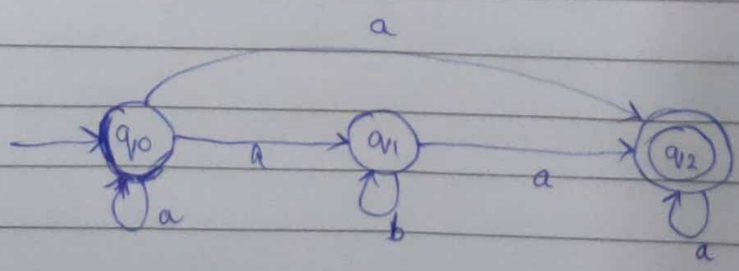
D is DFA constructed for reg. lang. L . Now in D, we make a new accepting state p . Now from each existing state q , draw an ϵ transition from q to p if there is a path from q to any of the final states in D. This ϵ -NFA accepts all prefixes of L , hence L_3 is a regular language.

NFA or not regular

4.1) $\{ w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ contains an even no. of } 0\text{'s, or exactly 2 } 1\text{'s} \}$



4.2) $L(ab^*a^*) \cap L(a^*b^*a)$



4.3) $L = \{www \mid w \in \{a,b\}^*\}$

Suppose L is accepted by DFA D with N states, consider w with more than N states, while accepting at least one state should be repeated i.e. there is a loop before even w ends. Let's say $w = pqr$ then D accepts $pqrppqrppqr$ and since there is a loop, it also accepts $pqr \dots qrpqrppqr$ but this is not in L . Hence L is not regular.

4.4) $L = \{w \in \{a,b\}^* \mid w \text{ has more } a's \text{ than } b's\}$

DFA of L : D with N states, consider w with $N+1$ b 's followed by $N+2$ a 's. This should be accepted by D . At least after N b 's one of the state must be repeated \Rightarrow we can have indefinitely many b 's followed by $N+2$ a 's which doesn't $\in L$ but is accepted by D . Hence L is not regular.

4.5) didn't get idea

4.6) ~~$L = \{w \in \{a,b\}^* \mid n_a(w) = n_b(w)\}$~~ $L = \{a^i b^j a^k \mid k \geq i+j\}$

If L is a reg. lang. then L^c should also be a reg. lang. Suppose L^c is accepted by DFA D with N states, consider w with $N+1$ a 's followed by N b 's followed by $2N+1$ a 's which is accepted by L . Therefore there must be a loop before first $N+1$ a 's are exhausted which means indefinite no. of a 's followed by N b 's followed by $2N+1$ a 's which is not accepted by L^c . Hence L is not regular.

4.7) $L = \{a^n \mid n \text{ is not a perfect square}\}$

Consider L^c i.e. n is a perfect square. Consider DFA D with N states and consider a^{N^2} , there must be a loop after traversing of N a 's, max length of loop is N , so loop runs again gives us a^{N^2+l} and this too is accepted by D but N^2+l is not a perfect square $\sin 1 \leq l \leq N$. Hence L is not regular.

4.8)

$I = \{a^p \mid p \text{ is a prime number}\}$

(not able to prove)