

Fundamentele Informatica 1 (I&E)

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3.1 Regular Languages and Regular Expressions

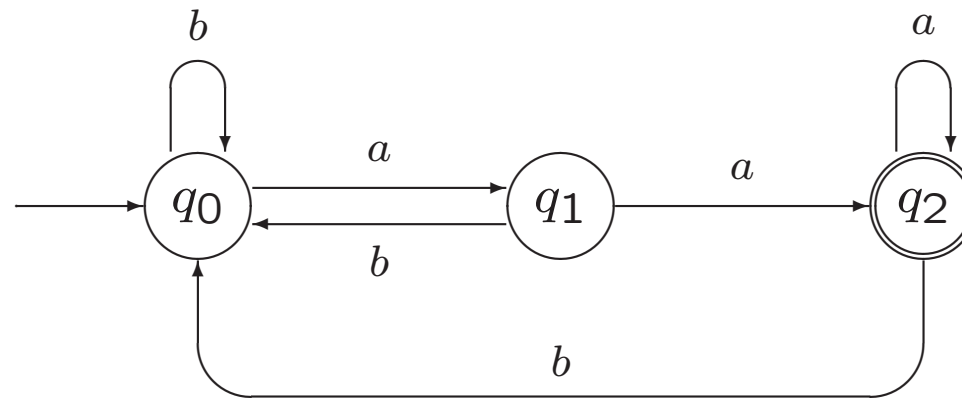
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A slide from lecture 3:

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determ. cf. languages	DPDA		
cf. languages	PDA	cf. grammar	
re. languages	TM	unrestr. grammar	

3.1. Regular Languages and Regular Expressions

(Part of) two slides from lecture 1:

Combination of union, concatenation, Kleene star:

$$L_1 \cup L_2 L_3^* = \dots$$

$$(L_1 \cup L_2) L_3^*$$

$$L_1 \cup (L_2 L_3)^*$$

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Description of languages:

$$\text{by formula: } L_1 = \{ab, bab\}^* \cup \{b\}\{ba\}^*\{ab\}^*$$

From exercise class 2:

Exercise 2.12. For each of the following languages, draw an FA accepting it.

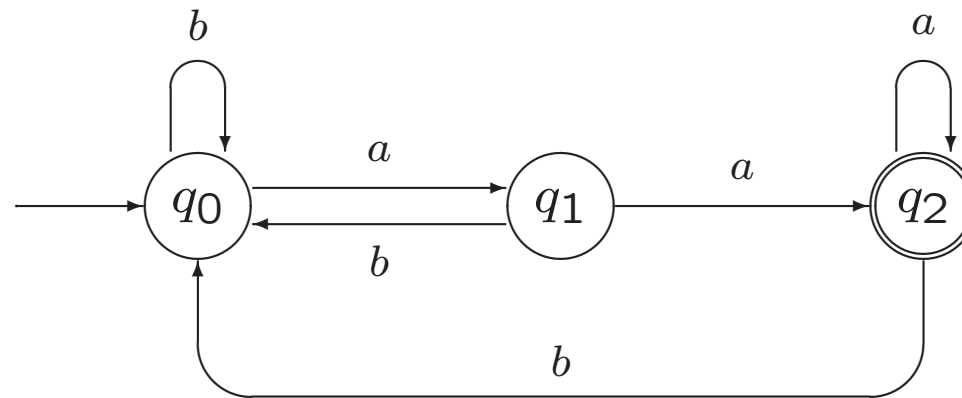
- a. $\{a, b\}^* \{a\}$
- b. $\{bb, ba\}^*$
- c. $\{a, b\}^* \{b, aa\} \{a, b\}^*$
- d. $\{bbb, baa\}^* \{a\}$
- e. $\{a\} \cup \{b\} \{a\}^* \cup \{a\} \{b\}^* \{a\}$

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Definition 3.1. Regular Languages over an Alphabet Σ .

If Σ is an alphabet,
the set \mathcal{R} of regular languages over Σ is defined as follows.

1. The language \emptyset is an element of \mathcal{R} ,
and for every $\sigma \in \Sigma$, the language $\{\sigma\}$ is in \mathcal{R} .
2. For any two languages L_1 and L_2 in \mathcal{R} ,
the three languages
 $L_1 \cup L_2$, L_1L_2 , and L_1^*
are elements of \mathcal{R} .

(and nothing more)

$\{a, b\}^* \{aa\} \in \mathcal{R}$,

because $\{a, b\}^* \{aa\} = (\{a\} \cup \{b\})^* (\{a\} \{a\})$.

$\{\Lambda\} \in \mathcal{R}$, because ...

Regular Language

\emptyset

$\{\Lambda\}$

$\{aab\}$

$\{a, b\}^*$

$\{aab\}^* \{a, ab\}$

$(\{aa, bb\} \cup \{ab, ba\} \{aa, bb\}^* \{ab, ba\})^*$

Regular Expression

\emptyset

Λ

aab

$(a + b)^*$

$(aab)^*(a + ab)$

\dots

$$(a^*b^*)^* = (a + b)^*$$

$$(a + b)^*ab(a + b)^* + b^*a^* = (a + b)^*$$

Example.

The Language of Strings Consisting of an Odd Number of a 's

$\{a, aaa, aaaaa, aaaaaaa, \dots\}$

Example 3.2. The Language of Strings in $\{a, b\}^*$ with an Odd Number of a 's

Example 3.3. The Language of Strings in $\{a, b\}^*$ Ending with b and Not Containing aa

Exercise.

Find a regular expression corresponding to the language of all strings over $\{a, b\}$ of even length.

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$$(aa + bb + (ab + ba)(aa + bb)^*(ab + ba))^*$$

Exercise.

Explain why

$$((a + ba)^*a + bba)^* \neq ((a + ba)^*(a + bba))^*$$

N.B.

$+$ is not concatenation

Example 3.5. Regular Expressions and Programming Languages

identifiers

numeric 'literals' (constants)

Regular Expressions in Unix

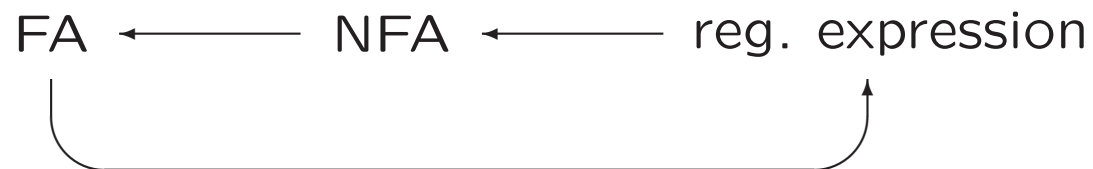
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Example 3.6. Accepting the Language $\{aa, aab\}^* \{b\}$

Computation tree...

Example 3.9. Accepting the Language $\{aab\}^*\{a, aba\}^*$

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