

Exercise 2.33.

Let x be a string of length n in $\{a, b\}^*$, and let $L = \{x\}$.

How many equivalence classes does \equiv_L have? Describe them.

Exercise 2.36.

For a certain language $L \subseteq \{a,b\}^*$, \equiv_L has exactly four equivalence classes. They are $[\Lambda]$, $[a]$, $[ab]$ and $[b]$.

It is also true that the three strings a , aa , and abb are all equivalent,
and that the two strings b and aba are equivalent.

Finally, $ab \in L$, but Λ and a are not in L , and b is not even a prefix of any element of L .

Draw an FA accepting L .

Exercise 2.37.

Suppose $L \subseteq \{a, b\}^*$ and \equiv_L has three equivalence classes. Suppose they can be described as the three sets $[a]$, $[aa]$, and $[aaa]$, and also as the three sets $[b]$, $[bb]$, and $[bbb]$.

How many possibilities are there for the language L ? For each one, draw a transition diagram for an FA accepting it.

Exercise 2.38.

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Exercise 2.40.

Exercise 2.55.

For each of the FAs pictured in Fig. 2.45 (on the blackboard), use the minimization algorithm described in Section 2.6 to find a minimum-state FA accepting the same language. (It's possible that the given FA is already minimal.)

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