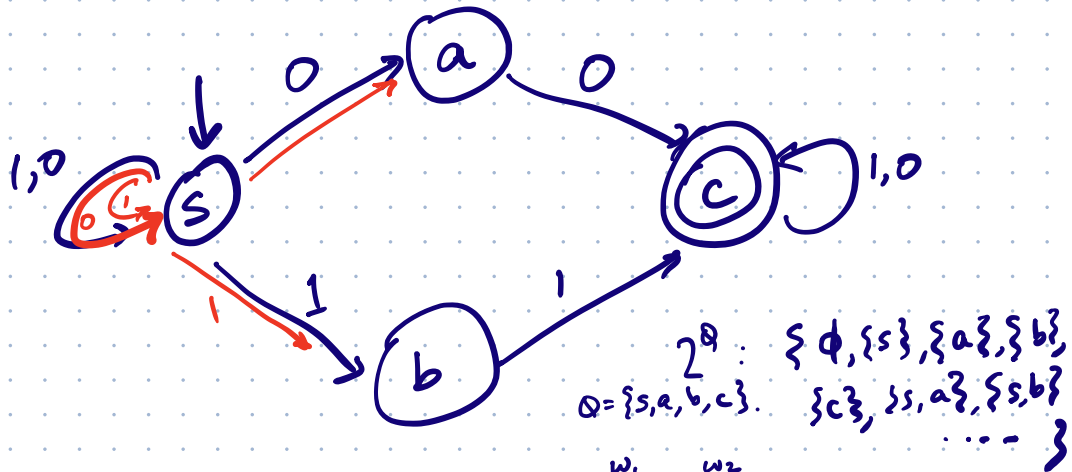


LECTURE - 6

NON DETERMINISTIC FINITE AUTOMATA



NFA accepts if \exists a walk $s \xrightarrow{w_1} q_1 \xrightarrow{w_2} \dots \rightarrow q_n$
 "there exists"
 $q_n \in A$

$$\delta(s, 0) = \{s, a\}$$

NON DETERMINISM

- Magic oracles
- Parallel worlds / threads
- Verification

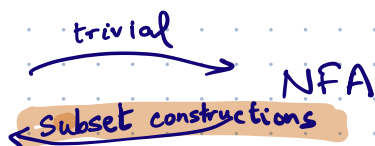
$$\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow 2^Q$$

Power set of Q
 set of all subsets of Q

$$(q, a) \rightarrow \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$$

Kleene's Thm.

DFA

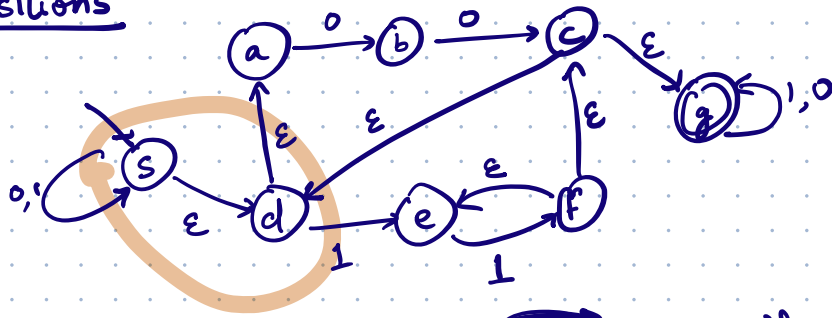


dynamic programming

parse

reg. expressions

ϵ -transitions



NFA with ϵ -transitions $\xrightarrow{\text{non-trivial}}$ NFA without ϵ -transitions
 $\xleftarrow{\text{trivial}}$

$\epsilon\text{-reach}(q) = \{ \text{all states reachable from } q \text{ with } \epsilon\text{-transitions} \}$.

$$\epsilon\text{-reach}(s) = \{s, d, a\}$$

Let $(\Sigma, Q, s, A, \delta)$ be any ϵ -NFA.

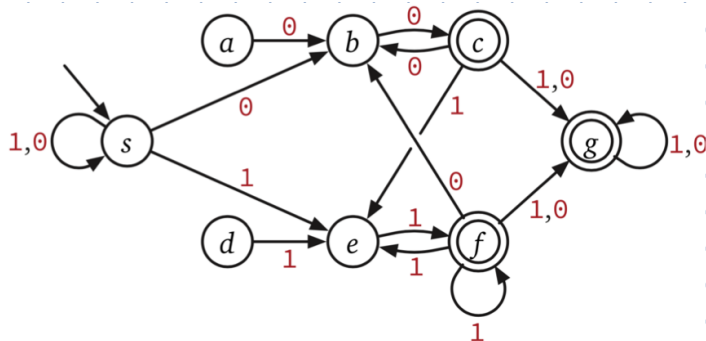
Then $(\Sigma, Q', s', A', \delta')$ is an NFA without ϵ transitions where

$$Q' = Q$$

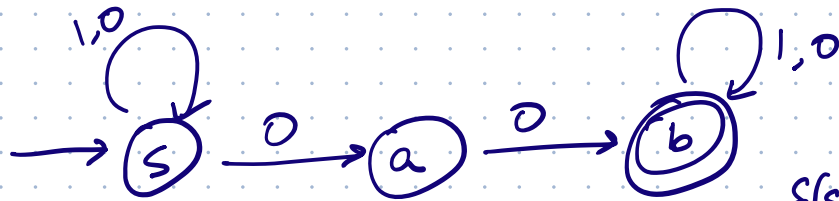
$$s' = s$$

$$A' = \{ q \in Q \text{ s.t. } \epsilon\text{-reach}(q) \cap A \neq \emptyset \}$$

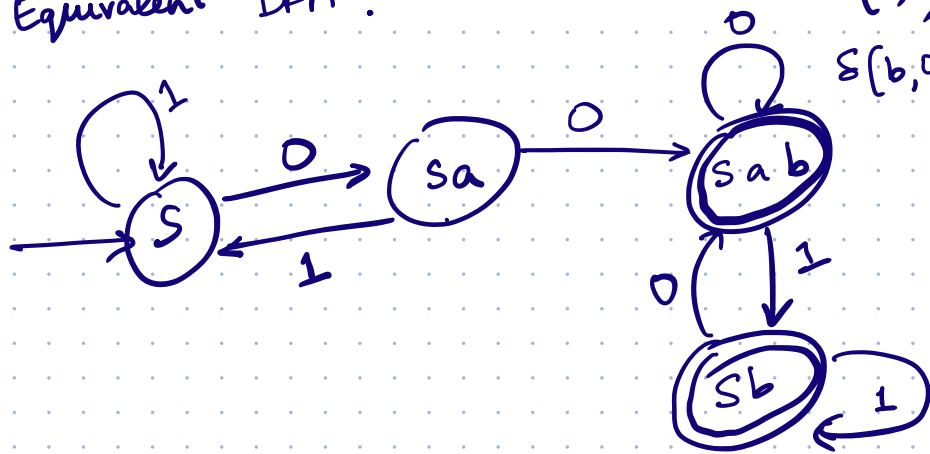
$$\delta'(q, a) = \delta(\epsilon\text{-reach}(q), a) = \bigcup_{p \in \epsilon\text{-reach}(q)} \delta(p, a)$$



Convert NFA to a DFA.



Equivalent DFA.



$$\delta(s,0) = \{s, a\}$$

$$\delta(a,0) = \{b\}$$

$$\delta(b,0) = \{b\}$$

SUBSET CONSTRUCTION : NFA \rightarrow DFA

For every NFA $N = (\Sigma, Q, s, A, \delta)$ $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow 2^Q$

\exists DFA $M = (\Sigma, Q', s', A', \delta')$ $\delta' : Q' \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q'$

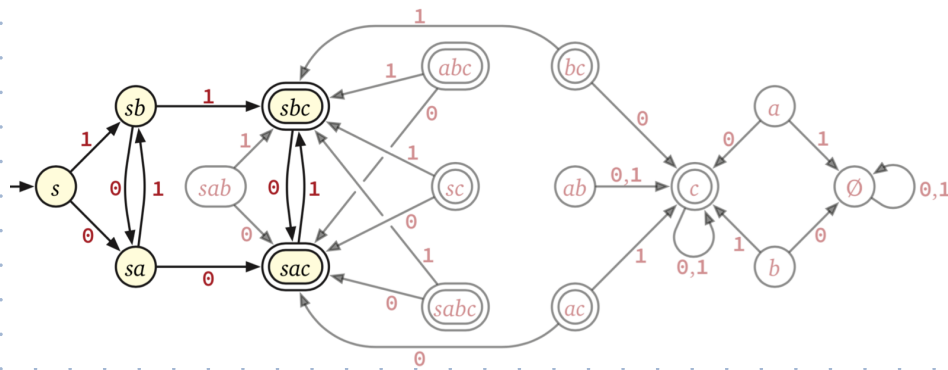
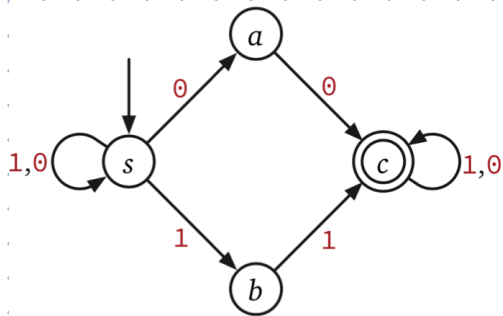
where $Q' = 2^Q$ \leftarrow set of all subsets of states of NFA.
 set of all states of DFA \leftarrow

$$s' = \{s\}$$

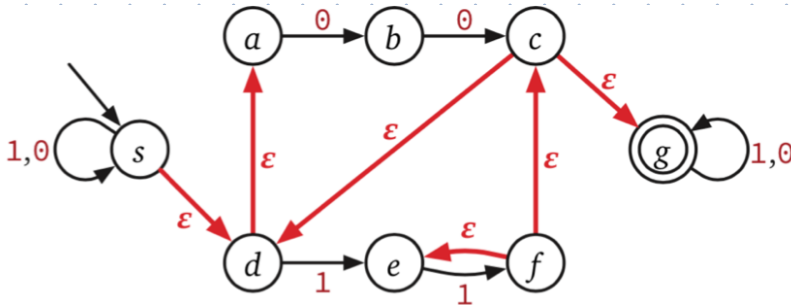
$$A' = \{s \subseteq Q \mid s \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$$

$$\delta'(p, a) = \bigcup_{q \in p} \delta(q, a)$$

Here's what happens when you apply the subset construction.



INCREMENTAL SUBSET CONSTRUCTION.



states	ϵ -reach	Acc?	$s(-,0)$	$s(-,1)$
s	sda	x	sb	se
sb	sdab	x	sbc	se
se				
sbc				

q'	ϵ -reach(q')	$q' \in A'$?	$\delta'(q',0)$	$\delta'(q',1)$
s	sad		sb	se
sb	sabd		sbc	se
se	sade		sb	sef
sbc	sabcdg	✓	sbcg	seg
sef	sacdefg	✓	sbg	sefg
sbcg	sabcdg	✓	sbcg	seg
seg	sadeg	✓	sbg	sefg
sbg	sabdg	✓	sbcg	seg
sefg	sacdefg	✓	sbg	sefg

