

Exercise 2.2.2: Prove that $\forall q \in Q, \forall x, y \in \Sigma^*$

(E1.1)

$$\hat{\delta}(q, xy) = \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), y)$$

Solution: by induction on $|y|$

Base case: $y = \epsilon$

$$\hat{\delta}(q, x \cdot \epsilon) = \hat{\delta}(q, x) = \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), \epsilon) = \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), y)$$

↑ since for any state q'
 $\hat{\delta}(q', \epsilon) = q'$

Inductive case: $y = za$

$$\hat{\delta}(q, x \cdot y) = \hat{\delta}(q, x \cdot z \cdot a) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q, x \cdot z), a) =$$

[Def. of $\hat{\delta}$]

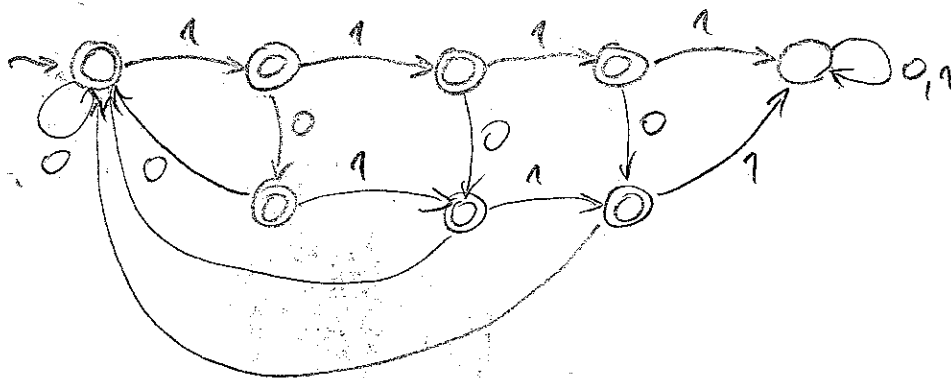
[Inductive hypothesis]

$$= \delta(\hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), z), a) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), z \cdot a), a) =$$

$$= \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), z \cdot a) = \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q, x), y)$$

Exercise 2.2.5:

e) DFA that accepts $\{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \text{each consecutive block of 5 symbols contains at least two 0's}\}$



zero 0's
after e 1

one 0
after e 1

⇒ number of
1's without
two 0's yet

Exercise 2.2.8:

(E1.2)

Let A be a DFA s.t. for some $a \in \Sigma$ and all $q \in Q$
we have $\delta(q, a) = q$.

a) Show that for all $n > 0$, and all $q \in Q$, $\hat{\delta}(q, e^n) = q$

b) Show that either $\{e\}^* \subseteq \mathcal{L}(A)$ or $\{e\}^* \cap \mathcal{L}(A) = \emptyset$

Proof:

a) By induction on n

$n=1$: $\hat{\delta}(q, e^1) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q, \epsilon), e) = \delta(q, e) = q$

• suppose that for all $i < n$, $\hat{\delta}(q, e^i) = q$

we show that also $\hat{\delta}(q, e^n) = q$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\delta}(q, e^n) &= && \text{[def. of } \hat{\delta}] \\ &= \delta(\hat{\delta}(q, e^{n-1}), a) = && \text{[ind. hyp.]} \\ &= \delta(q, a) = && \text{[assumption on } \delta] \\ &= q \end{aligned}$$

b) By part (a), we have that $\hat{\delta}(q_0, e^n) = q_0, \forall n > 0$

If $q_0 \in F$, then $\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon) = q_0 \in F$. Hence $\epsilon \in \mathcal{L}(A)$

Moreover, for $\forall n \geq 0$, we have $\hat{\delta}(q_0, e^n) = q_0 \in F$.

It follows that for all $n \geq 0, e^n \in \mathcal{L}(A)$, i.e. $\{e\}^* \subseteq \mathcal{L}(A)$

If $q_0 \notin F$, then $\hat{\delta}(q_0, \epsilon) = q_0 \notin F$. Hence $\epsilon \notin \mathcal{L}(A)$

Moreover, for $\forall n > 0$, we have $\hat{\delta}(q_0, e^n) = q_0 \notin F$

It follows that for all $n \geq 0, e^n \notin \mathcal{L}(A)$, i.e.

$$\{e\}^* \cap \mathcal{L}(A) = \emptyset$$

q.e.d.

Exercise 2.2.3

E1.3

Let $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, \{q_f\})$ be a DFA s.t. for all $e \in \Sigma$

we have $\delta(q_0, e) = \delta(q_f, e)$

a) Show that for all $w \neq \epsilon$, we have $\hat{\delta}(q_0, w) = \hat{\delta}(q_f, w)$

b) Show that for all $x \in \mathcal{L}(A)$ with $x \neq \epsilon$, we have

$$x^k \in \mathcal{L}(A), \text{ for all } k > 0.$$

Proof:

a) By induction on $|w|$

• $|w| = 1$, i.e. $w = e$ for some $e \in \Sigma$

$$\hat{\delta}(q_0, w) = \delta(q_0, e) = \delta(q_f, e) = \hat{\delta}(q_f, e)$$

• $|w| = n$ with $n > 1$

assume the claim holds for all x with $|x| < n$

Let $w = x \cdot e$ with $|x| = n - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\delta}(q_0, w) &= \hat{\delta}(q_0, x \cdot e) = \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_0, x), e) = \text{[by I.H.]} \\ &= \delta(\hat{\delta}(q_f, x), e) = \hat{\delta}(q_f, x \cdot e) = \hat{\delta}(q_f, w) \end{aligned}$$

b) By induction on k

• $k = 1$: statement is given by assumption $x = x^1 \in \mathcal{L}(A)$

• $k > 1$: assume that $x^h \in \mathcal{L}(A)$, for all $h < k$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\delta}(q_0, x^k) &= \hat{\delta}(q_0, x^{k-1} \cdot x) = \text{[by Ex. 2.2.2]} \\ &= \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q_0, x^{k-1}), x) = \text{[by I.H. and since } q_f \text{ is the only final state]} \\ &= \hat{\delta}(q_f, x) = \text{[by part (a)]} \\ &= \hat{\delta}(q_0, x) = \text{[by assumption]} \\ &= q_f \end{aligned}$$

Hence $x^k \in \mathcal{L}(A)$

Exercise 2.3.5:

E1.4

Let $A_D = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_D, q_0, F)$ be a DFA

and $A_N = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_N, q_0, F)$ be a NFA

with $\delta_N(q, a) = \{\uparrow\}$ if $\delta_D(q, a) = \uparrow \quad \forall q \in Q, a \in \Sigma$

Show that $\hat{\delta}_N(q_0, w) = \{\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, w)\} \quad \forall w \in \Sigma^*$

Proof: by induction on $|w|$

• $w = \epsilon$

$$\hat{\delta}_N(q_0, \epsilon) = \{q_0\} = \{\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, \epsilon)\}$$

• Let $|w| = n+1$ and assume the claim holds for all x with $|x| \leq n$.

Let $w = x \cdot a$, $\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, x) = q'$ and $\delta_D(q', a) = \uparrow$

$$\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, w) = \hat{\delta}_D(q_0, x \cdot a) = \delta_D(\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, x), a) = \delta_D(q', a) = \uparrow$$

By inductive hypothesis, we have that

$$\hat{\delta}_N(q_0, x) = \{\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, x)\} = \{q'\}$$

$$\text{Hence } \hat{\delta}_N(q_0, w) = \hat{\delta}_N(q_0, x \cdot a) = \bigcup_{q' \in \hat{\delta}_N(q_0, x)} \delta_N(q', a) =$$

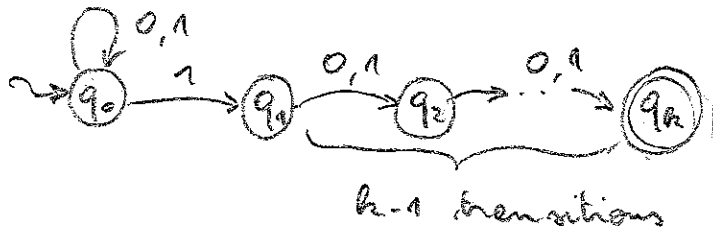
$$\begin{aligned} & \xrightarrow{\text{[by ind. hyp.]}} \delta_N(q', a) = \{\uparrow\} = \{\hat{\delta}_D(q_0, w)\} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad \quad \quad \text{[by def. of } \delta_N, \text{ and} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \text{since } \delta_D(q, a) = \uparrow] \end{aligned}$$

Exercise E2.2

E1.5

For $k \geq 1$, define an NFA A_N^k s.t.

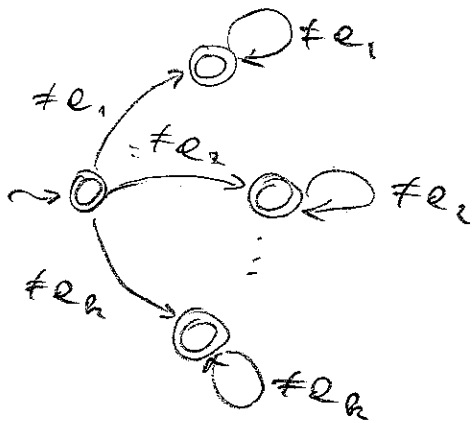
$$\mathcal{L}(A_N^k) = \{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \text{the } k\text{-th last symbol of } w \text{ is } 1\}$$



Exercise E2.3

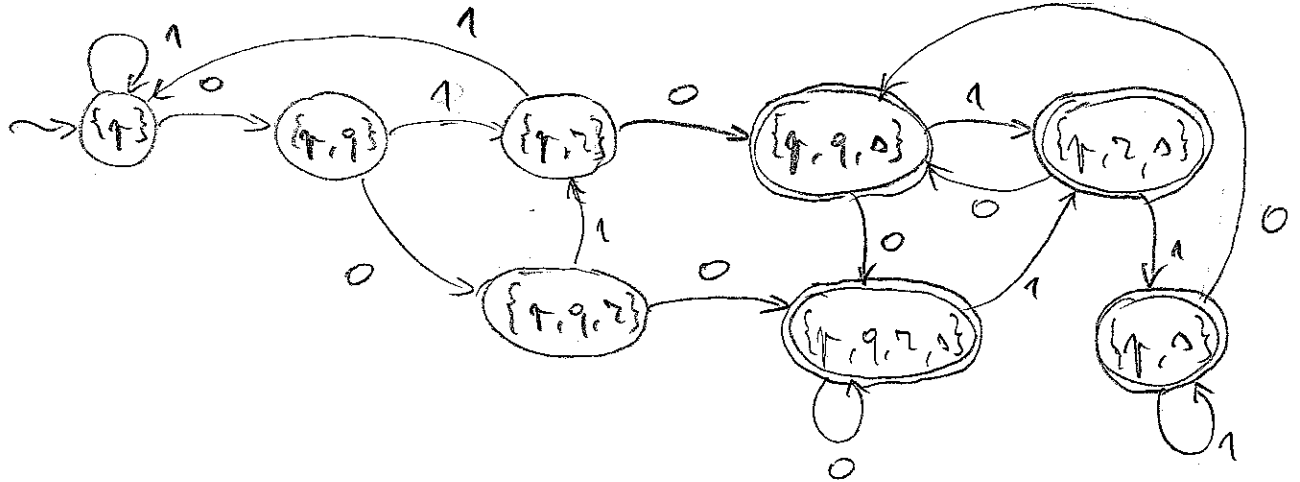
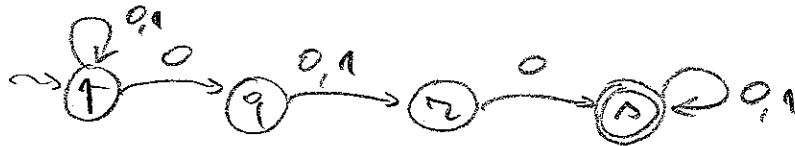
For $\Sigma_k = \{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$, construct an NFA A_N^k s.t.

$$\mathcal{L}(A_N^k) = \{w \in \Sigma_k^* \mid w \text{ does not contain at least one of the symbols } a_1, \dots, a_k\}$$



Exercise 2.3.1:

Convert the following NFA to a DFA



Exercise 2.3.4:

Give NFA's that accept the following languages over $\{0, \dots, 5\}$

- a) set of strings s.t. the final digit has appeared before
- b) ... has not ...

2. We use states l_i , for $i \in \{0, \dots, 5\}$ to guess that the final digit is i

