

CSC236 *Intro. to the Theory of Computation*

Lecture 12: RE \rightarrow NFA \rightarrow DFA \rightarrow RE \neg pumping $\rightarrow \neg$ RL

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review

❖ last lecture

- FSA (nondeterministic and deterministic) \equiv RE
 - $\text{NFA} \rightarrow \text{DFA} \rightarrow \text{RE} \rightarrow \text{NFA}$

❖ this week:

- more on $\text{RE} \rightarrow \text{NFA}$
- application of pumping lemma in proving a language is not regular

NFA, DFA, regex

❖ $NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow \boxed{regex \Rightarrow NFA}$

❖ *BASE CASES*

regex

NFA

\emptyset

ϵ

b

NFA, DFA, regex

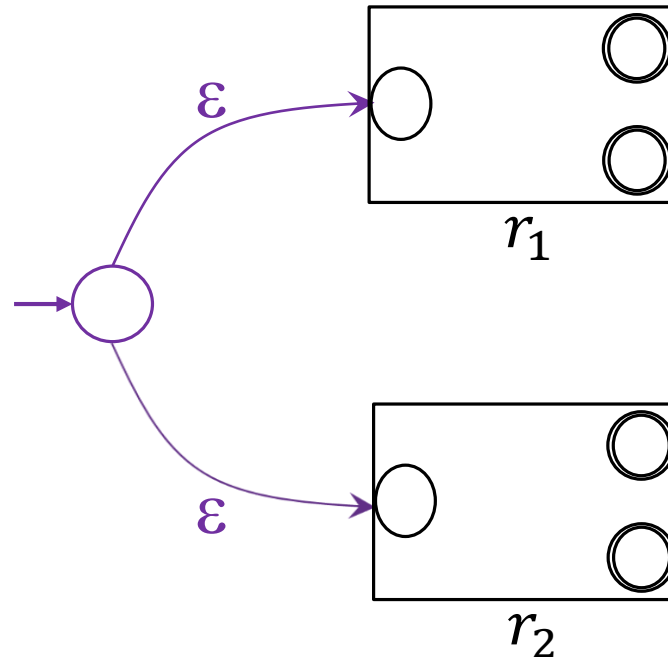
$NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow \boxed{regex \Rightarrow NFA}$

❖ *RECURSIVE CASES*

regex

NFA

$r_1 + r_2$



NFA, DFA, regex

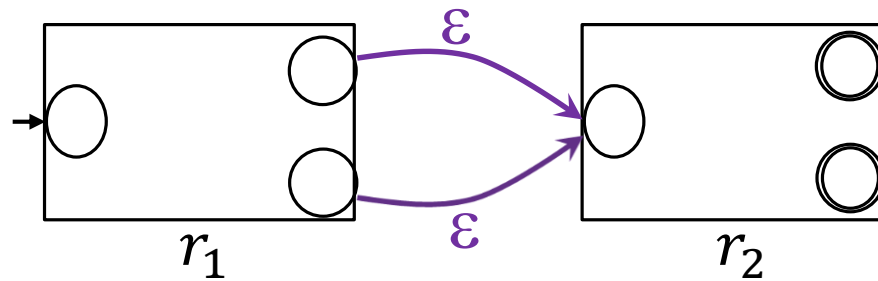
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❖ *RECURSIVE CASES*

regex

NFA

$r_1 \cdot r_2$



NFA, DFA, regex

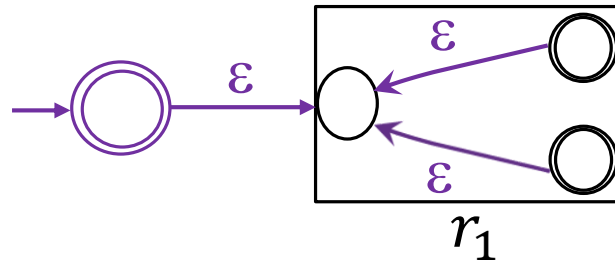
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❖ *RECURSIVE CASES*

regex

NFA

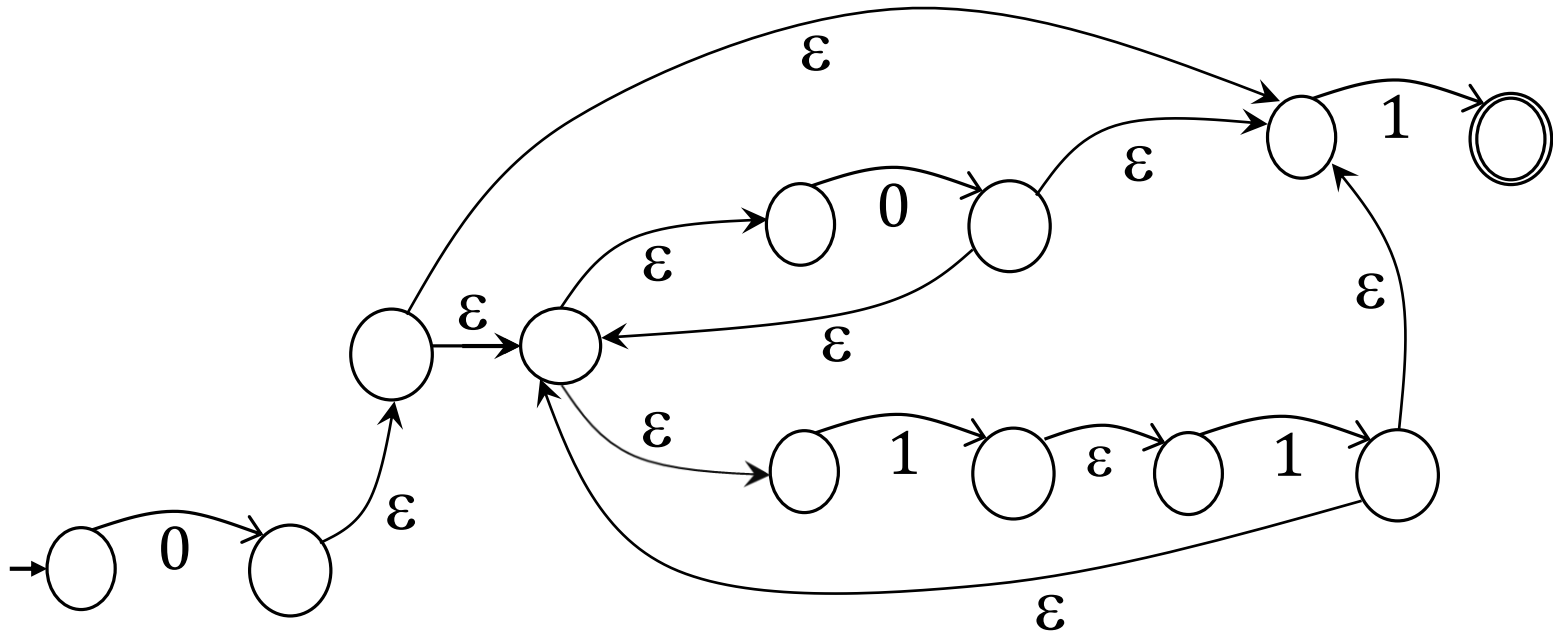
r_1^*



Example 104

$NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow \boxed{regex \Rightarrow NFA}$

❖ $0 (0 + 1 1)^* 1$

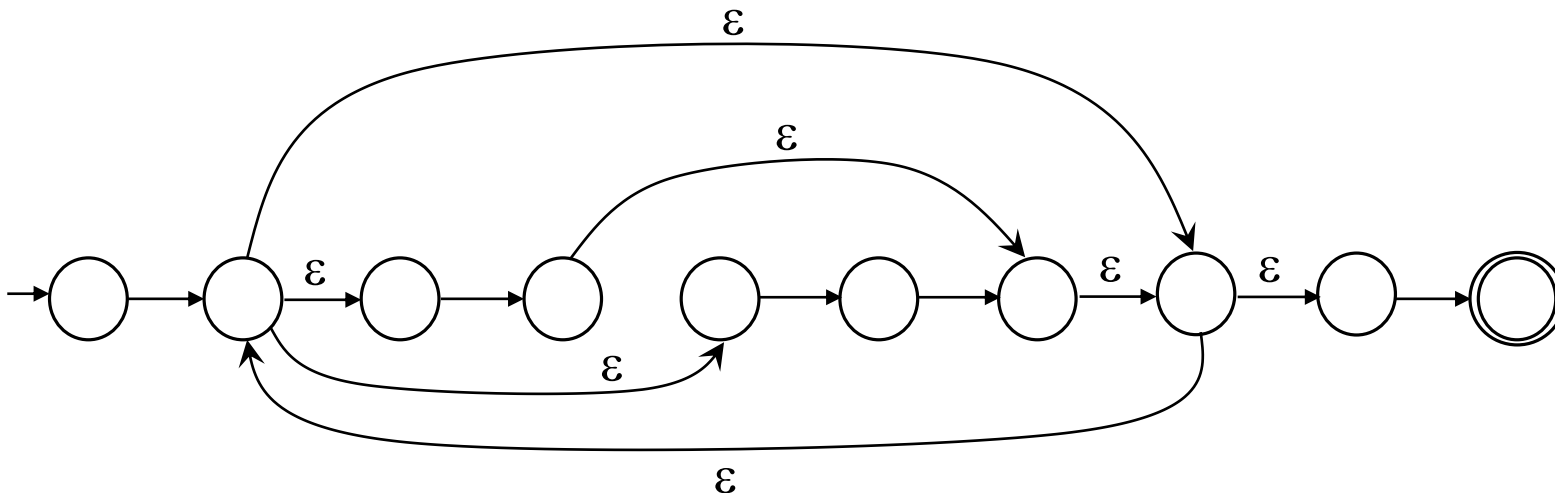


Example 105

$NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow \boxed{regex \Rightarrow NFA}$

❖ $0 (0 + 1 1)^* 1$ revisited (2nd algorithm)

- make a transition from each symbol of alphabet to the next state
- make an ϵ -transition from each brace to the next state
- make 3 ϵ -transitions for each $*$
- make 2 ϵ -transitions for each $+$



$NFA \equiv DFA \equiv regex$

❖ $NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow regex \Rightarrow NFA$

- nicely done!

❖ $NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow regex \Rightarrow NFA$

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❖ $NFA \Rightarrow DFA \Rightarrow regex \Rightarrow NFA$

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❖ analogy:

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pumping lemma

❖ If L is RL , then $\exists p \geq 1$ such that $\forall \omega \in L, |\omega| \geq p, \omega = x\mathbf{y}z$:

- $|xy| \leq p$
- $|y| > 0$
- $\forall k \geq 0, x\mathbf{y}^k z \in L$

❖ application of pumping lemma is in **proving non-regularity**

- assume the language is regular, apply the pumping lemma and run to a contradiction
- **note:**

Example 105

❖ Prove $L = \{\omega \in \Sigma^* \mid \omega = a^n b^n \ n \geq 0\}$ is not regular.

final notes

- ❖ you have enhanced your **analytical skills**, in particular in
 - **systematic reasoning, proofs, program correctness, and simple computational models**
- ❖ next?
 - **CSC263**: more algorithm analysis & data structures
 - **CSC373**: more algorithms complexities and paradigms
 - ...
 - **CSC448**: more formal languages and automata
- ❖ if I can be of any help, drop me a line or stop by BA4222.

