

Minimization of DFA

- ↓ reducing the no. of states.
- The language generated by a DFA is unique.
 - But, there may exist ~~the~~ many DFAs that accept the same language.
- ⇓
DFA's are said to be equivalent.
- For computations or other applications, like string matching, we desire DFA's with ~~lower~~ fewer no. of states.
 - For storage efficiency also, it is desirable to reduce the no. of states, hence minimize the dfa.
 - Possible by finding the two diff types of states: → distinguishable and indistinguishable.

define

For understanding the technique, you may check video by mahesh babu

"Minimization of DFA"

Def: \rightarrow Two states p and q of a DFA are equivalent (indistinguishable) if $\delta(p, w)$ and $\delta(q, w)$ are both final states or non-final states for all $w \in \Sigma^*$. (2)

(a) if $\delta(p, w) \in F$ and $\delta(q, w) \in F$ then p and q are equivalent or indistinguishable.

(b) if $\delta(p, w) \notin F$ and $\delta(q, w) \notin F$ then also p and q are equivalent.

(c) if there exists at least one string w such that one of the state $\delta(p, w)$ and $\delta(q, w)$ is in final and other is in non-final states, then p and q are not equivalent and are called distinguishable.

Note \rightarrow Two states are either distinguishable or indistinguishable.

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Present State	Next state	
	a	b
→ q0	q1	q0
→ q1	q0	q2
q2	q3	q1
* q3	q3	q0
q4	q3	q5
q5	q6	q4
q6	q5	q6
q7	q6	q3

- (*) 8 - states
q0 - q7
- (*) q0 - IS
q3 → FS.

1) Divide the states into two groups comprising of final and non-final states
0-equivalence

$$\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_4, q_5, q_6, q_7\} \quad \{q_3\}$$

2) ~~find~~ Partition the group of NF states (give input) repeatedly till no more partitioning is possible by separating into equivalence classes: by checking them in previous equivalence.

1-equivalence

$$\{q_0, q_1, q_5, q_6, q_7\} \quad \{q_2, q_4\} \quad \{q_3\}$$

2 equivalence

$$\{q_0, q_6, q_7\} \quad \{q_1, q_5\} \quad \{q_2, q_4\} \quad \{q_3\}$$

3- equivalence

$\{q_0, q_6\}$ $\{q_7\}$ $\{q_1, q_5\}$ $\{q_2, q_4\}$ $\{q_3\}$

no further equivalence possible, as 4- equivalence yields the same result.

Transfer the groups onto a TT

Present state	Next state	
	a	b
→ q_0	q_1	q_0
$\{q_0, q_6\}$	$\{q_1, q_5\}$	$\{q_0, q_6\}$
$\{q_1, q_5\}$	$\{q_0, q_6\}$	$\{q_2, q_4\}$
$\{q_2, q_4\}$	q_3	$\{q_1, q_5\}$
$\{q_3\}$	q_3	$\{q_0, q_6\}$
q_7	$\{q_0, q_6\}$	q_3

only 5 - states exist now.

(5)

Present state	Next state	
	a	b
→ A	B	G
B	C	D
C	C	D
D	E	F
* E	C	D
F	E	F
G	E	F

0-equivalence

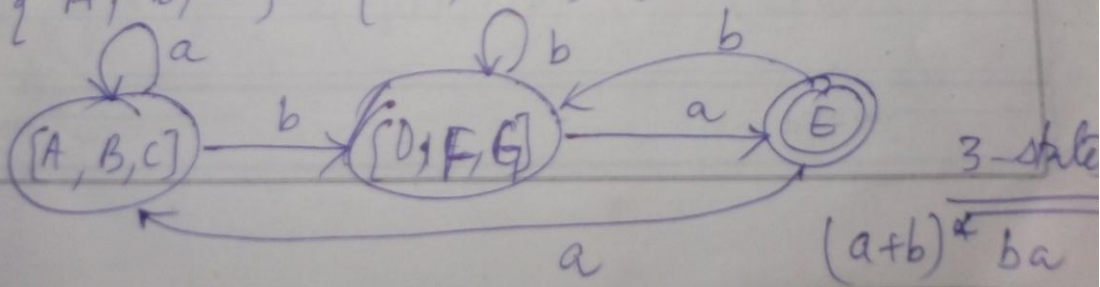
$\{A, B, C, D, F, G\}$ $\{E\}$

1-equivalence

$\{A, B, C\}$ $\{D, F, G\}$ $\{E\}$

2-equivalence

$\{A, B, C\}$ $\{D, F, G\}$ $\{E\}$



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	Present state	Next state	
		a	b
→	q ₀	q ₁	q ₃
	q ₁	q ₂	q ₄
	q ₂	q ₁	q ₄
	q ₃	q ₂	q ₄
*	q ₄	q ₄	q ₄

0 - equivalence

{ q₀, q₁, q₂, q₃ }

{ q₄ }

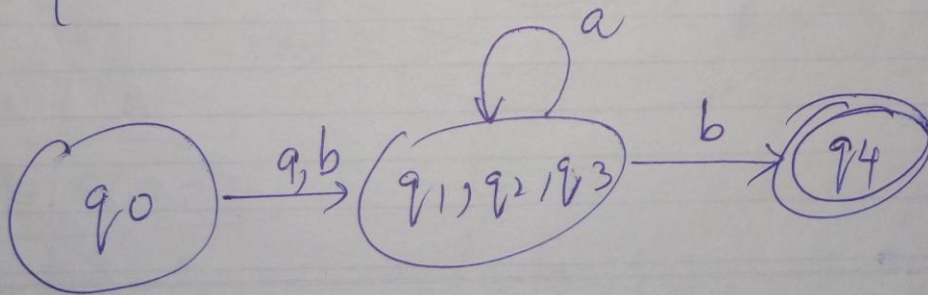
1 - equivalence

{ q₀ }

{ q₁, q₂, q₃ } { q₄ }

2 - equivalence

{ q₀ } { q₁, q₂, q₃ } { q₄ }



	a	b
→ q0	q1	q5
q1	q6	q2
* q2	q0	q2
q3	q2	q6
q4	q7	q5
q5	q2	q6
q6	q6	q5
q7	q6	q2

0-equivalence

{q0, q1, q3, q4, q5, q6, q7} {q2}

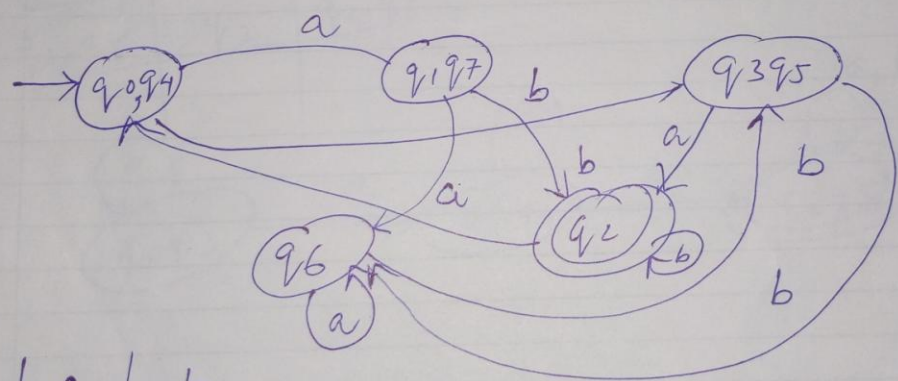
1-equivalence

{q0, q4, q6} {q1, q3, q5, q7} {q2}

2-equivalence

{q0, q4} {q6} {q1, q7} {q3, q5} {q2}

3-equivalence ↓ same.



	a	b
→ q0, q4	q1, q7	q3, q5
q1, q7	q6	q2*
q3, q5	q2	q6
q6	q0, q2	

	a
q6	q3, q5

	a	b
→ q ₀	q ₁	q ₃
q ₁	q ₁	q ₂
⊗ q ₂	-	q ₂
q ₃	q ₄	q ₃
q ₄	q ₄	q ₅
* q ₅	q ₂	q ₅

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0-equivalence
 $\{q_0, q_1, q_3, q_4\}$ $\{q_2, q_5\}$

1-equivalence
 $\{q_0, q_3\}$ $\{q_1, q_4\}$ $\{q_2, q_5\}$

2-equivalence
 same

	a	b
q ₀ , q ₃	q ₁ , q ₄	q ₂
q ₁ , q ₄	q ₁ , q ₄	q ₂ , q ₅
q ₂ , q ₅	q ₂	q ₂ , q ₅

