

Quiz 2

Your name:

Think. Be careful, clear, and precise.

1. Complete the following narrative, following the conventions of lecture and your text.

A **DFA** was defined as a five-tuple $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ where Q is a finite set, Σ is an alphabet, $q_0 \in Q$, $F \subseteq Q$, and $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$.

To define an **NFA** M' we modified the conventions above to say that an NFA is a 5-tuple $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ where Q, Σ, q_0, F were as before, but now δ has a domain of

and range .

We showed that DFAs and NFAs accept the same class of languages. For the “easy” direction of this, we said that, informally, every DFA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ is an NFA. But that’s not formally true, because the transition functions have different signatures.

So, formally, given a DFA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ you need to construct an NFA $M' =$

$(Q, \Sigma, \delta', q_0, F)$, where $L(M') = L(M)$, by saying that $\delta'(q, a) =$

when $a \in \Sigma$, and $\delta'(q, \varepsilon) =$.

For the nontrivial direction, we are given an NFA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$. We saw how to eliminate the ε -arrows, so we can assume, without loss of generality, that $\delta(q, \varepsilon) = \emptyset$ for all

$q \in Q$. Construct from M a DFA $M' = (Q', \Sigma, \delta', q'_0, F')$ where $Q' =$

and, additionally, $\delta'(S, a) =$ (for $S \in Q'$, $a \in \Sigma$), $q'_0 = \{q_0\}$, and,

$F' =$.

2. You are given a first DFA $M_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_1, F_1)$ with $|Q| = 10$ states, $|F| = 5$ of them final. You are given a second DFA $M_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_2, F_2)$ with $|Q| = 10$ states, $|F| = 5$ of them final. Suppose you use the product construction to make a DFA $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, s, F)$ for $L(M_1) \cup L(M_2)$. It will have $|Q| =$ states and $|F| =$ of them will be final.
3. Similarly, suppose you mindlessly convert $0 \cup 10^*$ into an NFA M using the procedures shown in class and in the book. Then M will have states.
4. Suppose $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is accepted by an n -state DFA. For any pair of strings $x, y \in \Sigma^*$, say $x \sim y$ if for every $z \in \Sigma^*$, $xz \in L \Leftrightarrow yz \in L$. Say something interesting about the number of equivalence classes, m , of this relation.

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5. Circle the correct answer. Missing answers will be treated as wrong, so if you don't know an answer, please guess.
- (a) **True** or **False**: There exists a function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that *no* function $F: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ that upperbounds it¹ can be computed.
 - (b) **True** or **False**: If $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ is a DFA and $F = Q$ then $L(M) = \Sigma^*$.
 - (c) **True** or **False**: If $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ is an NFA and $F = Q$ then $L(M) = \Sigma^*$.
 - (d) **True** or **False**: If A and B are regular then so is $A \cap B$.
 - (e) **True** or **False**: If L^* is regular then L is regular.
 - (f) **True** or **False**: If L is finite then L is regular.
 - (g) **True** or **False**: Every subset of a regular language is regular.
 - (h) **True** or **False**: A regular expression is a string.
 - (i) **True** or **False**: We have seen that the pumping lemma is a useful tool for proving languages regular.
 - (j) **True** or **False**: An efficient procedure² is known that takes a regular expression α and a word w and decides if $w \in L(\alpha)$.

¹ F upperbounds f if $F(x) \geq f(x)$ for all x .

²Eg, linear, quadratic, or cubic time in $|\alpha| + |w|$.