

## Finite Automata

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- Non-Regular Languages, The Pumping Lemma
- Minimizing DFA

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## Language of DFA

## DFA: Formal Definition

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A DFA  $M$  is a 5-tuple  $M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, F)$

- $Q$ : A finite set of states
- $\Sigma$ : Alphabet ▷ A finite set of characters
- $q_0 \in Q$     **Start or initial state**
- $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \mapsto Q$     Transition function
- $F \subseteq Q$     Set of accept/final states

$M$  accepts  $w = w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n \in \Sigma^n$

if there is a sequence of states  $r_0, r_1, \dots, r_n$  such that

$$r_0 = q_0, \quad \delta(r_i, w_{i+1}) = r_{i+1}, \quad r_n \in F$$

## Decision Problem = Language Recognition Problem

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There is a one-to-one correspondence between decision problem and language recognition problem

*Every language  $L$  over  $\Sigma$  uniquely corresponds to a decision problem  $f : \Sigma^* \mapsto \{\mathbf{Yes}, \mathbf{No}\}$*

$$L = \{w : f(w) = \mathbf{Yes}\}$$

A decision problem is the task of recognizing whether a given string (instance) is in a language

## Language Decided by DFA

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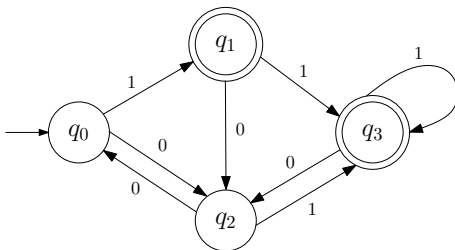
Let  $M$  be a DFA over  $\Sigma$

$$L(M) = \{w \in \Sigma^* : M \text{ accepts } w\}$$

$L(M)$  is the language decided (or accepted/recognized/computed) by  $M$

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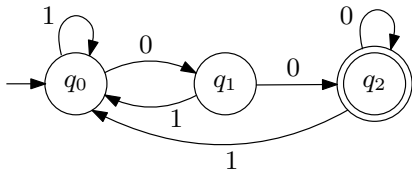
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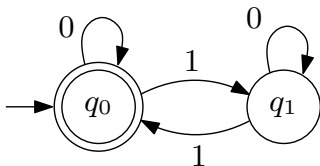
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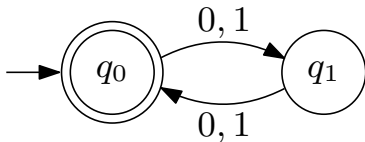
$$L(M) = \{w : w \text{ contains an even number of 1's}\}$$

Give a formal proof by induction (on the length of strings)



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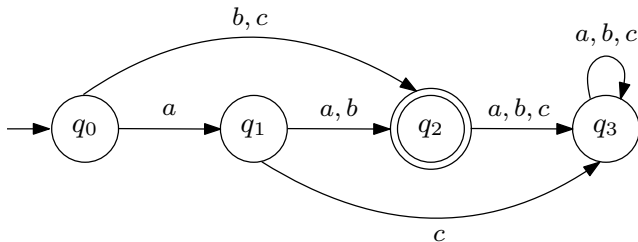
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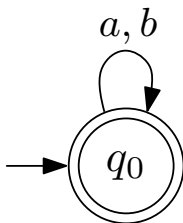
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$$L(M) = \{b, c, aa, ab\}$$

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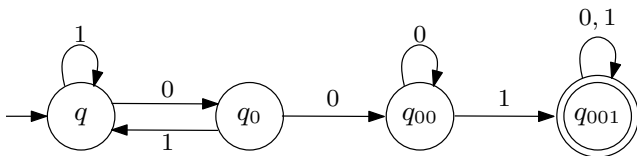
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$$L(M) = \{a, b\}^*$$

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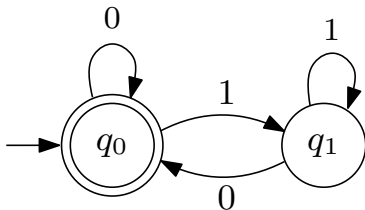
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$$L(M) = \{w : w \text{ contains the substring } 001\}$$

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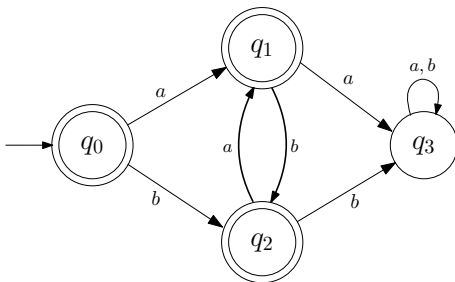


$$L(M) = \{w : w \text{ ends with a } 0\} \cup \{\epsilon\}$$

$\epsilon$  is the unique string of length 0, the empty string

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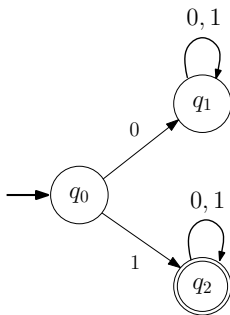
$$L(M) = \{w : w \text{ does not contain } aa \text{ or } bb\}$$

$q_3$  serves as a trap state

## DFA for Languages

Design a DFA (with as few states as you can) for the following language

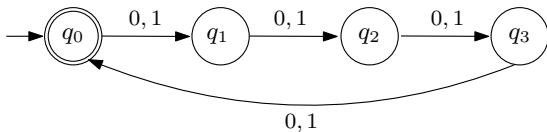
$$L_1 \subseteq \{0, 1\}^* = \{w : w \text{ begins with a } 1\}$$



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$$L_2 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{w : |w| \text{ is divisible by } 4\}$$

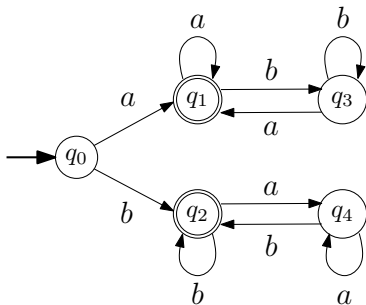




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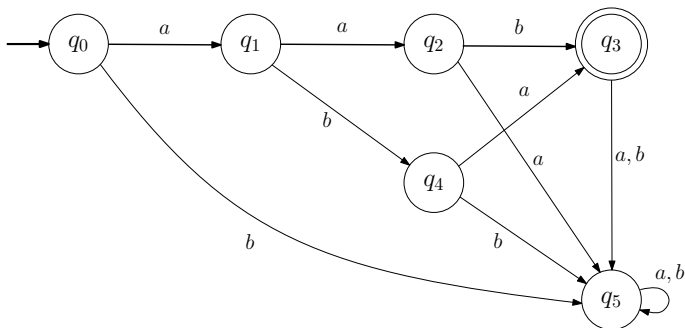
$$L_3 \subseteq \{a, b\}^* = \{w : w \text{ starts and ends with the same character}\}$$



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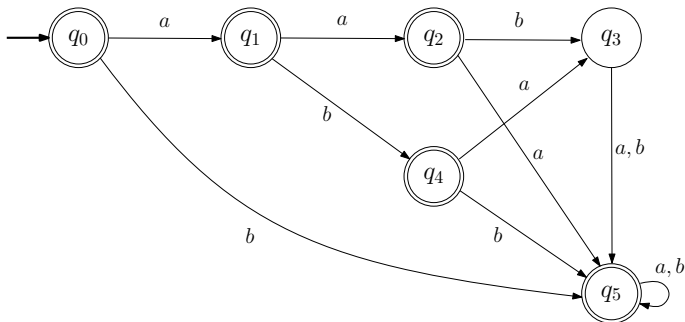
$$L_1 \subseteq \{a, b\}^* = \{aab, aba\}$$



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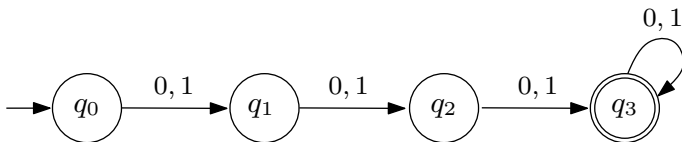
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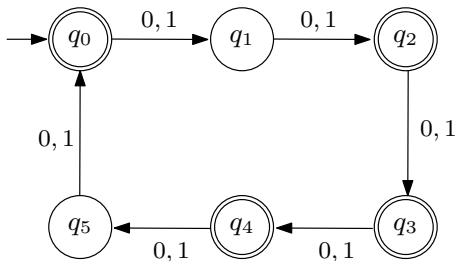
$$L_4 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{w : w \text{ has length at least } 3\}$$



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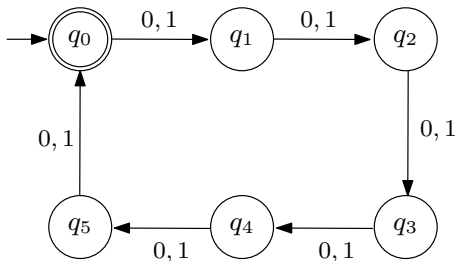
$$L_6 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{w : w \text{ has length divisible } 2 \text{ OR } 3\}$$



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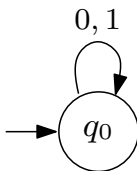
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$$L_6 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \emptyset$$

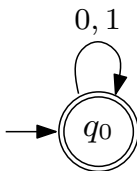


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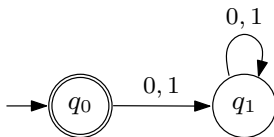




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$$L_6 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{\epsilon\} = \{w : w \text{ is the empty string}\}$$



Design a DFA (with as few states as you can) for the following languages

- $L_5 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{w : w \text{ has length divisible } 3\}$
- $L_7 \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{w : w \text{ has length divisible } 2 \text{ AND } 3\}$
- $L_{10} \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{\epsilon, 001, 001001, 001001001, \dots, \}$
- $L_{11} \subseteq \{0,1\}^* = \{w : w \text{ contains the substring } 101\}$