

DFA: Exercise

Draw the **transition diagram** of a **DFA** which **accepts/recognizes** the following language:

$\{ w \mid w \neq \varepsilon \wedge w \text{ has equal \# of alternating 0's and 1's} \}$

DFA: Formulation (1)

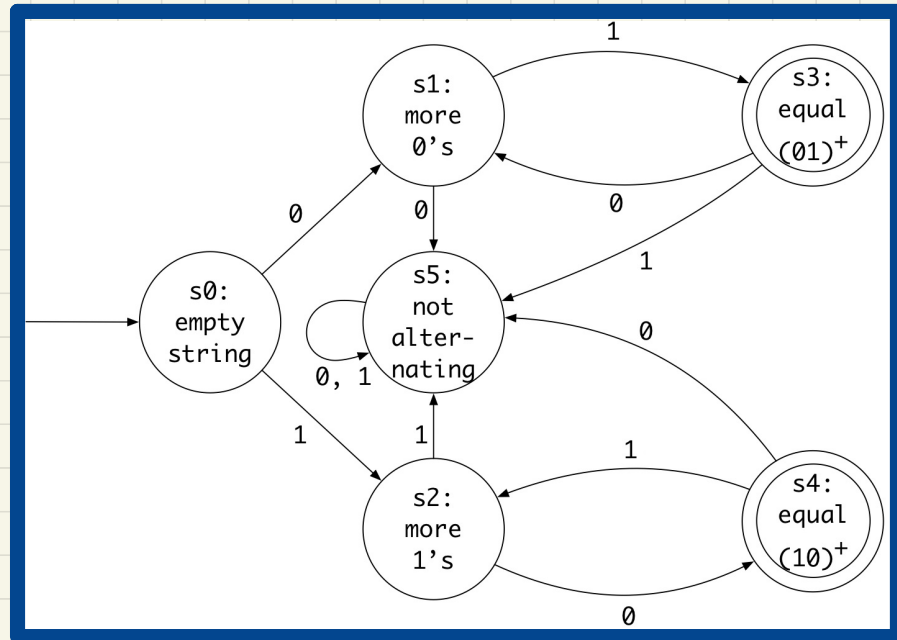
Language of a DFA

$$L(M) = \left\{ a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \mid \right\}$$

e.g., 0101

A *deterministic finite automata (DFA)* is a 5-tuple

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$$



DFA: Formulation (2)

Language of a DFA

$$\hat{\delta} : (Q \times \Sigma^*) \rightarrow Q$$

We may define $\hat{\delta}$ recursively, using δ !

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

$$\hat{\delta}(q, xa) =$$

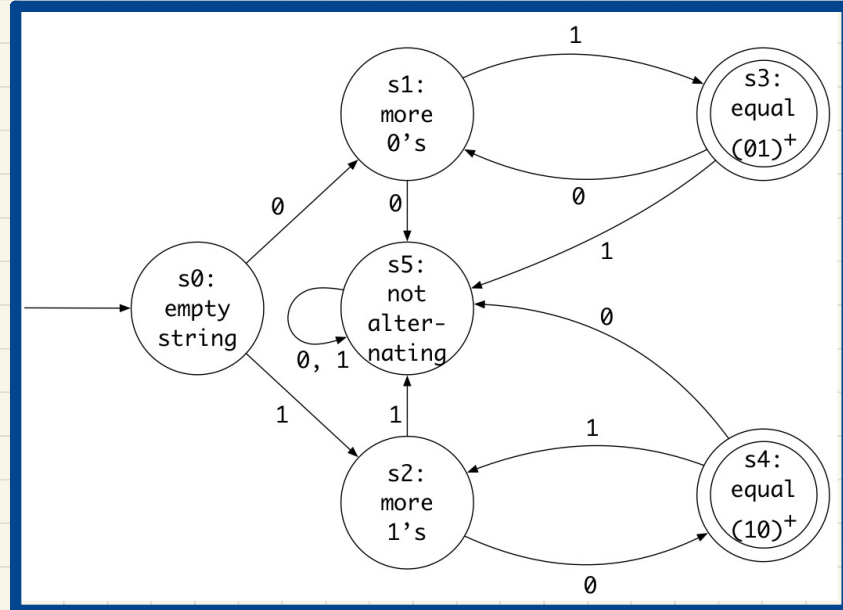
where $q \in Q$, $x \in \Sigma^*$, and $a \in \Sigma$

e.g., 010

$$L(M) = \{w \mid$$

A **deterministic finite automata (DFA)** is a 5-tuple

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DFA vs. NFA

Problem: Design a DFA that accepts the following language:

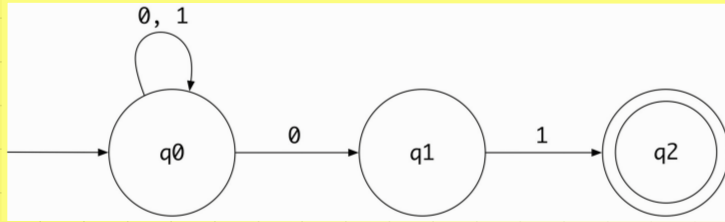
$$L = \{ x01 \mid x \in \{0, 1\}^* \}$$

That is, L is the set of strings of 0s and 1s ending with 01.

A *non-deterministic finite automata (NFA)* that accepts the same language:

NFA Behaviour \approx Alternative Universe

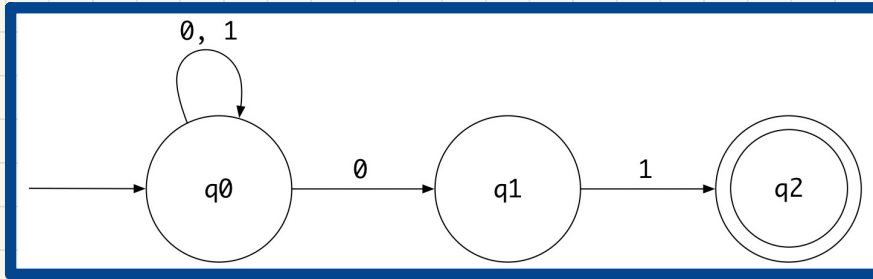
Obviously the time continuum has been disrupted, creating this new temporal event sequence resulting in this alternate reality. [REDACTED]



Trace: 00101

NFA: Processing Strings

How an **NFA** determines if an input **00101** should be **accepted**:



Read **0**:

Read **0**:

Read **0**:

Read **0**:

Read **0**:

NFA: Formulation

Language of a NFA

A *nondeterministic finite automata (NFA)* is a 5-tuple

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$$

$$\hat{\delta} : (Q \times \Sigma^*) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(Q)$$

We may define $\hat{\delta}$ recursively, using δ !

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

$$\hat{\delta}(q, xa) =$$

where $q \in Q$, $x \in \Sigma^*$, and $a \in \Sigma$

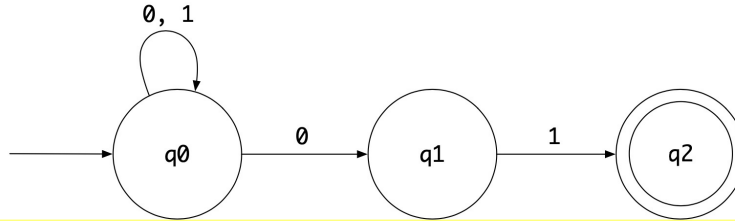
Given an input string **00101**:

- **Read 0:** $\delta(q_0, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\}$
- **Read 0:** $\delta(q_0, 0) \cup \delta(q_1, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\} \cup \emptyset = \{q_0, q_1\}$
- **Read 1:** $\delta(q_0, 1) \cup \delta(q_1, 1) = \{q_0\} \cup \{q_2\} = \{q_0, q_2\}$
- **Read 0:** $\delta(q_0, 0) \cup \delta(q_2, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\} \cup \emptyset = \{q_0, q_1\}$
- **Read 1:** $\delta(q_0, 1) \cup \delta(q_1, 1) = \{q_0, q_1\} \cup \{q_2\} = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$

$$L(M) = \{w \mid$$

NFA to DFA: Subset Construction (Lazy Evaluation)

Given an **NFA**:



Subset construction (with *lazy evaluation*) produces a **DFA** with δ as:

| state \ input | 0 | 1 |
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Subset Construction: **Algorithmic** Specification

Given an **NFA** $N = (Q_N, \Sigma_N, \delta_N, q_0, F_N)$:

ALGORITHM: *ReachableSubsetStates*

INPUT: $q_0 : Q_N$; **OUTPUT:** *Reachable* $\subseteq \mathbb{P}(Q_N)$

PROCEDURE:

Reachable $:= \{ \{q_0\} \}$

ToDiscover $:= \{ \{q_0\} \}$

while (*ToDiscover* $\neq \emptyset$) {

 choose $S : \mathbb{P}(Q_N)$ such that $S \in ToDiscover$

 remove S from *ToDiscover*

NotYetDiscovered $:=$

$(\{ \{ \delta_N(s, 0) \mid s \in S \} \} \cup \{ \{ \delta_N(s, 1) \mid s \in S \} \}) \setminus \textit{Reachable}$

Reachable $:= \textit{Reachable} \cup \textit{NotYetDiscovered}$

ToDiscover $:= ToDiscover \cup \textit{NotYetDiscovered}$

}

return *Reachable*

| state \ input | 0 | 1 |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| $\{q_0\}$ | $\{q_0, q_1\}$ | $\{q_0\}$ |
| $\{q_0, q_1\}$ | $\{q_0, q_1\}$ | $\{q_0, q_2\}$ |
| $\{q_0, q_2\}$ | $\{q_0, q_1\}$ | $\{q_0\}$ |

epsilon-NFA: Motivation

Draw NFA

$$\left\{ xy \mid \begin{array}{l} x \in \{0,1\}^* \\ \wedge y \in \{0,1\}^* \\ \wedge x \text{ has alternating } 0\text{'s and } 1\text{'s} \\ \wedge y \text{ has an odd \# } 0\text{'s and an odd \# } 1\text{'s} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ w : \{0,1\}^* \mid \begin{array}{l} w \text{ has alternating } 0\text{'s and } 1\text{'s} \\ \vee w \text{ has an odd \# } 0\text{'s and an odd \# } 1\text{'s} \end{array} \right\}$$