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We introduce a **conceptual machine** that occurs in practice more frequently than the transition graph.

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Michael Oser Rabin & Dana Scott, 1959

A nondeterministic finite state machine (NFA) is a transition graph with

- a unique start state
- each of its edge labels is a single alphabet.

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A nondeterministic finite automaton (abbreviated NFA) is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, A)$ where

- Q means a finite set of states.
- Σ is a finite input alphabet.
- $q_0 \in Q$ named Initial state.
- $A \subseteq Q$, A is the set of all accepted states.
- δ is a function from $Q \times \Sigma$ to $P(Q)$ where $P(Q)$ is the power set of Q .

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For a NFA, $M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, A)$ and any $p \in Q$, $\delta^*(p, \Lambda) = \{p\}$.

For any $p \in Q$ and $x = a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n \in \Sigma^*$ (with $n \geq 1$)

$\delta^*(p, x)$ is the set of all states q for which

there is a sequence of states $p = p_0, p_1 p_2 \dots p_{n-1}, p_n = q$ satisfying

- $p_i \in \delta(p_{i-1}, a_i)$ for each i with $1 \leq i \leq n$.

$$\delta^*(p, y a_n) = \bigcup_{\text{all } r \in \delta^*(p, y)} \delta(r, a_n)$$

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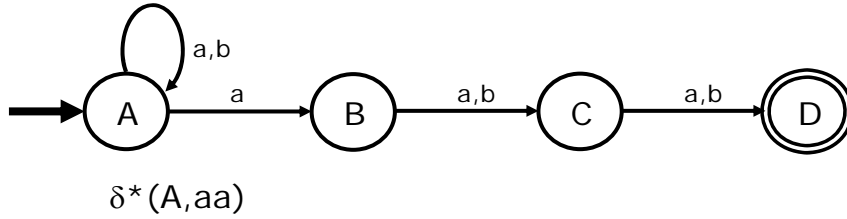
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ACCEPTANCE BY A NFA

The set of all strings that leave the NFA in the final state is called the language defined by the NFA or the language associated with this machine.

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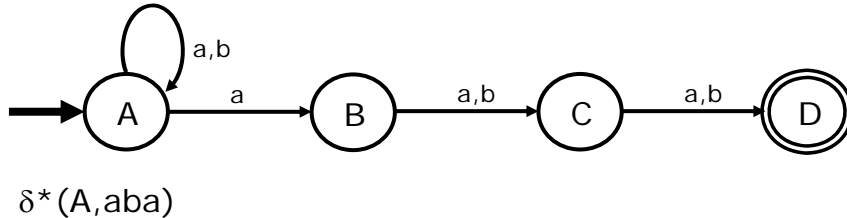
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WITH Λ -TRANSITION

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A nondeterministic finite automaton with Λ -transition (NFA- Λ) is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, A)$ where

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For an NFA- Λ $M=(Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, A)$ states p and $q \in Q$ and a string $x = a_1a_2a_3...a_n \in \Sigma^*$, we will say M moves from p to q by a sequence of transitions corresponding to x if

there exist an integer $m \geq n$, a sequence $b_1b_2b_3...b_m \in \Sigma \cup \{\Lambda\}$ satisfying $x = b_1b_2b_3...b_m$ and a sequence of states $p = p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m=q$ so that for each $i, 1 \leq i \leq m, p_i \in \delta(p_{i-1}, b_i)$.

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For $x \in \Sigma^*$ and $p \in Q, \delta^*(p, x)$ is the set of all states $q \in Q$ such that there is a sequence of transitions corresponding to x by which M moves from p to q .

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Λ -closure

Let $M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, A)$ be a NFA- Λ .

Let S be any subset of Q .

The Λ -closure of S is the set $\Lambda(S)$ defined as follows:

- Every element of S is an element of $\Lambda(S)$.
- For any $q \in \Lambda(S)$, every element of $\delta(q, \Lambda)$ is in $\Lambda(S)$.
- No other elements of Q are in $\Lambda(S)$.

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For a NFA- Λ $M = (Q, \Sigma, q_0, \delta, A)$.

The extended transition function $\delta^*: Q \times \Sigma^* \rightarrow P(Q)$ is defined as follows:

For any $q \in Q$, $\delta^*(q, \Lambda) = \Lambda(\{q\})$

For any $q \in Q$, $y \in \Sigma^*$ and $a \in \Sigma$,

$$\delta^*(q, ya) = \Lambda(\cup_{r \in \delta^*(q, y)} \delta(r, a))$$

A string x is accepted by M if $\delta^*(q_0, x) \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

The language recognized by M is the set $L(M)$ of all strings accepted by M .

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For every nondeterministic finite state machine, there is some finite state machine accepts exactly the same language.

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For any alphabet Σ and any $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$, these three statements are equivalent:

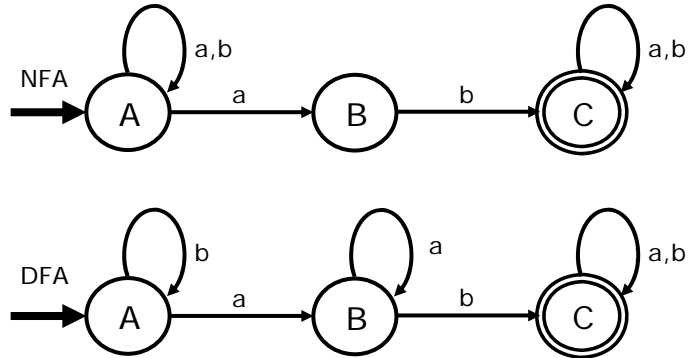
- L can be recognized by FA
- L can be recognized by NFA
- L can be recognized by NFA- Λ .

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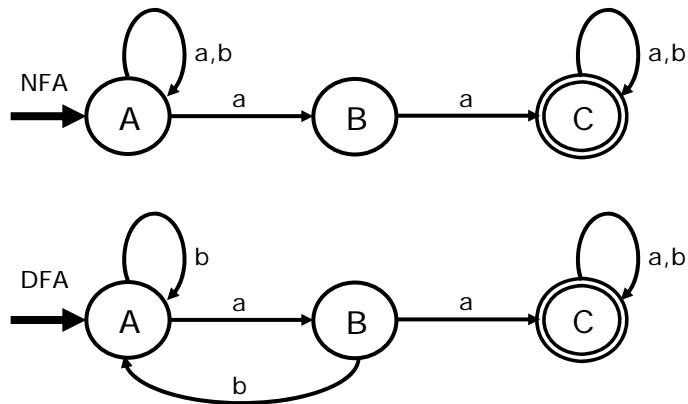
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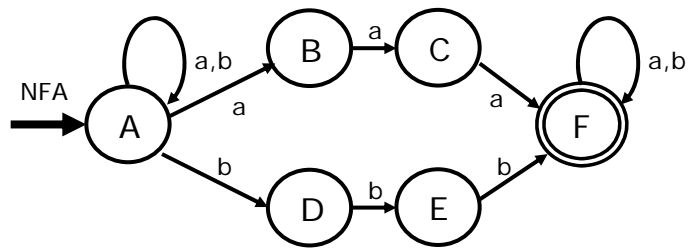
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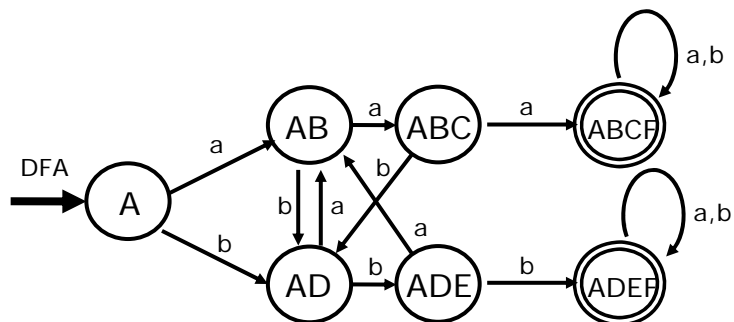


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