# AN EFFICIENT ALGORITHM TO DESIGN DFA THAT ACCEPT STRINGS OVER THE INPUT SYMBOL a, b, c HAVING ATMOST X NUMBER OF a, Y NUMBER OF b & Z NUMBER OF c

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### Abstract

Automata theory has played an important role in modeling behavior of systems In this paper we propose an algorithm to construct a DFA that accept strings over input symbols a, b, c having accept strings over input symbols a, b, c having atmost x number of a, y number of b & z number of c.

Keywords: DFA, Automata, strings, Implementation, symbol

#### Introduction

Automata theory has proved to be a counterstone of theoretical computer science. In search of simplest models to capture the finite state machines, MC Culloch and Pitts were among the first researchers to introduce a concept similar to finite automaton in 1943 (1)

Automata theory has become a basis in theoretical computer science because of its various applications(2). Danish Ather and others develop an efficient algorithm to design DFA that accept strings over input symbol a, b having at most x number of a & y number of b (3). We are motivated by this to develop an Algorithm to design DFA over three input symbols a, b, c that accept strings having atmost x number of a, y number of b & z number of c. We use the following definition of DFA & acceptance of strings in this paper.

#### **Definition**

Finite Automata (M) is defined as a five tuple (Q,  $\Sigma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $q_0$ , F) Where

Q - a finite, non empty set of states

Σ - a finite, non empty set of inputs

 $\delta$  - Q X  $\Sigma \rightarrow Q$  is the state - transition function

 $q_0 \in Q$  is the initial state

 $F \subseteq Q$  is the set of final states

# Definition

A string  $w \in \Sigma^*$  is said to be accepted by a DFA M if  $\delta$   $(q_0, w) \in F$  **2.Algorithm**:

By Applying this Algorithm we can construct Deterministic Finite Automate that accept strings over input symbol a, b, c having atmost x number of a, y number of b & Z number of c.

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Algorithm
                 to
                          draw
                                     Transition
                                                        Graph
                                                                     Deterministic
                                                                                            Finite
                                                                                                         Automata
          M - (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F) where
          Q = \{q_{0jk}\}\ U \{q_{i0k}\}\ U \{q_{ij0}\}\  where i = 0 to x, j = 0 to y, k = 0 to z
          \Sigma = \{a, b, c\}
          \delta - Q X Σ \rightarrow Q (Represented by Transition Graph)
          q_0 = q i_{jk \text{ Where}} i = j = k = 0 ie q_{000}
          F = Q
Let Q be the set of states in Deterministic Finite Automata such that
          Q - \{q_{000}, q_{011}, q_{021}, q_{0jk}, q_{101}, q_{201,....}, q_{i0k}, q_{110,...}, q_{ijo}\}
Where i - 0 to x
          j - 0 \text{ to } y
          k - 0 to z
Input symbol \Sigma = \{a, b, c\}
q<sub>000</sub> is the initial state
Design a directed transition graph having
(x+1) (y+1) + (y+1) (z+1) + (x+1) (z+1) - (x+y+z+2)
states and mark all states as final states label each node as q_{000}, q_{110}, q_{011}, q_{021}, ...... q_{ojk}, q_{010},
q_{110, \dots} q_{j_0, q_{001}, q_{101}, q_{201}, \dots} q_{i_{0k}} Where i = 0 to x, j = 0 to y, k = 0 to z
          For i = 0 to x
          do
          For j - 0 to y
          For k - O to z
if l=j=k=0 then q_{000} \in Q_0 (initial state)
else there exist a edge E such that
          \delta (q i_{jo, a}) = q (i_{+1) jo}; \quad \delta (q(i_{ok, a}) = q (i_{+1) ok};
          \delta (q_{0jk, b}) = q_{0(j+1)k}; \delta (q_{ij0, b}) = q_{i(j+1)0};
          \delta (q_{0jk, c}) = q_{0j(K+1)}; \delta (q_{i0k, c}) = q_{i0(K+1)}
done inner loop
done outer loop
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DFA "M" will accept strings over input symbol a, b, c having atmost x number of a, y number of b & number of c.

# Implementation

Design a DFA that accept strings over Input symbol a, b, c having atmost three a's; three b's of three c's

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Let the resultant DFA is M - ( Q, \Sigma, \delta, q<sub>0</sub>, F) where {q<sub>0jk</sub>} U {q<sub>i0k</sub>} U {q<sub>ij0</sub>} where i = 0 to 3, j = 0 to 3, k = 0 to 3
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 $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$   $Q_0 = q_{000}$  F = Q

 $\delta$  - Q X  $\Sigma \rightarrow$  Q is given by the transition graph in Figure1

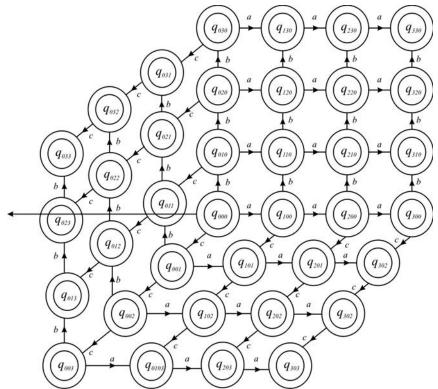


Figure 1 TG of DFA that accept strings over input symbol a, b, c having atmost 3, a's, 3 b 's, 3 c 's

Design a DFA that accept strings over input symbol a,b,c having atmost only one a, two b & two C

Let the resultant DFA is M = (Q,  $\Sigma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $q_0$ , F) where

 $Q = \begin{cases} q_{000}, q_{100}, q_{010}, q_{110}, q_{020}, q_{120}, q_{001}, q_{101}, q_{002}, q_{102}, q_{022}, q_{021}, q_{012}, q_{011} \\ Z = \begin{cases} \{a, b, c\} \end{cases}$ 

 $\delta$  - Q X  $\Sigma \rightarrow$  Q is given by the transition graph in Fig2

 $\begin{array}{ccc} Q_0 & - & q_{000}, \\ F & = & Q \end{array}$ 

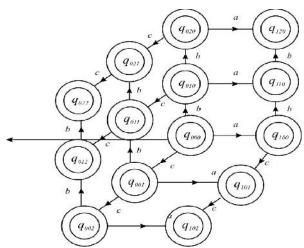


Figure 2 TG of DFA that accept strings over Input symbol a, b, c having atmost one a, two b's & two c's

Design a DFA that accept strings over input symbol a,b,c having atmost two a's two b's & two c's

Let the resultant DFA is

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

Q =  $\{q_{ojk}\}$  U  $\{q_{i0k}\}$  U  $\{q_{ij0}\}$  where i = 0 to 2, j = 0 to 2, k = 0 to 2

 $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ 

 $Q_0 - q_{000}$ 

 $\delta$  - Q X  $\Sigma \rightarrow$  Q is given by the transition graph in Fig2

F = Q

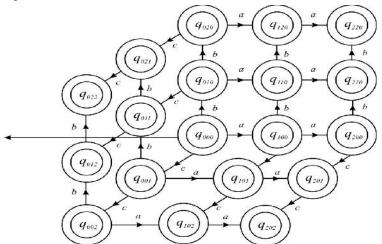


Figure 3 TG of DFA that accept strings over input symbol a, b, c having atmost two a's, two b's & two c's

## **Analysis of Acceptance of Strings**

4.1 In the DFA given in Fig1, the following strings are checked whether they are accepted or rejected and the result is given below.

Strings	Result
a a b	Accepted
a a b c b b b	Rejected
abcabcaa	Rejected
bcabaca	Accepted
aabccc	Accepted
caabaab	Rejected

4.2 In the DFA given in Fig 2 the following strings are verified whether they are accepted or rejected and the result is given below.

Strings	Result
aabc	Rejected
aaac	Rejected
abbcc	Accepted
b b c c	Accepted
a b b c c	Accepted
a b c	Accepted
ababab	Rejected

4.3 In the DFA given in Fig 3 the following strings are verified whether they are accepted or rejected and the result is given below.

Strings	Result
a b a c c b	Accepted
a a b b c c	Accepted
cabbbc	Rejected
a b c c	Accepted
a b c b c	Accepted
b a c	Accepted

## Conclusion

Thus in this paper, we give an efficient algorithm to design a DFA that accept strings over input symbol a, b, c having atmost x number of a, y number of b & z number of c. In the next research, we will give an algorithm over more than 3 input symbols.

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