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Language Theory Exam (LT)

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1. Give the formal description of G . (1 pt)
2. What is the type of G ? (Justify your answer) (1 pt)
3. Give a **description in English** of the language $L(G)$ generated by G . (1 pt)
4. Show that : $w_1 \in L(G) ; w_2 \in L(G)$. (2 pts)

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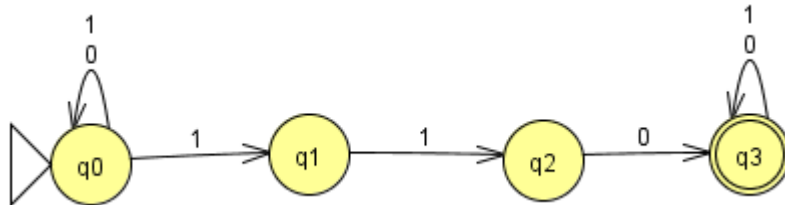
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For each language :

1. Construct the corresponding automata (**only give the transition graph**) ;
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2. G is of type 2 (0.25 pt) because all the production rules are of the form :

$$A \rightarrow \alpha \text{ with } A \in V_N \text{ and } \alpha \in (V_T \cup V_N)^* \text{ (0.75 pt)}$$

3. A description in English of the language $L(G)$ generated by G . (1 pt)

The language is the set of words :

a sequence of statements + if statement + if...else statement + Nested if statements + Nested if...else statement

4. $(w_1 = \text{if } (b) \{a ; \} \text{ else } \{a ; \}) \in L(G)$ (1 pt)

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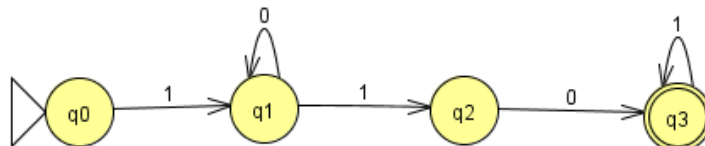
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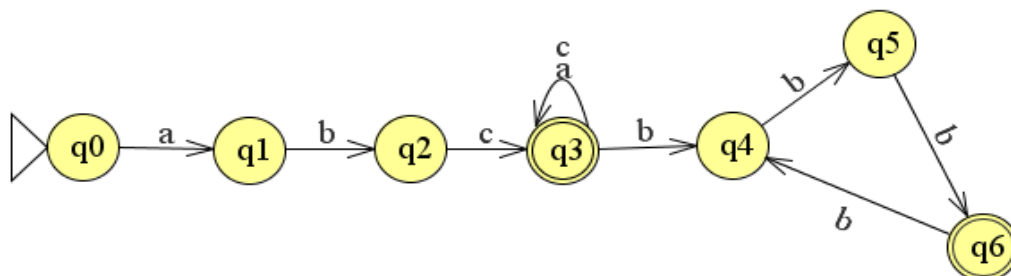
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$G1 (V_T, V_N, S, P) = G1 (\{0,1\}, \{S, A, B\}, S, P) , P = \{ S \rightarrow 1A10B ; A \rightarrow 0A | \epsilon ; B \rightarrow 1B | \epsilon \}$

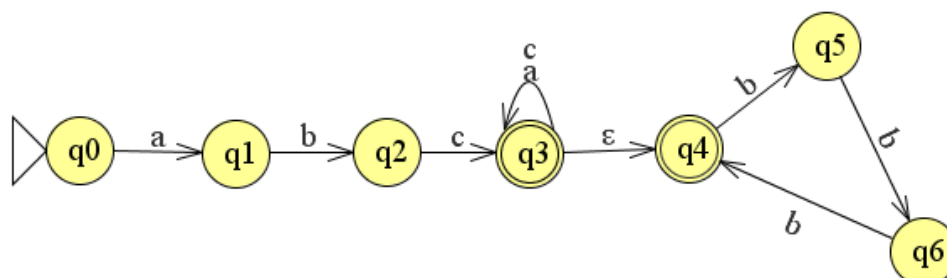
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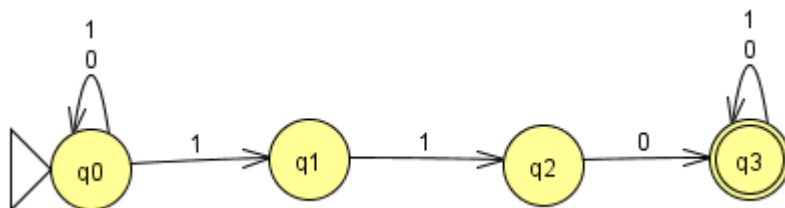
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1. Explain why automaton A is not deterministic. (0.5 pt)

The automaton A is not deterministic because : $\delta(q_0, 1) = \{q_0, q_1\}$, more than one state.

2. Determine A .

Determinization of A (A_{det}) :

We apply the determinization algorithm of a NFA without ε – transitions :

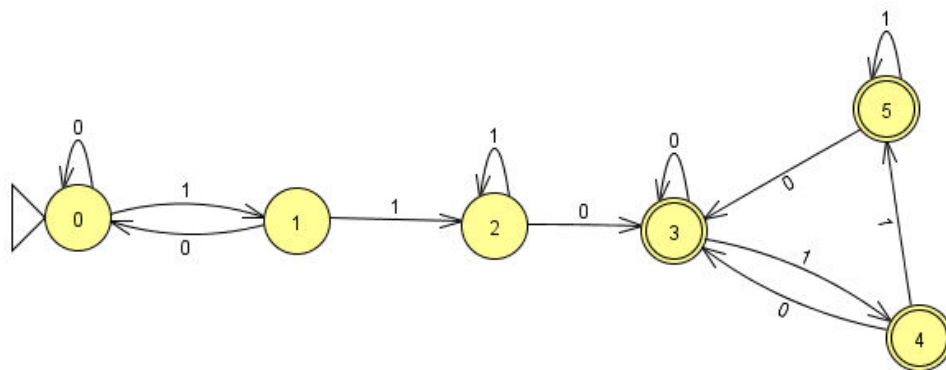
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The new DFA $A_{det} = (V_T, Q', q_0, \delta_{det}, Q'_F) = (\{0,1\}, \{0,1,2,3,4,5\}, \{0\}, \delta_{det}, \{3,4,5\})$ with δ_{det} the transition function given by :

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$\Rightarrow \{q_0\}$	$\Rightarrow 0$	0	1
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3. Say if the following words can be recognized by the automaton A : $\varepsilon, 01, 1101, 01101$ (2.5 pts)

$w = \varepsilon$: (0.25 pt)

$\delta^*(q_0, \varepsilon) = \delta(q_0, \varepsilon) = ?$

Or

$(q_0, \varepsilon) \vdash ?$

So $\varepsilon \notin L(A)$

$w = 01$: (0.25 pt)

$\delta^*(q_0, 01) = \delta^*(q_0, 1) = \delta(q_0, 1) = \{q_0, q_1\}$

or

$(q_0, 01) \vdash (q_0, 1) \vdash \{q_0, q_1\}$

We have :

$(q_0, 01) \vdash^* \{q_0, q_1\}$ and $(\sigma = \{q_0, q_1\}) \in P(Q)$ and $\sigma \cap Q_F = \{q_0, q_1\} \cap \{q_3\} = \emptyset$

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w = 1101 : (1 pt)

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta^*(q_0, 1101) &= \delta^*({q_0, q_1}, 101) \\
&= \delta^*(q_0, 101) \cup \delta^*(q_1, 101) \\
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So 1101 $\in L(A)$

w = 01101 : (1 pt)

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$$(q_0, 01101) \vdash^* \{q_0, q_1, q_3\} \text{ and } (\sigma = \{q_0, q_1, q_3\}) \in P(Q) \text{ and } \sigma \cap Q_F = \{q_0, q_1, q_3\} \cap \{q_3\} \neq \emptyset$$

So 01101 $\in L(A)$