

Calculate FIRST sets for the following Grammar

$S ::= \text{lpar } X \text{ rpar}$

$X ::= \text{id comma } X$

$\mid \varepsilon$

Q1

QUESTION 1 (10 POINTS)

Assume, for this question, that you are the captain of a pirate ship.

PART I

Your first mate claims that **there exists** an NFA with 3 states, and that **there exists** an equivalent DFA with only 1 state. Is your first mate correct? If so, give an example of such an NFA / DFA pair. If not, explain why no such pair could exist.



PART II

Your helmsman claims that **there exists** an NFA with 3 states, and that **any** equivalent DFA **must have** at least 8 states. Is your helmsman correct? If so, show the NFA and its equivalent DFA. If not, explain why no such NFA could exist.

A B C

$\{A, B, C\}$

$\{A, C\}$ $\{A, B\}$, $\{B, C\}$

$\{A\}$ $\{B\}$ $\{C\}$

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Q

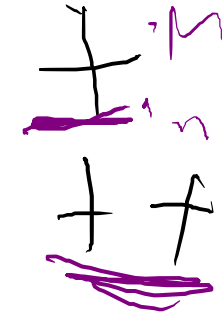
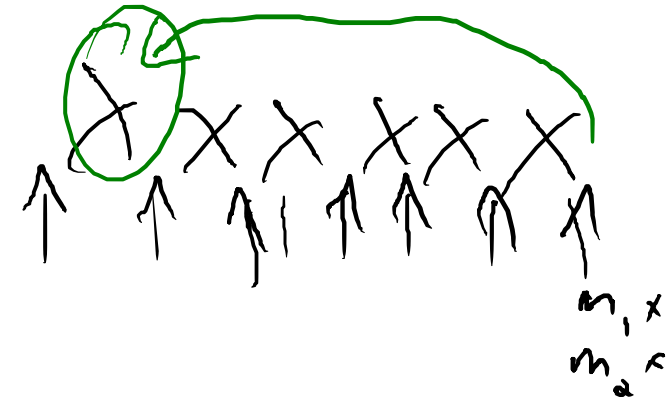
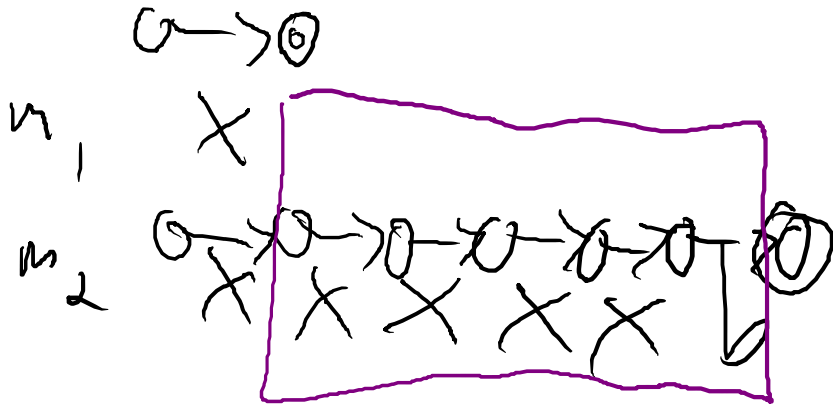
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Q2

QUESTION 2 (10 POINTS)

We described a method by which DFAs could be used to create a tokenizer (i.e. a translator from a stream of characters to a stream of tokens). The tokenizer had to backtrack over the input string even after an accepting state had been found for one of the token DFAs.

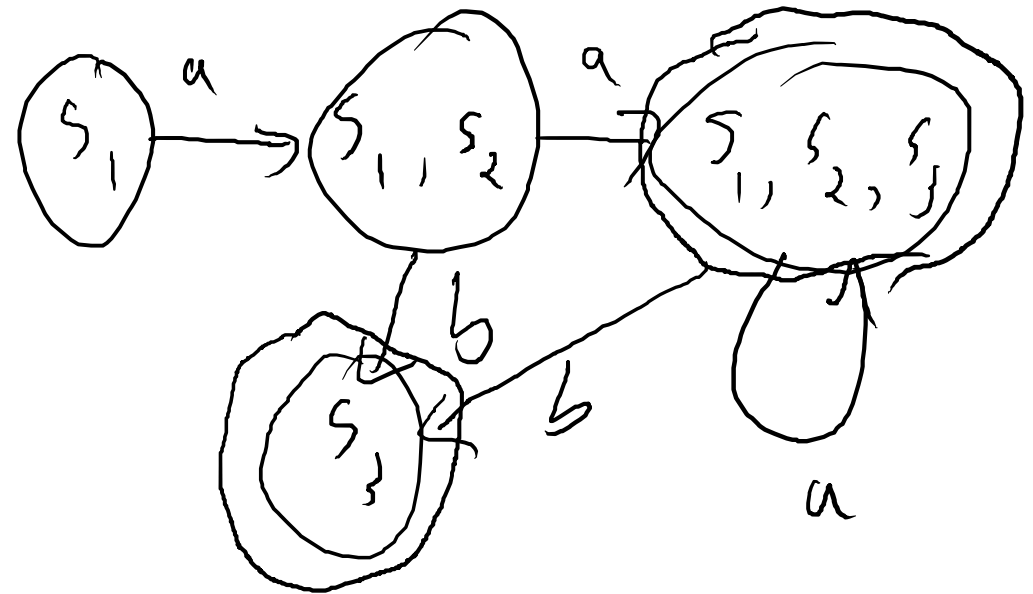
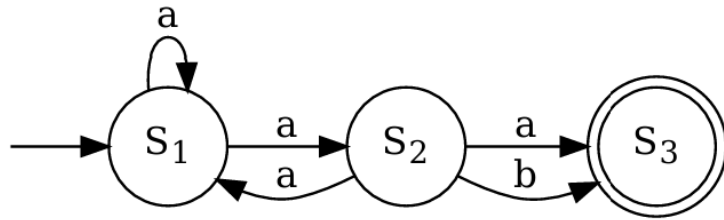
Write a series of token languages and an input string that would cause the tokenizer to backtrack by at least 2 characters. Explain why this backtracking happens.



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QUESTION 3 (10 POINTS)

Create an equivalent DFA to the given NFA (e.g., use the Rabin-Scott powerset construction):



Q4

S
C
A

QUESTION 4 (10 POINTS)

The language *of* all regular expressions can itself be expressed as a context free grammar! Imagine that a tokenizer has already built that uses the tokens

`star`, `or`, `lpar`, `rpar`, and `char` for tokenizing a given regular expression.

For example,

`(ab|c)*` would be tokenized as `lpar` `char` `char` `or` `char` `rpar` `star`

Write a context-free grammar for token streams of valid regular expressions. Your grammar should be unambiguous, and respect the precedence of the operators.

$A ::= C \text{ or } A$

$| C$

$C ::= C S$

$| S$

$S ::= S \text{ star}$

$| P$
 $P ::= \text{char} \mid \text{lpar } A \text{ rpar}$

Q5

QUESTION 5 (10 POINTS)

Imagine the following is the rules section of a Flex spec:

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by          {std::cout << "1\n"; }  
cr(o+)[^m]  {std::cout << "2\n"; }  
[.\n]+      {std::cout << "3\n"; }  
...         {std::cout << "4\n"; }
```

What does this spec print on the following input: `bycrom`?

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