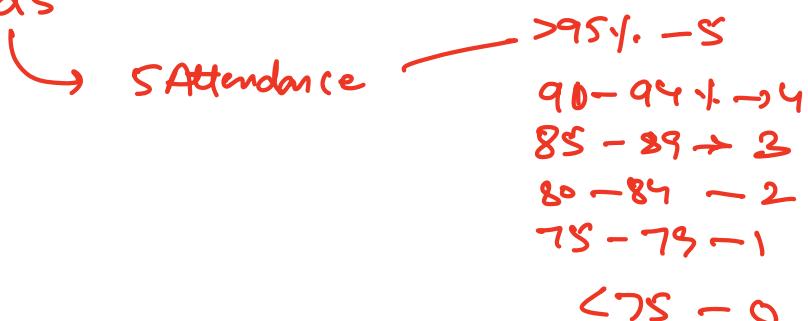


## Logistics

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— Test

## Books:

Hopcroft Ullman Introduction to Automata Theory, Languages & Computation.

## Theory of Computation:

Symbol

a, b, c, d, 1, 2, 3 ...

Basic Building  
Blocks  
(letters, numbers)

Alphabet

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

Subset of Symbols  
 $\Sigma$

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

String

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

a, b, aa, bc, ca, cc ...

Sequence of  
Alphabets

$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$  a, b, aaa, ab, ba ...

How many strings are possible of length  $n$  with  $\{a, b\}$  alphabets?

Length 3

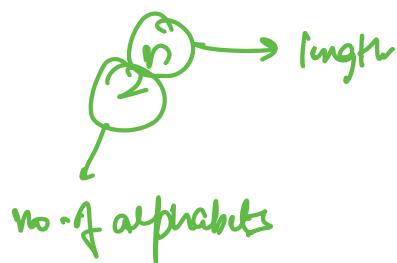
$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\quad} \quad \overline{\quad} \quad \overline{\quad} \\ a, b \quad a, b \quad a, b \\ 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \\ = 2^3 \end{array}$$

aaa  
aab  
aba  
abb  
baa  
bab  
bba  
bbb

8 strings

Length n

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \overline{\quad} & \overline{\quad} & \overline{\quad} & - & - & - & \dots \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & & & & \\ & & & & & & \end{array}$$



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

$|\Sigma|$ : no. of alphabets

no. of strings of length  $n$  =  $|\Sigma|^n$

language Collection of Strings

$L_1$ : Set of all strings of length 2

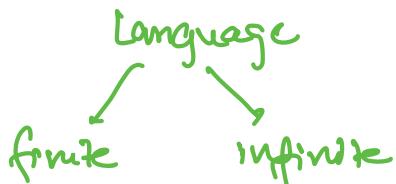
$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$L_1 = \{aa, ba, bb, ab\}$$

finite language

$L_2$  Set of all strings of length 3

$$L_2 = \{aaa, aab, aba, abb, baa, bab, bba, bbb\}$$



$L_3$  Set of all strings where each string starts with a

$$L_3 = \{a, aa, ab, aaa, aab, aaaa, \dots\}$$

$\downarrow$   
Infinite language

Powers of  $\Sigma$

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

$\Sigma^1$  = Set of all strings over  $\Sigma$  of length 1

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

$\Sigma^2$  = Set of all strings over  $\Sigma$  of length 2

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

$$= \{aa, ab, ba, bb\}$$

$$\Sigma^3 = \Sigma \cdot \Sigma \cdot \Sigma = \{a, b\} \{a, b\} \{a, b\}$$

$|\Sigma^3|$  = Cardinality of  $\Sigma^3$

$$= \overbrace{\{a, b\} \{a, b\} \{a, b\}}^{} = 8$$

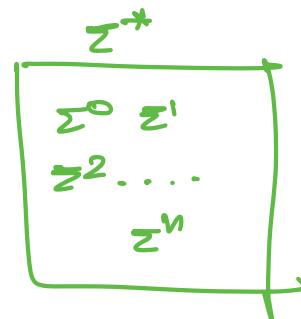
no of elements in  
 $\Sigma^3$

$\Sigma^n$  = n length strings

$\Sigma^0$  = Set of all strings over  $\Sigma$  of length 0  
= { $\epsilon$ }  
↳ epsilon is a special symbol of length 0

$|\Sigma| = 0$  (length of epsilon is 0)

$\Sigma^*$  =  $\Sigma^0 \cup \Sigma^1 \cup \Sigma^2 \cup \Sigma^3 \dots \dots \Sigma^n$   
= { $\epsilon$ }  $\cup$  {a, b}  $\cup$  {aa, ab, ba, bb}  $\cup \dots \dots$   
= { $\epsilon$ , a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb  $\dots \dots$ }  
→ Set of all strings possible over {a, b} of all lengths



Case 1: finite  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

$L_1$  = Strings of length  $\geq 2$   
= {aa, ab, ba, bb}

'bc' ? X

Case 2: Infinite

$L_2$  = Strings starting with a  
= {a, ab, aa, aba, ...}

'bc' ?

Given a language  $L$ , you need a finite representation (machine) which can be stored in a memory and by using it you should be able to tell if a string is present in language or not.

### Finite Representation



State:

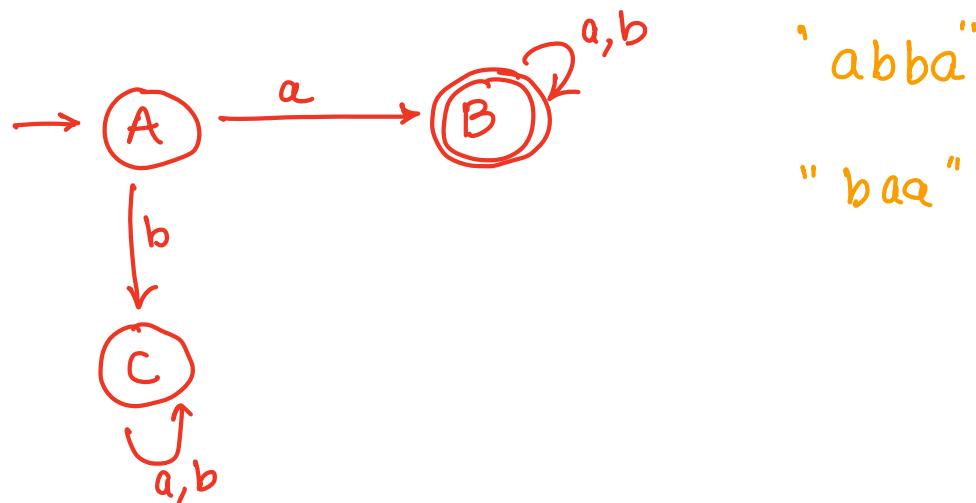
Final State:

Initial State:

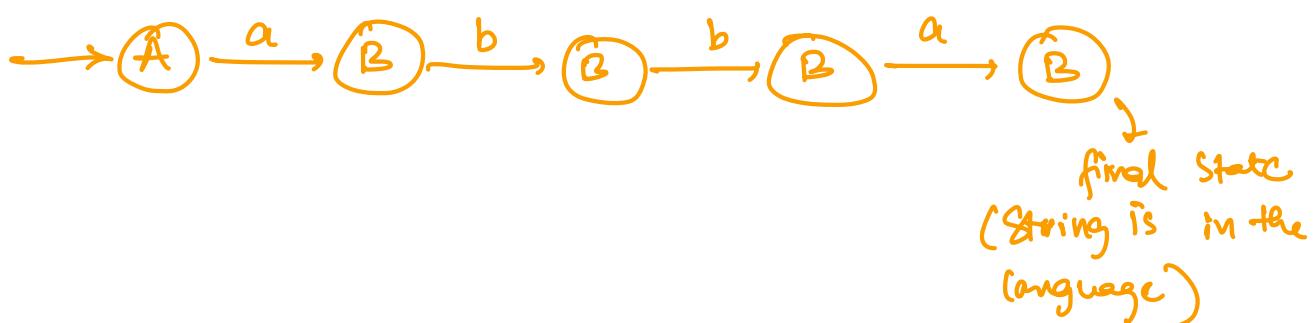
$L = \text{Set of all strings which start with 'a'}$ .

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

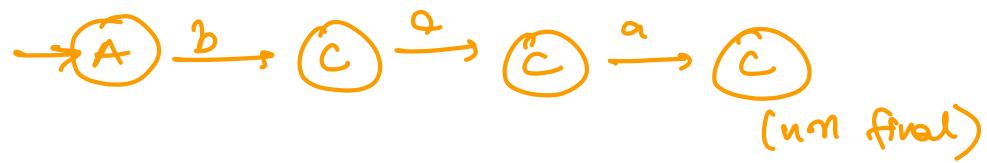
FA:



✓✓✓✓✓  
abba



bac



(String is not in the language)

finik Automata:

