

Converting an NFA to a DFA with programming C++

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Abstract

In Automata Theory, if a language is recognized by a Non-deterministic finite automaton (NFA), then we must show the existence of deterministic finite automaton (DFA) that also recognizes it. There are many idea and algorithms to convert an NFA in to an equivalent DFA that simulates the NFA. In this paper, we present an algorithm to convert an NFA to a DFA with programming by C++. This approach contains several classes and is so universal that cover converting from NFA to DFA completely.

Keywords

Automata, Convert, NFA, DFA, C++.

1. Introduction

In theory of Automata, deterministic (DFA) and nondeterministic (NFA) finite automaton are useful and important concepts. DFA is the easiest structure for recognizing a formal language. NFA is a generalization of DFA that in NFA several choices may exist for the next state and any point. So every DFA is automatically a NFA and Every NFA has an equivalent DFA [5]. We convert ordinary NFA's into DFA's by a process known as the Subset Construction. There are many articles about this concept. In [1] and [4], Authors showed that for each n-state NFA accepting a finite language, there exists an equivalent DFA. In large NFA's, the subset construction is very long process and boring. So we need an algorithm to convert every NFA to DFA easily. In this paper we obtain an algorithms with C++ can convert every NFA to a DFA.

These algorithms divided too many classes to be useful and universal for every large NFA. All notations and symbols are standard and the reader referred to [3] for computer sciences and to [6] for programming.

2. Basic concepts and definition

In the following, we describe the definition of DFA and NFA.

Definition 1 A DFA is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

1. Q is a finite set called states.
2. Σ is a finite set called alphabet.
3. $\delta: Q * \Sigma \rightarrow Q$ is the transition function.
4. $q_0 \in Q$ is the start state and
5. $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of accept states.

Definition 2 A NFA is a 5-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

1. Q is a finite set of states.
2. Σ is a finite alphabet.
3. $\delta: Q * \Sigma \rightarrow P(Q)$ is a transition function.
4. $q_0 \in Q$ is the start state and
5. $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of accept states.

It is easy to see that NFA is stronger than DFA for reorganization of languages; But DFA has the simple and intelligible structure.

3. Main Algorithm

In this case, an algorithm is given to convert a NFA to the equivalent DFA. One DFA can move from a state to other states while a DFA move from a state to one other state. In fact, with a iteration symbol, NFA can move to next states. However don't add to the device any more power and yet series of language serve as regular language accept. NFA can be in several states at the same time. We can simulate it with a DFA which has a set of foundation NFA states.

In this program, we used engrafted lists dynamically and define some functions in different classes and grafted list is used in classes. In grafter list, there is

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description about the structure and the nodes type. Then the ceases before and after nodes are evaluated. We make a circle for all of the outputs in empty situation. For inserting and omitting the array is used with 100 length to do this work. To do so, at first, the list should be regulate and then array elements copy from the list and its length add to its elements. we have used the important functions in these classes. also, symbols are used such as "==" for the equality of functions name and "==" to allocate and "<<" to oppose in function and Null returns unequal in list. To do the process, it has used two FOR circles and two functions A, B. the final result is shown in array. Then we consider the most input cases and define counters and cases. Then put the empty state for state can't move to another state with a symbol. Note that showing λ (empty), can move from one state to another without seeing the input. We start from 0 state and make a new state for array output. But we distinguish the out puts for all of the states except empty. the other cases are done as before. for understanding the regulation of program, at the beginning of each state, there are explanations about them. All notations in C++ are standard and the reader can refer to [2] in unknown subprogram. In the following, the program is written by C++.

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*****
*****
#include<iostream.h>
#include<fstream.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<string.h>
#include<iomanip.h>
#define MAX_STATES 500
#define MAX_INPUTS 50

/*****
*****
/* I have used Linked Lists to dynamically allocate
the states */
/* I found Linked lists are very useful as after
transormation states */
/* may be more than one.I have written functions in
LinkedList class */
/* and their function easily known by seeing their
name */
/* GetAllInfo function returns the length of the
LinkedList and copies*/
/* all elements into an Array.I used Templates to
input the states */
/* and Input symbols.Iprefered to input integers as
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input symbols */
/* as with integers we can make the program more
easier */
/* I overloaded '<<' operator to output the states as q
followed by */
/* the number of that particular state. */

// NODE STRUCTURE OF LINKED LIST NODE
template<class T>
struct LinkedListNodeType
{
    LinkedListNodeType<T> *Next;
    T NodeInfo;
    LinkedListNodeType<T> *Prev;
};
////////////////////////////////////
// LINKED LIST CLASS HEADER SECTION
template<class T>
class LinkedList
{
// OVERLOADING << OPERATOR TO OUT PUT
THE LINKED LIST
friend ostream&
operator<<(ostream&os,constLinkedList<T>&temp)
{
    LinkedListNodeType<T> *curr = temp.Head->Next;
// WE WILL TRAVERSE UNTIL HEAD
while (curr != temp.Head)
{
    os<<" q"<<curr->NodeInfo;
curr = curr->Next;
}
return os;
}
private:
LinkedListNodeType<T> *Head;

public:
LinkedList();
void Find(T NodeInfo,bool&found,LinkedListNodeType<T>*
&curr);
void Insert(T NodeInfo);
boolIsEmpty();
T RemoveFirst();
void GetAllInfo(T Array[1000],int&Length);
};
//////////////////////////////////// LINKED LIST IMPLEMENTATION
SECTION
////////////////////////////////////
////////////////////////////////////
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// DEFAULT CONSTRUCTOR WITH NO
// ARUGUMENTS

template<class T>
LinkedList<T>::LinkedList()
{
// INITIALIZING HEADER [DUMMY NODE]
Head=new          LinkedListNodeType<T>;
Head->Next=Head;
Head->Prev=Head;
}
//////////
// TO FIND AN ELEMENT IN THE LIST IF IT IS
// NOT THERE RETURN THE APPROPRIATE
// INSERTING POSITION
template<class T>
void      LinkedList<T>::      Find(      T
NodeInfo,bool&found,LinkedListNodeType<T>*&curr
)
{
curr      =      Head->Next;
// TRAVERSE UNTIL HEAD OR NODE LESS
// THE CURRENT NODE
while      ((curr      !=      Head)&&(curr-
>NodeInfo<NodeInfo))
curr      =      curr->Next;
// Set FOUND. If list is empty or value is not located,
// then found will
// return FALSE. TRUE is only returned if the value
// is located.
if(      curr      ==      Head      )
found      =      false;
else
found      =      (curr->NodeInfo      ==      NodeInfo);
}
//////////
// TO INSERT AN ELEMENT IN TO LINKED
// LIST
template<class T>
void      LinkedList<T>::Insert(T      NodeInfo)
{
bool      found;
LinkedListNodeType<T> *p,*noo,*n;// P : PREV
// NOO : NEW NODE; N : NEXT NODE
// SET N
Find(NodeInfo,found,n      );
// SET P AND ALLOCATE A NEW NODE
// SETTING C TO POINT TO IT
p      =      n->Prev;
noo      =      new      LinkedListNodeType<T>;
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// ADJUST POINTERS IN 'NOO' TO POINT TO 'P'
// AND 'N'. ALSO PUT VALUE IN NODE
noo->Prev      =      p;
noo->NodeInfo      =      NodeInfo;
noo->Next      =      n;
// ADJUST POINTER IN PREVIOUS AND NEXT
// NODES TO POINT TO NEW NODE
p->Next      =      noo;
n->Prev      =      noo;
}
//////////
// TO TEST WHETHER THE LIST IS EMPTY OR
// NOT
template<class T>
boolLinkedList<T>::IsEmpty()
{
LinkedListNodeType<T> *curr = Head->Next;
int count=0;// USING COUNT PARAMETER TO
// COUNT NUMBER OF ELEMENTS IN THE LIST
while      (curr      !=      Head)
{
count++;
curr      =      curr->Next;
}
//TESTING COUNT
if(count>0)
return      false;
else
return      true;
}
//////////
// TO REMOVE FIRST ELEMENT FROM THE
// LIST
template<class T>
T      LinkedList<T>::RemoveFirst()
{
T      ReturningInfo;// RETURNING NODE
LinkedListNodeType<T> *curr = Head->Next;
ReturningInfo      =      curr->NodeInfo;
// REARRANGING THE POINTERS TO POINT
// TO NEXT NODE OF CURRENT NODE
curr->Next->Prev=Head;
Head->Next=curr->Next;
delete curr;// RELEASING THE MEMORY
return      ReturningInfo;
}
//////////
// TO RETURN ALL NODE ELEMENTS IN A
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ARRAY WHICH ARE COPIED FROM
LINKEDLIST
template<class T>
void LinkedList<T>::GetAllInfo(T
Array[1000],int&Length)
{
    Length=0;
    LinkedListNodeType<T> *curr = Head->Next;

// TRAVERSING ALL NODES AND COPYING
ELEMENTS INTO ARRAY
while (curr != Head)
{
    Array[Length]=curr->NodeInfo;
    Length++;
    curr = curr->Next;
}
}
/*****
*****
***** CLASS SET HEADER SECTION
*****
*/

/* I have Used Set class to represent all states as sets
and these sets will use */
/* all of the LinkedList functions .These Sets are
important particularly whenever */
/* combining one or more states into a single
state.This function will reduce the */
/* redundancy and returns s set which is a union of all
the given sets. All */
/* function name itself specifies what they do. I have
overloaded '=', '==' and '<<' operators.'=' assigns one set to another set , '=='
returns true if two sets*/
/* are equal and returns false if they are not equal.
'<<' operator will gives the */
/* output in closed round braces .If there is no state it
will return Null with braces*/
/* Each of the function used in Set class return */
/* uses one or more functions of the LinkedList */

template<class T>
class Set
{
// OVERLOADING OPERATOR << TO OUTPUT
THE SET
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&os,const
Set<T>&temp)
{
    if(temp.NumberOfElements)
        os<<(" "<<temp.ElementsList<<");

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else
    os<<("NULL");
return os;
}
private:
intNumberOfElements;// TO COUNT THE
NUMBER OF ELEMENTS OF THE SET
LinkedList<T>ElementsList;// TO STORE THE
ELEMENTS OF THE SET
public:
Set();
void Insert(T Element);
void Remove();
boolIsElementPresent(T Element);
boolIsEmpty();
void GetAllInfo(T Array[1000],int&Length);
Set& Union(Set A,Set B);
Set& operator=(Set A);
bool operator==(Set A);
void SetToNull();
};

////////// IMPLEMENTATION SECTION
OF SET //////////
//////////
// DEFAULT CONSTRUCTOR FOR SET CLASS
template<class T>
Set<T>::Set()
{
    NumberOfElements=0;
}

//////////
// INSERTING A ELEMENT INTO SET
template<class T>
void Set<T>::Insert(T Element)
{
    if(!IsElementPresent(Element))
    {
        NumberOfElements++;// INCREASING THE
COUNT OF SET
ElementsList.Insert(Element);// INSERTING INTO
LINKEDLIST
    }
}

//////////
// REMOVING LEAST COST ELEMENT FROM
SET
template<class T>
Set<T>::Remove()
{

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NumberOfElements--; // DECREMENTING COUNT
OF SET
return ElementsList.RemoveFirst(); // CALLING
REMOVE FUNCTION OF LINKEDLIST
}
//////////
//////////
// TO CHECK WHETHER THE SET IS EMPTY OR
NOT
template<class T>
bool Set<T>::IsEmpty()
{
//CALLING THE EMPTY MEMBER FUNCTION
OF LINKED LIST
return ElementsList.IsEmpty();
}
//////////
//////////
// TO SEARCH A ELEMENT IN THE SET
template<class T>
bool Set<T>::IsElementPresent(T Element)
{
bool found;
LinkedListNode<T>* curr;
// CALLING FIND MEMBER FUNCTION OF
LINKED LIST
ElementsList.Find(Element,found,curr);
return found;
}
//////////
//////////
// TO GET ALL INFO OF SET INTO AN ARRAY
template<class T>
void Set<T>::GetAllInfo(T Array[1000],int&Length)
{
// CALLING GETALLINFO MEMBER FUNCTION
OF LINKED LIST
ElementsList.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
}
//////////
//////////
// COMBINING TWO SET BY UNION
OPERATION

template<class T>
Set<T>& Set<T>::Union(Set A,Set B)
{
T Array[1000];
intLength,i;
// ALL INFORMATION OF SET A INTO ARRAY
AND INSERTING INTO NEW SET
A.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);

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for(i=0;i<Length;i++)
Insert(Array[i]);
B.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
// ALL INFORMATION OF SET B INTO ARRAY
AND BY NOT INSERTING FOUND ELEMENTS
IN THE SET
for(i=0;i<Length;i++)
{
if(!IsElementPresent(Array[i]))
Insert(Array[i]);
}
return *this;
}
//////////
//////////
// OVERLOADING = OPERATOR FOR
ASSIGNMENT
template<class T>
Set<T>& Set<T>::operator =(Set A)
{
T Array[1000];
intLength,i;
// ALL INFORMATION OF SET A INTO ARRAY
AND INSERTING INTO NEW SET
A.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
SetToNull();
for(i=0;i<Length;i++)
Insert(Array[i]);
return *this;
}
//////////
//////////
// OVERLOADING == OPERATOR TO FIND
EQUALITY
template<class T>
bool Set<T>::operator==(Set A)
{
T Array[1000],Array1[1000];
int Length,Length1,i;
bool flag=true;
GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
// ALL INFORMATION OF SET A INTO ARRAY
AND INSERTING INTO NEW SET
A.GetAllInfo(Array1,Length1);

if(Length==Length1)
{
for(i=0;i<Length;i++)
{
if(Array[i]!=Array1[i])
flag=false;
}
}

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return flag;
}
else
return false;
}
////////
template<class T>
void Set<T>::SetToNull()
{
// CALLING REMOVE MEMBER FUNCTION OF
LINKED LIST UNTIL LINKED LIST IS EMPTY
while(!IsEmpty())
Remove();
}
//////////
/*****
*****
*****/
intGetNumberOfState(Set<int>ALLStates[MAX_STATES],Set<int>temp,int Length)
{
for(inti=0;i<Length;i++)
if(ALLStates[i]==temp)
return i;
return -1;
}
/*****
*****
*****/
int main()
{
Set<int>
INFA[MAX_STATES][MAX_INPUTS],NFA[MAX_STATES][MAX_INPUTS],MinDFA[MAX_STATES][MAX_INPUTS],MDFAStates[MAX_STATES],ALLStates[MAX_STATES],LambdaT[MAX_STATES],temp,temp1,MinTemp,Mark[2*MAX_STATES],UnMark[2*MAX_STATES];
inti,j,k,MarkCount=0,UnMarkCount=0,States,NoInputs,Te
mp,NextState,DFAsates,Array[MAX_STATES],Length,Length1,lambda,Input,NoFinalStates,Final[MAX_STATES],MDFAStatesNo[MAX_STATES];
bool
flag,InputStates[MAX_STATES],FinalStates[MAX_STATES],MinDFAInputStates[MAX_STATES],MinDFAFinalStates[MAX_STATES];;
cout<<"Enter Number of states : ";
cin>>States;
cout<<"Enter Number of Inputs(without counting lambda) : ";
cin>>NoInputs;
cout<<"If there is Lambda transactions[1 for true,0

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for false] :";
cin>>lambda;
for(i=0;i<States;i++)
{
if(lambda==1)
{
cout<<"Enter the No of Transitions for State "<<i<<"
With Lambda "<<" :";
cin>>Temp;
for(k=0;k<Temp;k++)
{
cout<<"Enter transformed State "<<k+1<<" for state
"<<j<<" with Lamdba "<<" :";
cin>>NextState;
LambdaT[i].Insert(NextState);
}
}
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
cout<<"Enter the No of Transitions for State "<<i<<"
With Input "<<j<<" :";
cin>>Temp;
for(k=0;k<Temp;k++)
{
cout<<"Enter transformed state "<<k+1<<" for state
"<<j<<" with input "<<j<<" :";
cin>>NextState;
INFA[i][j].Insert(NextState);
}
}
/**** input on both NFA,INFA
*****/
NFA[i][j]=INFA[i][j];
}
}
cout<<"Enter the Input State Number :";
cin>>Input;

cout<<"Enter the No of Final States :";
cin>>NoFinalStates;
for(k=0;k<NoFinalStates;k++)
{
cout<<"Enter "<<k+1<<" Final state :";
cin>>Final[k];
}
DFAsates=States;
cout<<endl<<"Here first state(first column)
represents a state"
<<endl<<"After lambda transition and from 2nd to
last"
<<endl<<"column represents a state after input
symbols"
<<endl<<"from '0' to 'numberofinputsymbols-1' and "

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<<endl<<"each of the row represents
transformations"
<<endl<<"for state start from '0' to 'numberofstates-1'
"<<"\n";
cout<<"Input NFA is as follows:"<<endl;
for(i=0;i<States;i++)
{
cout<<LambdaT[i];
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
cout<<setw(-20)<<INFA[i][j];
}
cout<<endl;
}
{char c;cout<<"Input char for prompt";cin>>c;}
if(lambda==1)
{
for(i=0;i<States;i++)
{
temp.SetToNull();
temp=LambdaT[i];
temp.Insert(i);
do{
temp.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
for(k=0;k<Length;k++)
temp.Union(temp,LambdaT[Array[k]]);
temp.GetAllInfo(Array,Length1);
if((Length1-Length)==0)
break;
}while(1);
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
temp.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
temp1.SetToNull();
//cout<<endl<<"for seacching After
Lamba"<<endl<<temp<<endl;{char c;cin>>c;}
for(k=0;k<Length;k++)
{
if(!(INFA[Array[k]][j].IsEmpty()))
temp1.Union(temp1,INFA[Array[k]][j]);
//cout<<endl<<"After Inputsymbols
"<<k<<"*"<<j<<"*"<<INFA[Array[k]][j]<<endl<<te
mp1<<endl;
}
do{
temp1.GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
for(k=0;k<Length;k++)
temp1.Union(temp1,LambdaT[Array[k]]);
temp1.GetAllInfo(Array,Length1);
//cout<<endl<<"After
lamdatrns"<<endl<<temp1<<endl;{char c;cin>>c;}
if((Length1-Length)==0)
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break;
}while(1);
DFA[i][j]=temp1;
NFA[i][j]=temp1;
//cout<<endl<<"Fianlly"<<endl<<temp1<<endl;{ch
ar c;cin>>c;}
}
}
else
{
for(i=0;i<States;i++)
{
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
DFA[i][j]=NFA[i][j];
}
cout<<endl;
}
}
cout<<"***** After removing lambda
transitions *****"<<endl;
cout<<"first row represents transformations for state
0 and later rows"
<<endl<<"represents states incresing by '1'. Columns
represents"
<<endl<<"transformations for each of the input
symbol from 0 to"
<<endl<<"numberofinputsymbols-1 .Lambda
transformations are removed"
<<endl;
for(i=0;i<States;i++)
{
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
cout<<setw(-20)<<NFA[i][j];
}
cout<<endl;
}
{char c;cout<<"Input char for prompt";cin>>c;}
/**** After removing lambda transitions .....Now
converting into DFA *****/
/*****
*****
ALLStates[0].Insert(0);
temp.SetToNull();

DFAstates=1;//States;
do{
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
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{
flag=false;
for(k=0;k<DFAstates;k++)
{
if(DFA[i][j]==ALLStates[k])
flag=true;
}
if(flag==false)
{
//cout<<"Found " <<DFA[i][j]<<endl;charc;cin>>c;
break;
}
}
if(flag==false)
break;
}
if(flag==false)
{
ALLStates[DFAstates]=DFA[i][j];
DFA[i][j].GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
for(i=0;i<NoInputs;i++)
{
temp.SetToNull();
for(j=0;j<Length;j++)
{
temp.Union(temp,NFA[Array[j]][i]);
//cout<<endl<<"After union
with"<<Array[j]<<"*"<<i<<endl<<temp<<endl;{char
r c;cin>>c;}
}
//cout<<endl<<"Finally"<<DFAstates<<"*"<<i<<"*"
<<temp<<endl<<temp<<endl;{char c;cin>>c;}
DFA[DFAstates][i]=temp;
}
DFAstates++;
}
else
{
break;
}
}while(1);
cout<<endl<<"***** AFTER
CONVERTING NFA TO DFA
*****"<<endl;
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
cout<<"For " <<ALLStates[i]<<" States are :";
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
cout<<setw(-15)<<DFA[i][j];
}
cout<<endl;

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}
{char c;cout<<"Input char for prompt";cin>>c;}
cout<<endl<<"***** AFTER changing
table *****"<<endl;
cout<<endl<<"Rearranging the states which may
contain more than one state"
<<endl<<"and renaming them with a single state.This
naming will "
<<endl<<"from state '0' to increasing order of
state:"<<endl;
cout<<endl<<"REARRANGED DFA IS AS
FOLLOWS:"<<endl;
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
cout<<"For q"<<i<<" States are :";
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
Temp=GetNumberOfState(ALLStates,DFA[i][j],DFA
states);
DFA[i][j].SetToNull();
DFA[i][j].Insert(Temp);
cout<<setw(-15)<<DFA[i][j];
}
cout<<endl;
}
{char c;cout<<"Input char for prompt";cin>>c;}

/* finding Starting and Final states */
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
InputStates[i]=ALLStates[i].IsElementPresent(Input);
FinalStates[i]=false;

for(j=0;j<NoFinalStates;j++)
{
if(ALLStates[i].IsElementPresent(Final[j]))
FinalStates[i]=true;
}
//cout<<"State q"<<i<<" Is
"<<InputStates[i]<<"*"<<FinalStates[i]<<endl;
}
cout<<"starting States of DFA are: ";
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
if(InputStates[i]==true)
cout<<" q"<<i;
}
cout<<endl;
cout<<"Final States of DFA are: ";
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
if(FinalStates[i]==true)

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cout<<"                                q"<<i;
}
cout<<endl;
{char c;cout<<"Input char for Prompt:";cin>>c;}

/***** minimization of a Dfa *****/
//MarkCount = 0;UnMarkCount = 0;

for(i=0;i<DFAstates-1;i++)
{
for(j=i+1;j<DFAstates;j++)
{
if( ((FinalStates[i]==true)&&(FinalStates[j]==false))
|| ((FinalStates[i]==false)&&(FinalStates[j]==true)) )
{
Mark[MarkCount].Insert(i);
Mark[MarkCount].Insert(j);
MarkCount++;
}
else
{
if(i != j)
{
UnMark[UnMarkCount].Insert(i);
UnMark[UnMarkCount].Insert(j);
UnMarkCount++;
}
}
}
}
/*cout<<endl<<"Marked are";
for(i=0;i<MarkCount;i++)
cout<<endl<<Mark[i];
cout<<endl<<"un marked are";
for(i=0;i<UnMarkCount;i++)
cout<<endl<<UnMark[i];

*/
for(i=0;i<UnMarkCount;i++)
{
//cout<<"Unmarked now is"<<UnMark[i]<<endl;
UnMark[i].GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
MinTemp.SetToNull();
MinTemp.Union(DFA[Array[0]][j],DFA[Array[1]][j]);
}

for(k=0;k<MarkCount;k++)
{
if(MinTemp == Mark[k] )

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{
//cout<<endl<<"Finally"<<DFAstates<<"*"<<i<<"*"
<<temp<<endl<<temp<<endl;{char c;cin>>c;}
Mark[MarkCount]=UnMark[i];
MarkCount++;
UnMark[i].SetToNull();
j=NoInputs;
break;
}
}
}
cout<<endl<<"After Marker algorithm "<<endl;

/*cout<<endl<<"marked are";
for(i=0;i<MarkCount;i++)
{
cout<<endl<<Mark[i];
}

cout<<endl<<"un marked are";
for(i=0;i<UnMarkCount;i++)
{
if(!UnMark[i].IsEmpty())
{
cout<<endl<<UnMark[i];
}
}
*/

/***** reduce algorithm *****/
/* Using mark procedure to find all pairs of
Indistinguishable states */
for(i=0;i<UnMarkCount-1;i++)
{
if(!UnMark[i].IsEmpty())
for(j=0;j<UnMarkCount;j++)
{
if(!UnMark[j].IsEmpty())
{
UnMark[i].GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
for(k=0;k<Length;k++)
if(UnMark[j].IsElementPresent(Array[k])==true)
break;
if(UnMark[i].IsElementPresent(Array[k])==true)
{
temp.SetToNull();
temp.Union(UnMark[i],UnMark[j]);
UnMark[j].SetToNull();
UnMark[i]=temp;
}
}
}
}
}

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    }}}
    /* Finding Sets of Indistinguishable states that are
    Not Marked */
    cout<<endl<<"Finally ,After Merging UnMarked ...."
    <<endl<<"i.e. finding distinguishable states:"<<endl;
    cout<<endl<<"sets of distinguishable states which
    may contain more"
    <<endl<<"more than one indistinguishable
    state:"<<endl;
    for(i=0;i<UnMarkCount;i++)
    {
    if(!UnMark[i].IsEmpty())
    {
    cout<<endl<<UnMark[i];
    }
    }
    for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
    {
    ALLStates[i].SetToNull();
    ALLStates[i].Insert(i);
    ALLStates[i].GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
    for(k=0;k<UnMarkCount;k++)
    {
    if(!UnMark[k].IsEmpty())
    {
    if(UnMark[k].IsElementPresent(Array[0])==true)
    break;
    }
    }
    if(UnMark[k].IsElementPresent(Array[0])==true)
    ALLStates[i]=UnMark[k];
    }
    cout<<endl<<"Minimized DFA transformations are
    as follows:"<<endl;
    cout<<endl<<"After rearranging the minimized DFA
    i.e. changing "
    <<endl<<" a state which may contain more than one
    state "
    <<endl<<"into a single state by numbering each of
    the "
    <<endl<<" state in increasing order :"<<endl;
    for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
    {
    cout<<"For state "<<ALLStates[i]<<" Trans are:";
    for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
    {
    DFA[i][j].GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
    for(k=0;k<UnMarkCount;k++)
    {
    if(!UnMark[k].IsEmpty())
    {

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    if(UnMark[k].IsElementPresent(Array[0])==true)
    break;
    }
    }
    if(UnMark[k].IsElementPresent(Array[0])==true)
    DFA[i][j]=UnMark[k];
    cout<<DFA[i][j];
    }
    cout<<endl;
    }
    {char c;cout<<"Input char for Prompt:";cin>>c;}
    cout<<endl<<"Minimized DFA States are as
    follows:"<<endl;
    k=DFAstates;
    DFAstates=0;
    cout<<endl<<"After 'Reduce' algorithm some states
    have same name :'"
    <<endl<<"after removing these redundancy we get
    following"
    <<endl<<"states:"<<endl;
    /* GETTING MDFA STATES */
    cout<<"The MDFA states are :"<<endl;
    for(i=0;i<k;i++)
    {
    flag=false;
    for(j=0;j<DFAstates;j++)
    {
    if(MDFAStates[j]==ALLStates[i])
    flag=true;
    }
    if(flag==false)
    {
    MDFAStates[DFAstates]=ALLStates[i];
    cout<<MDFAStates[DFAstates]<<endl;
    MDFAStatesNo[DFAstates++]=i;
    }
    }
    {char c;cout<<"Input char for Prompr:";cin>>c;}

    /* COPYING MINDFA FROM DFA */
    cout<<"After removing redundancy minimized DFA
    is"<<endl;
    Temp=0;
    for(i=0;i<k;i++)
    {
    flag=false;
    for(j=0;j<DFAstates;j++)
    if(MDFAStatesNo[j]==i)
    flag=true;
    if(flag==true)
    {
    for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)

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{
MinDFA[Temp][j]=DFA[i][j];
cout<<MinDFA[Temp][j];
}
Temp++;
cout<<endl;
}
}
{char c;cout<<"Input char for Prompt:";cin>>c;}
cout<<"After reordering numbers of states"<<endl;
cout<<"some states may contain more than one state"
<<endl<<"making those states number into one state
number:"<<endl;
cout<<endl<<"Final minimized DFA is :"<<endl;
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
cout<<"For      q"<<i<<"      States      are      :";
for(j=0;j<NoInputs;j++)
{
Temp=GetNumberOfState(MDFAStates,MinDFA[i][
j],DFAstates);
MinDFA[i][j].SetToNull();
MinDFA[i][j].Insert(Temp);
cout<<setw(-15)<<MinDFA[i][j];
}
cout<<endl;
}
}
{char c;cout<<"Input char for Prompt:";cin>>c;}
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
flag=false;
MDFAStates[i].GetAllInfo(Array,Length);
for(j=0;j<Length;j++)
{
if(InputStates[Array[j]]==true)
{
flag=true;
break;
}
}
MinDFAInputStates[i]=flag;
flag=false;
for(j=0;j<Length;j++)
{
if(FinalStates[Array[j]]==true)
{
flag=true;
break;
}
}
MinDFAFinalStates[i]=flag;
}

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cout<<"starting States of minimized DFA are: ";
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
if(MinDFAInputStates[i]==true)
cout<<"                                q"<<i;
}
cout<<endl;
cout<<"Final States of minimized DFA are: ";
for(i=0;i<DFAstates;i++)
{
if(MinDFAFinalStates[i]==true)
cout<<"                                q"<<i;
}
cout<<endl;
{char c;cout<<"Input char for Prompt:";cin>>c;}
return                                0;
}

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4. Conclusion

We see that the program is so long. But it is a universal program for converting a NFA to a DFA. In this program, we used engrafted lists dynamically and define some functions in different classes and grafted list is used in classes. In grafter list, there is description about the structure and the nodes type. Then ceases before and after nodes are evaluated. We make a circle for all of the outputs in empty situation. For inserting and omitting the array is used with 100 lengths to do this work. To do so, at first ,the list should be regulate and then array elements copy from the list and its length add to its elements .we have used the important functions in these classes .also ,symbols are used such as "=" for the equality of functions name and "==" to allocate and "<<" to oppose in function and Null returns unequal in list . To do the process, it has used two FOR circles and two functions A, B. the final result is shown in array .Then we consider the most input cases and define counters and cases. Then put the empty state for state can't move to another state with a symbol. Note that showing λ (empty), can move from one state to another without seeing the input. We start from 0 state and make a new state for array output. But we distinguish the out puts for all of the states except empty .the other cases are done as before.

For converting large NFA such that contains empty alphabet as a transfer function, we force to define different classes. If the empty alphabet is not in transfer functions of NFA, we can design a simple and routine program for converting. This program

answers for any NFA included large NFA, simple NFA without empty alphabet and etc.

For future work we try to simulate Turing machine in C++ programming. The Turing machine works as a computer and can solve many computational algorithms. DFA and NFA are weak than the Turing machine. If it is possible, then any DFA and NFA simulate simply.

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