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Problem 6. Let L be the set of all strings $x \in \{a, b\}^*$ with $|x| \geq 3$ whose third symbol from the right is b . For example, $babaa$ and bbb are elements of L , but bb and $baba$ are not.

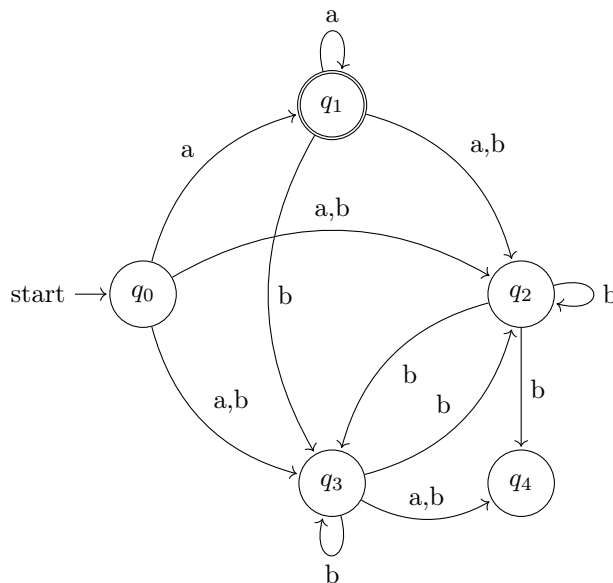
1. Construct the transition graph of a NFSM N such that $L(N) = L$. (4 states are sufficient.)
2. Construct the transition graph of a DFSM D such that $L(D) = L$. (8 states are sufficient.)

Problem 7. Construct the transition graph of a deterministic finite state machine M over $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ such that $L(M)$ consists of all words that do not contain the string abc .

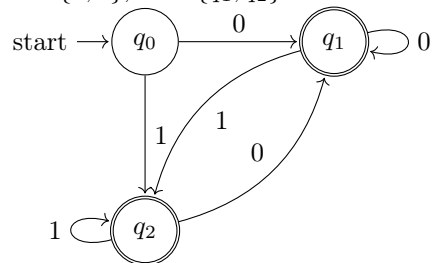
Hint: Start by constructing a nondeterministic finite state machine N that recognizes the words that *do* contain the string abc . Proceed by converting your nondeterministic machine N to a deterministic machine D that accepts the same language. Now you are left with the task of coming up with a machine M whose language is precisely the complement of the language of D . This can be done by a small modification of D .

Problem 8. Construct the transition graph of a deterministic finite state machine $D = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, S, F)$ with alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$, such that the words of $L(D)$ contain an even number of a 's, an odd number of b 's, and an odd number of c 's. For example, $aabccc$, $cacbac$, $acabaabb$ are from $L(D)$ and $babc$, $ccabab$, $caacbaabba$ are not from $L(D)$.

Problem 9. Convert the following NFSM to DFSM. It suffices to give the resulting transition graph.



Problem 10. Let the DFSM $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ be given by $Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$, $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, $F = \{q_1, q_2\}$ and the following transition function $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$:



Construct a minimal DFSM D such that $L(M) = L(D)$ using Algorithm MINIMIZE. (cf. Section 2.3 *Minimization of Finite State Machines*) Provide its transition graph as well.