

# 03 Mar 2025 - Theory of Computation

→ 1.41, 1.42

66 in Sipser

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F) \text{ DFA}$$

One of the states is called "home" state.

Let  $h \in Q$  be the home state.

A string  $s \in \Sigma^*$  is called synchronizing sequence if

$\forall q \in Q.$

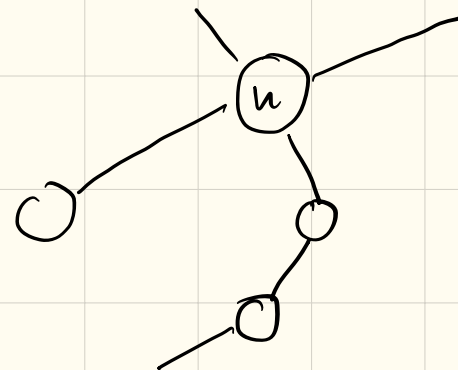
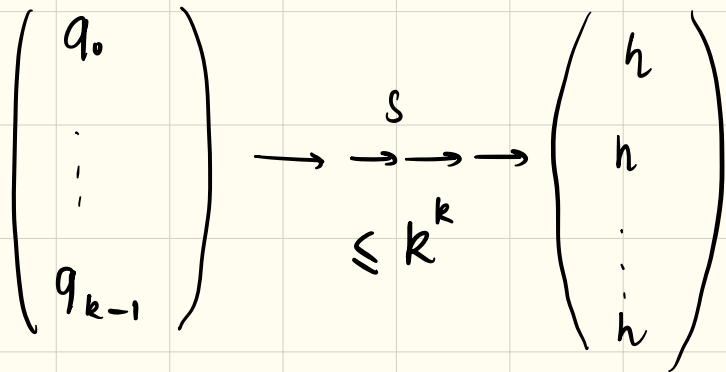
$$\hat{\delta}(q, s) = h$$

Call  $M$  synchronizable if  $\exists$  a synchronizing sequence for some state  $h \in Q$ .

Prove : If  $M$  is a  $k$ -state synchronizable DFA  
 then it has a synchronizing seq. of length  $\leq k^3$ .

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If  $s$  is a synchronising sequence wrt  $h$ ,  
 then  $\forall \alpha \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $\alpha s$  is also a synchronizing  
 sequence wrt  $h$ .



1.46

Use closure properties

$$\{0^m 1^n \mid m \neq n\}$$

Suppose regular :

① Complement

② Intersection with  $0^* 1^*$

③ result =  $0^n 1^n \rightarrow$  not regular  
 $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

1.47 , 1.56

11, 101, 1001, 10001, 100001  
10, 12, 21, 122, 1002

$$7 = 3 \times 2 + 1$$

$$33 = 3 + 9 + 3^3 + 3 \times 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} 17 &= 3 \times 5 + 2 \\ &= 3 + 3^2 + 3 + 2 \\ &= 3 \times 2 + 3^2 + 2 \end{aligned}$$

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Let  $A$  be any regular language. Show that the set  $\{x \mid \exists y \ |y| = |x|^2 \text{ and } xy \in A\}$  is regular.

$$|y| = 2^{|x|} \rightarrow \text{easier}$$

$$|y| = 2^{|n|}$$