Spring 2016



# Foundations of Computing I

\* All slides are a combined effort between previous instructors of the course

- **E** expression (start symbol)
- T term F factor I identifier N number
  - $E \rightarrow T \mid E+T$
  - $T \rightarrow F \mid F \ast T$
  - $F \rightarrow (E) \mid I \mid N$
  - $I \rightarrow x \mid y \mid z$
  - $N \rightarrow 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9$

#### **BNF** (Backus-Naur Form) grammars

- Originally used to define programming languages
- Variables denoted by long names in angle brackets, e.g.

<identifier>, <if-then-else-statement>,

<assignment-statement>, <condition>

::= used instead of  $\rightarrow$ 

### **BNF** for C

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statement:
  ((identifier | "case" constant-expression | "default") ":")*
  (expression? ";" |
  block |
   "if" "(" expression ")" statement |
   "if" "(" expression ")" statement "else" statement |
   "switch" "(" expression ")" statement |
   "while" "(" expression ")" statement |
   "do" statement "while" "(" expression ")" ";" |
   "for" "(" expression? ";" expression? ";" expression? ")" statement |
   "goto" identifier ";" |
   "continue" ";" |
   "break" ";" |
   "return" expression? ";"
  )
block: "{" declaration* statement* "}"
expression:
  assignment-expression%
assignment-expression: (
    unary-expression (
      "=" | "*=" | "/=" | "§=" | "+=" | "-=" | "<<=" | ">>=" | "&=" |
      "^=" | "|="
    )
  )* conditional-expression
conditional-expression:
  logical-OR-expression ( "?" expression ":" conditional-expression )?
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**Back to middle school:** 

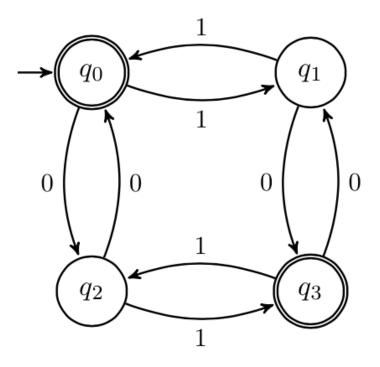
- <sentence>::=<noun phrase><verb phrase>
- <noun phrase>::==<article><adjective><noun>
- <verb phrase>::=<verb><adverb>|<verb><object>
- <object>::=<noun phrase>

Parse:

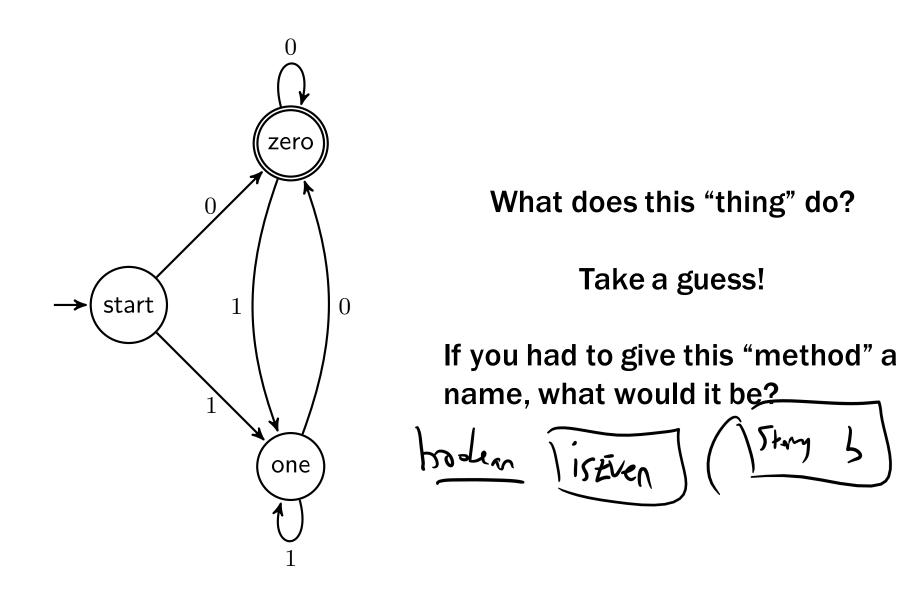
The yellow duck squeaked loudly The red truck hit a parked car

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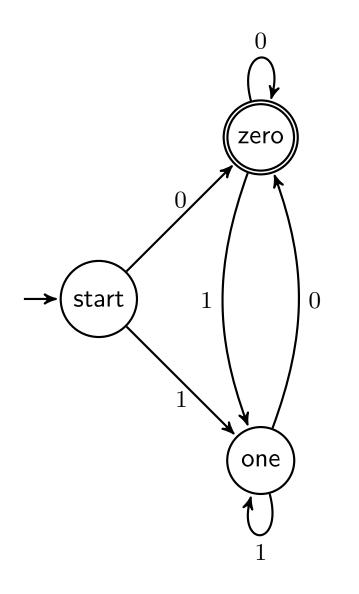
#### Lecture 20: Finite State Machines (DFAs)



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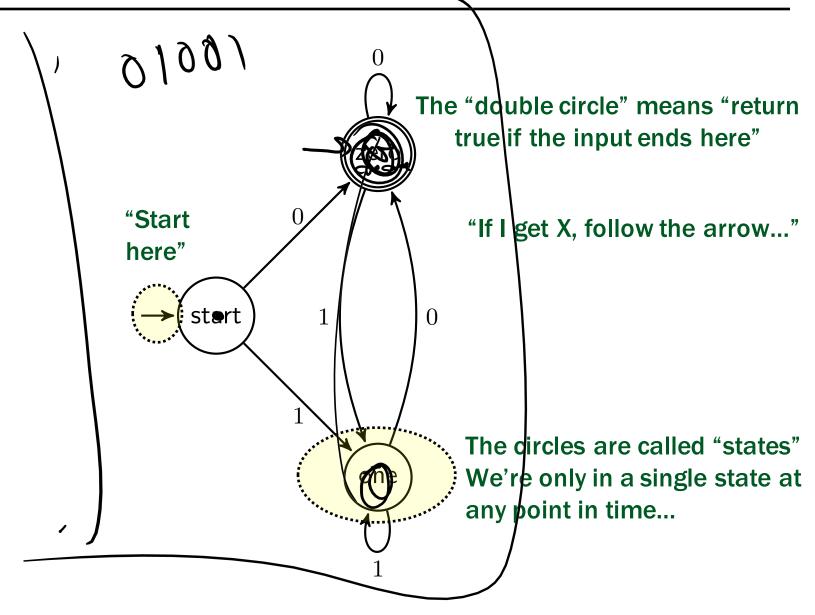
What does this "thing" do?

Take a guess!

If you had to give this "method" a name, what would it be?

boolean isEven(binary s)

#### Finite State Machines ("DFAs")



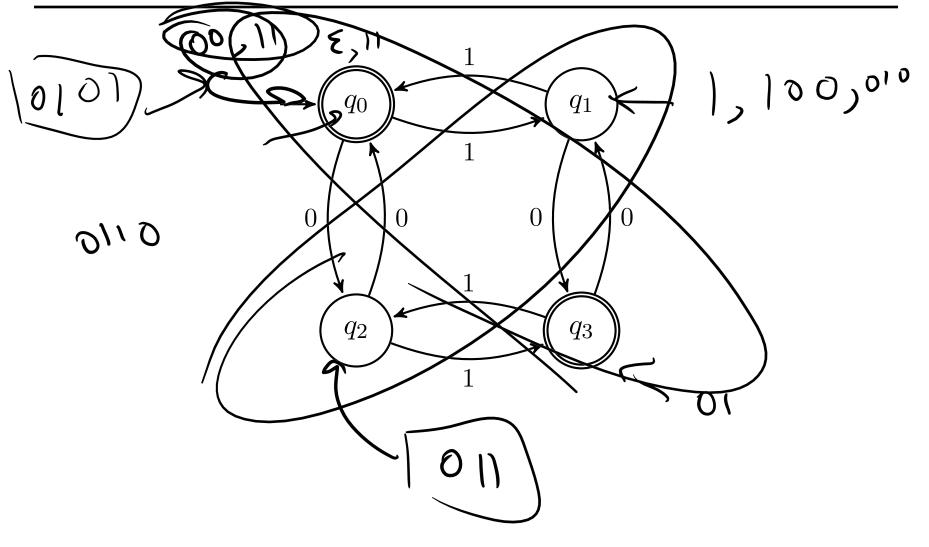
### Applications of FSMs (a.k.a. finite automata)

- Implementation of regular expression matching in programs like grep
- Control structures for sequential logic in digital circuits
- Algorithms for communication and cachecoherence protocols
  - Each agent runs its own FSM
- Design specifications for reactive systems
  - Components are communicating FSMs

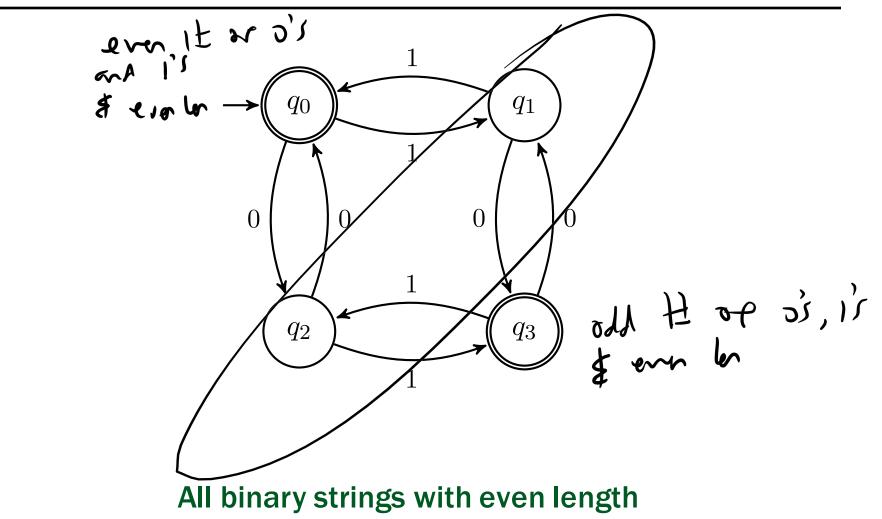
### Applications of FSMs (a.k.a. finite automata)

- Formal verification of systems
  - Is an unsafe state reachable?
- Computer games
  - FSMs provide worlds to explore
- Minimization algorithms for FSMs can be extended to more general models used in
  - Text prediction
  - Speech recognition

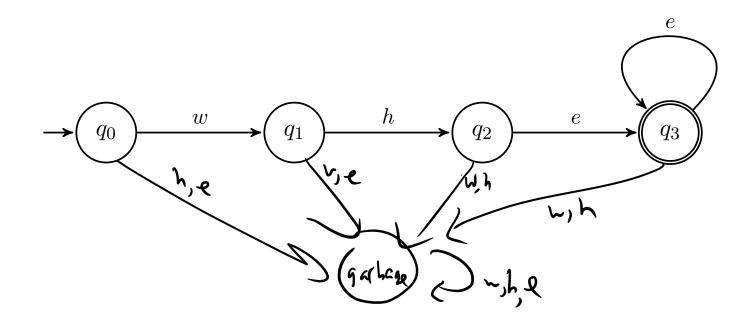
What language does this machine recognize?



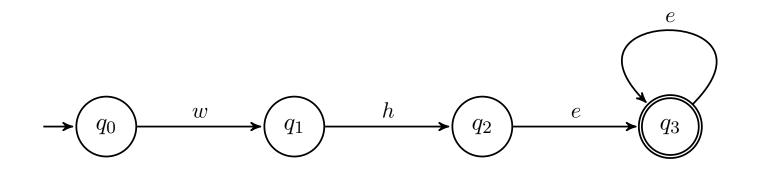
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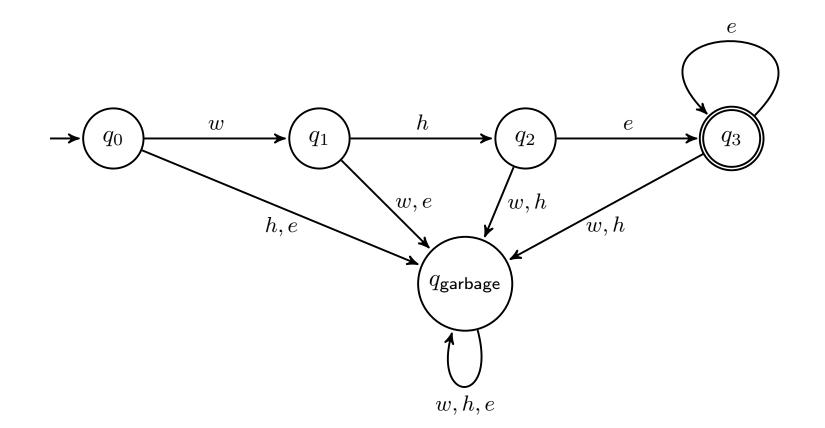


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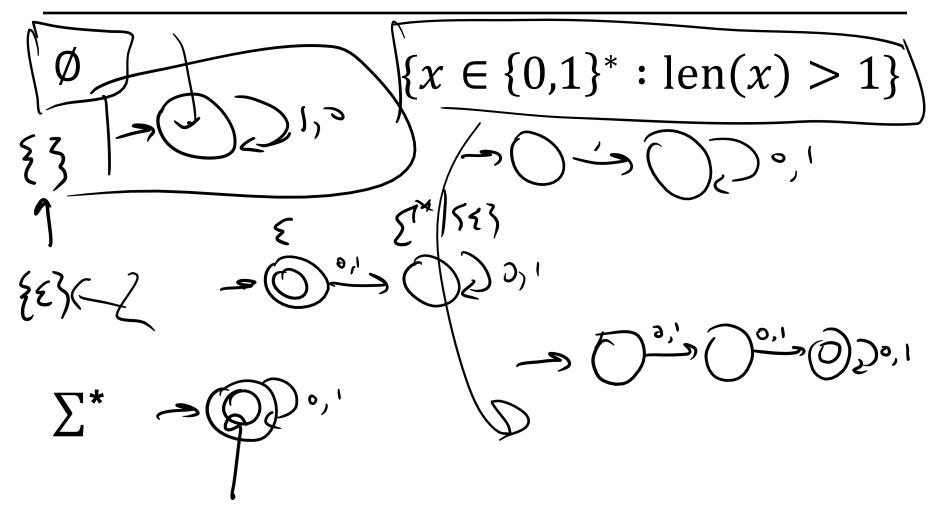
# DFAs must have a transition for every character at every state!

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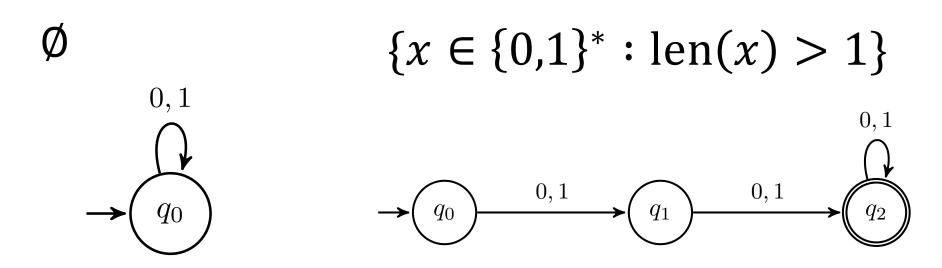


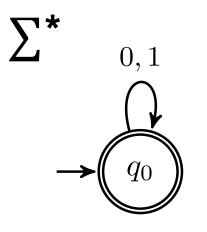
"Garbage states" are a useful concept. Whenever we KNOW we can't accept the string, just send it to a state that will always go back to itself. This is the way of saying "return false" in DFA-land.

For each of the following languages, create a DFA

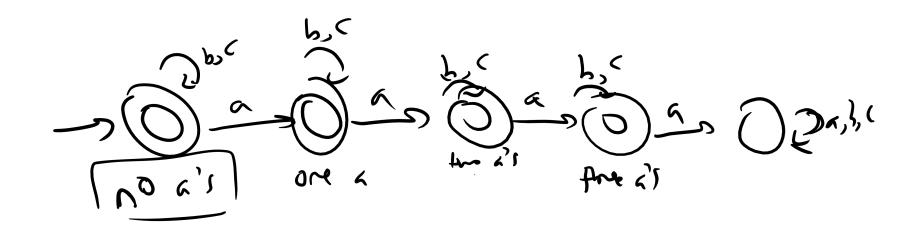


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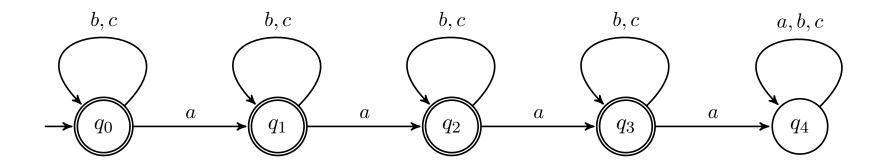




FSM that accepts strings of a's, b's, c's with no more than 3 a's



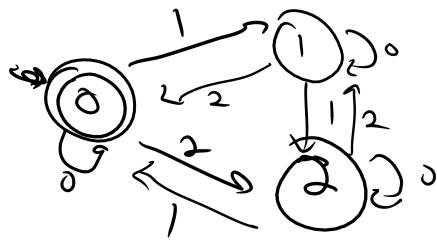
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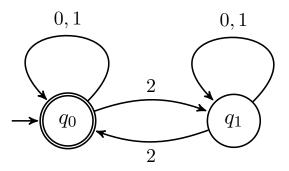
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