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Building block of this subject



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Building block of this subject

a, b, c, d, ... A, B, C, ... @, \$ %
0 1 2 ... 9



② Alphabet (Σ) :-

Non empty finite set of symbols

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$
$$\Sigma = \{a, b, c, A, 0\}$$
$$\Sigma = \{A, B, C, D, 1, 2, 3, 0, \$\}$$
$$\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\} \times$$
$$\Sigma = \{ \}$$



③ String:-
Finite sequence of symbols from Σ .

Order matters

$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$
 $S_1 = \underline{a a b a a b}$ ✓
 $S_2 = \underline{a b}$ ✓
 $S_3 = \underline{a a a}$ ✓ $\rightarrow a^3$
 $S_4 = \underline{b b b b}$ ✓ $\rightarrow b^4$
 $S_5 = \underline{a a b b c a}$ ✗
 $S_1 = \underline{b a}$ ✗
 $S_7 = \underline{a a a b b b \dots}$ ✗
 $\Sigma = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$
 $S_1 = \underline{a b o l f o b c}$ ✓
 $|S_1| = 7$



Aho Ullman ✓

Peter Linz → Basic ✓

Daniel I A Cohen ✓

Michael Sipser ✓

Papadimitriou → TM ✓

Null string :- ✓

$\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2, ?\}$

$|S_1| = 3$

$S_1 \Rightarrow 222 \Rightarrow 2^3$

$|S_2| = 5$

$S_2 \Rightarrow 22222 \Rightarrow 2^5$

$|S_3| = 2$

$S_3 \Rightarrow 22 \Rightarrow 2^2$

$|S_4| = 1$

$S_4 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 2^1$

$|S_5| = 0$

$S_5 \Rightarrow 2^0 = \epsilon$

$S_6 = 0^0 = \epsilon$

$S_7 = 0^3 \Rightarrow 000$

$S_8 = 1^0 \Rightarrow \epsilon$

$1^3 = 111$

$2^3 = 8$

$\hookrightarrow 222$

$2^5 = 32$

$2^0 = 1$

$2^0 = 0$

$\epsilon \rightarrow$ Absence of
Symbol



④ Length of String:-
Number of symbols in the string

Length of nullstring $\Rightarrow 0$



0 $\Sigma = \{\underline{ab}, \underline{ba}\}$

$S_1 = \underline{abba}$

$S_2 = \underline{ablob}$

Invalid String

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

$|S_1| = 2$

$|S_2| =$

$\Sigma = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$

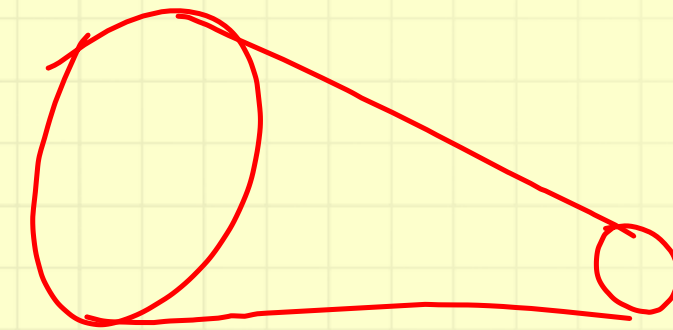
$S = \underline{abcd}$

Q Length of Null string? $\Rightarrow 0$





⑤ Substring:-
One or more continuous symbols taken from string.



$S_1 = \epsilon$

$S = \epsilon$

Trivial Substring

ϵ string is substring of every string

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

$S = \underline{a}b\underline{c}d$

$S_1 = \epsilon$

$S_2 = a$

$S_3 = ab$

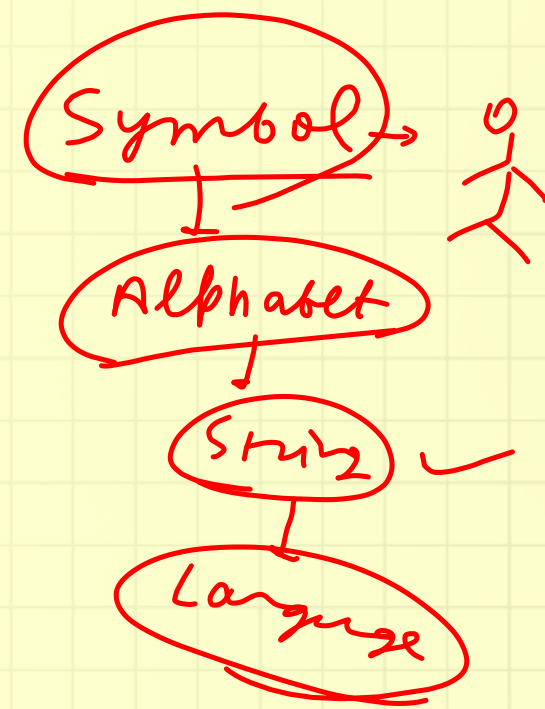
$S_4 = ac$

$S_5 = acd$

$S_6 = abc$

$S_7 = bc$

$S_8 = \underline{abcd}$



Set of strings

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

$$L = \{a^i, b^j, a^i b^j, a^i a^j, a^i b^j\}$$

The diagram illustrates the relationship between different types of sets in computer science. It shows a hierarchy where 'Set' is the most general category, which includes 'L' (Language). 'L' is further divided into 'I' (Infinite) and 'F' (Finite). 'I' is also shown to be a subset of 'Language'.

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graph TD
    Set --> L
    Set --> I
    L --> I
    L --> F
    I --> Language
  
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→ Language of strings over a, b
which start with a
 $L = \{a, a^2, a^3, \dots\}$

$L = \{a, aa, ab, \underline{aaa}, \underline{aab}, a\underline{ab}, \underline{aabb}, a\underline{aaa}, \underline{aaaa}\}$

Set of strings

Subsets

Language of strings over a, b
which starts with a and ends with a

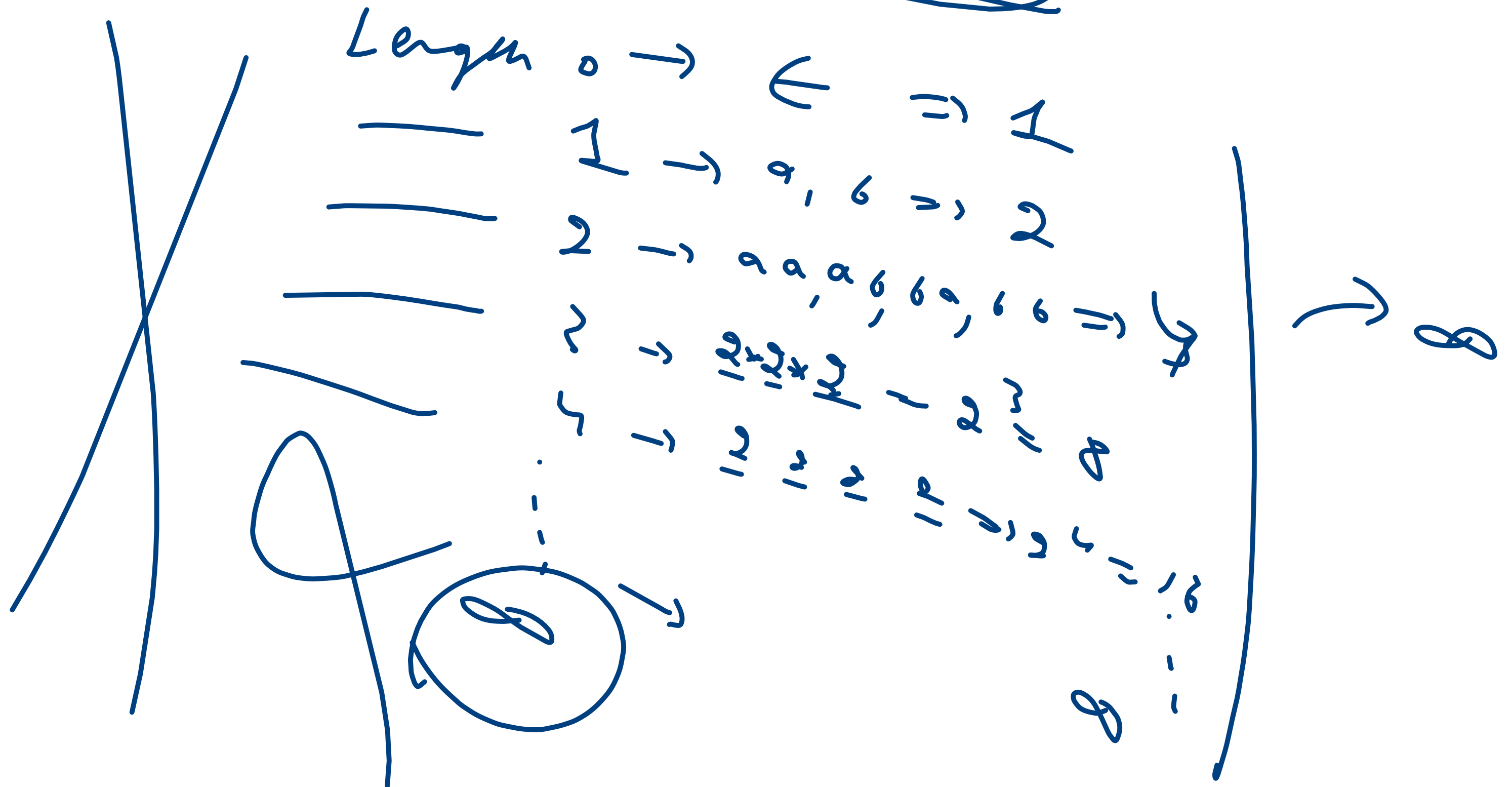
1) $L = \{ a, aa, aab, \dots \}$

$\Rightarrow L = \{ a, a^2, a^3, \dots, a^n \}$ strings over a

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

1 2 3 4 1 2 6 7 8 9 ...

How many Strings?? → 8



Natural no.
 $\{1 \dots 10\}$

many X $\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 9\}$

$S = \epsilon$
 $s_1 = 12349621$
 $s_2 = 10$
 $|s_3| = 1$

0 ∈ 12 X
 0 ∈ 2 X
 0 ∈ X

→ $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$
 No. of strings will be 000 or 1
 but each + every str will be of
 finite length



$$S \Rightarrow 2^S$$

$$L = \emptyset$$

$$L = \{ \}$$

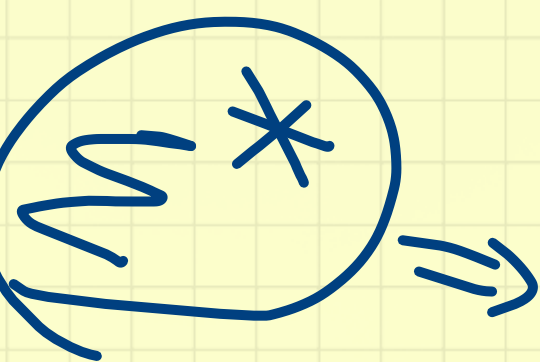
Language
which contain
no string

at all

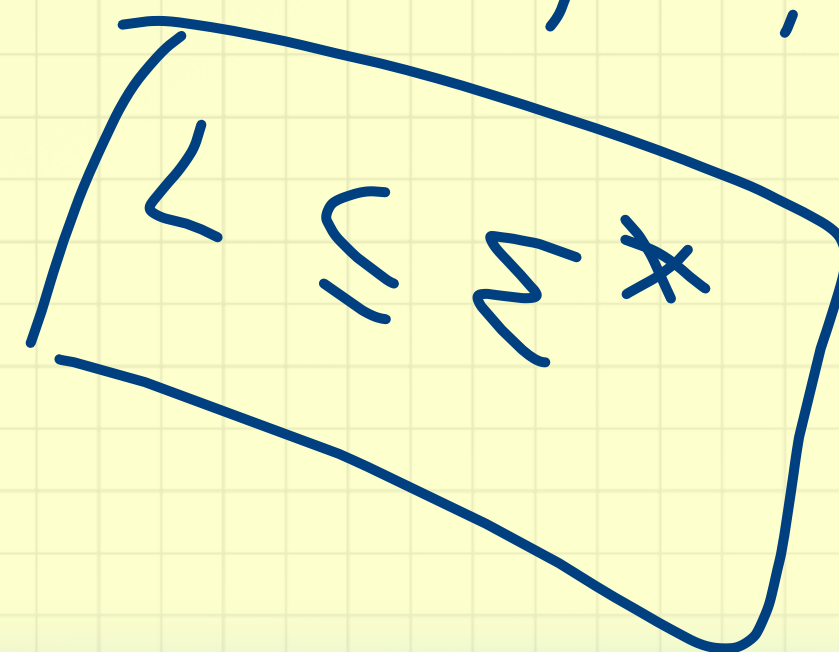
Set of all
strings

over Σ

\Rightarrow Universal
Language

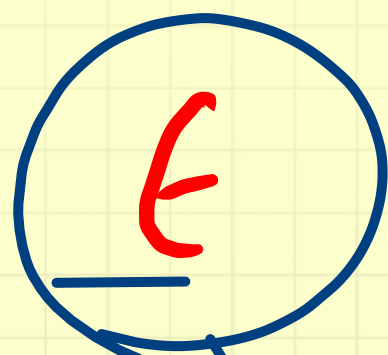
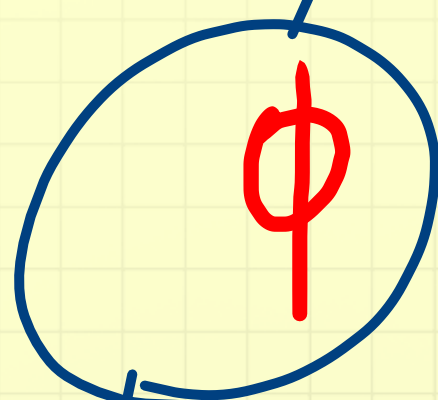


$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$
 $\{ \epsilon, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, aab, \dots \}$



Set of all
languages over Σ

Empty set

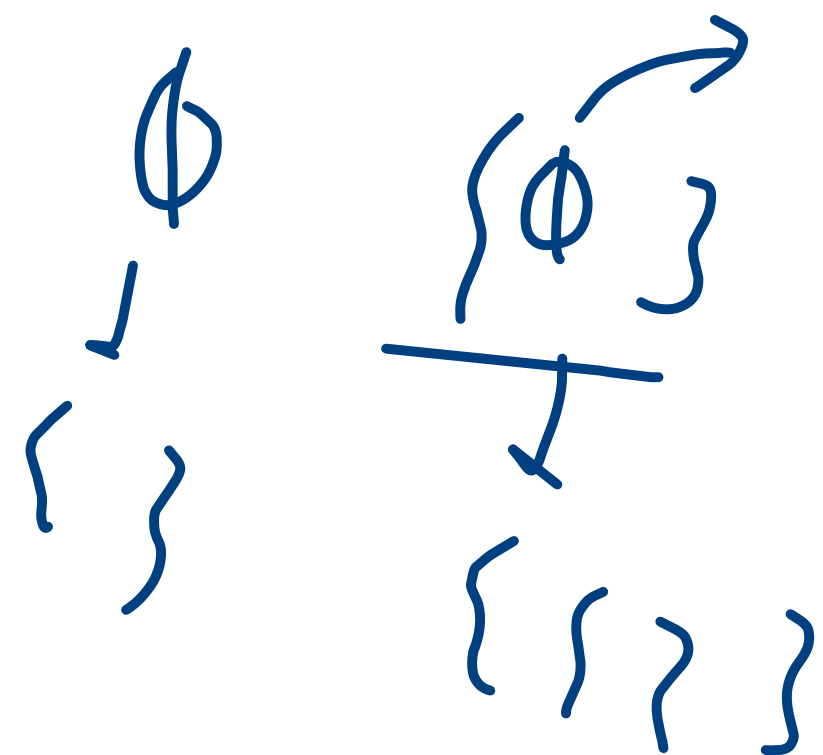


Empty string

$$L = \{ \epsilon \}$$

Language
which
contain
empty string
as an element

Language \rightarrow set of strings

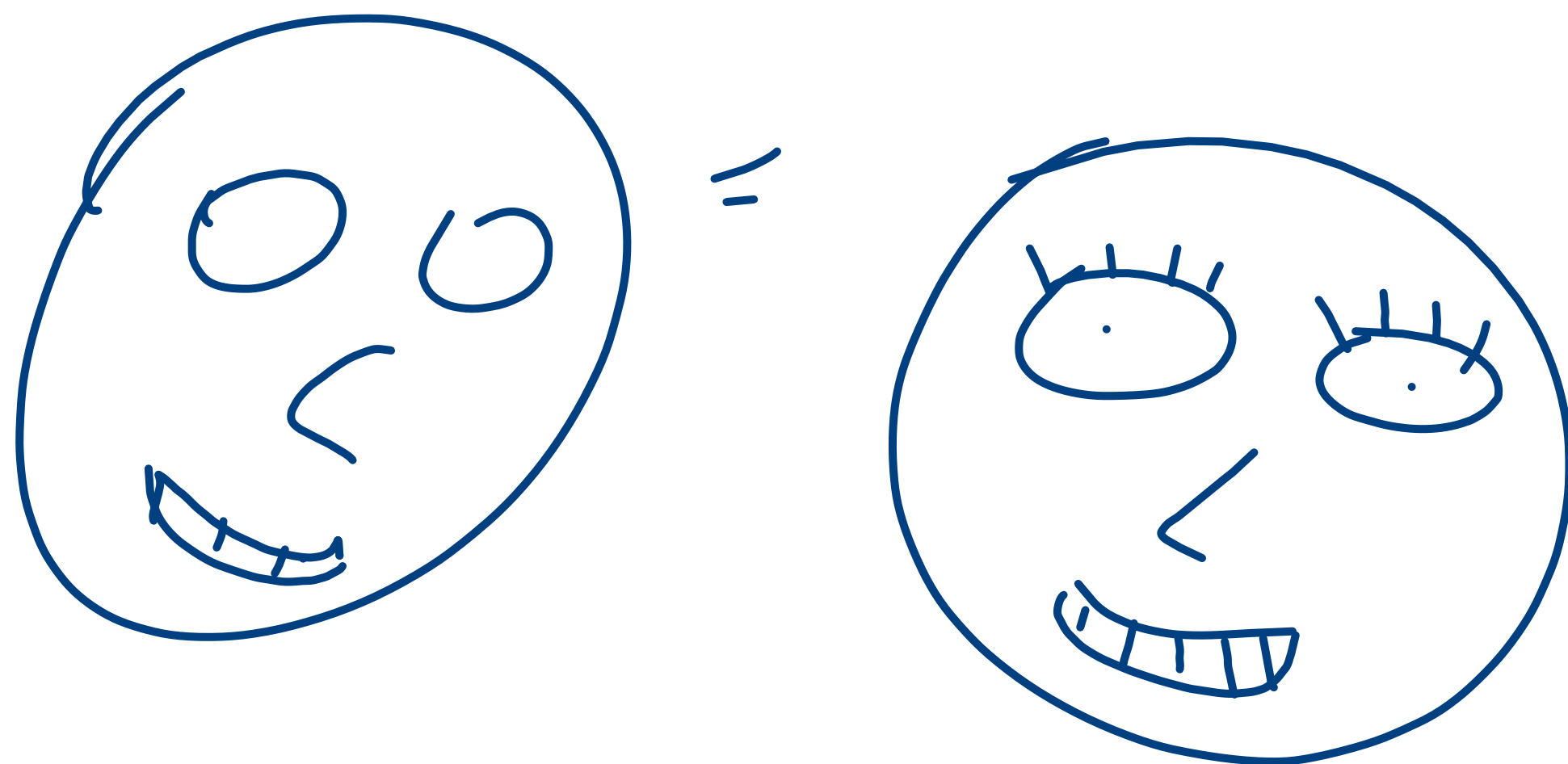


String \rightarrow Finite sequence of symbols from Σ

Empty string $= \epsilon$

Empty Language $\Rightarrow \{\} = \emptyset$

$\{\epsilon\}$ $\neq \emptyset$





Universal Language :-

$$\Sigma = \{9, 6\}$$

$$\frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma^x} = \frac{\{ \}}{1} \quad \times$$

$$\Sigma^* = \{ \epsilon, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, aaa, \dots \}$$

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$$\Sigma^* = \{ \epsilon, a, aa, aaa, aaaa, \dots \}$$

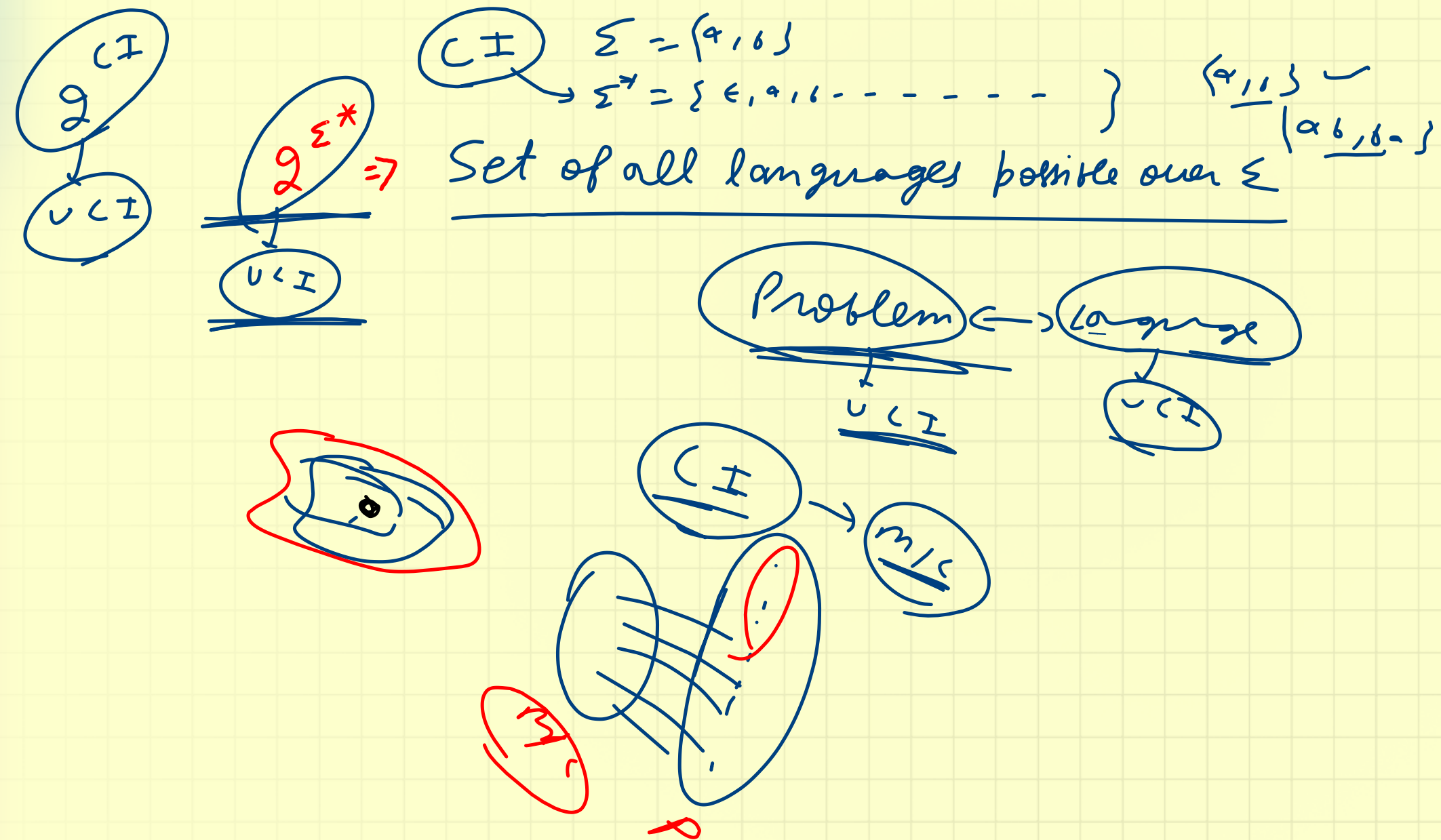
$\Sigma^* = \{ \epsilon, a, b, c, \underline{aa}, \underline{bb}, \underline{cc}, \underline{ab}, \underline{ac}, \underline{bc}, \dots \}$

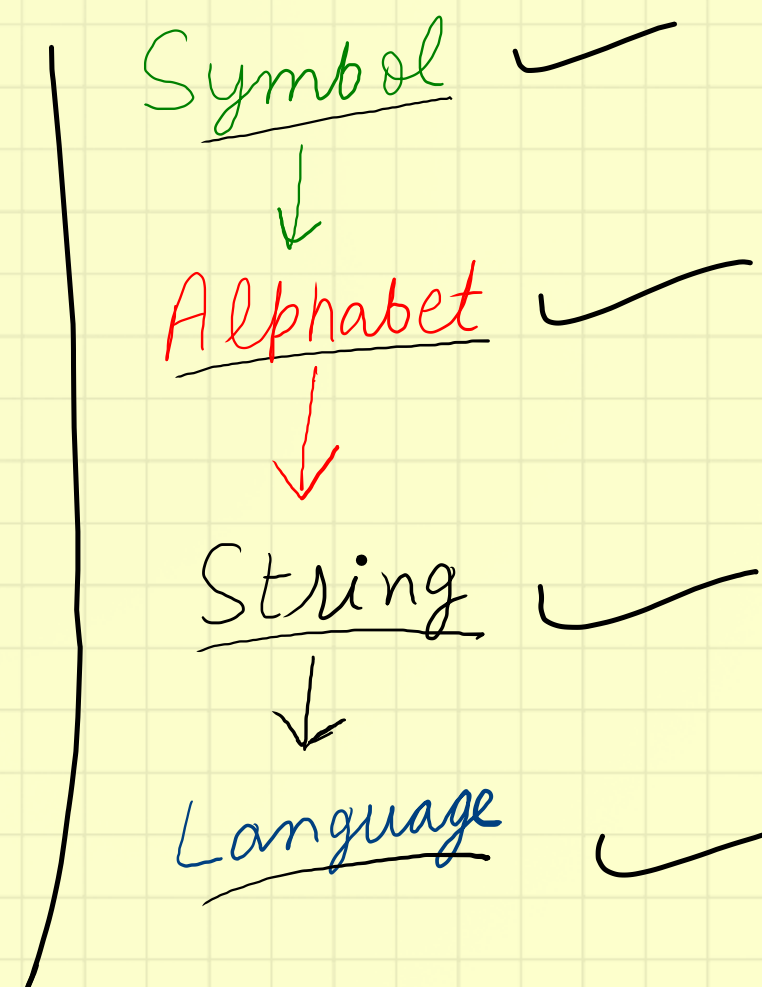
2 legs

3*

3-9

a
q
q
6
c
b
b
q
b
c
c
c
c
c







The number of substrings (of all lengths inclusive) that can be formed from a string of length n whose all characters are different is

- a) n
- b) n^2
- c) $n(n-1)/2$
- ☒ d) $n(n+1)/2+1$

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

$$S = \underline{abc}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \epsilon \rightarrow 1 \quad _$$

$$1 \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{c} a \\ b \\ c \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow _$$

$$2 \rightarrow$$

$$_$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} a \\ b \\ c \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow _$$

$$abc \rightarrow _$$

$$\left(\frac{x}{y} \right) _$$

$$\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$$

$$S = \underline{\underline{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 \dots a_n}}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \epsilon \Rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 11 \\ 21 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \left. \begin{matrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow 15 - 10$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n \\ \hline \end{array}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{matrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_n \\ a_2 & a_3 & a_4 & \dots & a_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n-2} & a_{n-1} & a_n & \dots & a_n \end{matrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{a_{n-2} a_{n-1} a_n}}$$

$$15 \dots 15 \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{matrix} 15 \\ 15 \\ \vdots \\ 15 \end{matrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{a}} \quad \underline{\underline{b}} \quad \underline{\underline{c}} \quad \textcircled{d} \quad ??$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1$$

$$\underline{\underline{a \quad b \quad c \quad d \quad e \quad f}}$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \frac{n}{2} (2a + (n-1)d) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} (2 + (n-1)) \\ &= \frac{n}{2} (n+1) \end{aligned}$$

String itself
included

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1 - 1$$

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$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Trivial substring include

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1 - 2$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 1$$

∈ included

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1 - 1$$

↓

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Q How many substrings of length 'n'?

$$0 \rightarrow 1$$

$$1 \rightarrow n - 0$$

$$2 \rightarrow n - 1$$

$$3 \rightarrow n - 2$$

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$$n - 1 \rightarrow n - (n - 1)$$

$$n = \frac{n \times (n + 1)}{2}$$



$$\frac{0+3}{\quad} \rightarrow 4$$

$$\frac{0+n}{\quad} \rightarrow n+1$$

$$n-0+1 \Rightarrow (n+1)$$

$$1+1+1 \dots$$

$$(n+1)$$

$$(n+1) \times 2$$

$$\frac{3-1+1 \Rightarrow 3}{\quad} \quad \frac{1 \text{ to } n}{\quad} \rightarrow n$$

$\Delta \Delta \Delta$

$$\frac{1 \text{ to } 3 \Rightarrow 3}{\quad}$$

$$\frac{a \ b \ c \ d}{\quad} \rightarrow \frac{1 \text{ to } 5 \Rightarrow 5}$$

$$\frac{5-1+1}{\quad} \rightarrow 5$$

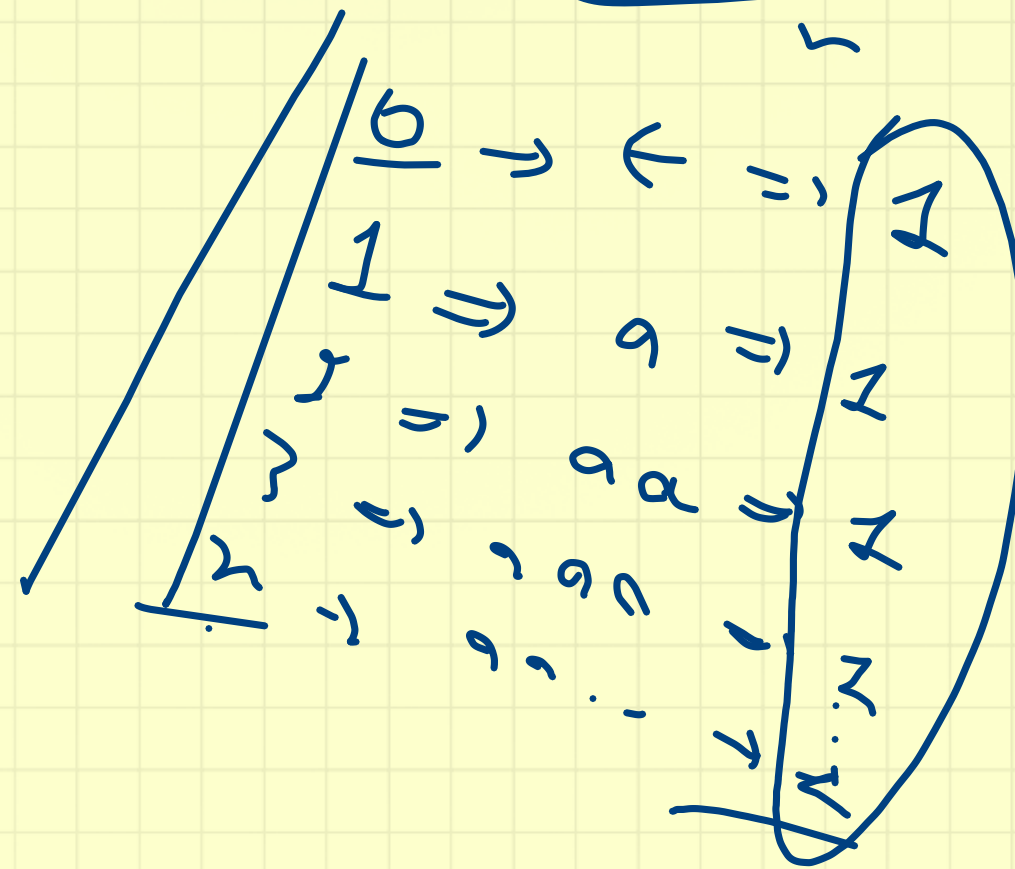
$$b/w \ 1+5$$

$$3$$

$$\Rightarrow (n+1)$$

The number of substrings (of all lengths inclusive) that can be formed from a string of length n whose all characters are SAME is

$$S = \{a\}$$
$$a \ a \ a \ a \ a \dots$$



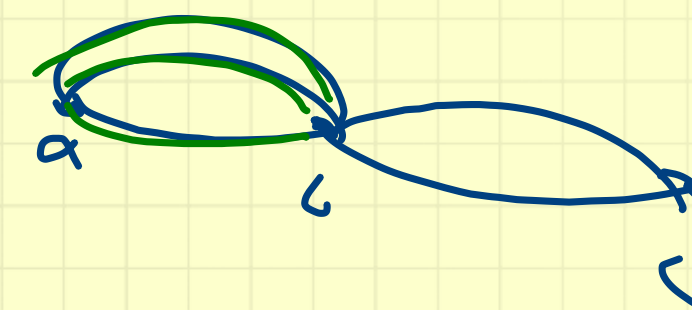


$$\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_k\}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a_1 & a_1 & a_1 \\ a_2 & a_2 & a_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_k & a_k & a_k \end{array}$$

$K * K * K$

The number of strings of length N
that can be formed using K
symbols



$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ K * K * K * \dots \\ \vdots \end{array} \Rightarrow K^N$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 * 10 \\ 2 + 2 + 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



$$|\Sigma| \Rightarrow$$

$$\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$$

The number of strings of length N

$$|N| = k$$

$$k \times k \times \dots$$

$$k^N$$

$$|\Sigma| * |\Sigma| * |\Sigma| \dots \Rightarrow (|\Sigma|)^N$$



at most 'n'

$$|\Sigma|^n + |\Sigma|^{n+1} + \dots + |\Sigma|^\infty \quad \times$$

$\infty =$

The number of strings of length at most N

$$\begin{aligned} & L_0 + L_1 + L_2 + \dots + L_n \\ & \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \\ & |\Sigma|^0 + |\Sigma|^1 + |\Sigma|^2 + \dots + |\Sigma|^n \end{aligned}$$

no. of terms

$$\begin{aligned} S_n & \propto \left(\frac{d^n - 1}{d - 1} \right) \\ & \quad \downarrow \\ & \quad \text{1st term} \\ & = 1 \times \left(\frac{|\Sigma|^{n+1} - 1}{|\Sigma| - 1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Q No. of strings over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ will be
 ∞ & each string will be of
finite length

$\Sigma = \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$



Powers of Σ

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

$$\Sigma^0 = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$\Sigma^1 = \{a, b\}$$

$$\Sigma^2 = \{aa, ab, ba, bb\}$$

$$\Sigma^3 = \{$$

$$aaa, aa\underline{a}, aa\underline{b}, a\underline{a}b, a\underline{a}b, a\underline{b}a, a\underline{b}b, b\underline{a}a, b\underline{a}b, b\underline{b}a, b\underline{b}b\}$$

$$\Sigma \times \Sigma$$

$$\{ (a, b) \times \{a, b\} \\ \{ (a, a), (a, b), (b, a), (b, b) \} \}$$



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

$$\Sigma^* = \{ \epsilon, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, aaa, aab, \dots \}$$

$$\Sigma^* = \Sigma^0 \cup \Sigma^1 \cup \Sigma^2 \cup \Sigma^3 \dots$$

$$\Sigma^* = \Sigma^0 \cup \Sigma^1 \cup \Sigma^2 \cup \Sigma^3 \cup \Sigma^4 \dots$$

$$\Sigma^+ = \Sigma^* - \Sigma^0$$

$$\Sigma^* = \{ \epsilon \}$$

$$\Sigma^+ = \Sigma^1 \cup \Sigma^2 \cup \Sigma^3 \dots$$