

Proof sketch that our Reverse (NFA) alg works

Given a word  $w$ , we will prove:

$$\forall n. |w|=n \Rightarrow (w \in L(A)) \iff w \in$$

Given a word  $w$ , let  $\frac{w}{k}$  and  $\frac{w}{k}$  be rightmost & leftmost  $k$  chars in  $w$ .

Want: for  $n \in 0 \dots |w|$



This is the complex rule

$$\begin{aligned} (q, \sigma, e) \in \delta_e \quad (x, c, r, f) \in \delta_r \\ (r, f, x) \in \delta_e \\ (r', f, x) \in \delta_e \\ (q, \sigma, c) \in \delta_e \\ (e, r', \sigma, c) \in \delta_e \\ (e', q, \sigma, c') \in \delta_e \end{aligned}$$

(for each  $q, c' \in Q_0^{\text{rev}}$ )

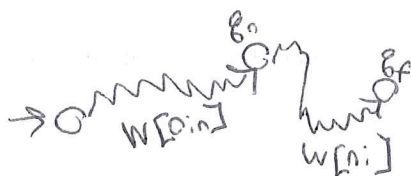
Backwards induction

Given a word  $w$ :

$M$  no  $\epsilon$  but perhaps nondet

If  $w \in L(M)$ , then for each  $n \in 0 \dots |w|$

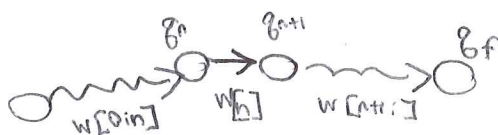
after reading  $w[0:n]$ , it must be able to reach a state  $q_n$  w/  $\delta(q_n, w[n:n]) \ni q_f$  ( $q_f$  final)



~~W/ is means from~~  $q_n$

If  $n = |w|$ , then Some how,  $|w|$

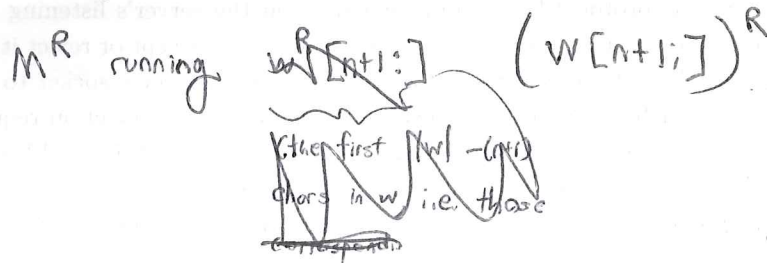
If  $n < |w|$ , then



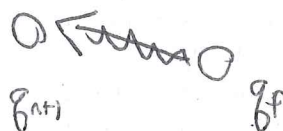
$q_n$  must be  $q_f$ , and we are done. I guess.

By induction,

2-FA

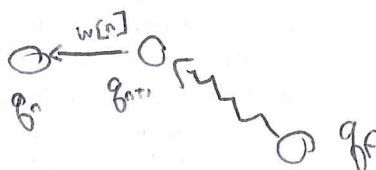


takes us from  $q_f$  to  $q_{n+1}$



Because  $M$  contains  $(q_n, w[n], q_{n+1})$ ,  $M^R$  contains  $(q_{n+1}, w[n], q_n)$ .

Thus  $M^R$  goes from  $q_f$  to  $q_n$  on  $(w[n:])^R$



So if  $w \in L(M)$ ,  $\forall n \in 0 \dots |w|$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \exists q_n \\ \exists q_f \end{array} \right\} \text{ s.t. } \delta_M(q_0, w[0:n]) = q_n$$

$$\text{and } \delta_{M^R}(q_f, (w[n:])^R) = q_n.$$

Base case is now  $n=|w|$

Let  $q_n$  be in  $Q_f \cap \delta(q_0, w)$ . First bit trivial.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{2nd bit trivial as } q_f = q_n \text{ gives } & \delta_{M^R}(q_f, (w[|w|:])^R) \\ & = \delta_{M^R}(q_f, \epsilon) = q_f \end{aligned}$$

NWA start

$w \in L(M)$

$3 \Rightarrow$  NWA  $\rightarrow$

Base case same.

If  $w \in L(M)$

then for  $n$  in  $0 \dots |w|$

Let  $q_n \in \delta(q_0, w) \cap Q_f$ , and  $q_f = q_n$ .

$\exists q_0, q_n, q_f$  st.

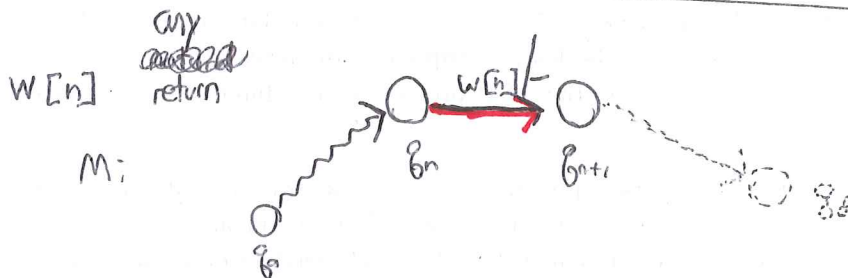
Inductive case

$\delta_m(q_0, w[0:n]) \ni q_n$   
 $\delta_m(q_f, (w[n:]^R)^R) \ni q_n$

$w[n]$  internal plays out as before (maybe w/ saying same level)

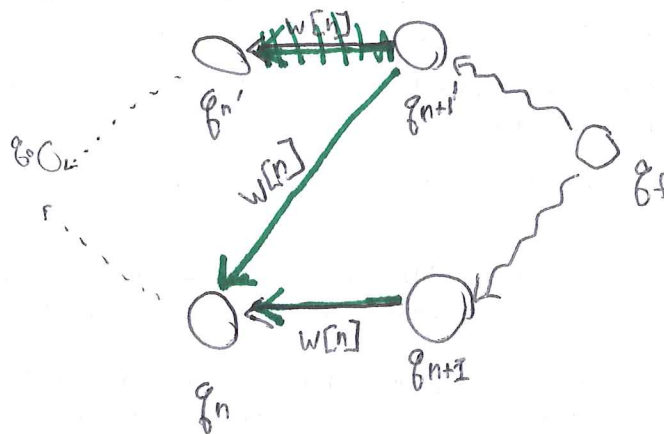
$\rightarrow$  if  $(w[n:]^R)^R$  has no pending returns (in rev string -  
 "()" ok, "()" ok,  
 "()" bad);

on  $\delta_m(\dots) \ni q_n'$



$- =$  return trans

turns into a call:

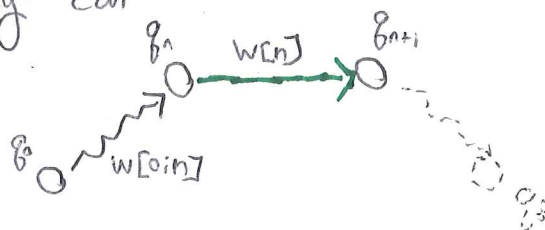


$- =$  call trans

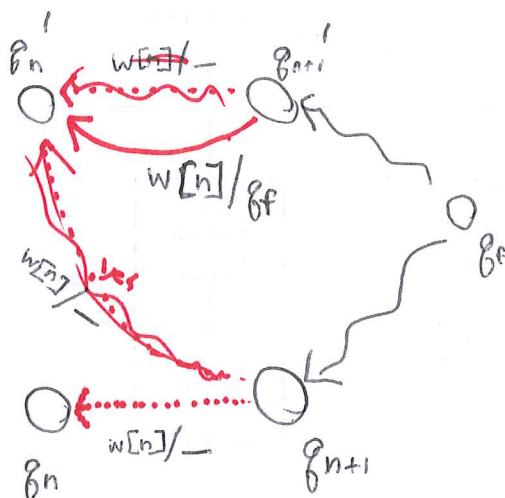
This is legal regardless of ~~goodness~~  $(w[n:]^R)^R$ , so if  $q_{n+1}$  was reachable, so is  $q_n$  (& likewise for  $q_{n+1}' \rightarrow q_n'$ )

In both cases, a following return will be matched

$w[n]$  pending call



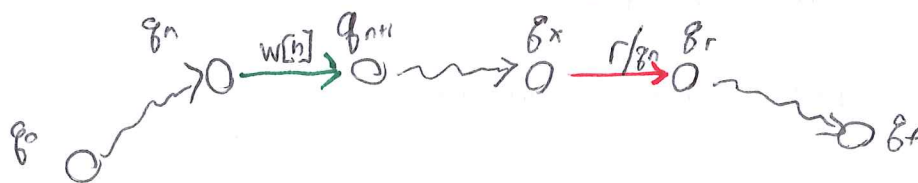
then  $(w[n])^{R^*}$  is pending return, so we are in  $q_{n+1}'$



and can take  $(q_{n+1}', q_f^{w[n]}, q_n')$

And still in primed state

$w[n]$  matched call

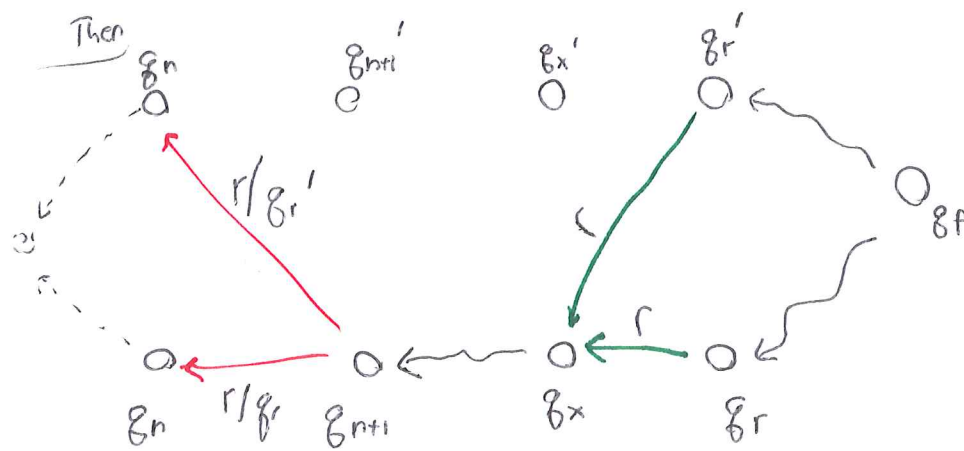


so  $(q_n, w[n], q_{n+1}) \in \delta_c$

$(q_n, q_n, \cancel{q_x}, q_r) \in \delta_r$

so  $(q_{n+1}, q_r, r, q_n)$

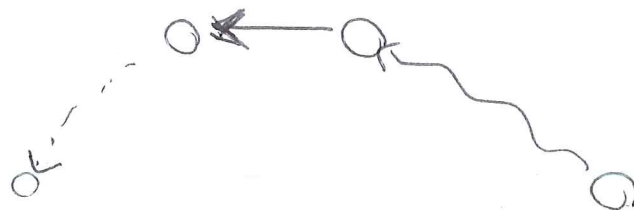
$(q_{n+1}, q_r', r, q_n')$   
in  $\delta_{rev}$



(if  $w^R \in L(M^R)$  then  $w \in L(M)$ )

5- ~~FA~~ NWA

Basically same



~~$w[n]$  interval~~

Start:

if  $w^R \in L(M^R)$ , then for  $n \in 0 \dots |w|$

$\exists q_0, q_n, q_f$  st.

~~And~~ And

Or •  $\delta_{M^R}(q_f, (w[n])^R) \ni q_n$

and  $w[n]$  has no pending calls

•  $\delta_{M^R}(q_f, (w[n])^R) \ni q_n'$

$w[n]$  has pending calls

•  $\delta_M(q_0, w[0:n]) \ni q_n$

$\varphi(n)$

Base

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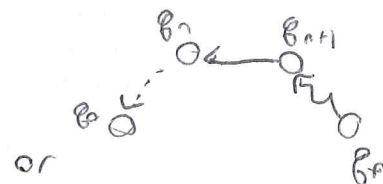
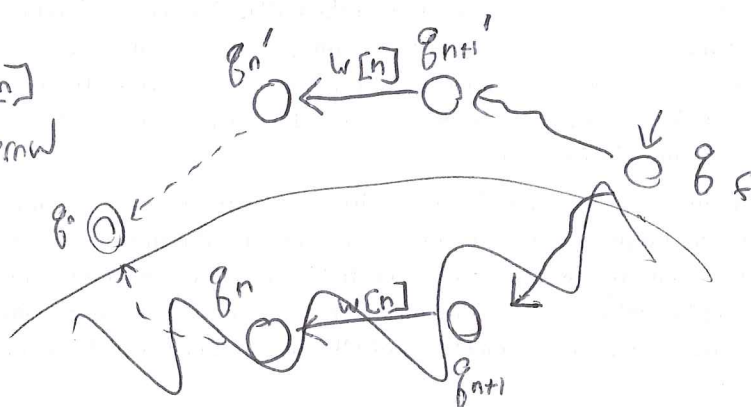
~~$\varphi(|w|)$  holds~~

$\varphi(0)$  holds: take path from  $q_0 \rightarrow q_f$

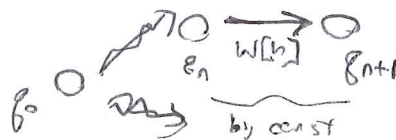
that witnesses acceptance, and  $q_n = q_f$

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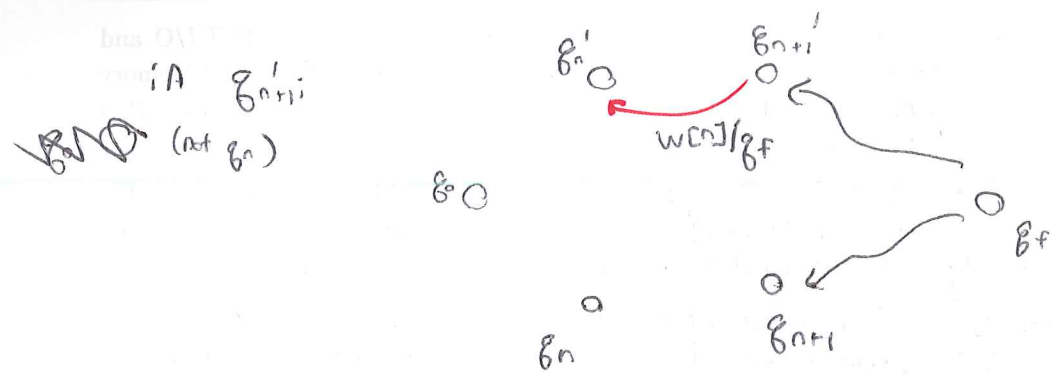
$w[n]$  interval



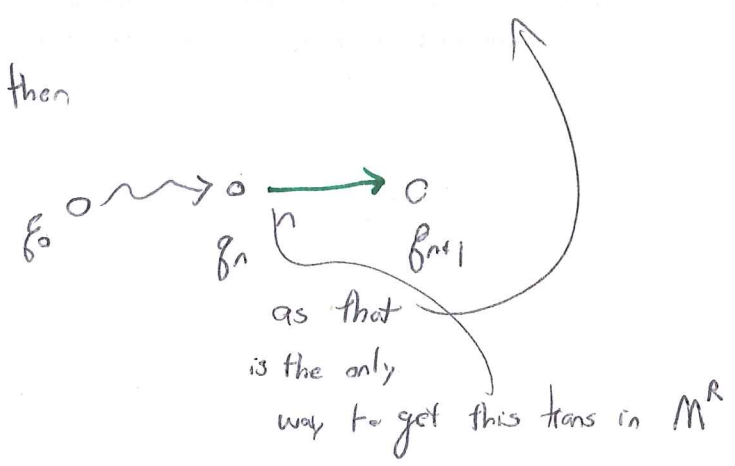
Know ind that



$w[n]$  pending call (in forward; return in back)

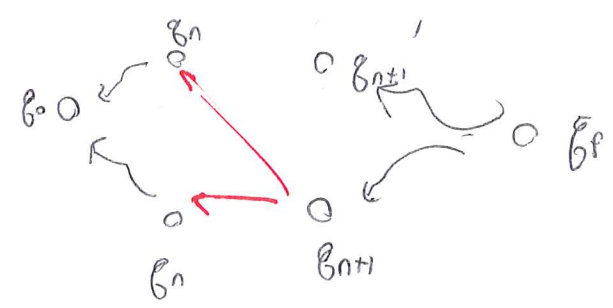


well then



$w[n]$  matched call  
in  $\beta_{n+1}$

one of these  
paths must go



so

