Week 2 Tutorial Session

Tutorial exercises include more problems than a typical student can solve in 15-20 minutes. Don't be discouraged if you cannot solve all the problems within the time limit.

- 1. Draw a state diagram of a DFA that accepts the following language:
 - (a) $\{w \mid w \text{ has at least two a's and at least two b's}\}$
 - (b) $\{w \mid w \text{ doesn't contain the substring aba}\}$
 - (c) $\{w \mid w \text{ contains the same number of occurrences of ab and ba as substrings}\}$ For example aba is in this language because aba contains a single ab and a single ba, but abab is not in this language because abab contains two ab and one ba.
- 2. Prove that every NFA can be converted into an equivalent one that has a single accepting state.
- 3. We considered the following NFA in the second lecture:



- (a) Does the NFA accept 01? 11? 011?
- (b) What is the language of the NFA? Justify your answer formally and carefully.