Homework Assignment 2

- 1. Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$. Give NFAs that recognize the following languages. The answer must be a state diagram.
 - (a) $L_1 = \{w \mid w \text{ starts with ab and ends with ba}\}$ using five states.
 - (b) $L_2 = \{w \mid w \text{ contains neither aa nor bb}\}$ using three states.
 - (c) $L_3 = \{ab\}$ using three states.
- 2. Convert the NFA $N_1 = (\{q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4\}, \{a, b\}, \delta, q_1, \{q_2, q_4\})$ into a DFA, where δ is defined below. Show only the reachable states. The answer must be a state diagram.

$$\begin{split} \delta(q_1, \epsilon) &= \{q_2\} \\ \delta(q_1, \mathbf{a}) &= \{q_2\} \\ \delta(q_1, \mathbf{b}) &= \{q_3\} \\ \delta(q_3, \mathbf{a}) &= \{q_2, q_3\} \\ \delta(q_3, \mathbf{b}) &= \{q_4\} \\ \delta(q, c) &= \emptyset \quad \text{otherwise} \end{split}$$

3. Let $N_2 = (\{q_1, q_2, q_3\}, \{a, b\}, \delta, q_1, \{q_3\})$ where

$$\begin{split} &\delta(q_1, \mathbf{a}) = \{q_1, q_2\} \\ &\delta(q_1, \mathbf{b}) = \{q_1\} \\ &\delta(q_2, \mathbf{a}) = \{q_3\} \\ &\delta(q, c) = \emptyset \quad \text{otherwise} \end{split}$$

The answers must be given as state diagrams.

- (a) Using the method from class, give an NFA that recognizes $N_2\cdot N_1$
- (b) Using the method from class, give an NFA that recognizes $N_1 \cup N_2$
- (c) Using the method from class, give an NFA that recognizes N_2^{\star}