EECS20n, Quiz 2 Solution, 2/10/03

A channel has input alphabet $Inputs = \{0, 1\}$ and output alphabet $Outputs = \{0, 1, \bot\}$. The channel operates as follows. When the input symbol is 0(1), the channel outputs 0(1) or the erase symbol \bot . The channel erases *at most three* consecutive input symbols.

1. What is the space of input signals?

 $InputSignals = [Naturals_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}].$

- 2. What is the space of output signals? $OutputSignals = [Naturals_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1, \bot\}].$
- What are the possible output signals when the input signal is (0, 0,)?
 The possible output signals are: (0, 0, ...), (⊥, 0, ...), (0, ⊥, ...), (⊥, ⊥, ...).
- 4. Construct a nondeterministic state machine model of the channel. Give your answer as a transition diagram. Note the initial state.

The state machine is given below. The names of the states (zero, one, two, or three) indicate how many consecutive erasures have occurred.

