# Homework #2

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### 1 Number 1: Exercise 3.4.1

1. Verify that  $R + S = S + R \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$L(R+S) = L(R) \cup L(S) = \{x | x \in L(R) \oplus x \in L(S)\}$$
(1)

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$$(2)$$

2. Verify that  $(R+S)+T = R+(S+T) \ni R, S, T$  are regular expressions:

$$(R+S) + T = (L(R) \cup L(S)) \cup L(T) = L(R) \cup L(S) \cup L(T) = R + (S+T)$$
(3)

3. Verify that  $(RS)T = R(ST) \ni R, S, T$  are regular expressions:

$$(RS)T = (L(R)L(S))L(T) = L(R)L(S)L(T) = \{xyz | x \in L(R); y \in L(S); z \in L(T)\}$$
(4)

$$R(ST) = L(R)(L(S)L(T)) = L(R)L(S)L(T) = \{xyz | x \in L(R); y \in L(S); z \in L(T)\}$$
(5)

4. Verify that  $R(S+T) = RS + RT \ni R, S, T$  are regular expressions:

$$R(S+T) = L(R)(L(S) \cup L(T))$$
  
= {xy|x \in L(R); y \in L(S) \oplus y \in L(T)} (6)

$$RS + RT = L(R)L(S) \cup L(R)L(T)$$
  
= { $xy|x \in L(R); y \in L(S)$ }  $\cup$  { $xy|x \in L(R); y \in L(T)$ }  
= { $xy|x \in L(R); y \in L(S) \oplus y \in L(T)$ } (7)

5. Verify that  $(R+S)T = RT + ST \ni R, S, T$  are regular expressions:

$$(R+S)T = (L(R) \cup L(S))L(T)$$
  
= { $xy|x \in L(R) \oplus x \in L(S); y \in L(T)$ } (8)

$$RT + ST = L(R)L(T) \cup L(S)L(T)$$
  
= { $xy|x \in L(R); y \in L(T)$ }  $\cup$  { $xy|x \in L(S); y \in L(T)$ }  
= { $xy|x \in L(R) \oplus x \in L(S); y \in L(T)$ } (9)

6. Verify that  $(R^*)^* = R^* \ni R$  is a regular expression:

$$R^* = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} R^i \ni R^n = \{ x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_n | x_i \in L(R) \}$$
(10)

$$(R^*)^* = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} (R^*)^i \tag{11}$$

$$(R^*)^n = \{x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_n | x_i \in R^*\} = \{y_1 y_2 y_3 \dots y_n | y_i \in L(R)\}$$
(12)

7. Verify that  $(\epsilon + R)^* = R^* \ni R$  is a regular expression:

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$$(\epsilon + R)^* = (L(\epsilon) \cup L(R))^*$$
  

$$\ni (L(\epsilon) \cup L(R))^i = \{x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_n | x_i \in L(R) \oplus x_i \in L(\epsilon)\}$$
(13)

$$\forall x \in (L(\epsilon) \cup L(R))^i \quad \exists \quad x \in R^j \ni j = i - \operatorname{count}_{\epsilon}(x) \\ \therefore \quad R^* \supseteq (L(\epsilon) \cup L(R))^*$$
(14)

8. Verify that  $(R^*S^*)^* = (R+S)^* \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$(R^*S^*)^* = \{x_1x_2x_3\dots x_n|\dots\}$$
(15)

## 2 Number 2: Exercise 3.4.2

1. Prove or disprove that  $(R + S)^* = R^* + S^* \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$xy \ni x \in L(R); y \in L(S) \in (R+S)^*$$
(16)

$$xy \ni x \in L(R); y \in L(S) \notin R^* + S^*$$
(17)

2. Prove or disprove that  $(RS + R)^*R = R(SR + R)^* \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$(RS+R)^*R = R^+(SR^+)^* = R(SR+R)^*$$
(18)

3. Prove or disprove that  $(RS + R)^*RS = (RR^*S)^* \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$\epsilon \in (RR^*S)^* \tag{19}$$

$$\epsilon \notin (RS+R)^*RS \tag{20}$$

4. Prove or disprove that  $(R + S)^*S = (R^*S)^* \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$\epsilon \in (R^*S)^* \tag{21}$$

$$\epsilon \notin (R+S)^*S \tag{22}$$

5. Prove or disprove that  $S(RS + S)^*R = RR^*S(RR^*S)^* \ni R, S$  are regular expressions:

$$xy \ni x \in L(R); y \in L(S) \in RR^*S(RR^*S)^*$$
(23)

$$xy \ni x \in L(R); y \in L(S) \notin S(RS+S)^*R$$
 (24)

#### 3 Number 3: Exercise 4.1.1

1. Prove  $L = \{0^n 1^n | n \ge 1\}$  is not regular using the pumping lemma. Let M be a determinitic finite autonoma:

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F) \tag{25}$$

$$|Q| = n \tag{26}$$

Let w be a string  $\ni w = 0^n 1^n; n \ge 1$ .

 $w \in L$  and |w| = 2n by definition.

Assume w is regular. Since |w| > n, by the pumping lemma:

$$\exists xyz = w \ni y \neq \epsilon \tag{27}$$

$$|xy| \leq n \tag{28}$$

$$w_k = xy^k z \quad \in \quad L; k \in \mathbb{N}; k \ge 0 \tag{29}$$

Since the first *n* characters are 0's and  $|xy| \leq n$  then:

$$x = 0^a; a \ge 0 \tag{30}$$

$$y = 0^b; b \ge 1 \tag{31}$$

$$z = 0^{c} 1^{n}; c \ge 0; (32)$$

$$|w| = a + b + c + n = 2n \tag{33}$$

When  $w_0 = xy^0 z = xz = 0^a 0^c 1^n$ ,  $|0^a 0^c| = a + c = n - b < n$  since  $b \ge 1$ .  $\therefore L$  cannot be regular since that  $w_0 \notin L$ .

2. Prove the language of any fully nested set of parenthesis is not regular. Let  $w = {n \choose n}$ .  $w \in L$  and |w| = 2n > n, so the pumping lemma holds. Define a homomorphism  $h \ni$ 

$$h(() = 0 \tag{34}$$

$$h()) = 1 \tag{35}$$

 $h(w)=0^n1^n$  which has been shown to violate the pumping lemma,  $\therefore L$  is not regular.

3. Prove that  $\{0^n 10^n | n \ge 1\}$  is not regular.

This proof is very similar to the proof for  $\{0^n1^n\}$  in that it centers around the fact that a dfa has no memory.

Pick  $w = 0^n 10^n$ . If L is regular then:

$$w = 0^{a} 0^{b} 0^{c} 10^{n}; a, c \ge 0; b \ge 1$$
(36)

$$w_i = 0^a (0^b)^i 0^c 10^n \in L; a, c \ge 0; b \ge 1; i \ge 0$$
(37)

$$+b+c = n \tag{38}$$

This is a contradiction since the number of 0's in the first part of  $w_0$  will be:

$$a + c = n - b < n \tag{39}$$

 $\therefore |w_0| \notin L$ , since the number of 0's in the second half is n.

4. Prove that  $\{0^n 1^m 2^n | n, m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is not regular.

Define a homomorphism  $h \ni$ 

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$$h(0) = 0 \tag{40}$$

$$h(1) = \epsilon \tag{41}$$

$$h(2) = 1 \tag{42}$$

 $h(L) = \{0^n 1^n\}$  which is not regular  $\therefore L$  is not regular.

5. Prove that  $\{0^n 1^m | n \leq m\}$  is not regular.

$$L = \{0^{n}1^{m} | n \le m\} = \{0^{n}1^{n}l^{m-n} | n \le m\}$$
$$= \{0^{n}1^{n}\}\{1^{k} | k \ge 0\} = L_{1}L_{2}$$
(43)

Since we know:

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are regular languages then  $L_1L_2$  is also a regular language.

By the contrapositive we know that if  $L_1L_2$  is not a regular language then  $L_1$  or  $L_2$  is not a regular language. ...

6. Prove that  $\{0^n 1^{2n} | n \ge 1\}$  is not a regular language. Define an inverse homomorphism  $h^{-1} \ni$ 

$$h^{-1}(0) = 0 (44)$$

$$h^{-1}(0) = 0 (44) h^{-1}(11) = 1 (45)$$

 $h^{-1}(L) = \{0^n 1^n | n \ge 1\}$ .  $h^{-1}(L)$  is not regular,  $\therefore L$  is not regular.

#### Number 4: Exercise 4.1.4 4

- 1. What breaks down on using the pumping lemma on  $\emptyset$ ?  $\nexists w \in L$
- 2. What breaks down on using the pumping lemma on  $\{00, 11\}$ ?  $|w| = 2 \forall w \in L$ . It is not possible to pick an arbitrary n.
- 3. What breaks down on using the pumping lemma on  $(00 + 11)^*$ ? L is represented by a regular expression which is, by definition, regular. Specifically, y could be **00** or **11** and  $y^k \in L$ .
- 4. What breaks down on using the pumping lemma on  $01^*0^*1$ ?

$$x = \mathbf{01} \tag{46}$$

$$y = \mathbf{0} \tag{47}$$

z = 1(48) Satisfies the pumping lemma since:

$$w_i = xy^i z \in L; i \ge 0 \tag{49}$$