

# Final

## Finite Automata And Regular Expression

DFA:  $M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, s, F), \delta = \{(q, w)\}$ .

NFA:  $M = (K, \Sigma, \Delta, s, F), \Delta = \{(q, w)\}$ .

**Regular expression to NFA:** Naturally.

**NFA to DFA:**

1. List  $\{E(q) \mid q \in K\}$
2. List  $\delta(s'), \delta(Q, a) = \bigcup \{E(p) \mid p \in K \text{ and } (q, a, p) \in \Delta \text{ for some } q \in Q\}$
3. **Do not forget to continue listing on  $\delta(\emptyset, \sigma) = \emptyset$ , and draw the lines on diagram back to itself!**

**DFA to regular expression:** By eliminating states one by one.

**Closure of regular expression:** Union, concatenation, Kleene star, complementation, intersection (

$L_1 \cap L_2 = \overline{\overline{L_1} \cup \overline{L_2}}$ ) and difference.

**Prove that a language is regular:**

- Accepted by FA.
- Specified by regular expression.
- Closure. (Union, concatenation, Kleene star, complementation, intersection, and difference)

**Prove that a language is not regular:**

- Intuitive: FA has only finite states so it can only remember a finite number of strings.
- Pumping theorem. ( $\{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}, \{a^n \mid n \text{ is a prime}\}$ )
- Is not closed under intersection or complementation. ( $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ has the same number of } a\text{'s and } b\text{'s}\} \cap a^* b^*$ )

**Pumping theorem:**

Let  $L$  be a regular language, then there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that any string  $w \in L$  with  $|w| \geq n$  can be written as  $w = xyz$  such that:

- $y \neq \epsilon$
- $|xy| \leq n$
- $\forall i \geq 0, xy^i z \in L$

**Prove that a language is not regular by pumping theorem:**

- Let  $L$  be the proposed regular language.
- There is some  $n$ , by the pumping lemma.

- Choose a string  $s$ , longer than  $n$  symbols, in the language  $L$ .
- Using the pumping lemma, construct a new string  $s'$  that is not in the language.

Caveats:

Arbitrary union of regular languages can be irregular: Any language can be written as union of all its individual elements, but not all languages are regular.

Regular because of equivalence to  $\Sigma^*$ :  $\{xyx^R \mid x, y \in \Sigma^*\}$  is regular: Let  $x$  be  $\epsilon$ , then  $L = \Sigma^*$ .

## Pushdown Automata And Context-Free Grammar

CFG:  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ ,  $R = \{A \rightarrow u\}$ .

Regular language  $\subsetneq$  CFG.

PDA:  $M = (K, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, s, F)$ ,  $\Delta = \{((p, a, \beta), (q, \gamma))\}$ .

**CFL to CFG:** Construct manually.

Examples:

- $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ has the same number of } a \text{'s and } b \text{'s}\}$ :  
 $S \rightarrow \epsilon, S \rightarrow aSb, S \rightarrow bSa, S \rightarrow SS$ .
- $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n\}$ :  $S \rightarrow \epsilon, S \rightarrow aS, S \rightarrow aSb$ .
- $\{a^m b^n \mid m > n\}$ :  $S \rightarrow aS_1, S_1 \rightarrow \epsilon, S_1 \rightarrow aS_1, S_1 \rightarrow aS_1b$ .
- $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m + n = p + q\}$ :  $m + n = p + q = N$ ,  
 $a^m b^n c^p d^q = a^q a^{m-q} b^{N-m} c^{N-m} c^{m-q} d^q$  when  $m \geq q$ , so  $m < q$  is similar.

**CFL to PDA:**

Examples:

- $\{ww^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ : Two states, push and pop the stack.
- $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ has the same number of } a \text{'s and } b \text{'s}\}$ : Guard with a stack bottom symbol.

**CFG to PDA:**

- CFG  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$ , PDA  $M = (K, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, s, F)$ .
- $K = \{p, q\}$ .
- $\Gamma = V$ .
- $s = p$ .
- $F = \{q\}$ .
- $\Delta$  contains the following transitions:
  - $((p, \epsilon, \epsilon), (q, S))$ .
  - $((q, \epsilon, A), (q, x))$  for each rule  $A \rightarrow x \in R$ . (Generate)

- $((q, a, a), (q, e)), \forall a \in \Sigma$ . (Match)

(Not mentioned) PDA to simple PDA, simple PDA to CFG.

**Closure of CFG:** Union, concatenation and Kleene star, but not complementation, intersection or difference.

**Prove that a language is context-free:**

- Accepted by PDA.
- Closure. (Union, concatenation, Kleene star, but not complementation, intersection or difference)
- Intersection of a CFL with a regular language is CFL.
- (So) any CFL over a single-letter alphabet is regular.

**Prove that a language is not context-free:**

- Pumping theorem.  $(\{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0\})$
- Is not closed under intersection with a regular language. ( $\{w \in \{a, b, c\}^* \mid w \text{ has the same number of } a\text{'s } b\text{'s and } c\text{'s}\} \cap a^* b^* c^*$ )

Pumping Theorem: Let  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$  be a CFG, then any string  $w \in L(G)$  of length greater than  $n \geq \phi(G)^{|V-\Sigma|}$  can be rewritten as  $w = uvxyz$  such that:

- $vy \neq \epsilon$ .
- $|vxy| \leq n$
- $\forall i \geq 0, uv^i xy^i z \in L(G)$ .

**Proving that a language is not CFL:**

- There is some  $n$ , by the pumping theorem.
- Choose a string  $w$  longer than  $n$  symbols in language  $L$ .
- Use the pumping theorem, construct  $w'$  that is not in  $L$ .

Caveats:

Prove intersection is not free by  $\{a^n b^n c^n\} = \{a^n b^n c^m\} \cap \{a^m b^n c^n\}$ .

$\{a^m b^* c^n \mid m = (\text{or } \neq) n + k\}$  is context-free.

$\{ww \mid w \in \Sigma^*\}$  is not context-free.

$\{www \mid w \in \Sigma^*\}$  is not context-free:  $w = a^k b a^k b a^k b$ .

$L$  is context-free and  $R$  is regular, then  $L - R = L \cap \overline{R}$  is context-free, while  $R - L$  is not because it can be  $\overline{L}$ .

## Turing Machine And Grammar

TM:  $M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, s, H), \delta = \{(q, w \underline{a} u)\}$ .

Simple TMs:  $a, L, R, L^n, R^n, L_a, R_a, L_{\bar{a}}, R_{\bar{a}}$ .

**Decide language:**  $(s, \triangleright \sqsubseteq w)$ , accept with  $y$  or reject with  $n$ .

**Decide / recursive:**  $(s, \triangleright \sqsubseteq w)$ , accept with  $y$  or reject with  $n$ .

**Compute function / recursive:** Halts with  $(s, \triangleright \sqsubseteq w) \vdash_M^* (h, \triangleright \sqsubseteq f(w))$ . For numbers use binary notation.

Semidecide / recursively enumerable: Halts or not.

**Language to TM:** Manually.

**Language to Grammar:** Manually.

Examples:

- $\{ww \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ : Generate  $ww^R$  with middle marker and end transformer.
- $\{a^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0\}$ : Generate any amount of crawling doublers at left.

**Function to TM:** Manually.

**Closure of recursive language:** Union, concatenation, Kleene star, intersection, complementation and difference.

$n$ -tape,  $n$ -head, two-way and  $n$ -dimensional tape TM are equivalent to standard TM.

NTM:  $M = (K, \Sigma, \Delta, s, H), \Delta = \{(q, w \underline{a} u)\}$ .

NTM semidecides language: Accept (Halts for once).

NTM decides language: Halts for all and halts in  $y$  at least once.

NTM computes function: Halts with one output for all.

NTM is equivalent to standard TM. (By **dovetailing**)

**Dovetailing:** ...

Grammar:  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S), R = \{u \rightarrow w\}$ .

$\{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 1\}$ :  $S \rightarrow ABCS, S \rightarrow T_c$ , can repair order, transformer  $T_c$  crawls from right to left and turns  $C$  to  $c$ , and optionally turns into  $T_b$ , similarly  $T_b$  and  $T_a$ .

Grammar is equivalent to TM.

Grammar computes function:  $SwS \Rightarrow_G^* f(w)$ .

Recursive (Grammar): Grammatically computable.

Basic functions:  $zero_k, id_{k,j}, succ$ .

Primitive recursive function: Basic function and those obtained by composition, recursive definition.  $plus, mult, exp, f_m, sgn, pred, m \sim n$ .

Primitive recursive predicate: Primitive recursive function with values only 0 and 1. *iszero*, *positive*, *equal*, *greater – than – or – equal*, *less – than*,  $\neg$ ,  $\vee$ ,  $\wedge$ .

Function defined by cases is also primitive recursive (by  $\cdot$  and  $+$ ). *rem*, *div*.

$$\text{digit}(m, n, p) = \text{div}(\text{rem}(n, p^m), p^{m-1}), \text{odd}(n) = \text{digit}(1, n, 2).$$

$\text{sum}_f(n, m) = \sum_{k=0}^m f(n, k)$  and  $\text{mult}_f(n, m) = \prod_{k=0}^m f(n, k)$  are primitive recursive.

$$y|x = \exists t_{(\leq x)}(y \cdot t = x), y \text{ divides } x.$$

$$\text{prime}(x) = (x > 1) \wedge \forall_{(< x)}(t = 1 \vee \neg(t|x)).$$

The set of primitive recursive function is enumerable, then by diagonalization (

$$g(n) = f_n(n) + 1) \text{ it is a proper subset of recursive function.}$$

Minimalization:

$\mu m[g(n_1, \dots, n_k, m) = 1] = \text{the least } m \text{ such that } g(n_1, \dots, n_k, m) = 1 \text{ or } 0 \text{ otherwise}$

Minimalizable: If brute-force method always terminates.

$\mu$ -recursive: Basic function and those obtained by composition, recursive definition, and minimalization of minimalizable functions.

Diagonalization cannot be applied to find a recursive function that is not  $\mu$ -recursive because the function minimalization applied upon may not be minimalizable.

$$\log(m, n) = \mu p[\text{greater} - \text{than} - \text{or} - \text{equal}((m + 2)^p, n + 1)].$$

$$\log_m(n) = \lceil \log_{m+2}(n + 1) \rceil, \text{ to avoid pitfall when } m \leq 1 \text{ or } n = 0.$$

Function  $f : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is  $\mu$ -recursive iff it is recursive.

**Prove that a function is primitive recursive:**

Examples:

- $\text{factorial}(n)$ :  $\text{factorial}(0) = 1$ ,  $\text{factorial}(n + 1) = \text{mult}(n, \text{factorial}(n))$ .
- $\text{gcd}(m, n)$ :  $\text{gcd}(m, n) = n$  if  $\text{rem}(m, n) = 0$ ,  $\text{gcd}(n, \text{rem}(m, n))$  otherwise.

## Undecidability

Church–Turing thesis:

Algorithm: A TM that always halts.

Undecidable: Not recursive.

Universal TM:  $U(\text{“}M \text{” } \text{“}w \text{”}) = \text{“}M(w) \text{”}$

Not recursive but r.e. language:

$$H = \{\text{“}M \text{” } \text{“}w \text{”} \mid \text{Turing Machine } M \text{ that halts on input string } w\}.$$

$H_1 = \{ \langle \langle M \rangle \rangle \mid \text{TM } M \text{ halts on input string } \langle M \rangle \}$  will be  $halts(X, X)$ , and  $\overline{H_1}$  will be  $diagonal(X)$  which is even not r.e..

Recursive language is a proper subset of r.e. language.

**Closure of r.e. language:** Union, concatenation, Kleene star and intersection, but not complementation or difference.

**Reduction:** There is a reduction from  $L_1$  to  $L_2$  ( $L_1 \leq L_2$ ) iff  $x \in L_1 \Leftrightarrow r(x) \in L_2$ .

If  $L_1$  is not recursive, and  $L_1 \leq L_2$ , then  $L_2$  is not recursive. (Otherwise  $TM_2$  will decide  $L_1$ .)

**Prove that a language is not recursive:**

- Find reduction from  $H$  to language, by defining recursive function *for machine* from  $\langle M \rangle \langle w \rangle$  to  $M'$ .
  - Notice that  $M'$  should satisfy  $x \in L_1 \Leftrightarrow r(x) \in L_2$ , which is the reverse of intuition. Or say  $M'$  halts when  $M$  halts on  $w$ , does not halt when  $M$  does not on  $w$ .

**Prove that a language is recursive:**

- Closure under union, concatenation, Kleene star, intersection, complementation and difference.
- Both  $L$  and  $\overline{L}$  are r.e..

Enumerate:  $L = \{ w \mid (s, \triangleright \sqcup) \vdash_M (q, \triangleright \sqcup w) \}$ .

Turing-enumerable: Enumerable by a TM, equivalent to recursively enumerable (by dovetailing).

Lexicographically Turing-enumerable: Derivation comes lexicographically, equivalent to recursive.

$L(M)$ : Language semidecided by  $M$ .

**Rice's Theorem:** If  $C$  is a proper and non-empty subset of the class of recursively enumerable languages, then the following problem is undecidable: Given a TM  $M$ , is  $L(M) \in C$ ?

So almost all questions of the form “Does TM  $M$  halt on this kind of input?” are undecidable, for example whether  $L(M) = \emptyset$ ,  $L(M)$  is finite,  $L(M) = \Sigma^*$ ,  $e \in L(M)$ .

There is no algorithm to determine, given any grammar  $G$  and any string  $w$ , whether  $w \in L(G)$ .

To determine whether  $L(G_1) \cap L(G_2) = \emptyset$  is unsolvable, where  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are both context-free grammars.

Tiling is unsolvable: Tiling the whole plane with abutting edges match. ...

Caveats:

The set of TM is countable infinite (enumerable).

## Exam

- **Closure of regular expression:** Union, concatenation, Kleene star, complementation, intersection and difference.
- **Closure of CFG:** Union, concatenation and Kleene star, but not complementation, intersection or difference.
- **Closure of recursive language:** Union, concatenation, Kleene star, intersection, complementation and difference.
- **Closure of r.e. language:** Union, concatenation, Kleene star and intersection, but not complementation or difference.

CFG has the minimal of union, concatenation and Kleene star; r.e. language has intersection in addition; others have all.

Universal TM as the last problem.