

FLAC Assignment 3

Exercise 1 For each of the following regular expressions, construct a DFA that recognizes it.

1. $((0 \cup 1)^*0)^*$
2. $(1010 \cup 0101 \cup 10 \cup 01)^*$
3. $0 \cup (00 \cup 000)^*$

Exercise 2 We write each natural number¹ in its binary representation; e.g., “5” is represented as 101 and “9” is represented as 1001. Give a regular expression for the following language:

$$L = \{x \mid x \text{ is the binary representation of some natural number divisible by } 3\}.$$

Exercise 3. DFA Minimization. Given the following DFA of which A is the start state and D is the accept state, find the smallest equivalent DFA.

	0	1
$\rightarrow A$	B	A
B	A	C
C	D	B
*D	D	A
E	D	F
F	G	E
G	F	G
H	G	D

Exercise 4: No DFA for Prime. In this problem, you are asked to prove that there does not exist such an DFA that recognizes the language of all prime numbers in binary representation. For example, the DFA will accept, 10, 11, 101, 111 and reject 1, 100, 1001.

1. (step 1) Prove that if such a DFA M exists for prime numbers, then there is a infinite sequence of prime numbers $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n, \dots$ with the recursive form that $a_{i+1} = ua_i + v$ for some fixed integer $u > 1$ and v depending on M.
2. (step 2 (bonus)) Show that for such a sequence, some $a_i (i > 0)$ in a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{a_0} must be divisible by a_0 .

¹Zero is a natural number