

Automata and Language Theory

Chapter 2(Languages)

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Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b\}$:

- With even length.**

Solution

$$(aa \cup ba \cup ab \cup bb)^*$$

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b\}$:

- With odd length.

Solution

$$(a \cup b)^* - \{aa \cup ba \cup ab \cup bb\}^*$$

OR

$$(a \cup b) (aa \cup ba \cup ab \cup bb)^*$$

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b\}$:

- Every string that begin with a and end with a and contain at least one b.

Solution

$a (a \cup b)^* b (a \cup b)^* a$

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b\}$:

- even number of b's

Solution

$$a^* (a^* b a^* b a^*)^*$$

Exercise 12

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b, c\}$ which all the a's precede the b's, which in turn precede the c's. It is possible that there are no a's, b's, or c's.

Solution

$$a^* b^* c^*$$

Exercise 13

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b, c\}$ which all the a's precede the b's, which in turn precede the c's. **without the null string**.

Solution

$a^+ b^+ c^+$

Exercise 26

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b, c\}$ with length three.

Solution

$$(a \cup b \cup c) (a \cup b \cup c) (a \cup b \cup c)$$

Exercise 27

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b, c\}$ with length less than three.

Solution

$$\lambda \cup (a \cup b \cup c) \cup (a \cup b \cup c)(a \cup b \cup c)$$

Exercise 28

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b, c\}$ with length greater than three.

Solution

$$(a \cup b \cup c)(a \cup b \cup c)(a \cup b \cup c)(a \cup b \cup c)^+$$

Exercise 30

Give the regular expression for the set of strings over $\{a, b, c\}$ which the total number of b's and c's is three.

Solution

$$a^* (b \cup c) a^* (b \cup c) a^* (b \cup c) a^*$$