

CS4384 : Automata Theory

Homework Assignment 2

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1. Let $L = \{ 0^i 1^j 0^k \mid k > i + j \}$. Use the pumping lemma to show that L is not regular.

Assume L is regular and let p be it's pumping length. Define S such that $S = 0^p 1^p 0^{2p+1}$, such that $|S| > p$ and that $S \in L$. Let $S = xyz$ be a partitioning satisfying $|xy| \leq p$, and $|y| > 0$. Since we know $|y| > 0$, we know that y contains only zeros. Since y contains some number of zeros equal to $|y| = k$ for some $k \in (0, p]$, we can conclude that xy contains 0^{p-k} zeros. Let $i = 2$ such that $S' = xy^i z = xy^2 z = xy y z = 0^{p-k} 0^k 0^k 1^p 0^{2p+1}$. Simplifying we obtain $0^{p+k} 1^p 0^{2p+1}$. This contradicts the pumping lemma, since we have come up with a string S' with pumping length p that is NOT in the language L since $k < i + j$ for S' . Thus, this language is not regular.

2. Let $L = \{ w \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ } w \text{ is not a palindrome} \}$. Use the pumping lemma to show that L is not regular.

By closure properties of regular languages, if L is regular then \overline{L} is also regular. Take for consideration the compliment of L , such that $\overline{L} = \{ w \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ } w \text{ is a palindrome} \}$. Assume \overline{L} is regular and let p be it's pumping length. Define S such that $S = 0^p 1^p 0^p$, such that $|S| > p$ and that $S \in \overline{L}$. Let $S = xyz$ be a partitioning satisfying $|xy| \leq p$, and $|y| > 0$. Since we know $|y| > 0$, we know that y contains only zeros. Since y contains some number of zeros equal to $|y| = k$ for some $k \in (0, p]$, we can conclude that xy contains 0^{p-k} zeros. Let $i = 2$ such that $S' = xy^i z = xy^2 z = xy y z = 0^{p-k} 0^k 0^k 1^p 0^p$. Simplifying we obtain $0^{p+k} 1^p 0^p$. This contradicts the pumping lemma, since we have come up with a string S' with pumping length p that is NOT in the language \overline{L} since S' is not a palindrome because k is strictly greater than zero. Thus since \overline{L} is not regular, the language L is not regular.

3. Let $L = \{ 0^m 1^n \mid m \neq n \}$. Use closure properties of regular languages to prove that L is not regular.

By closure properties of regular languages, if L is regular then \bar{L} is also regular. Take for consideration the compliment of L , such that $\bar{L} = \{ 0^m 1^n \mid m = n \}$. Define S such that $S = 0^p 1^p$, such that $|S| > p$ and that $S \in \bar{L}$. Assume \bar{L} is regular and let p be its pumping length. Let $S = xyz$ be a partitioning satisfying $|xy| \leq p$, and $|y| > 0$. Since we know $|y| > 0$, we know that y contains only zeros. Since y contains some number of zeros equal to $|y| = k$ for some $k \in (0, p]$, we can conclude that xy contains 0^{p-k} zeros. Let $i = 2$ such that $S' = xy^i z = xy^2 z = xy y z = 0^{p-k} 0^k 0^k 1^p$. Simplifying we obtain $0^{p+k} 1^p$. This contradicts the pumping lemma, since we have come up with a string S' with pumping length p that is NOT in the language \bar{L} since $m \neq n$ since k is greater than zero. Thus since \bar{L} is not regular, the language L is not regular.

4. Let $\Sigma = \{ 0, 1, +, = \}$. Let $ADD = \{ x = y + z \mid x, y, z \text{ are binary integers, and } x \text{ is the sum of } y \text{ and } z \}$. Use the pumping lemma to prove ADD is not regular.

Assume ADD is regular and let p be its pumping length. Define S such that $S = 1^{p+1} = 10^p + 1^p$, such that $|S| > p$ and that $S \in L$. Let $S = xyz$ be a partitioning satisfying $|xy| \leq p$, and $|y| > 0$. Since we know $|y| > 0$, we know that y contains only ones. Since y contains some number of ones equal to $|y| = k$ for some $k \in (0, p]$, we can conclude that xy contains 1^{p-k} ones. Let $i = 0$ such that $S' = xy^i z = xy^0 z = xz = 1^{p+1-k} = 10^p + 1^p$. This contradicts the pumping lemma, since we have come up with a string S' with pumping length p that is NOT in the language L since k is greater than 0; S' will never be true. Thus, we can conclude that ADD is not regular.

5. Let $L = \{ 1^k y \mid y \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } y \text{ contains at least } k \text{ 1s for } k \geq 1 \}$. Use the pumping lemma to prove L is not regular.

Assume L is regular and let p be its pumping length. Define S such that $S = 1^p 1^p$, such that $|S| > p$ and that $S \in L$. Let $S = xyz$ be a partitioning satisfying $|xy| \leq p$, and $|y| > 0$. Since we know $|y| > 0$, we know that y contains only ones. Since y contains some number of ones equal to $|y| = k$ for some $k \in (0, p]$, we can conclude that xy contains 1^{p-k} ones. Let $i = 2$ such that $S' = xy^i z = xy^2 z = xy y z = 1^{p-k} 1^k 1^k 1^p$. Simplifying we obtain $1^{p+k} 1^p$. This contradicts the pumping lemma, since we have come up with a string S' with pumping length p that is NOT in the language L since y does not have at least ' k ' ones. Thus, this language is not regular.