

# CMPT 308 - Computability and Complexity

## Homework 1

**Due: Sep 22**

1. Give the state diagrams for the DFA accepting the following languages. Assume the input alphabet  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .
  - (a)  $\{w \mid w \text{ begins with a 1 and ends with a 0}\}$ .
  - (b)  $\{w \mid w \text{ doesn't contain the substring 110}\}$ .
  - (c)  $\{w \mid w \text{ contains an even number of 0s, or contains exactly two 1s}\}$ .
2. Argue that the class of regular languages is closed under complementation. That is, show that if  $L$  is a regular language over an alphabet  $\Sigma$ , then its complement  $\bar{L} = \Sigma^* \setminus L$  is also regular.
3. Give an NFA accepting the language  $(01 \cup 001 \cup 010)^*$ . Next, convert this NFA to an equivalent DFA. Give only the portion of the DFA that is reachable from the start state.
4. For a string  $w = a_1 \dots a_n$ , its reverse is  $w^R = a_n \dots a_1$ . For a language  $L$ , its reverse is  $L^R = \{w^R \mid w \in L\}$ . Show that if  $L$  is a regular language, then so is  $L^R$ .
5. Let  $B_n = \{a^k \mid \text{where } k \text{ is a multiple of } n\}$ . Show that for each  $n \geq 1$ , the language  $B_n$  is regular.
6. Let  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ , and let
$$D = \{w \mid w \text{ contains an equal number of occurrences of the substrings 01 and 10}\}.$$
(So  $101 \in D$ , but  $1010 \notin D$ .)  
Show that  $D$  is regular.
7. Let  $B = \{1^k y \mid y \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } y \text{ contains at least } k \text{ 1s, for } k \geq 1\}$ . Show that  $B$  is regular.
8. Show that each of the following languages is *not* regular.
  - (a)  $\{1^k y \mid y \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } y \text{ contains at most } k \text{ 1s, for } k \geq 1\}$ ,
  - (b)  $\{0^n 1^m 0^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$ ,
  - (c)  $\{www \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$ .