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# ECE-374-B: Lecture 25 - Final Review

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## Practice: Asymptotic bounds

Given an asymptotically tight bound for:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 \quad (1)$$

## Practice: Regular expressions

Find the regular expression for the language:

$$\{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ does not contain } 00 \text{ as a substring}\} \quad (2)$$



## Practice: Fooling Sets

Is the following language regular?

$$L = \{w \mid w \text{ does not contain the substring } 00 \text{ nor } 11 \}$$

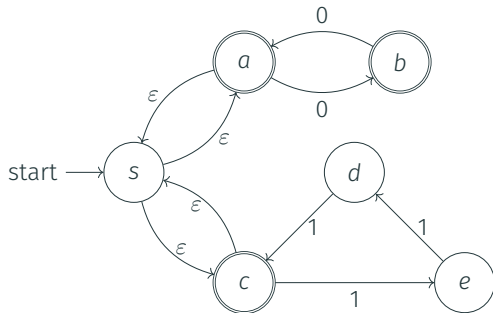
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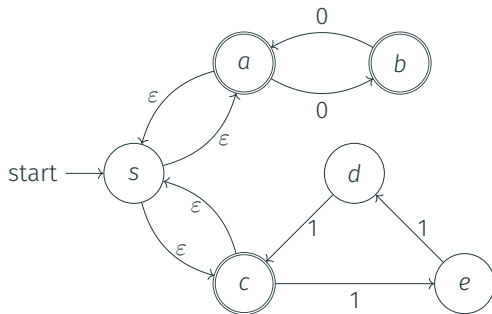
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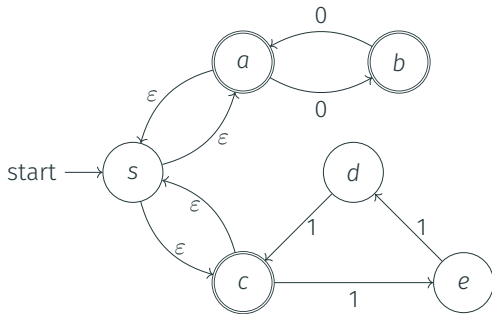


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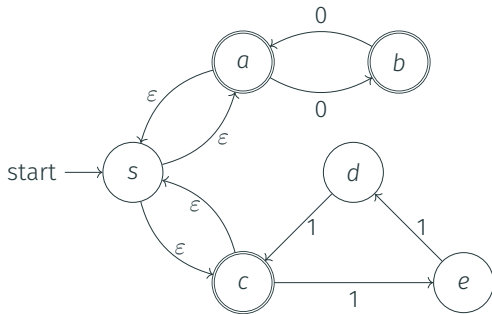


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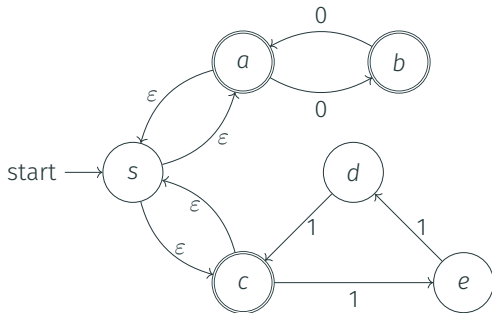


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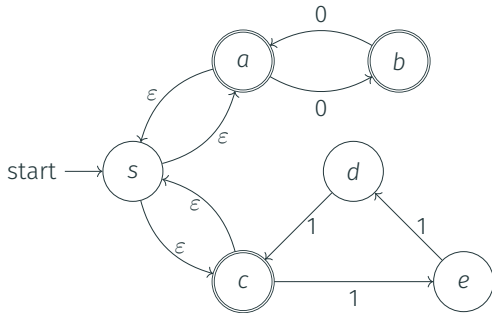


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5.  $L(M) = (00)^* + (111)^*$  -

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## Practice: Closure

Which of the following is true for **every** language  $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$

1.  $L^*$  is non-empty -
2.  $L^*$  is regular -
3. If  $L$  is NP-Hard, then  $L$  is not regular -
4. If  $L$  is not regular, then  $L$  is undecidable -

# Context-Free Languages

Given  $\Sigma = 0, 1$ , the language  $L = \{0^n 1^n | n \geq 0\}$  is represented by which grammar?

(a)

$$S \rightarrow 0T1|1$$

$$T \rightarrow T0|\epsilon$$

(c)

$$S \rightarrow 0S1|0S|S1|\epsilon$$

(d)

(b)

$$S \rightarrow AB1$$

$$A \rightarrow 0$$

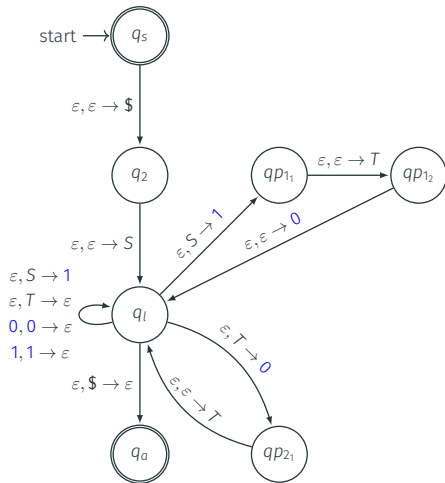
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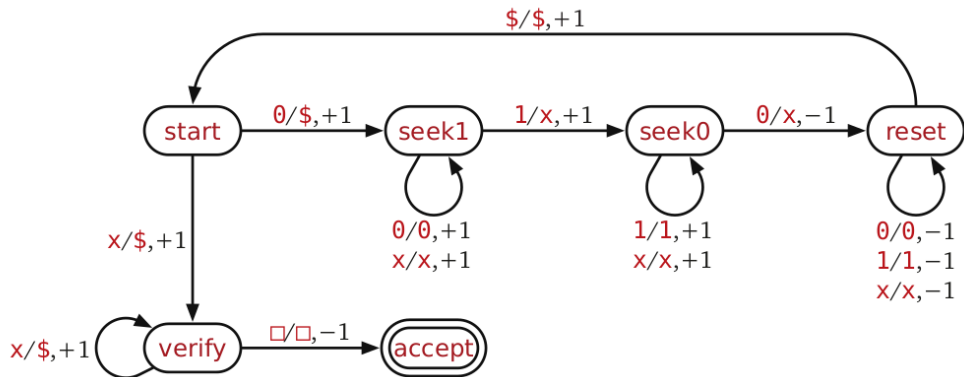
# Push-down Auto-mata

What is the context-free grammar of the following push-down automata:



# Turing machines

You have the following Turing machine diagram that accepts a particular language whose alphabet  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ . Please describe the language.



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Why did we choose lists of size 5? Will lists of size 3 work?

(Hint) Write a recurrence to analyze the algorithm's running time if we choose a list of size  $k$ .

# Graph Exploration

We looked at the BasicSearch algorithm:

```
Explore(G, u):  
    Visited[1 .. n] ← FALSE  
    // ToExplore, S: Lists  
    Add u to ToExplore and to S  
    Visited[u] ← TRUE  
    while (ToExplore is non-empty) do  
        Remove node x from ToExplore  
        for each edge xy in Adj(x) do  
            if (Visited[y] = FALSE)  
                Visited[y] ← TRUE  
                Add y to ToExplore  
                Add y to S  
  
    Output S
```

We said that if ToExplore was a:

- Stack, the algorithm is equivalent to
- Queue, the algorithm is equivalent to

What if the algorithm was written recursively (instead of the while loop, you recursively call explore). What would the algorithm be equivalent to?

## Minimum Spanning Trees

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected, undirected graph with edge weights  $w$ , such that the weights are distinct, i.e., no two edges have the same weight. Which of the following is necessarily true about a minimum spanning tree of  $G$ ?

- (a) If  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are MSTs of  $G$  then  $T_1 = T_2$ , i.e., the MST is unique.
- (b) There are MSTs  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  such that  $T_1 \neq T_2$  i.e, MST is not unique.
- (c) There is an edge  $e$  that is **unsafe** that belongs to a MST.
- (d) There is a **safe** edge that does not belong to a MST of  $G$ .



# Reduction: 3SAT to Clique

Consider the two problems:

## Problem: 3SAT

**Instance:** Given a CNF formula  $\varphi$  with  $n$  variables, and  $k$  clauses

**Question:** Is there a truth assignment to the variables such that  $\varphi$  evaluates to true

## Problem: Clique

**Instance:** A graph  $G$  and an integer  $k$ .

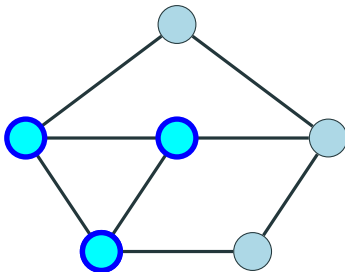
**Question:** Does  $G$  has a clique of size  $\geq k$ ?

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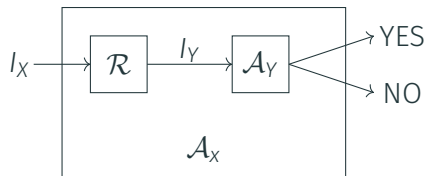
Given a graph  $G$ , a set of vertices  $V'$  is:

clique: every pair of vertices in  $V'$  is connected by an edge of  $G$ .



## Reduction: 3SAT to Clique

Bust out the reduction diagram:



# Reduction: 3SAT to Clique

Some thoughts:

- Clique is a fully connected graph and very similar to the independent set problem
- We want to have a clique with all the satisfying literals
  - Can't have literal and its negation in same clique
  - Only need one satisfying literal per clique

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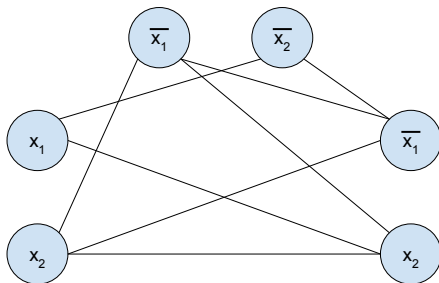
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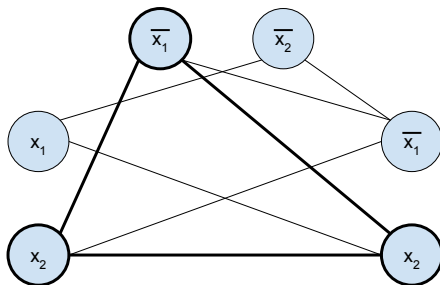


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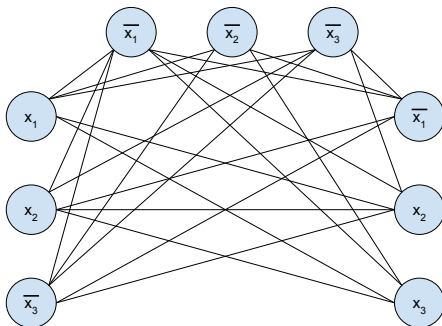


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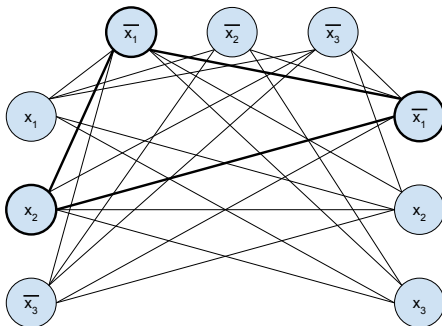


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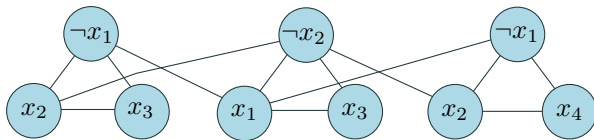
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## 3SAT to Independent Set Reduction

Very similar to 3SAT to independent set reduction:



**Figure 1:** Graph for  $\varphi = (\neg x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (x_1 \vee \neg x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_4)$

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We can show the reduction from LONGESTPATH:

$$\text{LONGESTPATH} \leq_P \text{SP1}$$

**Reduction:** Make all edges negative

## Multi-section questions

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## Practice: Bringing it all together

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$$L^* = (L^*)^*$$

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Does there exist some language  $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  where:

$L$  is decidable but  $L^*$  is undecidable

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Does there exist some language  $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  where:

$L$  is neither regular nor NP-hard



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Does there exist some language  $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  where:

$L$  is in P, but  $L$  has a infinite fooling set

# Savitch's Theorem

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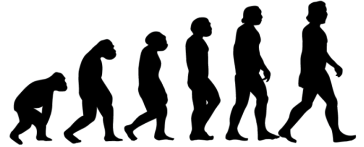
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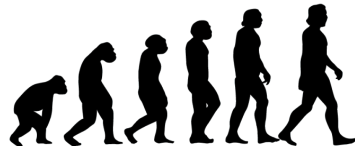
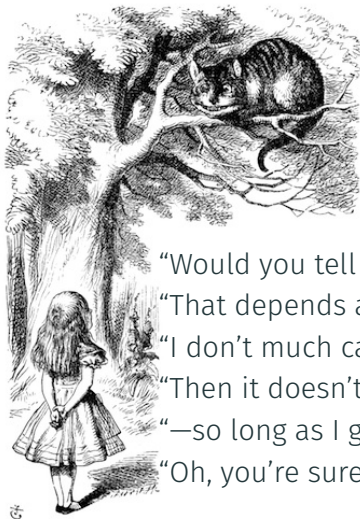
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Idea behind the proof:

- STCON: finds whether there is a path between two vertices in  $O((\log(n))^2)$  space
- Convert a nondeterministic Turing machine that takes  $f(n)$  space into a configuration graph  $G_x^M$ 
  - We know the tape can decide  $x$  in  $f(n)$  space. Therefore there are  $2^{O(f(n))}$  configurations
  - Therefore  $G_x^M$  has  $2^{O(f(n))}$  vertices
- A deterministic Turing machine can run STCON on that graph resulting in  $O((\log(2^{O(f(n))}))^2) \equiv O(f(n)^2)$  space





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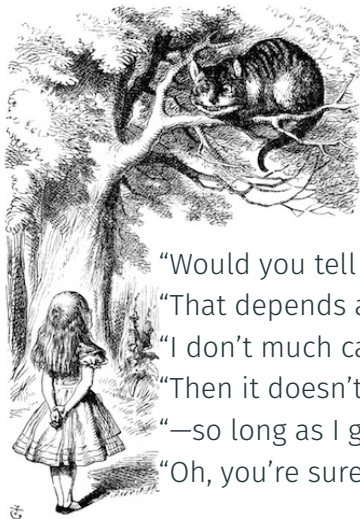
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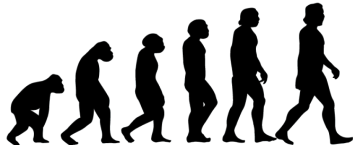
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