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 Homework 3

1. Prove the following language, L_1 , is not regular using the pumping lemma. Assume $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$. $L_1 = \{1^k y \mid y \in \Sigma^* \text{ and } y \text{ contains at most } k \text{ 1's for } k \geq 1\}$

We have some number n

$$w \in L_1 \quad w = 1^n 0^n 1^n$$

To prove L_1 is regular, these 3 steps must hold true while breaking w into xyz

- $y \neq \epsilon$
- $|xy| \leq n$
- for each $k \geq 0$, $xy^k z$ is in L

This string w , forces y to be 1^i where $1 \leq i \leq n$, since $|xy| \leq n$

We can then not pump at all, but make $k = 0$

So then we are left with $1^{n-i} 0^n 1^n$

This is not in the Language L_1 because " y contains at most k 1's for $k \geq 1$ " is not true

So L_1 is not regular

2. Prove the following language, L_2 , is not regular. You may use the pumping lemma or closure properties.

$$L_2 = \{w \mid w = x_1 0 x_2 0 \dots x_{k-1} 0 x_k \text{ for } k \geq 0 \text{ and each } x_i \in 1^* \text{ and } x_i \neq x_j \text{ for } i \neq j\}$$

We have some number n

$$w \in L_2 \quad w = 1^n 0 1^{n+1} 0 \dots 0^{2n-1} 0 1^{2n}$$

To prove L_2 is regular, these 3 steps must hold true while breaking w into xyz

- $y \neq \epsilon$
- $|xy| \leq n$
- for each $k \geq 0$, $xy^k z$ is in L

This string w , forces y to be 1^i where $1 \leq i \leq n$, since $|xy| \leq n$

So we are left with $xy 1^a 0 1^{n+1} 0 \dots 0 1^{2n-1} 0 1^{2n}$, where $0 \leq a \leq n-1$, because it is possible

$x = \epsilon$ and $y = 1$

Because all possible strings of y contain only 1's we can then pump y^k to the point where $1^n < xy \leq 1^{2n}$, this makes x_1 equal to some x_i from x_2 to x_k

This is not in the Language L_2 because " $x_i \neq x_j$ for $i \neq j$ " is not true

So L_2 is not regular