# **Assignment 3**

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## Question 1

To prove term(x) terminates we first need to find a loop invariant

Define P(k): after the k th of the loop (if occurs), We have  $y_k = x_k^3$ ,  $x_k = x - k$ .

WTS  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , P(k)

Proof: (Simple Induction)

Base Case: k = 0

This means that the loop has not been executed and only the line out of loop is

Then by that initialization line,  $y_0 = x_0^3$ ,  $x_0 = x = x - k$ 

P(0) holds

Inductive Step: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , k > 0. Assume P(k) holds

We want to show that P(k+1) follows

$$y_{k+1} = y_k - 3x_{k+1}^2 - 3x_{k+1} - 1 \text{ (By code in the loop)}$$

$$= x_k^3 - 3x_{k+1}^2 - 3x_{k+1} - 1 \text{ (By } (k) \ y_k = x_k^3)$$

$$= (x_{k+1} + 1)^3 - 3x_{k+1}^2 - 3x_{k+1} - 1 \text{ (Since } x_{k+1} = x_k - 1 \text{ by code)}$$

$$= x_{k+1}^3 + 3x_{k+1}^2 + 3x_{k+1} + 1 - 3x_{k+1}^2 - 3x_{k+1} - 1$$

$$= x_{k+1}^3$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - 1 \text{ (By code in the loop)}$$

$$= x - k - 1 \text{ (By } (k) \ x_k = x - k)$$

$$= x - (k+1)$$

Hence P(k+1) follows.

By simple induction, we proved that  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ , after the k th of the loop (if occurs), we have  $y_k = x_k^3$ ,  $x_k = x - k$ , which is the loop invariant.

Then we prove termination using loop invariant

Proof: By loop invariant we have  $x_k = x - k$ 

Since  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and k is strictly increasing

We know that  $x_k$  is strictly decreasing

Also since  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have exhibited a decreasing sequence of natural numbers linked to loop iterations.

By principle of well ordering, the set of  $\,x_k\,$  has a smallest element, which has the index of the last loop iteration

Hence the loop terminates

## Question 2

(a)

Let 
$$M_a = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$$

And 
$$A = \{a^k | k \in \mathbb{N}\},\$$

$$D_A = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ has at least one } b\}$$

$$\{Q=\{A,D_A\},$$

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$\delta =$$

δ	A	$D_A$
а	$\boldsymbol{A}$	$D_A$
b	$D_A$	$D_A$

$$q_0 = A$$
,

$$F = \{A\}\}$$

Define the smallest set  $\Sigma^*$  such that:

(a) 
$$\varepsilon \in \Sigma^*$$

(b) 
$$s \in \Sigma^*, sa \in \Sigma^* \ and \ sb \in \Sigma^*$$

Prove  $M_a$  accepts  $L_a$ 

Define 
$$P(s)$$
:  $\delta^*(S_1,s) = \begin{cases} A & \text{, if } s = a^k, k \in \mathbb{N} \\ D_A, & \text{if } s \text{ has at least one } b \end{cases}$ , WTS  $\forall s \in \Sigma^*, P(s)$ 

Proof: (Structural Induction)

Base Case:  $s = \varepsilon$ 

The string has 0  $\,a$ , we have  $\,\delta^*(A,\varepsilon)=A$ , so the implication in the first line of invariant is true.

The string also has 0  $\,b$ , so the implication in the second line of invariant is vacuously true.

 $P(\varepsilon)$  holds.

Inductive Step: Let  $s \in \Sigma^*$ , assume P(s) holds.

WTS 
$$P(sa), P(sb)$$
 follow

There are two cases to consider

Case sa:

$$\begin{split} \delta^*(A,sa) &= \delta(\delta^*(A,s),a) = \begin{cases} \delta(A,a) & \text{, if } s = a^k, k \in \mathbb{N} \\ \delta(D_A,a), & \text{if } s \text{ has at least one } b \end{cases} \text{ (By IH } P(s)\text{)} \\ &= \begin{cases} A & \text{, if } s = a^k, k \in \mathbb{N} \\ D_A, & \text{if } s \text{ has at least one } b \end{cases} \text{ (one more a)} \end{split}$$

Case 2: P(sb)

$$\delta^*(A,sb) = \delta(\delta^*(A,s),b) = \begin{cases} \delta(A,b) & \text{, if } s=a^* \\ \delta(D_A,b), \text{ if } s \text{ has at least one } b \end{cases} \text{ (By IH } P(s)\text{)}$$
 
$$= \begin{cases} D_A & \text{, if } s=a^* \\ D_A, \text{ if } s \text{ has at least one } b \end{cases} \text{ (add one b)}$$

So P(sa), P(sb) follow

The first line of the invariant ensures that all strings with only as are accepted. The contrapositive of the second line of the invariant ensures that any string that does not drive the machine to state A has at least one b, in other words all strings that drive the machine to state  $D_A$  have at least one b.

So  $M_a$  accepts  $L_a$ .

(b)

Let 
$$M_b = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$$

And 
$$B = \{b^j | j \in \mathbb{N}\},\$$

$$D_B = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ has at least one } a\}$$

$$\{Q=\{B,D_B\},$$

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$\delta =$$

δ	В	$D_B$
а	$D_B$	$D_B$
b	В	$D_B$

$$q_0 = B$$

$$F = \{B\}\}$$

Define the smallest set  $\Sigma^*$  such that:

(a) 
$$\varepsilon \in \Sigma^*$$

(b) 
$$s \in \Sigma^*, sa \in \Sigma^* \ and \ sb \in \Sigma^*$$

Prove  $M_a$  accepts  $L_a$ 

Define 
$$P(s)$$
:  $\delta^*(S_1,s) = \begin{cases} B & \text{, if } s = b^j, j \in \mathbb{N} \\ D_B, & \text{if } s \text{ has at least one } a \end{cases}$ , WTS  $\forall s \in \Sigma^*, P(s)$ 

**Proof: (Structural Induction)** 

Base Case:  $s = \varepsilon$ 

The string has 0 b, we have  $\delta^*(B,\varepsilon)=B$ , so the implication in the first line of invariant is true.

The string also has 0  $\,a$ , so the implication in the second line of invariant is vacuously true.

 $P(\varepsilon)$  holds.

Inductive Step: Let  $s \in \Sigma^*$ , assume P(s) holds.

WTS 
$$P(sa), P(sb)$$
 follow

There are two cases to consider

Case sb:

$$\begin{split} \delta^*(B,sb) &= \delta(\delta^*(B,s),b) = \begin{cases} \delta(B,b) &, \ if \ s = b^j, j \in \mathbb{N} \\ \delta(D_B,b), \ if \ s \ has \ at \ least \ one \ a \end{cases} \text{ (By IH } P(s)) \\ &= \begin{cases} B &, \ if \ s = b^j, j \in \mathbb{N} \\ D_B, \ if \ s \ has \ at \ least \ one \ a \end{cases} \text{ (one more b)} \end{split}$$

Case sa:

$$\begin{split} \delta^*(B,sa) &= \delta(\delta^*(B,s),a) = \begin{cases} \delta(B,a) & \text{, if } s = b^j, j \in \mathbb{N} \\ \delta(D_B,a), & \text{if } s \text{ has at least one } a \end{cases} \text{ (By IH } P(s)) \\ &= \begin{cases} D_B & \text{, if } s = b^j, j \in \mathbb{N} \\ D_B, & \text{if } s \text{ has at least one } a \end{cases} \text{ (add one a)} \end{split}$$

So P(sa), P(sb) follow

The first line of the invariant ensures that all strings with only bs are accepted. The contrapositive of the second line of the invariant ensures that any string that does not drive the machine to state B has at least one a, in other words all strings that drive the machine to state  $D_B$  have at least one a.

So 
$$M_b$$
 accepts  $L_b$ .

Let 
$$M_2 = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$$

And 
$$E = \{x \in \Sigma | |x| \text{ is even}\}, O = \{x \in \Sigma | |x| \text{ is odd}\}$$

$${Q = {E, O},$$

$$\Sigma = \{a,b\}$$

$$\delta =$$

δ	Ε	0
а	0	E
b	0	E

$$q_0 = E$$
,

$$F = \{E\}\}$$

Define the smallest set  $\Sigma^*$  such that:

(a) 
$$\varepsilon \in \Sigma^*$$

(b) 
$$s \in \Sigma^*, sa \in \Sigma^* \ and \ sb \in \Sigma^*$$

Prove  $M_2$  accepts  $L_2$ 

Define 
$$P(s)$$
:  $\delta^*(E,s) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ , } if |s| \text{ is odd} \\ E, if |s| \text{ is even} \end{cases}$  , WTS  $\forall s \in \Sigma^*, P(s)$ 

Proof: (Structural Induction)

Base Case:  $s = \varepsilon$ 

The string has length 0, and 0 is an even number

We have  $\delta^*(E, \varepsilon) = E$ , so the implication in the first line of invariant is true.

The string length 0, and 0 is an even number

So the implication in the second line of invariant is vacuously true.

 $P(\varepsilon)$  holds.

Inductive Step: Let  $s \in \Sigma^*$ , assume P(s) holds.

WTS 
$$P(sa), P(sb)$$
 follow

There are two cases to consider

Case sa:

$$\delta^*(E,sa) = \delta(\delta^*(E,s),a) = \begin{cases} \delta(E,a) , & \text{if } |s| \text{ is even} \\ \delta(O,a) , & \text{if } |s| \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \text{ (By IH } P(s)\text{)}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } |s| \text{ is even} \\ E, & \text{if } |s| \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \text{ (one more element)}$$

Case sb:

$$\delta^*(E,sb) = \delta(\delta^*(E,s),b) = \begin{cases} \delta(E,b) , & \text{if } |s| \text{ is even} \\ \delta(O,b), & \text{if } |s| \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \text{ (By IH } P(s)\text{)}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 , & \text{if } |s| \text{ is even} \\ E , & \text{if } |s| \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \text{ (one more element)}$$

So P(sa), P(sb) follow

The first line of the invariant ensures that all strings with even length accepted. The contrapositive of the second line of the invariant ensures that any string that does not drive the machine to state A does not have even length, in other words all strings that drive the machine to state  $D_A$  have odd length.

So  $M_2$  accepts  $L_2$ .

Let 
$$M_{a|b} = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$$
 
$$\{Q = \{(A, B), (A, D_B), (D_A, B), (D_A, D_B)\},$$
 
$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$\delta =$$

δ	(A,B)	$(A, D_B)$	$(D_A, B)$	$(D_A,D_B)$
а	$(A, D_B)$	$(D_A,D_B)$	$(A,D_B)$	$(D_A,D_B)$
b	$(D_A, B)$	$(D_A, B)$	$(D_A, D_B)$	$(D_A, D_B)$

$$q_0 = (A, B),$$

$$F = \{(A, B), (A, D_B), (D_A, B)\}\}$$

To show  $M_{a|b}$  accepts  $L_a \cup L_b$ :

Denote the states for  $M_a$  as  $Q_a$ , the states for  $M_b$  as  $Q_b$ , their respective transition functions as  $\delta_a$  and  $\delta_b$ , and the transition function for  $M_{a|b}$  as  $\delta_{a|b}$ .

Inspection of  $\delta_{a|b}$  shows that if  $(q_a, q_b, c) \in Q_a \times Q_b \times \Sigma^*$ ,

then 
$$\delta_{a|b}((q_a, q_b), c) = \delta_a(q_a, c), \delta_b(q_b, c).$$

Thus the following invariant follows by simply taking conjunctions of the invariants of the component machines, for any  $s \in \Sigma^*$ 

$$P(s): \delta^*((A,B),s) = \begin{cases} (A,B) & \text{, if s has } 0 \text{ a and } 0 \text{ b} \\ (A,D_B) & \text{, if s has only } b \\ (D_A,B) & \text{, if s has only } a \\ (D_A,D_B) & \text{, if s has both } a \text{ and } b \end{cases}$$

The implication on the first line ensures that all strings with 0 a and 0 b end up in state (A, B).

The implication on the second line ensures that all strings with only b end up in state  $(A, D_B)$ .

The implication on the third line ensures that all strings with only a end up in state  $(D_A, B)$ .

The contrapositive of the implications on the forth line ensure that any string that does not drive the machines to one of those 3 states must have both a and b.

Hence  $M_{a|b}$  accepts  $L_a \cup L_b$ 

Let 
$$M_{a|b\;even} = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$$
 
$$\{Q = \{(E, q_a), (E, q_b), (E, q_n), (E, q_m), (O, q_a), (O, q_b), (O, q_n), (O, q_m)\},$$
 
$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$
 
$$\delta =$$

δ	((A,B),E)	$((A,D_B),E)$	$((D_A,B),E)$	$((D_A,D_B),E)$	((A,B),0)	$((A,D_B),0)$	$((D_A,B),0)$	$((D_A,D_B),O)$
а	$((A,D_B),O)$	$((A,D_B),O)$	$((D_A,D_B),O)$	$((D_A,D_B),O)$	$((A,D_B),E)$	$((A,D_B),E)$	$((D_A,D_B),E)$	$((D_A,D_B),E)$
b	$((D_A,B),0)$	$((D_A,D_B),0)$	$((D_A,B),O)$	$((D_A,D_B),0)$	$((D_A,B),E)$	$((D_A,D_B),E)$	$((D_A,B),E)$	$((D_A, D_B), E)$

$$q_0 = ((A, B), E),$$

$$F = \{ ((A, B), E), ((A, D_B), E), ((D_A, B), E) \} \}$$

To show  $M_{a|b\;even}$  accepts  $(L_a \cup L_b) \cap L_2$ :

Denote the states for  $M_{a|b}$  as  $Q_1$ , the states for  $M_2$  as  $Q_2$ , their respective transition functions as  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$ , and the transition function for  $M_{a|b\;even}$  as  $\delta_3$ .

Inspection of  $\delta_3$  shows that if  $(q_1, q_2, c) \in Q_1 \times Q_2 \times \Sigma^*$ ,

Then 
$$\delta_{1|2}((q_1, q_2), c) = \delta_1(q_1, c), \delta_2(q_2, c).$$

Thus the following invariant follows by simply taking conjunctions of the invariants of the component machines, for any  $s \in \Sigma^*$ 

$$P(s): \delta^*((A,B),s) = \begin{cases} \left((A,B),E\right) & \text{, if s has 0 a and 0 b, and } |s| \text{ is even} \\ \left((A,D_B),E\right) & \text{, if s has only b, and } |s| \text{ is even} \\ \left((D_A,B),E\right) & \text{, if s has only a, and } |s| \text{ is even} \\ \left((D_A,D_B),E\right), \text{ if s has both a and b, and } |s| \text{ is even} \\ \left((A,B),O\right) & \text{, if s has only b, and } |s| \text{ is odd} \\ \left((A,D_B),O\right) & \text{, if s has only b, and } |s| \text{ is odd} \\ \left((D_A,B),O\right) & \text{, if s has only a, and } |s| \text{ is odd} \\ \left((D_A,D_B),O\right), \text{ if s has both a and b, and } |s| \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

The implication on the first line ensures that all strings with 0 a and 0 b, and even length end up in state ((A, B), E).

The implication on the first line ensures that all strings with only b and even length end up in state  $((A, D_B), E)$ .

The implication on the first line ensures that all strings with only a and even length end up in state  $((D_A, B), E)$ .

The contrapositive of the implications on the other 5 lines ensure that any string that does not drive the machines to one of those 3 states must have both a and b or odd length Hence  $M_{a|b\ even}$  accepts  $(L_a \cup L_b) \cap L_2$ 

## **Question 3**

## (a) construct machines

(1) Let 
$$M_0 = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, S_0, F\}$$

And:

 $S_0 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 0 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_1 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to } 1 \text{ mod } 3 \text{ in base } 10 \}$ 

 $S_2 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 2 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

$${Q = {S_0, S_1, S_2},$$

$$\Sigma = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

 $\delta =$ 

δ	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
ε	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
0	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
1	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
2	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
3	$S_0$	$S_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
4	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$	${\mathcal S}_0$
5	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$S_1$	${\mathcal S}_0$
6	$S_0$	$S_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
7	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$	${\mathcal S}_0$
8	$S_2$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_0$
9	$S_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$

$$q_0=S_0,$$

$$F = \{S_0\}$$

(2) Let 
$$M_1 = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, S_0, F\}$$

And:

 $S_0 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 0 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_1 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 1 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_2 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to 2 mod 3 in base 10} \}$ 

 ${Q = {S_0, S_1, S},$ 

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

 $\delta =$ 

δ	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
0	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
1	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
2	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
3	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
4	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
5	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
6	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
7	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
8	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
9	$S_0$	$S_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$

$$q_0=S_0,$$

$$F = \{S_1\}\}$$

(3) Let 
$$M_2 = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, S_0, F\}$$

And:

 $S_0 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 0 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_1 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 1 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_2 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to 2 mod 3 in base 10} \}$ 

$$\{Q = \{S_0, S_1, S_2\},\$$

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

 $\delta =$ 

δ	$S_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$
0	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
1	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
2	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
3	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
4	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
5	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$

6	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
7	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
8	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
9	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$

$$q_0=S_0,$$

$$F = \{S_2\}\}$$

## (b) explain equality

(1) Let 
$$R_0 = Rev(M_0) = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$$

And:

 $S_0 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 0 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_1 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 1 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_2 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 2 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

$$\{Q = \{S_0, S_1, S_2\},\$$

$$\Sigma = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

 $\delta =$ 

δ	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
ε	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
0	$S_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
1	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	${\mathcal S}_0$
2	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$S_0$
3	$S_0$	$S_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
4	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
5	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
6	$S_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
7	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	${\mathcal S}_0$
8	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$S_0$
9	$S_0$	$S_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$

$$q_0 = S_0$$
,

$$F = \{S_0\}\}$$

When creating a machine accepting  $R_0=Rev(M_0)$ , we find that it is the same as  $M_0$  itself:

- 1) Both of two machines have the same 3 states
- 2 Both of two machines the same start and accept state
- ④ Giving 1,4,7 to any state will let the machine jump to the next state and this creates a loop of states with no duplicate and no omit
- ⑤ Giving 2,5,8 to any state will let the machine jump to the previous state and this creates a loop of states with no duplicate and no omit

By this we may find out that  $R_0$  accepting  $L_0$  and  $M_0$  accepting  $Rev(L_0)$  are aexctly the same Hence we can conclude that  $L_0 = Rev(L_0)$ 

(2) Let 
$$R_1=Rev(M_1)=\{Q,\Sigma,\delta,q_0,F\}$$
 And:

 $S_0 = \{x \in \Sigma | \ x \ represents \ a \ number \ equivalent \ to \ 0 \ mod \ 3 \ in \ base \ 10 \ \}$ 

 $S_1 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to } 1 \text{ mod } 3 \text{ in base } 10 \}$ 

 $S_2 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to 2 mod 3 in base 10} \}$ 

$${Q = {S_0, S_1, S_2},$$

$$\Sigma = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

 $\delta =$ 

δ	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
ε	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
0	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
1	$S_2$	$S_1$	${\mathcal S}_0$
2	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
3	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
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6	$S_0$	$S_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
7	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
8	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
9	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$

$$q_0=S_1,$$

$$F = \{S_0\}\}$$

When creating a machine accepting  $R_0 = Rev(M_0)$ , we find that it is the same as  $M_0$  itself:

- ① Both of two machines have the same 3 states
- ② Both of two machines have one start and one accepting state and they are different
- ③ Giving  $\varepsilon$ , 0, 3, 6, 9 to any state will let the machine hold its current state
- ④ Giving 1,4,7 to any state will let the machine jump to the next state and this creates a loop of states with no duplicate and no omit
- (5) Giving 2,5,8 to any state will let the machine jump to the previous state and this creates a loop of states with no duplicate and no omit

By this we may find out that  $R_1$  accepting  $L_1$  and  $M_1$  accepting  $Rev(L_1)$  are aexctly the same Hence we can conclude that  $L_1 = Rev(L_1)$ 

(3) Let 
$$R_2=Rev(M_2)=\{Q,\Sigma,\delta,q_0,F\}$$
 And:

 $S_0 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to } 0 \text{ mod } 3 \text{ in base } 10 \}$ 

 $S_1 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to } 1 \text{ mod } 3 \text{ in base } 10 \}$ 

 $S_2 = \{x \in \Sigma | x \text{ represents a number equivalent to 2 mod 3 in base 10} \}$ 

$${Q = {S_0, S_1, S_2},$$

$$\Sigma = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

$$\delta =$$

δ	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
ε	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
0	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$
1	$S_2$	$S_1$	$S_0$
2	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
3	${\mathcal S}_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
4	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	${\mathcal S}_0$
5	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$	${\mathcal S}_0$
6	$S_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$
7	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	${\mathcal S}_0$
8	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$S_2$	$S_0$
9	$S_0$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$

$$q_0 = S_2$$
,

$$F = \{S_0\}\}$$

When creating a machine accepting  $R_0 = Rev(M_0)$ , we find that it is the same as  $M_0$  itself:

- ① Both of two machines have the same 3 states
- ② Both of two machines have one start and one accepting state and they are different
- 3 Giving  $\varepsilon$ , 0, 3, 6, 9 to any state will let the machine hold its current state
- ④ Giving 1,4,7 to any state will let the machine jump to the next state and this creates a loop of states with no duplicate and no omit
- (5) Giving 2,5,8 to any state will let the machine jump to the previous state and this creates a loop of states with no duplicate and no omit

By this we may find out that  $R_2$  accepting  $L_2$  and  $M_2$  accepting  $Rev(L_2)$  are aexctly the same Hence we can conclude that  $L_2 = Rev(L_2)$ 

## **Question 4**

(a)

Let  $r \in RE$ ,  $r' = r^R$ , then  $r' \in RE$ .

Define P(r):  $\exists r'RE \ s.t. Rev(L(r)) = L(r')$ 

Want to show:  $\forall r \in RE, P(r)$ 

Proof: (Structural Induction)

Base Case: Case 1:  $r = \emptyset$ ,  $r' = r^R = \emptyset$ . Then  $Rev(L(r)) = Rev(\{\}) = \{\} = L(r')$ 

Case 2:  $r = \varepsilon$ ,  $r' = r^R = \varepsilon$ . Then  $Rev(L(r)) = Rev(\{\varepsilon\}) = \{\varepsilon\} = L(r')$ 

Case 3: r = a,  $a \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $r' = r^R = a$ .

Then  $Rev(L(r)) = Rev(\{a\}) = \{a\} = L(r')$ 

So  $P(\emptyset), P(\varepsilon), P(a)$  hold.

Inductive Step: Let  $\forall r \in RE$ , assume P(r)

i.e.  $\forall k < n, k \in \mathbb{N}, |r| = k \text{ and } Rev(L(r)) = L(r').$ 

Want to show:  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , |r| = n and Rev(L(r)) = L(r')

There are 3 cases to consider

Case 1:  $r = r_1^*$  for some  $r_1$  be regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

And 
$$r' = r^R = (r_1^R)^*$$

Then 
$$Rev(L(r)) = Rev(L(r_1^*))$$
  
=  $Rev(Rev(L((r_1^R)^*)))$  (by IH)

$$= Rev\left(Rev\left(L(r')\right)\right)$$
$$= L(r')$$

Case 2:  $r = r_1 r_2$  for some  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

And 
$$r^{'}=r^{R}=r_{1}^{R}r_{2}^{R}$$

Then 
$$Rev(L(r)) = Rev(L(r_1r_2))$$
  
 $= Rev\left(Rev(L(r_1^R))Rev(L(r_2^R))\right)$  (Since IH)  
 $= Rev\left(Rev(L(r_2^R))Rev(L(r_1^R))\right)$   
 $= L(r_2^R)L(r_1^R)$   
 $= L(r_2^Rr_1^R)$   
 $= L(r')$ 

Case 3:  $r = r_1 + r_2$  for some  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

And 
$$r'=r^R=r_1^R+r_2^R$$
 Then  $Rev\big(L(r)\big)=Rev\big(L(r_1+r_2)\big)$  
$$=Rev\big(L(r_1)\cup L(r_2)\big)$$
 
$$=Rev\left(Rev\big(L(r_1^R)\big)\cup Rev\big(L(r_2^R)\big)\big)$$
 (Since IH) 
$$=Rev\left(Rev\big(L(r_1^R+r_2^R)\big)\right)$$
 
$$=L(r^R)=L(r')$$

So all three cases hold.

By structural induction, combine base cases and inductive step, we proved

$$\forall r \in RE, \exists r'RE \ s.t. Rev(L(r)) = L(r')$$

Let 
$$r \in RE, r = xy, x, y \in RE$$
.

$$r' = x$$

Define 
$$P(r)$$
:  $\exists r'RE \ s.t. Prefix(L(r)) = L(r')$ 

Want to show:  $\forall r \in RE, P(r)$ 

**Proof: (Structural Induction)** 

Base Case: Case 1: 
$$r = \emptyset$$
,  $r' = xy = \emptyset$ .

Then 
$$Prefix(L(r)) = Prefix(\{\}) = \{\} = L(r')$$

Case 2: 
$$r = \varepsilon$$
,  $r' = xy = \varepsilon$ .

Then 
$$Prefix(L(r)) = Prefix(\{\varepsilon\}) = \{\varepsilon\} = L(r')$$

Case 3: 
$$r = a$$
,  $a \in \Sigma^*$ ,  $r' = xy = a\varepsilon$ .

Then 
$$Prefix(L(r)) = Prefix(\{a\}) = \{a\} = L(r')$$

So 
$$P(\emptyset), P(\varepsilon), P(a)$$
 hold.

Inductive Step: Assume P(r) holds

i.e. 
$$\forall k < n, k \in \mathbb{N}, |r| = k \text{ and } Prefix(L(r)) = L(r').$$

Want to show: 
$$n \in \mathbb{N}$$
,  $|r| = n$  and  $Prefix(L(r)) = L(r')$ 

There are 3 cases to consider

Case 1:  $r = r_1^*$  for some  $r_1$  be regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

And 
$$r' = r = r_1^*$$

Then 
$$Prefix(L(r)) = Prefix(L(r_1^*))$$
  
=  $L(r_1^*)$  (by IH)  
=  $L(r')$ 

Case 2:  $r = r_1 r_2$  for some  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

And 
$$r' = r = r_1 r_2$$

Then 
$$Prefix(L(r)) = Prefix(L(r_1r_2))$$
  
 $= Prefix(L(r_1))Prefix(L(r_2))$  (Since IH)  
 $= L(r_1)L(r_2)$   
 $= L(r_1r_2)$   
 $= L(r')$ 

Case 3:  $r = r_1 + r_2$  for some  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

And 
$$r' = r = r_1 + r_2$$

Then 
$$Prefix(L(r)) = Prefix(L(r_1 + r_2))$$
  
 $= Prefix(L(r_1) \cup L(r_2))$   
 $= Prefix(L(r_1)) \cup Prefix(L(r_2))$   
 $= L(r_1 + r_2)$  (Since IH)  
 $= L(r')$ 

So all three cases hold.

By structural induction, combine base cases and inductive step, we proved

$$\forall r \in RE, \exists r'RE \ s.t. \ Prefix(L(r)) = L(r')$$

(c)

Define  $P(r): r \in RE, r$  does not contain Kleene Star, then |RE(r)| is finite.

Want to show:  $\forall r \in RE, P(r)$ 

Proof: (Structural Induction)

Base Case: Case 1:  $r = \emptyset$ , r does not have Kleene Star

Then  $RE(r) = \{\}$  is finite

Case 2:  $r = \varepsilon$ , r does not have Kleene Star

Then  $RE(r) = \{\varepsilon\}$  is finite

Case 3: r = a,  $a \in \Sigma^*$ , r does not have Kleene Star

Then  $PE(r) = \{a\}$  is finite

So  $P(\emptyset), P(\varepsilon), P(a)$  hold.

Inductive Step: Let  $r_1, r_2 \in RE$ , assume  $P(r_1), P(r_2)$  hold

There are 3 cases to consider

Case 1:  $r = r_1^*$ , r has a Kleene Star then P(r) is vacuously true.

Case 2:  $r = r_1 r_2$ , r does not have Kleene Star,  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$  neither.

$$L(r) = L(r_1r_2) = L(r_1)L(r_2)$$
,  $L(r_1), L(r_2)$  is finite (By IH) so is  $L(r)$ .

Case 3:  $r = r_1 + r_2$ , r does not have Kleene Star,  $r_1, r_2$  neither.

$$L(r) = L(r_1 + r_2) = L(r_1) \cup L(r_2), \ L(r_1), L(r_2)$$
 is finite (By IH).

Then  $L(r_1) \cup L(r_2)$  is finite so is L(r).

So all three cases hold.

By structural induction, combine base cases and inductive step, we proved that

 $\forall r \in RE, r \text{ does not contain Kleene Star, then } |RE(r)| \text{ is finite.}$ 

## **Question 5**

(a)

Proof: (Contradiction)

Suppose, for the propose of contradiction, that we can find a correct DfA that has 8 states By Pigeonhole Principle, if we choose 9 strings over  $\Sigma$ , then at least two of those strings must end at the same state

We pick nine prefixes of length 2 of x, as nine strings, i.e. aa, ab, ac, ba, bb, bc, ca, cb, cc For one of the pairs of strings x, y in previous line (we don't know which pair), the supposed 8-state DFA is forced into the same state for both strings (because of

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Pigeonhole), and xz and yz must be both accepted or both rejected, for any string z s.t. |xz|=|yz|=4 We will show, for each possible pair, that this is NOT true
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Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = abaa is rejected

Pair 2: aa and ac

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = acaa is rejected

Pair 3: aa and ba

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = baaa is rejected

Pair 4: aa and bb

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = bbaa is rejected

Pair 5: aa and bc

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = bcaa is rejected

Pair 6: aa and ca

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = caaa is rejected

Pair 7: aa and cb

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = cbaa is rejected

Pair 8: aa and cc

Choose z = aa

Then xz = aaaa is accepted, yz = ccaa is rejected

Pair 9: ab and ac

Choose z = ba

Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = acba is rejected

Pair 10: ab and ba

Choose z = ba

Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = baba is rejected

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Pair 11: ab and bb
     Choose z = ba
     Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = bbba is rejected
Pair 12: ab and bc
     Choose z = ba
     Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = bcba is rejected
Pair 13: ab and ca
      Choose z = ba
     Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = caba is rejected
Pair 14: ab and cb
      Choose z = ba
     Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = cbba is rejected
Pair 15: ab and cc
      Choose z = ba
     Then xz = abba is accepted, yz = ccba is rejected
Pair 16: ac and ba
      Choose z = ca
     Then xz = acca is accepted, yz = baca is rejected
Pair 17: ac and bb
      Choose z = ca
     Then xz = acca is accepted, yz = bbca is rejected
Pair 18: ac and bc
     Choose z = ca
     Then xz = acca is accepted, yz = bcca is rejected
Pair 19: ac and ca
      Choose z = ca
     Then xz = acca is accepted, yz = caca is rejected
Pair 20: ac and cb
      Choose z = ca
     Then xz = acca is accepted, yz = cbca is rejected
Pair 21: ac and cc
      Choose z = ca
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Then xz = acca is accepted, yz = ccca is rejected

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Pair 22: ba and bb
     Choose z = ab
     Then xz = baab is accepted, yz = bbab is rejected
Pair 23: ba and bc
     Choose z = ab
     Then xz = baab is accepted, yz = bcab is rejected
Pair 24: ba and ca
      Choose z = ab
     Then xz = baab is accepted, yz = caab is rejected
Pair 25: ba and cb
      Choose z = ab
     Then xz = baab is accepted, yz = cbab is rejected
Pair 26: ba and cc
      Choose z = ab
     Then xz = baab is accepted, yz = ccab is rejected
Pair 27: bb and bc
      Choose z = bb
     Then xz = bbbb is accepted, yz = bcbb is rejected
Pair 28: bb and ca
      Choose z = bb
     Then xz = bbbb is accepted, yz = cabb is rejected
Pair 29: bb and cb
      Choose z = bb
     Then xz = bbbb is accepted, yz = cbbb is rejected
Pair 30: bb and cc
      Choose z = bb
     Then xz = bbbb is accepted, yz = ccbb is rejected
Pair 31: bc and ca
      Choose z = cb
     Then xz = bccb is accepted, yz = cacb is rejected
Pair 32: bc and cb
      Choose z = cb
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Then xz = bccb is accepted, yz = cbcb is rejected

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Pair 33: bc and cc
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Choose z = cb

Then xz = bccb is accepted, yz = cccb is rejected

Pair 34: ca and cb

Choose z = ac

Then xz = caac is accepted, yz = cbac is rejected

Pair 35: ca and cc

Choose z = ac

Then xz = caac is accepted, yz = ccac is rejected

Pair 36: cb and cc

Choose z = bc

Then xz = cbbc is accepted, yz = ccbc is rejected

By now we have showed that none two of those nine strings we chosen must end at the same state, which is a contradiction to our assumption

Hence we can conclude that any DFA accepts  $L_{R4}$  has at least nine states

## (b)

By (a) we may find out that the critical of finding list number of states is finding the largest number of prefixes with the same length and at the same time every pair of them may end at different states

To make the number of prefixes as large as possible, we need to let the length of the prefix be as large as possible

So for a string s s.t. |s| = n,  $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$  is the largest possible length of the prefix which can ensure that every pair of them may end at different states

Since  $|\Sigma|=3$ , for a string s s.t. |s|=n, there are  $3^{\left\lfloor\frac{n}{2}\right\rfloor}$  different prefixes Hence by conclusion of (a), any DFA accepts  $L_R$  has at least  $3^{\left\lfloor\frac{n}{2}\right\rfloor}$  states Since the length of a string s, n, which belongs to  $\mathbb N$ , is infinite

 $3^{\left[\frac{n}{2}\right]}$  may also be infinite because it depends only on n

This gives us a result that the DFA may end up with infinite number of states when s is infinite long, which is impossible because the number of states of a DFA is finite

Hence we cannot say anything about a DFA that accepts  $\,L_R\,$  simply by generalizing the result of part (a)