

PS2

2. a) Show every infinite regular language  $L$  contains an infinite proper subset  $L'$ .  
 $L' \subset L$  and  $L'$  is regular.

Remove some finite string from  $L$ .  $L'$  you get,  $L'$  is regular.

→ Observe that  $L$  MUST have a finite length string BECAUSE

DFA of  $L$  is finite. Choose shortest path from start to final state

- b) Show that  $L'$  is finite.  $L'$  is finite.

every infinite regular language  $L$  contains infinite proper subset  $L' \subset L$  s.t both  $L'$  and  $L - L'$  are infinite and regular.

→ For any string  $s \in L$  without repeating states in DFA start to final, then  $s \in L'$

→ Choose a string  $s \in L$  s.t  $|s| > |Q|$ .  $Q$  is the set of states of the DFA of  $L$ .

→  $\exists x, y, z$  where  $y \neq \epsilon$  such that  $xyz = s$  and  $xy'z \in L$ .

[Note: We can also derive this from Pumping Lemma]

→ Let  $L_1 = \{x\}$ ,  $L_2 = \{y\}$ ,  $L_3 = \{yy\}$ ,  $L_4 = \{z\}$ . All these languages are regular.

Let  $L' = L_1 \cdot L_3^* \cdot L_4$ ,  $L_5 = L_1 \cdot L_2 \cdot L_3^* \cdot L_4$  → Both regular

Note:  $L' \cap L_5 = \emptyset$

→ Note that if  $L_1, L_2$  are regular then  $L_1 \cdot L_2$  is regular because  $L_1 \cdot L_2 = L_1 \cap \sim L_2$

→ Hence Note that both  $L'$  and  $L_5$  are infinite.

→ Note that all elements of  $L', L_5$  are in  $L$ .

→ Hence  $L - L'$  has every element of  $L_5 \Rightarrow L - L'$  is infinite and regular

→ Also  $L'$  is infinite and regular.

4. a) Can you prove  $\Sigma^*$  is regular. (When  $L$  is regular)

Let  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  where  $L(M) = L$ .

$N = (Q', \Sigma, \Delta, s, F')$

$Q' = Q \times Q \times Q$  —  $2k-1$  times

$\Delta: Q \times Q \times Q \rightarrow Q \times Q \times Q$

$\Delta((q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{2k-1}), \sigma) = (\delta(q_1, \sigma), \delta(q_2, \sigma), \dots, \delta(q_{2k-1}, \sigma))$

$S = \{(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{2k-1}) \mid q_1 = q_0, q_{2i} = q_{2i+1} \in Q \text{ for all } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k-1\}\}$

$F' = \{(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{2k-1}) \mid q_{2k-1} \in F \text{ and } q_{2i-1} = q_{2i} \text{ for all } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k-1\}\}$

→ This construction accepts  $\Sigma^*$ .

- b)  $L_{\frac{1}{2}} = \{x \mid \exists y \text{ s.t } |x| = |y|, xy \in L\}$  where  $L$  is regular.

Show  $L_{\frac{1}{2}}$  is regular.

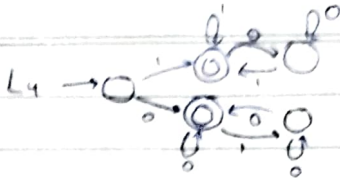
$M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  where  $L(M) = L$

$N = (Q', \Sigma, \Delta, s, F')$

$Q' = Q \times Q \times Q$

$\Delta((q_1, q_2, q_3), \sigma) = (\delta(q_1, \sigma), \delta(q_2, \sigma), \delta(q_3, \sigma))$

$S = \{(q_1, q_2, q_3) \mid q_2 = q_3 \in Q, q_1 = q_0\}$ ,  $F' = \{(q_1, q_2, q_3) \mid q_3 \in F, q_1 = q_2\}$



Accepts any string starting and ending same char.

$L_5$ : Accepts any string  $\geq 3$  length.

$L_4 \cap L_5 = L_2 = L_3$  ✓ Hence Regular.

c) Let  $M$  be DFA of  $L_1$  whose final state is  $F$ .

Create  $M_1$  whose NFA whose final states are set  $F_1$  s.t.  $\forall f \in F_1$

$\exists y \in L_2$  s.t.  $\hat{\delta}(f, y) = F$ .

→ Observe  $M_1$  accepts  $L_1/L_2$ . Why?

$M_1$  accepts string  $x \Leftrightarrow \hat{\delta}(q_0, x) \in F_1$

$\Leftrightarrow \hat{\delta}(\hat{\delta}(q_0, x), y) = F$  for some  $y \in L_2$

$\Leftrightarrow \hat{\delta}(q_0, xy) = F$  for some  $y \in L_2$

This is the definition of  $L_1/L_2$ . i.e.  $M_1$  accepts string  $x$  iff  $M$  accepts  $xy$  for some  $y \in L_2$ . ✓

5. a)  $L_1 = \{1^k x \mid x \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } \#1(x) \geq k, k \geq 1\}$

Define  $L_3 = \{1^k y \mid \#1(y) \geq 1\}$

→ Observe any string  $s \in L_1$  can be written as  $1^k y$   $\#1(y) \geq 1$  hence if  $s \in L_1 \Rightarrow s \in L_3$

→ Observe any  $s \in L_3$  can be written as  $1^k x$   $\#1(x) \geq 1$  hence if  $s \in L_3 \Rightarrow s \in L_1$

$L_1 = L_3$ . →  $L_3$  is regular (easily can create DFA) ✓ Regular

$L_2 = \{1^k x \mid x \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } \#1(x) \leq k, k \geq 1\}$

→ Take Pumping lemma choices  $x = 1^k 0$   $y = 1^k$   $z = \epsilon$ .

→  $u = 1^k$   $\ell \geq 0$ ,  $v = 1^m$   $m > 0$ ,  $w = 1^n$   $n \geq 0$ .

→ Pump  $v$ . We have  $1^k 0 1^c$  where  $c \gg k$ . Observe this string is not in  $L_2$ . (Proof can be done, no choice of  $x$  has less ones than start contiguous ones)

Irregular ✓

c)  $L = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i=1 \rightarrow j=k \text{ i,j,k} \geq 0\}$

$x = a$ ,  $y = b^{k+1}$ ,  $z = c^{k+1}$ . Pump  $v$ . You get  $ab^c c^{k+1}$ ,  $c \gg k$ .

$ab^c c^{k+1} \notin L$  clearly. Irregular lang. ✓

d)  $L = \{w \mid \exists w' \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ s.t. } w \neq w'R\}$

Let  $L_1 = \{w \mid w = wR, w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$ . If  $L$  were regular then  $L_1$  is regular.

As  $L_1 = \sim L$ .

→ Let us prove  $L_1$  is irregular. Take  $x = 1^{k+1} 0$   $y = 1^{k+1}$   $z = \epsilon$ .

→ We have  $v = 1^p$   $p > 0$ . Pump  $v$ .

→ We will get string  $1^{k+1} 0 1^c$  where  $c \gg k$ . Observe this string not in  $L_1$ . Hence irregular.

→ Hence by contradiction  $L$  is also irregular. (Because if  $L$  were regular  $L_1$  would have to be regular).



c) Define quotient  $L_1/L_2 = \{x \mid \exists y \in L_2 \text{ such that } xy \in L_1\}$

Show that if  $L_1$  is regular then  $L_1/L_2$  is regular.

d)  $\text{rot}(L) = \{xylyx \in L\}$ . Show  $\text{rot}(L)$  is regular if  $L$  is regular.

Intuition:  $a_1 a_2 a_3$  if we break it anywhere it should be in  $\text{rot}(L)$ .  
 $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4$

Construct NFA as follows:

Suppose  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, s_0, F)$  is DFA for  $L$ .

$N = (Q', \Sigma, \Delta, s, F')$  is ENFA for  $\text{rot}(L)$

$$Q' = Q \times Q$$

$$s = \{(q, q) \mid q \in Q\}$$

$$\Delta: Q \times Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow P(Q \times Q)$$

$$\Delta((q_1, q_2), \sigma) = \{(q_1, q_2), \delta(q_1, \sigma)\}, \text{ if } q_2 \neq F \text{ then } \{q_1\}$$

$$\text{And } \Delta((q_1, F), \epsilon) = \{(q_1, q_0)\}$$

$$F' = \{(q_1, q_2) \mid \delta(q_1, q_2) = q_2 = q_1\}$$

→ This E-NFA keeps a guess start state  $q_1$  and moves  $q_2$  according to input string. If final state reached it can go to  $q_0$  also (i.e. indicating crossing, ~~start~~ end → start of string).

Finally, if  $q_2 = q_1$ , then final state, because that means that the string rotated back to initial position.

5. b)  $L = \{w \mid \exists x, y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ s.t. } xyx = w\}$

→ For some  $k > 0$  take the string  $10^{k+1}10^{k+1}$ .

→ Take  $y = 0^{k+1}$ ,  $x = 10^{k+1}1$ ,  $z = \epsilon$  (Pumping Lemma Variables)

→ We will get  $v = 0^l$  where  $l > 0$ .

Then we have that for some  $i > 0$   $10^{k+1}10^i10^{k+1}10^i10^c = 10^{k+1}10^c$

Where  $c > 4k$ .

→ Observe that  $10^{k+1}10^c$ ,  $c > 4k$  cannot be part of  $L$ .

$[10^{k+1}10^c = abca]$ , Note  $a$  contains no ones by last  
 Note  $a$  contains a one by first  $a$

$L_2 = \{w \mid \exists x, y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ s.t. } xyx^R = w\}$

Let  $L_3 = \{w \mid \exists y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ s.t. } w = 1y1 \text{ or } w = 0y0\}$

→ If I take any string from  $L_3$ ,  $s = ayaa$  It must be in  $L_2$  also,  $x = a$

→ If I take any string from  $L_2$ ,  $s = xyx^R$ , It must be in  $L_3$ .

Take first char of  $x$  be  $a$ .

$a$  is first char. of  $s$ , and last char of  $s$ .  $\Rightarrow$  In  $L_3$

→ Any string of  $L_2$  in  $L_3$  and vice versa.  $L_2 = L_3$ .

# Index of comments

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- 1.1 This should be  $\delta(q_1, \sigma)$
- 1.2 Please write a proof of correctness for the construction. Refer to the  $\sqrt{L}$  construction given in the notes.
- 2.1 This is incorrect - but almost correct. Please think carefully.
- 2.2 This two-way implication looks incorrect.
- 3.1 This construction is almost correct. Just that after doing the epsilon-transition to the start state, you need to remember that you are reading  $y$  now.