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Lecture No.- 01

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Topics to be Covered



Topic

Regular Languages

- Regular Expressions
- FA, Regular Grammars

$$\begin{array}{l} R_1 + R_2 \\ R_1 \cdot R_2 \\ R^* \\ R^+ \end{array}$$

+ : OR

$$a + b \Rightarrow a, b$$

$$a + \varepsilon \Rightarrow a, \varepsilon$$

$$a + \phi \Rightarrow a$$

$$\varepsilon + \phi \Rightarrow \varepsilon$$

• (Concatenation) :

$$a \cdot b \Rightarrow ab$$

$$a \cdot \epsilon \Rightarrow a$$

$$\epsilon \cdot \epsilon \Rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\epsilon \cdot a \Rightarrow a$$

$$a \cdot \phi \Rightarrow \phi$$

$$\phi \cdot a \Rightarrow \phi$$

R^*

kleene star of R

kleene closure of R

 $x^4 : x)(xx)$ $(ab)^4 : abababab$ $a^* \Rightarrow a^0, a^1, a^2, \dots$
 ϵ, a, aa, \dots $(ab)^* \Rightarrow \epsilon, ab, abab, \underline{ababab}, \dots$

R^+

Kleene plus of R

Positive closure of R

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned}\Sigma\Sigma &= \Sigma \\ \Sigma^* &= \Sigma \\ \Sigma^+ &= \Sigma\end{aligned}}$$

$$a^+ \Rightarrow a^1, a^2, a^3, \dots$$
$$a, aa, aaa, \dots$$

$$(ab)^+ \Rightarrow ab, abab, ababab, \dots$$

$$\Sigma^+ \sqsupseteq \Sigma^1 \cup \Sigma^2 \cup \Sigma^3, \dots$$
$$= \Sigma^*$$

$$\phi^o = \epsilon$$

$$R^o = \epsilon$$

$$a^o = \epsilon$$

$$\epsilon^o = \epsilon$$

$$b^o = \epsilon$$

$$(ab)^o = \epsilon$$

$$\phi' = \phi$$

$$a' = a$$

$$\epsilon' = \epsilon$$

$$(ab)' = ab$$

$$R' = R$$
$$R^2 = R'R' = RR$$

$$\phi^* = \phi^0, \phi^1, \phi^2, \phi^3, \dots = \Sigma + \phi$$

\downarrow

$$\varepsilon, \phi$$

$$\boxed{\phi^* = \Sigma}$$
$$\boxed{\phi^+ = \phi}$$

$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: \#_a(w) \leq 3\}$.

- A. $b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^*$
- B. $b^* (a) b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^*$
- C. $b^* (a) b^* (a) b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^*$
- D. $b^* (a \cup \epsilon) b^* (a) b^* (a) b^*$

$$\eta_a = \begin{cases} 0 \\ \geq 1 \\ \geq 2 \\ \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

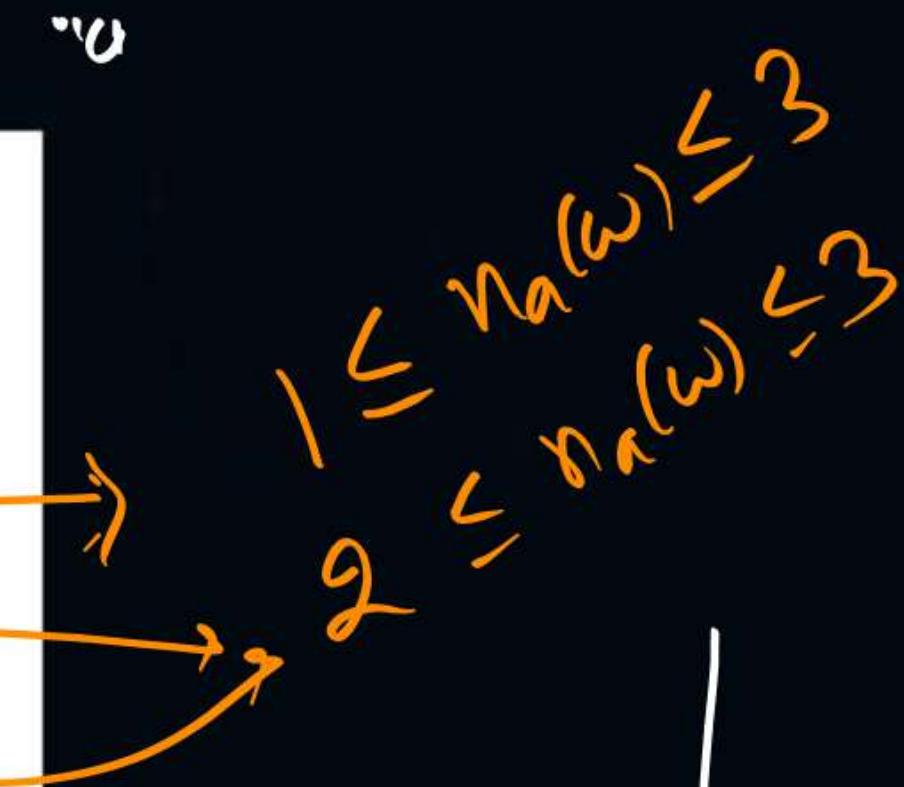
b^*
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$$b^* (a + \epsilon) b^* (a + \epsilon) b^* (a + \epsilon) b^*$$

$$b^* \epsilon \quad b^* \epsilon \quad b^* \epsilon \quad b^* \epsilon$$

$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*: \#_a(w) \leq 3\}.$

- A. $b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^*$
- B. $b^* \boxed{a} b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^*$
- C. $b^* \boxed{a} b^* \boxed{a} b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^*$
- D. $b^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^* \boxed{a} b^* \boxed{a} b^*$



$$b^* b^* = b^*$$

$$b^* \varepsilon = b^*$$

$a + \varepsilon$
Zero or 1 a

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} b^* a b^* \rightarrow n_a(\omega)^{-1} \\ b^* a b^* \rightarrow 0 \\ b a \varepsilon \rightarrow b a \\ \varepsilon a b \rightarrow a b \end{array} \right\}$$

$$L_1 = a^* b^*$$

$$L_2 = a^+ b^+$$

Find $L_2 - L_1$.

- A. a^*
- B. b^*
- C. $a^* + b^*$
- D. None

$$L_1 = \overbrace{a^* b^*}^{\epsilon} \quad \left. \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{a^+} \\ \xrightarrow{b^+} \\ \xrightarrow{a^+ b^+} \end{array} \right\} = L_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 - L_2 &= \epsilon + a^+ + b^+ \\ &= a^* + b^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\cancel{L_2} - L_1 = \phi$$

$$\cancel{a^+ b^+} - (\epsilon, a^+, b^+, a^+ b^+) = \phi$$

$L_1 = a^* + b^*$ and $L_2 = a^*b^*$.

Which of the following is TRUE?

- A. $L_1 = L_2$
- B. $L_1 \cup L_2 = (a+b)^*$
- C. $L_1^* = L_2^*$
- D. None

$$L_1 \cup L_2 = L_2$$

$$L_1 = a^* + b^*$$

$$L_2 = a^*b^* = \{ \epsilon + a + b + a^+b^+ \}$$

$$L_1^* = (a^* + b^*)^* = (a+b)^*$$

$$L_2^* = (a^*b^*)^* = (a+b)^*$$



$$\begin{aligned} &= a^* + b^* + a^+b^+ \\ &= L_1 + a^+b^+ \end{aligned}$$

$L_1 = a^* + b^*$ and $L_2 = a^*b^*$.

Which of the following is TRUE?

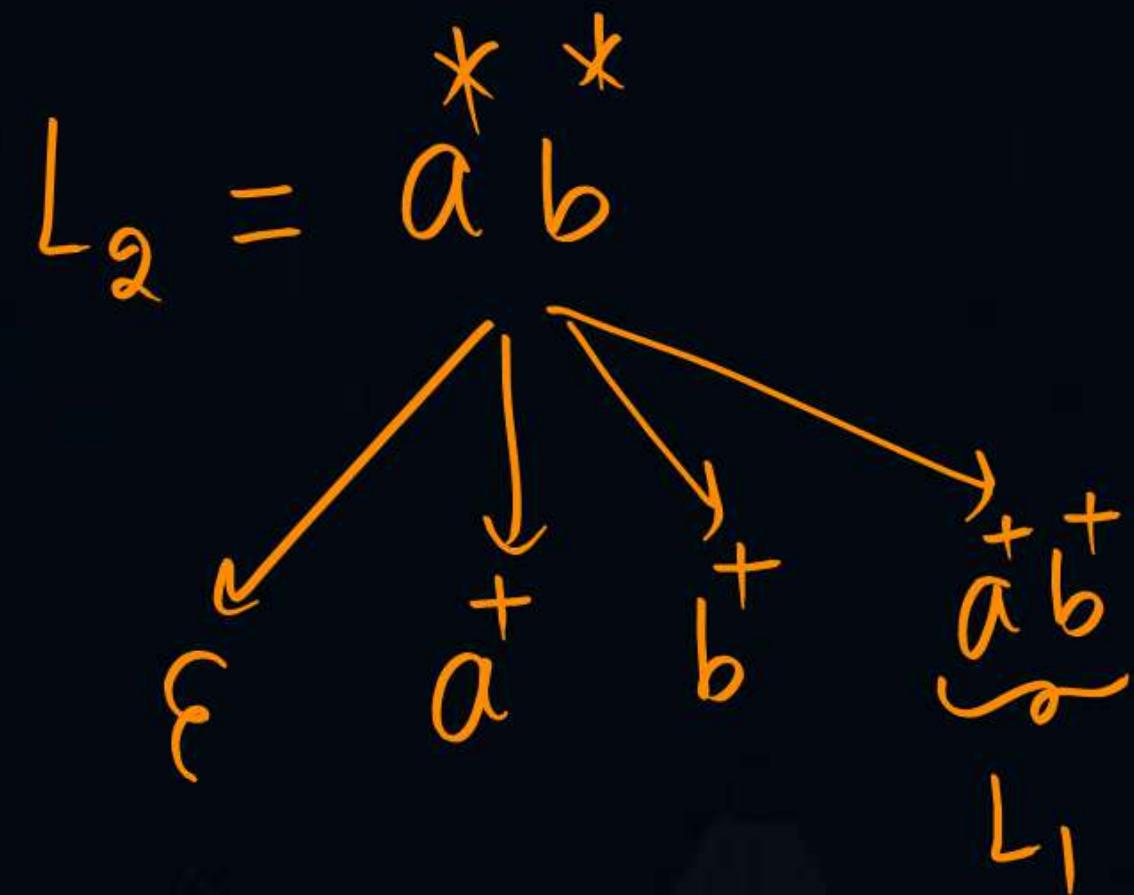
- A. L_1 is subset of L_2
- B. L_2 is subset of L_1
- C. $L_1 \cup L_2 = \underline{L_1}$
- D. None



$L_1 = a^+b^+$ and $L_2 = a^*b^*$.

Which of the following is FALSE?

- A. L_1 is subset of $L_2 \rightarrow T$
- B. $L_1^* = L_2^* \rightarrow \text{FALSE}$
- C. $L_1 \cup L_2 = L_2 \rightarrow T$
- D. None



$$(a^+ b^*)^* \neq (a^* b^*)^*$$

\downarrow

~~$(a^+ b^*)^* \neq (a^* b^*)^*$~~



$$\underbrace{a^+ b^+}_{\text{At least 1 } a \text{ followed by} \\ \text{At least 1 } b} \neq a^* b^*$$

$$(a^+ b^+)^* \neq (a^* b^*)^*$$

$$L_1 = a^+ + b^+ \text{ and } L_2 = a^* + b^*.$$

Which of the following is TRUE?

- A. $L_1 = L_2$
- B. $L_1^+ = L_2^+$
- C. $L_1 \cup L_2 = L_2$
- D. None

$$L_1 = a^+ + b^+$$

$$L_2 = a^* + b^* = \epsilon + L_1$$



$$L_1^+ = (a^+ + b^+)^+ = (a+b)^+$$

$$L_2^+ = (a^* + b^*)^+ = (a+b)^*$$

$L_1 = a^+$ and $L_2 = a^*$

Which of the following is TRUE?

~~A.~~ $L_1^+ = L_2^*$

$$a^+ \neq a^*$$

~~B.~~ $L_1^+ = L_2^+$

$$a^+ \neq a^*$$

~~C.~~ $L_1^* = L_2^+$

$$a^* = a^*$$

D. None

$$L_1 = a^+$$

$$L_2 = a^*$$

$$L_1^+ = (a^+)^+ = a^+$$

$$L_2^+ = (a^*)^+ = a^*$$

$$L_1^* = (a^+)^* = a^* \quad | \quad L_2^* = (a^*)^* = a^*$$

$$a + b^+ = \{ \underbrace{a, a^2, a^3, a^4, \dots}_{a^+} \cup \underbrace{b, b^2, b^3, \dots}_{b^+} \}$$

The diagram illustrates the construction of the sum of two infinite sequences. On the left, a sequence of terms $a, a^2, a^3, \dots, a^n, \dots$ is shown. Above it, a sequence of terms $b, b^2, b^3, \dots, b^n, \dots$ is shown. Arrows point from each term a_i to the corresponding term b_i , indicating they are paired together in the sum. The result is a sequence starting with a , followed by a^2, a^3, a^4, \dots , which is labeled a^+ above the sequence. This is followed by a union symbol (\cup), and then the sequence b, b^2, b^3, b^4, \dots , which is labeled b^+ above the sequence.

A = a* and B = b*

AB = ?

- ~~A.~~ { aⁿb⁰ | n>=0 }
- ~~B.~~ { a^mbⁿ | m, n>=0 }
- C. (a+b)*
- D. None

$$A = a^* = \{a^n | n \geq 0\}$$

$$B = b^* = \{b^n | n \geq 0\}$$

$$A \cdot B = \{a^n | n > 0\} \cdot \{b^n | n > 0\}$$

$$= \{a^{n_1}b^{n_2} | n_1, n_2 \geq 0\}$$

$$= \{a^m b^n | m, n \geq 0\}$$

A = aa* and B = bb*

(AUB)* = ?

- A. { $a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0$ }
- B. { $a^m b^n \mid m, n \geq 0$ }
- C. $(a+b)^*$
- D. None

$$A = aa^* = a^+$$

$$B = bb^* = b^+$$

$$(A+B)^* = (a^+ + b^+)^*$$

$$= (a+b)^*$$

Given the language $L = \{ab, aa, baa\}$,
which of the following strings are not in L^* ?

1) abaabaaabaa $\in L^*$

2) aaaabaaaa $\in L^*$

3) baaaaabaaaab $\in L^*$

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. None

$$\begin{aligned}L &= \{ab, aa, baa\} \\&= ab + aa + baa \\L^* &= (ab + aa + baa)^* \\&= (x + y + z)^*\end{aligned}$$

The length of the shortest string NOT in the language (over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$) of the following regular expression is

- _____.
- $a^*(ba)^*a^*$
-
- A. 1
B. 2
C. 3
D. 4

Shortest which is not possible

$L = a(a+b)^*$ is equivalent to _____

- A. $(ab^*)^+$
- B. $(a^+b^*)^+$
- C. $a^*(ab^*)^+$
- D. All of the above

$\{ @, \underbrace{aa, ab}, \underbrace{a \square, }_{a \square \square} \}$

$@ \sum^*$

$L = (a+b)^*b$ is equivalent to _____

- A. $(ab^*)^+ \xrightarrow{\alpha \Sigma^*} \alpha \Sigma^*$
 - B. $(a^+b^*)^+$
 - C. $b^* (ab^*)^* b$
 - D. None
- $= (a+b)^* b$

$= \{ b, \boxed{b}, \boxed{a} \boxed{b}, \boxed{a} \boxed{a} \boxed{b}, \boxed{a} \boxed{a} \boxed{a} \boxed{b}, \dots \}$

$$(ab^*)^+ \Rightarrow a\Sigma^*$$

$$(ab^*)^* \Rightarrow a\Sigma^* + \epsilon$$

$$b^*(ab^*)^* \Rightarrow \underbrace{a\Sigma^* + b\Sigma^*}_{(a+b)^*} + \epsilon$$

$$(b + ba)(b + a)^*(ab + b)$$

- A. $(a+b)^*$
- B. $a(a+b)^*a$
- C. $b(a+b)^*b$
- D. None

$$\begin{aligned} &= b(\varepsilon+a) (a+b)^* (a+\varepsilon)b \\ &= b (a+b)^* b \end{aligned}$$

never

$$\{w \in \{a, b\}^*: \#_a(w) \equiv_3 0\}.$$

- A. $(b^*ab^*ab^*a)^*b^*$
- B. $(b^*\underline{ab^*ab^*a})^* \rightarrow b^*$
- C. $(ab^*\underline{ab^*a})^*$
- D. $(ab^*\underline{ab^*a})^*b^* \rightarrow baaa \times$
- Subset of answer*

$$\gamma \left(\uparrow^a \uparrow^a \uparrow^a \uparrow^a \right)^*$$

$$(a \cup b)^* (a \cup \varepsilon) b^* =$$

A. $(a+b)(a+b)^* = (a+b)^+$

B. $(a+b)^*$

C. $(aa+b)^* = (a^2+b)^*$

D. None

$$\begin{aligned} & (a+b)^* (a+\varepsilon) b^* \\ & \underbrace{(a+b)^*}_{(a+b)^*} \underbrace{(a+\varepsilon)}_{b} b^* \\ & (a+b)^* b^* \\ & \underbrace{(a+b)^*}_{(a+b)^*} \end{aligned}$$

even

$$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ has } bba \text{ as a substring}\}$$

Which of the following describes L ?

- A. $(a \cup b)^* \boxed{bba} (a \cup b)^*$
- B. $(a \cup b)^+ \boxed{bba} (a \cup b)^*$
- C. $(a \cup b)^+ \boxed{bba} (a \cup b)^+$
- D. $(a \cup b)^* \boxed{bba} (a \cup b)^+$



$$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*\} = (a+b)^*$$

- 1. $(a+b)^*$
- 2. $(a+b+\text{epsilon})^+$
- 3. Epsilon + $(a+b)^+$
- 4. $(a^*b^*)^*$
- 5. $(b^*a^*)^*$
- 6. $(a^+b^+)^*$

How many of above are equivalent to given L ?

- A. 4 B. 5 C. 6 D. 3

$$\left\{ \omega \mid \omega \in \{a, b\}^* \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \omega \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \omega \in \{a, b\}^* \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \omega : \omega \in \{a, b\}^* \text{ in } (a+b)^* \right\}$$

every ω

$$a^*b^* \neq b^*a^*$$

$$(a^*b^*)^* = (b^*a^*)^*$$

Which Two of the following four regular expressions are equivalent?

(i) $(00)^*(\epsilon + 0)$

(ii) $(00)^*$

even

(iii) 0^*

All

(iv) $0(00)^*$

odd

(a) (i) and (ii)

(b) (ii) and (iii)

(c) (i) and (iii)

(d) (iii) and (iv)

(GATE - 96)

$$(00)^*(\epsilon + 0)$$

$$\underbrace{(00)^*}_{\text{even}} + \underbrace{(00)^* 0}_{\text{odd}} = \underbrace{0^*}_{\text{All}}$$

If the regular set A is represented by $A = (01+1)^*$ and the regular set 'B' is represented by $B = ((01)^*1^*)^*$, which of the following is true? (GATE - 98)

- (a) $A \subset B$
- (b) $B \subset A$
- (c) A and B are incomparable
- (d) $A = B$

$A = B \checkmark$

$A \supset B \times$

$A \subseteq B \checkmark$

$A \supseteq B \checkmark$

$A \subset B \times$

$$A = (01+1)^* = (x+y)^*$$
$$B = ((01)^*1^*)^* = (x^*y^*)^*$$

$A = B$

The string 1101 does not belong to the set represented by (GATE - 98)

- 1101 (a) 110* (0+1)
1101 (b) 1(0+1)*101
1101 (c) (10)* (01)* (00+11)*
1101 (d) (00+(11)* 0)*

C ✓

d ✓

Let S and T be languages over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ represented by the regular expressions $(a + b^*)^*$ and $(a + b)^*$, respectively.

Which of the following is true? **(GATE - 2000)**

- (a) $S \subset T$
- (b) $T \subset S$
- (c) $S = T$
- (d) $S \cap T = \emptyset$

Consider the set Σ^* of all strings over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$.
 Σ^* with the concatenation operator for strings (GATE - 03)

- (a) Does not form a group
- (b) Forms a non-commutative group
- (c) Does not have a right identity element
- (d) Forms a group if the empty string is removed from Σ^*

The regular expression $0^*(10^*)^*$ denotes the same set as **(GATE - 03)**

- (a) $(1*0)^*1^*$
- (b) $0^+ (0+10)^*$
- (c) $(0+1)^*10 (0+1)^*$
- (d) None of the above

Which one of the following languages over the alphabet {0, 1} is described by the regular expression $(0+1)^*0(0+1)^*0(0+1)^*$ (**GATE - 09**)

- (a) The set of all strings containing the substring 00
- (b) The set of all strings containing at most two 0's
- (c) The set of all strings containing at least two 0's
- (d) The set of all strings that begin and end with either 0 or 1

Consider the languages $L_1 = \phi$ and $L_2 = \{a\}$. Which one of the following represents $L_1 L_2^* \cup L_1^*$? (GATE - 13)

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- (b) ϕ
- (c) a^*
- (d) $\{\epsilon, a\}$

The length of the shortest string NOT in the language (over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$) of the following regular expression is _____.

$a^*b^*(ba)^*a^*$

(GATE – 14-SET3)

Which one of the following regular expressions represents the language: the set of all binary strings having two consecutive 0's and two consecutive 1's? **(GATE – 16 – SET1)**

- (a) $(0+1)^* \ 0011(0+1)^* + (0+1)^* \ 1100(0+1)^*$
- (b) $(0+1)^* \ (00(0+1)^* \ 11 + 11(0+1)^* \ 00)(0+1)^*$
- (c) $(0+1)^* \ 00(0+1)^* + (0+1)^* \ 11(0+1)^*$
- (d) $00(0+1)^* \ 11 + 11(0+1)^* \ 00$

Which of the following regular expression identities are true?

(GATE - 92)

(a) $r(*) = r^*$

(b) $(r^*s^*)^* = (r+s)^*$

(c) $(r+s)^* = r^* + s^*$

(d) $r^*s^* = r^*+s^*$

Which one of the following regular expressions represents the set of all binary strings with an odd number of 1's?

- A. $((0 + 1)^* 1 (0 + 1)^* 1)^* 1 0^*$
- B. $(0^* 1 0^* 1 0^*)^* 0^* 1$
- C. $1 0^* (0^* 1 0^* 1 0^*)^*$
- D. $(0^* 1 0^* 1 0^*)^* 1 0^*$

Which one of the following regular expressions over $\{0, 1\}$ denotes the set of all strings **not** containing 100 as a substring?

(GATE - 97)

- (a) $0^*(1^+ 0)^*$
- (b) $0^* 1010^*$
- (c) $0^* 1^* 01^*$
- (d) $0^* (10+1)^*$

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$$S = (a + b^*)^* = T$$

$$T = (a + b)^*$$

$$SAT = S = T = (a + b)^*$$

$$S \subseteq T$$

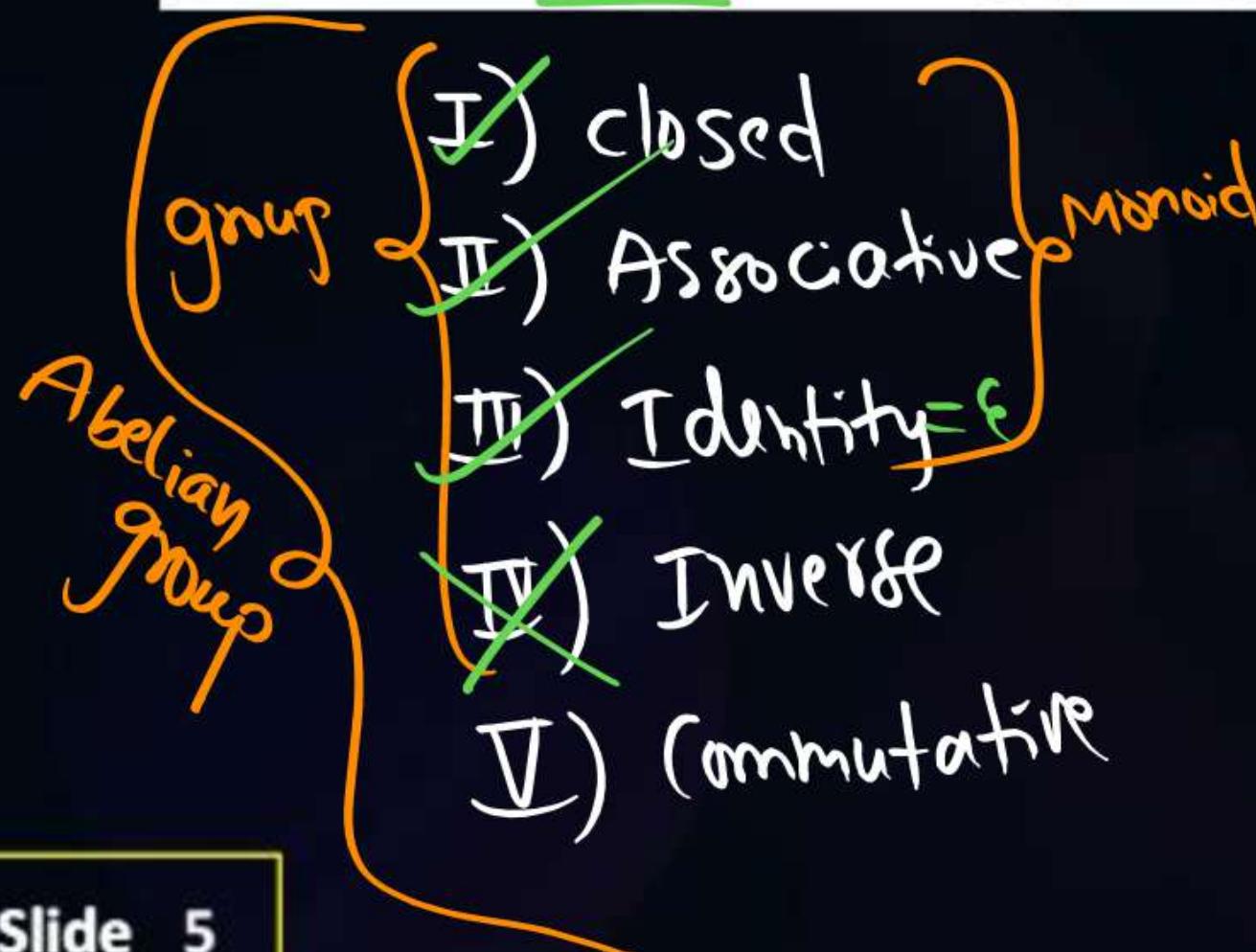
$$T \subseteq S$$

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(D , operation)

(Σ^* , Concatenation)



($\{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, \dots\}$, \cdot)

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- (c) $(0+1)^*10 (0+1)^*$ ~~ϵ_X~~ (d) None of the above

$$\begin{aligned}0^*(10^*)^* &= (0+1)^* \\1^*(01^*)^* &= \quad " \\(1^*0)^*1^* &= \quad " \\(0^*1)^*0^* &= \quad "\end{aligned}$$


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- (c) a^*
- (d) $\{\epsilon, a\}$

$$\begin{aligned}L_1 \cdot L_2^* &\cup L_1^* \\&= \underbrace{\phi \cdot L_2^*}_{\phi} \cup \phi^* \\&= \phi \cup \{\epsilon\} \\&= \{\epsilon\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi^* &= \phi^0 \cup \phi^1 \cup \phi^2 \cup \dots \\&= \phi \cup \phi \cup \phi \cup \dots \\&= \phi + \phi + \phi + \dots \\&= \phi\end{aligned}$$

The length of the shortest string NOT in the language (over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$) of the following regular expression is _____.

$$a^*b^*(ba)^*a^*$$

(GATE - 14-SET3)

$$\begin{array}{rcl} a^2 \varepsilon \varepsilon \varepsilon & = & a^2 \\ a \ b \ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon & = & ab \\ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon \ ba \ \varepsilon & = & ba \\ \varepsilon b^2 \ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon & = & bb \\ \hline a^3 \ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon & = & aaa \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} a^2 b \ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon & = & aab \\ a \ \varepsilon \ ba \ \varepsilon & = & aba \\ a b^2 \ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon & = & abb \\ \varepsilon \ \varepsilon \ ba \ a & = & ba \ a \end{array}$$

X

bab

A) 2

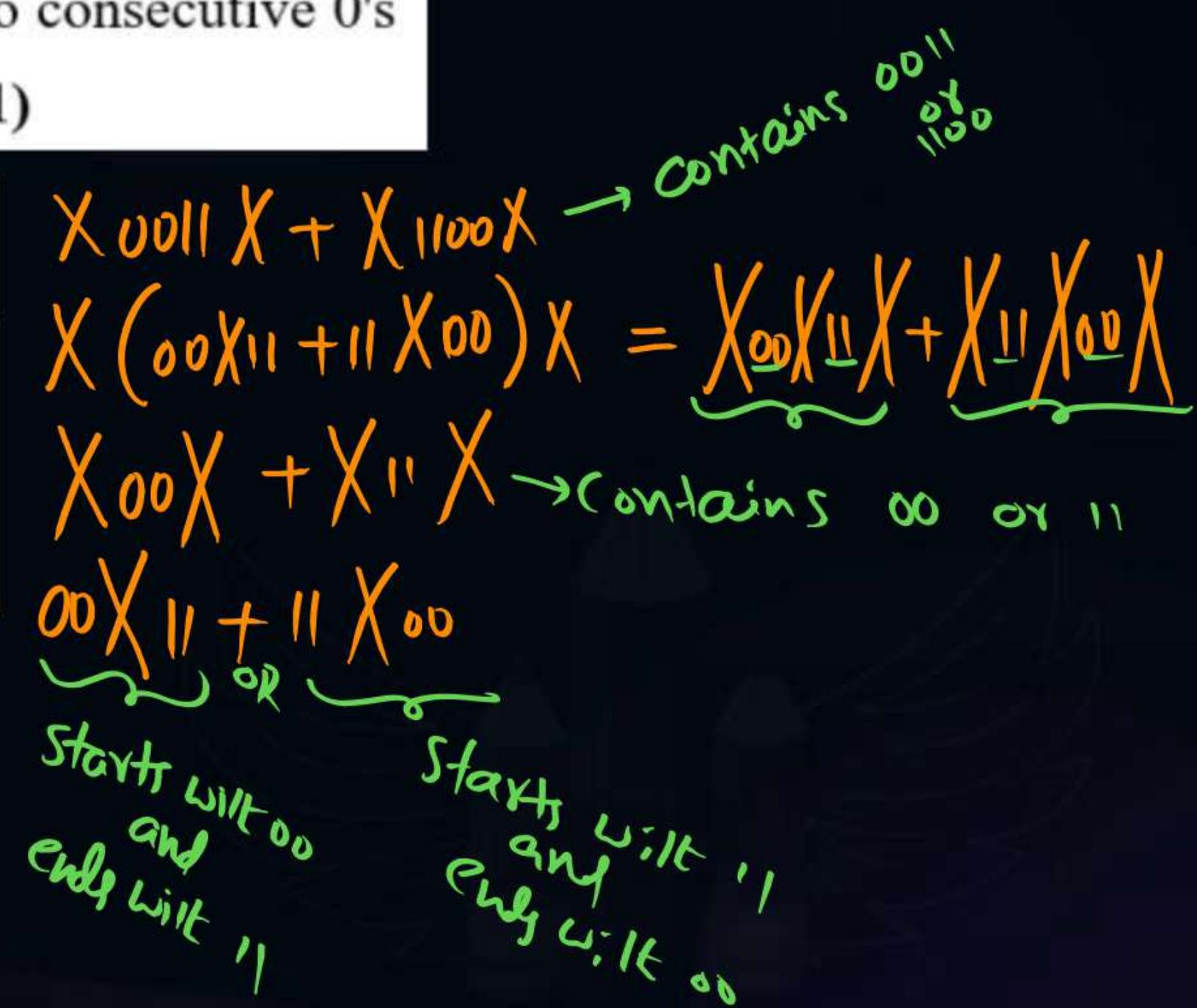
B) 3

C) 4

D) 5

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- (b) $(0+1)^* (00(0+1)^* 11 + 11(0+1)^* 00)(0+1)^*$
- (c) $(0+1)^* 00(0+1)^* + (0+1)^* 11(0+1)^*$
- (d) $00(0+1)^* 11 + 11(0+1)^* 00$



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$a^{11} \quad r^* \\ s^*$

$r^{(*)}$
not suff

$(r^*)^*$ ✓

$(r^*)^*$ ✓

$\delta_1 + \delta_2 \quad \checkmark$
 $\delta_1 + \delta_2 \quad \checkmark$
 $(\delta_1)^* \quad \times$
 $\delta_1 + (\delta_2)^* \quad \checkmark$
 $(\delta_1 + \delta_2) \quad \checkmark$

$\delta_1 (+) \delta_2 \quad \times$

$(\delta_1 +) \delta_2 \quad \times$

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- A. ~~$(0 + 1)^* 1 (0 + 1)^* 1 10^*$~~
- B. ~~$(0^* 1 0^* 1 0^*)^* 0^* 1 \rightarrow 10^*$~~
- C. ~~$1 0^* (0^* 1 0^* 1 0^*)^* \rightarrow 0^* 1^*$~~
- D. ~~$(0^* 1 0^* 1 0^*)^* 1 0^* \rightarrow 0^* 1^*$~~

} To option
is correct

$$\downarrow 0^* \mid 0^* \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ 0^* \mid 0^* \mid 0^* \end{array} \right)^* \downarrow 0^*$$

$$\downarrow 0^* \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ 0^* \mid 0^* \mid 0^* \end{array} \right)^* \downarrow 0^* \mid 0^*$$

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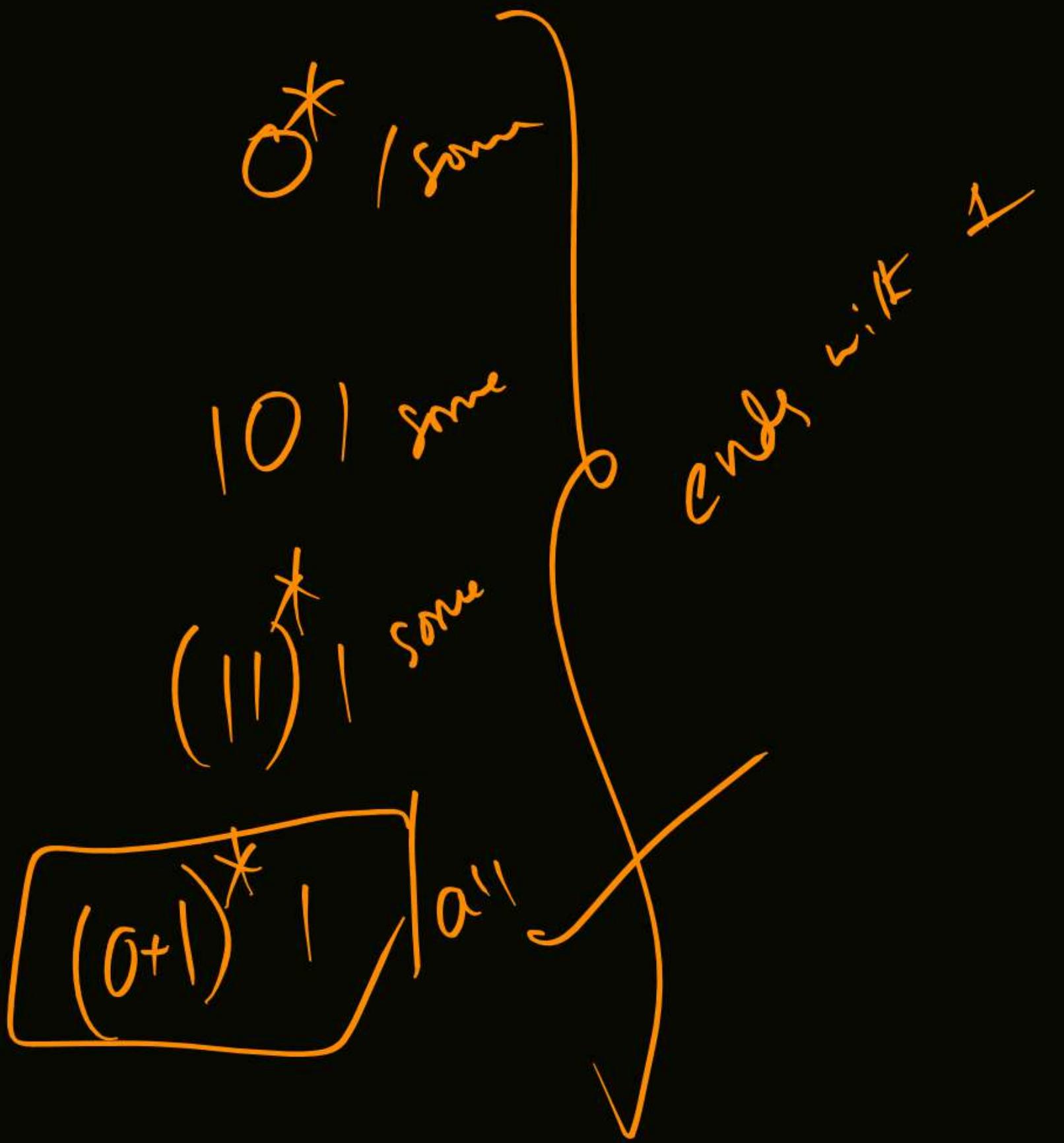
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(b) ~~$0^* 1010^*$~~ $\rightarrow \epsilon \times$
(c) ~~$0^* 1^* 01^*$~~ $\rightarrow \epsilon \times$
(d) $0^* (10+1)^*$

~~X * * *~~

$L = \{ \Sigma, 0^1, 00, 01, 10, 1^1, 000, 001, 010, 011, 101, 110, 111, \dots \}$

not having 100
but ^{contain} 100
generating only some strings



Q

Consider the following grammar G.

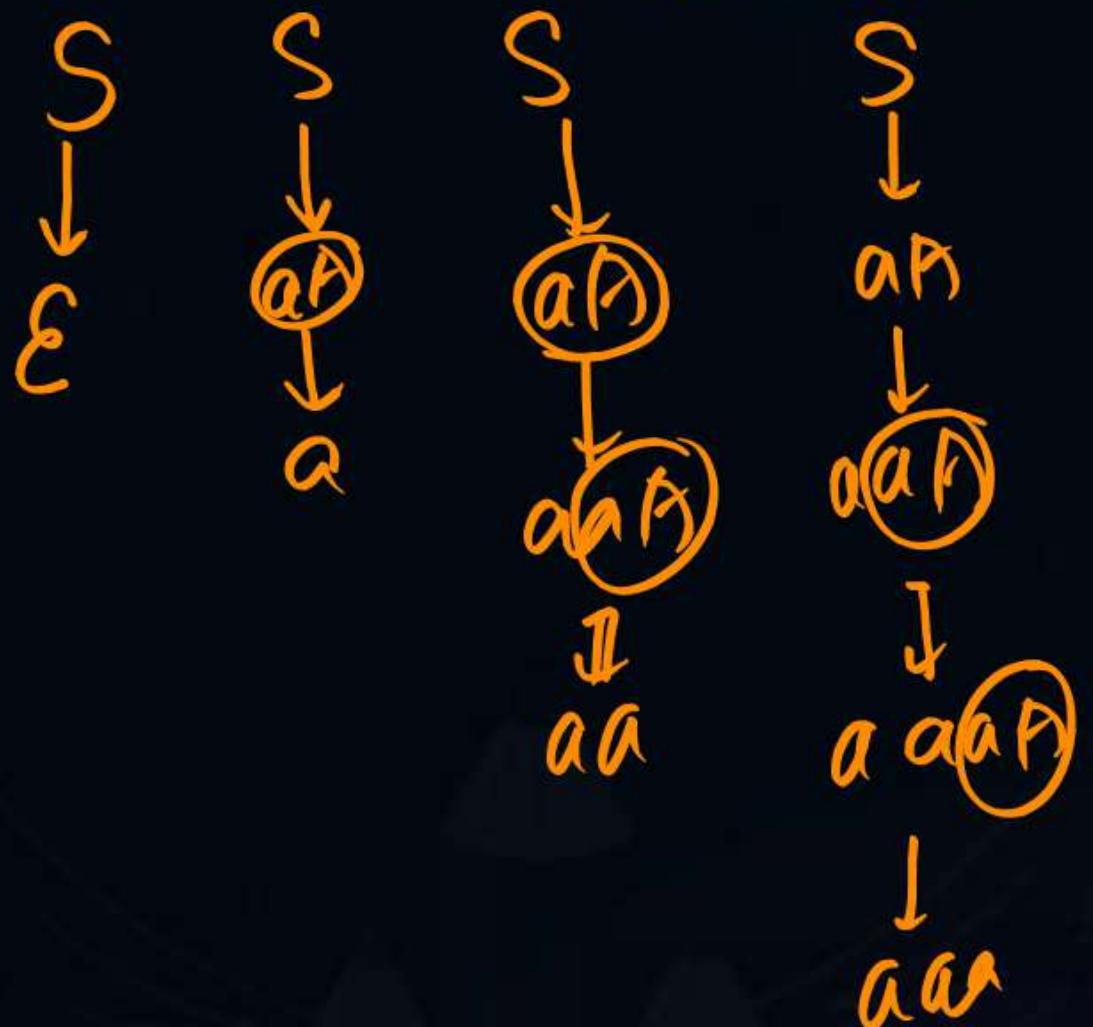
$$\boxed{S \rightarrow aA \mid \epsilon}$$

$$\boxed{aA \rightarrow aaA \mid a}$$

Unrestricted Grammar

What is the language generated by G?

- A $(aa)^*$
- B ~~a^*~~
- C $a(aa)^*$
- D None of these



$$L = \{ \epsilon, a, a^2, a^3, \dots \}$$

Q

Find the Equivalent regular expressions for the set of
odd number of 1's in binary string

[MSQ]

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- A $0^*(0^*10^*10^*)^*1^*$
- B $1^*(0^*10^*10^*)^*0^*$
- C $0^*1^*(0^*10^*10^*)^*0^*$
- D $0^*(0^*10^*10^*)^*1^*0^*$



Q

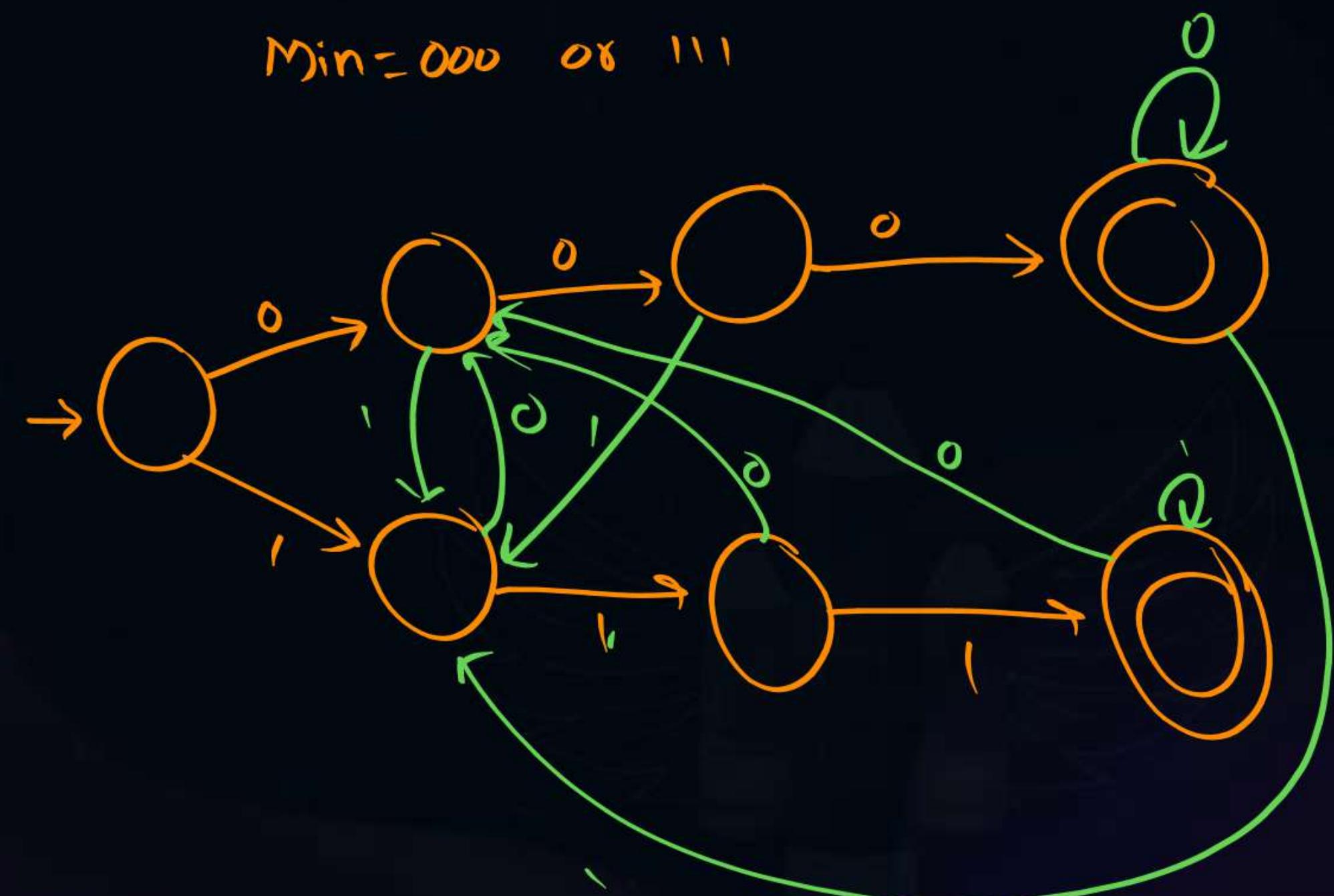
How many states in minimized DFA that accepts set of
all binary strings ending in 000 or 111?

[MCQ]

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- A 5
- B 7
- C 9
- D 6

Min = 000 or 111



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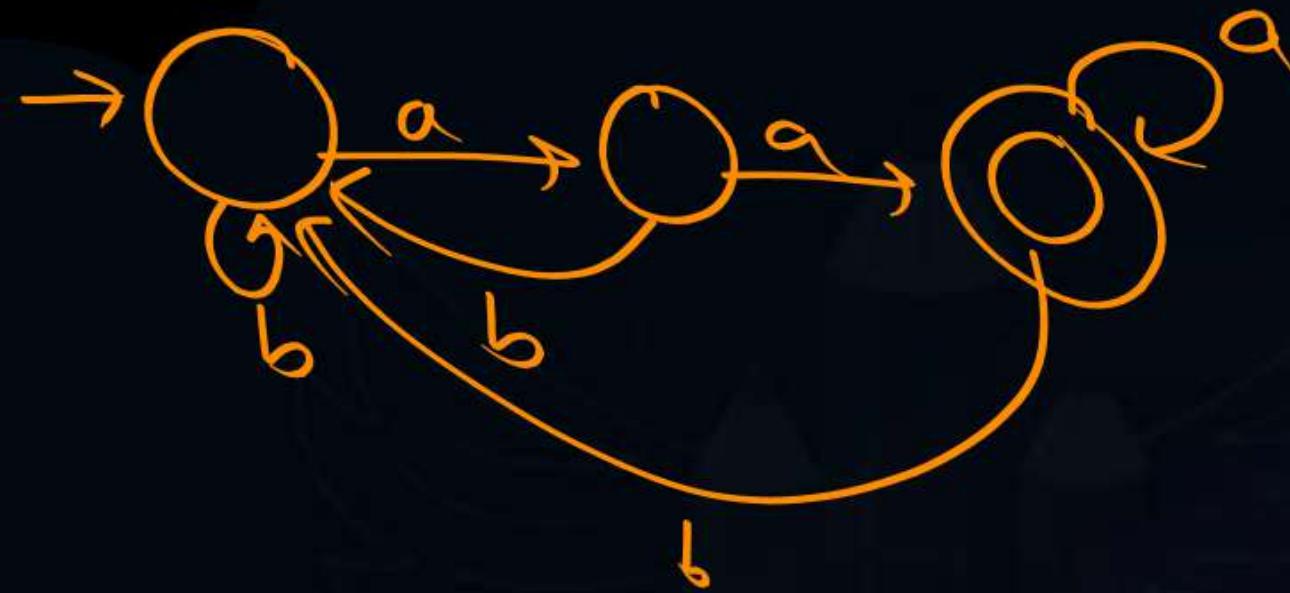
If x and y are number of equivalence classes for L_1 and L_2 respectively then $x + y = ?$

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[MSQ]

$L_1 = aa(a+b)^*$ \rightarrow 4 states

$L_2 = (a+b)^* aa \rightarrow$ 3 states



- A 6
- B 7
- C 8
- D 9

Q.13

Let $L = (a+b)(a+b)(a+b)^*$ over alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.

[NAT]

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If x is total number of final states and y is total number of non-final states, then $|x-y| = \boxed{|1-2| = 1}$.

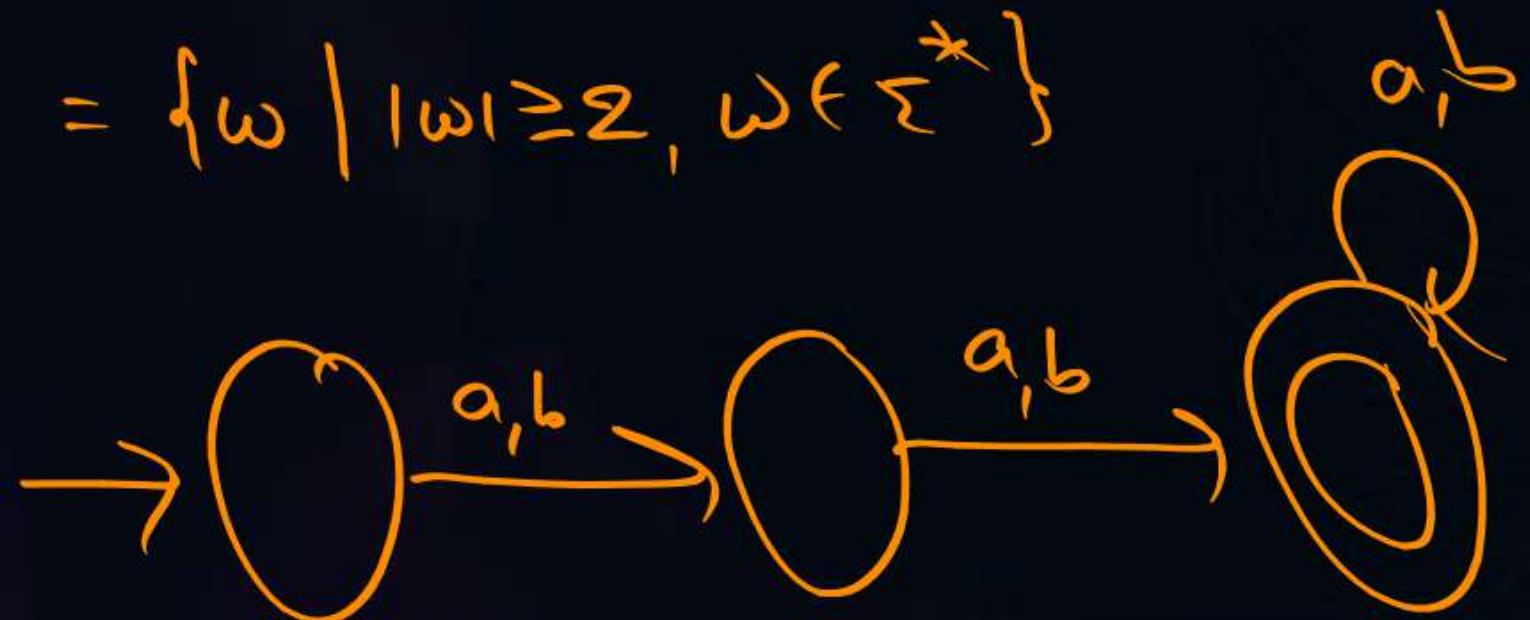
$$L = \Sigma \cdot \Sigma \cdot \Sigma^*$$

$$= \Sigma^2 \cdot \Sigma^*$$

$$= \{\omega \mid |\omega| \geq 2, \omega \in \Sigma^*\}$$

$$x = 1$$

$$y = 2$$



Q.14

Consider the following given languages:

[MSQ]



L_1 = Regular Set

L_2 = Infinite Set

L_3 = Finite Set

Then which of the following is/are true?

A

$L_1 - L_3$ is Regular

$$\text{Reg-Fin} \Rightarrow \text{Reg-Ry} \Rightarrow \text{Reg}$$

B

$L_3 - L_1$ is Finite

$$\text{Fin-L}_1 \Rightarrow \text{Fin}$$

C

$L_1 \cap L_2$ is Regular

$$\text{Reg} \cap \text{Inf} \Rightarrow ?$$

D

$L_1 \cup \boxed{L_2} \cup L_3$ is Infinite

A, B, C, D

Q.15

Consider the following two regular expressions r_1 and r_2 :

$$r_1 = (0^*1^*)^* = (0+1)^*$$

$$r_2 = (1+0)^*$$

if $L = r_1 / r_2$ then which of the following equivalent to L ?

$$(0+1)^*/(0+1)^* = (0+1)^*/\{\epsilon, 0, 1, \dots\}$$

$$= (0+1)^*$$

- A 0^*
- B 1^*
- C $(1^*0^*)^* = (0+1)^*$
- D None of these

(Hints: / is a quotient operation)

[MCQ]

$$u Q_0 = u$$

$$O/\epsilon = O$$

$$L/\epsilon = L$$

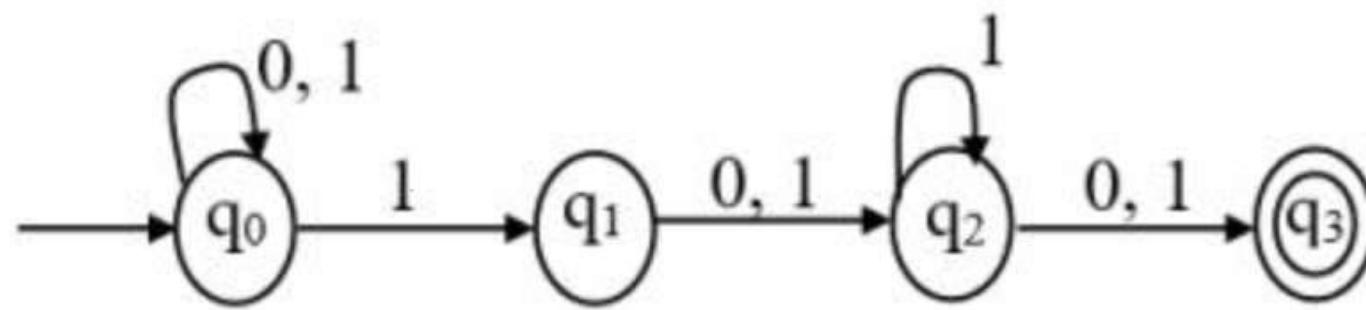
$$10/\epsilon = 1$$

$$110/\underline{10} = 1$$

$$1010/\underline{1} = X$$

$$1010/\underline{0} = 101$$

Consider the finite automaton in the following figure. (GATE – 14-SET1)



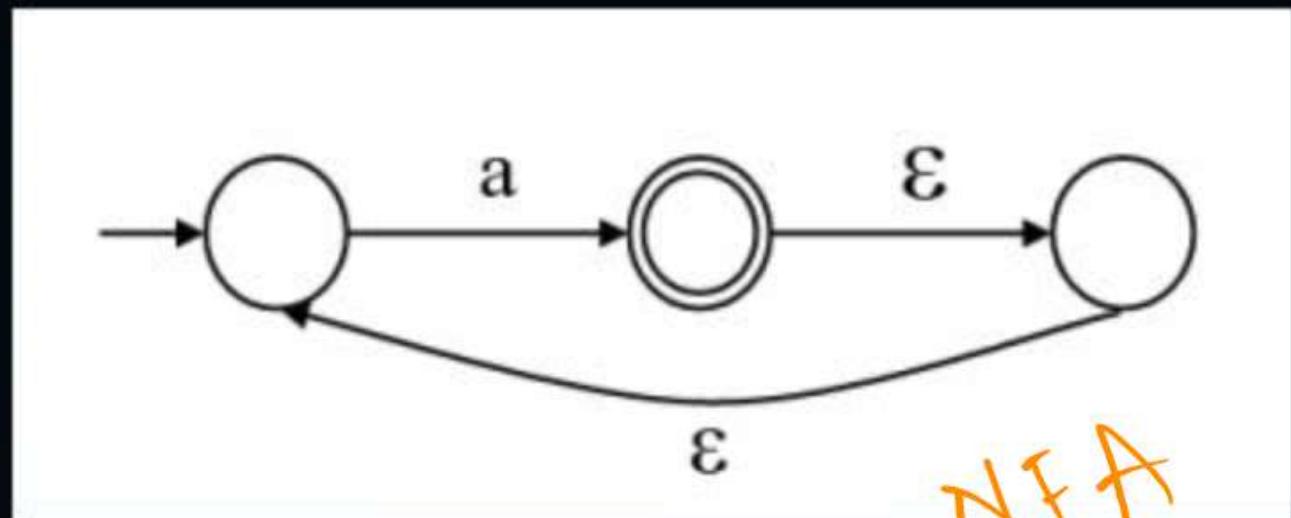
$$\begin{array}{l} q_0 \xrightarrow{0011} q_0 \\ q_0 \xrightarrow{0011} q_1 \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} q_0 \xrightarrow{0011} q_2 \\ q_0 \xrightarrow{0011} q_3 \times \end{array} \right. \quad \delta^*(q_0, 0011) = ?$$

What is the set of reachable states for the input string 0011?

- (a) $\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$
- (b) $\{q_0, q_1\}$
- (c) $\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$
- (d) $\{q_3\}$

What is the complement of the language accepted by the **NFA**

shown below? Assume $\Sigma = \{a\}$ and ϵ is the empty string. (GATE - 12)



NFA

$$L = \{a, a^2, a^3, \dots\} = a^+$$

$$\bar{L} = \Sigma^* - a^+$$

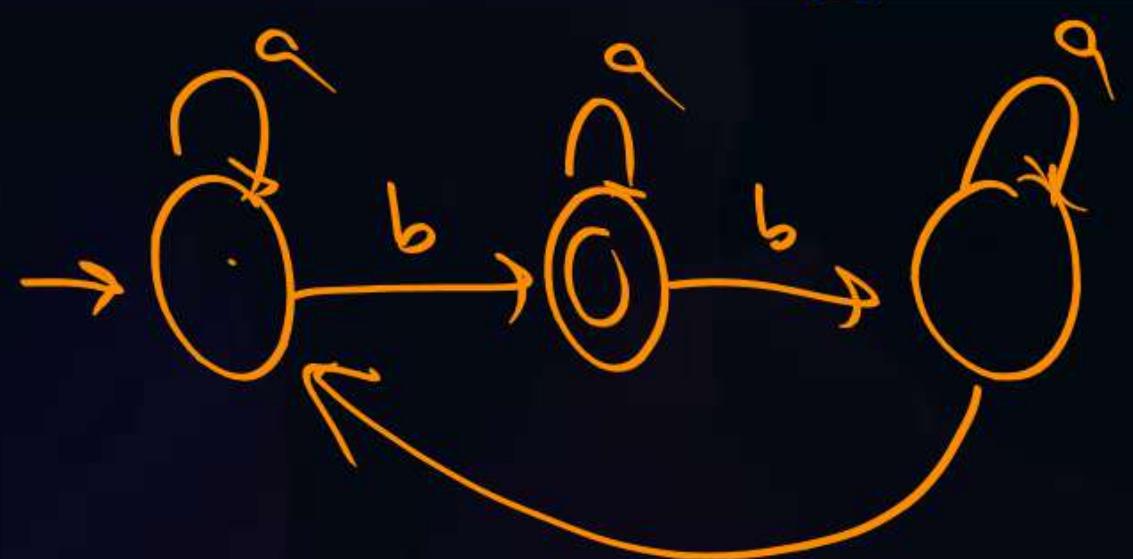
$$= \{\epsilon\}$$

- (a) ϕ (b) $\{\epsilon\}$ (c) a^* (d) $\{a, \epsilon\}$

Which of the following is TRUE ?

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W

- (a) The language $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ is regular.
- (b) The language $L = \{a^n \mid n \text{ is prime}\}$ is regular.
- (c) The language $L = \{w \mid w \text{ has } \underbrace{3k+1}_{1 \bmod 3} \text{ b's for some } k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } \Sigma = \{a, b\}\}$ is regular.
- (d) The language $L = \{ww^T \mid w \in \Sigma^*\text{ with } \Sigma = \{0, 1\}\}$ is regular



$$a^* \left(a^* b a^* b a^* b a^* \right)^* a^* b a^*$$

If $L_1 = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and $L_2 = \{b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$, consider

$= \emptyset$

~~I.~~ $L_1 \cdot L_2$ is a regular language

~~II.~~ $L_1 \cdot L_2 = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

Which one of the following is CORRECT? (GATE – 14-SET2)

~~(a) Only (I)~~

(c) Both (I) and (II)

(b) Only (II)

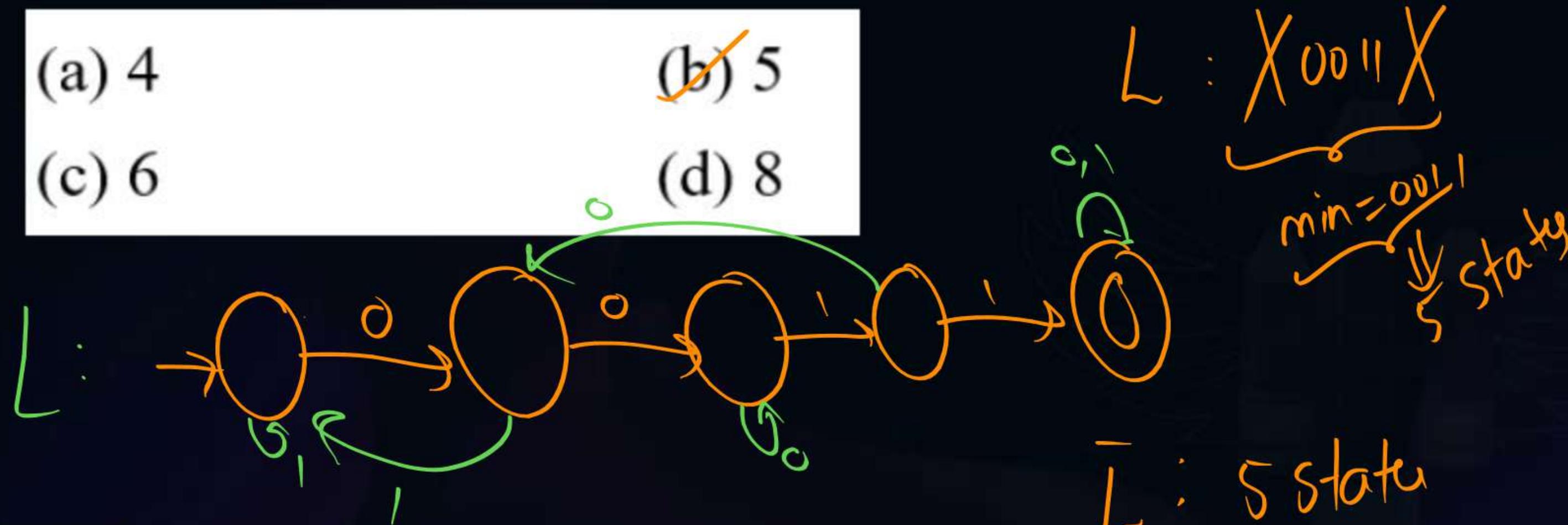
(d) Neither (I) nor (II)

$$\begin{aligned}L_1 L_2 &= a^* b^* \\&= \{a^n\} \{b^n\} \\&= \{a^n b^{n^2}\} \\&= \{a^m b^n\}\end{aligned}$$

Let L be the language represented by the regular expression $\Sigma^*0011\Sigma^*$ where $\Sigma=\{0,1\}$. What is the minimum number of states in a DFA that recognizes \bar{L} (complement of L)?

(GATE – 15 – SET3)

- (a) 4
- (b) 5
- (c) 6
- (d) 8



Which of the following languages is generated by the given grammar?

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid bS \mid \epsilon$$

(GATE – 16 – SET1)

RLG

- (a) $\{a^n b^m \mid n, m \geq 0\}$
- (b) $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ has equal number of } a's \text{ and } b's\}$
- (c) $\{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{b^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$
- (d) $\{a, b\}^*$

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid bS \mid \epsilon$$

OR



Consider the language L given by the regular expression $(a+b)^* \underline{b} (\underline{a+b})^2$ over the alphabet $\{a, b\}$. The smallest number of states needed in a deterministic finite-state automaton (DFA) accepting L is $9 = 4$ states (GATE - 17 - SET1)

$$(a+b)^* \underline{b} (\underline{a+b})^2 \Rightarrow 8 \text{ States}$$

3rd
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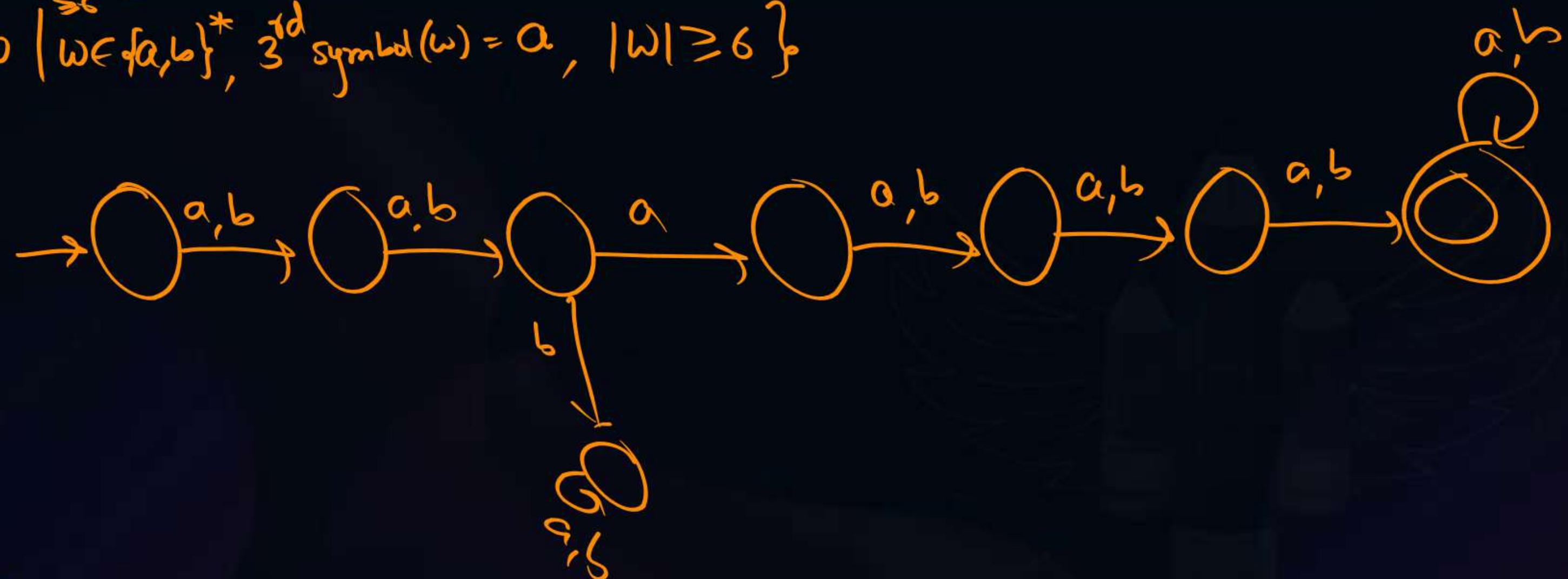
K^k symbol from end is 'a' over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

$= Q^K$ states

The minimum possible number of states of a deterministic finite automaton that accepts the regular language (**GATE - 17 - SET2**)

$L = \{w_1 \underline{aw_2} \mid w_1, w_2 \in \{a, b\}^*, |w_1|=2, |w_2| \geq 3\}$ is 8,
2 3.

$$= \{w \mid \overset{\text{sc}}{w \in \{a, b\}^*}, \text{ 3rd symbol}(w) = a, |w| \geq 6\}$$



The lexical analysis for a modern computer language such as java needs the power of which one of the following machine models in a necessary and sufficient sense? **(GATE - 11)**

- (a) Finite state automata
- (b) Deterministic pushdown automata
- (c) Non –deterministic pushdown automata
- (d) Turing machine

The number of substrings (of all lengths inclusive) that can be formed from a character string of length n is **(GATE – 89 & 94)**

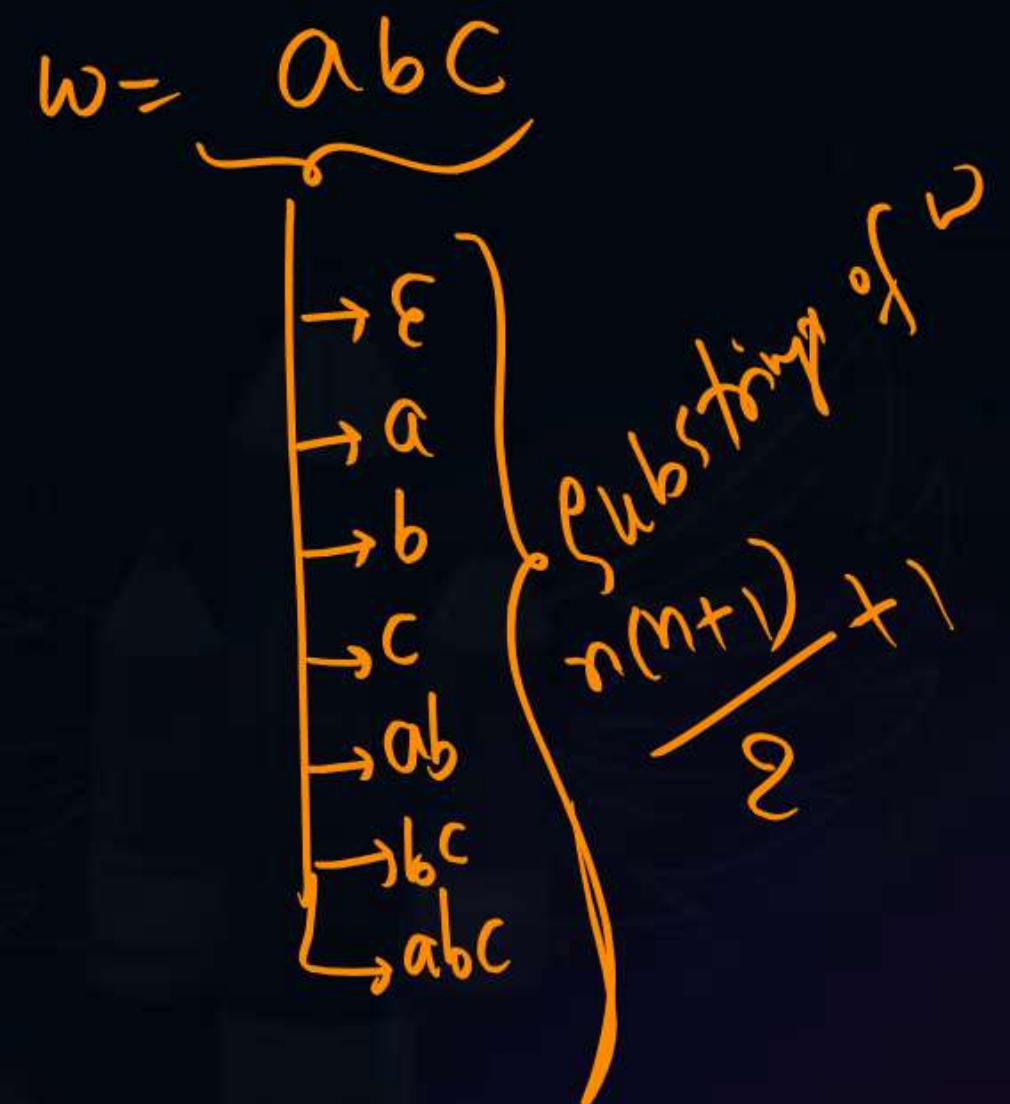
~~(a) n~~
~~(c) $\frac{n(n - 1)}{2}$~~

$w = \text{aaa}$

$\underbrace{n+1}_{\text{Min}}$

~~(b) n^2~~
~~(d) $\frac{n(n + 1)}{2} + 1$~~

$w = \text{abc}$
 $\leq \# \text{Substrings} \leq \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1$
 $\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{\text{Max}}$



Let R_1 and R_2 be regular sets defined over the alphabet Σ then:

(GATE - 90)

- (a) $R_1 \cap R_2$ is not regular.
- (b) $R_1 \cup R_2$ is regular.
- (c) $\Sigma^* - R_1$ is regular.
- (d) R_1^* is not regular.

$$\text{Reg} \cap \text{Reg} \Rightarrow \text{Reg}$$

$$\text{Reg} \cup \text{Reg} \Rightarrow \text{Reg}$$

$$\Sigma^* - R_1 = \bar{R}_1 \Rightarrow \bar{\text{Reg}} \Rightarrow \text{Reg}$$

$$(\text{Reg})^* \Rightarrow \text{Reg}$$

Consider the following language.

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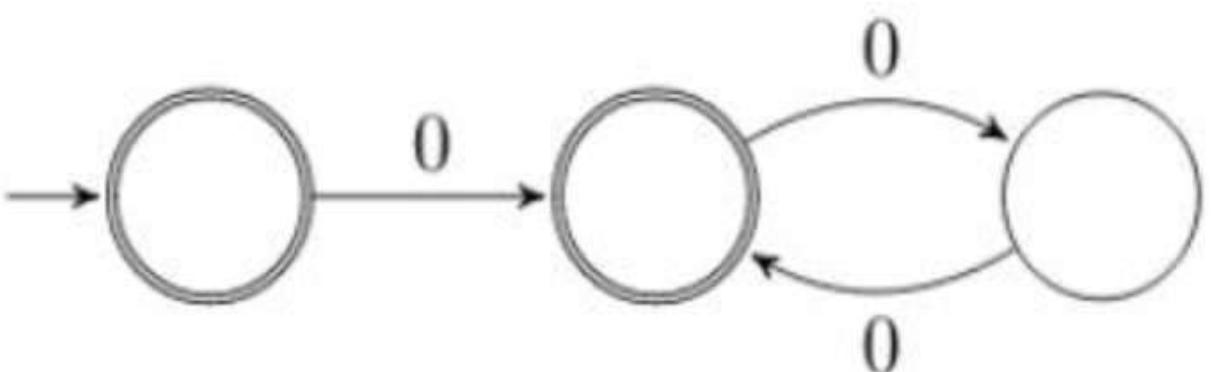
The minimum number of states in DFA that accepts L is _____

Given a language L , define L^i as follows:

$$L^0 = \{\epsilon\}$$

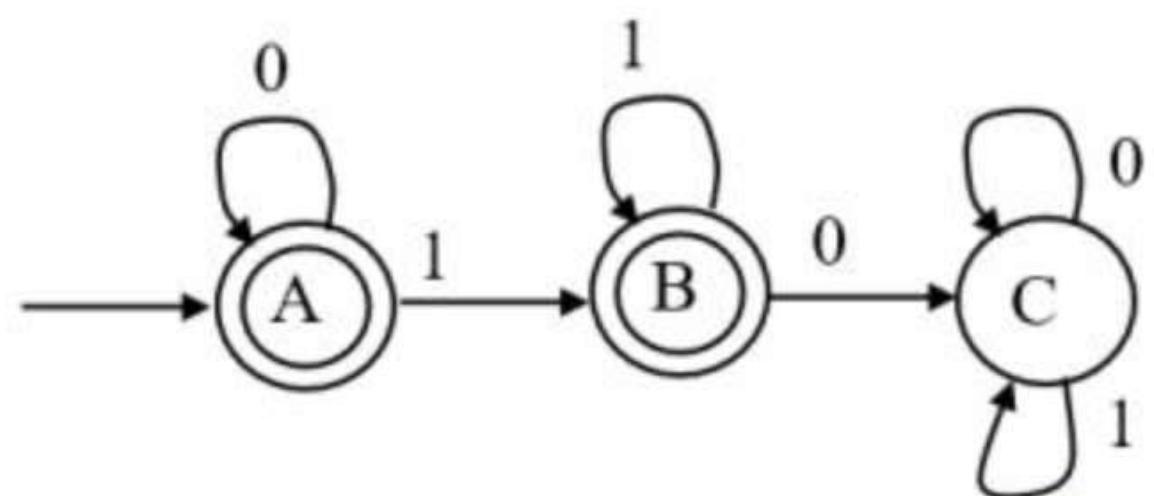
$$L^i = L^{i-1} \bullet L \text{ for all } i > 0$$

The order of a language L is defined as the smallest k such that $L^k = L^{k+1}$. Consider the language L_1 (over alphabet O) accepted by the following automaton.



The order of L_1 is _____

The regular expression for the language recognized by the finite state automation of the below figure is _____ (GATE - 94)



A finite state machine with the following state table has a single input X and a single output Z.

Present state	Next state Z	
	X=1	X=0
A	D,0	B,0
B	B,1	C,1
C	B,0	D,1
D	B,1	C,0

If the initial state is unknown, then the shortest input sequence to reach the final state C is

(GATE - 95)

- (a) 01 (b) 10 (c) 101 (d) 110

Let L be the set of all binary strings whose last two symbols are the same .The number of states in the minimum state deterministic finite-state automaton accepting L is

(GATE - 98)

Consider a DFA over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ accepting all strings which have number of a's divisible by 6 and number of b's divisible by 8.
What is the minimum number of states that the DFA will have?

(GATE - 01)

- (a) 8
- (b) 14
- (c) 15
- (d) 48

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{w w \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{ww^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, w^R \text{ is the reverse of } w\}$$

$$L_3 = \{0^{2i} \mid i \text{ is an integer}\}$$

$$L_4 = \{0^{i^2} \mid i \text{ is an integer}\}$$

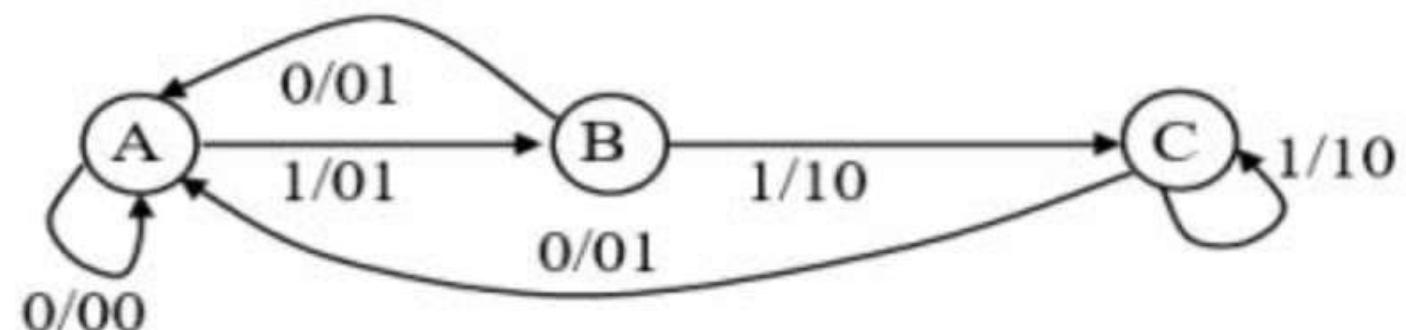
Which of the languages are regular?

(GATE - 01)

- (a) Only L_1 and L_2
- (b) Only L_2 , L_3 and L_4
- (c) Only L_3 and L_4
- (d) Only L_3

The Finite state machine described by the following state diagram with A as starting state, where an arc label is x/y and x stands for 1-bit input and y stands for 2-bit output

(GATE - 02)



- (a) Outputs the sum of the present and the previous bits of the input.
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- (d) None of the above

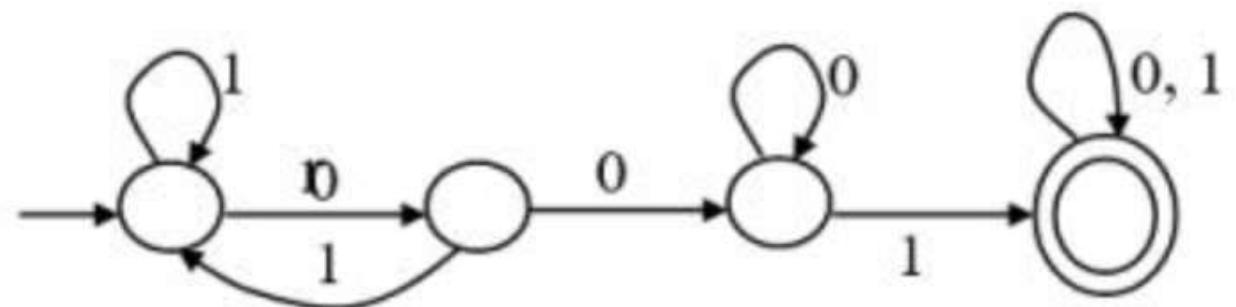
The smallest finite automation which accepts the language

$L = \{x \mid \text{length of } x \text{ is divisible by 3}\}$ has

(GATE - 02)

- (a) 2 states
- (b) 3 states
- (c) 4 states
- (d) 5 states

Consider the following deterministic finite state automation M.



Let S denote the set of seven bit binary strings in which the first, the fourth, and the last bits are 1. The number of strings in S that are accepted by M is

(GATE - 03)

(a) 1 (b) 5 (c) 7 (d) 8

Which of the following sets can be recognized by a Deterministic Finite-state Automaton? **(GATE - 98)**

- (a) The numbers 1, 2, 4, 8,..... 2^n ,..... written in binary.
- (b) The numbers 1, 2, 4,... 2^n , written in unary.
- (c) The set of binary strings in which the number of zeros is the same as the number of ones.
- (d) The set {1, 101, 11011, 1110111,}

Consider the regular expression $(0+1)^*$. The minimum state finite automaton that recognizes the language represented by this regular expression contains: **(GATE - 99)**

Given an arbitrary non-deterministic finite automaton (NFA) with N states, the maximum number of states in an equivalent minimized DFA is at least **(GATE - 01)**

- (a) N^2
- (c) $2N$

- (b) 2^N
- (d) $N!$

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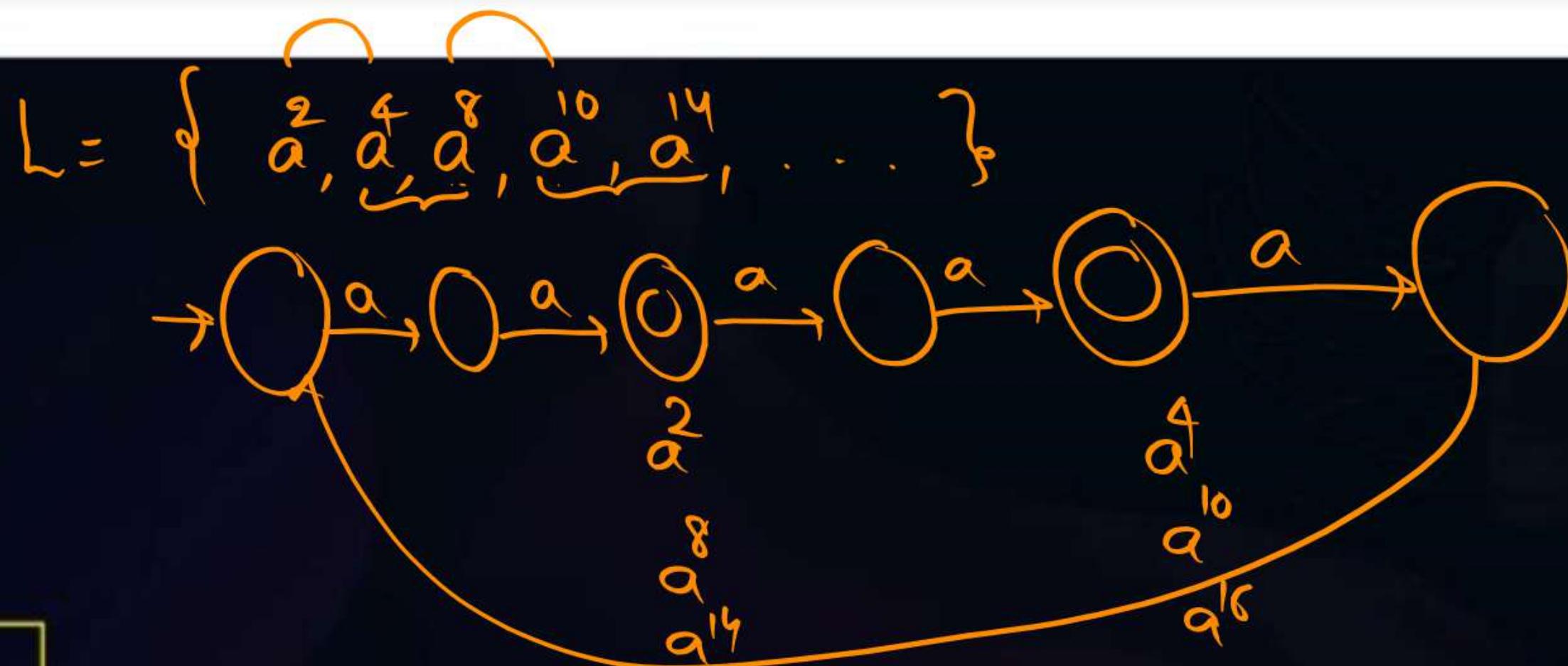
Regulars
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Consider the following language.

$$L = \{x \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{number of } a's \text{ in } x \text{ divisible by 2 but not divisible by 3}\}$$

$\overbrace{\varepsilon, a, a, a, a, \dots}^{\text{even}} \quad \boxed{\text{not}} \quad \overbrace{a^3, a^6, a^9, \dots}^{\text{not}}$

The minimum number of states in DFA that accepts L is _____ ≈ 6



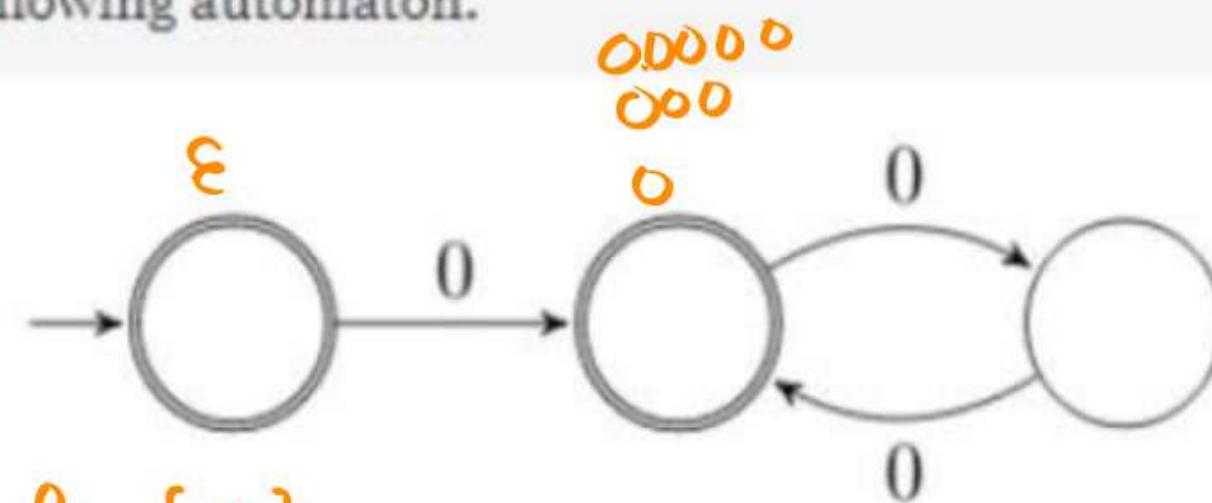
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$$L = \epsilon + \underline{O(00)}^*$$



$$O(L) = k$$

$$k = \underline{k+1} \text{ for smallest } k$$

The order of L_1 is 2

$$L^0 = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$L^1 = L^0 \cdot L = \epsilon \cdot L = L = \epsilon + \underline{O(00)}^*$$

$$L^2 = L^1 \cdot L = \left(\epsilon + \underline{O(00)}^* \right) \cdot \left(\epsilon + \underline{O(00)}^* \right)$$

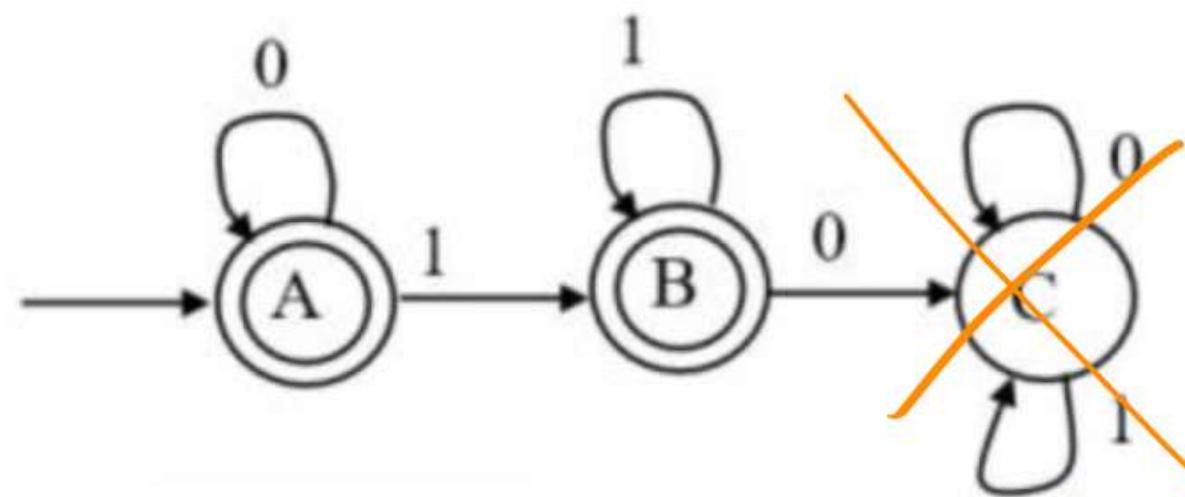
$$= \left\{ \epsilon, \underline{O(00)}^*, \underline{O(000)}^*, \underline{O(0000)}^*, \dots \right\} = \underline{O}^*$$

$$k=0 \Rightarrow L^0 = L^1 \times$$

$$k=1 \Rightarrow L^1 = L^2 \times$$

$$k=2 \Rightarrow L^2 = L^3 \quad \checkmark$$

The regular expression for the language recognized by the finite state automation of the below figure is _____ (GATE - 94)



$$L = \underline{O^*} \overset{*}{\mid} \overset{*}{I}$$
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$B \xrightarrow{X=0} C$



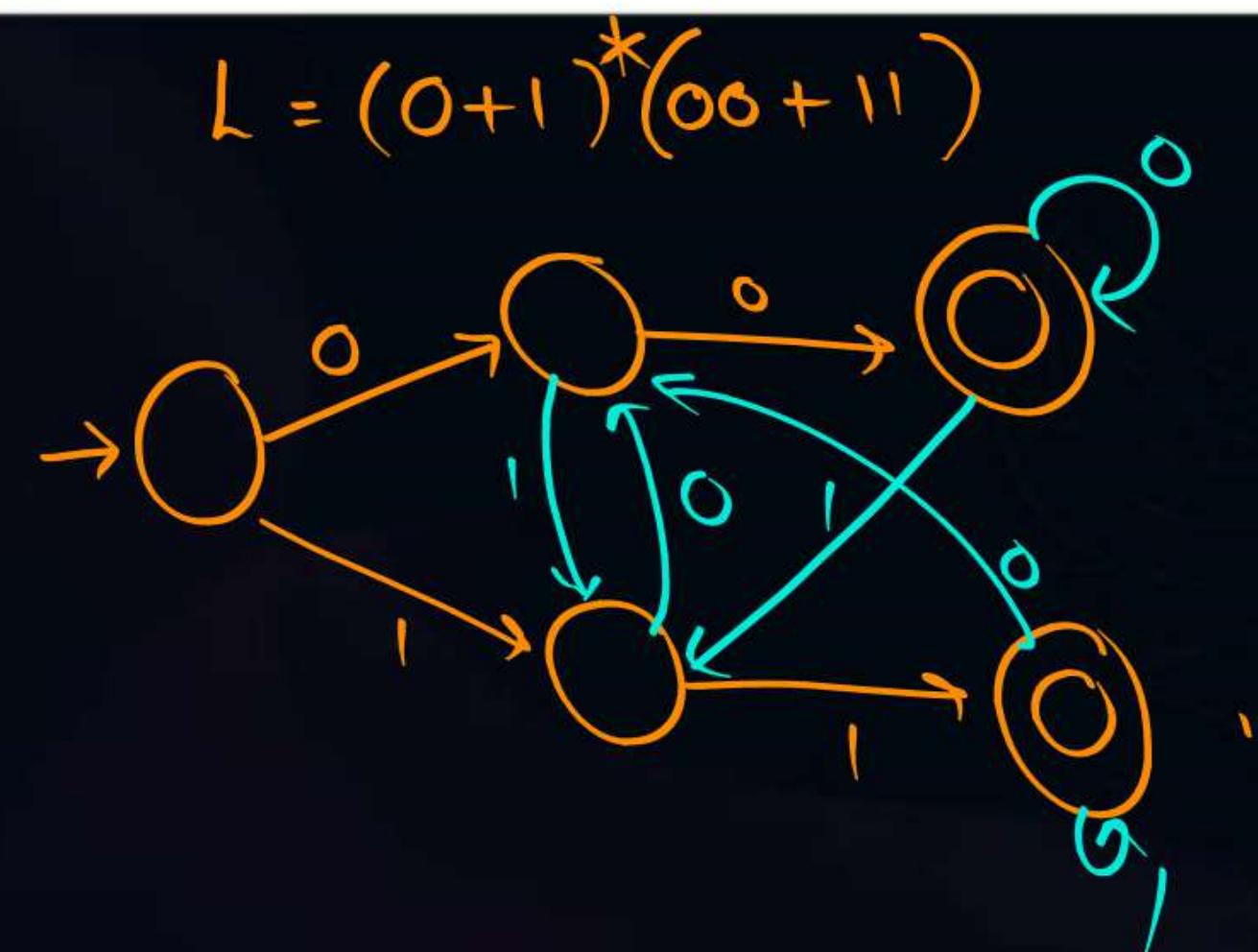
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(GATE - 98)



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What is the minimum number of states that the DFA will have?

(GATE - 01)

- (a) 8
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- (c) 15
- (d) ~~48~~

$$6 \times 8 = 48$$

$$m \times n$$

Consider the following languages:

$L_1 = \{w\bar{w} \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{CSL}}$ Not Regular

$L_2 = \{ww^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, w^R \text{ is the reverse of } w\}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{CFL}}$ Not Regular

$L_3 = \{0^{2i} \mid i \text{ is an integer}\} = (00)^*$ \Rightarrow Regular

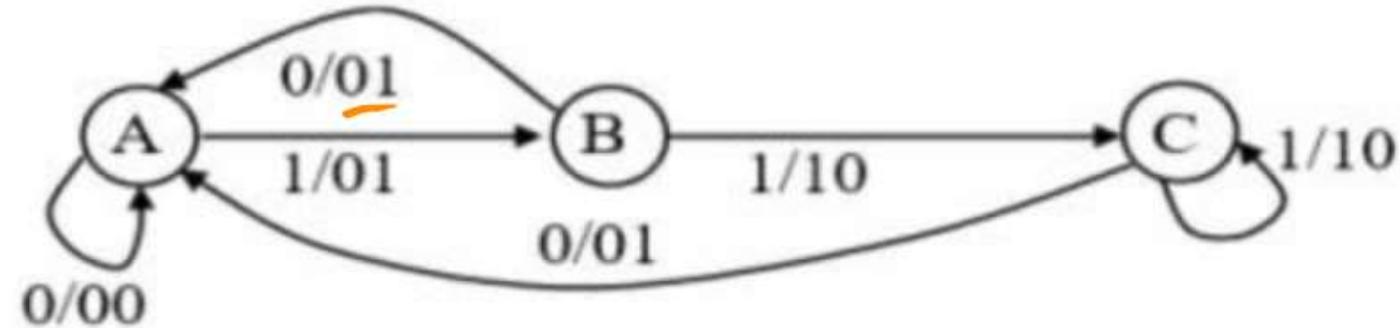
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(GATE - 01)

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The Finite state machine described by the following state diagram with A as starting state, where an arc label is x/y and x stands for 1-bit input and y stands for 2-bit output



(GATE - 02)

$$A \xrightarrow{0/00} A \xrightarrow{0/01} A \xrightarrow{1/01} B \xrightarrow{1/10} C$$

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- (d) None of the above

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00

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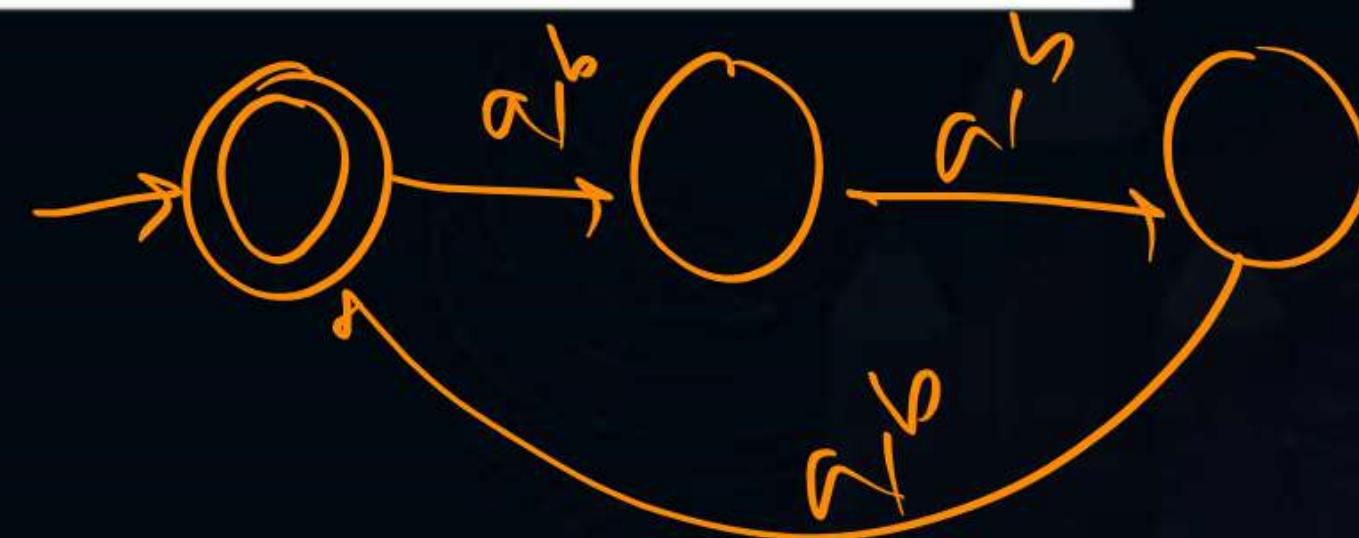
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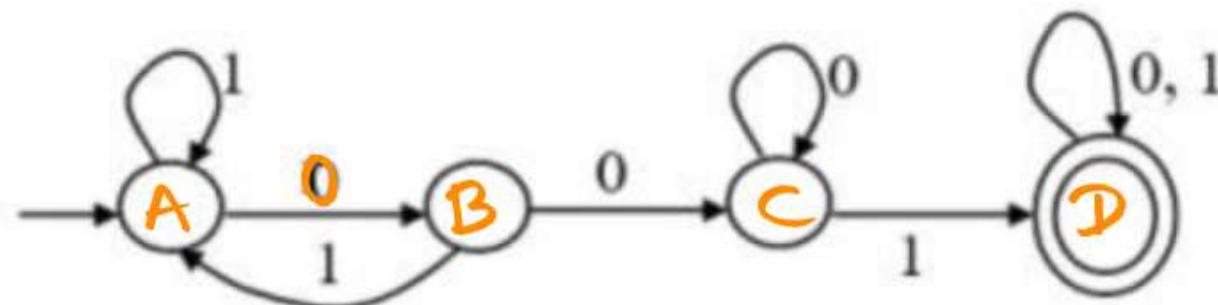
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(GATE - 02)



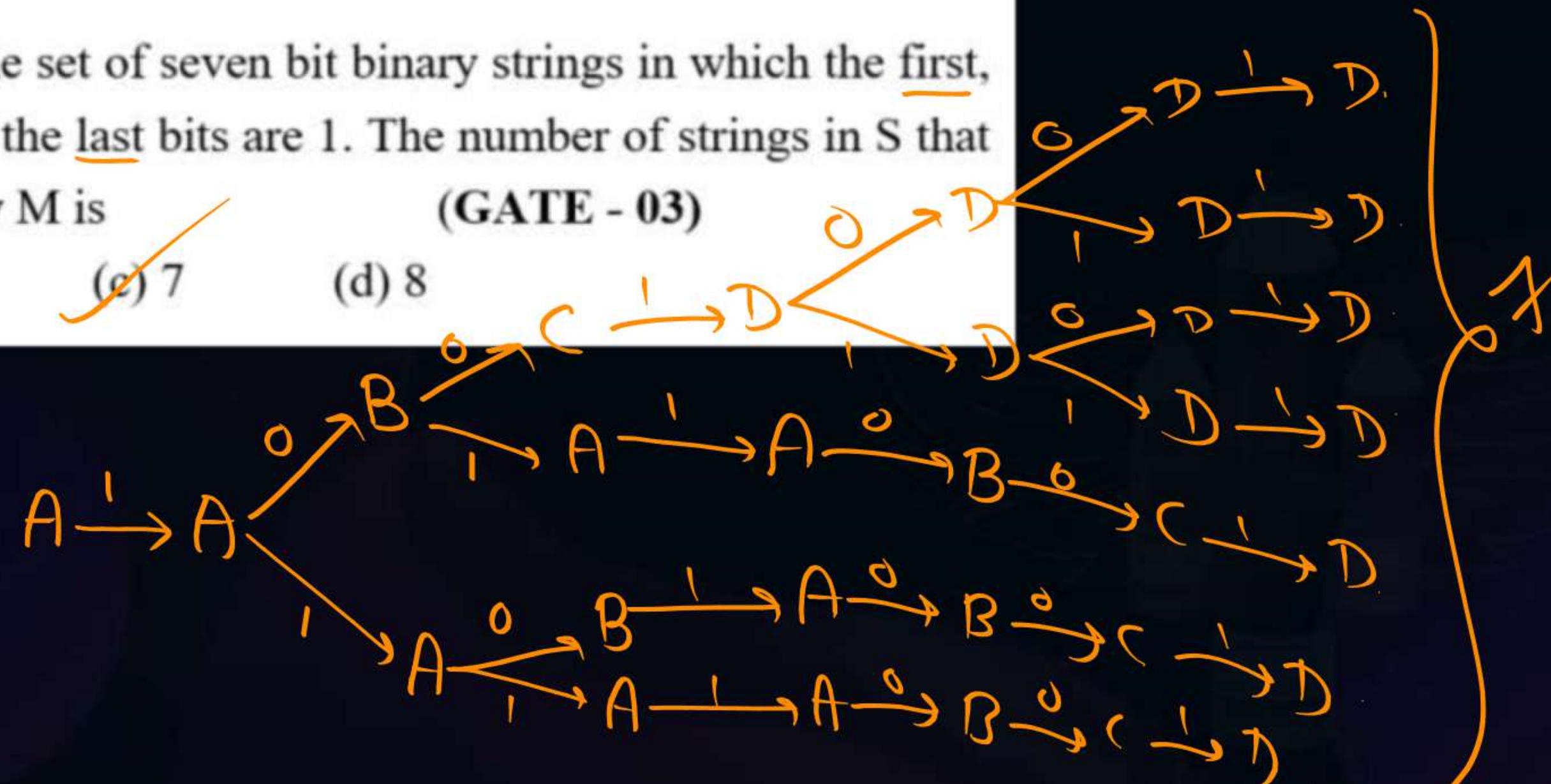
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(GATE - 03)



Which of the following sets can be recognized by a Deterministic Finite-state Automaton? (GATE - 98)

- (a) The numbers $1, 2, 4, 8, \dots, 2^n, \dots$ written in binary.

$\nearrow 1, 01, 001, \dots$

$\nearrow 10$

$\nearrow 100$

$\nearrow 1000$



- (b) The numbers $1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^n, \dots$ written in unary.

- (c) The set of binary strings in which the number of zeros is the same as the number of ones.

$\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_0(w) = n_1(w)\}$

Not dec

DFL

- (d) The set $\{1, 101, 11011, 1110111, \dots\}$

$\{1\} \cup \{1^n 0 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$

not yes

DCL

$a, aa, aaaa,$

not regular

$\{a^n \mid n \geq 2\}$

not regular

CFL

Consider the regular expression $(0+1)^*$n times. The minimum state finite automaton that recognizes the language represented by this regular expression contains: (GATE - 99)

$|w| = n \Rightarrow n+2$ states
in DFA \wedge

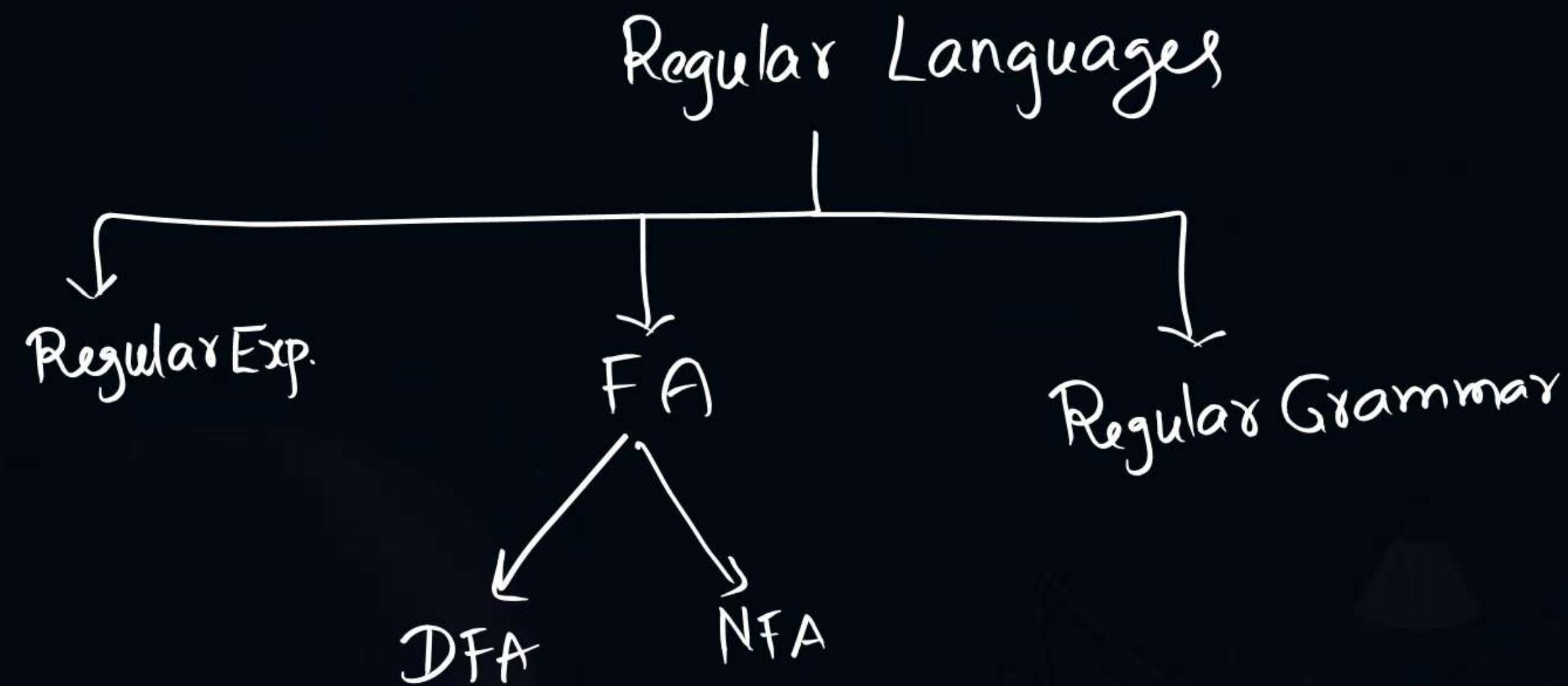
$n+1$ states in NFA

Given an arbitrary non-deterministic finite automaton (NFA) with N states, the maximum number of states in an equivalent minimized DFA is at least **(GATE - 01)**

- (a) N^2
- (c) $2N$

- ~~(b) 2^N~~
- (d) $N!$

NFA \Rightarrow DFA
N states $\leq 2^N$



Q

Consider the language

$$L_1 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i \neq j\}, = \{0^i 1^j \mid i < j \text{ or } i > j\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

$$L_2 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i = j\}, \rightarrow \text{DCFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

$$L_3 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i = 2j + 1\}, = \{0^{2j+1} 1^j\}$$

$$L_4 = \{0^i 1^j \mid i \neq 2j\}. = \{0^i 1^j \mid i < 2j \text{ or } i > 2j\}$$

Which one of the following statements is true?

[2010: 2 Marks]

- A Only L2 is context free
- B Only L2 and L3 are context free
- C Only L1 and L2 are context free
- D All are context free

Q

Consider the languages L1, L2 and L3 as given below:

$$L_1 = \{0^p 1^q \mid p, q \in \mathbb{N}\}, \quad = 0^* 1^* \xrightarrow{R_{01}} DCFL \quad CS \hookrightarrow$$

$$L_2 = \{0^p 1^q \mid p, q \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } p = q\} \text{ and}$$

$$L_3 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } p = q = r\} \xrightarrow{0^n, n \geq 0} CS \hookrightarrow$$

Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE? [2011: 2 Marks]

A

Push Down Automata (PDA) can be used to recognize L1 and L2.

B

L1 is a regular language.

C

All the three languages are context free.

D

Turing machines can be used to recognize all the languages.

Q

Consider the following languages:

- I. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m + p = n + q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- II. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m = n \text{ and } p = q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- III. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m = n = p \text{ and } p \neq q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- IV. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid mn = p + q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$

Which of the language above are context-free?

A

I and IV only

B

I and II only

C

II and III only

D

II and IV only

[2012: 2 Marks]

Q

Consider the following languages

$$L_1 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0, p \neq r\}$$

Which one of the following statements is FALSE?

[2013: 2 Marks]

A

L₂ is context-free

B

L₁ ∩ L₂ is context-free

C

Complement of L₂ is recursive

D

Complement of L₁ is context-free but not regular

Q

Consider the following languages over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1, c\}$:

$$L_1 = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{wcw^r \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$$

$$L_3 = \{ww^r \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$$

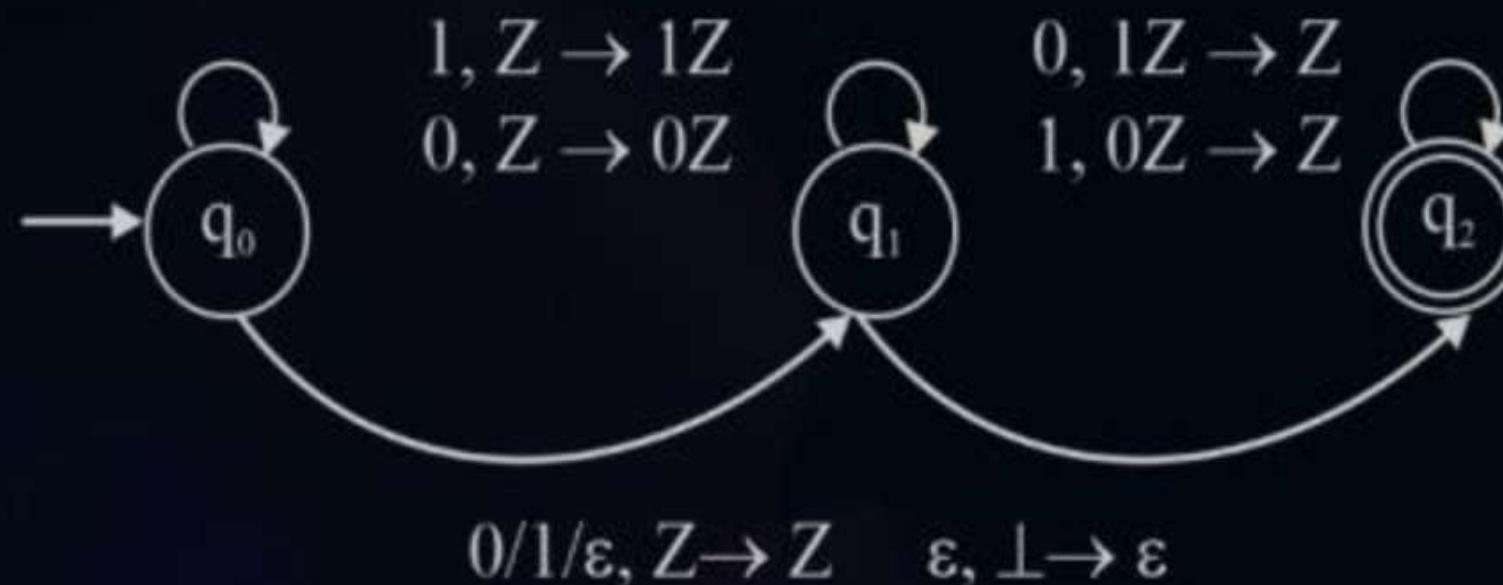
Here, w^r is the reverse of the string w . Which of these languages are deterministic Context-free languages?

[2014-Set3: 2 Marks]

- A None of the languages
- B Only L_1
- C Only L_1 and L_2
- D All the three languages

Q

Consider the NPDA $\langle Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \Sigma = \{0, 1\}, \Gamma = \{0, 1, \perp\}, \delta, q_0, \perp, F = \{q_2\} \rangle$, where (as per usual convention) Q is the set of states, Σ is the input alphabet, Γ is stack alphabet, δ is the state transition function, q_0 is the initial state, \perp is the initial stack symbol, and F is the set of accepting states, The state transition is as follows:



Which of the following sequences must follow the string 101100 so that the overall string is accepted by the automaton?

[2015-Set1: 2 Marks]

- A 10110
- C 01010

- B 10010
- D 01001

P
W

Q

Which of the following languages are context-free?

$$L_1 = \{a^m b^n a^n b^m \mid m, n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^m b^n a^m b^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^m b^n \mid m = 2n + 1\}$$

[2015(Set-3): 1 Marks]

- A** L_1 and L_2 only
- B** L_1 and L_3 only
- C** L_2 and L_3 only
- D** L_3 only

Q

Consider the following context-free grammars:

$$G_1: S \rightarrow aS \mid B, B \rightarrow b \mid bB$$

$$G_2: S \rightarrow aA \mid bB, A \rightarrow aA \mid B \mid \epsilon, B \rightarrow bB \mid \epsilon$$

Which one of the following pairs of languages is generated by G_1 and G_2 , respectively?

[2016(Set-1): 2 Marks]

A

$\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$.

B

$\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n \geq 0\}$.

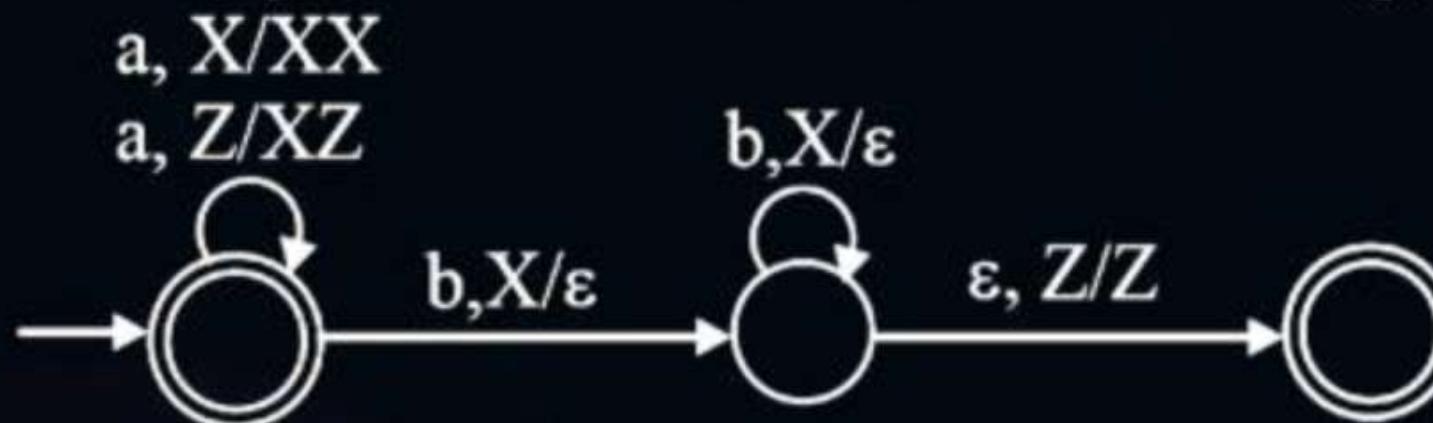
C

$\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$.

D

$\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$.

Q Consider the transition diagram of a PDA given below with input alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and stack alphabet $\Gamma = \{X, Z\}$. Z is the initial stack symbol. Let L denote the language accepted by the PDA.



Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-1): 2 Marks]

- A $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is not accepted by any finite automata.
- B $L = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is not accepted by any deterministic PDA.
- C L is not accepted by any Turing machine that halts on every input.
- D $L = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is deterministic context-free.

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^n b^m c^{n+m} : m, n \geq 1\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^{2n} : n \geq 1\}$$

Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-2): 2 Marks]

A

Both L_1 and L_2 are context-free.

B

L_1 is context-free while L_2 is not context-free

C

L_2 is context-free while L_1 is not context-free

D

Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free

Q.

Language L_1 is defined by the grammar: $S_1 \rightarrow aS_1b|\epsilon$

Language L_2 is defined by the grammar: $S_2 \rightarrow abS_2|\epsilon$

Consider the following statements:

P: L_1 is regular

Q: L_2 is regular

Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-2): 1 Marks]

A

Both P and Q are true

B

P is true and Q is false

C

P is false and Q is true

D

Both P and Q are false

**P
W**

Q

Consider the following context-free grammar over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ with S as the start symbol

$$S \rightarrow abScT \mid abcT$$

$$T \rightarrow bT \mid b$$

Which one of the following represents the language generated by the above grammar?

[2017(Set-1): 1 Marks]

- A $\{(ab)^n(cb)^n \mid n \geq 1\}$
- B $\{(ab)^n cb^{m_1} cb^{m_2} \dots cb^{m_n} \mid n, m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \geq 1\}$
- C $\{(ab)^n (cb^m)^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$
- D $\{(ab)^n (cb^n)^m \mid m, n \geq 1\}$

P
W

Q

Consider the following language over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$.

Let $L_1 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid m, n \geq 0\}$ and

$L_2 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$.

Which of the following are context-free languages?

- I. $L_1 \cup L_2$
- II. $L_1 \cap L_2$

[2017(Set-1): 2 Marks]

A

I only

B

II only

C

I and II

D

Neither I nor II

P
W

Q

Consider the context-free grammars over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ given below. S and T are non-terminals.

P
W

$$G_1: S \rightarrow aSb \mid T, T \rightarrow cT \mid \epsilon$$

$$G_2: S \rightarrow bSa \mid T, T \rightarrow cT \mid \epsilon$$

The language $L(G_1) \cap L(G_2)$ is

[2017-Set1: 1 Mark]

- A Finite
- B Not finite but regular
- C Context-free but not regular
- D Recursive but not context-free

Q

Identify the language generated by the following grammar,
where S is the start variable.

P
W

$$S \rightarrow XY$$

$$X \rightarrow aX \mid a$$

$$Y \rightarrow aYb \mid \epsilon$$

[2017(Set-2): 1 Marks]

- A $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n, n > 0\}$
- B $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n, n \geq 0\}$
- C $\{a^m b^n \mid m > n, n \geq 0\}$
- D $\{a^m b^n \mid m > n, n > 0\}$

Q

P
W

Let L_1, L_2 be any two context-free languages and R be any regular language. Then which of the following is/are CORRECT?

- I. $L_1 \cup L_2$ is context-free
- II. $\overline{L_1}$ is context-free
- III. $L_1 - R$ is context-free
- IV. $L_1 \cap L_2$ is context-free

[2017(Set-2): 1 Marks]

A

I, II and IV only

B

I and III only

C

II and IV only

D

I only

Q

P
W

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^p \mid p \text{ is a prime number}\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^m c^{2m} \mid n \geq 0, m \geq 0\}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^n b^n c^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_4 = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$$

Which of the following are CORRECT?

- I. L_1 is context-free but not regular.
- II. L_2 is not context-free.
- III. L_3 is not context-free but recursive.
- IV. L_4 is deterministic context-free.

[2017(Set-2): 2 Marks]

A

I, II and IV only

B

II and III only

C

I and IV only

D

III and IV only

Q

Which one of the following languages over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ is NOT context-free?

P
W

[2019: 2 Marks]

- A $\{a^n b^i \mid i \in \{n, 3n, 5n\}, n \geq 0\}$
- B $\{w a^n w^R b^n \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n \geq 0\}$
- C $\{w w^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$
- D $\{w a^n b^n w^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n \geq 0\}$

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{wxyx \mid w, x, y \in (0 + 1)^+\}$$

$$L_2 = \{xy \mid x, y \in (a + b)^*, |x| = |y|, x \neq y\}$$

Which of the following is TRUE

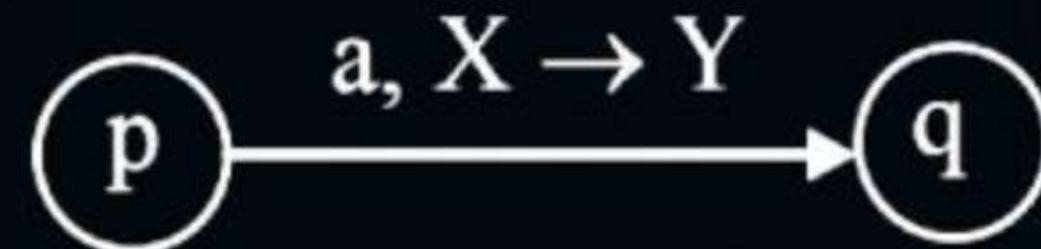
P
W

[2020: 2 Marks]

- A L_1 is regular and L_2 is context-free.
- B L_1 is context-free but L_2 is not context-free.
- C Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free.
- D L_1 is context-free but not regular and L_2 context-free.

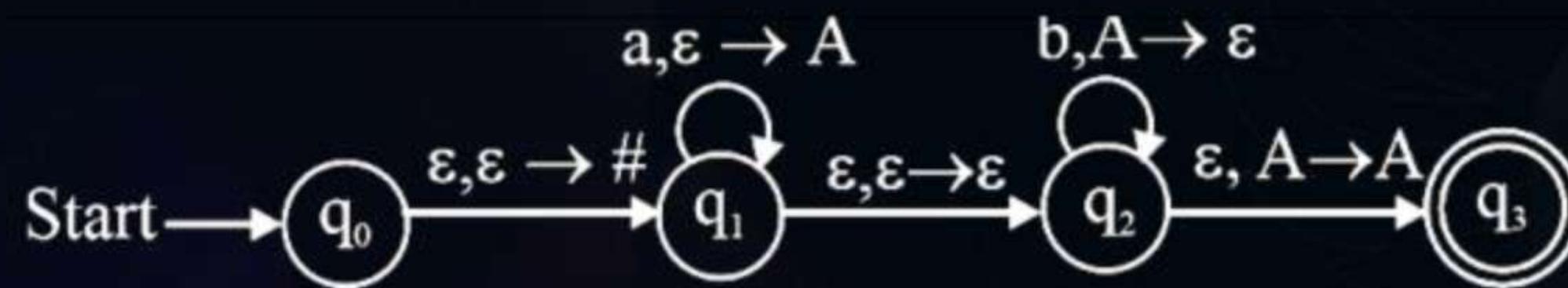
Q

In a pushdown automaton $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$, a transition of the form,



Where $p, q \in Q$, $a \in \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}$, and $X, Y \in \Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\}$ represents $(q, Y) \in \delta(p, a, X)$

Consider the following pushdown automaton over the input alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and stack alphabet $\Gamma = \{\#, A\}$.



The number of strings of length 100 accepted by the above pushdown automaton is _____. [2021(Set-1): 2 Marks]

P
W

Q

Suppose that L_1 is a regular language and L_2 is a context-free language. Which one of the following languages is NOT necessarily context-free?

P
W

[2021(Set-1): 2 Marks]

A

$$L_1 \cdot L_2$$

B

$$L_1 \cup L_2$$

C

$$L_1 - L_2$$

D

$$L_1 \cap L_2$$

Q

For a string w , we define w^R to be the reverse of w . For example, if $w = 01101$ then $w^R = 10110$. Which of the following languages is/are context-free?

P
W

[2021(Set-2): 2 Marks]

- A $\{wxw^Rx^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- B $\{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- C $\{ww^Rxx^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- D $\{wxx^Rw^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$

Q

Let L_1 be a regular language and L_2 be a context-free language.
Which of the following languages is/are context-free?

P
W

[2021(Set-2)MSQ: 1 Marks]

- A $L_1 \cap \overline{L}_2$
- B $\overline{\overline{L}_1 \cup \overline{L}_2}$
- C $L_1 \cup (L_2 \cup \overline{L}_2)$
- D $(L_1 \cap L_2) \cup (\overline{L}_1 \cap L_2)$

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^n w a^n \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{a, b\}^*, |w|, |x| > 0\}$$

Note that w^R is the reversal of the string w . Which of the following is/are TRUE?

- A L_1 and L_2 are regular.
- B L_1 and L_2 are context-free.
- C L_1 is regular and L_2 is context-free.
- D L_1 and L_2 are context-free but not regular.

[2022: MSQ: 2 Marks]

P
W

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{ww \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid m, n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$$

Which of the following statements is/are FALSE?

P
W

[2022: 2 Marks]

- A L_1 is not context-free but L_2 and L_3 are deterministic context-free.
- B Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free.
- C L_2 , L_3 and $L_2 \cap L_3$ all are context-free.
- D Neither L_1 nor its complement is context-free

Q

Which of the following are decidable?

1. Whether the intersection of two regular languages is infinite
2. Whether a given context-free language is regular
3. Whether two push-down automata accept the same language
4. Whether a given grammar is context-free

[2008: 1 Marks]

A

1 and 2

B

1 and 4

C

2 and 3

D

2 and 4



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Consider the following languages:

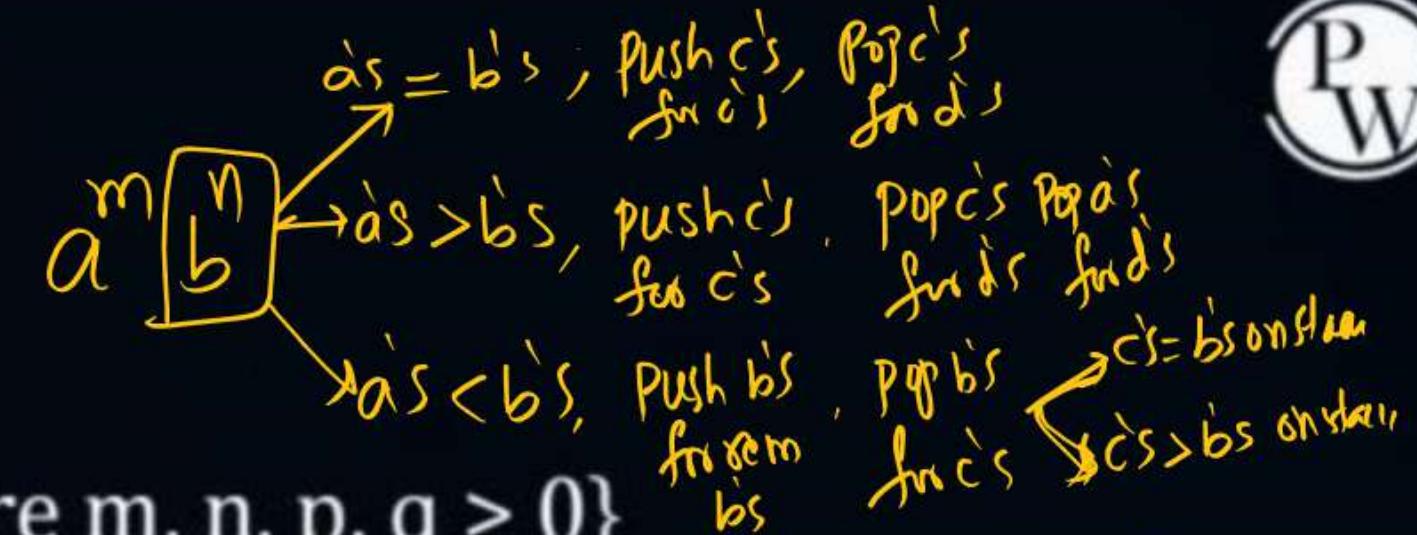
- I. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m + p = n + q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- II. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m = n \text{ and } p = q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- III. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid m = n = p \text{ and } p \neq q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$
- IV. $\{a^m b^n c^p d^q \mid mn = p + q, \text{ where } m, n, p, q \geq 0\}$

Which of the language above are context-free?

- A I and IV only
- C II and III only

- B I and II only
- D II and IV only

[2012: 2 Marks]



c's = b's on stack

c's > b's on stack

Q

Consider the following languages

$$L_1 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0\} = 0^* 1^* 0^* \rightarrow \text{Regular}$$

$$L_2 = \{0^p 1^q 0^r \mid p, q, r \geq 0, p \neq r\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL}$$

Which one of the following statements is FALSE?

[2013: 2 Marks]

A

L2 is context-free \top

B

$\underbrace{L_1 \cap L_2}_{= L_2}$ is context-free \top

C

Complement of L2 is recursive \top

D

Complement of L1 is context-free but not regular

FALSE

Q

Consider the following languages over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1, c\}$:

$$L_1 = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL}$$

$$L_2 = \{w c w^r \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

$$L_3 = \{w w^r \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^*\} \rightarrow \text{CFL but not DCFL}$$

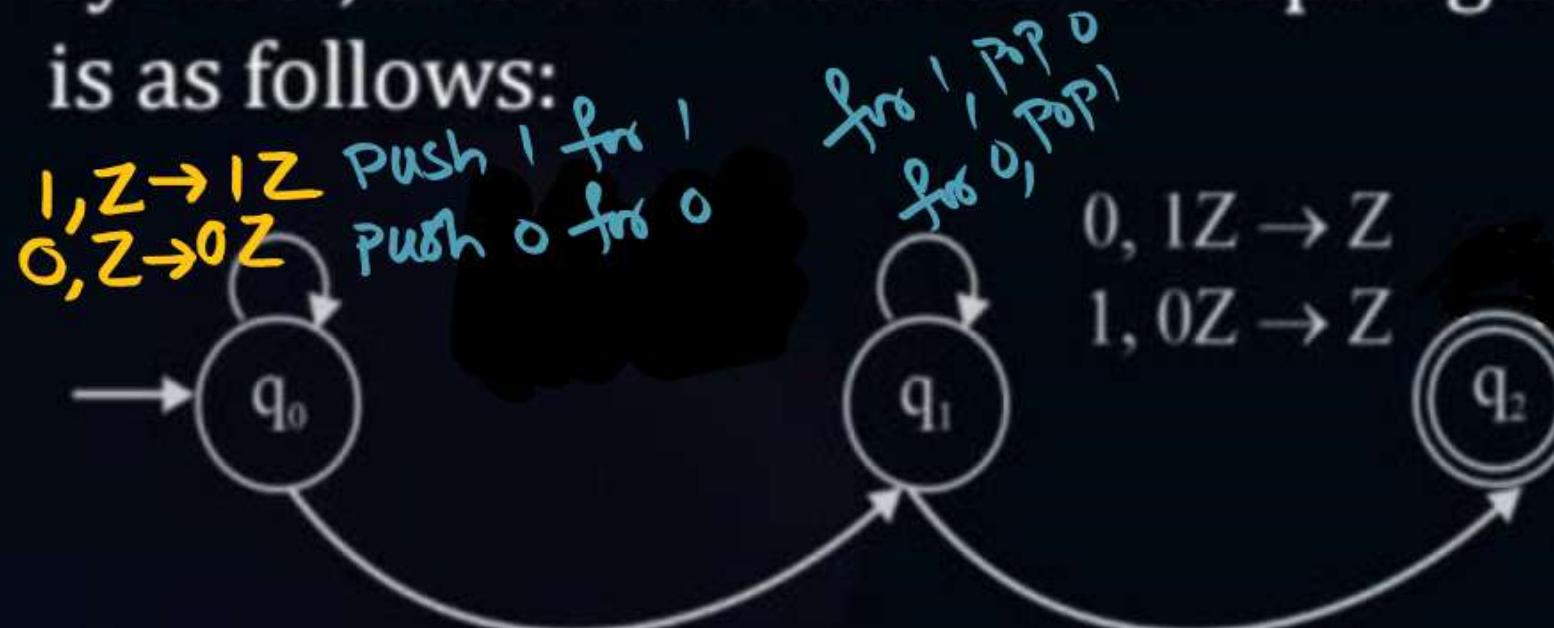
 $w \# w^R$

Here, w^r is the reverse of the string w . Which of these languages are deterministic Context-free languages?

[2014-Set3: 2 Marks]

- A None of the languages
- B Only L_1
- C Only L_1 and L_2
- D All the three languages

Q Consider the NPDA $\langle Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}, \Sigma = \{0, 1\}, \Gamma = \{0, 1, \perp\}, \delta, q_0, \perp, F = \{q_2\} \rangle$, where (as per usual convention) Q is the set of states, Σ is the input alphabet, Γ is stack alphabet, δ is the state transition function, q_0 is the initial state, \perp is the initial stack symbol, and F is the set of accepting states, The state transition is as follows:



A 10110

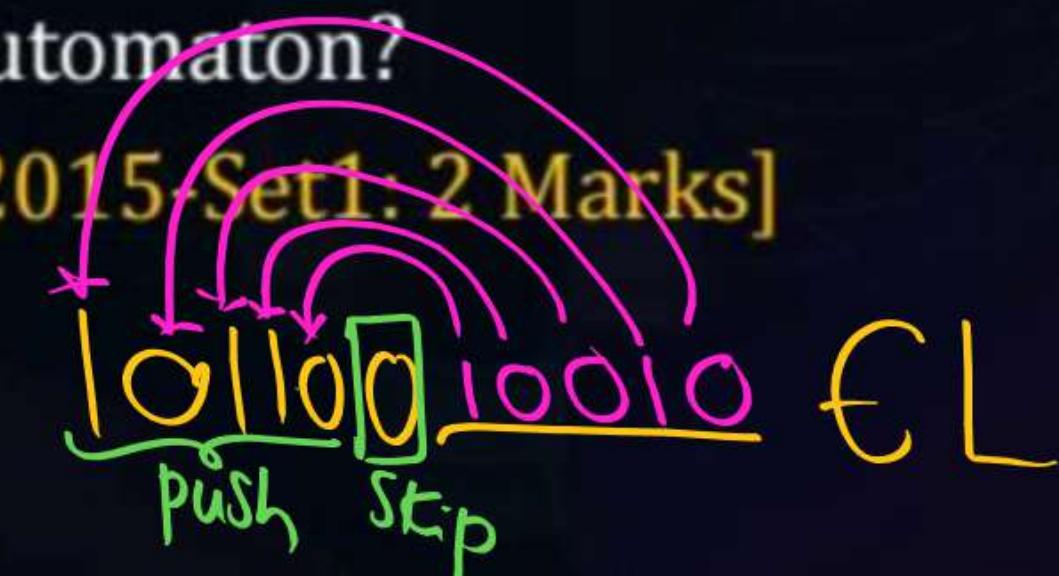
C 01010

B 10010
Read 0, 1, or nothing
 $\xrightarrow{\text{end of input}}$

D 01001

Which of the following sequences must follow the string 101100 so that the overall string is accepted by the automaton?

[2015-Set1: 2 Marks]



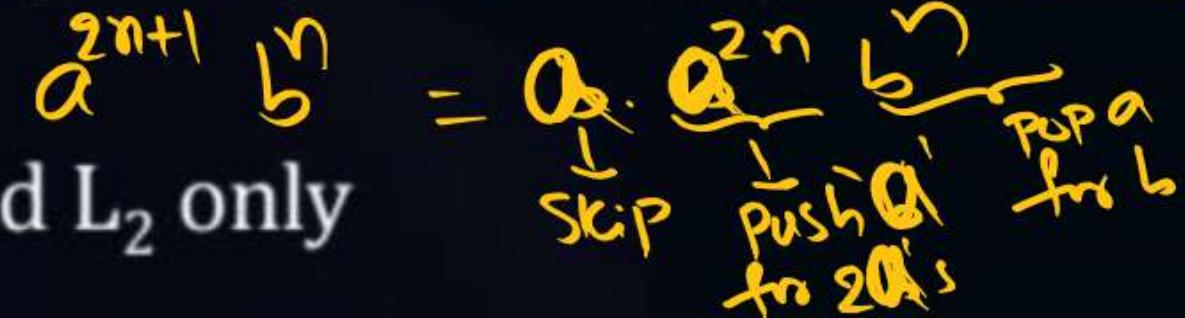
Q

Which of the following languages are context-free?

$$L_1 = \{a^m b^n a^n b^m \mid m, n \geq 1\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^m b^n a^m b^n \mid m, n \geq 1\} \rightarrow \text{Not CFL}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^m b^n \mid m = 2n + 1\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$



[2015(Set-3): 1 Marks]

- A L_1 and L_2 only
- B L_1 and L_3 only
- C L_2 and L_3 only
- D L_3 only

Q

Consider the following context-free grammars:

$$G_1: S \rightarrow aS \mid B, B \rightarrow b \mid bB$$

$$G_2: S \rightarrow aA \mid bB, A \rightarrow aA \mid B \mid \epsilon, B \rightarrow bB \mid \epsilon$$

Which one of the following pairs of languages is generated by G_1 and G_2 , respectively?

~~$a^+b^+ + a^*b^+$~~

a^*b^*

A $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$.

B $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n \geq 0\}$.

C $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$.

D $\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq 0 \text{ and } n > 0\}$ and $\{a^m b^n \mid m > 0 \text{ or } n > 0\}$.

[2016(Set-1): 2 Marks]

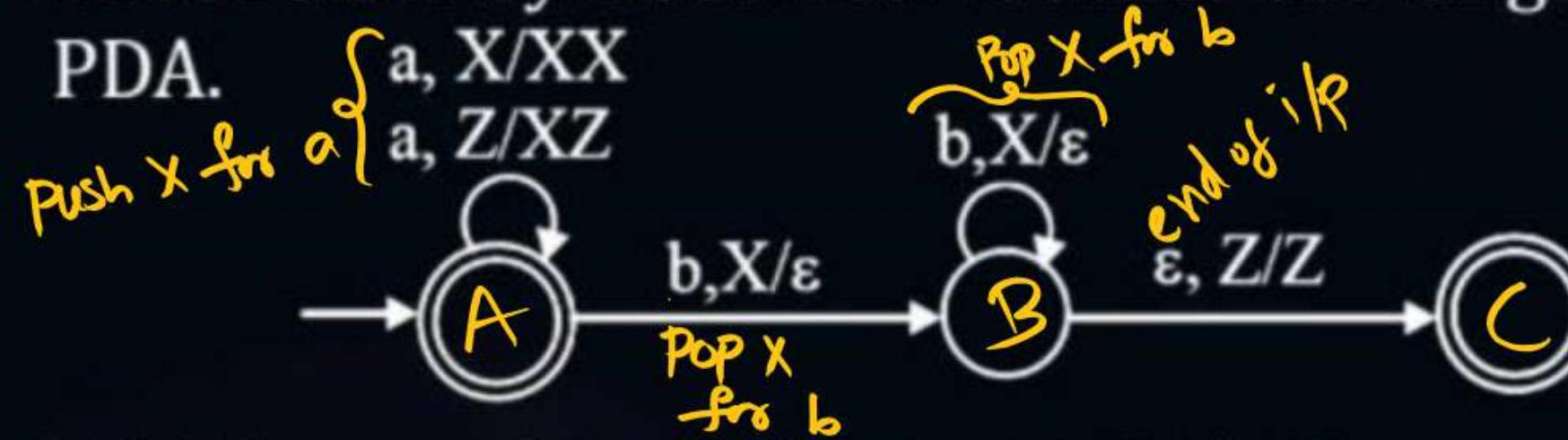
$$L_1 = a^*b^* \quad G_1: \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aS \mid B \\ B \rightarrow b \mid bB \end{array}$$

$$L_2 = b^+ + a^+b^* \quad G_2: \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aA \mid bB \\ A \rightarrow aA \mid B \mid \epsilon \\ B \rightarrow bB \mid \epsilon \end{array}$$



Q

Consider the transition diagram of a PDA given below with input alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and stack alphabet $\Gamma = \{X, Z\}$. Z is the initial stack symbol. Let L denote the language accepted by the PDA.



Which one of the following is TRUE?

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= a^* \\
 C &= \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\} \\
 A+C &= a^* \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\} \\
 &= a^* \cup \{a^n b^n\}
 \end{aligned}$$

[2016(Set-1): 2 Marks] DCFL

- A $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is not accepted by any finite automata.
- B $L = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is **not** accepted by any deterministic PDA.
- C L is not accepted by any Turing machine that halts on every input.
- D** $L = \{a^n \mid n \geq 0\} \cup \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ and is deterministic context-free.

Q

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^n b^m c^{n+m} : m, n \geq 1\} \rightarrow \text{DCFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^{2n} : n \geq 1\} \rightarrow \text{Not CFL}$$

Which one of the following is TRUE?

[2016(Set-2): 2 Marks]

A

Both L_1 and L_2 are context-free.

B

L_1 is context-free while L_2 is not context-free

C

L_2 is context-free while L_1 is not context-free

D

Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free

Q.

P
W

Language L_1 is defined by the grammar: $S_1 \rightarrow aS_1b|\epsilon$

Language L_2 is defined by the grammar: $S_2 \rightarrow abS_2|\epsilon$

Consider the following statements:

P: L_1 is regular

Q: L_2 is regular

Which one of the following is TRUE?

$$L(S_1) = a^n b^n = L_1 \rightarrow \text{Not Reg language}$$
$$L(S_2) = L_2 = (ab)^* \rightarrow \text{Reg language}$$

[2016(Set-2): 1 Marks]

- A Both P and Q are true
- B P is true and Q is false
- C P is false and Q is true
- D Both P and Q are false

Q

P
W

Consider the following context-free grammar over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ with S as the start symbol

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow abScT \mid abc\Gamma \\ T \rightarrow bT \mid b \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow abScb^+ \mid abc^+ \\ S \rightarrow xSy \mid z \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x^ny^n$$

Which one of the following represents the language generated by the above grammar?

- A $\{(ab)^n(cb)^n \mid n \geq 1\}$
- B $\{(ab)^n cb^{m_1} cb^{m_2} \dots cb^{m_n} \mid n, m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \geq 1\}$
- C $\{(ab)^n (cb^m)^n \mid m, n \geq 1\}$
- D $\{(ab)^n (cb^n)^m \mid m, n \geq 1\}$

$$\begin{aligned} L &= (ab)^n \underline{abcb}^+ (\underline{cb})^n \mid n \geq 0 & [2017(\text{Set-1}): 1 \text{ Marks}] \\ &\vdash \{(ab)^n (cb^+)^n \mid n \geq 1\} = \{(ab)^n \underbrace{cb^+}_{n \text{ times}} \dots cb^+\} \\ &\vdash \{(ab)^n cb^{m_1} cb^{m_2} \dots cb^{m_n} \mid n \geq 1, m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n \geq 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Q

Consider the following language over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$.

Let $L_1 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid m, n \geq 0\}$ and $L_2 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$.
Which of the following are context-free languages?
I. $L_1 \cup L_2$
II. $L_1 \cap L_2$

$L_1 \cup L_2 = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i=j \text{ or } j=k\}$
 $L_1 \cap L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^n\}$

I PFL
II CFL
CSL

[2017(Set-1): 2 Marks]

- A I only
- B II only
- C I and II
- D Neither I nor II

Q

P
W

Consider the context-free grammars over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ given below. S and T are non-terminals.

$$G_1: S \rightarrow aSb \mid T, T \rightarrow cT \mid \epsilon \quad L_1 = a^n c^* b^n$$

$$G_2: S \rightarrow bSa \mid T, T \rightarrow cT \mid \epsilon \quad L_2 = b^n c^* a^n$$

The language $L(G_1) \cap L(G_2)$ is

[2017-Set1: 1 Mark]

- A Finite
- B Not finite but regular
- C Context-free but not regular
- D Recursive but not context-free

Q

P
W

Identify the language generated by the following grammar,
where S is the start variable.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow XY \\ \boxed{X \rightarrow aX \mid a} \quad X &= a^+ \\ \boxed{Y \rightarrow aYb \mid \epsilon} \quad Y &= a^n b^n \end{aligned}$$

[2017(Set-2): 1 Marks]

$$L = \underbrace{a^+ a^n b^n}_{\#a's > \#b's} = \{a^i b^j \mid i > j \geq 0\}$$

$$\{a^m b^n \mid m \geq n, n > 0\} = \{a^i b^j \mid i > j, i, j \geq 0\}$$

$$= \{a^i b^j \mid i > j, j \geq 0, i \geq 1\}$$

A

B

C

D



Let L_1, L_2 be any two context-free languages and R be any regular language. Then which of the following is/are **CORRECT?**

- I. $L_1 \cup L_2$ is context-free
- II. \bar{L}_1 is context-free
- III. $L_1 - R$ is context-free
- IV. $L_1 \cap L_2$ is context-free

$$CFL_1 \cap CFL_2 \supseteq CSL$$

(need not be CFL)

$$CFL, \cup CFL_2 \supseteq CFL$$

$$\overline{CFL} \supseteq CSL$$

$$CFL - Reg \supseteq CFL \cap \overline{Reg} \supseteq CFL \cap Reg \supseteq CFL$$

[2017(Set-2): 1 Marks]

- A I, II and IV only
- B I and III only
- C II and IV only
- D I only

Q

P
W

Consider the following languages:

$L_1 = \{a^p \mid p \text{ is a prime number}\} \rightarrow CSL$

$L_2 = \{a^n b^m c^{2m} \mid n \geq 0, m \geq 0\} \rightarrow DCFL$

$L_3 = \{a^n b^n c^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\} \rightarrow CSL$

$L_4 = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\} \rightarrow DCFL$

Which of the following are CORRECT?

- I. L_1 is context-free but not regular.
- II. L_2 is not context-free.
- III. L_3 is not context-free but recursive.
- IV. L_4 is deterministic context-free.

[2017(Set-2): 2 Marks]

A

I, II and IV only

B

II and III only

C

I and IV only

D

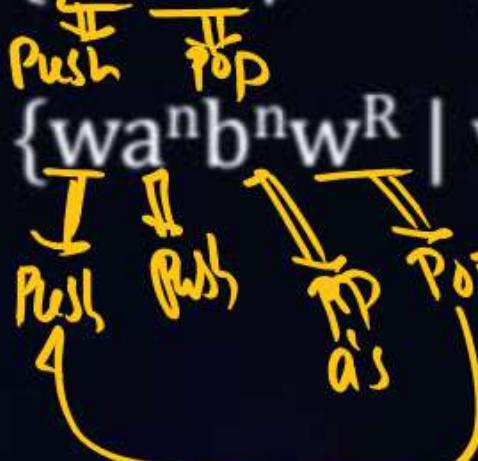
III and IV only

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Which one of the following languages over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ is NOT context-free?

[2019: 2 Marks]

- A $\{a^n b^i \mid i \in \{n, 3n, 5n\}, n \geq 0\} = \{a^n b^n\} \cup \{a^n b^{3n}\} \cup \{a^n b^{5n}\} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$
- B ~~$\{wa^n w^R b^n \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n \geq 0\} \rightarrow \text{Not CFL}$~~
- C $\{ww^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$
- D $\{wa^n b^n w^R \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n \geq 0\} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$
- 

Q

Consider the following languages:
 $L_1 = \{w\overline{xy}\overline{x} \mid w, x, y \in (0+1)^*\} \rightarrow w0y0 + w1y1 \xrightarrow{\text{Regular}}$
 $L_2 = \{xy \mid x, y \in (a+b)^*, |x| = |y|, x \neq y\} \rightarrow \text{CFL but not DCFL}$

Which of the following is TRUE ?

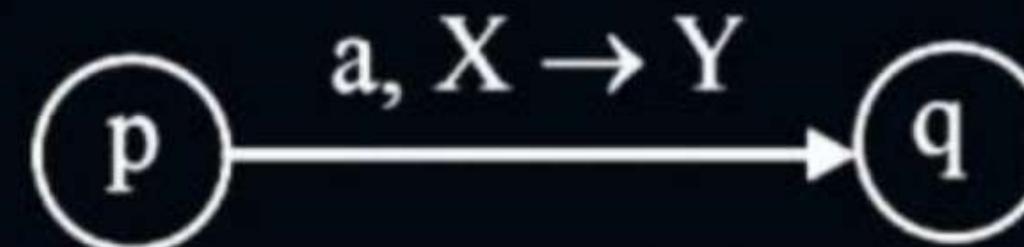
[2020: 2 Marks]

- A L_1 is regular and L_2 is context-free.
- B L_1 is context-free but L_2 is not context-free.
- C Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free.
- D L_1 is context-free but not regular and L_2 context-free.

P
W

Q

In a pushdown automaton $P = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$, a transition of the form,

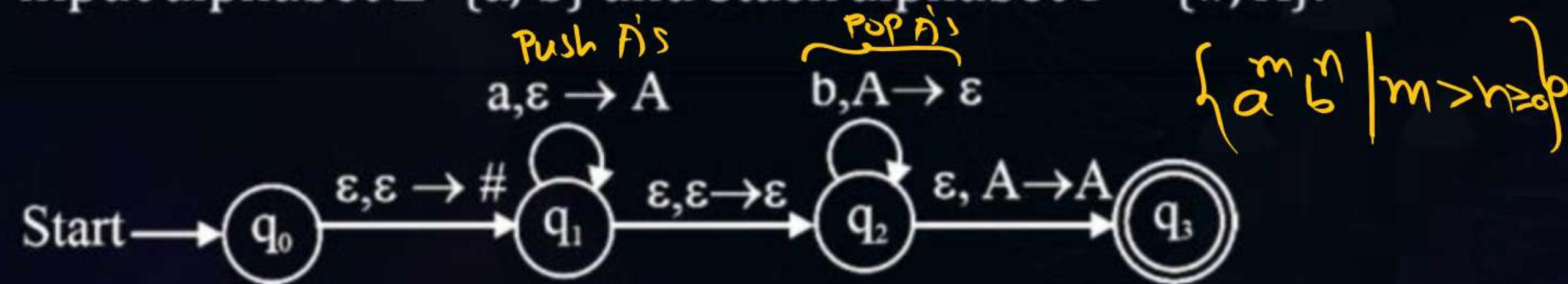


$$\{a^m b^n \mid m+n=100\}$$

Handwritten notes: $m > n$, $\{a^{100} b^0, a^{99} b^1, a^{98} b^2, \dots, a^1 b^{99}\}$

Where $p, q \in Q$, $a \in \Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}$, and $X, Y \in \Gamma \cup \{\epsilon\}$ represents $(q, Y) \in \delta(p, a, X)$

Consider the following pushdown automaton over the input alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and stack alphabet $\Gamma = \{\#, A\}$.



The number of strings of length 100 accepted by the above pushdown automaton is $= 50$.

[2021(Set-1): 2 Marks]

Q

P
W

Suppose that L_1 is a regular language and L_2 is a context-free language. Which one of the following languages is NOT necessarily context-free?

[2021(Set-1): 2 Marks]

$\text{Reg.CFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$

A

$$L_1 \cdot L_2$$

$\text{Reg.UCFL} \rightarrow \text{CFL}$

B

$$L_1 \cup L_2$$

C

$$L_1 - L_2$$

D

$$L_1 \cap L_2$$

$\text{Reg} \cap \text{CFL} \not\rightarrow \text{CFL}$

$\text{Reg-CFL} = \text{Reg} \cap \overline{\text{CFL}} \not\rightarrow \text{CFL}$

Q

For a string w , we define w^R to be the reverse of w . For example, if $w = 01101$ then $w^R = 10110$. Which of the following languages is/are context-free?

[2021(Set-2): 2 Marks]

- A ~~$\{wxw^R x^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$~~
- B ~~$\{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\} = (0+1)^* \xrightarrow{\text{Reg}} \text{CFL}$~~
- C ~~$\{ww^R xx^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\} \xrightarrow{\text{CFL}}$~~
- D ~~$\{wxx^R w^R \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$~~
- $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{CFL} \\ \text{Not CFLs} \end{array} \right\}$

Q

P
W

Let L_1 be a regular language and L_2 be a context-free language.
Which of the following languages is/are context-free?

[2021(Set-2)MSQ: 1 Marks]

- A $L_1 \cap \bar{L}_2 = \text{Reg} \cap \overline{\text{CFL}} \Rightarrow \text{CSL}$
- B ~~$\bar{L}_1 \cup \bar{L}_2 \Rightarrow L_1 \cap L_2 \subseteq \text{Reg} \cap \text{CFL} \not\supseteq \text{CFL}$~~
- C ~~$L_1 \cup (L_2 \cup \bar{L}_2) = \text{Reg} \cup \sum^* = \overline{\sum^*} \not\supseteq \text{Reg} \not\supseteq \text{CFL}$~~
- D $(L_1 \cap L_2) \cup (\bar{L}_1 \cap L_2) \stackrel{\text{CFL}}{\supseteq} (\text{Reg} \cap \text{CFL}) \cup \underbrace{(\text{Reg} \cap \text{CFL})}_{\text{CFL}} \not\supseteq \text{CFL}$

Q

P
W

Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{a^n w a^n \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\} = w = (a+b)^*$$

$$L_2 = \{wxw^R \mid w, x \in \{a, b\}^*, |w|, |x| > 0\} = axa + bxb \xrightarrow{Rg}$$

Note that w^R is the reversal of the string w . Which of the following is/are TRUE?

- A L₁ and L₂ are regular.
- B L₁ and L₂ are context-free.
- C L₁ is regular and L₂ is context-free.
- D L₁ and L₂ are context-free but not regular.

Note: Every Regular is CFL

[2022: MSQ: 2 Marks]



Consider the following languages:

$$L_1 = \{ww \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\} \rightarrow \text{Not CFL}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid m, n \geq 0\} \rightarrow a^n b^n c^* \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

$$L_3 = \{a^m b^n c^n \mid m, n \geq 0\} \rightarrow a^* b^n c^n \rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

L_1 is CFL

$$L_2 \cap L_3 = a^n b^n c^n \rightarrow \text{CSL}$$

Which of the following statements is/are FALSE?

[2022: 2 Marks]

A

L_1 is not context-free but L_2 and L_3 are deterministic context-free. T

B

Neither L_1 nor L_2 is context-free. F

C

L_2 , L_3 and $L_2 \cap L_3$ all are context-free. F

D

Neither L_1 nor its complement is context-free F

Q

Which of the following are decidable?

1. Whether the intersection of two regular languages is infinite
2. Whether a given context-free language is regular
3. Whether two push-down automata accept the same language
4. Whether a given grammar is context-free

[2008: 1 Marks]

A

1 and 2

B

1 and 4

C

2 and 3

D

2 and 4



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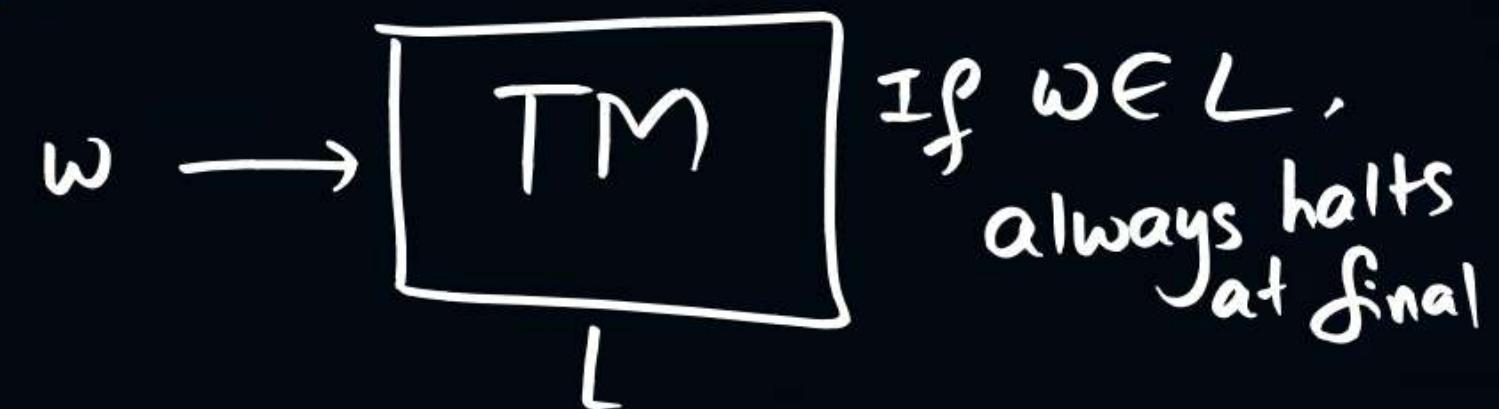
Topics to be Covered



Topic

TM & Undecidability

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$TM \Rightarrow REL$  $H\text{TM} \Rightarrow \text{Decidable Language}$  $LBA \Rightarrow CSL$  $PDA \Rightarrow CFL$  $DPDA \Rightarrow DCFL$ $FA \Rightarrow \text{Regular}$ 

There are Two types of TM

(a) DTM (Deterministic TM)

$$\delta: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \left\{ \begin{array}{c} L, R \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \text{Left Right} \end{array} \right\}$$

(b) NTM (Non-Deterministic TM)

$$\delta: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow 2^{Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}}$$

Equivalence of various TMs

$\text{TM} \cong \text{Single tape TM}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{One-way infinite tape TM}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{Two-way infinite tape TM}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{Multi tape and multi head TM}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{Universal TM}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{Two stack PDA}$

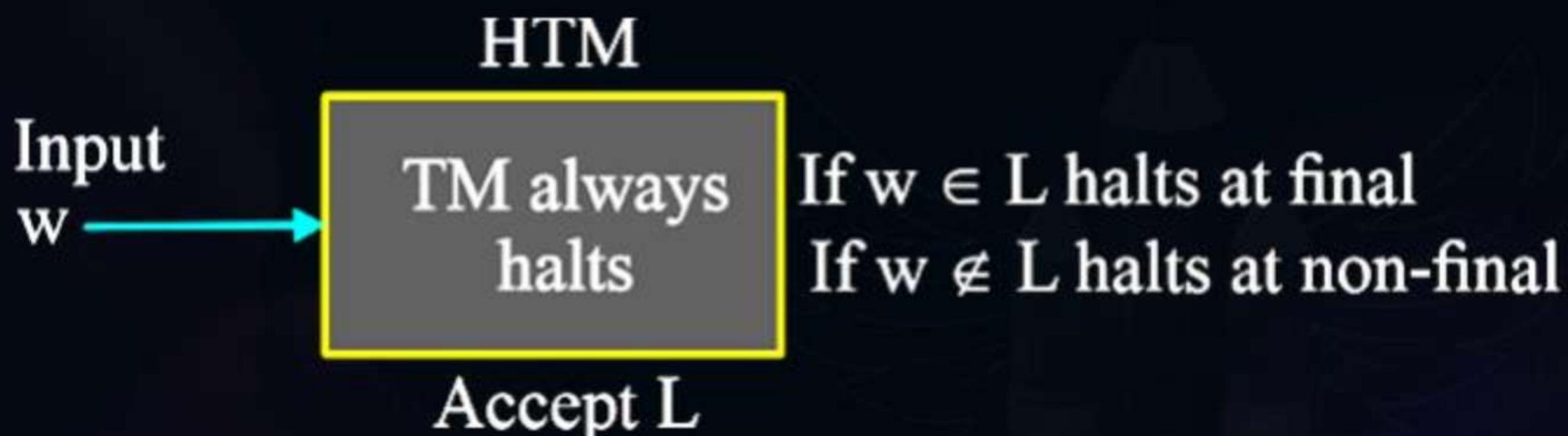
$\text{TM} \cong \text{Multi stack PDA}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{FA with two stacks}$

$\text{TM} \cong \text{FA + R/W tape + Bidirectional head}$

Recursive Language

- Recursive language is acceptable by HTM, and hence acceptable by TM.
- Recursive also called as decidable language.
- Recursive also called as Turing decidable language.
If TM always halts, then TM is called as HTM.



Note :

1. Union:

$$\text{REL} \cup \text{Finite} \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

$$\text{REL} \cup \text{Regular} \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

$$\text{REL} \cup \text{CFL} \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

$$\text{REL} \cup \text{Recursive} \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

$$\text{REL}_1 \cup \text{REL}_2 \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

2. Intersection:

$$\text{REL} \cap \text{Finite} \Rightarrow \text{REL} \text{ (Finite)}$$

$$\text{REL} \cap \text{CFL} \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

$$\text{REL} \cap \text{Rec} \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

$$\text{REL}_1 \cap \text{REL}_2 \Rightarrow \text{REL}$$

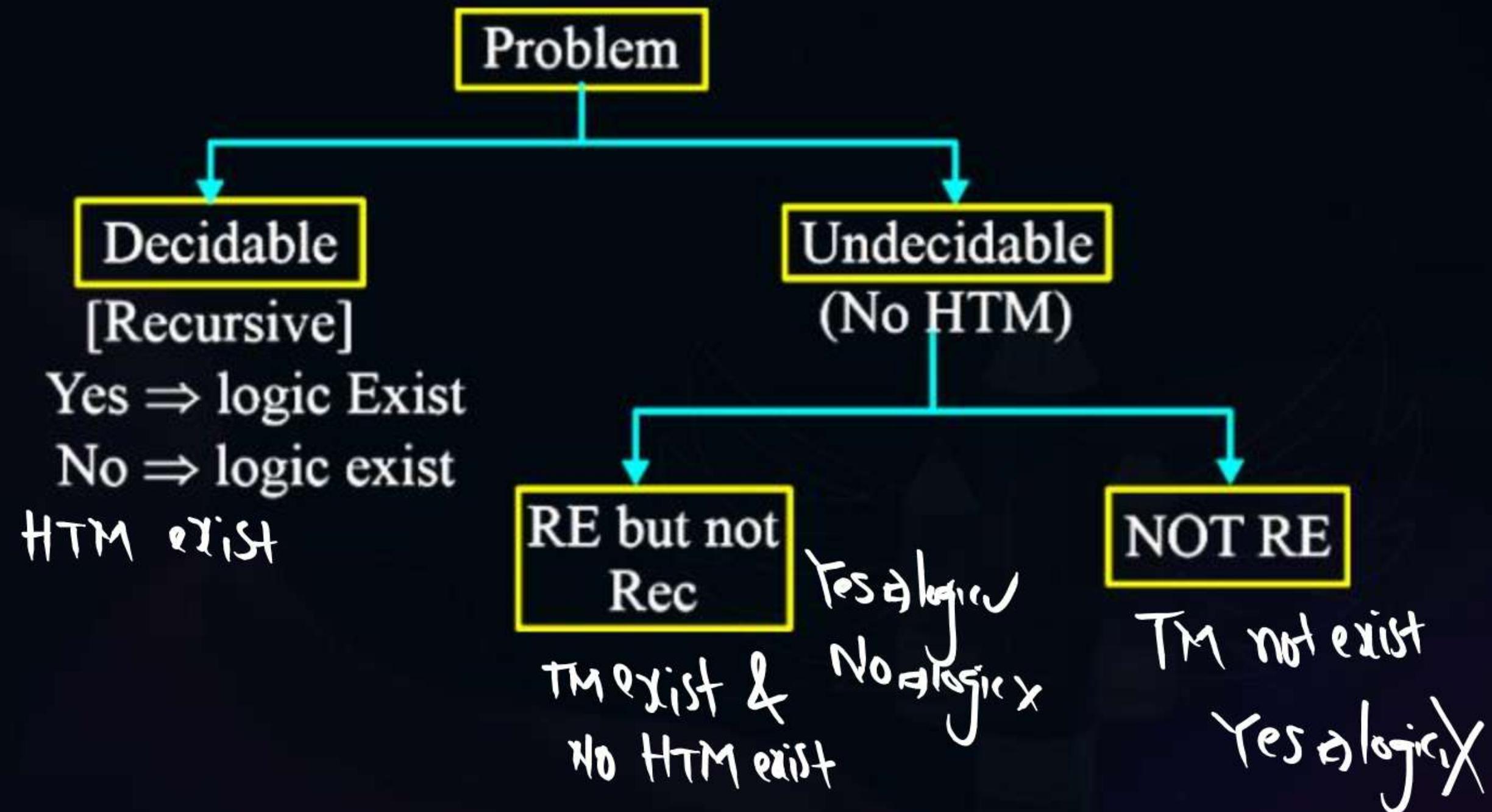
$$\text{REL} \cup \frac{\text{Fin}}{\text{Reg}} = \text{REL}$$

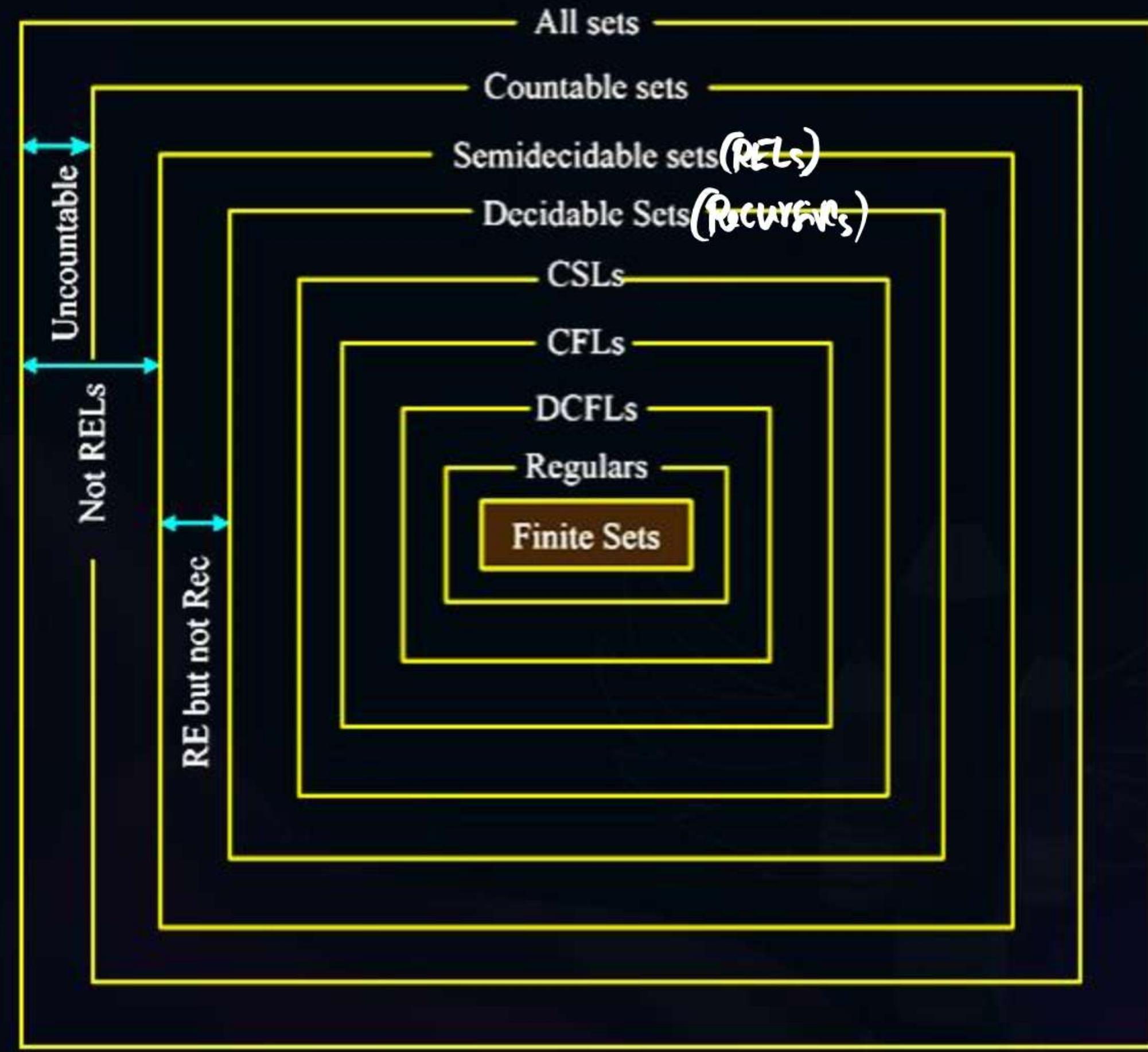
$$\frac{\text{CFL}}{\text{CSL}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Rec}}{\text{REL}}$$

$$\text{REL} \cap \text{''} = \text{REL}$$

Decidable and Undecidable





Decision Properties Table

- D: Decidable
- UD: Undecidable

	FA	DPDA	PDA	LBA/HTM	TM
H (Halting)	D	D	D	D	UD
M (Membership)	D	D	D	D	UD
E _m (Emptiness)	D	D	D	UD	UD
F (Finiteness)	D	D	D	UD	UD
T (Totality)	D	D	UD	UD	UD
E _q (Equivalence)	D	D	UD	UD	UD
D (Disjoint)	D	UD	UD	UD	UD
S (Set Containment)	D	UD	UD	UD	UD

Classification of Languages based on Decidability

All RE languages can be classified into 3 important classes.



1 Regarding the power of recognition of languages, which of the following statement is false?

(GATE - 98)

- (a) The non-deterministic finite-state automata are equivalent to deterministic finite-state automata. T
- (b) Non-deterministic Push-down automata are equivalent to deterministic Push-down automata. F
- (c) Non-deterministic Turing machines are equivalent to deterministic Turing machines. T
- (d) Multi-tape Turing machines are equivalent to Single-tape Turing machines. T

$NFA \cong DFA$

$PDA \neq DPDA$

$NTM \cong DTM$

$Multitape TM \cong Single\ Tape\ TM$

3

If the strings of a language L can be effectively enumerated in lexicographic (i.e., alphabetic) order, which of the following statements is true?

(GATE - 03)

- (a) L is necessarily finite
- (b) L is regular but not necessarily finite
- (c) L is context free but not necessarily regular
- (d) L is recursive but not necessarily context free

L is enumerable effectively

iff

L is Recursive Language
(Decidable)

L is enumerable
 L is RFL

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Which of the following is true for the language $\{a^p \mid p \text{ is prime}\}$? (GATE - 08)

- (a) It is not accepted by a Turing machine X
- (b) It is regular but not context-free X
- (c) It is context-free but not regular X
- (d) It is neither regular nor context-free, but accepted by a Turing machine



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Which of the following statements is/are

FALSE?

1. For every non-deterministic Turing machine, there exists an equivalent deterministic Turing machine T
 2. Turing recognizable languages are closed under union and **complementation** F
 3. Turing **decidable** languages are closed under intersection and complementation T
 4. Turing **recognizable languages** are closed under union and intersection T(GATE - 13)
- (a) 1 and 4 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 only (d) 3 only

$\text{NTM} \Rightarrow \text{DTM}$

RE_Ls closed under \cup, \cap
not closed under Complement

Recursives closed under
 $\cup, \cap, \text{Complement}$

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For any two languages L_1 and L_2 such that L_1 is context-free and L_2 is recursively enumerable but not recursive, which of the following is/are necessarily true?

- I. \bar{L}_1 (complement of L_1) is recursive ✓
 - II. \bar{L}_2 (complement of L_2) is recursive ✗
 - III. \bar{L}_1 is context-free ✗
 - IV. $\bar{L}_1 \cup L_2$ is recursively enumerable ✓
- (GATE – 15 – SET1)
- (a) I only
 - (b) III only
 - (c) III and IV only
 - (d) I and IV only

$L_1 : CFL$

$L_2 : RE \text{ but not Rec}$

$\overline{CFL} \text{ is CSL}$

$\overline{RE \text{ but not Rec}} \text{ is Not REL}$

$CSL \cup RE \text{ but not Rec} \Rightarrow RE$

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Consider the following types of languages:

L₁: Regular, L₂: Context-free, L₃: Recursive,
L₄: Recursively enumerable.

Which of the following is/are TRUE?

I. $\bar{L}_3 \cup L_4$ is recursively enumerable

$$\overline{\text{Rec}} \cup \text{URE} \Rightarrow \text{Rec} \cup \text{URE} \Rightarrow \text{RE}$$

II. $\bar{L}_2 \cup L_3$ is recursive

$$\overline{\text{CFL}} \cup \overline{\text{Rec}} \Rightarrow \text{CSL} \cup \text{Rec} \Rightarrow \text{Rec}$$

III. $L_1^* \cap L_2$ is context-free

$$\text{Reg}^* \cap \text{CFL} \Rightarrow \text{Reg} \cap \text{CFL} \Rightarrow \text{CFL}$$

IV. $L_1 \cup \bar{L}_2$ is context-free

$$\text{Reg} \cup \overline{\text{CFL}} \Rightarrow \text{Reg} \cup \text{CSL} \Rightarrow \text{CSL}$$

(GATE - 16 - SET2)

(a) I only

(b) I and III only

(c) I and IV only

(d) I, II and III only

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Let L_1 be a recursive language. Let L_2 and L_3 be languages that are "recursively enumerable" but not recursive. Which of the following statement is not necessarily true?

(GATE - 10)

- (a) $L_2 - L_1$ is recursively enumerable.
- (b) $L_1 - L_3$ is recursively enumerable.
- (c) $L_2 \cap L_3$ is recursively enumerable.
- (d) $L_2 \cup L_3$ is recursively enumerable.

$$L_1 - L_2 = L_1 \cap \bar{L}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & L_1 - L_2 = L_1 \cap \bar{L}_2 \\
 & \text{RE but not Rec} - \text{Rec} \Rightarrow \text{RE but not Rec} \cap \bar{\text{Rec}} \\
 & \text{Rec - RE but not Rec} \Rightarrow \text{Rec} \cap \overline{\text{RE but not Rec}} \Rightarrow \text{Rec} \cap \text{Not RE} \\
 & \text{Xng}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Recursive languages are: (GATE - 90)

- (a) A proper superset of context free languages. X
- (b) Always recognizable by pushdown automata. X
- (c) Also called Type (0) languages. ?
- (d) Recognizable by Turing machines.

P
W

Set of Recursive languages

Recursive languages are

Set of Recursive languages is Superset of Set of CFLs

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In which of the cases stated below is the following statement true?

"For every nondeterministic machine M_1 there exists an equivalent deterministic machine M_2 recognizing the same language".

(GATE - 92)

- (a) M_1 is nondeterministic finite automaton
- (b) M_1 is a nondeterministic PDA
- (c) M_1 is a nondeterministic Turing machine
- (d) For no machine M_1 use the above statement true

$NFA \Rightarrow DFA$

$NPDA \Leftrightarrow DPDA \times$

$NTM \Rightarrow DTM$

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Which of the following conversions is not possible (algorithmically)?

(GATE - 94)

- (a) Regular grammar to context-free grammar
- (b) Non-deterministic FSA to deterministic FSA
- (c) Non-deterministic PDA to deterministic PDA
- (d) Non-deterministic Turing machine to deterministic Turing machine.

P
W

Algo exist

NFA \Rightarrow DFA Subset construction

PDA \Rightarrow DPDA | No algo

NTM \Rightarrow DTM Algo (x)

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Which of the following is true? (GATE - 02)

- (a) The complement of a recursive language is recursive. ✓
- (b) The complement of a recursively enumerable language is recursively enumerable. X
- (c) The complement of a recursive language is either recursive or recursively enumerable. ✓
- (d) The complement of a context-free language is context-free. X

$$\overline{\text{Rec}} \Rightarrow \text{Rec} \Rightarrow \text{RE}'$$

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The C language is

(GATE - 02)

- (a) A context free language
- ~~(b) A context sensitive language~~
- (c) A regular language
- (d) Parsable fully **only** by a Turing machine

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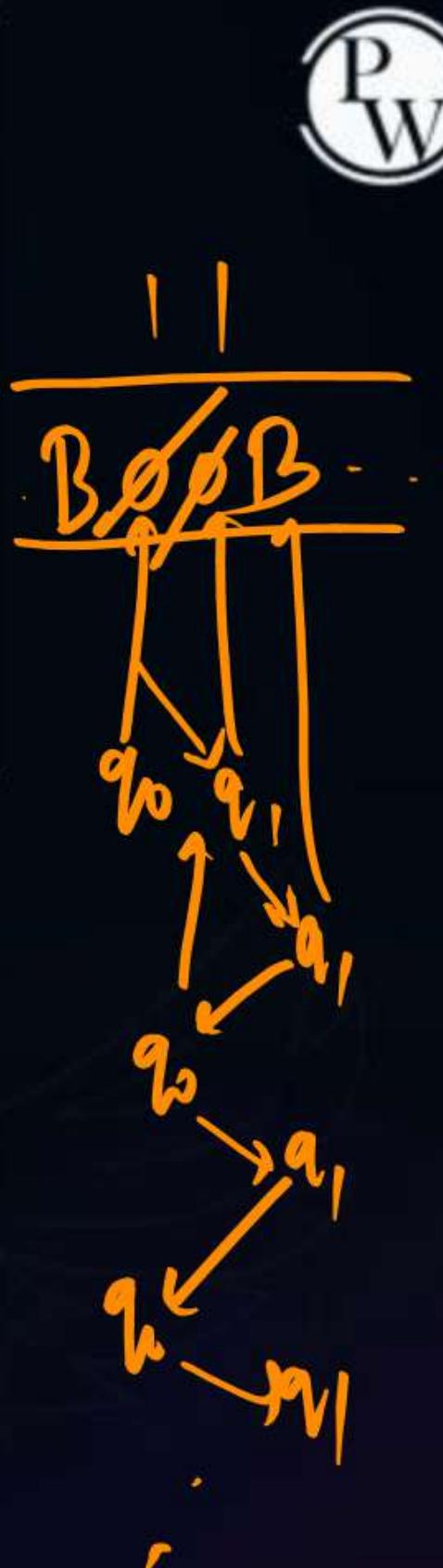
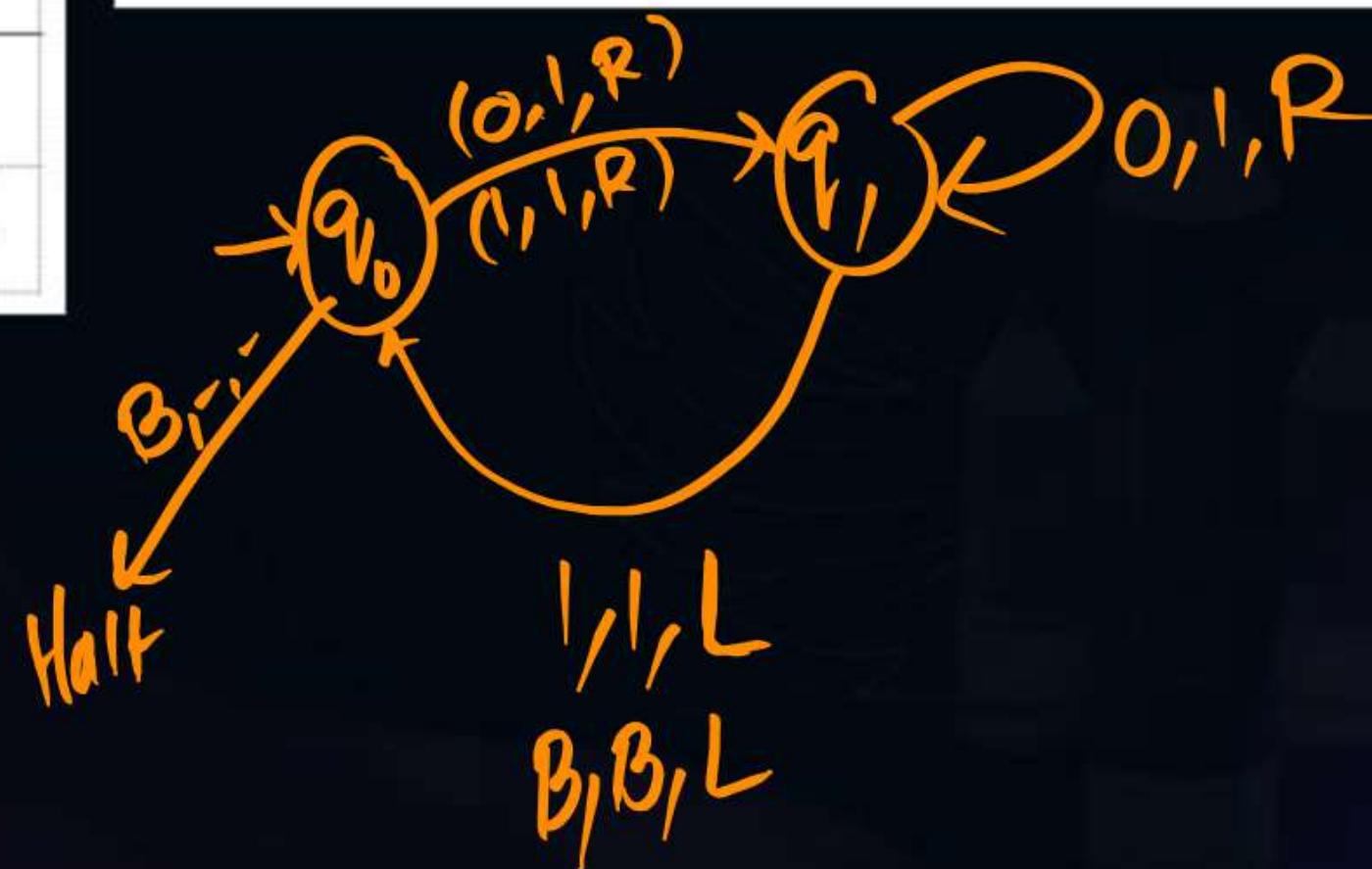
A single tape Turing Machine M has two states q_0 and q_1 of which q_0 is the starting state. The tape alphabet of M is $\{0, 1, B\}$ and its input alphabet is $\{0, 1\}$. The symbol B is the blank symbol used to indicate end of an input string. The transition function of M is described in the following table.

	0	1	B
q_0	$q_1, 1, R$	$q_1, 1, R$	Halt
q_1	$q_1, 1, R$	$q_0, 1, L$	q_0, B, L

- (a) M does not halt on any string in $(0 + 1)^*$
- (b) M does not halt on any string in $(00 + 1)^*$ *
- (c) M halts on all string ending in a 0
- (d) M halts on all string ending in a 1

The table is interpreted as illustrated below. The entry $(q_1, 1, R)$ in row q_0 and column 1 signifies that if M is in state q_0 and reads 1 on the current tape square, then it writes 1 on the same tape square, moves its tape head one position to the right and transitions to state q_1 . Which of the following statements is true about M?

(GATE - 03)



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Define languages L_0 and L_1 as follows

$$L_0 = \{\langle M, w, 0 \rangle \mid M \text{ halts on } w\}$$

$$L_1 = \{\langle M, w, 1 \rangle \mid M \text{ does not halt on } w\}$$

Here $\langle M, w, i \rangle$ is a triplet, whose first component, M is an encoding of a Turing Machine, second component, w , is a string, and third component, i , is a bit.

Let $L = L_0 \cup L_1$. Which of the following is true? **(GATE - 03)**

- (a) L is recursively enumerable, but \overline{L} is not
- (b) \overline{L} is recursively enumerable, but L is not
- (c) Both L and \overline{L} are recursive
- (d) Neither L nor \overline{L} is recursively enumerable

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L_1 is a recursively enumerable language over Σ . An algorithm A effectively enumerates its words as w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots

Define another language L_2 over $\Sigma \cup \{\#\}$ as $\{w_i \# w_j : w_i, w_j \in L_1, i < j\}$. Here $\#$ is a new symbol. Consider the following assertions:

S_1 : L_1 is recursive implies L_2 is recursive

S_2 : L_2 is recursive implies L_1 is recursive

Which of the following statements is true?

(GATE – 04)

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Let L_1 be a recursive language and let L_2 be a recursively enumerable but not a recursive language. Which one of the following is TRUE? (GATE - 05)

- (a) $\overline{L_1}$ is recursive and $\overline{L_2}$ is recursively enumerable
- (b) $\overline{L_1}$ is recursive and $\overline{L_2}$ is not recursively enumerable
- (c) $\overline{L_1}$ and $\overline{L_2}$ are recursively enumerable
- (d) $\overline{L_1}$ is recursively enumerable and $\overline{L_2}$ is recursive

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For $s \in (0+1)^*$, let $d(s)$ denote the decimal value of s (e. g. $d(101) = 5$)

Let $L = \{s \in (0+1)^* \mid d(s) \bmod 5 = 2 \text{ and } d(s) \bmod 7 \neq 4\}$

Which one of the following statement is true?

(GATE - 06)

- (a) L is recursively enumerable, but not recursive
- (b) L is recursive, but not context-free
- (c) L is context-free, but not regular
- (d) L is regular

Let L_1 be a regular language, L_2 be a deterministic context-free language and L_3 be a recursively enumerable, but not recursive language. Which one of the following statement is false?

(GATE - 06)

- (a) $L_1 \cap L_2$ is a deterministic CFL
- (b) $L_3 \cap L_1$ is recursive
- (c) $L_1 \cup L_2$ is context-free
- (d) $L_1 \cap L_2 \cap L_3$ is recursively enumerable

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If L and \bar{L} are recursively enumerable then L is

(GATE - 08)

- (a) Regular
- (b) Context-free
- (c) Context-sensitive
- (d) Recursive.

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Let L be a language and \bar{L} be its complement. Which one of the following is NOT a viable possibility?

(GATE – 14-SET1)

- (a) Neither L nor \bar{L} is recursively enumerable (r.e.).
- (b) One of L and \bar{L} is r.e. but not recursive; the other is not r.e.
- (c) Both L and \bar{L} are r.e. but not recursive.
- (d) Both L and \bar{L} are recursive.

Let X be a recursive language and Y be a recursively enumerable but not recursive language. Let W and Z be two languages such that \bar{Y} reduces to W , and Z reduces to \bar{X} (reduction means the standard many-one reduction). Which one of the following statements is TRUE? **(GATE – 16 – SET1)**

- (a) W can be recursively enumerable and Z is recursive.
- (b) W can be recursive and Z is recursively enumerable.
- (c) W is not recursively enumerable and Z is recursive.
- (d) W is not recursively enumerable and Z is not recursive.

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Let A and B be finite alphabets and let # be a symbol outside both A and B. Let f be a total function from A^* to B^* . We say f is computable if there exists a Turing machine M which given an input x in A^* , always halts with $f(x)$ on its tape. Let L_f denote the language $\{x\#f(x) | x \in A^*\}$.

Which of the following statements is true:

(GATE – 17 – SET1)

- (a) f is computable if and only if L_f is recursive
- (b) f is computable if and only if L_f is recursively enumerable
- (c) If f is computable then L_f is recursive, but not conversely
- (d) If f is computable then L_f is recursively enumerable, but not conversely

Which of the following statements are true?

(GATE - 92)

- (a) Union of two recursive languages is recursive
- (b) The language $\{0^n | n \text{ is prime}\}$ is not regular
- (c) Regular languages are closed under infinite union

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Let $A \leq_m B$ denotes that language A is mapping reducible (also known as many-to-one reducible) to language B. Which one of the following is FALSE?

(GATE – 14-SET2)

- (a) If $A \leq_m B$ and B is recursive then A is recursive.
- (b) If $A \leq_m B$ and A is undecidable then B is un-decidable.
- (c) If $A \leq_m B$ and B is recursively enumerable then A is recursively enumerable.
- (d) If $A \leq_m B$ and B is not recursively enumerable then A is not recursively enumerable.

GATE2020

Which of the following languages are undecidable? Note that $\langle M \rangle$ indicates encoding of the Turing machine M.

$$L_1 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) = \emptyset \}$$

$$L_2 = \{ \langle M, w, q \rangle \mid M \text{ on input } w \text{ reaches state } q \text{ in exactly 100 steps} \}$$

$$L_3 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) \text{ is not recursive} \}$$

$$L_4 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) \text{ contains at least 21 members} \}$$

- A. L₁, L₃, and L₄ only
- B. L₁ and L₃ only
- C. L₂ and L₃ only
- D. L₂, L₃, and L₄ only

GATE2018

The set of all recursively enumerable languages is:

- A. closed under complementation
- B. closed under intersection
- C. a subset of the set of all recursive languages
- D. an uncountable set

GATE2019

Consider the following sets:

S1: Set of all recursively enumerable languages over the alphabet {0,1}

S2: Set of all syntactically valid C programs

S3: Set of all languages over the alphabet {0,1}

S4: Set of all non-regular languages over the alphabet {0,1}

Which of the above sets are uncountable?

- A. S1 and S2
- B. S3 and S4
- C. S2 and S3
- D. S1 and S4

Consider the following problems. $L(G)$ denotes the language generated by a grammar G. $L(M)$ denotes the language accepted by a machine M.

- I. For an unrestricted grammar G and a string w, whether $w \in L(G)$
- II. Given a Turing machine M, whether $L(M)$ is regular
- III. Given two grammar G1 and G2, whether $L(G1) = L(G2)$
- IV. Given an NFA N, whether there is a deterministic PDA P such that N and P accept the same language

Which one of the following statement is correct?

- A. Only I and II are undecidable
- B. Only II is undecidable
- C. Only II and IV are undecidable
- D. Only I, II and III are undecidable

GATE2017

Let $L(R)$ be the language represented by regular expression R . Let $L(G)$ be the language generated by a context free grammar G . Let $L(M)$ be the language accepted by a Turing machine M . Which of the following decision problems are undecidable?

- I. Given a regular expression R and a string w , is $w \in L(R)$?
 - II. Given a context-free grammar G , is $L(G) = \emptyset$?
 - III. Given a context-free grammar G , is $L(G) = \Sigma^*$ for some alphabet Σ ?
 - IV. Given a Turing machine M and a string w , is $w \in L(M)$?
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- A. I and IV only
 - B. II and III only
 - C. II, III and IV only
 - D. III and IV only



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