

## COMP3721 Homework 2

1. a) Suppose  $L$  is regular. Let  $n$  be the pump length, choose  $w = 01^n 01^n$ . By P.T.  $w$  can be written as  $xyz$ , such that  $|xy| \leq n$ ,  $y \neq \epsilon$  and  $xy^i z \in L$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .  $y$  cannot contain only 0, otherwise there will be at least two consecutive 0's in  $xy^2 z$ . Then we have  $xy^0 z \notin L$ , contradicting the P.T. So  $L$  is not regular.  
 b)  $L \cap 01^* 01^* = 01^n 01^n$ . If  $L$  is regular, then  $01^n 01^n$  will be regular, too, which is false. So  $L$  is not regular.  
 c) Suppose  $L$  is regular. Let  $n$  be the pump length, choose  $w = 1^n 001^n$ . By P.T.,  $w$  can be written as  $xyz$  such that  $|xy| \leq n$  and  $y \neq \epsilon$ . Thus  $y$  consists of only 1's, then we have  $xy^0 z \notin L$ , contradicting the P.T. So  $L$  is not regular.
2. a)  $S \rightarrow \epsilon, S \rightarrow a, S \rightarrow b, S \rightarrow aSa, S \rightarrow bSb$ .  
 b)  $S \rightarrow aSa, S \rightarrow bSb, S \rightarrow A, A \rightarrow bBa, A \rightarrow aBb, B \rightarrow \epsilon, B \rightarrow aB, B \rightarrow bB$
3. Let  $M_1 = \{K_1, \Sigma_1, \Gamma_1, \Delta_1, s_1, F_1\}$ ,  $M_2 = \{K_2, \Sigma_2, \Gamma_2, \Delta_2, s_2, F_2\}$ .  $M = \{K, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, s, F\}$ , where
 
$$\begin{aligned}
 K &= K_1 \cup K_2 \cup \{s\} \\
 \Sigma &= \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2 \\
 \Gamma &= \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \{\alpha\} \\
 s &= s \\
 F &= F_2 \\
 \Delta &= \Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 \cup \{(s, \epsilon, e)(s_1, \alpha)\} \cup \{(p, e, \alpha)(s_2, e) \mid p \in F_1\}
 \end{aligned}$$
 State diagram omitted.
4. a) DFA is CONSTANT-STACK PA with  $k = 0$ .  
 b) CONSTANT-STACK PA is a special PA.  
 c) REGULAR = CONSTANT-STACK  
 Intuitively CONSTANT-STACK is not more powerful than DFA, since we can use a constant number of states to simulate the stack with constant size.  
 CONSTANT-STACK  $\subset$  CONTEXT-FREE  
 since we know that there are some languages, e.g.,  $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ , that are context-free but not regular.