## 01 Explaining Regular Expressions (Lab)

Explain in simple words the languages described by following regular expressions. Avoid paraphrasing the regular expression!

1.0(0|1)\*0

The set of strings over  $\{0,1\}$  starting and ending with 0 (and therefore of length  $\leq 2$ ).

2. ([0]1)\*[0]

The set of strings over  $\{0,1\}$  such that any two 0's are separated by at least one 1

## 02 Writing Regular Expressions (Lab)

Assume that the vocabulary is {a, b}. Give regular expressions for following languages:

1. All sequences that contain aa and contain bb!

```
((a|b)*aa(a|b)*bb(a|b)*)|((a|b)*bb(a|b)*aa(a|b)*)
```

2. All sequences that do not begin with aaa

(b|ab|aab)(a|b)\*

3. All sequences in which aa occurs exactly once. Note that in aaa, it would occur twice.

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([a]b)*aa(b[a])*
```

4. All sequences in which every a is either immediately preceded or immediately followed by a b, for example baab, aba, b.

([a]b[a])\*

# 03 Three Formalizations (Lab)

Consider the language L of possibly empty strings over the symbols {a, b, c} where the first a precedes the first b.

1. Give a regular grammar that generates L.

G = (T, N, S, P) where  $T = \{a, b, c\}, N = \{X, Y\}, S = X,$  and the productions P are:

$$X \rightarrow cX \mid aY$$
  
 $Y \rightarrow aY \mid bY \mid cY$ 

2. Give a regular expression that describes L.

#### c\*[a(a|b|c)\*]

3. Give a finite state automaton that accepts L.

A = (T, Q, R, q, F) where  $T = \{a, b, c\}, Q = \{q, q\}, F = \{q, q\},$  and the transitions R are:

- q c → q
- $q a \rightarrow q$
- $q a \rightarrow q$
- $q b \rightarrow q$
- $q c \rightarrow q$

Note how A is constructed from  $G\colon q$  , q corresponds to X, Y, for every production there is an equivalent transition, the initial state q corresponds to the start symbol X, the final states corresponds to nonterminals that have a production to .

### 05 Explaining Regular Expressions

Explain in simple words the languages described by following regular expressions. Avoid paraphrasing the regular expression!

#### 1. (a\*b\*)\*

A language made up of strings that consist of any number of repetitions of the substring "a" followed by any amount of "b"s or both.

#### 2. (a\*ba\*b)\*a\*

A language made up of strings that consist of any amount of "a" followed by a single "b", followed by any amount of "a"s, followed by a single "b" again, and finally ending with zero or multiple "a"s.

#### 3. (a\*[ba\*c])\*

A language comprised of a set of strings which consists of as before any sequence of bac where there is any amount of as in the string, or an empty set.

# 06 Writing Regular Expressions

Assume that the vocabulary is {a, b}. Give a regular expression that describes all sequences that must contain at least two consecutive occurrences of a, like aa, baa, aaa, abaaaaba!

#### b\*aaa\*b\*a\*

Now give a regular expression of the complement of above language (without using a complement operator), that is those sequences over {a, b} that must

not contain two or more consecutive occurrences of a, but still may have an arbitrary number of occurrences of a!

```
(b*ab)*
```

Assume that the vocabulary is {a, b, c}. Give a regular expression that describes all sequences in which the number of a symbols is divisible by three.

$$(b|c)*|((b|c)*a(b|c)*a(b|c)*a(b|c)*)*$$

Now give a regular expression for sequences with the total number of  ${\tt b}$  and  ${\tt c}$  symbols being three.

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a*(b|c)a*(b|c)a*(b|c)a*
```

### 07 Regular Grammar to Regular Expression

Here is a regular grammar in EBNF for fractional numbers:

```
N \rightarrow 'O' N | \dots | '9' N | '.' F

F \rightarrow 'O' D | \dots | '9' D

D \rightarrow 'O' D | \dots | '9' D | ''
```

Transform the grammar into a regular expression. Use equalities to simplify the regular expressions. Give every step of the transformation in detail and state the rule that you are applying.

F equivalent production:

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F → ('0'|...|'9')D
```

D equivalent production:

Using Arden's rule:

$$D \rightarrow ('0'|...|'9')*''.$$

 ${\tt D}$  elimination by substitution into  ${\tt F}:$ 

Equivalent production for N:

$$N \rightarrow ('0'|...|'9')N |'.' F$$

By Arden's rule, we simplify:

$$N \to ('0'|...|'9')* '.' F$$

F elimination by substituting into N:

$$\mathbb{N} \to ('0'|...|'9')* '.' ('0'|...|'9')('0'|...|'9')* ''$$

Final equivalent regular expression:

```
('0'|...|'9')* '.' ('0'|...|'9')* ''
```

### 08 Testing Regular Expression

Using the notation from the course notes, write a regular expression for identifiers: an identifier is a sequence of letters abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz and digits 0123456789 starting with a letter. You may use abbreviations

```
(a|...|z)((a|...|z)*(0|...|9)*)*
[a-z]+([a-z]*|[0-9]*)*
class FiniteStateAutomaton:
    def __init__(self, T, Q, R, q0, F):
        self.T, self.Q, self.R, self.q0, self.F = T, Q, R, q0, F
    def __repr__(self):
        return str(self.q0) + '\n' + ' '.join(self.F) + '\n' + \
                '\n'.join(r[0] + ' ' + r[1] + ' \rightarrow ' + r[2] \text{ for } r \text{ in self.R})
class Choice:
    def init (self, e1, e2): self.e1, self.e2 = e1, e2
class Conc:
    def __init__(self, e1, e2): self.e1, self.e2 = e1, e2
class Star:
    def __init__(self, e): self.e = e
def string(s: set) -> str:
    return '{' + ', '.join(e for e in s) + '}'
def deterministicFSA(fsa: FiniteStateAutomaton) -> FiniteStateAutomaton:
    q 0 = frozenset({fsa.q0})
    Q, R, visited = \{q\ 0\}, set(), set()
    # print(Q, R, visited)
    while visited != Q:
        q = (Q - visited).pop(); visited |= {q}
        for t in fsa.T:
            r = \{r \text{ for } (q, u, r) \text{ in } fsa.R \text{ if } u == t \text{ and } q \text{ in } q\}
            if r = set(): Q = \{frozenset(r)\}; R = \{(q, t, frozenset(r))\}
        # print(Q, R, visited)
    F = {q for q in Q for f in fsa.F if f in q}
    return FiniteStateAutomaton(fsa.T, {string(q) for q in Q},
        {(string(q), t, string(u)) for (q, t, u) in R},
        string(q 0), {string(f) for f in F})
def accepts(fsa: FiniteStateAutomaton, : str) -> bool:
     = {(q, a): r for (q, a, r) in fsa.R}
    q = fsa.q0
    for t in :
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if (q, t) in : q = [q, t]
                     else: return False
          return q in fsa.F
def REToFSA(re):
          global QC
          if re == '': q0 = str(QC); QC +=1; return FiniteStateAutomaton(set(), {q0}, set(), q0, ·
          elif type(re) == str:
                    q0 = str(QC); QC +=1; q1 = str(QC); QC += 1
                    return FiniteStateAutomaton({re}, {q0, q1}, {(q0, re, q1)}, q0, {q1})
           elif type(re) == Choice:
                    A1, A2 = REToFSA(re.e1), REToFSA(re.e2)
                    R2 = \{(A1.q0 \text{ if } q == A2.q0 \text{ else } q, a, r) \text{ for } (q, a, r) \text{ in } A2.R\} \# A2.q0 \text{ renamed to } A2.q0 \text{ renamed to } A3.q0 \text{ renamed to } 
                    F2 = \{A1.q0 \text{ if } q == A2.q0 \text{ else } q \text{ for } q \text{ in } A2.F\} \# A2.q0 \text{ renamed to } A1.q0 \text{ in } A2.F
                    return FiniteStateAutomaton(A1.T | A2.T, A1.Q | A2.Q, A1.R | R2, A1.q0, A1.F | F2)
          elif type(re) == Conc:
                    A1, A2 = REToFSA(re.e1), REToFSA(re.e2)
                    R = A1.R \mid \{(f, a, r) \text{ for } (q, a, r) \text{ in } A2.R \text{ if } q == A2.q0 \text{ for } f \text{ in } A1.F\} \mid \
                               {(q, a, r) for (q, a, r) in A2.R if q != A2.q0}
                    F = (A2.F - \{A2.q0\}) \mid (A1.F \text{ if } A2.q0 \text{ in } A2.F \text{ else } set())
                    return FiniteStateAutomaton(A1.T | A2.T, A1.Q | A2.Q, R, A1.q0, F)
          elif type(re) == Star:
                    A = REToFSA(re.e)
                    R = A.R \mid \{(f, a, r) \text{ for } (q, a, r) \text{ in } A.R \text{ if } q == A.q0 \text{ for } f \text{ in } A.F\}
                    return FiniteStateAutomaton(A.T, A.Q, R, A.q0, {A.q0} | A.F)
          else: raise Exception('not a regular expression')
def convertRegExToFSA(re):
          global QC; QC = 0
          return REToFSA(re)
Test your answer by expressing it with Python constructors Choice, Conc, Star
and calling it I.
def selectString(y):
          result = y[0]
          for x in range(1, len(y)):
                    result = Choice(result, y[x])
          return result
Z = selectString("abcdefghijklmnopqrtuvwxyz")
X = selectString("0123456789")
Y = Star(Conc(Star(Z), Star(X)))
I = Conc(Z,Y)
A = deterministicFSA(convertRegExToFSA(I))
assert accepts(A, 'cloud7')
assert accepts(A, 'if')
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```
assert accepts(A, 'b12')
assert not accepts(A, '007')
assert not accepts(A, '15b')
assert not accepts(A, 'B12')
assert not accepts(A, 'e-mail')
```

### 09 Finding E-mail Addresses

For your graduation party you like to invite all your friends of whom you have either an e-mail address or a telephone number. As you never had time to keep an address book, you like to search for these in all your files using grep. In the cells below, write grep commands. The %%bash cell magic runs the cell in the bash shell; the %%capture output cell magic captures the output of the cell in the Python variable output.

1. E-mail addresses start with one or more upper case letters A-Z, lower case letters a-z, and symbols +-.\_, followed by the @ sign, followed by a domain. The domain is sequence of subdomains separated by ., where each subdomain consists of a number upper and lower case letters, digits, and symbol -. There have to be at least two subdomains (i.e. one .). The last subdomain is called the top-level domain and must consists only of two to six upper or lower case letters. E-mail addresses must start at the beginning of a line or after a separator and must end at the end of a line or a separator. Write a shell command using grep that, from the directory in which it is started, recursively visits all subdirectories and prints those lines of files that contain an e-mail address. Use \b as the separator.

```
%%capture output
%%bash
# grep -rEo "\b[A-Za-z0-9+._-]+@[A-Za-z0-9.-]+\.[A-Za-z]{2,6}\b" \data
grep -rE '\b[A-Za-z+-._]+@[A-Za-z0-9-]+.[A-Za-z]{2,6}\b' \data
print(output) # for testing
```

The regular expression pattern being searched for is enclosed in single quotes '...' and consists of three parts separated by the @ symbol:

- 1. \b[A-Za-z+-.\_]+ matches the username of the email address. \b specifies a word boundary and [A-Za-z+-.\_]+ matches one or more alphabetical letters, plus sign, hyphen, period or underscore characters.
- 2. @[A-Za-z0-9-]+. matches the at symbol (@) and the domain name of the email address. [A-Za-z0-9-]+ matches one or more alphabetical letters or digits, and hyphen characters. The dot (.) outside the square brackets matches a literal dot character.
- 3.  $[A-Za-z]{2,6}\b$  matches the top-level domain of the email address, such as com, edu, gov, etc.  $[A-Za-z]{2,6}$  matches 2 to 6 alphabetical

letters and the \b specifies another word boundary.

```
assert str(output) == """data/03/friends.txt:abcd@abc.ca
data/03/friends.txt:abcde@ab-BC.com
data/03/friends.txt:@e-mail@add.ress@
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABCabc+-._@ancbd.ca
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABCabc+-._@mcmaster.io.ca
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABCabc+-._@school.image
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABCabc+-. @school3-computer.image
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABCabc+-._@school3-IT.image.tor.chrome.ca
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABCabc+-. @school3-IT.image.tor.chrome.canadannn
data/02/other-friends.txt:ABC123abc+-._@school3-IT.imageal.tor.chrome.canadannn
data/01/friends.txt:Marion Floyd (905 263-7740 jpflip@yahoo.com
data/01/friends.txt:Cora Larson (905) 255-8305 frederic@yahoo.ca
data/01/friends.txt:Van Craig 905) 608-2616 chunzi@aol.com
data/01/friends.txt:Emilio Morrison (905) 2877753 cantu@sbcglobal.net
data/01/friends.txt:Ismael Hanson (905) 755 9372 satch@hotmail.com
data/01/friends.txt:Wayne Douglas (905)222-3316 tfinniga@verizon.net
data/01/friends.txt:Tomas Carlson (905746-0359 ardagna@me.com
data/01/friends.txt:Laurence Newman 9057803232 jaarnial@icloud.com
data/01/friends.txt:Lori Sherman 905-543-7753 chaki@att.net
data/01/friends.txt:Gladys Brock (539) 728-2363 lukka@icloud.com
```

You are looking for telephone numbers in the 905 area for your party. Valid numbers are of the form (905) 123 4567, (905) 1234567, 905–123–4567. However, 9051234567, as well as 905) 123 4567, 905–123 4567, are not. Telephone addresses must start at a the beginning of a line or after a separator and must end at the end of a line or a separator. Write a shell command using grep that, from the directory in which it is started, recursively visits all subdirectories and prints those lines of files that contain a telephone number.

```
%%capture output
%%bash
# grep -rE '^(\(905\) [0-9]{3} [0-9]{4})|(\(905\) [0-9]{7})|(905-[0-9]{3}-[0-9]{4})' \data
grep -Er '(\(905\) [0-9]{3} [0-9]{4})|(\(905\) [0-9]{7})|905-[0-9]{3}-[0-9]{4}' \data
```

This command searches for specific phone number patterns in files under the directory named "data" using the grep command with the following options:

print(output) # for testing

- -E option enables the extended regular expression syntax which allows us to use the | character to specify multiple patterns.
- -r option enables recursive search, which means it will search for files in subdirectories as well.

The regular expression pattern being searched for is enclosed in single quotes '...' and consists of three parts separated by the | character:

- (\(905\) [0-9]{3} [0-9]{4}) matches phone numbers in the format (905) xxx xxxx, where x can be any digit from 0 to 9. The backslashes are used to escape the parentheses and prevent them from being interpreted as special characters by the shell.
- 2. (\(905\) [0-9] $\{7\}$ ) matches phone numbers in the format (905) xxxxxxx, where x can be any digit from 0 to 9.
- 3.  $905-[0-9]{3}-[0-9]{4}$  matches phone numbers in the format 905-xxx-xxxx, where x can be any digit from 0 to 9.

```
assert str(output) == """data/03/friends.txt:(905) 123 4567
data/03/friends.txt:(905) 1234567
data/03/friends.txt:905-123-4567
data/02/other-friends.txt:(905) 123 4567
data/02/other-friends.txt:(905) 1234567
data/02/other-friends.txt:905-123-4567
data/01/friends.txt:Emilio Morrison (905) 2877753 cantu@sbcglobal.net
data/01/friends.txt:Ismael Hanson (905) 755 9372 satch@hotmail.com
data/01/friends.txt:Lori Sherman 905-543-7753 chaki@att.net
```

## 10 Extracting Columns from CSV

Consider a file with columns separated by a single comma. Write an sed command to extract and output only the first column. Apply your command to the file data/q.csv:

```
%%writefile data/q.csv
a,b,c
d,e,f
gh,i,jkl
m n o,pq r,stuv1
```

The %%bash cell magic runs the cell in the bash shell; the %%capture output cell magic captures the output of the cell in the Python variable output.

```
%%capture output
%%bash
#sed -r 's/TODO/TODO/g' data/q.csv
sed 's/,.*//' data/q.csv
print(output) # for testing
```

Here is an explanation of the command:

- s/,.\*//
- s/ start of the substitution command
- , matches a comma character

- .\* matches any number of characters after the comma
- // replaces the matched text with nothing (i.e., deletes it)

```
assert str(output) == """a
d
gh
m n o
"""
```

Write an sed command to extract and output the second column

```
%%capture output
%%bash
sed 's/[^,]*,\([^,]*\),.*/\1/' data/q.csv
print(output) # for testing
```

This command uses the sed command to manipulate text in a file named q.csv under the data directory. The sed command is a stream editor that can be used to modify text.

The s command in sed stands for "substitute". The regular expression pattern inside the first pair of forward slashes /.../ matches a specific pattern in the text, and the second part after the second forward slash is the replacement text.

Here is an explanation of the command:

- s/[^,]\*,\([^,]\*\),.\*/\1/
- $\bullet\,$  s/ start of the substitution command
- [^,]\*, matches any character that is not a comma (,) followed by a comma. The asterisk (\*) matches zero or more occurrences of the preceding character class.
- \([^,]\*\), matches any character that is not a comma (,) between two commas and captures it in a group. The parentheses (\( and \) ) define a capture group that can be referred to later with \1.
- .\* matches any number of characters after the captured group.
- \1 replaces the entire matched text with the captured group.

Therefore, the command will search for a pattern in the q.csv file where there are three comma-separated fields and replace the entire line with the second field of each line. The command assumes that the second field of each line does not contain any commas.

```
assert str(output) == """b
e
i
pq r
""""
```

Write an sed command to extract and output the third column

```
%%capture output
%%bash
sed 's/^\([^,]*\),\([^,]*\),\([^,]*\).*/\3/' data/q.csv

# Explanation:

# ^ matches the beginning of a line.
# [^,]* matches zero or more characters that are not a comma.
# \((...\)) creates a capturing group.
# , matches a single comma.
# .* matches any number of characters until the end of the line.
# \3 outputs the contents of the third capturing group.

print(output) # for testing
```

Here is an explanation of the command:

- s/^\([^,]\*\),\([^,]\*\),\([^,]\*\).\*/\3/
- s/ start of the substitution command
- ^ matches the beginning of the line
- \([^,]\*\) matches any character that is not a comma (,) and captures it in a group. The parentheses (\( and \\)) define a capture group that can be referred to later with \1, \2, or \3, depending on which group is being referred to.
- $\bullet$  , matches a comma character
- \([^,]\*\) matches any character that is not a comma (,) and captures
  it in a group.
- , matches another comma character
- \([^,]\*\) matches any character that is not a comma (,) and captures it in a group.
- .\* matches any number of characters after the third captured group.
- \3 replaces the entire matched text with the third captured group.

Therefore, the command will search for a pattern in the q.csv file where there are three comma-separated fields at the beginning of each line and replace the entire line with the third field of each line. The command assumes that each line in the q.csv file has exactly three comma-separated fields at the beginning of the line.

```
assert str(output) == """c
f
jkl
stuv1
"""
```

## 11 Lowercasing HTML tags (sed)

Consider IMG tags in HTML files, as in:

```
%%writefile data/q.html
<img src="PiCtuRe.PnG "/>
<img src="PiCtuRe.PnG"></img>
<img src="PiCtuRe.PnG">alt</img>
<img src="PiCtuRe.PnG"> alt </img>
<img src="PiCtuRe.PnG" />
<img src ="PiCtuRe.PnG" />
<img src = "PiCtuRe.PnG" />
<img onclick="alert('Clicked!')" src = "PiCtuRe.PnG"/>
```

Write an sed command to lowercase SRC values. For example, <img src="PiCtuRe.PnG"> should be replace by <img src="picture.png">.

Note that there can be arbitrary space around src and = and before >.

#### %%capture output

%%bash

Here is an explanation of the command:

- s/ start of the substitution command
- \( . . . \) defines a capture group, which can be referred to later with  $\$  \1
- <img[^>]\*src \*= \*" matches an img tag with an src attribute, and captures everything up to the opening double quote of the src attribute in the first capture group. The [^>]\* matches any characters except the > character, which ends the opening img tag. The src \*= \*" matches the src attribute name and any number of spaces before the opening double quote of the attribute value.
- "\([^"]\*\)" matches the value of the src attribute inside double quotes, and captures it in the second capture group.
- / separates the search pattern from the replacement pattern
- \1 replaces the entire matched text with the first capture group, which is everything before the opening double quote of the src attribute.
- " inserts a double quote character in the replacement pattern
- \L\2 converts the second capture group (the value of the src attribute) to lowercase using the \L command, and inserts it in the replacement pattern.
- " inserts another double quote character in the replacement pattern
- / end of the substitution command

Therefore, the command will search for all img tags with an src attribute in the q.html file, and replace the value of the src attribute with a lowercase version of

itself. The opening double quote of the src attribute value is preserved, and the closing double quote of the src attribute value is replaced with a new closing double quote. Any spaces around the equals sign between the src attribute name and value are also preserved.

```
assert str(output) == """<img src="picture.png "/>
<img src="picture.png"></img>
<img src="picture.png">alt</img>
<img src="picture.png"> alt </img>
<img src="picture.png" />
<img src = "picture.png" />
<img src = "picture.png"/>
<img onclick="alert('Clicked!')" src = "picture.png"/>
"""
```