

Compiler Construction 2025

— Exercise 0 —

General Remarks

- Exercises are *optional*, i.e., not required for admission to exams. However, corrections to students' solutions are provided as annotations to the submissions.
- Please use the corresponding task in the Moodle room to submit your solution. Paper submissions are not accepted.
- Please hand in your solutions in *groups of four* and hand in only one solution per group. You can use the forum in this Moodle room to find group members.

Exercise 1

(0 Points)

Which of the following statements hold?

- (a) Deterministic finite automata (DFA) are strictly less expressive than regular expressions.
- (b) Non-deterministic finite automata (NFA) are strictly more expressive than DFA.
- (c) The regular languages are closed under:
 - (i) union,
 - (ii) intersection,
 - (iii) complement,
 - (iv) concatenation,
 - (v) Kleene closure.
- (d) Context Free Languages (CFL) are closed under:
 - (i) union,
 - (ii) intersection,
 - (iii) complement,
 - (iv) concatenation,
 - (v) Kleene closure.
- (e) DCFL is the set of context free languages that are accepted by deterministic push down automata. Is $DCFL = CFL$?

Exercise 2

(0 Points)

- (a) Describe the language of the following regular expression in words:

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

- (b) Construct the regular expression for...
 - (i) the set of all strings with at most one pair of consecutive 0's and at most one pair of consecutive 1's,
 - (ii) the set of all strings with equal number of 0's and 1's such that no prefix has two more 0's than 1's nor two more 1's than 0's.

- (c) Construct a context free grammar (CFG) for a set of strings of $\{(,)\}^*$ such that every string of the set has equal number of left and right parenthesis, and every prefix has at least as many left parenthesis as right parenthesis.

Exercise 3

(0 Points)

- (a) Let r and s be regular expressions. Consider the set X such that $X = r.X + s$. Under the assumption that the language of r does not contain ε (i.e., $\varepsilon \notin L(r)$), find X .
- (b) (i) Show that the language $L = \{0^{i^2} \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is not regular.
- (ii) Show that the language $L = \{a^i b^i c^i \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is not a CFL.