

① Prove that $C = \{w \mid w \text{ has an equal number of 0's and 1's}\}$ is not regular.

Consider the string $s = 0^p 1^p$

Proof. Assume that C is regular and let p be the pumping length for C .

Choose the string $s = 0^p 1^p \in C$ so that $|s| > p$. By the PL s can be partitioned into 3 pieces $s = XYZ$ such that for all $i \geq 0$, $XY^i Z \in C$.

- Consider the 3 following cases.

1. The partition Y consists of only 0's. Then $s' = XY^2Z = XY^2Z$ has more 0's than 1's. Therefore $s' \notin C$ and Condition 1 of the PL is violated. This is a contradiction for our assumption that C is regular.
2. The partition Y consists of only 1's. Using the same argument as the previous case, we obtain another contradiction.
3. The partition Y consists of 0's and 1's. Then $s' = XY^2Z$ can have the same number of 0's and 1's, but some of the 1's will come before some of the 0's. and violates the terms of the language C . This yields another contradiction with our assumption of regularity.

Therefore, we cannot avoid a contradiction with any Y partition. Thus we conclude that C is not a regular language. \square

② Prove that $F = \{ww \mid w \text{ is a string from } \{0,1\}^*\}$ is not regular.

consider the string $s = 0^p 1 0^p 1$.

Proof. Assume that F is regular and let p be the pumping length for F .

Choose the string $s = 0^p 1 0^p 1 \in F$ so that $|s| < p$. By the PL s can be partitioned into 3 pieces $s = xyz$ such that for all $i \geq 0$, $xy^i z \in F$.

- Let $p = 4$, and the string $s = xyz = \underset{x}{0} \underset{y}{0} \underset{z}{00100001} \in F$.

- Consider the following cases.

1. Let $i = 2$. Then, $s' = xy^2z = xy^2z$. By pumping up, the number of 0's before the first 1 is greater than the number of 0's before the second 1. Clearly $s' \notin F$, and Condition 1 of the PL is violated. This is a contradiction for our assumption that F is regular.

2. Let $i = 0$. Then $s' = xz$. By pumping down, the number of 0's before the first 1 is less than the number of 0's before the second 1. Using the same argument as the previous case, we obtain another contradiction.

Therefore, the string s cannot be pumped up or down without avoiding contradiction.

Thus we conclude that F cannot be a regular language. \square

③ Prove that $A = \{www \mid w \text{ is a string from } \{a, b\}^*\}$ is not regular.

Consider the string $s = a^p b a^p b a^p b$.

Proof. Assume that A is regular and let p be the pumping length for A .

Choose the string $s = a^p b a^p b a^p b \in A$ so that $|s| > p$. By the PL s can be partitioned into 3 pieces $s = xyz$ such that for all $i \geq 0$, $xy^i z \in A$.

- Let $p = 4$, and the string $s = xyz = \begin{matrix} a & a & b & a & a & a & a & b & a & a & a & a & b \end{matrix}$
 $\begin{matrix} x & y & z \end{matrix}$

- Consider the following cases.

1. Let $i = 2$. Then $s' = xy^2z = xy^2z$. By pumping up, the number of a's before the first b is greater than the number of a's before the second and third b's. Clearly $s' \notin A$, and Condition 1 of the PL is violated. This is a contradiction for our assumption that A is regular.

2. Let $i = 0$. Then $s' = xz$. By pumping down, the number of a's before the first b is less than the number of a's before the second and third b's.

Using the same argument as the previous case, we obtain another contradiction.

Therefore, the string s cannot be pumped up or down without avoiding contradiction. Thus we conclude that A cannot be a regular language. \square

④ Prove that $L = \{0^n 1^m 0^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$ is not regular.

Consider the string $s = 0^p 1 0^p$.

Proof. Assume that L is regular and let p be the pumping length for L .

Choose the string $s = 0^p 1 0^p \in L$ so that $|s| < p$. By the PL s can be partitioned into 3 pieces $s = xyz$ such that for all $i \geq 0$, $x y^i z \in L$.

- Let $p = 4$, and the string $S = xyz = 0|0|0010000$.

- Consider the following cases.

1. Let $i = 2$. Then $s' = xyyz = xy^2z$. By pumping up, the number of 0's before the 1 is greater than the number of 0's after the 1.

Clearly $S' \notin L$, and condition 1 of the PL is violated. This is a contradiction for our assumption that L is regular.

2. Let $i=0$. Then $s' = xz$. By pumping down, the number of 0's before the 1 is less than the number of 0's after the 1. Using the same argument as the previous case, we obtain another contradiction.

Therefore, the string s cannot be pumped up or down without avoiding contradiction. \square

Therefore, the string S cannot be pumped.
Thus we conclude that L cannot be a regular language. \square