

Pumping Lemma: If  $L$  is regular then there is a constant  $n$  st.  $\forall w \in L$  with  $|w| \geq n$ ,  $\exists x, y, z \in \Sigma^*$  st.

1.  $w = xyz$
2.  $y \neq \epsilon$
3.  $|xy| \leq n$
4.  $\forall k \geq 0, xy^kz \in L$

Ex 4  $L = \{0^i \mid i \text{ prime}\}$  is not regular.

Proof: Suppose  $L$  is regular. Let  $n$  be the constant from the PL.

Consider  $w = 0^m \in L$  where  $m > n+2$  and  $m$  is prime.

By the PL, there exist  $x, y, z$  st. (1)-(4) are satisfied. Since  $|xy| \leq n$ ,  $x = 0^r$ ,  $y = 0^s$  and  $z = 0^t$  where  $r, t \geq 0$  and  $s \geq 1$ .

Now  $xyz = 0^r 0^s 0^t$  Pump  $y$   $(t+1)$  times.

So  $xy^{t+1}z = 0^r 0^{s(t+1)} 0^t = 0^{(r+t)(s+1)}$

Now  $s+1 > 1$  since  $s \geq 1$ .

$r+t \leq m-s \geq 2$  since  $m \geq n+2$

Hence  $(r+t)(s+1)$  is not a prime. Contradiction.

Ex 4  $L = \{xx \mid x \in \{0,1\}^*\}$  is not regular.

Proof: Suppose  $L$  is not regular, Let  $n$  be the constant in the PL.

Choice of  $w$ :

1.  $w = 0^n 0^n$  X Bad choice
2.  $w = 01^n 01^n$  X Bad choice
3.  $w = 0^n 10^n$  ✓ Will work.

### Closure Properties of Regular Languages

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are regular then so are

- ✓(1)  $L_1 \cup L_2$  (Immediate: Suppose  $L_1 = L(R_1)$ ,  $L_2 = L(R_2)$   
Then  $L_1 \cup L_2 = L(R_1 + R_2)$ )
- ✓(2)  $L_1 \cap L_2$
- ✓(3)  $\bar{L}_1 \triangleq \Sigma^* \setminus L_1$
- ✓(4)  $L_1 \setminus L_2$
- (5) Reversal:  $L_1^R$
- ✓(6) Kleene closure:  $L_1^*$
- ✓(7)  $L_1 L_2$

Complement: Suppose  $L$  is regular and the DFA  $M$  accepts  $L$   
Take  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ .

Then the DFA  $\bar{M} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, Q \setminus F)$ .

Will it work for an NFA  $M$ ?

Intersection  $L_1 \cap L_2 = \overline{(\bar{L}_1 \cup \bar{L}_2)}$  de Morgan

Direct Construction: Product construction

Given DFA  $M_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_{01}, F_1)$   
and  $M_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_{02}, F_2)$   
define DFA  $M = (Q_1 \times Q_2, \Sigma, \delta, (q_{01}, q_{02}), F_1 \times F_2)$   
where  $\delta((q_1, q_2), a) = (\delta_1(q_1, a), \delta_2(q_2, a))$

Set difference  $L_1 \setminus L_2 = L_1 \cap \bar{L}_2$ .

Reversal  $L^R = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \text{the reverse } w^R \text{ of } w \text{ belongs to } L\}$

Exercise: Starting with a DFA  $M$  that accepts  $L$ , define an  $\epsilon$ -NFA  $M^R$  that accepts  $L^R$ .

### Homomorphisms

Def: A homomorphism is a function  $h: \Sigma \rightarrow \Delta^*$  that replaces a symbol from  $\Sigma$  by a string over  $\Delta$ .

Fact: 1. Any homomorphism  $h: \Sigma \rightarrow \Delta^*$  can be extended to a function  $\bar{h}: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Delta^*$  by

(i)  $\bar{h}(\epsilon) = \epsilon$

(ii)  $\bar{h}(ax) = h(a)\bar{h}(x)$   $a \in \Sigma, x \in \Sigma^*$

i.e.  $\bar{h}(a_1 \dots a_n) = h(a_1)h(a_2) \dots h(a_n)$

2. Can extend  $h$  to languages:

$\bar{h}(L) = \{\bar{h}(w) \mid w \in L\}$  where  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$   
homomorphic image of language  $L$

Ex  $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$   $\Delta = \{a,b\}$

$h(0) = ab$   $h(1) = \epsilon$  homomorphism from  $\Sigma$  to  $\Delta$

$h(10^*1) = (ab)^*$

language over  $\Sigma$  language over  $\Delta$