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Claim: The language $A_2 = \{www|w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$ is not regular.

Proof: Suppose A_2 is regular. Let p be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma. Let $s = a^pba^pba^pb$. Because $s \in A_2$ and $|s| \geq p$, by the pumping lemma we can split s into three pieces $s = xyz$ such that for $i \geq 0$ $xy^iz \in A_2$.

Because $|xy| \leq p$ by the pumping lemma, y must consist of all a 's. The string $xyyz$ would have too many a 's, as there would be no way to divide the new string into three equal w 's, and thus $s \notin A_2$. This violates the pumping lemma, therefore A_2 is not regular.

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Claim: The language $B = \{w|w \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ is not a palindrome}\}$ is not regular.

Proof: First we will prove that $B_c = \{w|w \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ is a palindrome}\}$ is not regular. Suppose B_c is regular. Let p be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma. Let $s = 0^p10^p$. Because $s \in B_c$ and $|s| \geq p$, by the pumping lemma we can split s into three pieces $s = xyz$ such that for $i \geq 0$ $xy^iz \in B_c$.

Because $|xy| \leq p$ by the pumping lemma, y must consist of all 0s. The string $xyyz$ would have more 0s before the 1 than after the 1, and therefore $s \notin B_c$. This violates the pumping lemma, therefore B_c is not regular.

Languages are closed under complement, so if B is regular, then B_c would also be regular. Because we proved B_c is not regular, B is not regular.

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Claim: The language $B_2 = \{wtw|w, t \in \{0, 1\}^+\}$ is not regular.

Proof: Suppose B_2 is regular. Let p be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma. Let $s = 1^p001^p0$. Because $s \in B_2$ and $|s| \geq p$, by the pumping lemma we can split s into three pieces $s = xyz$ such that for $i \geq 0$ $xy^iz \in B_2$.

Because $|xy| \leq p$ by the pumping lemma, y must consist of all 1s. The string $xyyz$ adds 1's to the first part of the string, so that for any t , there is no possible w that could exist for s to be in the language, therefore $s \notin B_2$. This violates the pumping lemma, therefore B_2 is not regular.

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Let $\Sigma = \{1, \#\}$.

Claim: The language $Y = \{w|w = x_1\#x_2\#\dots\#x_k \text{ for } k \geq 0, \text{ each } x \in 1^*, \text{ and } x_i \neq x_j \text{ for } i \neq j\}$ is not regular.

Proof: Suppose Y is regular. Let p be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma. Let $s = 1^p\#1^{p+1}\#\dots\#1^{2p}$. Because $s \in Y$ and $|s| \geq p$, by the pumping lemma we can split s into three pieces $s = xyz$ such that for $i \geq 0$ $xy^iz \in Y$.

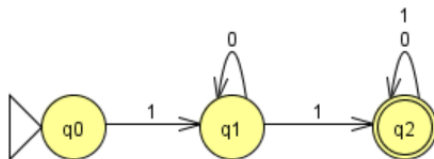
Because $|xy| \leq p$ and $|y| \geq 1$ by the pumping lemma, y must consist of between 1 and p ones. The string $xyyz$ would generate between $p+1$ and $2p$ 1s before the first $\#$. In each case, $s \notin Y$ because some $x_i = x_j$ for $i \neq j$. This violates the pumping lemma, therefore Y is not regular.

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a

Claim: The language $B = \{1^k y \mid y \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } d \text{ contains at least } k \text{ 1s, for } k \geq 1\}$ is regular.

Proof: The following is a DFA that recognizes B .



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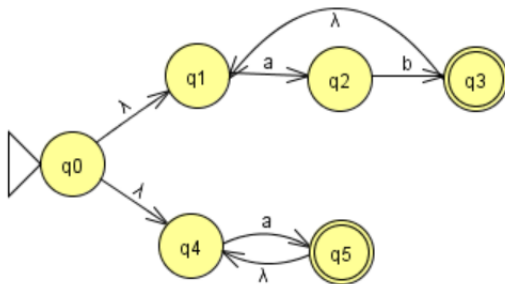
Claim: The language $C = \{1^k y \mid y \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } d \text{ contains at most } k \text{ 1s, for } k \geq 1\}$ is not regular.

Proof: Suppose C is a regular language. Let p be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma. Let $s = 1^p 0 1^p$. Because $s \in C$ and $|s| \geq p$, by the pumping lemma we can split s into three pieces $s = xyz$ such that for $i \geq 0$ $xy^i z \in C$.

Because $|xy| \leq p$ and $|y| \geq 0$ by the pumping lemma, y must consist of 1s. The string xz results in fewer 1s before the 0 than after. Thus d will always have more than k 1s, so $s \notin C$. This violates the pumping lemma, therefore C is not regular.

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The following NFA recognizes the regular expression $a^+ \cup (ab)^+$.



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