

## Tutorial No 2: Finite Automata

Q:1 In each case below, find a string of minimum length in  $\{a, b\}^*$  not in the language corresponding to the given regular expression.

- $b^*(ab)^*a^*$
- $(a^*+b^*)(a^*+b^*)(a^*+b^*)$
- $a^*(baa^*)^*b^*$
- $b^*(a+ba)^*b^*$

Q:2 Consider the two regular expressions

$$r = a^* + b^*$$

$$s = ab^* + ba^* + b^*a + (a^*b)^*$$

- Find a string corresponding to  $r$  but not to  $s$
- Find a string corresponding to  $s$  but not to  $r$
- Find a string corresponding to both  $r$  and  $s$
- Find a string in  $\{a, b\}^*$  corresponding to neither  $r$  nor  $s$

Q:3 Find the regular expression and finite automaton for following languages.

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

- The language of all strings containing exactly two  $a$ 's.
- The language of all strings containing at least two  $a$ 's.
- The language of all strings that do not end with  $ab$
- The language of all strings that begin or end with  $aa$  or  $bb$
- The language of all strings not containing the substring  $aa$ .

**regular language  
lexical analysis  
network protocol**

Q:4 Explain in brief any 3 applications of Finite State Machine.

Q:5 For the following sets, write the corresponding regular expression:

- $\{1, 12, 112, 1112, 11112, \dots\}$   $1 + 1^*2$
- $\{0, 1\}$   $0 + 1$
- $\{a^2, a^4, a^6, a^8, a^{10}, \dots\}$   $a^2 (a^2)^*$
- $\{a^x \mid x \text{ is divisible by 3 or 5}\}$   $(a^3)^* + (a^5)^*$