

# CS & IT Engineering



**Finite Automata:**  
Closure Properties -1

Lecture No:11



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## Previous Class Summary:

↳ Identification of regular languages

# Topics to be covered Today:

→ Closure properties

→ closure

→ Types of operations

→ Domains

→ for finite languages

→ for Infinite languages

\* → for regular languages

→ for nonregular languages

closure (operation)

$(\underbrace{N}_{\text{Domain}}, \underbrace{+}_{\text{operation}})$  is closed

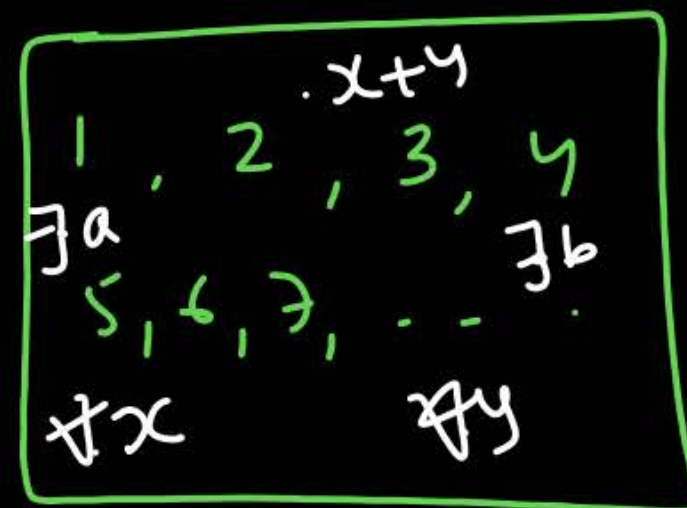
for every 2 elements of  $N$   
 $x, y$

$$x+y \in N$$

$(N, -)$  is not closed

Some 2 elements of  $N$   
 $a, b$

$$a-b \notin N$$



$N$

$a-b \notin N$



$(\mathcal{D}, *)$  is closed

iff

$$\forall L_1 \in \mathcal{D}, \forall L_2 \in \mathcal{D} \Rightarrow L_1 * L_2 \in \mathcal{D}$$

$\mathcal{D} \rightarrow$  set of languages

$*$   $\rightarrow$  any operation

Example:

(set of finite languages,  $\cup$ )

$\hookrightarrow$  closed

Finite  $\cup$  Finite  $\Rightarrow$  Finite

Set of finite languages

- $\{a^n b^n \mid n < 100\}$
- $\{\epsilon, a, abb\}$
- $\{w \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, |w| \leq 10\}$

$(\mathcal{D}, *)$  is not closed

iff

$$\exists L_1 \in \mathcal{D}, \exists L_2 \in \mathcal{D} \Rightarrow L_1 * L_2 \notin \mathcal{D}$$

(Set of Finite sets, Kleene star)

$\hookrightarrow$  is not closed

$$L = \underbrace{\{a\}}_{\text{finite}} \Rightarrow L^* = \underbrace{a^*}_{\in \text{set of finite set}}$$

Set of finite languages

- $F_1 = \phi$
- $F_2 = \{\epsilon\}$
- $F_3 = \{a\}$
- $F_4$
- $F_5$
- $F_6$
- $\vdots$
- $\vdots$
- $\vdots$

$a^*$  points to  $F_3$

closed

↓  
we require proof  
(Algorithm)

Not closed

↓  
we require example



Domain: Set of finite languages

✓ closed / Not closed ✗

$$\bar{L} = \Sigma^* - L$$

$$\overline{\text{Fin}} = \underbrace{\Sigma^*}_{\text{Inf}} - \text{Fin} \Rightarrow \text{Inf}$$

| ① Union          | ✓ | $\text{Fin} \cup \text{Fin} \Rightarrow \text{Fin}$          |
|------------------|---|--|
| ② Intersection   | ✓ | $\text{Fin} \cap \text{Fin} \Rightarrow \text{Fin}$          |
| *** ③ Complement | ✗ | $\overline{\text{Fin}} \Rightarrow \text{Always Infinite}$   |
| ④ Difference     | ✓ | $\text{Fin} - \text{Fin} \Rightarrow \text{Fin}$             |
| ⑤ Concatenation  | ✓ | $\text{Fin} \cdot \text{Fin} \Rightarrow \text{Fin}$         |
| ⑥ Kleene star    | ✗ | $(\text{Fin})^* \Rightarrow \text{may or may not be finite}$ |
| ⑦ Subset         | ✓ | Subset of finite set $\Rightarrow$ finite set                |
| ⑧ Reversal       | ✓ | Reversal of finite set $\Rightarrow$ finite set              |



# Closure Properties

Domain: Set of Infinite languages

$$a^* \cap b^* = \{\epsilon\}$$

✓ closed / Not closed ✗

| ① Union         | ✓ | $\text{Inf} \cup \text{Inf} \Rightarrow \text{Infinite}$        |
|-----------------|---|---|
| ② Intersection  | ✗ | $\text{Inf} \cap \text{Inf} \Rightarrow \text{Need not be Inf}$ |
| ③ Complement    | ✗ | $\overline{\text{Inf}} \Rightarrow \text{Need not be Inf}$      |
| ④ Difference    | ✗ | $\text{Inf} - \text{Inf} \Rightarrow \text{Need not be Inf}$    |
| ⑤ Concatenation | ✓ | $\text{Inf} \cdot \text{Inf} \Rightarrow \text{Inf}$            |
| ⑥ Kleene star   | ✓ | $(\text{Inf})^* \Rightarrow \text{Inf}$                         |
| ⑦ Subset        | ✗ | Subset of Inf set $\Rightarrow \text{Need not be Inf}$          |
| ⑧ Reversal      | ✓ | Reversal of Inf $\Rightarrow \text{Inf}$                        |



# Closure Properties for regular languages:



- ① Union
- ② Intersection
- ③ Complement
- ④ Difference
- ⑤ Concatenation
- ⑥ Reversal
- ⑦ Kleene star
- ⑧ Kleene plus
- ⑨ Subset
- ⑩ Symmetric Difference

- ⑪ Substitution
- ⑫ Homomorphism
- ⑬  $\epsilon$ -free homomorphism
- ⑭ Inverse Homomorphism
- ⑮ prefix(L)
- ⑯ Suffix
- ⑰ Substring
- ⑱ Quotient

- ⑲  $\text{Half}(L) = \frac{1}{2}(L)$
- ⑳ Second Half(L)
- ㉑ one-third(L)
- ㉒ Middle  $\frac{1}{3}(L)$
- ㉓ Last  $\frac{1}{3}(L)$

- ㉔ Finite Union
- ㉕ Finite Intersection
- ㉖ Finite Difference
- ㉗ Finite Concatenation
- ㉘ Finite Subset
- ㉙ Finite Substitution

- ~~㉚~~ Infinite Union
  - ~~㉛~~ Infinite Intersection
  - ~~㉜~~ Infinite Difference
  - ~~㉝~~ Infinite Concatenation
  - ~~㉞~~ Infinite Subset
  - ~~㉟~~ Infinite Substitution

Remember "Not closed operations" for regulars

→ Subset, Inf...

① Union

→ It is closed for regular languages

$Reg_1 \cup Reg_2 \Rightarrow \text{Always Regular}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} L_1 = a^* \\ L_2 = b^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L_1 \cup L_2 = a^* + b^* \\ = a^+ + b^+ + \epsilon \\ = a^+ + b^* \\ = a^* + b^+$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{2} L_1 = a^* \\ L_2 = (a+b)^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L_1 \cup L_2 = L_2 = (a+b)^*$$

proofs:

1) Use Reg Exprs

2) Use RGs

3) Use FAs ( $FA_1 \times FA_2$ )

4) Use E-NFA

⋮



③ If  $L_1 \subseteq L_2$  then  $L_1 \cup L_2 = \underline{\underline{L_2}}$

\*\*\*④ If  $L_1 = \text{Regular}$ , and

$L_2 = \text{Non-regular}$  then  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is Need not be regular

⑤ If  $L_1 = \phi$ ,  $L_2 = a^n b^n$  then  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is Non reg

⑥ If  $L_1 = a^* b^*$ ,  $L_2 = a^n b^n$  then  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is reg



~~Q8~~ GATE \*\*\* (7) If  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is regular then  $L_1$  is may or may not regular

(8) If  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is non regular then  $L_1$  is may or may not regular

(9) If  $L_1$  is reg, and  $L_2$  is reg  $\Rightarrow L_1 \cup L_2$  is always regular

(10) If  $L_1$  is nonregular, and  $L_2$  is nonreg  $\Rightarrow L_1 \cup L_2$  is may or may not regular

$$i) \underbrace{\{a^n b^n\}}_{\text{nonreg}} \cup \overbrace{\{a^n b^n\}}_{\text{nonreg}} \Rightarrow \text{reg}(\Sigma^*)$$

$$ii) \{a^n b^n\} \cup \{a^n b\} \Rightarrow \text{nonreg}(\{a^n b^n\})$$

⑪ If  $L_1$  is finite and  $L_2$  is regular then

$L_1 \cup L_2$  is Regular language  
(may or may not be finite)

⑫ If  $L_1$  is Infinite and  $L_2$  is regular then

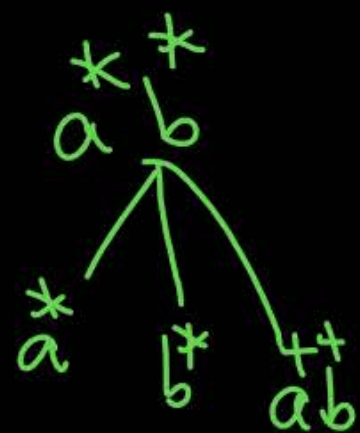
$L_1 \cup L_2$  is Always Infinite (need not be regular)

② Intersection  
 $\rightarrow$  closed for regular languages

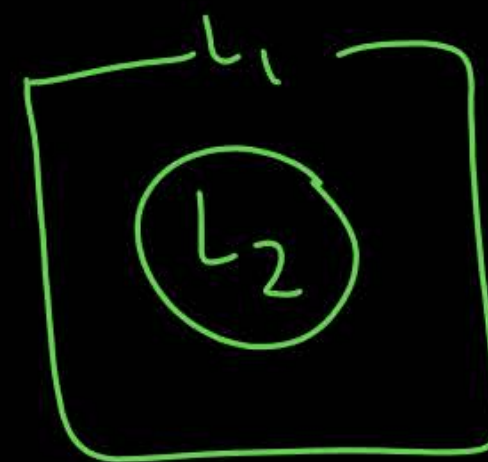
$Reg_1 \cap Reg_2 \Rightarrow$  Always Regular

proof:  $\underbrace{FA_1 \times FA_2}_{\text{composition}}$

$$1) \left. \begin{array}{l} L_1 = \emptyset \\ L_2 = \Sigma^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L_1 \cap L_2 = \emptyset$$



$$2) \left. \begin{array}{l} L_1 = a^*b^* \\ L_2 = a^* + b^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L_1 \cap L_2 = L_2$$



$$L_2 \subseteq L_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 \cap L_2 &= L_2 \\ L_1 \cup L_2 &= L_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$3) \left. \begin{array}{l} L_1 = a^* \\ L_2 = b^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L_1 \cap L_2 \text{ is } \underline{\{ \epsilon \}}$$

$$4) \left. \begin{array}{l} L_1 = (a+b)^* = \Sigma^* \\ L_2 = \text{Any} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L_1 \cap L_2 = \underline{L_2}$$



③ Complement:

→ closed for Regulars

$\overline{\text{Reg}} \Rightarrow \text{Always Regular}$

proof:



$$① \quad L = \phi \Rightarrow \bar{L} = \Sigma^*$$

$$② \quad L = \Sigma^* \Rightarrow \bar{L} = \phi$$

$$③ \quad L = \Sigma^+ \Rightarrow \bar{L} = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$④ \quad L = a(a+ba)^* \Rightarrow \bar{L} = \epsilon + b(a+ba)^*$$

④ Difference

→ closed for regulars

$$\text{Reg}_1 - \text{Reg}_2 \Rightarrow \text{Regular}$$

$$L_1 - L_2 = L_1 \cap \bar{L}_2$$

$$\text{Reg}_1 - \text{Reg}_2 = \text{Reg}_1 \cap \overline{\text{Reg}_2}$$

- $$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} L_1 = \phi, L_2 = \text{Any} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} L_1 - L_2 = \phi \\ L_2 - L_1 = L_2 \end{array} \\ \textcircled{2} L_1 = \Sigma^*, L_2 = \text{Any} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} L_1 - L_2 = \bar{L}_2 \\ L_2 - L_1 = \phi \end{array} \\ \textcircled{3} L_1 = a^*, L_2 = b^* \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} L_1 - L_2 = a^+ \\ L_2 - L_1 = b^+ \end{array} \end{array} \right.$$

⑤ Concatenation:

↳ closed for regular language

$$\text{Reg}_1 \cdot \text{Reg}_2 \Rightarrow \text{Regular}$$

proof:  $\epsilon$ -NFA

$$1) L_1 = \emptyset, L_2 = \text{Any} \Rightarrow L_1 \cdot L_2 = \emptyset$$

$$L_2 \cdot L_1 = \emptyset$$

$$2) L_1 = a^*, L_2 = b^* \Rightarrow L_1 L_2 = a^* b^*$$

$$L_2 L_1 = b^* a^*$$

$$3) L_1 = a^*, L_2 = (a+b)^* \Rightarrow L_1 L_2 = a^* \cdot (a+b)^* = (a+b)^* = L_2$$

$$L_2 L_1 = (a+b)^* \cdot a^* = (a+b)^* = L_2$$



# ⑥ Reversal

→ closed for regulars

(Regular)<sup>Reversal</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  Always Regular

Proof:

1) Use Reg Exp

2) Use E-NFA

$$1) L = \emptyset \Rightarrow L^{\text{Rev}} = \emptyset$$

$$2) L = \Sigma^* \Rightarrow L^{\text{Rev}} = \Sigma^*$$

$$3) L = a\Sigma^* \Rightarrow L^{\text{Rev}} = \Sigma^*a$$

$$4) L = \Sigma^*a \Rightarrow L^{\text{Rev}} = a\Sigma^*$$

$$5) L = a^*b^* \Rightarrow L^{\text{Rev}} = b^*a^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I) } \overline{\overline{L}} &= L \\ \text{II) } (L^{\text{Rev}})^{\text{Rev}} &= L \end{aligned}$$



⑦ Kleene star  
 $\rightarrow$  closed for regular

$$(\text{Reg})^* \Rightarrow \text{Regular}$$

⑧ Kleene plus  
 $\rightarrow$  closed for regular

$$1) L = \emptyset \Rightarrow L^* = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$2) L = \{\epsilon\} \Rightarrow L^* = \{\epsilon\}$$

$$3) L = \Sigma^* \Rightarrow L^* = \Sigma^*$$

$$4) L = a^*b^* \Rightarrow L^* = (a+b)^*$$

$$5) L = a^* + b^* \Rightarrow L^* = (a+b)^*$$

I) If  $L$  is regular  $\Rightarrow L^*$  is also regular  
 II) If  $L^*$  is regular  $\nRightarrow L$  may or may not be regular

# Summary

$U$  ✓

$\cap$  ✓

$\bar{L}$  ✓

$L_1 - L_2$  ✓

$L_1 \cdot L_2$  ✓

$L^{Rev}$  ✓

$L^*$  ✓

$L^+$  ✓

# Thank you

