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(1) The answer is no.

We can use the pumping lemma to prove that the language is not regular.

First we assume that the language is regular.

All regular languages will have a pumping length  $P$ . We can take this and pump our language

$L_1 = 0^P 1^P$ . Given a condition of the pumping lemma that states  $|xy| \leq P$ , we know that what is going to be pumped is within the first  $P$  elements.

Given this we can pump  $1$ 's as it falls in the first  $P$  elements. By doing this we would get a string that looks as follows:  $L_1 = 0^{P+1} 1^P$ . This string is not within our language because it contains more  $1$ 's than  $0$ 's. And once one string has been disproven, it is a proof by contradiction, therefore the language is not regular.

(2) The answer is no.

We can use the pumping lemma to prove that the language is not regular. First we can assume the language is regular. With this there must be a pumping length  $P$  for all regular languages. With this we can set the language equal to  $w$  such that

$W = 1^p 0 1^p 0^p 1 0^p$ . We can split the string into parts  $x y z$ .  $W = \underbrace{1^p 0 1^p}_x \underbrace{0^p}_y \underbrace{1 0^p}_z$  where  $y$  is where

We apply our pumping Constant. We can rewrite  $W$  to match with the conditions of the pumping lemma based on the split above. With a value of  $p=2$  we would get the following

$1^2 0 1^2 0^2 1 0^2 = 1101100100$ . If we split this into parts  $x y z$  from above we can have as follows  
 $\underbrace{11011}_x \underbrace{00}_y \underbrace{100}_z$ , when taken into the form  $x y z$

where we let  $i=2$ , our resulting string would be as follows;  $W = 110111100100$ . This string is not in our language because it contains more 1's than 0's and based on the language the 1's and 0's should be equal which creates a contradiction, proving the language is not regular. Since a contradiction is generated on the first of three conditions, we don't need to test the others.

(3) The answer is 'Yes'.

We can prove that  $L_1$  is a CFL by use of the pumping lemma. Given that for CFL's the process is more or less the same as

regular languages such that there exists a pumping length constant  $P$ . We can take  $L_1$  and make  $W$  such that  $W = 01^P 01^P : P \geq 0$ . For CFL's we have the rules of a.)  $|vxy| \geq 1$  and b.)  $|vxy| \leq P$ . We can take  $W$  and split it into parts such that:

$\underbrace{01}_{u} \underbrace{-10}_{v} \underbrace{-01}_{x} \underbrace{-01}_{y} \underbrace{-01}_{z}$  with this our  $|vxy|$  is within  $P$ .

Also in  $v$  contains all 0s and in  $x$  all 1s.

Because of this when we apply an arbitrary number for  $P$  such as  $P=3$  we would get  $W = 01^3 01^3 = 01110001$  where  $\underbrace{01110001}_{u \ v \ x \ y \ z}$  there exists the

same number of 0s as there are 1s. Therefore  $L_1$  is a CFL.

4.) The answer is NO!

We can prove that  $L_2$  is not a CFL by use of the pumping lemma. If we take the rules from the question above such that  $W \in L$  where  $|vxy| \geq 1$  and  $|vxy| \leq P$ . If we assume that  $L_2$  is a CFL then there must exist a pumping length  $P$ .

We can then make  $W = 1^P 01^P 01^P$  and then we can divide  $W$  into parts  $uvxyz$  as such! If we pick our pumping length to be an arbitrary value such as  $P=5$  we would get  $W = 1^5 01^5 01^5$ .

We can split the string into parts  $UVXYZ$  into a couple different cases, one where  $V$  and  $Y$  only contain one value and one where they contain both 0 and 1.

Case 1:  $V$  contains only 0s,  $Y$  only contains 1s

$$W = 1^5 0^5 1^5 = 11110111100000100000$$

We can split it as such:  $\underbrace{11110}_{U} \underbrace{1111}_{V} \underbrace{1}_{X} \underbrace{00000}_{Y} \underbrace{100000}_{Z}$

We can now take this and check it on  $UV^i X Y^i Z$  to make sure it is in the language  $L_1$  for every  $i > 0$  in this case we will let  $i = 3$  such that  $UV^3 X Y^3 Z =$

$$11110111111111100000000000100000$$

This then results in a final value as such  $L_2 = 1^5 0^{13} 1^3 0^5$  which is not in the language.

Case 2:  $V$  or  $Y$  contain both 0s and 1s

$$W = 1^5 0^5 1^5 = 11110111100000100000$$

Split such as:  $\underbrace{11110}_{U} \underbrace{1111}_{V} \underbrace{1}_{X} \underbrace{00000}_{Y} \underbrace{100000}_{Z}$

We must then again check it against  $UV^i X Y^i Z$  where it is in  $L_2$  for all  $i > 0$

let  $i = 3$  again such that  $UV^3 X Y^3 Z =$

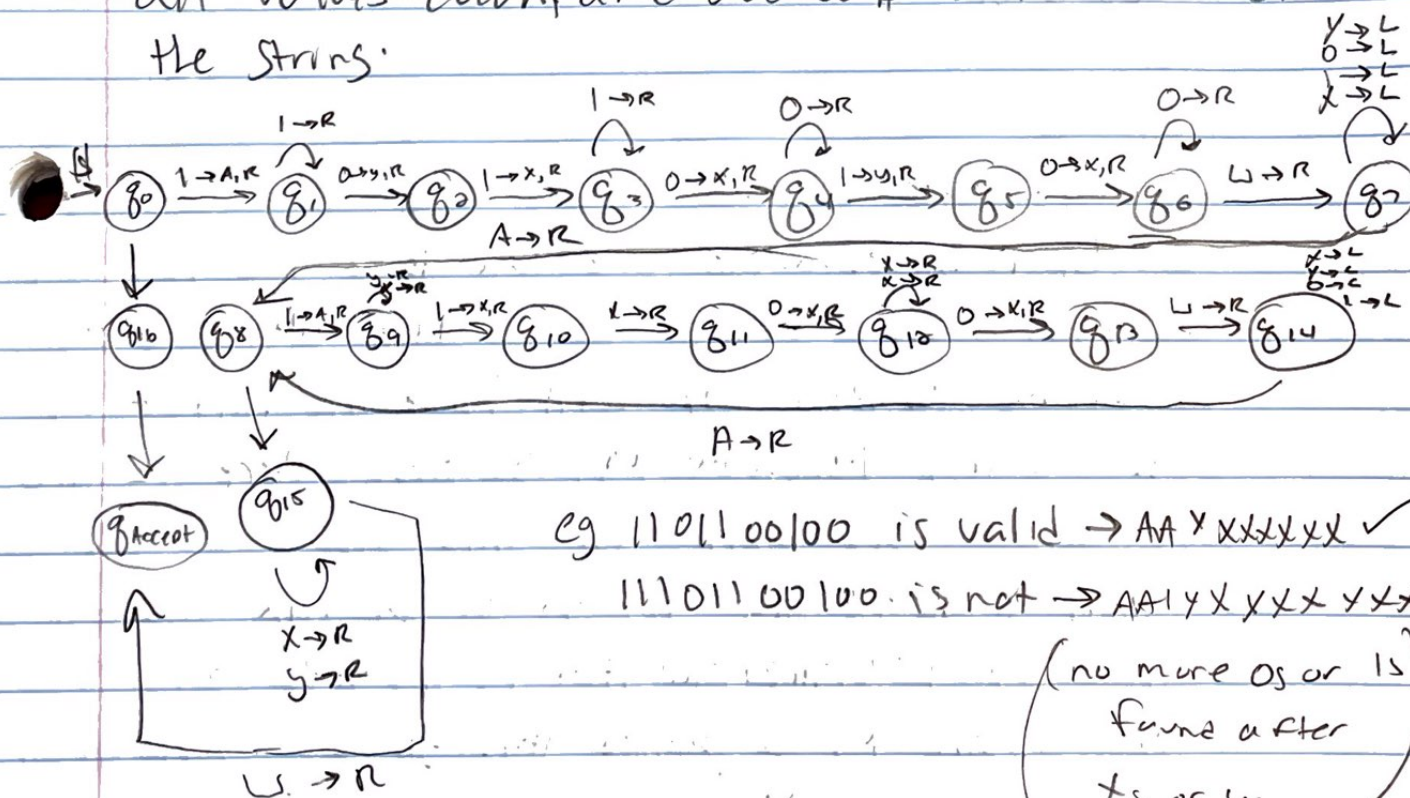
$$= 1111010101010110000000000000100000$$

This results in  $1^5 0^2 1^2 0^1 1^4 0^{11} 1^5$  which is



not in the language  $L_2$ . By these two cases it proves that  $L_2$  is not a CFL by proof of Contradiction.

- (5)  $L_2$  is decidable. The following Turing machine is able to take an input string and determine whether or not it is in the language  $L_2$ . There is an algorithm that is performed beforehand to shift all values down, and add a  $\$$  to the front of the string.



\* All unwritten transitions are considered reject states \*

(6) The answer is yes:

Because  $L_2$  can be proven to be decidable by a Turing machine, it belongs in the set of recursive languages. From this, because  $L_2$  is a recursive language, and a recursive language is a subset of the recursive enumerable languages,  $L_2$  is also a part of the set of recursive enumerable languages. Therefore yes  $L_2 \in E_1$ .

(7) The answer is no:

$L_1$  is undecidable. We can take the halting problem and reduce it to the blank-tape halting problem. We will have an input of a Turing Machine  $M$ . Suppose there is an algorithm that exists for this problem. We will construct one for this. We can assume that the Machine/Algorithm is as follows.

Our input  $M$  is passed through our Algorithm, if it accepts  $M$  halts on blank/empty tape.

If it rejects,  $M$  does not halt. We can then design a machine where input  $M$  and string  $w$ .

When we pass this through the algorithm, if it accepts  $M$  halts on  $w$ , if reject it does not halt on  $w$ . Taking this we can construct

a new Turing Machine  $M_w$  that we will write on a blank tape, then continue like that of TM  $M$ .

With this  $M$  will halt on input  $w$  if and only if  $M_w$  halts when started with a blank tape. By constructing this algorithm as a Turing Machine and given that we know that the halting problem is undecidable, the blank-tape halting problem is also undecidable. Therefore, the language  $L$  is undecidable.