

## 1 DFAs

Describe deterministic finite-state automata that accept each of the following languages over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ . Describe briefly what each state in your DFAs *means*.

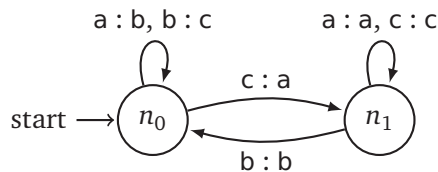
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1. All strings containing the substring **000**.
2. All strings *not* containing the substring **000**.
3. Every string except **000**. [Hint: Don't try to be clever.]
4. All strings in which the number of **0**s is even **and** the number of **1**s is *not* divisible by 3.
5. All strings in which the number of **0**s is even **or** the number of **1**s is *not* divisible by 3.
6. Given DFAs  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ , all strings in  $\overline{L(M_1)} \oplus L(M_2)$ .

Recall that for two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , their symmetric distance  $A \oplus B$  is the set of elements in either  $A$  or  $B$ , but not both.

## 2 Other types of automata

1. A *finite-state transducer* (FST) is a type of deterministic finite automaton whose output is a string instead of just *accept* or *reject*. The following is the state diagram of finite state transducer  $FST_0$ .



Each transition of an FST is labeled at least an input symbol and an output symbol, separated by a colon (:). There can also be multiple input-output pairs for each transitions, separated by a comma (,). For instance, the transition from  $n_0$  to itself can either take a or b as an input, and outputs b or c respectively.

When an FST computes on an input string  $s := \overline{s_0 s_1 \dots s_{n-1}}$  of length  $n$ , it takes the input symbols  $s_0, s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}$  one by one, starting from the starting state, and produces corresponding output symbols. For instance, the input string  $abccba$  produces the output string  $bcacbb$ , while  $cbaabc$  produces  $abbbca$ .

- (a) Each of the following strings is the input of  $FST_0$ . Give the sequence of states entered and the output produced.
  - aaca
  - cbbc
  - bcba

- acbbca
- (b) Assume that  $FST_1$  has an input alphabet  $\Sigma_1$  and an output alphabet  $\Gamma_1$ , give a formal definition of this model and its computation. (Hint: An FST is a 5-tuple with no accepting states. Its transition function is of the form  $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma$ .)
- (c) Give a formal description of  $FST_0$ .
- (d) Give a state diagram of an FST with the following behavior. Its input and output alphabets are  $\{T, F\}$ . Its output string is inverted on the positions with indices divisible by 3 and is identical on all the other positions. For instance, on an input TFTTFTFT it should output FFTFTTTT.

### Work on these later:

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7. All strings  $w$  such that *in every prefix of  $w$* , the number of 0s and 1s differ by at most 1.
8. All strings containing at least two 0s and at least one 1.
9. All strings  $w$  such that *in every prefix of  $w$* , the number of 0s and 1s differ by at most 2.
- \*10. All strings in which the substring 000 appears an even number of times.  
(For example, 0001000 and 0000 are in this language, but 00000 is not.)
11. All strings that are **both** the binary representation of an integer divisible by 3 **and** the ternary (base-3) representation of an integer divisible by 4.  
For example, the string 1100 is an element of this language, because it represents  $2^3 + 2^2 = 12$  in binary and  $3^3 + 3^2 = 36$  in ternary.
- \*12. All strings  $w$  such that  $F_{\#(10, w)} \bmod 10 = 4$ , where  $\#(10, w)$  denotes the number of times 10 appears as a substring of  $w$ , and  $F_n$  is the  $n$ th Fibonacci number:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$