

1 Problems as Languages

For each of the following problems:

- i. Formulate the problem as a language (give an example of the problem instances and how they are encoded, you don't have to write every problem instance).

Note that how you encode the language matters for the regular expression you end up with.

1. Checking whether (or not) a number is divisible by 4). You are given a binary number and need to output if this number is divisible by 4.
2. The sum of two *unary* integers.
3. The game of TicTacToe. You are given a completed tic-tac-toe board and you need to determine who won. Formulate the problem of determining the winner of a TicTacToe game as a language. How large is this language?
4. Given a undirected weighted graph, the shortest path between 2 nodes s and t .

2 Recursive Definitions

Give the recursive definition of the following languages. For both of these you should concisely explain why your solution is correct.

1. A language that contains all strings.
2. A language which holds all the strings containing the substring **000**.
3. A language L_A that contains all palindrome strings using some arbitrary alphabet Σ .
4. A language L_B that does not contain either three **0**'s or three **1**'s in a row. E.g., **001101** $\in L_B$ but **10001** is not in L_B .