

GRADE 100%

Interview Questions: Regular Expressions (ungraded)

TOTAL POINTS 3

1. Challenging REs. Construct a regular expression for each of the following languages over the binary alphabet or prove that no such regular expression is possible:

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- All strings except 11 or 111.
- Strings with 1 in every odd-number bit position.
- Strings with an equal number of 0s and 1s.
- Strings with at least two 0s and at most one 1.
- Strings that when interpreted as a binary integer are a multiple of 3.
- Strings with no two consecutive 1s.
- Strings that are palindromes (same forwards and backwards).
- Strings with an equal number of substrings of the form 01 and 10.

Determine whether the above could be constructed by regular expressions.



Correct

Hint: two are not possible (equal number of 0s and 1s; palindromes).

2. **Exponential-size DFA.** Design a regular expressions of length n such that any DFA that recognizes the same language has 1/1 point an exponential number of states

Exponential-size DFA



/ Correct

 $HInt: n^{th}$ -to-the-last bit equals 0.

3. Extensions to NFA. Add to NFA. java the ability to handle multiway or, wildcard, and the + closure operator.

1 / 1 point

Extensions to NFA



Hint: think about how you need to modify the digraph for multiway or and the + closure operator. What other changes to the algorithm do you need to make?