

HomeWork 7

~~1.2a~~

Use Myhill-Nerode Theorem to prove that the languages are not regular.

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a) $A_1 = \{0^n 1^n 2^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

Consider the set $X = \{0^n \mid n \geq 1\}$. It is clearly infinite. Any two members of X have the form $0^i, 0^j$, where $i \neq j$ and the string $z = 1^i 2^i$ distinguishes them. Since $0^i 1^i 2^i \in L$ and $0^j 1^i 2^i \notin L$, the language is not regular.

c) $A_3 = \{a^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0\}$ (here a^{2^n} means a string of 2^n a's)

Consider the set $X = \{a^{2^{n+1}} \mid n \geq 1\}$ where the string $a^{2^{n+1}}$ is in the language by appending a^{2^n-1} . It is clearly infinite. Any two members of X have the form $a^{2^{i+1}}, a^{2^{j+1}}$, where $i \neq j$. Since i and j are any number in the set of natural numbers, we have an infinite number of equivalent classes. Since this contradicts the theorem telling us regular languages have a finite number of subsets, this language is not regular.

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b) $\{0^m 1^n \mid m \neq n\}$

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c) $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ is not a palindrome}\}$

Prove any language of your choice is regular using Myhill-Nerode theorem. Could you have done the proof with pumping lemma?

$A_2 = \{w \mid w \text{ begins with } 0 \text{ and ends with a } 0\}$

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Consider the following finite list of subsets of Σ^* : $A_2 = \{w \mid w \text{ begins with a 0 and ends with a 0}\}$, $A_1 = \{w \mid w \text{ begins with a 1 and ends with a 1}\}$. Claim the members of A_2 are equivalent to each other, because for any two members, say w^i, w^j where $i \neq j$ and both end and start with a 0, it is the case that $w^i R_L w^j$, since for any $z \in \Sigma^*$, say, w^m , both $w^i w^m$ and $w^j w^m$ are in A_2 if w^m ends with a 0 and both are not in A_2 if w^m ends with a 1. The members of A_1 are all equivalent by a similar argument with the roles of start and end switched. The same logic can be applied to $A_3 = \{w \mid w \text{ begins with 0 and ends with 1}\}$ or $A_4 = \{w \mid w \text{ begins with 1 and ends with 0}\}$. Now clearly every string is either one of the 4 proposed, so $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 = \Sigma^*$. The proof could have been done with the pumping lemma.

2.3

Answer each part for the following context-free grammar G .

$R \rightarrow XRX \mid S$

$S \rightarrow aTb \mid bTa$

$T \rightarrow XTX \mid X \mid \epsilon$

$X \rightarrow a \mid b$

a) what are the variables of G ?

R, S, T, X

b) what are the terminals of G ?

a, b

c) which is the start variable of G ?

R

d) Give three strings in $L(G)$?

$abab, baab, aabbbb$

e) Give three strings not in $L(G)$?

$aaabababbbb$

f) T/F: $T \neq abaa$

False

g) T/F : $T \stackrel{*}{\Rightarrow} aba$
true

h) T/F : $T \Rightarrow T$
False

i) T/F : $T \Rightarrow *T$
true

j) T/F : $XXX \Rightarrow * aba$
true

k) T/F : $X \Rightarrow * aba$
False

l) T/F : $T \Rightarrow * XX$
true

m) T/F : $T \Rightarrow * XXX$
False

n) T/F : $S \Rightarrow * \epsilon$
False

o) Give a description in English of $L(G)$.

The language of strings a, b such that it is not a palindrome

2.4 Give a CFG that generates the following languages
In all parts Σ is $\{0, 1\}$.

a) $\{w \mid w \text{ contains at least 3 1s}\}$

$S \rightarrow X1X1X1X$

$X \rightarrow 0X \mid 1X \mid \epsilon$

b) $\{w \mid w \text{ starts and ends with the same symbol}\}$

$S \rightarrow 0X0 \mid 1X1$

$X \rightarrow 0X \mid 1X \mid \epsilon$

c) $\{w \mid w \text{ the length of } w \text{ is odd}\}$

$S \rightarrow 0S0 \mid 0S1 \mid 1S0 \mid 1S1 \mid 0 \mid 1$

d) $\{w \mid w \text{ the length of } w \text{ is odd and its middle symbol is 0}\}$

$S \rightarrow 0S0 \mid 0S1 \mid 1S0 \mid 1S1 \mid 0$

e) $\{w \mid w = w^R, \text{ that is, } w \text{ is a palindrome}\}$

$S \rightarrow 0S0 \mid 1S1 \mid 011 \mid \epsilon$

f) The empty set

$S \rightarrow \epsilon$

Give a CFG for the language

$\{x \in \{a,b\}^* \mid x \neq ww \text{ for some } w \in \{a,b\}^*\}$

$S \rightarrow aSb \mid bSa \mid a \mid b \mid \epsilon$