

Property 1. *The union of two regular set is regular.*

Proof –

Let us take two regular expressions

$$RE_1 = a(aa)^* \text{ and } RE_2 = (aa)^*$$

So, $L_1 = \{a, aaa, aaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of odd length excluding Null)

and $L_2 = \{\epsilon, aa, aaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of even length including Null)

$$L_1 \cup L_2 = \{\epsilon, a, aa, aaa, aaaa, aaaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$$

(Strings of all possible lengths including Null)

$RE (L_1 \cup L_2) = a^*$ (which is a regular expression itself)

Hence, proved.

Property 2. *The intersection of two regular set is regular.*

Proof –

Let us take two regular expressions

$$RE_1 = a(a^*) \text{ and } RE_2 = (aa)^*$$

So, $L_1 = \{a, aa, aaa, aaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of all possible lengths excluding Null)

$L_2 = \{\epsilon, aa, aaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of even length including Null)

$L_1 \cap L_2 = \{aa, aaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of even length excluding Null)

$RE (L_1 \cap L_2) = aa(aa)^*$ which is a regular expression itself.

Hence, proved.

Property 3. *The complement of a regular set is regular.*

Proof –

Let us take a regular expression –

$RE = (aa)^*$

So, $L = \{\epsilon, aa, aaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of even length including Null)

Complement of L is all the strings that is not in L .

So, $L' = \{a, aaa, aaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of odd length excluding Null)

$RE (L') = a(aa)^*$ which is a regular expression itself.

Hence, proved.

Property 4. *The difference of two regular set is regular.*

Proof –

Let us take two regular expressions –

$RE_1 = a (a^*)$ and $RE_2 = (aa)^*$

So, $L_1 = \{a, aa, aaa, aaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of all possible lengths excluding Null)

$L_2 = \{\epsilon, aa, aaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of even length including Null)

$L_1 - L_2 = \{a, aaa, aaaaa, aaaaaa, \dots\}$

(Strings of all odd lengths excluding Null)

$RE (L_1 - L_2) = a (aa)^*$ which is a regular expression.

Hence, proved.

Property 5. *The reversal of a regular set is regular.*

Proof –

We have to prove L^R is also regular if L is a regular set.

Let, $L = \{01, 10, 11, 10\}$

$RE (L) = 01 + 10 + 11 + 10$

$L^R = \{10, 01, 11, 01\}$

$RE(L^R) = 01 + 10 + 11 + 10$ which is regular

Hence, proved.

Property 6. *The closure of a regular set is regular.*

Proof –

If $L = \{a, aaa, aaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of odd length excluding Null)

i.e., $RE(L) = a(aa)^*$

$L^* = \{a, aa, aaa, aaaa, aaaaa, \dots\}$ (Strings of all lengths excluding Null)

$RE(L^*) = a(a)^*$

Hence, proved.

Property 7. *The concatenation of two regular sets is regular.*

Proof –

Let $RE_1 = (0+1)^*0$ and $RE_2 = 01(0+1)^*$

Here, $L_1 = \{0, 00, 10, 000, 010, \dots\}$ (Set of strings ending in 0)

and $L_2 = \{01, 010, 011, \dots\}$ (Set of strings beginning with 01)

Then, $L_1 L_2 =$

$\{001, 0010, 0011, 0001, 00010, 00011, 1001, 10010, \dots\}$

Set of strings containing 001 as a substring which can be represented by an RE – $(0 + 1)^*001(0 + 1)^*$

Hence, proved.