

# TDT4205 Problem Set 1

## Spring 2016

Answers are to be submitted by *It's Learning*, by Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 20:00.

Please submit your answers as an archive *username.tar.gz* containing a PDF file with answers to theoretical questions, and a code directory like the provided one, containing all files required to build your solution. **Note that this deadline is due to the formal registration deadline for the course. It is highly recommended that you complete this exercise within a week, as further problem sets will be issued.**

### 1 Regular Languages

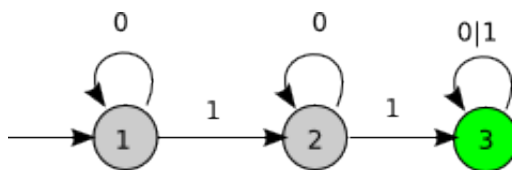


Figure 1: DFA (Initial state 1, accepting state 3)

#### 1.1

Consider the set of binary strings  $\Sigma^*$  when  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ . Which of these strings are **not** accepted by the DFA in Fig. 1?

(A verbal description suffices to answer this question, formal notation is not required.)

#### 1.2

Write a regular expression for language of complex numbers in (finite) decimal notation, e.g. 0, 127.5,  $2.7182 - 3.1425i$ ,  $0 + 3i$ , etc. (Assume that any pure imaginary number will still be written with the real part, i.e. with prefix 0+ or 0-, and use character classes, positive closure and zero-or-one-instance notation as in Dragon 3.3.5.)

#### 1.3

Is the notation for regular expressions (Dragon 3.3.3) itself a regular language? Justify your answer.

## 2 A Simple Language for Drawing Lines

These exercises will be concerned with a minimal toy language to create simple line drawings on a page. The context is that of an imaginary pencil point initially located near the top left corner of the page. It is controlled by the three commands `turn`, `draw`, `move`, and `end`:

- `Draw` draws a line of fixed length at a given angle (initially, straight towards the right), leaving the pencil point at its end.
- `Turn` alters the angle of the next step by 30 clockwise.
- `Move` shifts the point by one step without drawing the line in between.
- `End` terminates the program.

The three operations are already implemented as the functions `turn()`, `draw()` and `move()`; what remains to be implemented is an automaton which recognizes the corresponding keywords from a text stream, and calls the appropriate function. The three keywords are to be case-insensitive (i.e. `turn`, `TuRn` and `TURN` are all correct). Characters not part of a command are to be ignored, such that text, whitespace and commands may be freely mixed in the input.

*Note: this specification is somewhat open to interpretation - if you find some ambiguity, select an interpretation and state the reason for your choice.*

### 2.1

Draw a deterministic finite automaton which recognizes the three specified commands and consumes/ignores other input until a word has been recognized.

### 2.2

The provided archive *pencil.tgz* contains code to translate the specified language into a postscript graphics file, except that it is missing a scanner. Implement your DFA from the previous task in `scanner.c`, to complete the program.