

Introduction to the Theory of Computation

Homework 3

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1. Exercise 1.18(a),(d),(i),(l),(m),(n).
2. Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$. Find a regular expression corresponding to the language L which is recursively defined as follows.
 - $\varepsilon \in L$, or
 - $001x \in L$ if $x \in L$, or
 - $x11 \in L$ if $x \in L$.
3. Give a regular expression corresponding to the language of all strings over $\{a, b\}$ that contain no more than one occurrence of the string $aaaa$. (The string $aaaaa$ should be viewed as containing two occurrences of $aaaa$.) Your regular expression should not be overly complicated.
4. Exercise 1.19.
5. Prove the following using structural induction. Given an alphabet Σ , for any string $x \in \Sigma^*$, there exists a regular expression R over Σ such that $L(R) = \{x\}$.
6. Prove the following using mathematical induction. Given an alphabet Σ , for any $n \in \mathcal{N}$ and any language $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$, if $|L| = n$, then there exists a regular expression R such that $L(R) = L$. (You should also make use of the previous result.)