Introduction to the Theory of Computation

Lecture M3: Module 3 Recap

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# Today we will...



- Announcements
- Recap what we learned in CS 420
- Discuss what work/didn't work in CS 420
- Go over sample exercises for mini-test 3
- Course evaluation

# Announcements

# Mini Test 3

Where: Y02-2330, 2<sup>nd</sup> University Hall

When: from 5:30pm until 6:45pm

# CSM Undergraduate Research Fellowships



#### Want to do research?

CSM students applying for this Fellowship need to:

- Identify a potential topic of research and a potential research group.
- Demonstrate an excellent academic standing with a minimum grade point average (GPA)
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  - Logic programming using a proof assistant

# What work/didn't work in CS 420?

Do you think using a proof assistant helped you?

Do you think we should devote *more* time learning to use a proof assistant?

# Mini Test 3 Primer

#### Mini Test 3 overview



- 50 points for Sections 4.1 and 4.2 (HW7 + Exercises in Lesson 20)
- around 10 points for Section 5.1
- around 40 points for Section 5.3
- Level 1: 60 points
- Level 2: 25 points
- Level 3:15 points

# Exercise 1 (Level 1)



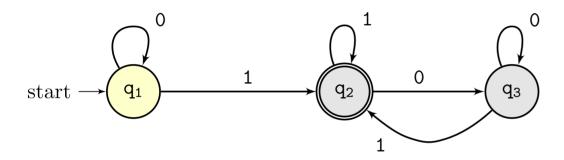
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#### Let D be the DFA below



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  angle \in A_{DFA}$ ?
- Exercise 2.2: Is  $\langle D, 101 \rangle \in A_{DFA}$ ?
- Exercise 2.3: Is  $\langle D \rangle \in A_{DFA}$ ?

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- Exercise 2.5: Is  $\langle D 
  angle \in E_{DFA}$ ?
- Exercise 2.6: Is  $\langle D,D 
  angle \in EQ_{DFA}$ ?
- Exercise 2.7: Is  $101 \in A_{REX}$ ?

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def EQ_REX(R1, R2):
    return EQ_DFA(REX_TO_DFA(R1), REX_TO_DFA(R2))
```

Similar examples: give a decider for

- $A_{NFA}$ ,  $A_{REX}$ ,  $A_{PDA}$  (Lesson 17)
- $EQ_{\mathsf{DFA}}$  (Lesson 18)
- $EQ_{\mathsf{DFAREX}}$  (Exercise 4.2) (or any combination therein)
- *ALL*<sub>DFA</sub> (Exercise 4.3)
- $A\epsilon_{\mathsf{CFG}}$  (Exercise 4.4)

- $\{\langle R,S \rangle \mid R,S \text{ are regex} \land L(R) \subseteq L(S)\}$  is decidable (Problem 4.13)
- $\{\langle R \rangle \mid R \text{ is regex over } \{0,1\} \land w \text{ contains } 111 \land w \in L(G)\}$  (Exercise 4.16)

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**Solution:**  $A_{TM}$  is recognizable (in proof of Theorem 4.11, page 202) and undecidable (Theorem 4.11).

Tip: build a table of (co-)recognizable, decidable, undecidable, and (co-)unrecognizable languages

• Think of A, E, EQ for DFA, CFG, and TM

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**Proof.** Apply Corollary 5.23 since  $A_{\rm TM}$  is undecidable (Theorem 4.11) and  $A_{\rm TM} \leq_{\rm m} HALT_{\rm TM}$  (hypothesis).

#### More examples

- Show that  $\overline{HALT}_{\mathrm{TM}}$  is unrecognizable.
- Show that  $HALT_{\mathsf{TM}}$  is undecidable. (Exercise 5.24/Lesson 22)
- Show that  $A_{\mathsf{TM}}$  is recognizable via mapping reducibility. (Lesson 22)

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#### Proof.

- 1.  $A_{DFA} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} A_{TM}$  by Exercise 5.6, (H1)  $A_{CFG} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} A_{TM}$ , (H2)  $A_{DFA} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} A_{CFG}$ .
- 2.  $A_{DFA}$  is recognizable, by Exercise 5.22, (1)  $A_{DFA} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} A_{TM}$ , and (H3).

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#### Proof.

- 1.  $\overline{B} \leq A_{TM}$  , by Lemma R.2, (H1)  $\overline{A}_{TM} \leq B$  , and  $A_{TM}$  recognizable (pp 202).
- 2.  $\overline{B}$  is recognizable, by Exercise 5.22 and (1)  $\overline{B} \leq A_{TM}$  .

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- 1.  $\overline{A}_{\mathsf{TM}} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} \overline{HALT}_{\mathsf{TM}}$ , by Theorem R.1 and  $A_{\mathsf{TM}} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} HALT_{\mathsf{TM}}$  (exercise 5.24)
- 2.  $\overline{HALT}_{\mathsf{TM}}$  is unrecognizable, by Corollary 5.29,  $\overline{A}_{\mathsf{TM}} \leq_{\mathrm{m}} \overline{HALT}_{\mathsf{TM}}$  (1), and  $\overline{A}_{\mathsf{TM}}$  is unrecognizable (Corollary 4.23)

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Let r2n be the function that converts a regular expression into an NFA and n2d be the function that converts an NFA into a DFA.

- 1.  $EQ_{DFAREX} \leq_m EQ_{DFA}$  with  $F(\langle D,R \rangle) = \langle D, n2d(r2n(R)) 
  angle$ .
  - $\circ$  Unfold  $\leq_m$ . Goal:  $\langle D,R
    angle \in EQ_{DFAREX} \iff F(\langle D,R
    angle) \in EQ_{DFA}$
  - $\circ$  Unfold  $EQ_{DFAREX}$  ,  $EQ_{DFA}$  , and F . Goal:  $L(D) = L(R) \iff L(D) = n2d(r2n(R))$
  - $\circ$  Rewrite goal with  $\forall N, L(n2d(N)) = L(N)$  and  $\forall R, r2n(R) = L(R)$ . Goal:  $L(D) = L(R) \iff L(D) = L(R)$ . Proof: trivial, since  $\forall P, P \iff P$ .
- 2.  $EQ_{DFAREX}$  is decidable, by Theorem 5.22, (1)  $EQ_{DFAREX} \leq_m EQ_{DFA}$ , and  $EQ_{DFA}$  decidable (Theorem 4.5).

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#### Continuation...

- The proof has two main parts: 1) showing that the given language map-reduces to a decidable language and 2) use Theorem 5.22 to conclude.
- Whenever you say that  $A \leq_m B$  be clear about which **function** reduces A to B.

#### More examples

See HW7

#### Exercise 9 (Level 3)



#### Hint...

Combine Lemma R.1, R.2, R.3, Exercise 5.6, Exercise 5.22, and decidability, recognizability to relate the recognizability/decidability between mapping-reducible languages.

# Thank you!