

## Tutorial 7

1. Describe the languages recognized by the following CFGs.
  - (a)  $S \rightarrow aSa \mid bSb \mid SS \mid \varepsilon$
  - (b)  $S \rightarrow aSb \mid bY \mid Ya;$   
 $Y \rightarrow bY \mid aY \mid \varepsilon$
  - (c)  $E \rightarrow 0 \mid 1 \mid E + E \mid E \times E \mid (E)$
2. Give CFG and PDA for the following context-free languages.
  - (a)  $\{a^n b^m c^k \mid m = n + k\}$
  - (b)  $\{a^n b^m c^k \mid k \neq n + m\}$
  - (c)  $\{w \mid w \in \Sigma^*, w \text{ has odd length and the middle letter is } a\}$
  - (d)  $\{w\#x \mid w, x \in \Sigma^*, w^R \text{ is a substring of } x\}$
  - (e)  $\{w \mid \#_a(w) \leq 2 \cdot \#_b(w)\}$
  - (f)  $\{w\#w' \mid w, w' \in \Sigma^* \text{ and } w \neq w'\}$
3. Use pumping lemma for Context Free languages to show that the following languages are not context free.
  - (a)  $\{0^n \mid n \text{ is a prime}\}$
  - (b)  $\{0^i 1^j \mid j = i^2\}$
  - (c)  $\{a^n b^n c^i \mid n \leq i \leq 2n\}$
4. Recall the following problem from the midsem.

A finite state transducer is a finite state machine that reads the given input and outputs a string. Formally, it is a machine  $A$  given by the following components  $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, F)$ . Here  $Q$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $q_0$ , and  $F$  are as in a usual DFA, i.e.  $Q$  is a set of states,  $\Sigma$  is the input alphabet,  $q_0$  is the initial state, and  $F$  is a set of final states. The set  $\Gamma$  is the output alphabet.

Finally, the transition function is given by:  $\delta \subseteq Q \times \Sigma \cup \{\varepsilon\} \times \Gamma \cup \{\varepsilon\} \times Q$ . If  $(q, a, b, r) \in \delta$  then it means that from state  $q$  reading the letter  $a$  the machine outputs a letter  $b$  and goes to state  $r$ .

We define  $\hat{\delta}$  as follows:

- $\forall q \in Q \ (q, \varepsilon, \varepsilon, q) \in \hat{\delta}$ ,
- $\delta \subseteq \hat{\delta}$ , and
- if  $(q, x, y, r) \in \hat{\delta}$  and  $(r, a, b, s) \in \delta$  then  $(q, x \cdot a, y \cdot b, s) \in \hat{\delta}$ .

**Definition 0.1.** We say that two strings  $x \in \Sigma^*$  and  $y \in \Gamma^*$  are related by  $A$ , denoted as  $x \sim_A y$  if and only if  $\exists f \in F$  such that  $(q_0, x, y, f) \in \hat{\delta}$ .

Let  $L(\Sigma \rightarrow_A \Gamma) = \{(x, y) \mid x \in \Sigma^*, y \in \Gamma^*, \text{ and } x \sim_A y\}$ . We will call this the transduction of  $A$ .

- (a) Let  $\Sigma, \Gamma$  be finite alphabets. Give a construction of a finite state transducer  $A$  such that

$$L(\Sigma \rightarrow_A \Gamma) = \{(a^n, b^n) \mid n \geq 0\}.$$

- (b) Let  $A$  be an FST and let  $\Sigma, \Gamma$  be finite alphabets. Prove that there is a another FST  $B$  such that the transduction of  $B$  is the following set:  $\{(y, x) \mid y \in \Gamma^*, x \in \Sigma^*, x \sim_A y\}$ .
- (c) Prove that FSTs are closed under the union operation. That is, if  $A$  and  $B$  are two FSTs and  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are the two transduction realized by them, respectively then there is another transducer  $C$  such that the transduction of  $C$  is equal to  $L_1 \cup L_2$ .
- (d) Let  $L, L'$  be two regular languages. Prove that there is a an FST  $A$  such that the transduction of  $A$  is the following set:  $\{(x, y) \mid x \in L, y \in L'\}$ .
- (e) Let  $L_A = \{x \cdot y^R \mid x \in \Sigma^*, y \in \Gamma^*, x \sim_A y\}$ . Prove that if  $A$  is a finite state transducer and  $\sim_A$  is as defined above then  $L_A$  is a context-free language. (Prove this without assuming that  $\Sigma \cap \Gamma = \emptyset$ ).
- (f) Let  $L = \{(a^n b^n, c^n) \mid n \geq 0\}$ . Using the part (b) above and results proved in class, show that there does not exist a finite state trasducer  $A$  such that  $L_A = L$ .
- (g) Using the part (d) above prove that FSTs are not closed under the intersection operation.
- (h) Give a polynomial time algorithm for the following problem.  
 Given: FST  $A, x \in \Sigma^*, y \in \Gamma^*$   
 Check: is  $x \sim_A y$ ?