

BLG 311E – FORMAL LANGUAGES AND AUTOMATA
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HOMEWORK 3

1. Let α be a relation defined over the set $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$, expressed with the following matrix.

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. Express α as a relation graph.
 - b. Find $rs(\alpha)$ and $sr(\alpha)$ and show that they are equal.
 - c. Find $st(\alpha)$ and $ts(\alpha)$ and show that $st(\alpha) \subseteq ts(\alpha)$.
2. Design context-free grammars for the following languages:
- a. The set $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$, that is, the set of all strings of one or more 0's followed by an equal number of 1's.
 - b. The set $\{a^i b^j c^k \mid i \neq j \text{ or } j \neq k\}$, that is, the set of strings of a's followed by b's followed by c's, such that there are either a different number of a's and b's or a different number of b's and c's, or both.
3. Consider the following grammar.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow AbB \\ A &\rightarrow aA \mid \Lambda \\ B &\rightarrow aB \mid bB \mid \Lambda \end{aligned}$$

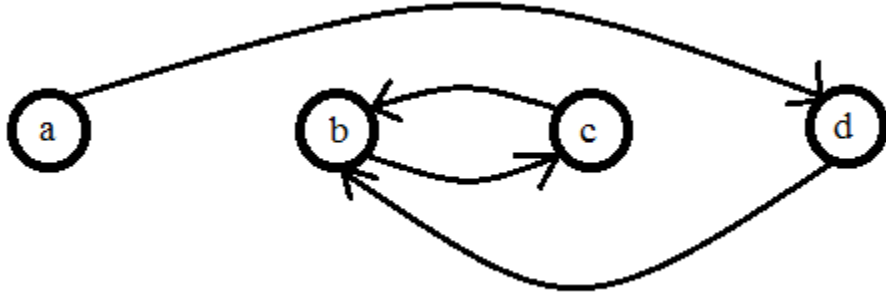
- a. Find the language generated by the grammar.
- b. What is the type of the grammar according to Chomsky hierarchy? Why?
- c. Design another grammar with a more restrictive type that generates the same expression you found in (a). (e.g. if the given grammar is Type-1 design a Type-2 or Type-3 grammar.)
- d. What is the type of the grammar you designed in (c)? Why?

IMPORTANT: You must do this homework by hand and submit it using the box in the department secretariat.

SOLUTIONS:

1.

a. $\alpha = \{(a, d), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b)\}$



b.

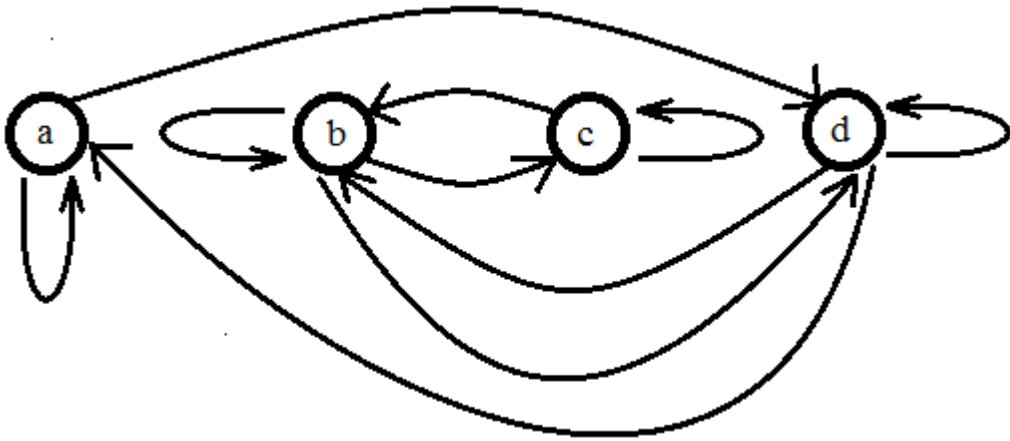
$\alpha = \{(a, d), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b)\}$

$s(\alpha) = \{(a, d), (d, a), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b), (b, d)\}$

$rs(\alpha) = \{(a, d), (d, a), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b), (b, d), (a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d)\}$

$r(\alpha) = \{(a, d), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b), (a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d)\}$

$sr(\alpha) = \{(a, d), (d, a), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b), (b, d), (a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d)\}$



Both closures are the same.

c.

$\alpha^1 = \{(a, d), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b)\}$

$\alpha^2 = \{(a, b), (b, b), (c, c), (d, c)\}$

$\alpha^3 = \{(a, c), (b, c), (c, b), (d, b)\}$

$\alpha^4 = \{(a, b), (b, b), (c, c), (d, c)\} = \alpha^2$

$\forall n \geq 2 \quad \alpha^{n+2} = \alpha^n$

$t(\alpha) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha^i = \alpha^1 \cup \alpha^2 \cup \alpha^3$

$t(\alpha) = \{(a, b), (a, c), (a, d), (b, b), (b, c), (c, b), (c, c), (d, b), (d, c)\}$

$st(\alpha) = \{(a, b), (a, c), (a, d), (b, a), (b, b), (b, c), (b, d), (c, a), (c, b), (c, c), (c, d), (d, a), (d, b), (d, c)\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
s(\alpha)^1 &= \{(a, d), (b, c), (b, d), (c, b), (d, a), (d, b)\} \\
s(\alpha)^2 &= \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, a), (b, b), (c, c), (c, d), (d, c), (d, d)\} \\
s(\alpha)^3 &= \{(a, c), (a, d), (b, c), (b, d), (c, a), (c, b), (d, a), (d, b)\} \\
s(\alpha)^4 &= \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, a), (b, b), (c, c), (c, d), (d, c), (d, d)\} = s(\alpha)^2 \\
\forall n \geq 2 \quad s(\alpha)^{n+2} &= s(\alpha)^n
\end{aligned}$$

$$ts(\alpha) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} s(\alpha)^i = s(\alpha)^1 \cup s(\alpha)^2 \cup s(\alpha)^3$$

$$ts(\alpha) = \{(a, a), (a, b), (a, c), (a, d), (b, a), (b, b), (b, c), (b, d), (c, a), (c, b), (c, c), (c, d), (d, a), (d, b), (d, c), (d, d)\}$$

$$st(\alpha) \subseteq ts(\alpha)$$

2. a.

$$S \rightarrow 0S1 \mid 01$$

b.

$$S \rightarrow AB \mid BC \mid AC \mid DC \mid AE$$

$$A \rightarrow aA \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow bB \mid b$$

$$C \rightarrow cC \mid c$$

$$D \rightarrow aDb \mid A \mid B$$

$$E \rightarrow bEc \mid B \mid C$$

To understand how this grammar works, observe the following:

- A generates one or more a 's.
- B generates one or more b 's.
- C generates one or more c 's.
- D first generates an equal number of a 's and b 's, then produces either one or more a 's (via A) or one or more b 's (via B).
- Similarly, E generates unequal numbers of b 's then c 's.

3. a. $a^*b\{a,b\}^*$

b. It is type-0 since length of the left side is not always smaller than or equal to the length of the right side.

c. You can design any Type-1, 2 or 3 grammar. A type 2 example is given below.

$$S \rightarrow b \mid Ab \mid AbB \mid bB$$

$$A \rightarrow aA \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow aB \mid bB \mid a \mid b$$

d. It is type-2 since (1) length of the left side is always smaller than or equal to the length of the right side, and (2) left side always consists of a single nonterminal. It is not type-3 because there are multiple nonterminals in the right side (AbB).