

Module-2 :- Regular Expression :-

- 1) The language accepted by FA can be easily described by simple expressions called R.E.
- 2) It is the most effective way to represent any language.
- 3) The languages accepted by some regular expressions are referred as regular languages.
- 4) A R.E can be described as a sequence of pattern that defined a string.

* Regular Set:- Any set represented by a regular expression is called as regular set.

Eg:- Σ^* denotes the set $\{\Sigma, \Sigma, \Sigma, \dots\}$
 Σ^+ denotes the set $\{\Sigma, \Sigma\Sigma, \dots\}$.

If a, b are the elements of Σ then regular expression

1) a denotes the set $\{a\}$.

2) a^+b denotes the set $\{a^+b\}$

3) ab denotes the set $\{ab\}$

4) a^* denotes the set $\{\Sigma, a, aa, \dots\}$

5) $(a+b)^*$ denotes the set $\{\Sigma, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, \dots\}$

* Operations :-

\Rightarrow Union of 2 RE R_1 and R_2 is RE $R \Rightarrow R_1 \cup R_2 = R$.
Eg:- a is RE R_1 ; b is RE $R_2 \Rightarrow R = a+b$

\Rightarrow Concatenation of 2 RE R_1, R_2 written as $R_1 \cdot R_2$ is also a RE. $(R \Rightarrow R_1 \cdot R_2)$ Eg:- a, b are RE of R_1, R_2 then $R = a \cdot b$

\Rightarrow Iteration (closure) :-
Kleene closure $\rightarrow \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} L^i = L^0 \cup L^1 \cup L^2 \dots$
Positive closure $\rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} L^i = L^1 \cup L^2 \cup L^3 \dots$

These are all the operations on Regular Expressions

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If a, b are the elements of Σ then regular expressions

→ a denotes the set $\{a\}$.

→ $a+b$ denotes the set $\{a, b\}$.

→ ab denotes the set $\{ab\}$.

→ a^* denotes the set $\{\epsilon, a, aa, \dots\}$

→ $(a+b)^*$ denotes the set $\{\epsilon, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, aaa, \dots\}$.

* Representing the regular set by regular expression:-

<u>Regular Set</u>	<u>Regular Expression</u>
$\{101\}$	101
$\{\epsilon, a\}$	a
$\{\epsilon, a, aa, ab, ba, bb, \dots\}$	$(a+b)^*$
$\{ab, ba\}$	$ab+ba$

* Describing the following sets by Regular Expression:-

1) All strings of 0's and 1's:- The language has the elements $\{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, 000, \dots\}$. Hence the regular expression is $(0+1)^*$.

2) Set of all strings of 0's and 1's ending in 00:- The language has the elements $\{00, 000, 100, 0000, 0100, 1000, 1100, 00000, \dots\}$. This can be written as $\{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10,$

11, 000, ... 300. Hence the regular expression is $(0+1)^*00$.

3) Set of all strings 0's and 1's begin with 0 and ending with 1 :- The language has the elements $\{01, 001, 0001, 0011, 0101, 0111, 00001, \dots\}$. This can be written as $0\{ \epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 11, 000, \dots \}1$. Hence the regular expression is $0(0+1)^*1$.

4) Set of all strings having even no. of 1's :- The language has the elements $\{ \epsilon, 11, 1111, 111111, 11111111, \dots \}$. Hence the regular expression is $(11)^*$.

5) Set of all strings having odd number of 1's :- The language has the elements $\{1, 111, 11111, 1111111, \dots\}$. This can be written as $\{ \epsilon, 11, 1111, 111111, 11111111, \dots \}1$. Hence the regular expression is $1(11)^*$ or $(11)^*1$.

Note: 1^* is wrong as $(11)^* + 1(11)^* = 1^*$

6) Strings of 0's and 1's with at least two consecutive 0's :- The language has the elements $\{00, 000, 001, 100, 0000, 0010, 0011, 0100, 1000, 1100, 00001, \dots\}$. These strings can be generated by a regular expression $(0+1)^*00(0+1)^*$.

7) All strings of 0's and 1's beginning with 1 or 0 and not having two consecutive 0's :- $11111 \dots 1^*$ is allowed.
 $101010 \dots (10)^*$ is allowed.

Regular expression for strings with 0's and 1's that do not have two consecutive 0's is $(1+10)^*$ but here string starts with only 1 hence alter expression to start

String even with 0. Hence the regular expression is $(0+1)^*(1+0)^+$.

8) Set of all strings ends with 011:- The language has the elements $\{011, 0011, 1011, 00011, 01011, 10011, 11011, \dots\}$. This can be written as $\{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, 000, \dots\}011$. Hence the regular expression is $(0+1)^*011$.

9) Set of all strings with atleast one 0, 1, one 2:- The language has the elements $\{012, 0012, 0112, 0122, 00112, 00122, 01122, 001122, \dots\}$. Hence the regular expression is $0^+1^+2^+$.

10) Set of all strings of 0's and 1's whose last two symbols are the same: The language has the elements $\{00, 11, 011, 000, 0011, 0111, 0100, 0000, \dots\}$. Hence the regular expression is $(0+1)^*(00+11)$.

11) Set of strings in which every 0 is immediately followed by atleast two 1's:-

→ Note: To find the RE consider two possibilities:-

(i) strings with only 1's.

(ii) Every 0 preceded by 11 i.e., 011.

Hence $(1+011)^*$.

12) Set of all strings with 1100 as sub string is $(0+1)^*1100(0+1)^*$:- The language has the elements $\{1100, 11000, 11001, 11100, 110000, 110010, 110011, 011100, 111000, 111100, 1100001, \dots\}$. These strings can be generated by a regular expression $(0+1)^*00(0+1)^*$.