

# CS581 Theory of Computation: Homework #4

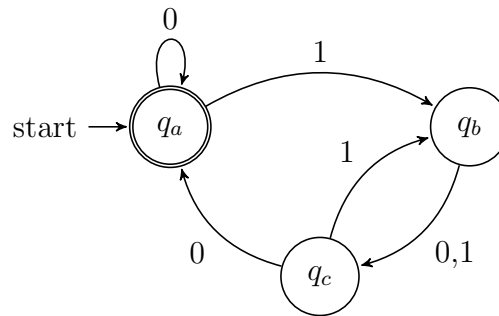
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**Problem 4.1**

Answer all parts for the following DFA  $M$  and give reasons for your answers.



1. Is  $\langle M, 0100 \rangle \in A_{DFA}$ ?  
Yes. The DFA  $M$  accepts 0100.
2. Is  $\langle M, 011 \rangle \in A_{DFA}$ ? No. The DFA  $M$  doesn't accept 011.
3. Is  $\langle M \rangle \in A_{DFA}$ ? No. This input has only a single component and thus is not of the correct form.
4. Is  $\langle M, 0100 \rangle \in A_{REGEX}$ ? No. The first component is not a regular expression and so the input is not of the correct form.
5. Is  $\langle M \rangle \in E_{DFA}$ ? No.  $M$ 's language isn't empty.
6. Is  $\langle M, M \rangle \in EQ_{DFA}$ ? Yes.  $M$  accepts the same language as itself.

**Problem 4.2**

Consider the problem of determining whether a DFA and regular expression are equivalent. Express this problem as a language and show that it is decidable.

**Solution**

Let  $EQ_{DFA,REGEX} = \{\langle A, R \rangle \mid A \text{ is a DFA, } R \text{ is a Regular Expression and } L(A) = L(R)\}$ . The following TM decides  $EQ_{DFA,REGEX}$

On input  $\langle A, R \rangle$ , where  $A$  is a DFA, and  $R$  is a regular expression do the following:

1. Convert  $R$  to equivalent DFA  $R_D$ .
2. Run  $EQ_{DFA}$  as a subroutine on  $\langle A, R_D \rangle$ .
3. If  $EQ_{DFA}$  accepts, *accept*, otherwise *reject*.

**Problem 4.3**

Let  $ALL_{DFA} = \{\langle A \rangle \mid A \text{ is a DFA and } L(A) = \Sigma^*\}$ . Show that  $ALL_{DFA}$  is decidable.

Since class of DFA is closed under complement, we can prove that  $ALL_{DFA}$  is decidable by constructing it:

On input  $\langle A \rangle$ , where  $A$  is a DFA, do the following:

1. Convert  $A$  to  $\overline{A}$  (complement of  $A$ ).
2. Run  $E_{DFA}$  as a subroutine on  $\overline{A}$ , check if  $L(\overline{A}) = \emptyset$  or not.
3.  $L(\overline{A}) = \emptyset$  return *accept*, otherwise return *reject*

**Problem 4.6**

Let  $X$  be the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and  $Y$  be the set  $\{6, 7, 8, 9, 19\}$ . We describe the functions  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : X \rightarrow Y$  in the following tables. Answer each part and give a reason for each negative answer.

| $n$ | $f(n)$ | $n$ | $g(b)$ |
|-----|--------|-----|--------|
| 1   | 6      | 1   | 10     |
| 2   | 7      | 2   | 9      |
| 3   | 6      | 3   | 8      |
| 4   | 7      | 4   | 7      |
| 5   | 6      | 5   | 6      |

1. Is  $f$  one-to-one? No.  $f$  is not one-to-one because  $f(1) = f(3)$
2. Is  $f$  onto? No.  $f$  is not onto, because there doesn't exist  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) = 8$ .
3. Is  $f$  a correspondence? No.  $f$  is not a correspondence because  $f$  is not one-to-one and onto.
4. Is  $g$  one-to-one? Yes.  $g$  is one-to-one.
5. Is  $g$  onto? Yes.  $g$  is onto.
6. Is  $g$  a correspondence? Yes.  $g$  is a correspondence because  $g$  is one-to-one and onto.

**Problem 4.11**

Let  $INFINITE_{PDA} = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a PDA and } L(M) \text{ is an infinite language}\}$ . Show that  $INFINITE_{PFA}$  is decidable

Build a Turing machine that will do the following. Read  $hMi$  and create an equivalent context-free grammar  $G$ . Convert  $G$  to Chomsky Normal Form. Call it  $G_0$ . Do a breadth-first search of the grammar rules of  $G_0$  looking for recursion. That is, does there exist a derivation  $A \Rightarrow^+ uAv$ ? If so, then accept  $hMi$ . If not, then reject  $hMi$ .

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