

CSE331: Automata and Computability

Spring'25 | Assignment 2

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Question 1 [10 marks]

Use pumping lemma and prove following languages are not regular

- I. $L1 = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : 0^x 1^{y+1} 0^z \text{ where } x = y \text{ and } x, y, z \geq 0\}$
- II. $L2 = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : ww^R, \text{ where } w \text{ is a string and } R \text{ denoting reversed string}\}$

Question 2 [20 marks]

Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$. Consider the following languages. Recall that for a string w , $|w|$ denotes the length of w .

$$\begin{aligned} L1 &= \{w \in \Sigma^* : w \text{ is an even length palindrome}\} & L2 &= \{w \in \Sigma^* : \text{length of } w \text{ is even}\} \\ L3 &= \{x11y : x, y \in L2, |x| = |y|\} & L4 &= L1 \cap L3 \end{aligned}$$

Now solve the following problems.

- (a) Give a context-free grammar for the language **L4**.
- (b) Convert the following regular expressions into context free grammar.

I. $a^*b + a(b^+ + a^*b)$

II. $(a^*+b)bb(b^* + a)^*$

Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$. Consider the following languages over Σ :

$$\begin{aligned} L1 &= \{w \in \Sigma^* : w \text{ starts and ends with the same symbol}\} \\ L2 &= \{w \in \Sigma^* : \text{length of } w \text{ is odd and } w \text{ contains "11" as a substring}\} \\ L3 &= \{w \in \Sigma^* : w \text{ is a palindrome and has odd length}\} \\ L4 &= \{w \in \Sigma^* : w \text{ has exactly three 1's}\} \\ L5 &= L1 \cap L4 \end{aligned}$$

Answer the following:

- (c) Give a context-free grammar for L_2 .**
- (d) Give a context-free grammar for $L_2 \cap L_3$.**
- (e) Give a context-free grammar for the language L_5 .**

Question 3 [3+3+3+1 marks = 10]

Take a look at the grammar below and solve the following problems.

$$A \rightarrow 1A \mid 1C \mid 0B \mid 00A$$

$$B \rightarrow 0A \mid 1B \mid 00B$$

$$C \rightarrow 0C0 \mid 0C1 \mid 1C0 \mid 1C1 \mid \varepsilon$$

- (a) Give a leftmost derivation for the string 01011001.
- (b) Sketch the parse tree corresponding to the derivation you gave in (a).
- (c) Demonstrate that the given grammar is ambiguous by showing two more parse trees (apart from the one you already found in (b)) for the same string.
- (d) Find a string w of length six such that w has exactly one parse tree in the grammar above.

Question 4 [10 marks]

Question A: Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$. Consider the following languages.

$$L1 = \{w \mid w \text{ is a palindrome and the length of } w \text{ is odd}\}$$

$$L2 = \{w \mid w = x0y : x, y \in \text{any positive length string, } |x| = |y|\}$$

- (a) Give the state diagram of a pushdown automaton that recognizes $L1$.
- (b) Give the state diagram of a pushdown automaton that recognizes $L2$.
- (c) Give the state diagram of a pushdown automaton that recognizes $L1 \cap L2$.

Question B: Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$. Consider the following language.

$$L = \{x\#y : x, y \in \Sigma^*, \text{ and the number of occurrences of } 0 \text{ in } x \text{ is equal to the number of occurrences of } 10 \text{ in } y\}$$

Solve the following problems.

- (a) Find all strings $w \in L$ such that w starts with $110110\#$ and has a length of 10.
- (b) Give the state diagram of a pushdown automaton that recognizes L .

Question 5 [000000 marks]

You've got this! Stay focused, prepare well and walk in with confidence. Wishing you the best of luck for your final exam! 🚀 ✨