

**Problem 1.46.** Prove that the following languages are not regular. You may use the pumping lemma and the closure of the class of regular languages under union, intersection, and complement.

**Part c.**  $\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ is not a palindrome}\}$

*Proof.* The proof is by contradiction. Assume  $A$  is a regular language. Let  $p$  be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma. Let  $s$  be the string:

$$s = 0^p 1 0^{p+p!}$$

The string  $s$  is a member of  $A$ , and  $|s| \geq p$ , therefore the pumping lemma guarantees that  $s$  can be split into three pieces,  $s = xyz$ , where for any  $i \geq 0$  the string  $xy^i z \in A$ . According to the condition 3 ( $|xy| \leq p$ ) of the pumping lemma,  $y$  consists of 0s. Let  $m + n = p$ , where  $0 \leq m < p$  and  $1 \leq n \leq p$ . Then

$$0^m [0^n]^i 1 0^{p+p!} \in A.$$

But for  $i = 1 + \frac{p!}{n}$ , the number of 0s on both sides of the 1 become the same and the resulting string is a palindrome, which is a contradiction.  $\square$

**Part d.**  $\{wtw \mid w, t \in \{0,1\}^+\}$

*Proof.*  $\square$