

## Pumping Lemma

$|S|$  means length of  $S$ .

# Pumping Lemma is used to prove that a Language is NOT REGULAR

# It can't be used to prove that a Language is Regular

• If  $L$  is a Regular Language, then  $L$  has a Pumping length ' $p$ ' such that any string  $w$  where  $|w| \geq p$  may be divided into 3 parts  $w = xyz$  such that the following conditions must be true.

(i)  $x y^i z \in L$  for every  $i \geq 0$ ;  $y^i = \underbrace{y y \dots y}_i$

(ii)  $|y| > 0$  or  $y \neq \epsilon$

(iii)  $|xy| \leq p$



To prove that a language is not Regular using PUMPING LEMMA, Follow the below steps:

(We prove using Contradiction)

- (i) Assume that  $A$  is regular
- (ii) It has to have a Pumping Length (say  $P$ )
- (iii) All strings longer than  $P$  can be Pumped  $|s| \geq P$
- (iv) Now find a string ' $s$ ' in  $A$  such that  $|s| \geq P$
- (v) Divide  $s$  into  $x y z$ .
- (vi) Show that  $x y^i z \notin A$  for some  $i$ .
- (vii) Then consider all ways that  $s$  can be divided into  $x y z$ .
- (viii) Show that none of these can satisfy all the 3 pumping conditions at the same time.
- (ix)  $s$  cannot be Pumped == CONTRADICTION



Regular Language are those, <sup>যাদের</sup> DFA/NFA/RegEx  
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**Pumping** → কোন string এর কোনো একটা portion  
বারবার Repeat করা

Ex → 000 10101 10101 10101 ...  
pumping → 10101

### Pumping Lemma

(i) Every Regular language has a special property.

(ii) Special value → Pumping length (P)

$L \rightarrow$  if  $L$  is regular,

for all long strings  $w$ ,  $\rightarrow |w| \geq p$

$w \in L$ ,

$\exists x, y, z \in L$  for all  $i \geq 0$

$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline x & y & z \\ \hline \end{array}$

$xy^iz \in L$

$xy^1z = xy y z$

$xy^3z = xy y y z$



##  $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  Prove  $L$  is nonregular.

Assume  $L$  is regular.

Let  $P$  be the pumping length of  $L$ .

I have to clearly pick a long string  $w \in L$ ,  $|w| \geq P$

$(00001111) \text{ } (P)$

Let,  $w = 0^P 1^P \in L$  ;  ~~$|w| = 2P$~~  ;  $2P \geq P$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} P=3, 2w, w = 000111 = 3(0) + 3(1) = 6 = 2 \times 3 \\ P=4, 2w, w = 00001111 = 4(0) + 4(1) = 8 = 2 \times 4 \end{array} \right] \uparrow$$

So,  $w = 2 \times P = 2P$

Let  $P=6$ ,

$\underbrace{00}_{x} \underbrace{0000}_{y} \underbrace{111111}_{z}$

$$xyyz = 000000000111111$$

Language (or) or not or not



Pumping Lemma says we can divide  $w = xyz$

If I repeat  $y$  as many as times, It should stay in the language. However if we do  $xyyz$ , then number of 0's increases than number of 1's

so,  $xyyz \notin L$  so Non-Regular

More Example

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1. Ans  
[a] ~~Prove~~ a  $L = \{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid 0^i, i \text{ where } i > j\}$

Assume,  $L$  is regular, and  $p$  be the pumping length.

So, let,  $w = 0^{p+1} 1^p$  ;  $|w| \geq p$

Hence,  $i = p+1$  ;  $j = p$  ; So,  $i > j$

let,  $p=2$ , So,  $w = 0^{2+1} 1^2 = 0^3 1^2$   
 $= 00011$

Hence,  $x y = 00$

So on,  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 011$

Now, we need to prove, for all  $i \geq 0$ ,  $x y^i z \in L$

let,  $i=2$  ;  $x y^2 z = 00011 \notin L$

$i=2$  ;  $x y^2 z = 000011 \in L$

$i=0$  ;  $x y^0 z = 0011 \notin L$

So, given,  $L$  is not regular as contradiction

happens

[Proved] (Am.)



$$\boxed{b} \quad L = \{w \in \{1\}^*, w = 1^n, \text{ where } n \text{ is a prime number}\}$$

Assume,  $L$  is regular and  $p$  is the pumping length

$$\text{let, } w = 1^p; \quad |w| \geq p$$

$$\text{let, } p=3; \quad \text{so, } w = 1^3 = 111$$

$$w = 111 \quad \text{where,}$$

$$xy = 11 \quad \text{so, } x=1, y=1, z=1$$

~~for~~ Now, we need to prove for all  $i \geq 0; xy^iz \in L$ ,

$$\text{for, } k=0; xy^0z = 11 \in L$$

$$k=1; xy^1z = 111 \in L$$

$$k=2; xy^2z = 1111 \notin L$$

So, given  $L$  is not regular, as contradiction happens.

[Proved]

(Q.E.D.)



c)  $L = \{w \in \{0,1\}^*, w \text{ is a palindrome}\}$

Assume,  $L$  is regular and  $p$  is the pumping length.

Let,  $w = 0^p 1 0^p$  ;  $|w| \geq p$

Let,  $p = 2$  so,  $w = 00100$

$= 00100$

$xy = 00$

so,  $x = 0$  ,  $y = 0$  ,  $z = 100$

Now, proving  ~~$xy^i z \in L$~~  for all  $i \geq 0$ .

For

~~$w$~~ ,  $i = 0$  ;  $xy^0 z = 00100 \in L$

$i = 2$  ;  $xy^2 z = 000100 \notin L$

So, given  $L$  is not regular as contradiction

happens.

[Proved]



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$L = \{ w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \text{length of } w \text{ is odd and } w \text{ has } 0 \text{ in the exact middle position} \}$

Assume,  $L$  is regular, and  $p$  is the pumping length

Let,  $w = 1^p 0 1^p$  ;  ~~$w = 1^p 0 1^p$~~   $|w| \geq p$

Let,  $p = 2$  ; so,  $w = 1^2 0 1^2$   
 $= 11011$

$$xy = 11$$

$$\text{so, } x = 1, y = 1, z = 011$$

Proving  $xy^i z \in L$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .

For  $k=1$  ;  $xy^1 z = 11011 \in L$

$k=2$  ;  $xy^2 z = 111011 \notin L$

$\therefore L$  is not regular as contradiction happens.

~~QED~~ [Proved]



Q  $L = \{ w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \text{number of 0s in } w > \text{number of 1s in } w \}$

~~Let  $w = 0^{p+1}1^p$~~  Assume  $L$  is regular and  $p$  is the pumping length

Let  $w = 0^{p+1}1^p$  ;  $|w| \geq p$

Let  $p=2$  ; so,  $w = 0^{2+1}1^2$   
 $= 00011$

so,  $x = 00$

so,  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 011$

Proving  $xy^iz \in L$  for all  $i \geq 0$

for,  $i=1$  ;  $xy^1z = 00011 \in L$

$i=2$  ;  $xy^2z = 000011 \in L$

$i=0$  ;  $xy^0z = 0011 \notin L$

so, given  $L$  is not regular as contradiction

happens. [proved]

$\rightarrow 00011111$

$\rightarrow \epsilon$

$\rightarrow 00011111 \notin L$



$$\boxed{\text{[f]}} \quad L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^*, w = a^n b^1, \text{ where } n \neq 1\}$$

Assume  $L$  is regular and  $p$  is the pumping length.

$$\text{Let, } w = a^p b^{p+1} \quad ; \quad |w| \geq p$$

$$\text{Let, } p=2 \quad ; \quad \text{so, } w = a^2 b^{2+1} \\ = aa bbb$$

$$\text{so, } xy = aa$$

$$\text{so, } x = a, \quad y = a, \quad z = bbb$$

Now, proving  $xy^iz \in L$  for all  $i \geq 0$ .

$$\text{for, } i=1 \quad ; \quad xy^1z = aa bbb \in L$$

$$i=2 \quad ; \quad xy^2z = aaaa bbb \notin L$$

So,  $L$  is not regular as contradiction happens.

[proved]