

(For Group 1)

1. (**Hint:** see solution of 1.40 (a) pg. 113) A string x is a prefix of a string y if a string z exists where $xz = y$, and that x is a proper prefix of y if in addition $x \neq y$. Let, A be a regular language and we define a new language B as follows

$$B = \{ w \mid w \in A \text{ but } w \text{ is not a proper prefix of any string in } A \}$$

If $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ is the DFA recognizing A , construct the DFA M' that will recognize B .

2. Use pumping lemma to show that the following language is not regular
 $\{ www \mid w \in \{a, b\}^* \}$

3. (**Hint:** see solution of 1.4(b) pg 83) Construct the minimized DFA and give the regular expression for the following language ($\Sigma = \{a, b\}$)

$$\{ w \mid w \text{ has even length and an odd number of } a's \}$$

4. (**Hint:** see solution of 1.5(b) pg 84) Construct the minimized DFA and give the regular expression for the following language ($\Sigma = \{a, b\}$)

$$\{ w \mid w \text{ contains neither the substrings } ab \text{ nor } ba \}$$

5. (**Hint:** see solution of 1.5(b) pg 84) Construct the minimized DFA and give the regular expression for the following language ($\Sigma = \{a, b\}$)

$$\{ w \mid w \text{ is a string that does not contain exactly two } a's \}$$

6. (**Hint:** Describe D more simply first) Let,

$$D =$$

$$\{ w \mid w \text{ contains an even number of } a's \text{ and an odd number of } b's \text{ and does not contain the substring } ab \}$$

($\Sigma = \{a, b\}$). Give a DFA with **five states** that recognizes D and a regular expression that generates D .