

CS & IT ENGINEERING

Theory of Computation

Lecture No.- 01

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Topics to be Covered



Topic

Regular Expression





Regular Expression: NAT



Q1. Consider the following regular expressions:

$$r_1 = (a + b)^* = \Sigma^*$$

$$r_2 = (ab^*a + b^*)$$

$$r_3 = (ab^+a + b^+ + \epsilon) = ab^+a + b^*$$

if $r_4 = r_1 \cap r_2 \cap r_3$ then the number of strings in r_4 which not contain "bbb" are
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$$r_1 \cap r_2 = r_2$$

$$r_2 \cap r_3 = \underbrace{ab^+a}_{\substack{\rightarrow aba \\ \rightarrow abba}} + \underbrace{b^*}_{\substack{\rightarrow \epsilon \\ \rightarrow b \\ \rightarrow bb}}$$

$$ab^*a \cap ab^+a$$

Handwritten diagram showing the intersection of ab^*a and ab^+a . The intersection is ab^+a , which is circled. The original ab^+a is also circled. The ab^*a is written above the intersection.

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Q2. $(a+b)^*$ is equivalent to

☒ **A** $(aa^*+bb^*)^* = (a+b)^*$

☐ **B** $(aa+bb)^* \begin{matrix} \swarrow \epsilon \checkmark \\ \searrow aX \end{matrix}$

☐ **C** $(aaa+bbb)^* \begin{matrix} \swarrow \epsilon \checkmark \\ \searrow aX \end{matrix}$

☒ **D** $(a\underline{b}^*+b\underline{a}^*)^* = (a+b)^*$



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Q3. Which of the following is/are correct?

☒ A

$$a(ba)^* = (ab)^*a$$

$a, aba, ababa, \dots$

☐ B

$$(a^*b)^* = (a + b)^*$$

☐ C

$$a + ba = (a + b)(a + a)$$

☒ D

$$\phi^* = \epsilon$$

$$(a^*b)^*a^* = (a+b)^*$$

$$(a^*b)^* \begin{matrix} \swarrow \epsilon \checkmark \\ \searrow a \times \end{matrix}$$

$$(a^*b^*)^* = (a+b)^*$$
$$(a^*b)^* \neq (a+b)^*$$



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Q4. $a(a+b)^*$ is equivalent to

$$a(a+b)^* \Rightarrow \{a, aa, ab, \dots\}$$

☒ A

$$a(a^*+b^*)^* = a(a+b)^*$$

☐ B

$$(aa^*+ab^*)^* \rightarrow \epsilon (\text{invalid})$$

☐ C

$$(ab^*)^*$$

☐ D

$$a(ab^*)^*$$

$a \checkmark$
 $aa \checkmark$
 $ab \times$



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Q5. Consider the following regular expression on input symbol $\{a, b\}$:

Regular expression $R = (b + aa^*b) + (b + aa^*b)(a + ba^*b)^*(a + ba^*b)$

Which of the following string is not generated by R ?

☒ **A** epsilon $\notin R$

☒ **B** $a \notin R$

☐ **C** $b \in R$

☐ **D** $ab \in R$

b ✓
 ab ✓
 aab

$b \cdot \epsilon \cdot a = ba$
 $b \cdot a \cdot a = baa$



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Q6. Which of the following represents set of all binary numbers with even number of 1's?

$\{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, n_1(w) = \text{even}\}$

$\{\epsilon, 0, 00, 11, 110, 011, 101, 000, \dots\}$

Zero no. of 1's

Two 1's

A

$(11)^*$

Some strings
0, 11, 00, 110, 011, 101, 000, ...

B

$(01010)^*$

C

$(0^*10^*10^*)^*$

D

None of these.

$(0^*10^*10^*)^* + 0^*$



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***Q7.

Consider the following regular expression R:

$$R = (\underline{00} + \underline{11} + \underline{(01 + 10) (00 + 11)^* (01 + 10)})^*$$

What is the language represented by R?

~~A~~

Set of all binary strings

~~B~~

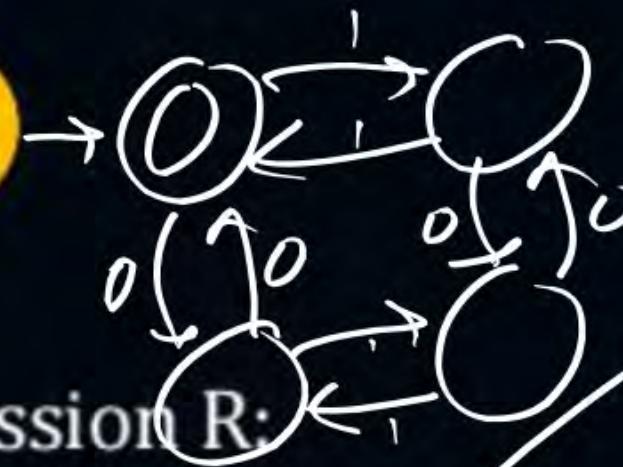
Set of all binary strings starting with 00

C

Set of all binary strings having even 0's and even 1's

D

None of these.



$$()^0 = \epsilon \checkmark$$

00 ✓

11 ✓

0101 ✓

0110 ✓

0000 ✓

0011 ✓

1100 ✓



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Q8. Consider the regular expression R:

$$R = \epsilon + a + b + (aa + ba + bb) (a + b)^*$$

$(a+b)^+$

The language recognize by R is

A

$\{\epsilon \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{all strings of a and b not starting with a or not end with b}\}$ X

B

$\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{all strings of a and b not starting with ab}\}$

C

$\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{all the strings of a and b contain either a or b as a substring}\}$ X

D

$\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{all the strings of a and b are not ending with ab}\}$ X

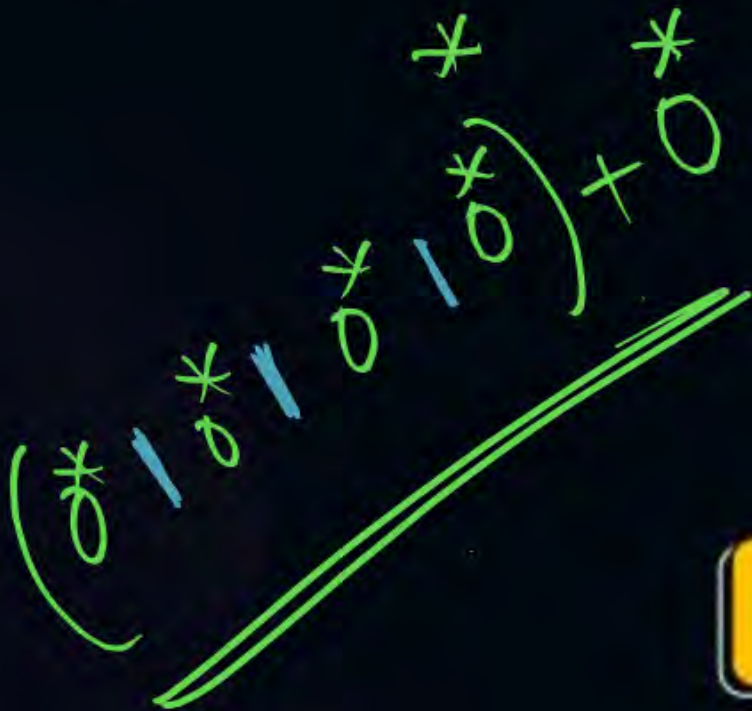


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Q9. $L = \{ w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, \underbrace{n_1(w)}_{\text{No. of 1's in } w} \text{ is divisible by 3} \}$

No. of 1's in w
 $\#_1(w)$



A $(111)^*$

B $(01010)^*$

C $(0^*10^*10^*)^*$

D None of these



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Q10.

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow (00)^* \longrightarrow \{\epsilon, 00, 0^4, 0^6, \dots\} \\ B &\rightarrow 0(00)^* \longrightarrow \{0^3, 0^5, 0^7, 0^9, \dots\} \\ C &\rightarrow A + B \\ D &\rightarrow A \cap B \end{aligned}$$

$A \cap B = \emptyset$

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A Even zero's

B odd no. of 0's

C All strings

D Empty Set



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Q11. $(a+b)^*$ =

☒ **A** $a^*(ba^*)^*$

☒ **C** $b^*(ab^*)^*$

☒ **B** $(a^*b)^*a^*$

☒ **D** $(b^*a)^*b^*$



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Q12. $a(a+b)^* = \{a, aa, ab, aaa, aab, aba, abb, \dots\}$

~~A~~ $(ab^*)^+$

~~C~~ $(a^+b^*)^+$

~~B~~ $(a^+b^*)^* = \{\epsilon\}$

~~D~~ $(ab^*)^* = \{\epsilon\}$



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Q13. Which of the following regular expression describes the language over $\{a, b\}$ consisting of strings that do not start with 'a' or do not end with 'b'.

A

$$b(a+b)^* + (a+b)^*a + \epsilon$$

B

$$ab(a+b)^* + \epsilon$$

C

$$(a+b)(a+b)^* + \epsilon$$

D

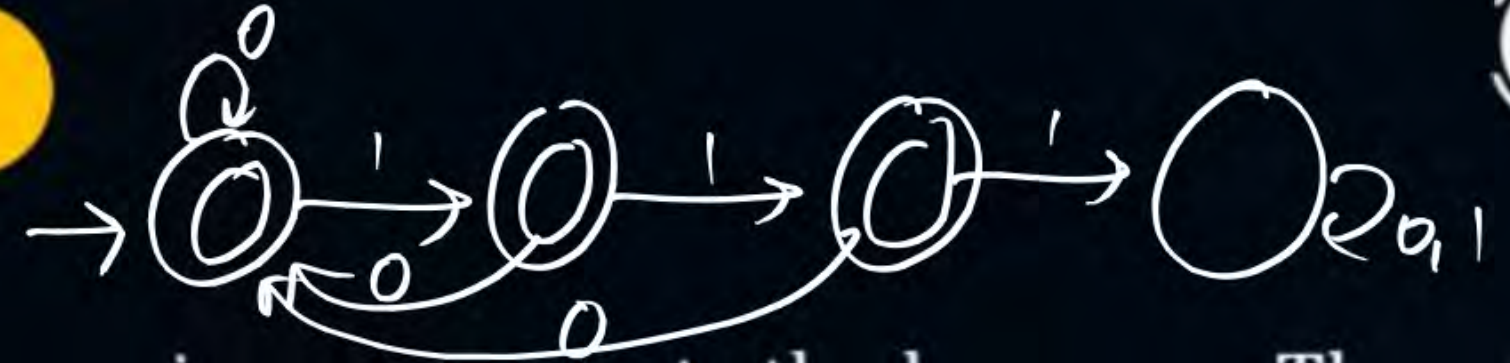
$$b(a+b)^* + (a+b)^*a + a + b + \epsilon$$

$$b\Sigma^* + \epsilon +$$

$$\Sigma^*a + \epsilon$$



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Q14. Which of the following regular expressions represents the language: The set of all binary strings not having three consecutive 1's?

☒ A

$(110 + 10 + 0)^* (\epsilon + 11 + 1)$

☒ B

$(\epsilon + \underline{11} + 1) (\underline{110} + \underline{10} + 0)^*$

☒ C

$(011 + \underline{01} + 0)^* (\epsilon + \underline{11} + 1)$

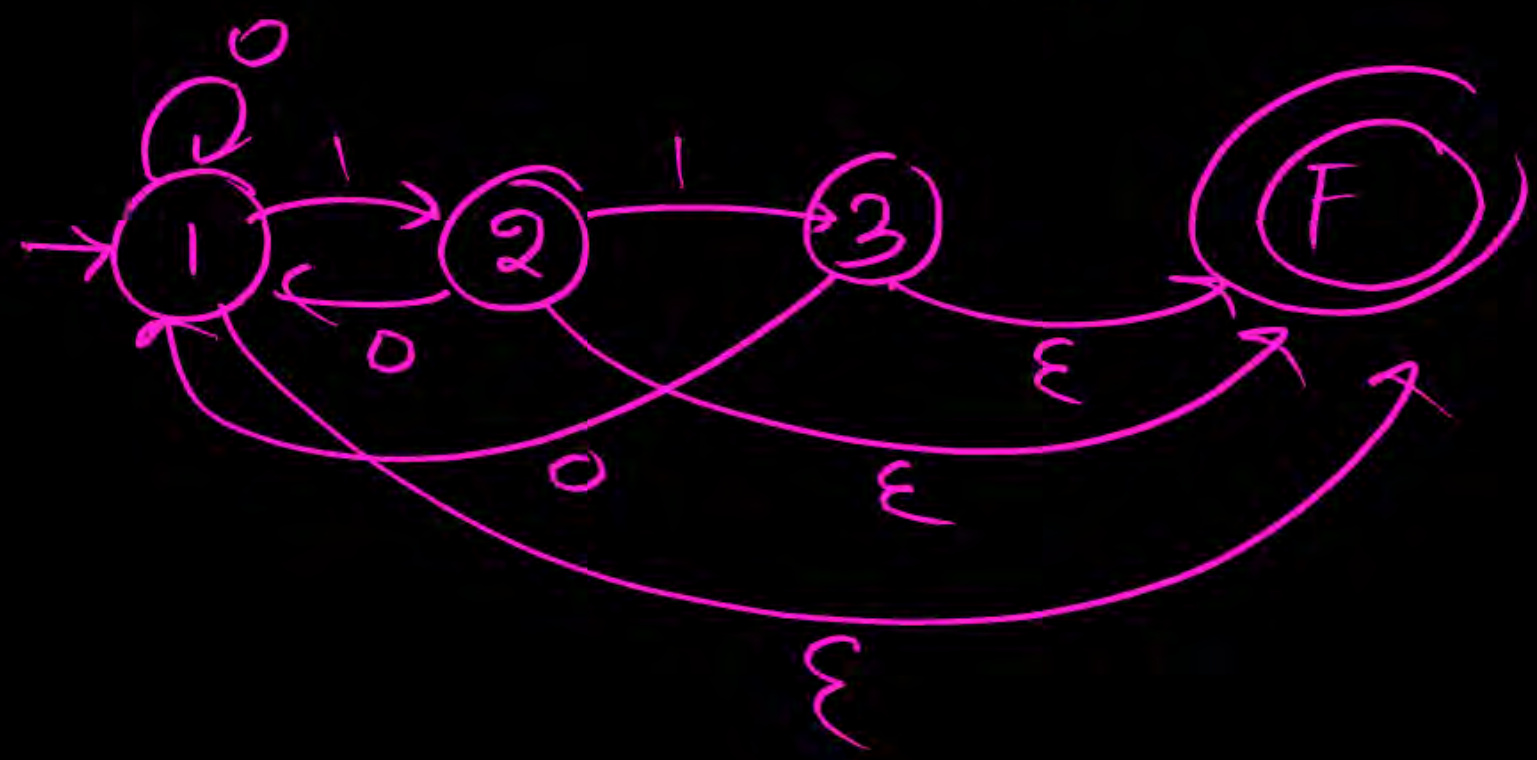
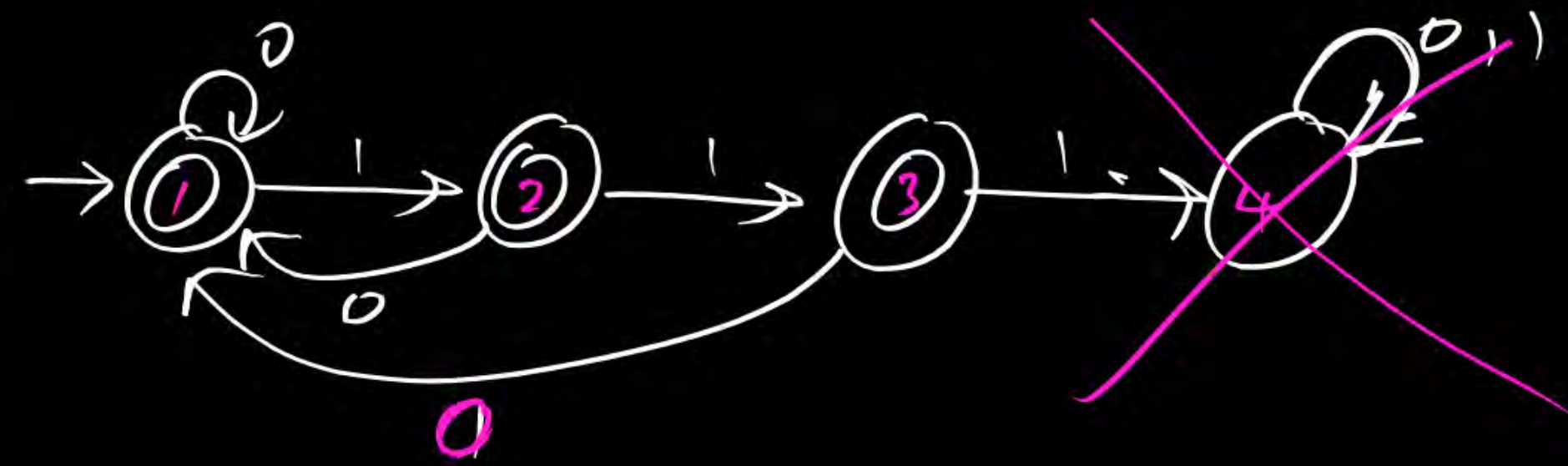
☒ D

$(\epsilon + \underline{11} + 1) (011 + \underline{01} + \underline{0})^*$

$\{ \epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, 000, 001, 010, 011, 100, 101, 110, \dots \}$

1110

0111



Eliminate state 2 and
state 3



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Q15. Consider the following regular language L:

$$L = \{w \mid \text{number of } a\text{'s } (w) \bmod 3 \neq 1 \text{ where } w \in (a, b)^*\}$$

Which one of the following represents above language L?

- A** $(\epsilon + b^* ab^* ab^* + ab^*) (a + b)^*$
- B** $[(b^* ab^* ab^* ab^*)^* + b^*] (b^* ab^* ab^*)$
- C** $[(b^* a b^* a b^* ab^*)^* + (b^* + \epsilon + b^* ab^* ab^*)]$
- D** $[b^* a b^* ab^* ab^*)^* + b^*] (\epsilon + b^* ab^* ab^*)]$



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Q16. Which of the following represents set of all strings starts and ends with different symbols over a's and b's?

A

$a(a + b)^* b$

B

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

C

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

D

None of these



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Q17. Which of the following is TRUE?

A $1(11)^* = (1(11)^*)^*$

B $(11)^* = (1(11)^*)^*$

C $(1(11)^*)^* = 1^*$

D $(11)^* = 1^*$



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Q18. Consider the following regular expression given below:

$$R_1 = (01 + (1 + 01)0)^* (1 + 01)$$

$$R_2 = (01)^* (1 + 01) (0(01)^* (0 + 01))^*$$

Which of the following is correct about R_1 and R_2 ?

A

String "0110" generated by R_2 but not R_1 .

B

String "0110" generated by R_1 but not R_2 .

C

Both expression generates the same language.

D

None of these



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Q19. Suppose the length of language $|L_1| = 5$ and $|L_2| = 4$ then, which of the following is correct?

A

$$|L_1 \cdot L_2| \geq 5$$

B

$$|L_1 \cdot L_2| \geq 20$$

C

$$|L_1 \cdot L_2| \geq 9$$

D

$$|L_1 \cdot L_2| \leq 20$$



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Q20. Choose correct statement.

A $R + \phi = R \cdot \phi$

B $R + R = R \cdot R$

C $R + \epsilon = R + \phi$

D $R + R = R \cdot \epsilon$

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