



# Compilers

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Regular Languages

- Lexical structure = token classes
- We must say what set of strings is in a token class
  - Use *regular languages*

Regular Expressions

- Single character

$$\underline{'c'} = \underline{\{ "c" \}}$$

- Epsilon

$$\begin{array}{l} \varepsilon \\ \neq \\ \emptyset \end{array} \quad = \quad \underbrace{\{ "" \}}$$

- Union

$$A + B = \{a \mid a \in A\} \cup \{b \mid b \in B\}$$

- Concatenation

$$\underline{AB} = \{\underline{a} \underline{b} \mid \underline{a} \in A \wedge \underline{b} \in B\}$$

- Iteration

$$\underline{A^*} = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} A^i \quad \begin{array}{l} A^i = \underbrace{A \dots A}_{i \text{ times}} \\ A^0 = \epsilon \end{array}$$

- **Def.** The *regular expressions over  $\Sigma$*  are the smallest set of expressions including

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \underline{R} = \epsilon \\ | \\ \quad 'c' \\ | \\ \quad \underline{R} + \underline{R} \\ | \\ \quad \underline{R} \underline{R} \\ | \\ \quad \underline{R}^* \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} c \in \underline{\Sigma} \\ \text{grammar} \end{array}$$

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$

$$"" + 1 + 11 + 111 + 1111 + \dots$$

$$\boxed{1^*} = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} 1^i = \underbrace{+ 1 \dots 1}_{i} + \dots = \text{all strings of 1's}$$

$$\boxed{(1+0)^1} = \{ab \mid a \in \underline{1+0} \wedge b \in \underline{1}\} = \{\underline{11}, 10\}$$

$$\boxed{0^* + 1^*} = \underbrace{\{0^i \mid i \geq 0\} \cup \{1^i \mid i \geq 0\}}$$

$$\underline{(0+1)^*} = \bigcup_{i \geq 0} (0+1)^i =$$

$$"" , \underline{0+1} , (0+1)(0+1) , \dots , \overbrace{(0+1) \dots (0+1)}^{i \text{ times}} =$$

all strings of 0's and 1's

$$= \Sigma^*$$

Choose the regular languages that are equivalent to the given regular language:  $(0 + 1)^*1(0 + 1)^*$

☐  $(01 + 11)^*(0 + 1)^*$

$$\Sigma = \{ 0, 1 \}$$

☐  $(0 + 1)^*(10 + 11 + 1)(0 + 1)^*$

☐  $(1 + 0)^*1(1 + 0)^*$

☐  $(0+ 1)^*(0 + 1)(0 + 1)^*$

- Regular expressions specify regular languages  
*syntax* *set of strings*
- Five constructs
  - Two base cases
    - empty and 1-character strings  
 $\epsilon$
  - Three compound expressions
    - union, concatenation, iteration