

# CS 373 Notes

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Sizes	Examples	Countable?
Finite	{a,b}	yes
Countable Infinite	N,Z, Q	yes
Uncountable Infinity	R, Pow(R)	no

## 1 General

### 1.1 Starting off

1. Alphabet( $\Sigma$ ) = finite non empty set

2.  $N$  in this class starts at 0
3. A set  $X$  is countably infinite iff  $\exists$  a bijection  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$

## 1.2 Strings

1.  $\text{String}(w)$  = sequence of characters in  $\Sigma$
2.  $w: \{c_i \in \Sigma \mid 0 \leq i \leq n\}$
3.  $|w| = n$  = length of the string
4.  $|w| = 0 \rightarrow w = \epsilon$
- (a) Careful  $\sigma \neq \emptyset$
5. Substring subsequence of characters in  $w$
6. Concatenation:  $w_1 \cdot w_2$
7. Reverse:  $w^r$
8. Palindrome:  $w = w^r$

## 1.3 Language

1.  $\text{Language}(L)$  = set of strings
2.  $\Sigma^n = \{w : |w| = n\}$
3.  $\Sigma^0 = \{ \epsilon \}$
4.  $\Sigma^* = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \Sigma^i$ , Language of all strings

# 2 Regular Languages

## 2.1 Deterministic Finite Automatas

1. Finite state machine (M)
2. Takes a string of inputs
3. 2 types of states
  - (a) Accept

- (b) Deny
- 4. There is 1 start state
- 5. The set of all strings accepted by language of M or L(A)
- 6. Formal Definition
  - (a) a Language  $A \in \Sigma^*$  is called regular iff there exists a DFA  $M$ , s.t.  
 $L(M) = A$
  - (b) DFA is a 5 tuple  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ 
    - i.  $Q$  is a finite set of states
    - ii.  $\Sigma$  is a finite alphabet
    - iii.  $\delta : Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$  is the transition function
    - iv.  $q_0 \in Q$  is the initial state
    - v.  $F \subset Q$  is the set of accept states
  - (c)  $L(M) \equiv$  language of all accepted strings
- 7. Closure properties/Regular Operations on languages
  - (a)  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are regular
  - (b) Union:  $A_1 \cup A_2 = A_3$
  - (c) Concatenate:  $A_1 A_2 = A_3$
  - (d) Star:  $A_1^* = A_3$

## 2.2 Non-Deterministic Finite Automatas (NFA)

- 1. Formal Definition
  - (a)  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ 
    - i.  $Q$  = finite set of states
    - ii.  $\Sigma$  is a finite alphabet
    - iii.  $\delta : Q \times \Sigma_\epsilon \rightarrow Pow(Q)$ 
      - A.  $\Sigma_\epsilon = \Sigma \cup \epsilon$
    - iv.  $q_0$  = start state
    - v.  $F \subset Q$
  - (b) NFA accepts  $w$  If we can write  $w = y_1 y_2 \dots y_n y_i \in \Sigma_\epsilon$  s.t. there exists a sequence of states path  $R = r_0, r_1, \dots$

- i.  $r_0 = q_0$
  - ii.  $r_{i+1} \in \delta(r_i, y_{i+1})$  for  $i = 0, 1 \dots m - 1$
  - iii.  $r_m \in F$
- 2. Useful Lemma: For all NFA,  $M$ , there exists an DFA  $N$ , s.t.  $L(M) = L(N)$

### 2.3 Regular Expressions

- 1. Def:  $R$  is a regex over a fixed alphabet iff one of the following is true:
  - (a)  $R = a \in \Sigma$
  - (b)  $R = \sigma$
  - (c)  $R = \emptyset$
  - (d)  $R = R_1 \cup R_2$  given  $R_1 \wedge R_2$  are regex
  - (e)  $R = R_1 R_2$  given  $R_1 \wedge R_2$  are regex
  - (f)  $R = R^*$
- 2. Order of operations
  - (a) star
  - (b) concatenation
  - (c) union
- 3. Identities
  - (a)  $a\emptyset = \emptyset$
  - (b)  $a\sigma = \sigma$
  - (c)  $\emptyset^* = \sigma$

### 2.4 Generalized NFA (GNFA)

- 1. Definition
  - (a)  $Q$  = set of all states
  - (b)  $Q^0 = Q - q_{start}, q_{accept}$
  - (c) The start state has out edges to every  $q \in Q - q_{start}$ , and no in edges

- (d) The accept state has inedges from every  $q \in Q - q_{accept}$ , and no outedges
  - (e) An edge exists from every  $q_1 \in Q^0$  to every  $q_2 \in Q^0$  even if  $q_1 = q_2$
  - (f) Every edge is labeled with a regex
2. Useful lemma: Any NFA can be written as a GNFA
  3. lemma: Given a GNFA, M, with 2 states, the regex between the 2 states describes the language of M

## 2.5 Pumping Lemma for regular languages

If A is regular, then  $\exists p \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall s \in A$  for which  $|s| \geq p$ ,  $s$  can be written as  $xyz$  and satisfy the following condition:

1.  $\forall i \geq 0, xy^iz \in A$
2.  $|y| > 0$  i.e.  $y \neq \epsilon$
3.  $|xy| \leq p$

P is called the “pumping length

## 2.6 Substitutions

## 2.7 Reg Operations (closed under the Reg languages)

1.  $A_1 \cup A_2$
2.  $A_1 - A_2$
3.  $\bar{A}_1 = \Sigma^* - A_1$
4.  $A_1 \cap A_2$
5. Symmetric Diff
6.  $A_1 A_2$
7.  $A_1^*$
8.  $A^r$
9. Reg languages are closed under substitution

10. Reg langagues are clased under homomorphism
11. Reg langagues are clased under inverse homorphism
12. Reg langagues are clased under

### **3 Non-Regular Languages**