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Quiz 1 [5%]
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1. [30 points] Differentiate between

- alphabet, string, language
- Domain, Range
- Empty set, Empty string
- States, start state, accept state

2. [15 points] Write a formal description for the following sets

- set containing 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024 = $\{w \mid w = 2^k, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 10\}$
- set containing 0-9, a-f = $\{w \mid w \text{ is the hexadecimal value from 0 to 15}\}$
- set containing 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, ... = $\{w_0, w_1, \dots, w_k \mid k \geq 0, w_k = w_{k+2} - w_{k+1}\}$

3. [20 points] Give the formal definition for

- DFA
- NFA
- Regular Language
- Regular Expression

4. [5 points] A NFA is more powerful than a DFA.

- ☒ True
☐ False

5. [5 points] Every NFA can be converted to a DFA.

- ☒ True
☐ False

6. [5 points] A language is Regular if a DFA or NFA exists which can recognize it.

- ☒ True
☐ False

7. [5 points] All regular languages are infinite—contain infinite number of strings }

- True

⊙ False

8. [15 points] The class of regular languages is closed under the following operations:

Union: \cup

Concatenation: \circ

Star: $*$

finite, ~~characters~~ and nonzero objects called symbols.

1. alphabet: a set of ~~single letters or single numbers~~

string: a set of ~~single or multi characters and single or multi numbers~~
~~that go together (syb)~~ symbols which are from an alphabet

language: consists of all strings ^{that are} possible generated from the alphabet.

• Domain: is a set of possible inputs to a function

Range: is a set (of) from which outputs of a function are drawn

• Empty set: is a set with no members.

Empty string: is a string of length zero.

states: all set of states that are in the set of finite automata

start state: a state starts the process

final state: a state that the process stops by

a language

3. DFA = $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

Q : finite set called state

Σ : finite set called alphabet

$\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$ is the transition function

q_0 : start state

$F \subseteq Q$: is the set of accept states

NFA = $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$

Q : finite set called state

Σ : finite set called alphabet

$\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow S(Q)$ is the transition function

q_0 : start state

$F \subseteq Q$: is the set of accept states

• Regular language: ~~consists of all strings that~~
^{some} finite automaton accepts.

$A = L(M)$ with A is the language and M is a finite automaton

• Regular Expression: regular operations used to ~~but~~ build up expressions describing language.

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Quiz 2 [5%]
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Q: Set of states
 Σ : input alphabet
(not contain blank symbol \sqcup)
 Γ : tape alphabet,
where $\sqcup \in \Gamma$ and $\Sigma \subseteq \Gamma$

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1. Give the formal definition of a Turing Machine (TM)

Turing Machine is a 7-tuple $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, q_{\text{accept}}, q_{\text{reject}})$
where Q, Σ, Γ are all finite sets
 $\delta: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$ transition function; $q_0 \in Q$: start state; $q_{\text{accept}} \in Q$: accept state
 $q_{\text{reject}} \in Q$: reject state where $q_{\text{reject}} \neq q_{\text{accept}}$

2. What is an Enumerator? Give an example.

Enumerator is a Turing machine with an attached printer, which starts with blank input on its work tape.

3. What is Church-Turing Thesis?

Church-Turing Thesis is the connection between the informal notion of algorithm and the precise definition.

Intuitive notion of algorithm

equals

Turing machine algorithm

4. A multi-tape TM is not more powerful than a single tape TM.

- True
- False

5. A Non-deterministic TM is more powerful than a Deterministic TM.

- True
- False

6. Order the class of languages in increasing order of power

- Context Free 2
- Regular 1
- Turing Recognizable 4
- Turing Decidable 3

7. $A = \{ 0^{2^n}, n \geq 0 \}$, is a decidable/recognizable language }

- Decidable
- Recognizable

8. $A_{DFA} = \{ (B, w) \mid B \text{ is a DFA that accepts input string } w, \text{ is a decidable/recognizable language} \}$

- Decidable
- Recognizable

9. $A_{REG} = \{ (R, w) \mid R \text{ is a Regular Expression that generates string } w, \text{ is a decidable/recognizable language} \}$

- Decidable
- Recognizable

10. $A_{CFG} = \{ (G, w) \mid G \text{ is a CFG that generates string } w, \text{ is a decidable/recognizable language} \}$

- Decidable
- Recognizable

11. [20 points] Sketch an algorithm using a single tape TM to recognize the language $L \mid ww^R$, where w is a string and w^R is the reverse of the string. Assume $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

1. Scan the input from left to right to determine whether the combined string (w and w^R) is odd or even in ~~length~~ length. If it's odd, reject it; otherwise, move to ~~step~~ stage 2.

2. Read the first character, replace it with an X to mark the position. Then, move the head ^{to the right} till the end of the tape and read the last character of the combined string. If it matches with the first character, mark it with an X as we did, then move ~~to the~~ the head ~~to the left~~ to the left till it meets the marked X , then ~~make the head read the~~ character next to the right of the X ; then, ~~read the~~ move the head to the right until it reaches the X that we've read, read the character next to the left of the X . If it matches with the last marked character, repeat stage 2 until the combined string becomes all X 's, then move to stage 3; if any of them doesn't match, reject it.

3. Accept it.

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Quiz 3

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Using the beer database in the slides, answer the following query in SQL: *find the name and price of the beers sold at the bar if the bar charges the minimum average price of beers.*

*select ~~name~~ beer, price from sells where bar IN (select bar ~~price~~
from sells where avg(price) <= ALL(select avg(price) from sells));*