

474 HW 08 problems (highlighted problems are the ones to turn in)

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3 pts. each

1. For each of the following languages L , state whether L is regular or not and prove your answer:
 - a. $\{a^i b^j : i, j \geq 0 \text{ and } i + j = 5\}$.
 - b. $\{a^i b^j : i, j \geq 0 \text{ and } i - j = 5\}$.
 - c. $\{a^i b^j : i, j \geq 0 \text{ and } |i - j| \equiv_5 0\}$.
 - d. $\{w \in \{0, 1, \#\}^* : w = x \# y, \text{ where } x, y \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } |x| \cdot |y| \equiv_5 0\}$.
 - e. $\{a^i b^j : 0 \leq i < j < 2000\}$.
 - f. $\{w \in \{Y, N\}^* : w \text{ contains at least two Y's and at most two N's}\}$.
 - g. $\{w = xy : x, y \in \{a, b\}^* \text{ and } |x| = |y| \text{ and } \#_a(x) \geq \#_a(y)\}$.
 - h. $\{w = xyz y^R x : x, y, z \in \{a, b\}^*\}$.
 - i. $\{w = xyz y : x, y, z \in \{0, 1\}^+\}$.
 - j. $\{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : \#_0(w) \neq \#_1(w)\}$.
 - k. $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w = w^R\}$.
 - l. $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \exists x \in \{a, b\}^+ (w = x x^R x)\}$.
 - m. $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \text{the number of occurrences of the substring } ab \text{ equals the number of occurrences of the substring } ba\}$.
 - n. $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w \text{ contains exactly two more b's than a's}\}$.
 - o. $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w = xyz, |x| = |y| = |z|, \text{ and } z = x \text{ with every a replaced by b and every b replaced by a}\}$. Example: $abbbabbaa \in L$, with $x = abb, y = bab, \text{ and } z = baa$.
 - p. $\{w : w \in \{a - z\}^* \text{ and the letters of } w \text{ appear in reverse alphabetical order}\}$. For example, $spoonfeed \in L$.
 - q. $\{w : w \in \{a - z\}^* \text{ every letter in } w \text{ appears at least twice}\}$. For example, $unprosperousness \in L$.
 - r. $\{w : w \text{ is the decimal encoding of a natural number in which the digits appear in a non-decreasing order without leading zeros}\}$.
 - s. $\{w \text{ of the form: } \langle integer_1 \rangle + \langle integer_2 \rangle = \langle integer_3 \rangle, \text{ where each of the substrings } \langle integer_1 \rangle, \langle integer_2 \rangle, \text{ and } \langle integer_3 \rangle \text{ is an element of } \{0 - 9\}^* \text{ and } integer_3 \text{ is the sum of } integer_1 \text{ and } integer_2\}$. For example, $124+5=129 \in L$.
 - t. L_0^* , where $L_0 = \{ba^i b^j a^k, j \geq 0, 0 \leq i \leq k\}$.
 - u. $\{w : w \text{ is the encoding of a date that occurs in a year that is a prime number}\}$. A date will be encoded as a string of the form $mm/dd/yyyy$, where each m, d , and y is drawn from $\{0-9\}$.
 - v. $\{w \in \{1\}^* : w \text{ is, for some } n \geq 1, \text{ the unary encoding of } 10^n\}$. (So $L = \{1111111111, 1^{100}, 1^{1000}, \dots\}$.)

6. Prove by construction that the regular languages are closed under:
 - a. intersection.
 - b. set difference.
7. Prove that the regular languages are closed under each of the following operations:
 - a. $pref(L) = \{w : \exists x \in \Sigma^* (wx \in L)\}$.
 - b. $suff(L) = \{w : \exists x \in \Sigma^* (xw \in L)\}$.
 - c. $reverse(L) = \{x \in \Sigma^* : x = w^R \text{ for some } w \in L\}$.
 - d. letter substitution (as defined in Section 8.3).

8.7a

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8.7a Do this by construction, i.e., produce an algorithm that takes as input a DFSM $M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, s, A)$ that accepts L , and produces a DFSM $M' = (K', \Sigma', \delta', s', A')$ that accepts $pref(L)$. Describe how to get from M to M'

Hint: M' will have a lot of its elements in common with M , but it takes a somewhat complex calculation (based on M) to determine exactly what has to be changed.

On the main HW8 assignment document, I posted **the author's solutions to the other three parts of problem 8.7**, so that you will have more examples.

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2. For each of the following languages L , state whether L is regular or not and prove your answer:
 - a. $\{w \in \{a, b, c\}^* : \text{in each prefix } x \text{ of } w, \#_a(x) = \#_b(x) = \#_c(x)\}$.
 - b. $\{w \in \{a, b, c\}^* : \exists \text{ some prefix } x \text{ of } w (\#_a(x) = \#_b(x) = \#_c(x))\}$.
 - c. $\{w \in \{a, b, c\}^* : \exists \text{ some prefix } x \text{ of } w (x \neq \varepsilon \text{ and } \#_a(x) = \#_b(x) = \#_c(x))\}$.
3. Define the following two languages:
 $L_a = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \text{in each prefix } x \text{ of } w, \#_a(x) \geq \#_b(x)\}$.
 $L_b = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \text{in each prefix } x \text{ of } w, \#_b(x) \geq \#_a(x)\}$.
 - a. Let $L_1 = L_a \cap L_b$. Is L_1 regular? Prove your answer.
 - b. Let $L_2 = L_a \cup L_b$. Is L_2 regular? Prove your answer.
4. For each of the following languages L , state whether L is regular or not and prove your answer:
 - a. $\{uww^Rv : u, v, w \in \{a, b\}^+\}$.
 - b. $\{xyzy^Rx : x, y, z \in \{a, b\}^+\}$.
7. Prove that the regular languages are closed under each of the following operations:
 - a. $\text{pref}(L) = \{w : \exists x \in \Sigma^*(wx \in L)\}$.
 - b. $\text{suff}(L) = \{w : \exists x \in \Sigma^*(xw \in L)\}$.
 - c. $\text{reverse}(L) = \{x \in \Sigma^* : x = w^R \text{ for some } w \in L\}$.
 - d. letter substitution (as defined in Section 8.3).
8. Using the definitions of *maxstring* and *mix* given in Section 8.6, give a precise definition of each of the following languages:
 - a. $\text{maxstring}(A^n B^n)$.
 - b. $\text{maxstring}(a^i b^j c^k, 1 \leq k \leq j \leq i)$.
 - c. $\text{maxstring}(L_1 L_2)$, where $L_1 = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w \text{ contains exactly one } a\}$ and $L_2 = \{a\}$.
 - d. $\text{mix}((aba)^*)$.
 - e. $\text{mix}(a^* b^*)$.
9. Prove that the regular languages are not closed under *mix*.