

MA/CSSE 474 Day 04 Summary

1. Show that \equiv_3 is an equivalence relation. ($a \equiv_3 b$ iff $b-a = 3k$ for some integer k).

reflexive:

symmetric:

transitive:

2. Can a language be uncountable? Is the set of languages over a specific alphabet uncountable?

3. Questions about **maxstring** function:

$maxstring(A^n B^n) =$ $maxstring(\{a\}^*) =$ (later, to check your understanding): $maxstring(\{b^n a : n \geq 0\}) =$

Let INF be the set of infinite languages. Let FIN be the set of finite languages.

Are the language classes FIN and INF closed under *maxstring*?

4. Questions about **chop** function:

What is $chop(A^n B^n)$? What is $chop(A^n B^n C^n)$?

Are FIN and INF closed under *chop*?

5. Questions about **firstchars** function:

What is $firstchars(A^n B^n)$? What is $firstchars(\{a, b\}^*)$?

Are FIN and INF closed under *firstchars*?

6. A decision problem is a problem whose answer is _____.

7. What does $\langle x \rangle$ mean? $\langle x, y \rangle$?

8. Some decision problems:

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| a. Consecutive pair of factors | d. Primality testing | g. Sorting as decision problem |
| b. Halting problem | e. Graph connectivity | |
| c. Web pattern matching | f. Multiplication as decision problem | |

9. Constructing one machine based on another machine

Consider the multiplication language:

$INTEGERPROD = \{w \text{ of the form } \langle integer_1 \rangle x \langle integer_2 \rangle = \langle integer_3 \rangle, \text{ where:}$

$\langle integer_n \rangle$ is any well-formed integer representation and $integer_3 = integer_1 * integer_2\}$

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Given the language recognition procedure, we can build a multiplication procedure:

10. A configuration of a DFSM M is an element of $K \times \Sigma^*$.
 Contains all info needed to complete the computation.
 Initial configuration of M : (s_M, w) , Where s_M is the start state of M .

11. The *yields-in-one-step* relation: $|_{-M}$:
 $(q, w) |_{-M} (q', w')$ iff

- $w = a w'$ for some symbol $a \in \Sigma$, and
- $\delta(q, a) = q'$

12. The *yields-in-zero-or-more-steps* relation: $|_{-M}^*$
 $|_{-M}^*$ is the reflexive, transitive closure of $|_{-M}$.

13. A **computation** by M is a finite sequence of configurations C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n for some $n \geq 0$ such that:

- C_0 is an initial configuration,
- C_n is of the form (q, ε) , for some state $q \in K_M$,
- $\forall i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\} (C_i |_{-M} C_{i+1})$

14. A DFSM M **accepts** a string w iff $(s_M, w) |_{-M}^* (q, \varepsilon)$, for some $q \in A_M$
rejects w iff $(s_M, w) |_{-M}^* (q, \varepsilon)$, for some $q \notin A_M$. The **language accepted by M** , denoted $L(M)$, is the set of all strings accepted by M . A language is **regular** if it is $L(M)$ for some DFSM M .

15. **Theorem:** Every DFSM M , in configuration (q, w) , halts after $|w|$ steps.

16. $L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : w \text{ has odd parity}\}$. I.e. an odd number of 1's.

17. $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \text{no two consecutive characters are the same}\}$.

18. $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \#_a(w) \geq \#_b(w)\}$.

19. $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \forall x, y \in \{a, b\}^* (w = xy \rightarrow |\#_a(w) - \#_b(w)| \leq 2)\}$

Recap - Definition of a DFSM

$M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, s, A)$, where:

The D is for
Deterministic

K is a finite set of **states**

Σ is a (finite) **alphabet**

$s \in K$ is the **initial state** (a.k.a. start state)

$A \subseteq K$ is the set of **accepting states**

$\delta: (K \times \Sigma) \rightarrow K$ is the **transition function**

Sometimes we will put an M subscript on K, Σ, δ, s, A (for example, s_M), to indicate that this component is part of machine M .