

Policy on homeworks

1. *Collaboration:* You may discuss a question with any other student currently taking CS81 provided:
(i) both of you contribute equally; (ii) you come away from any discussion with an understanding in your mind (and no archived solution of any form is retained); (iii) your submission is your own work prepared by yourself on a separate occasion.
2. *Reference materials:* You should only refer to materials from this semester of CS81 (class notes, handouts, textbooks, grutors, instructor, etc).
3. *Submission:* Your submission should be legible or is prepared using TeX.

Regular languages

(A) Provide DFAs for the following languages.

- (i) $L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : w \text{ contains the same number of } 0\text{'s and } 1\text{'s}\}$.
- (ii) $L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : w \text{ is the binary representation of a number that is divisible by } 3\}$.
- (iii) $L = \{w \in (\{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\} \times \{0, 1\})^* : w \text{ encodes binary addition}\}$. For example,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in L, \text{ but } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin L.$$

(B) Consider the regular expression $R = (0 \cup 1(01^*0)^*1)^*$.

- (i) Find the smallest DFA you can construct for $L = L(R)$.
- (ii) Describe succinctly what L is: $L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* : w \text{ is } \dots\}$.

(C) Consider the following assertions:

- (1) If L is regular, then so is L^c (the complement of L).

Proof. (sketch) If L is regular, then there is an NFA M that accepts L . Switch each state of M from accepting to non-accepting and vice versa. Call the new machine be M' . Then M' accepts of L^c . \square

Is the proof sketch above correct? If yes, provide the missing details (for example, why does M' accept L^c). If not, explain what is wrong and provide the correct proof.

- (2) If L_1 and L_2 are regular, then so is $L_1 \cap L_2$.

Proof. (sketch) Note $L_1 \cap L_2 = (L_1^c \cup L_2^c)^c$. Since regular languages are closed under union and complementation (see previous part), $L_1 \cap L_2$ is regular. \square

- i. Is this proof sketch correct? If not, explain why and provide a correct proof. If yes, provide any missing details if any.

- ii. Describe a direct construction of a DFA for $L_1 \cap L_2$ from the DFAs for L_1 and L_2 .
- (3) If L is regular, then so is $\text{Suffix}(L)$, where $\text{Suffix}(L) = \{w \in \Sigma^* : xw \in L, \text{ for some } x \in \Sigma^*\}$.

Proof. (sketch) *If L is regular, then let M be any DFA that accepts L . Add ϵ -moves from the start state of M , say s , to each state q of M . Call the new machine M' . Then M' accepts $\text{Suffix}(L)$. \square*

Is the proof sketch above correct? If yes, provide the missing details (for example, why does M' accept $\text{Suffix}(L)$). If not, explain what is wrong and provide the correct proof.