

## CSE 322: Midterm Review

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### ◆ Basic Concepts (Chapter 0)

#### ⇒ Sets

##### ◆ Notation and Definitions

- $A = \{x \mid \text{rule about } x\}$ ,  $x \in A$ ,  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $A = B$
- $\exists$  (“there exists”),  $\forall$  (“for all”)

##### ◆ Finite and Infinite Sets

- Set of natural numbers  $N$ , integers  $Z$ , reals  $R$  etc.
- Empty set  $\emptyset$

##### ◆ Set operations: Know the definitions for proofs

- Union:  $A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$
- Intersection  $A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$
- Complement  $\bar{A} = \{x \mid x \notin A\}$

## Basic Concepts (cont.)

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### ◆ Set operations (cont.)

#### ⇒ Power set of $A = \text{Pow}(A)$ or $2^A = \text{set of all subsets of } A$

- ◆ E.g.  $A = \{0,1\} \rightarrow 2^A = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0,1\}\}$

#### ⇒ Cartesian Product $A \times B = \{(a,b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$

### ◆ Functions:

#### ⇒ $f: \text{Domain} \rightarrow \text{Range}$

- ◆  $\text{Add}(x,y) = x + y \rightarrow \text{Add}: Z \times Z \rightarrow Z$

#### ⇒ Definitions of 1-1 and onto (bijection if both)

## Strings

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- ◆ Alphabet  $\Sigma$  = finite set of symbols, e.g.  $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$
- ◆ String  $w$  = finite sequence of symbols  $\in \Sigma$ 
  - ◇  $w = w_1w_2\dots w_n$
- ◆ String properties: Know the definitions
  - ◇ Length of  $w = |w|$  ( $|w| = n$  if  $w = w_1w_2\dots w_n$ )
  - ◇ Empty string =  $\varepsilon$  (length of  $\varepsilon = 0$ )
  - ◇ Substring of  $w$
  - ◇ Reverse of  $w = w^R = w_nw_{n-1}\dots w_1$
  - ◇ Concatenation of strings  $x$  and  $y$  (append  $y$  to  $x$ )
  - ◇  $y^k$  = concatenate  $y$  to itself to get string of  $k$   $y$ 's
  - ◇ Lexicographical order = order based on length and dictionary order within equal length

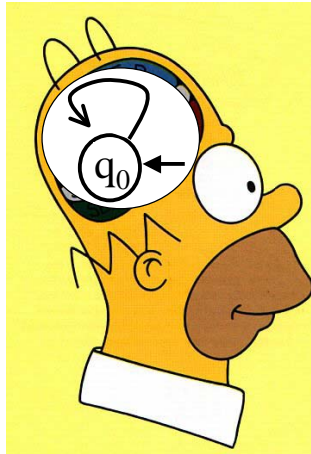
## Languages and Proof Techniques

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- ◆ Language  $L$  = set of strings over an alphabet (i.e.  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ )
  - ◇ E.g.  $L = \{0^n1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  over  $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$
  - ◇ E.g.  $L = \{p \mid p \text{ is a syntactically correct C++ program}\}$  over  $\Sigma =$  ASCII characters
- ◆ Proof Techniques: Look at lecture slides, handouts, and notes
  1. Proof by counterexample
  2. Proof by contradiction
  3. Proof of set equalities ( $A = B$ )
  4. Proof of “iff” ( $X \Leftrightarrow Y$ ) statements (prove both  $X \Rightarrow Y$  and  $X \Leftarrow Y$ )
  5. Proof by construction
  6. Proof by induction
  7. Pigeonhole principle
  8. Dovetailing to prove a set is countably infinite E.g.  $\mathbb{Z}$  or  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$
  9. Diagonalization to prove a set is uncountable E.g.  $2^{\mathbb{N}}$  or Reals

## Chapter 1 Review: Languages and Machines

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## Languages and Machines (Chapter 1)

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- ◆ Language = set of strings over an alphabet
  - ⇒ Empty language = language with no strings =  $\emptyset$
  - ⇒ Language containing only empty string =  $\{\epsilon\}$
- ◆ DFAs
  - ⇒ Formal definition  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$
  - ⇒ Set of states  $Q$ , alphabet  $\Sigma$ , start state  $q_0$ , accept (“final”) states  $F$ , transition function  $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \rightarrow Q$
  - ⇒  $M$  recognizes language  $L(M) = \{w \mid M \text{ accepts } w\}$
  - ⇒ In class examples:
    - E.g. DFA for  $L(M) = \{w \mid w \text{ ends in } 0\}$
    - E.g. DFA for  $L(M) = \{w \mid w \text{ does not contain } 00\}$
    - E.g. DFA for  $L(M) = \{w \mid w \text{ contains an even \# of } 0\text{'s}\}$
  - Try: DFA for  $L(M) = \{w \mid w \text{ contains an even \# of } 0\text{'s and an odd number of } 1\text{'s}\}$

## Languages and Machines (cont.)

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- ◆ Regular Language = language recognized by a DFA
- ◆ Regular operations: Union  $\cup$ , Concatenation  $\circ$  and star  $*$ 
  - ◇ Know the definitions of  $A \cup B$ ,  $A \circ B$  and  $A^*$
  - ◇  $\Sigma = \{0,1\} \rightarrow \Sigma^* = \{\epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, \dots\}$
- ◆ Regular languages are closed under the regular operations
  - ◇ Means: If A and B are regular languages, we can show  $A \cup B$ ,  $A \circ B$  and  $A^*$  (and also  $B^*$ ) are regular languages
  - ◇ Cartesian product construction for showing  $A \cup B$  is regular by simulating DFAs for A and B in parallel
- ◆ Other related operations:  $A \cap B$  and complement  $\bar{A}$ 
  - ◇ Are regular languages closed under these operations?

## NFAs, Regular expressions, and GNFA's

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- ◆ NFAs vs DFAs
  - ◇ DFA:  $\delta(\text{state}, \text{symbol}) = \text{next state}$
  - ◇ NFA:  $\delta(\text{state}, \text{symbol or } \epsilon) = \text{set of next states}$ 
    - ◆ Features: Missing outgoing edges for one or more symbols, multiple outgoing edges for same symbol,  $\epsilon$ -edges
  - ◇ Definition of: NFA N accepts a string  $w \in \Sigma^*$
  - ◇ Definition of: NFA N recognizes a language  $L(N) \subseteq \Sigma^*$
  - ◇ E.g. NFA for  $L = \{w \mid w = x1a, x \in \Sigma^* \text{ and } a \in \Sigma\}$
- ◆ Regular expressions: Base cases  $\epsilon$ ,  $\emptyset$ ,  $a \in \Sigma$ , and  $R1 \cup R2$ ,  $R1 \circ R2$  or  $R1^*$
- ◆ GNFA's = NFAs with edges labeled by regular expressions
  - ◇ Used for converting DFAs to regular expressions

## Main Results and Proofs

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- ◆ L is a Regular Language iff
  - ⇒ L is recognized by a DFA iff
  - ⇒ L is recognized by an NFA iff
  - ⇒ L is recognized by a GNFA iff
  - ⇒ L is described by a Regular Expression
- ◆ Proofs:
  - ⇒ NFA→DFA: subset construction (1 DFA state=subset of NFA states)
  - ⇒ Reg Exp→NFA: combine NFAs for base cases with  $\epsilon$ -transitions
  - ⇒ DFA→GNFA→Reg Exp: Repeat two steps:
    1. Collapse two parallel edges to one edge labeled  $(a \cup b)$ , and
    2. Replace edges through a state with a loop with one edge labeled  $(ab^*c)$

## Other Results

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- ◆ Using NFAs to show that Regular Languages are closed under:
  - ⇒ Regular operations  $\cup$ ,  $\circ$  and  $*$
- ◆ Are Regular Languages closed under:
  - ⇒ intersection?
  - ⇒ complement (Exercise 1.10)?
- ◆ Are other operations that regular languages are closed under?

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What about the reversal operation?

What about the icannotact operation?

What about the subset operation?



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## Other Results

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- ◆ Are Regular Languages closed under:
  - ⇒ reversal (Problem 1.24)?
  - ⇒ subset  $\subseteq$  ?
  - ⇒ superset  $\supseteq$  ?
  - ⇒ no-prefix (Problem 1.32a)?  
no-prefix(A) = {w ∈ A | no proper prefix of w is in A}
  - ⇒ no-extend (Problem 1.32b)?  
no-extend(A) = {w ∈ A | w is not a proper prefix of any string in A}

## Pumping Lemma

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- ◆ *Pumping lemma in plain English (sort of):* If  $L$  is regular, then there is a  $p$  (= number of states of a DFA accepting  $L$ ) such that any string  $s$  in  $L$  of length  $\geq p$  can be expressed as  $s = xyz$  where  $y$  is not null ( $y$  is the loop in the DFA),  $|xy| \leq p$  (loop occurs within  $p$  state transitions), and any “pumped” string  $xy^iz$  is in  $L$  for all  $i \geq 0$  (go through the loop 0 or more times).
- ◆ *Pumping lemma in plain Logic:*  
 $L$  regular  $\Rightarrow \exists p$  s.t.  $(\forall s \in L$  s.t.  $|s| \geq p$   $(\exists x, y, z \in \Sigma^*$  s.t.  $(s = xyz)$  and  $(|y| \geq 1)$  and  $(|xy| \leq p)$  and  $(\forall i \geq 0, xy^iz \in L)))$
- ◆ Is the other direction  $\Leftarrow$  also true?  
[No! See Problem 1.37 for a counterexample](#)

## Proving Non-Regularity using the Pumping Lemma

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- ◆ Proof by contradiction to show  $L$  is not regular
  1. Assume  $L$  is regular
  2. Let  $p$  be some arbitrary number (“pumping length”)
  3. [Choose a long enough string  \$s \in L\$  such that  \$|s| \geq p\$](#)
  4. Let  $x, y, z$  be strings such that  $s = xyz$ ,  $|y| \geq 1$ , and  $|xy| \leq p$
  5. [Pick an  \$i \geq 0\$  such that  \$xy^iz \notin L\$  \(for all  \$x, y, z\$  as in 4\)](#)This contradicts the pump. lemma. Therefore,  $L$  is not regular
- ◆ Examples:  $\{0^n 1^n | n \geq 0\}$ ,  $\{ww | w \in \Sigma^*\}$ ,  $\{0^n | n \text{ is prime}\}$ ,  $\text{ADD} = \{x=y+z | x, y, z \text{ are binary numbers and } x \text{ is sum of } y \text{ and } z\}$
- ◆ Can sometimes also use closure under  $\cap$  (and/or complement)
  - ⇒ E.g. If  $L \cap B = L_1$ , and  $B$  is regular while  $L_1$  is not regular, then  $L$  is not regular (if  $L$  was regular,  $L_1$  would have to be regular)

## Some Applications of Regular Languages

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- ◆ Pattern matching and searching:
  - ⇒ E.g. In Unix:
    - ◆ `ls *.c`
    - ◆ `cp /myfriends/games/*. * /mydir/`
    - ◆ `grep 'Spock' *trek.txt`
- ◆ Compilers:
  - ⇒ `id ::= letter (letter | digit)*`
  - ⇒ `int ::= digit digit*`
  - ⇒ `float ::= d d*.d*(ε|E d d*)`
  - ⇒ The symbol `|` stands for “or” (= union)

## Good luck on the midterm on monday!

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- ◆ You can bring one 8 1/2" x 11" review sheet
- ◆ The questions sheet will have space for answers. I will also bring extra blank sheets for those of you who balk at brevity.

Don't sweat it!



- Go through the homeworks, lecture slides, and examples in the text (Chapters 0 and 1 only)
- Do the practice midterm on the website and avoid being surprised!

