

Assignment#2 Key

$$1a. \text{EveryOther}(L) = \{ a_1 a_3 \dots a_{2n-1} \mid a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_{2n-1} a_{2n} \text{ is in } L \}$$

- Approach 1: Let L be a Regular language over the finite alphabet Σ . For each $a \in \Sigma$, define $f(a) = \{a, a'\}$, $g(a) = a'$ and $h(a) = a$, $h(a') = \lambda$, f is a substitution, g and h are homomorphisms.
 $\text{EveryOther}(L) = h(f(L) \cap (\Sigma \cdot g(\Sigma))^*)$
- Why this works:
 $f(L)$ gets us every possible random priming of letters of strings in L .
 $(\Sigma \cdot g(\Sigma))^*$ gets every word composed of pairs of unprimed and primed letters from Σ . Intersecting this with $f(L)$ gets strings of the form $a_1 a_2' a_3 a_4' \dots a_{2n-1} a_{2n}'$ where $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 \dots a_{2n-1} a_{2n}$ is in L .
Applying the homomorphism h erases all primed letters resulting in every string $a_1 a_3 \dots a_{2n-1}$ where $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 \dots a_{2n-1} a_{2n}$ is in L , precisely the language $\text{EveryOther}(L)$ that we sought. This works as Regular Languages are closed under intersection, concatenation, $*$, substitution and homomorphism.

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- Approach 2: Let L be a Regular language over the finite alphabet Σ . Assume L is recognized by the DFA $A_1 = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_1, F)$. Define NFA $A_2 = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_1, F)$, where $\delta_2(q, a) = \text{union}(b \in \Sigma) \{ \delta_1(\delta_1(q, a), b) \}$
- Why this works:
Every transition that A_2 takes is one that A_1 would have taken when reading a pair that starts with the character read by A_1 followed by any arbitrary character.

1b. $\text{Half}(L) = \{ x \mid \text{there exists a } y, |x| = |y| \text{ and } xy \text{ is in } L \}$

- Let L be a Regular language over the finite alphabet Σ . Assume L is recognized by the DFA $A_1 = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_1, F)$. Define the NFA $A_2 = ((Q \times Q \times Q) \cup \{q_0\}, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_0, F')$, where
 - $\delta_2(q_0, \lambda) = \text{union}(q \in Q) \{ \langle q_1, q, q \rangle \}$ and
 - $\delta_2(\langle q, r, s \rangle, a) = \text{union}(b \in \Sigma) \{ \langle \delta_1(q, a), \delta_1(r, b), s \rangle \}$, $q, r, s \in Q$
 - $F' = \text{union}(q \in Q) \{ \langle q, f, q \rangle \}$, $f \in F$
- Why this works:
 - The first part of a state $\langle q, r, s \rangle$ tracks A_1 .
 - The second part of a state $\langle q, r, s \rangle$ tracks A_1 for precisely all possible strings that are the same length as what A_1 is reading in parallel. This component starts with a guess as to what state A_1 might end up in.
 - The third part of a state $\langle q, r, s \rangle$ remembers the initial guess.
 - Thus, $\delta_2^*(\langle q_1, q, q \rangle, x) = \{ \delta_1^*(q_0, x), \delta_1^*(q, y), q \}$ for arbitrary y , $|x|=|y|$
 - We accept if the initial guess was right and the second component is final, meaning xy is in L .

$$2. L = \{ a^m b^n c^t \mid t = \min(m,n) \}$$

a.) Use the **Myhill-Nerode Theorem** to show **L is not** Regular.

Define the equivalence classes $[a^i b^i]$, $i \geq 0$

Clearly $a^i b^i c^i$ is in **L**, but $a^j b^j c^i$ is not in **L** when $j \neq i$

Thus, $[a^i b^i] \neq [a^j b^j]$ when $j \neq i$ and so the index of R_L is infinite.

By Myhill-Nerode, **L** is not Regular.

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b.) Use the **Pumping Lemma for CFLs** to show **L is not** a CFL

Me: L is a CFL

PL: Provides **$N > 0$**

Me: **$z = a^N b^N c^N$**

PL: **$z = uvwxy$, $|vwx| \leq N$, $|vx| > 0$, and $\forall i \geq 0 uv^iwx^iy \in L$**

Me: Since $|vwx| \leq N$, it can consist of **a's** and/or **b's** or **b's** and/or **c's** but never all three.

Assume it contains no **c's** then **$i=0$** decreases the number of **a's** and/or the number of **b's**, but not the **c's** and so there are more **c's** than the minimum of **a's** and **b's**.

Assume it contains **c's** then **$i=2$** increases the number of **c's** and maybe number of **b's**, but not the **a's** and so there are more than **N c's** but just **N a's**.

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c.) Present a CSG for **L** to show it is context sensitive

$$G = (\{ A, B, C, \langle a \rangle, \langle b \rangle \}, \{ a, b, c \}, R, A)$$

$$A \rightarrow aBbc \mid abc \mid a \mid b \mid \lambda$$

$$B \rightarrow aBbC \mid a\langle a \rangle bC \mid ab\langle b \rangle C \quad // \text{ allow more a's or more b's}$$

$$Cb \rightarrow bC \quad // \text{ Shuttle C over to a c}$$

$$Cc \rightarrow cc \quad // \text{ Change C to a c}$$

$$\langle a \rangle \rightarrow a\langle a \rangle \mid \lambda$$

$$\langle b \rangle \rightarrow b\langle b \rangle \mid \lambda$$