

Assignment#2 Key

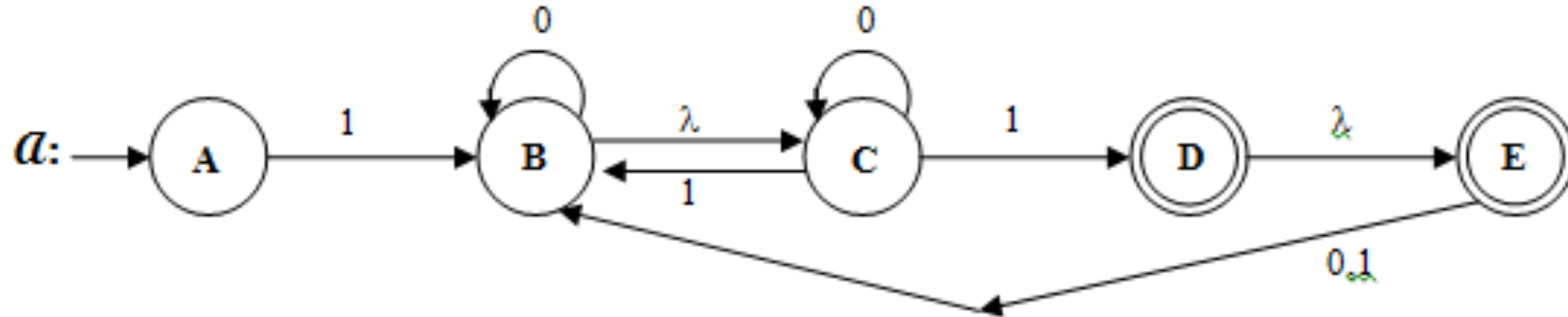
1a. $\text{NoLeadingOrLaggingAs}(L) = \{ x \mid a^*xa^* \text{ is in } L \text{ and } x \text{ has no leading or lagging } a\text{'s} \}$

- 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.
 $\text{NoLeadingOrLaggingAs}(L) = h(f(L) \cap (g(a^*) (\Sigma - \{a\}) \Sigma^* (\Sigma - \{a\}) g(a^*)))$
- Why this works:
 $f(L)$ gets us every possible random priming of letters of strings in L .
 $(g(a^*) (\Sigma - \{a\}) \Sigma^* (\Sigma - \{a\}) g(a^*))$ gets every word composed of a sequence of zero or more a 's followed by a non- a character from Σ then a sequence of characters from Σ that ends in a non- a character from Σ followed by a sequence of zero or more a 's. Intersecting this with $f(L)$ gets strings of the desired form that occur in L . Applying the homomorphism h erases all primed letters resulting in every string the language $\text{NoLeadingOrLaggingAs}(L)$ that we sought. This works as Regular Languages are closed under intersection, concatenation, $*$, substitution and homomorphism.

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

- 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 $A_2 = ((Q \times Q \times Q \times Q \times Q) \cup \{q_0\}, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_0, F')$, where $\delta_2(q_0, \lambda) = \text{union}(q, r \in Q) \{ \langle q_1, q, q, r, r \rangle \}$ and $\delta_2(\langle s, t, u, v, w \rangle, b) = \text{union}(a, c \in \Sigma) \{ \langle \delta_1(s, a), \delta_1(t, b), u, \delta_1(v, c), w \rangle \}$, $s, t, u, v, w \in Q$
 $F' = \text{union}(q \in Q) \{ \langle q, q, r, f, r \rangle \}$, $f \in F$
- Why this works:
 The first part of a state $\langle s, t, u, v, w \rangle$ tracks A_1 for all possible strings that are the same length as what A_2 is reading in parallel. We guess it will end up in state q and so $u=q$ to remember that guess.
 The second part of state $\langle s, t, u, v, w \rangle$ tracks A_1 as if it has read a string that ended in state q ($u=q$). This part actually reads the mid part of a string divided into thirds.
 The third part of a state $\langle s, t, u, v, w \rangle$ tracks A_1 for all possible strings that are the same length as what A_2 is reading in parallel. We guess that reading the mid part will end up in state r ($w=r$).
- Thus, we start with a guess (q) as to what state A_1 might end up in reading a string of length x . The guess is checked by requiring us to start up in state q in the mid part which reads y , where $|x|=|y|$. We guess that we will end up in state r after reading y . The guess is checked by requiring us to start up in state r in the third part which simulates reading a string z , where $|x|=|y|=|z|$.
- The final states check that our guesses were correct, and the third part could end in a final state of A_1 .

2. Use Regular Equations to Solve for D + E



$$A = \lambda$$

$$B = A1 + C1 + E(0+1) + B0 = 1 + B0*1 + D(0+1) + B0 = 1 + C1(0+1) + B(0*1 + 0)$$

$$= 1 + B0*1(0+1) + B(0*1 + 0) = 1(0*1(0+1) + 0*1 + 0)^*$$

$$C = B + C0 = B0^* = 1(0*1(0+1) + 0*1 + 0)^* 0^*$$

$$D = C1 = 1(0*1(0+1) + 0*1 + 0)^* 0^*1 = 1(0*1(0+1+\lambda) + 0)^* 0^*1$$

$$E = D$$

$$3. L = \{ a^m b^{2^n} \mid m, n > 0 \}$$

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

Define the equivalence classes $[ab^{2^i}]$, $i \geq 0$

Clearly $ab^{2^i}b^{2^i}$ is in **L**, but $ab^{2^j}b^{2^i}$ is not in **L** when $j > i$

Thus, $[ab^{2^i}] \neq [ab^{2^j}]$ when $j \neq i$ and so the index of R_L is infinite.

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

$$3. L = \{ a^m b^{2^n} \mid m, n > 0 \}$$

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

Me: **L** is a CFL

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

Me: **$z = a b^{2^N}$**

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

Me: If **vwx** includes the one **a** then set **$i=0$** and we get a string with no **a 's** which is not in **L** . Thus, we can assume **vwx** is over **b 's** only. Since **$0 < |vwx| \leq N$** , setting **$i=2$** adds at least one **b** and at most **N** **b 's**. However, the smallest member of **L** longer than **$a b^{2^N}$** has **2^N** more **a 's** and so **uv^2wx^2y** cannot be in **L** . Thus, the Pumping Lemma shows **L** to not be a CFL.

$$3. L = \{ a^m b^{2^n} \mid m, n > 0 \}$$

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

$G = (\{ S, A, B, C, D, E, X, \langle a \rangle, \langle b \rangle \}, \{ a, b \}, R, S)$

S	→ $\langle a \rangle bb$	// Base case of a^+b^2
S	→ $Bb\langle b \rangle$	// One b and a pseudo b $\langle b \rangle$ that is a sentinel; gets all cases about b^2
Bb	→ XbC	// C will shuttle left doubling b's; first b doubled later
Cb	→ bbC	// Double the number of b's
$C\langle b \rangle$	→ $Db\langle b \rangle$	// Double but keep that sentinel at end
$C\langle b \rangle$	→ Ebb	// Done doubling so get rid of sentinel
bD	→ Db	// Shuttle D back to start
XD	→ Bb	// Change XD back to Bb to continue increasing b's
bE	→ Eb	// Shuttle E back to start
XE	→ $\langle a \rangle b$	// Switch to generating a's
$\langle a \rangle$	→ $a\langle a \rangle \mid a$	// Start with a^+