

CSE 105 Spring 2023  
Week 3 Discussion

Pumping Lemma : If  $A$  is a regular language, then there exists a number  $p$  such that for any string  $s$  in  $A$  of length at least  $p$ ,  $s$  can be divided into 3 parts  $xyz$ , such that

- $|y| > 0$
- $|xy| \leq p$
- $xy^iz \in A, \forall i \geq 0$

Using pumping lemma to prove that a language  $B$  is non-regular : Let  $p$  be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma for language  $B$ . There exists string  $s$  in  $B$  of length at least  $p$ , such that  $\forall x,y,z$  such that  $s = xyz, |xy| \leq p$  and  $|y| > 0, \exists i \geq 0$  such that  $xy^iz \notin B$ .

Question 1.29a :

Let  $p$  be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma for language  $A_1$ .

Let  $s = 0^p 1^p 2^p$ .

$s \in A_1$  and  $|s| \geq p$ .

Let  $b > 0, a$  such that  $a+b \leq p, x = 0^a, y = 0^b, z = 0^{p-a-b} 1^p 2^p$

$|xy| = a+b \leq p, |y| = b > 0$ .

$xy^0z = 0^a 0^{p-a-b} 1^p 2^p = 0^{p-b} 1^p 2^p$ .

Since  $p-b \neq p, 0^{p-b} 1^p 2^p \notin A_1$ .

$\forall x,y,z$  such that  $s = xyz, |xy| \leq p$  and  $|y| > 0, xy^0z \notin A_1$ .

$A_1$  is non-regular.

Question 1.29b :

$A_2 = \{www \mid w \in \{a,b\}^*\}$

Let  $p$  be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma for language  $A_2$ .

Let  $s = a^p b a^p b a^p b$ .

$s \in A_2$  and  $|s| \geq p$ .

Let  $n > 0, m$  such that  $m+n \leq p, x = a^m, y = a^n, z = a^{p-n-m} b a^p b a^p b$

$|xy| = m+n \leq p, |y| = n > 0$ .

$xy^0z = a^m a^{p-n-m} b a^p b a^p b = a^{p-n} b a^p b a^p b$

$a^{p-n} b a^p b a^p b \notin A_2$ .

$\forall x,y,z$  such that  $s = xyz, |xy| \leq p$  and  $|y| > 0, xy^0z \notin A_2$ .

$A_2$  is non-regular.

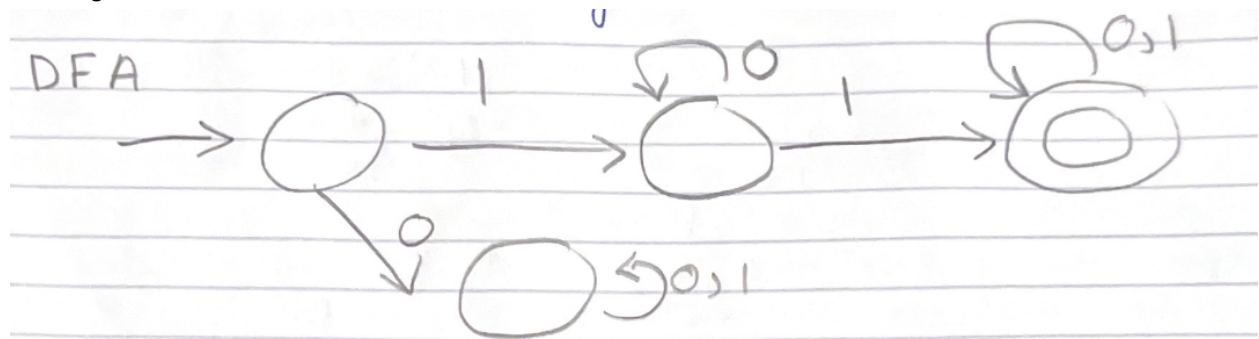
Question 1.29c : Answer at back of the book.

Question 1.30 : Language in example 1.73 is  $L(\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\})$ . We cannot use the same prove for language  $L(0^* 1^*)$ .

Question 1.49 a : Prove  $B$  is regular.

$B = \{1^k y \mid y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } y \text{ contains at least } k \text{ 1s, for } k \geq 1\}$

A string in B must start with 1 and have another 1.



Question 1.49 b : Prove C is nonregular.

$C = \{1^k y \mid y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } y \text{ contains at most } k \text{ 1s, for } k \geq 1\}$

Let  $p$  be the pumping length given by the pumping lemma for language C.

Let  $t = 01^p$

Let  $s = 1^p t$ .

$s \in C, |s| \geq p$ .

Let  $n > 0, m$  such that  $m+n \leq p$ .

Let  $x = 1^m, y = 1^n, z = 1^{p-m-n}01^p$

$xy^0z = 1^{p-n}01^p$ .

$n < 0 \Rightarrow p-n < p$ .

$\Rightarrow xy^0z \notin C$ .

Thus,  $\forall x, y, z$  such that  $s = xyz, |y| > 0, |xy| \leq p, xy^0z \notin C$ .

C is nonregular.

Question 1.50 : Find the minimum pumping length.

Part a : Answer at the back of the chapter

Part b : Answer at the back of the chapter

Part c :  $001 \cup 0^*1^*$

$001 \in 0^*1^*$

$L(001 \cup 0^*1^*) = L(0^*1^*)$

Minimum pumping length is 1. Answer of part c.

Part d : Answer at the back of the chapter

Part e :  $(01)^*$

Minimum pumping length is 2. Any non-empty string of  $L((01)^*)$  can be partitioned into  $x = \varepsilon$ ,  $y = (01)$ ,  $z =$  remainder of string.

Minimum pumping length cannot be 1 because  $|xy|$  must be less than  $p$  and  $|y| > 0$ .

The only choice for  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $z$  would be  $\varepsilon$ ,  $0$ , and remainder of the string respectively.

$z$  would start with 1 and  $z \notin (01)^*$

$$xy^0z = \varepsilon \varepsilon z = z \notin (01)^*$$

Thus,  $p$  cannot be 1.

Part f :  $\varepsilon$

Pumping length must be greater than 0.

Minimum pumping length is 1.

Part g :  $G = 1^*01^*01^*$

$00 \in 1^*01^*01^*$ , but cannot be pumped.

Assume  $p = 2$ .

Let  $n > 0$ ,  $m$  such that  $m+n \leq p$ .

Consider string  $s = 00$ .

Let  $x = 0^m$ ,  $y = 0^n$ ,  $z = 0^{2-m-n}$ .

$$xy^0z = 0^m \varepsilon 0^{2-m-n} = 0^{2-n}$$

$$n \geq 1$$

$$2-n \leq 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow xy^0z = 0 \notin G \text{ or } xy^0z = \varepsilon \notin G$$

$\Rightarrow$  Contradiction

$\Rightarrow p$  cannot be 2.

Part h :  $10(11^*0)^*0$

Minimum pumping length is 4.

$p \neq 3$  because  $100$  cannot be pumped, for any  $y$ , for any  $i$ .

Part i :  $1011$

Minimum pumping length is 5.  $1011$  cannot be pumped.

Part j :  $\Sigma^*$

Minimum pumping length is 1.

We can partition any string  $s \in \Sigma^*$  into  $x = \varepsilon$ ,  $y = s$ , and  $z = \varepsilon$ .

$$y \in \Sigma^*$$

$$y^i \in \Sigma^*, \forall i \geq 0.$$

$$xy^iz \in \Sigma^*, \forall i \geq 0.$$