

Theorem: Every string is perfectly cromulent

Proof: Let w be an arbitrary string.

Assume, for every string x such that $|x| < |w|$, that x is perfectly cromulent.

There are two cases to consider.

- Suppose $w = \varepsilon$.

Therefore, w is perfectly cromulent.

- Suppose $w = ax$ for some symbol a and string x .

The induction hypothesis implies that x is perfectly cromulent.

Therefore, w is perfectly cromulent.

In both cases, we conclude that w is perfectly cromulent. □

Lemma: For all strings w, y, z : $(w \cdot y) \cdot z = w \cdot (y \cdot z)$

Proof: Let w, y, z be arbitrary strings.

IH: Assume $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)$ for all strings x shorter than w .

There are two cases:

- $w = \varepsilon$ $(w \cdot y) \cdot z = (\varepsilon \cdot y) \cdot z$ [$w = \varepsilon$]
 $= y \cdot z$ [def \cdot]
 $= \varepsilon \cdot (y \cdot z)$ [def \cdot]
 $= w \cdot (y \cdot z)$ [$w = \varepsilon$]

- $w = ax$ for some symbol a + string x

$$\begin{aligned} (w \cdot y) \cdot z &= ((ax) \cdot y) \cdot z && [w = ax] \\ &= (a \cdot (x \cdot y)) \cdot z && [def \cdot] \\ &= a \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot z) && [def \cdot] \\ &= a \cdot (x \cdot (y \cdot z)) && IH \\ &= (ax \cdot (y \cdot z)) && [def \cdot] \\ &= w \cdot (y \cdot z) && [w = ax] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(w \cdot y) \cdot z = w \cdot (y \cdot z)$

LANGUAGES = sets of strings over Σ

\emptyset

$\{\epsilon\}$

Σ^* = all strings over Σ

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$\{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ has even \# of 1s}\} = \{\epsilon, 00, 101, \dots\}$

$\{BMO\}$

$\{FINN, TAKE, ICEKING\}$

$\{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ is binary for prime \#}\}$

$L = A \cup B$

All Python programs

$L = A \cap B$

All Python programs that do loop

$L = \bar{A} = \Sigma^* \setminus A$

$L = A \cdot B = \{x \cdot y \mid x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\}$

$\{\text{FIRST, SECOND, THIRD}\} \cdot \{\text{BASE, PLACE}\}$

$\{0\}^* \cdot \{1\}^*$

$\emptyset \cdot L = \emptyset$

$\{\epsilon\} \cdot L = L$

L^* - Kleene star = $\{\epsilon\} \cup L \cup L \cdot L \cup L \cdot L \cdot L \cup \dots$

$w \in L^* \iff w = \epsilon \text{ or } w = xy$
for some $x \in L$
 $y \in L^*$

Is L^* always infinite?

$\emptyset^* = \{\epsilon\} \cup \emptyset \cup \emptyset \cdot \emptyset \cup \dots = \{\epsilon\}$

$\{\epsilon\}^* = \{\epsilon\} \cup \{\epsilon \cdot \epsilon\} \cup \dots = \{\epsilon\}$

Lemma 2.1. The following identities hold for all languages A , B , and C :

- (a) $A \cup B = B \cup A$.
- (b) $(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$.
- (c) $\emptyset \cdot A = A \cdot \emptyset = \emptyset$.
- (d) $\{\epsilon\} \cdot A = A \cdot \{\epsilon\} = A$.
- (e) $(A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$.
- (f) $A \cdot (B \cup C) = (A \cdot B) \cup (A \cdot C)$.
- (g) $(A \cup B) \cdot C = (A \cdot C) \cup (B \cdot C)$.

Lemma 2.2. The following identities hold for every language L :

- (a) $L^* = \{\epsilon\} \cup L^+ = L^* \cdot L^* = (L \cup \{\epsilon\})^* = (L \setminus \{\epsilon\})^* = \{\epsilon\} \cup L \cup (L^+ \cdot L^+)$.
- (b) $L^+ = L \cdot L^* = L^* \cdot L = L^+ \cdot L^* = L^* \cdot L^+ = L \cup (L^+ \cdot L^+)$.
- (c) $L^+ = L^*$ if and only if $\epsilon \in L$.

Lemma 2.3 (Arden's Rule). For any languages A , B , and L such that $L = A \cdot L \cup B$, we have $A^* \cdot B \subseteq L$. Moreover, if A does not contain the empty string, then $L = A \cdot L \cup B$ if and only if $L = A^* \cdot B$.

Regular languages

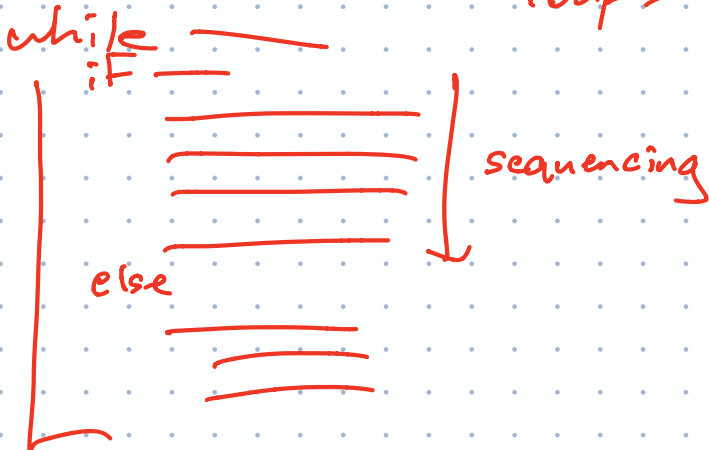
L is regular means either

$L = \emptyset$ $\rightarrow \emptyset$
 $L = \{w\}$ $\rightarrow w$ For some string w

if then else $L = A \cup B$ $\rightarrow A \cup B$
 A, B regular

seq: $L = A \cdot B$ $\rightarrow AB$
 A, B regular

loops $L = A^*$ $\rightarrow A^*$
 A regular



Regular expressions

$$0 + 10^*$$

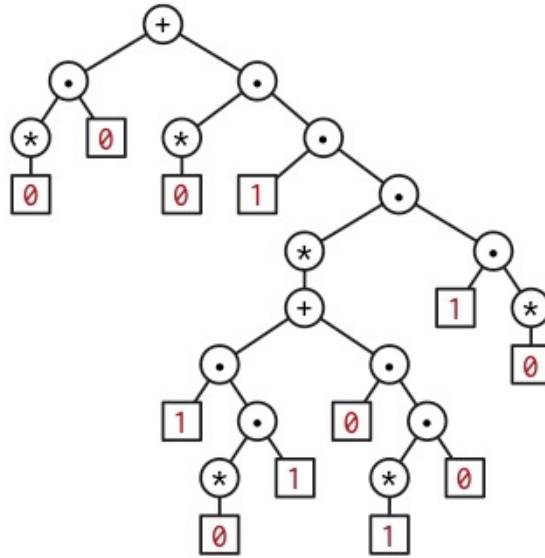
$$= \{0\} \cup (\{1\} \cdot (\{0\})^*)$$

Alternating 0s and 1s

Good: $\epsilon, 1, 0, 101, 010101, 01010, \dots$

Bad: $11, 0100, 01101, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} & \epsilon \\ & + 0 (10)^* (1 + \epsilon) \\ & + 1 (01)^* (0 + \epsilon) \end{aligned} = (0 + \epsilon) (10)^* (1 + \epsilon)$$



A regular expression tree for $0^*0 + 0^*1(10^*1 + 01^*0)^*10^*$

Proof: Let R be an arbitrary regular expression.

Assume that **every regular expression smaller than R is perfectly cromulent.**

There are five cases to consider.

- Suppose $R = \emptyset$.

Therefore, R is perfectly cromulent.

- Suppose R is a single string.

Therefore, R is perfectly cromulent.

- Suppose $R = S + T$ for some regular expressions S and T .

The induction hypothesis implies that S and T are perfectly cromulent.

Therefore, R is perfectly cromulent.

- Suppose $R = S \cdot T$ for some regular expressions S and T .

The induction hypothesis implies that S and T are perfectly cromulent.

Therefore, R is perfectly cromulent.

- Suppose $R = S^*$ for some regular expression S .

The induction hypothesis implies that S is perfectly cromulent.

Therefore, R is perfectly cromulent.

In all cases, we conclude that w is perfectly cromulent.

□