

1. **(20 points)** Recall the inductive definition for the set, S , of all strings in $\{0, 1\}^*$ from the September 8 lecture notes: w is in S iff

- $w = \epsilon$; or
- There is a string x in S such that $w = 0x1$ or $w = 1x0$; or
- There are strings x and y in S such that $w = xy$.

(a) **(10 points)** Give an inductive definition for a set, T , that contains all strings that have more 1's than 0's.

(b) **(10 points)** Give a proof that your solution to part (a) is correct.

Hint: You may find it helpful to use S in your definition of T .

2. **(20 points)** Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2\}$. Let $\subseteq \Sigma^* H$ be the language that contains a string w iff

- $w = \epsilon$; or
- There are strings x and y in H such that $w \in \{0x1y2, 0x2y1, 1x0y2, 1x2y0, 2x0y1, 2x1y0\}$.

(a) **(10 points)** Prove that for each string, w in H , the number of 0's, 1's and 2's in w are all equal to each other.

(b) **(10 points)** Does H contain all strings that have an equal number of 0's, 1's and 2's? Give a short proof for your answer.

3. **(30 points)** Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$. Figure 1 depicts three finite state machines that read inputs from this alphabet. Let L_a , L_b , and L_c be the languages accepted by DFA (a), DFA (b), and DFA (c) respectively.

(a) **(9 points)** For each of L_a , L_b , and L_c , list three strings in Σ^* that are in the language and three strings in Σ^* that are not in the language.

(b) **(12 points)** Write a short description of each of the language, L_a , L_b and L_c .

(c) **(9 points)**

Is $L_a = L_b$, $L_a \subset L_b$, $L_a \supset L_b$, or none of these?

Is $L_b = L_c$, $L_b \subset L_c$, $L_b \supset L_c$, or none of these?

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Give a short justification of your answers.

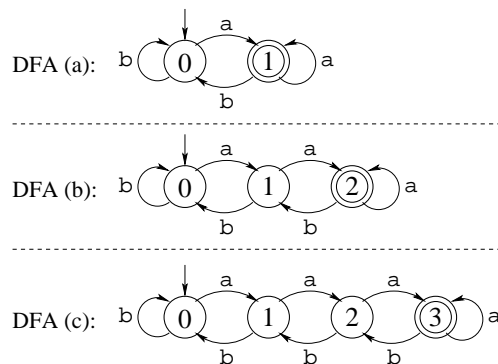


Figure 1: Finite state machines for question 3