Homework 2

- 1. (20 points +10 *points extra credit*) Write regular expressions that generate each of the languages below. For each language, the alphabet, Σ , is {0, 1}.
 - (a) $A_1 = \{s \mid s \text{ contains the substring 1011}\}.$
 - (b) $A_2 = \{s \mid |s| = 5m + 7n \text{ with } m, n \in \mathbb{N} \}.$
 - (c) $A_3 = \{s \mid s \text{ contains an even number of 0's}\}.$
 - (d) $A_4 = \{s \mid s \text{ contains an odd number of } 1's\}.$
 - (e) (10 points extra credit): $A_5 = \{s \mid s \text{ contains an even number of 0's and an odd number of 1's}\}.$
- 2. (30 points) In the problems below, let R_1, R_2, \ldots be arbitrary regular expressions over an arbitrary finite alphabet. For each proposed identity, either prove it, or give a counter-example. Two are valid identities for which a correct proof is worth 10 points; two are not valid identities for which a counter-example is worth 5 points.
 - (a) $R_1 \cup \epsilon = R_1$.
 - (b) $R_1 R_1^* = R_1^* R_1$.
 - (c) $R_1 \cdot (R_2 \cup R_3) = (R_1 \cdot R_2) \cup (R_1 \cdot R_3).$
 - (d) $R_1 \cup (R_2 \cdot R_3) = (R_1 \cup R_2) \cdot (R_1 \cup R_3).$
- 3. (20 points) For any language, A, let

$$A^{\mathcal{R}} = \{s \mid s^{\mathcal{R}} \in A\}$$

where $s^{\mathcal{R}}$ is the *reverse* of *s* as defined in homework 0:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \epsilon^{\mathcal{R}} & = & \epsilon \\ (x \cdot c)^{\mathcal{R}} & = & c \cdot x^{\mathcal{R}} \end{array}$$

Prove that if A is regular, then so is $A^{\mathcal{R}}$.

- 4. (40 points): For each language below, determine whether or not the language is regular. If it is regular, draw a DFA that accepts it and write a *short* explanation of how your DFA works. If it is not regular, provide a proof. For each language, the alphabet, Σ, is {0, 1}. The notation #0(s) refers to the number of #0's in s, and #1(s) refers to the number of #1's.
 - (a) $B_1 = \{s \mid s \text{ contains an even number of 0's and an odd number of 1's}\}.$
 - (b) $B_2 = \{s \mid \# 1(s) = k * \# 0(s) \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$
 - (c) $B_3 = \{s \mid (|\#0(s) \#1(s)| \mod 3) = 0\}.$
 - (d) $B_4 = \{s \mid (|\#0(s) \#1(s)| \mod 3) = 1\}.$

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