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Elim 1:  $bucua^*(cub(buc))$

Elim 2:  $(bucua^*(cub(buc)))^*(cua^*(cub))$

Ex:  $\{w \in \{0,1\}^* : w \text{ has even \# 0's, \& \# 1's}\}$   
 Find a regex for this.

regex?

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Close properties of the regular languages.

"If  $A, B, \dots$  are regular, then so is (some op applied to  $A, B, \dots$ )"

Ex: string reversal.

Let  $w \in \Sigma^*$  be a string.  
 Define  $w^R = w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$  where  $w_1, \dots, w_n \in \Sigma$  and  $w = w_n \dots w_1$   
 for  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ , define  $L^R$  in the usual way,  
 $L^R = \{w^R : w \in L\}$

Prop: If  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  is regular, then  $L^R$  is regular.

Proof: (2 ways)

Method 1: Convert an automaton  $A$  (recognizing some  $L$ ) into an automaton  $B$  recognizing  $L^R$ .

$A \mapsto$  clean NFA  $A'$

$B$

Note:  $(L^R)^R = L$

Method 2: Convert a regex  $r$  for  $L$  into a regex  $r^R$  for  $L^R$ .

How does reversal interact with union, concat, \*?

$L_1, L_2$  langs (arbitrary)

$(L_1 \cup L_2)^R = L_1^R \cup L_2^R$

$(L_1 L_2)^R = L_2^R L_1^R$


$(L_1^*)^R = (L_1^R)^*$

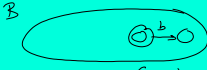
Def of  $r^R$  by recursion on the syntax of  $r$ :

$r$	$r^R = r^R$
$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
$a \in \Sigma$	$a$
$s \cup t$	$s^R \cup t^R$
$st$	$t^R s^R$
$s^*$	$(s^R)^*$

Ex:  
 $r = (ab \cup cab)^*(cca \cup a^*)$   
 $r^R = (acc \cup a^*)(ba \cup bac)^*$

Ex: For language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ ,  
 define  $pp(L)$   
 ("pp" = "principal prefix")  
 as  
 $pp(L) = \{w \in \Sigma^* : (\exists a \in \Sigma) wa \in L\}$   
 $pp(L)$  = the result of taking  
 each non-empty string in  $L$   
 & stripping off the last char.  
 Prop: If  $L$  is regular, then  
 $pp(L)$  is regular.  
 Proof: Method 1: Let  
 $A = \langle Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F \rangle$   
 be a DFA s.t.  $L(A) = L$ .  
 Define  
 $B := \langle Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F' \rangle$   
 where  $(\exists a \in \Sigma)$   
 $F' := \{q \in Q : \delta(q, a) \in F\}$

A 

B 

$L(B) = pp(L)$  (must verify both directions)

Method 2: regex conversion:

$r$	$r' = pp(r)$
$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
$a \in \Sigma$	$\epsilon$
$s \cup t$	$s' \cup t'$
$st$	$\begin{cases} st' \cup us' & \text{if } \epsilon \in t \\ st' & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
$s^*$	$s^*s'$


Extreme cases:  $s = \emptyset$  ( $s^* = \epsilon$ )  
 get  $\emptyset^* \emptyset = \emptyset$  ok.

Ex:  $(ab \cup bc)^* = r$   
 $pp(r) = r' = (ab \cup bc)^*(ab \cup bc)'$   
 $= (ab \cup bc)^*(ab)' \cup (bc)'$   
 $= (\epsilon)^*(ab' \cup bc')$   
 $= (\epsilon)^*(a \cup b)$  //

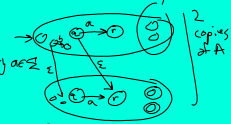
Ex:  
 $DROPONE(L)$   
 $= \{wx : w, x \in \Sigma^* \text{ and } (\exists a \in \Sigma) [wax \in L]\}$

Prop:  $L$  regular  $\Rightarrow$   $DROPONE(L)$  regular.

Proof: Let  $A$  be an NFA recognizing  $L$ .

A 

Construct B as follows: projecting

B 

Do this for every non- $\epsilon$  transition in  $A$ .

Method 2: convert regex  $r = L$  to  
 $r' = DROPONE(r)$ :

$r$	$r'$
$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
$a \in \Sigma$	$\epsilon$
$s \cup t$	$s' \cup t'$
$st$	$s't \cup st'$
$s^*$	$s^*s'$