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Tutorial sheet 1DFA, NFA, subset construction

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1. Give an NFA  $(Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  with  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  that accepts the language of words ...
  - (a) ... that begin and end with the same letter.
  - (b) ... that contain 000 as a subword but not 001.
  - (c) ... that contain at least two 0's and at most one 1.
  - (d) ... that can be obtained by deleting letters from 00101
  - (e) ... having occurrences of 0 multiples of three apart
2. Construct the DFA that accepts all the binary numbers whose integer equivalent is divisible by 4.
3. Give a language that cannot be recognized by a DFA with a single final state.
4. Prove/disprove a regular language can be recognized by an NFA with a single final state.
5. Given two regular languages  $L$  and  $L'$  over alphabet  $\Sigma$ , we define a new language  $L''$  as follows:

$$L'' = \{x_1y_1x_2y_2\dots x_ny_n \in \Sigma^* \mid x_1\dots x_n \in L \text{ and } y_1\dots y_n \in L'\}$$

Intuitively, you take any two words in  $L$  and  $L'$  of equal length and 'alternately concatenate' them. Show that  $L''$  is regular by constructing a DFA for  $L''$  using DFA/NFAs of  $L$  and  $L'$ .

6. Let  $A = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$  be an NFA. Let *universal recognized language*  $U(A)$  of  $A$  be defined as follows.

$$U(A) = \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \hat{\delta}(q_0, w) \subseteq F\}.$$

- a) Prove/Disprove  $U(A) \subseteq L(A)$
- b) Let  $F = \emptyset$ , give an NFA  $A'$  such that  $U(A) = L(A')$
- c) Prove/Disprove that universal recognized languages are regular languages.