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Exercise 1 (Yes/No):

- 1. Deterministic finite automata (DFA) are strictly less expressive than regular expressions.
- 2. Non-deterministic finite automata (NFA) are strictly more expressive than deterministic finite automata.
- 3. The languages of regular expressions are closed under...
 - a) union,
 - b) intersection,
 - c) complement,
 - d) concatenation,
 - e) Kleene closure.
- 4. Context Free Languages (CFL) are closed under...
 - a) union,
 - b) intersection,
 - c) complement,
 - d) concatenation,
 - e) Kleene closure.
- 5. DCFL is the set of context free languages that are accepted by deterministic push down automata. Is DCFL = CFL?

Exercise 2 (Regular Expressions and Grammars):

1. Describe the language of the following regular expression in words:

$$r = (0+1)^* 0(0+1)^* 0(0+1)^*.$$

- 2. Construct the regular expression for
 - a) the set of all strings with at most one pair of consecutive 0's and at the most one pair of consecutive 1's,
 - b) the set of all strings with equal number of 0s and 1s such that no prefix has two more 0s than 1s nor two more 1s than 0s.
- 3. Construct a context free grammar (CFG) for a set of strings of $\{(,)\}^*$ such that every string of the set has equal number of left and right parenthesis, and every prefix has at least as many left parenthesis as right parenthesis.

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Exercise 3 (Proofs):

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- 1. Let r and s be regular expressions. Consider the equation $X = r \cdot X + s$. Under the assumption that the language of r (L(r)) does not contain ϵ , find X and show that it is unique. What happens if $\epsilon \in L(r)$?
- 2. One can construct a regular expression form a finite automaton by solving a system of linear equation of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Given an NFA provide suitable definition of the vectors above. It might be helpful to assume an annihilator ε for regular expression, i.e., $\alpha . \varepsilon = \varepsilon$, $\varepsilon . \alpha = \varepsilon$ and $\varepsilon + \alpha = \alpha$

3. a) An equivalence relation $R \subseteq \Sigma^* \times \Sigma^*$ is said to be *right invariant* when,

 $\forall z \in \Sigma^* \quad (x, y) \in R \iff (xz, yz) \in R \; .$

Show that if $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is regular then it is the union of some of the equivalence classes of R.

- b) Let R_L be an relation defined as: $(x, y) \in R_L$ if and only if for all $z \in \Sigma^* xz \in L$ exactly when $yz \in L$. Show that R_L is an equivalence relation. Show that number of equivalence classes of R_L is finite if and only if L is regular.
- 4. a) Show that the language $L = \{0^{i^2} \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is not regular.
 - b) Show that the language $L = \{a^i b^i c^i \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is not a CFL.