

# Discussion #1: Regular Languages

## 1 Disassembling DFAs

Provide a concise english description for the language recognized by each of the following DFAs. Also provide the corresponding regular expression for the language. Let  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

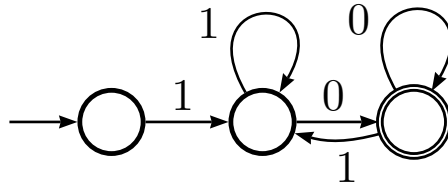


Figure 1: All binary strings that start with a 1 and end with a 0:  $1(1|0)^*0$ .

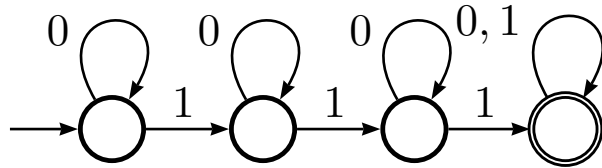


Figure 2: All binary strings that have at least three 1's:  $(0|1)^*1(0|1)^*1(0|1)^*1(0|1)^*$

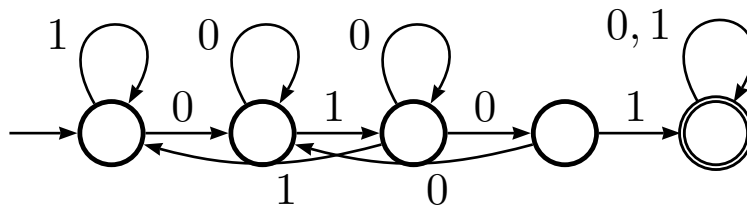


Figure 3: All binary strings containing the substring 0101:  $(0|1)^*0101(0|1)^*$

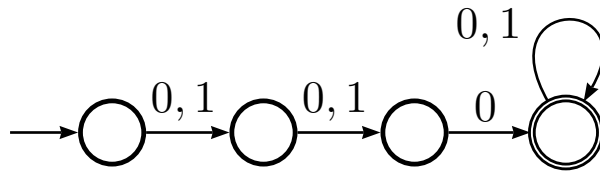


Figure 4: All binary strings that have length at least 3 and third symbol 0:  $(0|1)(0|1)0(0|1)^*$

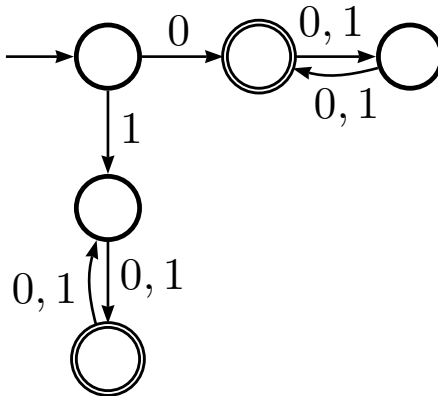


Figure 5: All binary strings that start with 0 and have odd length, or start with 1 and have even length:  $0((0|1)(0|1))^*|1(0|1)((0|1)(0|1))^*$

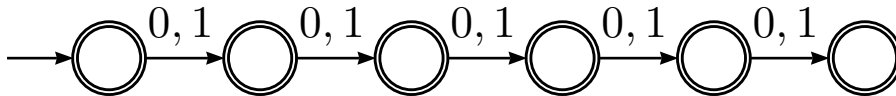


Figure 6: All binary strings that have length at most 5:  $(0|1|\epsilon)(0|1|\epsilon)(0|1|\epsilon)(0|1|\epsilon)(0|1|\epsilon)$

## 2 Constructing DFAs

A language is regular if there exists a DFA that recognizes it. Alternatively, a language is regular if there exists a regular expression that generates it. Show that the following languages are regular using both constructions.

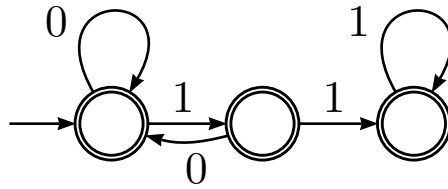


Figure 7:  $\{w \mid w \text{ doesn't contain the substring } 110\}$ :  $0^*(10)^*0^*1^*$

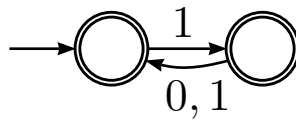


Figure 8:  $\{w \mid \text{every odd position of } w \text{ is a } 1\}$ :  $1(01|11)^*(10|11)^*$

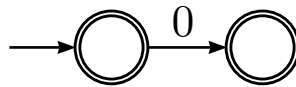


Figure 9:  $\{\epsilon, 0\}$ :  $\epsilon|0$

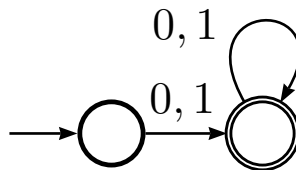


Figure 10: All binary strings except the empty string:  $(1|0)(1|0)^*$