

CS310

Pumping Lemma

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String Review

- w is a string
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- $|w|$ is

- ww means

- w^n means

- $w = xyz$, x is a _____ of w

Can
 $x = \epsilon$?

z is a _____ of w

Non-Regular Languages

- Languages that *cannot* be represented by a finite automaton
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– Such as?

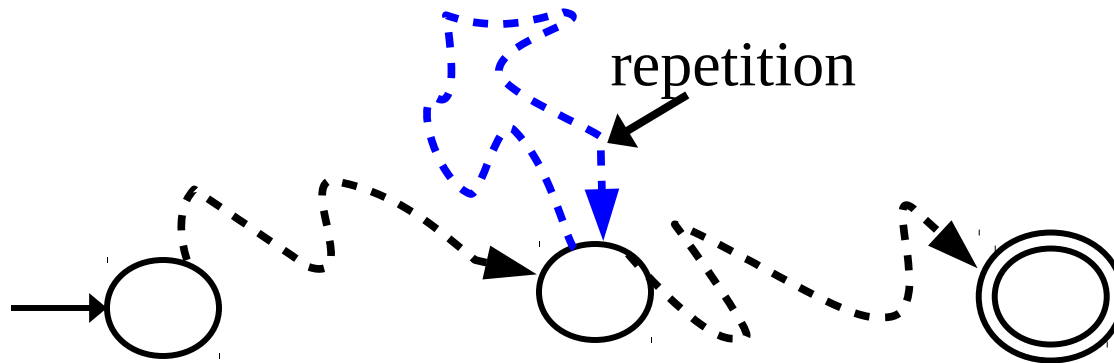
- How do we prove a language is not regular?
 - What characteristics must a language have to be regular?

$C = \{ w \mid w \text{ has an equal number of 0s and 1s} \}$

$D = \{ w \mid w \text{ has an equal number of occurrences of 01 and 10 as substrings} \}$

Pumping Lemma (Informal)

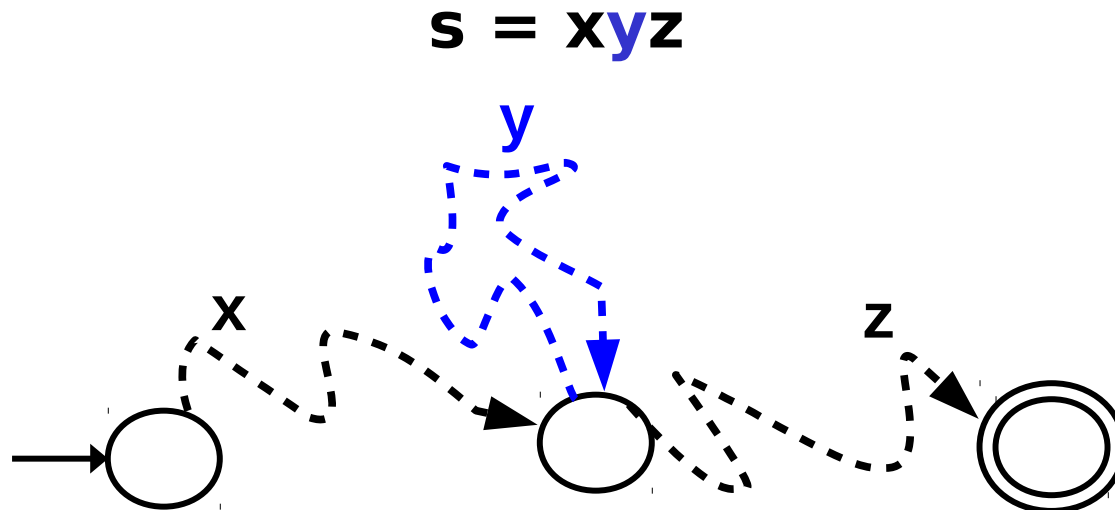
Pumping: The length of the string could be 'pumped' up by repeating a cycle in the FA, and the string would still be accepted.



- All regular languages have a property
 - *the pumping length, p*
- $|w| = n$, how many states do we go through?

Pumping Lemma (Formally)

- DFA: $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$
- If $|Q| = p$ and $s \in L(M)$ and $|s| \geq p$ then there exists at least one state that was visited twice within the first p input symbols



p – pumping length

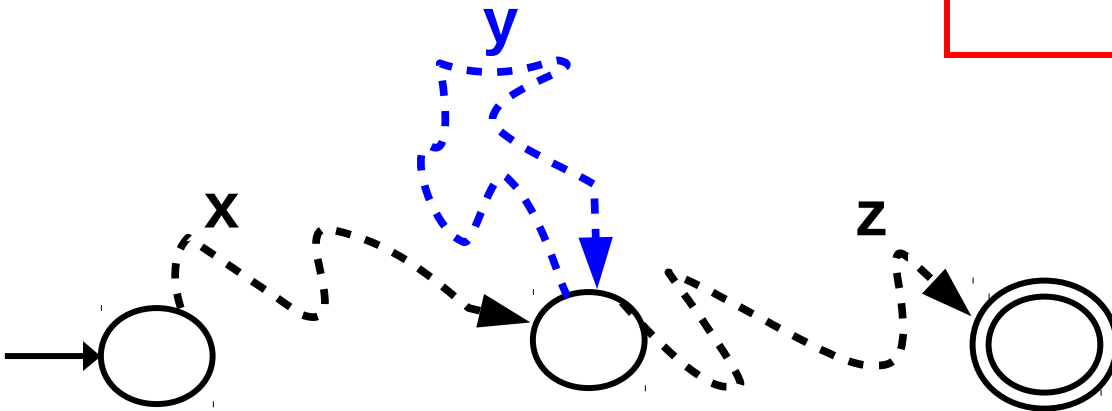
- For every regular language, some integer p exists.
- We do not care what the actual integer value of p is
- We will always refer just to p

Pumping Lemma (Formally)

- If A is a regular language, then :

$s = xyz$

- $i \geq 0, xy^i z \in L(M)$
- $|y| > 0$ (x, z may be ϵ)
- $|xy| \leq p$



Pumping Lemma In Action

- Find a string, $s \in L$, $|s| \geq p$, that cannot be pumped to show language L is not regular.
 - Find a string that exhibits the “essence” of nonregularity
 - **Hint:** choose a string that explicitly references the value p !
 - Proof method?
- $L = \{ w \mid w \text{ contains equal number of 0s and 1s} \}$

Practice

- $L = \{ ww \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^* \}$
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What string should we chose?

what does ww mean?

Can that be pumped?

Regular vs Non-Regular

$$L = \{ 1^* \}$$

$$\Sigma = \{0,1\}$$

$$L = \{ 1^*0^* \}$$

$$L = \{ 1^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

$$L = \{ 0^n1^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

Examples Galore!

- $L = \{ a^n b^m \mid m > n \}$
- $L = \{ a^n b^m \mid m \text{ is odd, } n \text{ is even, } m > 0, n > 0 \}$
- $L = \{ w1w^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \}$
- $L = \{ a^n b^m \mid m \neq n \}$
- $L = \{ a^{2^n} \mid n > 0 \}$
- $L = \{ a^n \mid n \text{ is prime} \}$
- $L = \{ a^n b^m c^{n+m} \mid n, m > 0 \}$
- $L = \{ w^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*, w \text{ is a perfect square in binary} \}$
- $L = \{ wbbw \mid w \in \{a, b\}^* \}$
- $L = \{ (ac)^n b^m \mid n > m \geq 0 \}$
- $L = \{ a^n b^m \mid m > 2, n > 2 \}$

Show for each language:

- Are any of these languages regular?
Can we write any of them as a regular expression?

Practice

- $L = \{ w \mid 1^n 0^m 1^n, n > 0, m \geq 0 \}$ Is L regular?

Which of the following strings are in L and do not violate the pumping lemma?

$$s = 10^p 1$$

$$s = 1^{2p}$$

$$s = 1^p 0^p 1^p$$

$$s = 0$$

$$s = 1^p 0 1^p$$

$$x =$$

$$y =$$

$$z =$$

$$xy^i z$$

$$i \geq 0$$

More Practice

- $L = \{ w \mid 1^n 0^m 1^n, 0 < n < 4, m \geq 0 \}$ Is L regular?
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$$L = \{ wy \mid w, y \in \{0, 1\}^*, |w| = |y| \}$$

$$L = \{ wy \mid w, y \in \{0, 1\}^*, |w| \neq |y| \}$$

$$L = \{ wy \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, y \in \{0, 1\}^*, |w| = |y| \}$$