CS/ECE 374: Algorithms & Models of Computation, Fall 2020

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Submission instructions as in previous <u>homeworks</u>.

## 4 (100 PTS.) OLD Homework problem (not for submission): Regularize this.

For each of the following languages over the alphabet  $\{0, 1\}$ , give a regular expression that describes that language, and briefly argue why your expression is correct.

- **4.A.** (20 PTS.) All strings that contain the subsequence 101.
- **4.B.** (20 PTS.) All strings that do not contain the subsequence 111.
- **4.C.** (20 PTS.) All strings that start in 11 and contain 110 as a substring.
- **4.D.** (20 PTS.) All strings that do not contain the substring 100.
- **4.E.** (20 PTS.) All strings in which every nonempty maximal substring of consecutive 0s is of length 1. For instance 1001 is not in the language while 10111 is.

## 5 (100 PTS.) OLD Homework problem (not for submission): Then, shalt thou find two runs of three.

Let L be the set of all strings in  $\{0,1\}^*$  that contain the substrings 000 and 111.

**5.A.** (60 PTS.) Describe a DFA that over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  that accepts the language L. Argue that your machine accepts every string in L and nothing else, by explaining what each state in your DFA *means*.

You may either draw the DFA or describe it formally, but the states Q, the start state s, the accepting states A, and the transition function  $\delta$  must be clearly specified.

**5.B.** (40 PTS.) Give a regular expression for L, and briefly argue why the expression is correct.

## 6 (100 PTS.) OLD Homework problem (not for submission): Construct This

Let  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  be regular languages over  $\Sigma$  accepted by DFAs  $M_1 = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, s_1, A_1)$  and  $M_2 = (Q_2, \Sigma, \delta_2, s_2, A_2)$ , respectively.

**6.A.** (30 PTS.)

Describe a DFA  $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, s, A)$  in terms of  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  that accepts  $L = L_1 \cup \overline{L_2} \cup \{\epsilon\}$ . Formally specify the components  $Q, \delta, s$ , and A for M in terms of the components of  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ .

**6.B.** (30 PTS.)

Let  $H_1 \subseteq Q_1$  be the set of states q such that there exists a string  $w \in \Sigma^*$  where  $\delta_1^*(q, w) \in A_1$ . Consider the DFA  $M' = (Q_1, \Sigma, \delta_1, s_1, H_1)$ . What is the language L(M')? Formally prove your answer!

**6.C.** (40 PTS.) Suppose that for every  $q \in A_2$  and  $a \in \Sigma$ , we have  $\delta_2(q, a) = q$ . Prove that  $\epsilon \in L_2$  if and only if  $L_2 = \Sigma^*$ .