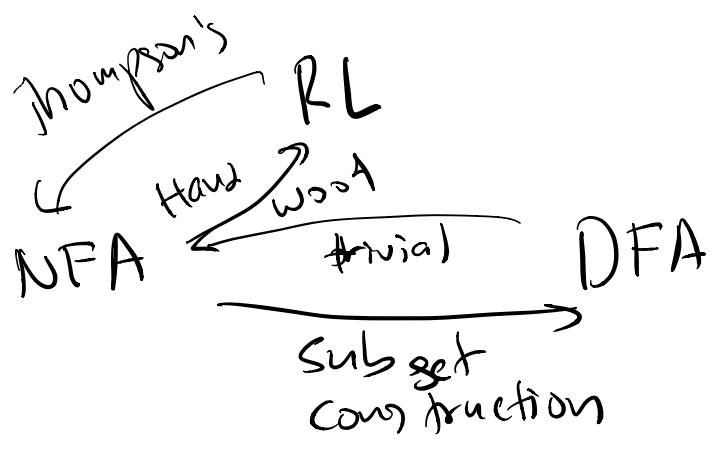


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## Today

1. Non-regular languages
2. Fooling sets
3. Myhill-Nerode thm.
- 2.5. Closure properties

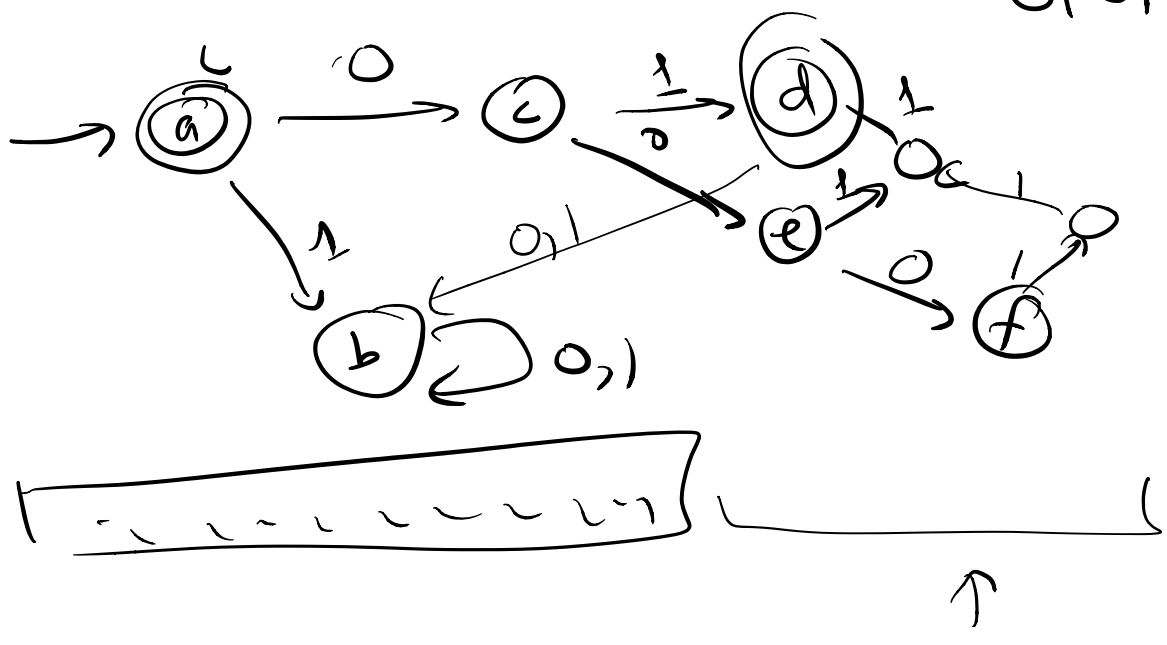


uncountably many languages  
countably many RLs

Canonical non-regular language

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

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Lemma

$$M = (\Sigma, Q, \delta, s, A)$$

$$x, y \in \Sigma^* \Rightarrow \delta^*(\delta^*(q, x), y) = \delta^*(q, x \cdot y)$$

Theorem

$L = \{0^n 1^n\}$  is not regular

Proof

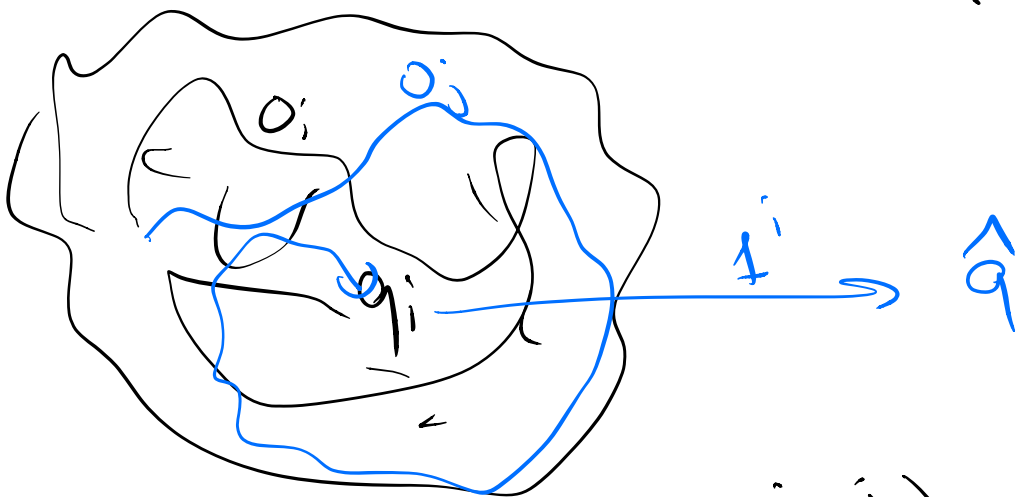
Suppose o/w:  $\exists M = (\Sigma, Q, \delta, s, A)$   
with  $L(M) = L$

$$\delta^*(s, 0^i) = q_i \in Q$$

Since  $Q$  is finite  $\exists i \neq j$  with  $q_i = q_j$

$$\delta^*(s, 0^i 1^i) = \delta^*(\delta^*(s, 0^i), 1^i) = \delta^*(q_i, 1^i) = \hat{q} \in Q$$

$$\delta^*(s, 0^j 1^i) = \delta^*(\delta^*(s, 0^j), 1^i) = \delta^*(q_j, 1^i) = \hat{q}$$



$$\hat{q} \in A$$

$$\delta^*(s, 0^i 1^i) = \hat{q} \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow 0^i 1^i \in L(M)$$

$$\hat{q} \notin A$$

$$\delta^*(s, 0^i 1^j) = \hat{q} \notin A \quad i \neq j \quad 0^i 1^j \notin L$$

$$\Rightarrow 0^i 1^i \notin L(M) \quad \#$$

$\therefore$  no DFA accepts  $L \Rightarrow L$  is not regular



Def Given a language  $L$ , two strings  $x$  and  $y$  are distinguishable if for some suffix  $w$   $xw \in L$  and  $yw \notin L$  or vice versa

For  $L = \{0^n 1^n\}$   $0^i$  and  $0^j$  are distinguishable

Def Given a language  $L$ , a set of strings  $F$  is a fooling set if for any  $x, y \in F$   $x, y$  are distinguishable (wrt  $L$ ) (aka distinguishing set) since if  $i \neq j$   $1^i$  is the distinguishing suffix

$\{0^i \mid i \geq 0\}$  is a fooling set for  $L = \{0^n 1^n\}$

Thm If a DFA  $(M)$  accepts language  $L$  and  $F$  is a fooling set for  $L$  then  $\delta^0(s, x) \neq \delta^0(s, y)$  for  $x, y \in F$   $x \neq y$

Proof Suppose  $x, y \in F$   $x \neq y$   
 $\delta^0(s, x) = \delta^0(s, y) = q \in Q$   
 $\exists w$   $xw \in L$   $yw \notin L$  (wolog)

$$\Rightarrow \delta^0(s, xw) = \delta^0(\delta^0(s, x), w)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \delta^*(q, w) \\
 &= \delta^*(\delta^*(s, y), w) \\
 &= \delta^*(s, yw) \notin A
 \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 1 if we can find finite set  $F$  for  $L$  w/  $n$  elements, no DFA with  $|Q| \leq n$  accepts  $L$

Cor 2 if  $L$  has an infinite fooling set,  $L$  is not regular

Proof Suppose DFA for  $L$  w/  $n$  states  $F_{n+1}$  is an  $(n+1)$ -elt subset of  $F$   
 $\therefore$  no DFA w/  $n$  states accepts  $L$   $\neq$

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

$$F = \{0^n\}$$

$0^i$  and  $0^j$  distinguishable by  $1^i$  if  $i \neq j$

$$L = \{x \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \#1(x) = \#0(x)\}$$

string with same # of 1's and 0's

Prv:  $F = \{1^i \mid i \geq 0\}$

$$x = 1^i$$

$$y = 1^j \text{ for } i \neq j$$

$$xw \in L$$

$$yw \notin L$$

$$w = 0^i$$

$$xw = 1^i 0^i$$

$$yw = 1^j 0^i$$

$$L = \{ \text{balanced parentheses} \}$$

" ( ) "  
 " ( ( ( ) ) ) "  
 etc. }

$$F = \{ 1^i \mid i \geq 0 \}$$

$x = (i$        $y = (j$        $w = )'$   
 $xw \in L$        $yw \notin L$

$L = \{ ww^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \}$

$F =$        $a$        $aa$        $aaaa$        $aaaaa$

$\frac{00}{x} \frac{00}{w}$        $\frac{11}{y} \frac{00}{w}$   
 $\{ 00^i \}$        $\{ 11^i \}$

$\frac{00}{x} \frac{1100}{w}$        $\frac{0000}{y} \frac{1100}{w}$

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} (01)^i \\ \frac{(01)^i}{x} \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} (01)^i \\ \frac{(01)^i}{y} \end{array} \right]$   
 $\frac{(10)^i}{w}$        $\frac{(10)^i}{w}$   
 $F = \{ 0^i 1^i \}$

$L = \{ 0^{k^2} \mid k \geq 0 \}$

$\epsilon, 0, 0000,$   
 $000000000,$

$xw \in L$

$yw \notin L$

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$O_i$

$O_j$

$i \neq j$   
 $i < j$

$F = L$

$O_{i^2}$

$O_{j^2}$

$i < j$

$$\frac{O_{i^2}}{x}$$

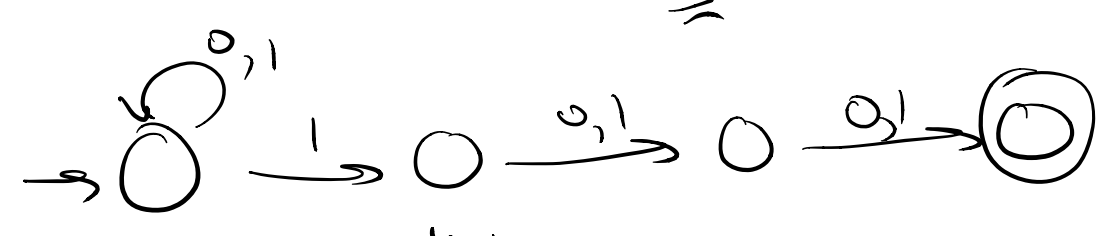
$$\frac{O_{2i+1}}{O_{(i+1)^2}}$$

$$O_{i^2} < O_{j^2}$$

$$O_{2i+1} < O_{(i+1)^2}$$

$L_k = \{ w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ has a } 1 \text{ as } k\text{-th last symbol} \}$

$L_3$       010110100  $\in L$



$$(0+1)^0 \cup (0+1)^{k-1}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} 00$$

$$\frac{0}{5} 00$$

$$\frac{011}{x} 00$$

$$\frac{010}{5} 00$$

$$\frac{0110}{x}$$

$$\frac{1010}{5}$$

$$\frac{101}{x} \epsilon$$

$$\frac{001}{5} \epsilon$$

Claim  $F_k = \{ w \in \{0,1\}^k \mid |w| = k \}$  is a fooling set for  $L_k$

Proof

$x, y \in F_k$       $x \neq y$   
 $x = x_1 \dots x_k$       $y = y_1 \dots y_k$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $0 = x_i - y_i$

$w = 0^{i-1}$   
 $xw \in L_k$   
 $yw \notin L_k$

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$|F_k| = 2^k$

$L_k$  is accepted by any DFA by a  $k+1$  state NFA  $\geq 2^k$  states