

REGULAR EXPRESSION (RE)

* Regular Expression/set:

→ "The set of string accepted by finite automata is known as Regular Language."

operator: This language can also be described in a compact form using a set of operators.


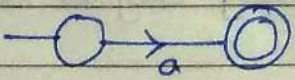
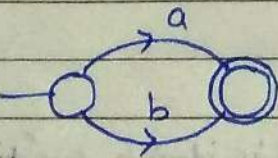
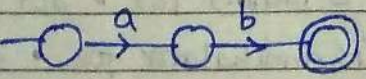
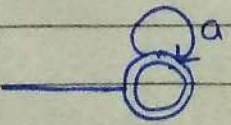
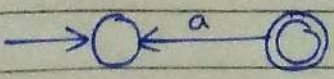
These operators are:

- 1) + , union operator
- 2) . , Concatenation operator
- 3) * , star / closure operator.

Def: Regular Expression:

An expression written using set of operators (+, ., *) and describing a regular language is known as Regular Expression.

The Regular expression for some basic Automata.

Automata	Language	Regular expression
	{ε}	R.E = ε
	{a}	R.E. = a
	{a, b}	R.E. = a + b.
	{ab}	R.E = a . b.
	{ε, a, aa, aaa, ...}	R.E = a*
	φ	R.E = φ.

* Precedence of Operators :

→ operators are associated with operands in particular order.
 The Precedence of operators for regular expression is as follows :

- 1) The star operator has the highest precedence
- 2) The concatenation or "dot" operator comes next in precedence
- 3) Union or "+" operators comes last in the precedence.

* Algebraic laws for Regular Expression :

→ There are number of laws for algebraic laws :

- 1) Associativity and commutativity.
- 2) Identities and annihilators.
- 3) The idempotent law.
- 4) Laws of involving closures.
- 5) Distributive law.

1) Associativity & Commutativity

- Commutative law for union says that the union of two regular languages can be taken in any order.

- For any two lang. L and M.

$$L + M = M + L$$

- The Associative law holds for union of two lang. (Regular lang)

$$(L + M) + N = L + (M + N)$$

2) Identities and annihilator :

ϵ is identity and ϕ is annihilator

There are 3 law 1) $\phi + L = L + \phi = L$ ϕ is identity for '+'

2) $\epsilon \cdot L = L \cdot \epsilon = L$ ϵ is identity for 'dot'

3) $\phi \cdot L = L \cdot \phi = \phi$ is annihilator for 'dot'

3) Distributive law :

1) Left distributive law of concatenation over union

$$L(M + N) = LM + LN$$

2) Right distributive law of concatenation

$$(M + N)L = ML + NL$$

4. Idempotent Law:

It says that the union of two identical expressions can be replaced by one copy of expression.

$$L + L = L$$

5. Laws of Involving closures.

These laws include:

$$1. (L^*)^* = L$$

$$2. \emptyset^* = \epsilon$$

$$3. \epsilon^* = \epsilon$$

$$4. L^* = LL^* = L^*L$$

$$5. L^* = L^* + \epsilon$$

* Pumping Lemma for Regular Language:

Def: "Let L be a regular language and $M = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}$

be a finite automata with n -states. Language L is accepted.

by M . Let $w \in L$ and $|w| \geq n$ then w can be written as xyz where.

$$i) |y| > 0$$

$$ii) |xy| \leq n$$

iii) $xy^i z \in L$ for all $i \geq 0$ here y^i denotes that y is repeated or pumped i times."

- pumping lemma should be used to establish that a given language is not regular.

* Closure properties of Regular Language:

"If an operation on regular lang. generates a Regular lang. then we say that "the class of regular lang. is closed under above operation".

Some of the closure properties:

- 1) Union
- 2) Difference
- 3) Concatenation
- 4) Intersection
- 5) Complementatation
- 6) Kleene star.

* Regular language is ~~under~~ closed under union:

→ Let $M_1 = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_1, q_0, F)$ and $M_2 = (Q, \Sigma, \delta_2, q_0, G)$ be two given automata.

To prove closure property, we need M_3 variable.

which accept every string accepted either by M_1 or M_2 .

$$\therefore L(M_3) = L(M_1) \cup L(M_2)$$

* Regular lang. is closed under concatenation:

→

$$L(M_3) = L(M_1) \cdot L(M_2)$$

* Regular lang is closed under Kleene star (closure)

→

$$L(M_2) = L(M_1)^*$$

* Difference $\div L(M_3) = L(M_1) - L(M_2)$

* Intersection $\div L(M_3) = L(M_1) \cap L(M_2)$

* Complementatation: $L(M_1) = \overline{L(M_1)}$

* Reversal $\div L = \{aab, abb, aaa\}$
then $L^R = \{baa, bba, aaa\}$;

* Show that the set $L = \{b^i \mid i > 1\}$ is not regular.

→ We have to prove that the lang $L = b^i$ is not regular. This lang is such that nos of b's is always a perfect square.

For example,

if we take $i = 1$

$$L = b^1 = b \quad \text{then length} = 1^2$$

$$= b^2 = bbb \quad \text{then length} = 2^2$$

and so on.

Now let us consider, $L = b^{n^2}$ where length n^2

it is denoted by Z

$$|Z| = n^2$$

By pumping lemma,

$$Z = UVW \quad \text{where } 1 \leq |V| \leq n.$$

$$\text{As } Z = UV^iW \quad \text{where } i = 1.$$

Now we will pump V i.e. $i = 2$

$$\text{As we made } i = 2 \text{ we have added one } n^2 \quad 1 \leq |V| \leq 2$$

$$n^2 + 1 \leq |UVW| \leq n + n^2$$

Thus, string lies betⁿ 2 consecutive Perfect square.

But string is not perfect square, Hence we can say the given lang. is not regular.

For example ÷

$$L = b^4$$

$$i = 2$$

$$L = bbbb$$

$$L = UVW$$

Assume $UVW = bbbb$

$$u = b$$

$$v = bb$$

$$w = b.$$

By pumping lemma, even we pump V i.e. increase V . then lang. should show the length as perfect square.

$$= UVW$$

$$= UV \cdot V \cdot W \quad \therefore \left. \begin{array}{l} u = b \\ v = bb \\ v = bb \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= bbbbbb \quad \leftarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} v = bb \\ w = b \end{array} \right\}$$

The length of b is not perfect square. so it is not regular.

* Prove / Disprove that the language L given by
 $L = \{ a^m b^n \mid m \neq n \text{ and } m, n \text{ are +ve integers} \}$ is regular.

→ Let $L = \{ a^m b^n \mid m \neq n \}$ be a language

Assume that L is regular lang., Now consider case

i) Case 1 $z = a a a b b b b \in L$

By pumping lemma if $z = uvw$ then we pump some string to make $z = uv^i w$ then $i \neq 1$.

if $z \in L$ then such lang. is called regular.

Let,

$$z = \underbrace{a a a}_u \underbrace{b b b}_v \underbrace{b b}_w$$

if $z = uv^i w$ and if $i = 2$ then $z = uvv w$

$$z = \underbrace{a}_u \underbrace{a a b b}_v \underbrace{a a b b}_v \underbrace{b b}_w$$

$$z = a^3 b^2 a^2 b^4 \in a^m b^n \in L$$

ii) Case 2 Assume $L \in Z$ such that

$$z = \underbrace{a a a}_u \underbrace{a a}_v \underbrace{a b b b b b}_w$$

By pumping lemma,

$z = uv^i w \in L$ for regular lang. If $i = 2$

$$z = uvv w$$

$$z = \underbrace{a a a}_u \underbrace{a a}_v \underbrace{a a}_v \underbrace{a b b b b b}_w$$

$$z = a^6 b^6 \in a^m b^n \text{ because } m = n$$

From these case, we get $z \in L$, Thus our assumption of L being regular is wrong.

Hence, given language $\{ L = a^m b^n \mid m \neq n \}$

is not regular //

Disproved