

## HW2 Grp2

① Let  $L = \{w \in \{a, b, \dots, z, 0, 1\}^* \mid w \text{ has an odd number of } 1's\}$   
 Let  $L' = \{v \in \{a, 0, 1\}^* \mid \text{the word "one" appears in } v \text{ an odd number of times and the letter e only appears in these one's}\}$ .

Give a homomorphism  $h$  from the language of  $L$  to that of  $L'$ . Next make a regular expression for  $L'$  by using the construction from class to obtain a regular expression for  $h(L)$ .

We map  $h(1) = \text{one}$ . This ensures if  $w$  has  $2k+1$  many 1's for some  $k \geq 0$ , then  $h(w)$  will have at least  $2k+1$  many one's. We want to complete our map  $h$  so that  $h(w)$  has exactly  $2k+1$  many one's. We want to ensure that strings like oneon, none, aonnone, all can be hit by our map.

To do this we take

$$h(a) = a, h(b) = a, \dots, h(m) = a, \quad h(n) = n, h(0) = 0,$$

$$h(p) = a, \dots, h(z) = a, \quad h(\emptyset) = a.$$

In particular  $h(e) = a$ . We can do this last because a string  $v \in L'$  contains e only in occurrences of one. The circled cases ensure our homomorphism is onto.

Next we make a regular expression for  $L$ .

Let  $R = (aubucu \dots uzu)$ . Then a regular expression

for  $L$  is  $R_1^* \underbrace{(R_1^* R_1^* R_1^*)^*}_{\text{at least one 1}} \text{ thereafter, an even number of 1's.}$

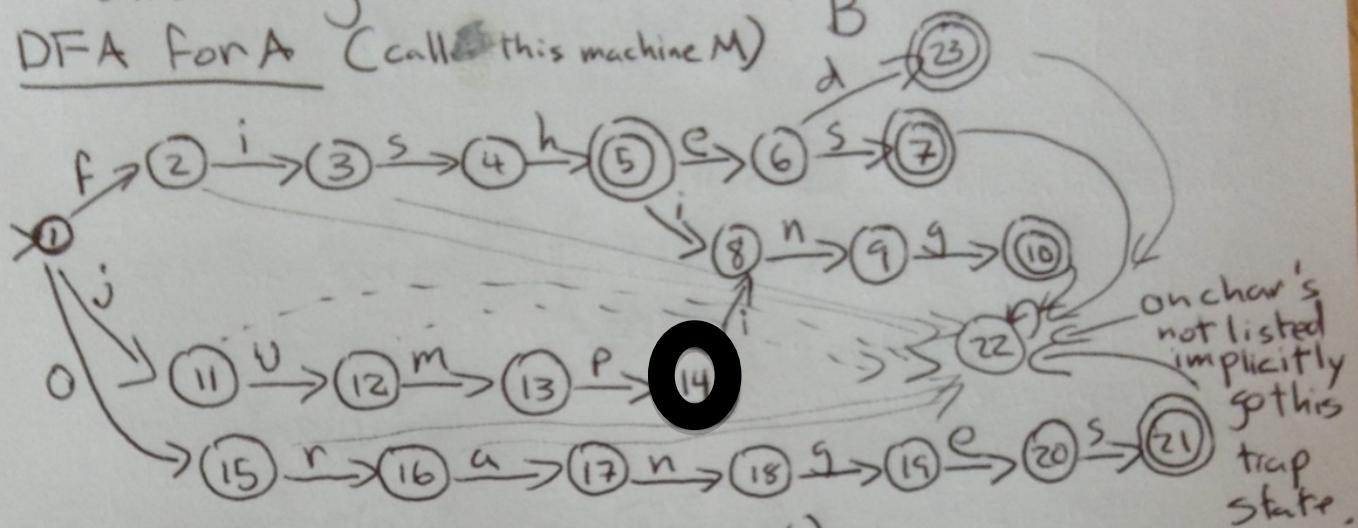
The construction from class of a regular expression for  $h(L)$  from one for  $L$  preceded by induction on the complexity of subexpressions of  $R_L$ .

1st Build regex's for subexpressions of  $R_L$  of complexity 1. These subexpressions are  $a, b, c, \dots, z, 0, 1$ . We apply  $h$  to get the corresponding  $h(L)$  subexpression so we have  $a, \dots, a, 0, n, a, \dots, a, \text{one}$ .

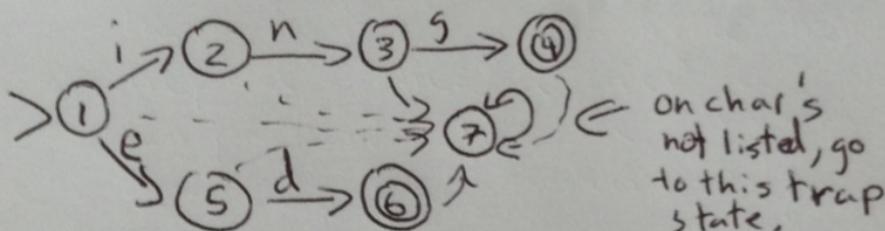
Next we compute regex's for subexpressions of complexity 2 & so on. Doing this, we get the regex  $h(R) = (a \cup \dots \cup a \cup 0 \cup 0 \cup \dots \cup 0)^*$ . The final regex is  $((h(R))^* \text{one} ((h(R))^* \text{one} (h(R))^* \text{one} (h(R))^*)^*)$ .

2 Let  $A = \{ \text{fished, fish, fishes, fishing, jumping, oranges} \}$  and  $B = \{ \text{ing, ed} \}$ . Give DFA's for each of these languages. Then using Ginsberg and Spanier's construction give an automata for  $\frac{A}{B}$ .

DFA for A (call this machine M)

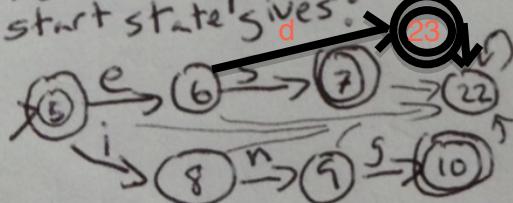


DFA for B (call this machine M')

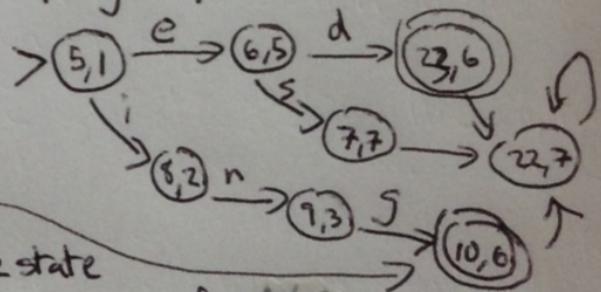


To compute  $\frac{A}{B}$ , Ginsberg Spanier say for each state  $i$  in  $M$  make a new Machine  $M_i$  where the start state is  $i$  and otherwise the machine is the same as  $M$ . Then using the Cartesian product construction build a machine for  $L(M_i) \cap L(M')$  and via the reachability algorithm check if this is nonempty.

For example, take  $M_5$ . Restricting to states reachable from the start state gives:



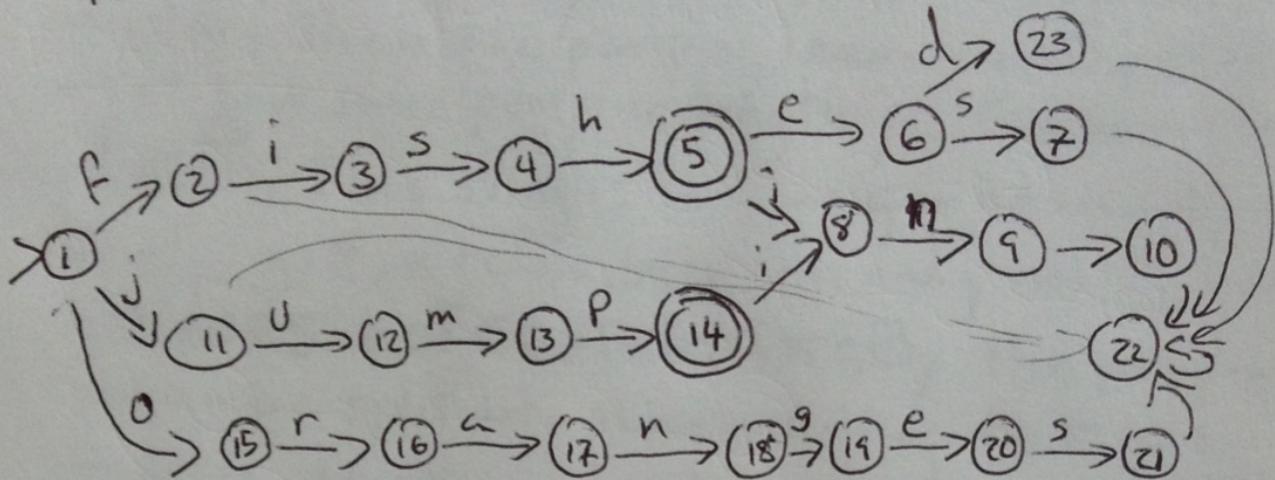
Doing a Cartesian Product with  $M'$  keeping only reachable states:



An accept state is reachable from start state in  $M_5 \times M'$  so the state 5 should be accepting in machine for  $\frac{A}{B}$ .  
 $\frac{A}{B}$ . See next page for

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Ginsberg and Spanier then say machine for  $\frac{A}{B}$  is  $M$  where final states are the states  $i$  such that  $M_i \times M^i$  has a reachable accept state. This gives:



Transitions not listed go to trap state 22.

③ Let  $L$  be the language consisting of strings  $w = xyz$  over the alphabet  $\{a, b, c\}$  where  $|x| = |z|$  and  $y$  uses only symbols not in  $x$  or  $z$ . Show using the pumping lemma that  $L$  is not regular.

We will prove this by contradiction. Suppose  $L$  were regular. Then the pumping lemma can be applied and  $L$  must have some pumping length  $p$ . Consider the string  $w = a^p c^p$ . This string is in  $L$  as can be seen by choosing  $x = a^p$ ,  $y = \epsilon$ ,  $z = c^p$  as  $|x| = p = |z|$  and  $y$  uses the characters ~~no~~  $a$  or  $c$ . By the pumping lemma  $w$  can be split into three substrings  $tuv$  s.t.  $|t| \leq p$ ,  $|u| > 0$ , and s.t.  $tu^i v$  is in  $L$  for all  $i \geq 0$ . Since  $|t| \leq p$ , we know  $t$  is a substring of  $x$ , so  $t = a^k$ ,  $u = a^j$  where  $k+j \leq p$ . Since  $|u| > 0$ ,  $j > 0$ .

The pumping lemma says  $t u^0 v = tv = a^k c^p$  is in  $L$ . Suppose we try to split  $tv$  into  $xyz$  as per def of string in  $L$ . Since the 1st letter of this string is 'a',  $x$  contains the letter 'a'. Similarly, since the last letter contains a 'c',  $z$  contains a 'c'. Therefore,  $y$  cannot contain either  $a$  or  $c$ , and can be at most a string of  $b$ 's.

But in  $a^k c^p$ ,  $|ak| < |cp|$ , and ~~so this string~~  $\text{does not meet the definition to be in } L$ . Therefore, we have a contradiction. Therefore, our original assumption that  $L$  was regular must be false.