

Let L be an arbitrary regular language over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$. Prove that the following languages are also regular. (You probably won't get to all of these.)

1. $\text{FLIPODDS}(L) := \{\text{flipOdds}(w) \mid w \in L\}$, where the function flipOdds inverts every odd-indexed bit in w . For example:

$$\text{flipOdds}(0000111101010101) = 1010010111111111$$

2. $\text{UNFLIPODD1S}(L) := \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid \text{flipOdd1s}(w) \in L\}$, where the function flipOdd1s inverts every other 1 bit of its input string, starting with the first 1. For example:

$$\text{flipOdd1s}(0000\underline{1}111\underline{0}1010101) = 00000\underline{1}01000\underline{1}0001$$

3. $\text{FLIPODD1S}(L) := \{\text{flipOdd1s}(w) \mid w \in L\}$, where the function *flipOdd1* is defined as in the previous problem.
4. Prove that the language $\text{insert1}(L) := \{x1y \mid xy \in L\}$ is regular.

Intuitively, $\text{insert1}(L)$ is the set of all strings that can be obtained from strings in L by inserting exactly one **1**. For example, if $L = \{\varepsilon, \text{00K!}\}$, then $\text{insert1}(L) = \{1, \text{100K!}, \text{010K!}, \text{001K!}, \text{00K1!}, \text{00K!1}\}$.

Work on these later:

5. Prove that the language $delete1(L) := \{xy \mid x1y \in L\}$ is regular.

Intuitively, $delete1(L)$ is the set of all strings that can be obtained from strings in L by deleting exactly one **1**. For example, if $L = \{101101, 00, \varepsilon\}$, then $delete1(L) = \{01101, 10101, 10110\}$.

6. Consider the following recursively defined function on strings:

$$stutter(w) := \begin{cases} \varepsilon & \text{if } w = \varepsilon \\ aa \cdot stutter(x) & \text{if } w = ax \text{ for some symbol } a \text{ and some string } x \end{cases}$$

Intuitively, $stutter(w)$ doubles every symbol in w . For example:

- $stutter(PRESTO) = PPRREESSTT00$
- $stutter(HOCUS\blacklozenge POCUS) = HH00CCUUSS\blacklozenge PP00CCUUSS$

- (a) Prove that the language $stutter^{-1}(L) := \{w \mid stutter(w) \in L\}$ is regular.
 (b) Prove that the language $stutter(L) := \{stutter(w) \mid w \in L\}$ is regular.

7. Consider the following recursively defined function on strings:

$$evens(w) := \begin{cases} \varepsilon & \text{if } w = \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon & \text{if } w = a \text{ for some symbol } a \\ b \cdot evens(x) & \text{if } w = abx \text{ for some symbols } a \text{ and } b \text{ and some string } x \end{cases}$$

Intuitively, $evens(w)$ skips over every other symbol in w . For example:

- $evens(EXPELLIARMUS) = XELAMS$
- $evens(AVADA\blacklozenge KEDAVRA) = VD\blacklozenge EAR.$

- (a) Prove that the language $evens^{-1}(L) := \{w \mid evens(w) \in L\}$ is regular.
 (b) Prove that the language $evens(L) := \{evens(w) \mid w \in L\}$ is regular.

You may find it helpful to imagine these transformations concretely on the following DFA for the language specified by the regular expression 00^*11^* .

