

COSC170 - Compiler Construction

Homework 1

Due: 2009 Feb 06, beginning of lecture

1. Draw the finite state machines, and write regular expressions that denote the strings recognized by the following finite automata:

- (a) s_1 is the start state; s_2 is the final (accepting) state

	a	b
s_1		s_2
s_2	s_3	
s_3		s_2

- (b) s_1 is the start state; s_4 is the final state

	a	b
s_1	s_2	s_3
s_2		s_4
s_3	s_4	
s_4		s_4

- (c) s_1 is both the start state and the final state

	a	b	c
s_1	s_2	s_3	s_4
s_2	s_1		
s_3		s_1	
s_4			s_1

- (d) s_1 is the start state; s_1 and s_3 are final states

	a	b	c
s_1	s_2		
s_2		s_2	s_3
s_3			

2. Write DFA's that recognize the following languages. Be careful to note starting and accepting states in your automata.

- (a) $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \text{each } a \text{ in } w \text{ is followed by at least one } b \}$
- (b) $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w \text{ contains precisely three } a\text{'s} \}$
- (c) $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w \text{ has an odd number of } a\text{'s and an even number of } b\text{'s} \}$
- (d) $\{w \in \{a, b\}^* : w \text{ has } bab \text{ as a substring} \}$

3. Consider the following regular expression:

$$(abc^* \mid a^*bc)$$

- (a) As described in class, construct an NFA for this expression.
- (b) Using subset construction, convert the NFA into a DFA.
- (c) Optimize the DFA to minimize the number of states.

4. Consider the grammar below:

$$\begin{array}{l} S ::= S ; S \\ \quad | \quad \langle \text{ID} \rangle = E \\ \quad | \quad \text{print} (L) \\ E ::= E + E \\ \quad | \quad (S , E) \\ \quad | \quad \langle \text{ID} \rangle \\ \quad | \quad \langle \text{NUM} \rangle \\ L ::= E \\ \quad | \quad L , E \end{array}$$

- (a) Write a grammar that accepts the same language as the grammar above, but that is suitable for LL(1) parsing.
- (b) Find *FIRST* and *FOLLOW* sets for your grammar.
- (c) Show the LL(1) parsing table for your grammar.
- (d) Given the input string, “`x = 5; print(x, 6)`”, use your parse table to expand the goal into a parse for the expression. Note which grammar production is applied at each step.