

Exercise 1 (Time and Space Complexity):

(2 Points)

Consider the comparison of the complexities for DFA and NFA method given in lecture three, slide 9.

- Give an example regular expression, for which the DFA method requires the worst-case space complexity $\mathcal{O}(2^{|\alpha|})$. Argue why your answer is correct.
- Give an example regular expression, for which the NFA method requires the worst-case time complexity $\mathcal{O}(|\alpha| \cdot |w|)$. Defend your answer shortly.

Exercise 2 (Longest First Match Principle):

(4 Points)

- For extended matching two principles have been introduced to resolve nondeterminism during analysis, the *longest match* principle and the *first match* principle. Argue why these principles are reasonable to use. Instead, we could have insisted on an unambiguous definition of the symbol classes, i.e. for regular expressions $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ it should hold $\llbracket \alpha_i \rrbracket \cap \llbracket \alpha_j \rrbracket = \emptyset$, for all $1 \leq i < j \leq n$. Why is this not a good idea from a practical point of view? Give examples to support your explanations.
- Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ be regular expressions over Σ and $w \in \Sigma^*$. In the lecture it was assumed that $\varepsilon \notin \llbracket \alpha_i \rrbracket \neq \emptyset$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Show that these are reasonable assumptions by proving the following proposition:
 - If $\llbracket \alpha_i \rrbracket = \emptyset$ for some $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ there exists no *flm*-analysis of w w.r.t. $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ that is not a *flm*-analysis of w w.r.t. $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{i-1}, \alpha_{i+1}, \dots, \alpha_n$ as well.
 - If $\varepsilon \in \llbracket \alpha_i \rrbracket$ for some $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ then the *flm*-analysis of w w.r.t. $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ is not unique (if it exists).

Exercise 3 (Backtracking DFA):

(4 Points)

Let $\alpha_1 = \text{write}$, $\alpha_2 = \Sigma(\Sigma|N)^*$ where $\Sigma := (a| \dots |z|A| \dots |Z)$, $N := (0|1| \dots |9)$.

- Construct DFAs \mathfrak{A}_i for α_i such that $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_i) = \llbracket \alpha_i \rrbracket$.
- Construct DFA \mathfrak{A} such that $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_1) \cup \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_2)$.
- Determine the *first match* partitioning of the set of final states in \mathfrak{A} .
(The regular expressions are ordered (α_1, α_2) .)
- Determine the set of reachable and productive states in \mathfrak{A} .
- Compute the run of the corresponding backtracking DFA for input $\text{writeln}()$. Provide the run by giving the corresponding configurations.

Exercise 4 (Lexer Implementation):

(10 Points)

The goal of this exercise is to build our own lexer which transforms and input string into a list of tokens.

- For each token implement or generate a DFA.
- Build the parallel composition of these DFAs.
Hint: You do not have to build one "monolithic" automaton, instead whenever the parallel automaton makes one step, you can mimic this by performing a transition in each of the individual automata.

- Partition the final states of the parallel automaton according to the first match principle.
- Implement the backtracking mechanism.

Given an input file with a *WHILE* program, e.g.:

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1      /* GCD-Computation of x and y
2         w/ WHILE */
3      int x; int y;
4      x = read();
5      y = read();
6      while ( x != y ) {
7          if (y <= x) {
8              y = y - x;
9          } else {
10             x = x - y;
11         }
12     }
13     // Output result
14     write("GCD: ");
15     write(x);
```

your program should generate a list of token like this:

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[INT, ID, SEMICOLON, INT, ID, SEMICOLON, ID, ASSIGN, READ, LPAR, RPAR, SEMICOLON,
ID, ASSIGN, READ, LPAR, RPAR, SEMICOLON, WHILE, LPAR, ID, NEQ, ID, RPAR, LBRACE,
IF, LPAR, ID, LEQ, ID, RPAR, LBRACE, ID, ASSIGN, ID, MINUS, ID, SEMICOLON, RBRACE,
ELSE, LBRACE, ID, ASSIGN, ID, MINUS, ID, SEMICOLON, RBRACE, RBRACE, WRITE, LPAR,
STRING, RPAR, SEMICOLON, WRITE, LPAR, ID, RPAR, SEMICOLON]
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