

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.

- a) 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.
- b) 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)

- a) 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 $[\![\alpha_i]\!] \cap [\![\alpha_j]\!] = \emptyset$, 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.
- b) Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ be regular expressions over Σ and $w \in \Sigma^*$. In the lecture it was assumed that $\epsilon \notin [\![\alpha_i]\!] \neq \emptyset$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Show that these are reasonable assumptions by proving the following proposition:
 - If $[\![\alpha_i]\!] = \emptyset$ 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 $\epsilon \in [\![\alpha_i]\!]$ 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 $\Sigma := (a| \dots |z|A| \dots |Z)$, $N := (0|1| \dots |9)$.

- a) Construct DFAs \mathfrak{A}_i for α_i such that $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_i) = [\![\alpha_i]\!]$.
- b) Construct DFA \mathfrak{A} such that $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_1) \cup \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_2)$.
- c) Determine the *first match* partitioning of the set of final states in \mathfrak{A} .
(The regular expressions are ordered (α_1, α_2) .)
- d) Determine the set of reachable and productive states in \mathfrak{A} .
- e) Compute the run of the corresponding backtracking DFA for input `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 an 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:

```
[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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