6.045J/18.400J: Automata, Computability and Complexity Prof. Nancy Lynch

Homework 3.1 (FAKE)

Due: NEVER

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This "fake homework" is intended simply as a study guide for the material covered in class 6, on Monday, February 26.

Reading: Section 4.1, p. 166-169,

Problem 1: Algorithms for finite automata (From Sipser Problem 4.11) Design:

(a) An algorithm that determines, for any DFA M with alphabet $\{0, 1\}$, whether or not M accepts any string containing an odd number of 1s.

(b) An algorithm that determines for any DFA M with alphabet $\{0, 1\}$, whether or not M accepts all strings containing an odd number of 1s.

Problem 2: Algorithm for regular expressions (From Sipser Problem 4.15) Design an algorithm that determines, for any regular expression R over alphabet $\{0, 1\}$, whether L(R) includes some word w that has substring 111.

Problem 3: Equivalent DFAs (From Sipser Problem 4.16) Design an algorithm to determine whether two given DFAs are equivalent by testing the two DFAs on all strings up to a certain size. Calculate a size that works.