

## CSE303 Q3 PRACTICE SOLUTIONS

**YES/NO questions** Circle the correct answer Write SHORT justification.

1. Any regular language is finite.  
**Justify:**  $L = a^*$  is infinite **n**
2. For any language  $L$  there is a deterministic automata  $M$ , such that  $L = L(M)$ .  
**Justify:** language must be regular **n**
3. Given  $L_1, L_2$  regular languages over  $\Sigma$ , then  $(L_1 \cap (\Sigma^* - L_1))L_2$  is not regular.  
**Justify:** Regular languages are closed under intersection and complement **n**
4. There is an algorithm that for any finite automata  $M$  computes a regular expression  $r$ , such that  $L(M) = r$ .  
**Justify:** defined in the proof of Main Theorem **y**
5. For any  $M$ ,  $L(M) = \bigcup \{R(1, j, n) : q_j \in F\}$ , where  $R(1, j, n)$  is the set of all strings in  $\Sigma^*$  that may drive  $M$  from state initial state to state  $q_j$  without passing through any intermediate state numbered  $n + 1$  or greater, where  $n$  is the number of states of  $M$ .  
**Justify:** only when  $M$  is a finite automaton **n**
6. Pumping Lemma says that we can always prove that a language is regular.  
**Justify:** it gives certain characterization of infinite regular languages and can be used for proving that a language is not regular. **n**
7.  $L = \{a^{2n} : n \geq 0\}$  is regular.  
**Justify:**  $L = (aa)^*$  **y**
8.  $L = \{a^n : n \geq 0\}$  is not regular.  
**Justify:**  $L = a^*$  **n**
9.  $L = \{b^n a^n : n \geq 0\}$  is not regular.  
**Justify:** proved using Pumping Lemma **y**
10. Let  $L$  be a regular language. The language  $L^R = \{w^R : w \in L\}$  is regular.  
**Justify:**  $L^R$  is accepted by a finite automata  $M^R = (K \cup s', \Sigma, \Delta', s', F = \{s\})$ , where  $K$  is the set of states of  $M$  accepting  $L$ ,  $s' \notin K$ ,  $s$  the initial state of  $M$ ,  $F$  is the set of final states of  $M$  and
 
$$\Delta' = \{(r, \sigma, p) : (p, \sigma, r) \in \Delta\} \cup \{(s', e, q) : q \in F\},$$
 where  $\Delta$  is the set of transitions of  $M$ . **y**
11. Any subset of a regular language is a regular language.  
**Justify:**  $L_1 = \{b^n a^n : n \geq 0\} \subseteq L = b^* a^*$  and  $L$  is regular, and  $L_1$  is not regular **n**

**QUESTION 1** Use the constructions defined in the proof of theorem

*A language is regular iff it is accepted by a finite automata*

construct a finite automata  $M$  such that  $L(M) = a(ab \cup aab)^*b$  and

$$M = M_a(M_{ab} \cup M_{aab})^*M_b$$

**Solution** - follow DIRECTLY book definitions!