

One Move Closure Property of REG: Define

$$L^R = \{x^R : x \in L\}$$

$x^R = x$  written backwards  
 $\epsilon^R = \epsilon$      $1011^R = 1101$

For each  $k \geq 1$  define

$x$  is a palindrome  $\Leftrightarrow x = x^R$

$$L_k = \{x : \text{the } k\text{th bit from the left is a 1}\} \quad \alpha_k = \overbrace{(0+1)}^{k-1} 1 \overbrace{(0+1)}^*$$

$$L_k^R = \{x \in \{0,1\}^* : \text{the } k\text{th bit from the right is a 1}\} \quad \beta_k = \overbrace{(0+1)}^* 1 \overbrace{(0+1)}^{k-1}$$

(was "L<sub>k</sub>" in prev lecture)

Theorem: If  $L$  is regular, then so is  $L^R$ .

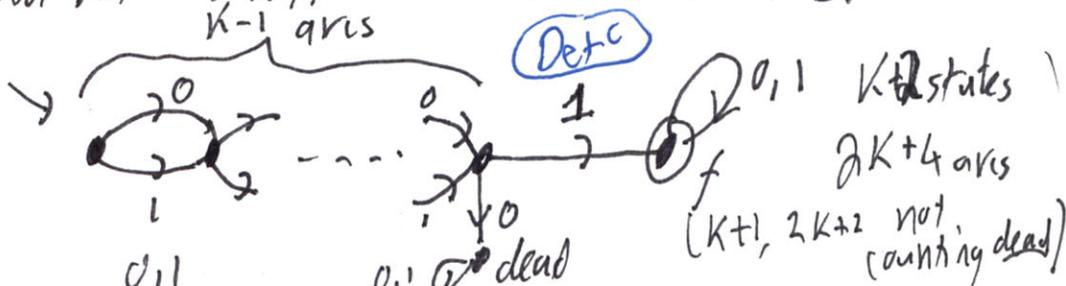
ie. REG is closed under the reversal op.

"Quick Proof": Take a regular expression  $\alpha$  such that  $L = L(\alpha)$ .

Write Kleene  $*$  above as shown. Define  $\alpha^R =$  mirror image of  $\alpha$ .

(Really needs more proof but  $\rightarrow$  "hey", Then  $L(\alpha^R) = L^R$ .  $\square$ )

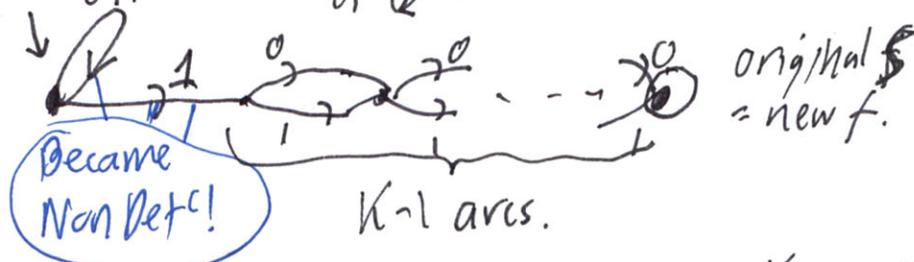
DFA  $M_k$   
 sub  $L(M_k) = L_k$



Mirror-Image NFA:

original  $f =$  new  $s$

$$L(N_k) = L_k^R$$



And [from addendum before]  $L_k^R$  has a PD set of size  $2^k$ , namely  $\{0,1\}^k$   
 $\therefore L^R$  might need exponentially more DFA state complexity than  $L$ !  
 But for regexs & NFAs, it stays about the same.

Chapter 2 Context-Free Grammars: Invented by Noam Chomsky 1956-1959.

Example:  $S \rightarrow OS \mid \epsilon$ . = CFL  $G$ .

- $\epsilon$  is "grammatically legal"  $\epsilon \in L(G)$ .
- If  $w$  is legal, then  $x = OW$  is legal.
- More legal strings:  $01, 0001, 000111, \dots$
- $L(G) = \{0^n 1^m : n \geq 0\}$  which is a non-regular language.

Example 2: Variables called <Noun Phrase> <Noun> <Adjective>  
 temporary start symbol "can be a." <NP> <N> <A>

$\langle NP \rangle \rightarrow \langle N \rangle \mid \langle A \rangle \langle NP \rangle$ .  $\langle N \rangle \rightarrow$  any noun in your dictionary  
 $\langle A \rangle \rightarrow$  any adjective...

- $\langle N \rangle$  is legal (any noun by itself)
- If  $\langle NP \rangle$  is a legal noun phrase, then  $\langle A \rangle \langle NP \rangle$  will be legal too, for any adjective in place of  $\langle A \rangle$
- As a prototype: If  $\langle NP \rangle$  is legal, then so is  $\langle A \rangle \langle NP \rangle$ .

Aside:  $G^R$  has mirror-image productions:  $\langle NP \rangle \rightarrow \langle N \rangle \mid \langle NP \rangle \langle A \rangle$  Like French.  
 $\langle NP \rangle, \langle NP \rangle \langle A \rangle, \langle NP \rangle \langle A \rangle \langle A \rangle$  etc. expanding on the right.

verb phrase  $\langle VP \rangle \rightarrow \langle V \rangle \mid \langle VP \rangle \langle Adv \rangle$  adverb. |  $\langle VP \rangle$  and  $\langle Adv \rangle$

infinite:  $S \rightarrow \langle NP \rangle \langle VP \rangle$ . which ties into the rules above.  
 $G = G_N \cup G_V \cup \{S \rightarrow \langle NP \rangle \langle VP \rangle\}$ . An example derivation.

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$\langle NP \rangle \rightarrow \langle N \rangle \mid \langle A \rangle \langle NP \rangle$

$\langle N \rangle \rightarrow$  any dictionary  
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ideas

$S \Rightarrow \langle NP \rangle \langle VP \rangle$

$\langle A \rangle \rightarrow$  any adjective

$\Rightarrow \langle A \rangle \langle NP \rangle \langle VP \rangle$

$\langle V \rangle \rightarrow$  any verb

$\Rightarrow \langle A \rangle \langle A \rangle \langle NP \rangle \langle VP \rangle$

$\langle Adv \rangle \rightarrow$  any adverb

$\Rightarrow \langle A \rangle \langle A \rangle \langle N \rangle \langle VP \rangle$

$\Sigma =$  typewriter alphabet

$\Rightarrow \langle A \rangle \langle A \rangle \langle N \rangle \langle V \rangle \langle Adv \rangle$

$\Rightarrow^5$  Colorless green ideas sleep furiously.

A more Indicative Example:  $\Sigma_G = \{0, 1, \emptyset, \varepsilon, \cup, \cdot, *, (, )\}$ .

$G: E \rightarrow \emptyset \mid \varepsilon \mid 0 \mid 1 \mid (E \cup E) \mid (E \cdot E) \mid (E^*)$

$L(G) = \{ \text{fully-parenthesized legal regular expressions over } \Sigma = \{0, 1\} \}$

Defn A CFG is a 4-tuple  $G = (V, \Sigma, R, S)$  where

$V$  is a set of variables,

$\Sigma$  is the terminal alphabet

$S \in V$  is the start symbol and

$R$  is a finite set of rules productions of the form  $V \rightarrow (V \cup \Sigma)^*$

Next Thursday = Definition of Derivations and Ambiguity