

# COS126 Regular Expressions, DFAs (Chapter 5)

## Part 1

Consider the regular expression  $((C|D|M|N|P|T)A)^*$

- Is PAPA matched by this RE? Is MAMAN? Is NAPA? Is TAMPA? **NAPA is, but MAMAN and TAMPA are not**
- Name two countries that are matched by this RE. **PANAMA and CANADA**

## Part 2 — RElay Race

Write regular expressions for the following languages:

1. all binary strings  $(0|1)^*$
2. all non-empty binary strings  $(0|1)(0|1)^*$
3. all binary strings beginning and ending with 1  $1|1(0|1)^*1$
4. all binary strings ending with 00 (divisible by 4)  $(0|1)^*00$
5. all binary strings with at least three 1s  $0^*10^*10^*1(0|1)^*$ ,  $(0|1)^*1(0|1)^*1(0|1)^*1(0|1)^*$ ,  
**etc**

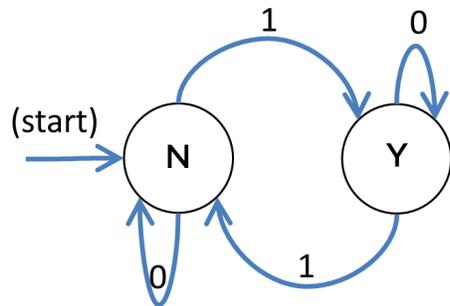
## Part 3

Given an English-language description of the language defined by the RE  $(0^*10^*10^*)^*$ ? **All binary strings with both a positive and even number of 1s**

## Bonus

Hard bonus: is it possible to define a RE for all binary integers divisible by 3? **Yes**

## Part 4



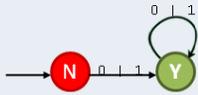
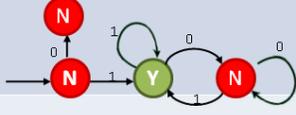
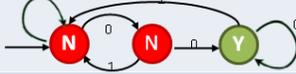
- Is 01101 accepted by this DFA? Is 11? **01101 is, 11 is not**
- Given an English-language description of the language that this DFA recognizes. **All binary strings with an odd number of 1s**
- (Optional) Give a regular expression that defines the same language.  **$0^*10^*(0^*10^*10^*)^*$  (other formulations possible)**

## Part 5

Draw DFAs that recognize each of these languages from Part 2: **see next page**

1. all binary strings
2. all non-empty binary strings
3. all binary strings beginning and ending with 1
4. all binary strings ending with 00 (divisible by 4)
5. all binary strings with at least three 1s

**Recommended RE/DFA exercises from the exam archive:** Fall 2011, Exam 2, question 4. Spring 2013, Exam 2, question 4.

| Language                               | Regular Expression                | DFA  |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| All binary strings                     | $(0 1)^*$                         |   |
| All binary strings except empty string | $(0 1)(0 1)^*$                    |   |
| Begins with 1, ends with 1             | $1 1(0 1)^*1$                     |  |
| Ends with 00                           | $(0 1)^*00$                       |  |
| Contains at least three 1s             | $(0 1)^*1(0 1)^*1(0 1)^*1(0 1)^*$ |  |

**Legend**

-  Non-Accepting State
-  Accepting State