Homework 2, Due June 14th

You are required to solve TEN problems. Problems 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 are not optional. Solve any FIVE problems out of the rest. Each problem carries 4 points. Extra credit for extra problems solved.

- Let L ⊆ Σ* be a regular language. Define the language Prefix(L) as follows: Prefix(L)= {w ∈ Σ* : x = wy for some x ∈ L, y ∈ Σ*}. Show that the language Prefix(L) is also regular.
- 2. Construct DFAs equivalent to the corresponding NFAs given in the Figure 1.





- 3. Describe in English the sets denoted by the following regular expressions.
 - (a) $(a \cup ba \cup bb)(a \cup b)^*$
 - (b) $(a \cup b)^* a(a \cup b)(a \cup b)(a \cup b)$
- 4. Write regular expressions for each of the following languages over the alphabet $\{0, 1\}$.
 - (a) $L_1 = \{w | w \text{ starts with } 0 \text{ and has odd length, or } w \text{ starts with } 1 \text{ and has even length } \}$
 - (b) $L_2 = \{w | \text{ every odd position of } w \text{ is a } 1\}$

- 5. Construct finite automata equivalent to the following regular expressions.
 - (a) $(11 \cup 0^*)(00 \cup 1)^*$
 - (b) $(((00)^*(11)) \cup 01)^*$
- 6. Construct regular expressions corresponding to the state diagrams given in the Figure 2.



Figure 2.

Prove that the following languages are not regular using pumping lemma.

- 7. $A_1 = \{0^n 1^n 2^n | n \ge 0\}$
- 8. $A_2 = \{x \in \{0, 1, 2\}^* | x = w 2w$, with $w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- 9. $A_3 = \{a^n b a^m b a^{m+n} : n, m \ge 1\}.$
- 10. $A_4 = \{ww | w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$
- 11. A_5 = Set of strings over $\{(,)\}$ in which the parentheses are paired. Some examples of strings in A_5 are (), ()(), (()), (())().
- 12. $A_6 = \{ww^R | w \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$. w^R is w written backwards. For example, $(011)^R = 110$.