## Teoria da Computação MIEI 2018/2019 - FCT UNL

## Aula Prática 7

## **Regular** Expressions

- 1. Define a regular expression over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{X\}$  that denotes the set of words over  $\Sigma$  of:
  - (a) even length;
  - (b) odd length.
- 2. Consider the following alphabet.

$$DIGITS \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

Define a regular expression over *DIGITS* that denotes the language of all 4-digit pins.

3. Consider the alphabet

$$DNA \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\mathtt{A}, \mathtt{T}, \mathtt{C}, \mathtt{G}\}$$

Define a regular expression over that alphabet which defines the language over it of all words that contain at least one occurrence of ACT as a substring.

4. Recall the alphabet

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 \begin{split} \Sigma = \{ & \text{insertcard}, \\ & \text{pin}, \\ & \text{checkbalance}, \\ & \text{withdraw}, \\ & \text{moreops}, \\ & \text{retrievecard} \quad \} \end{split}
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Using a regular expression over  $\Sigma$ , define the language of valid interaction traces between a user and an ATM, considering that moreops and retrievecard are only available after checkbalance or withdraw.

5. Consider the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ .

Check if the following words belong to the language denoted by the regular expression  $(a+b)^*(ab+bc)^*$  over  $\Sigma$ .

- (a)  $\varepsilon$
- (b) *ababbc*
- (c) bcbca
- (d) bcbcab
- (e) bbbaaabc
- (f) bbbaaaba
- (g) bbbabcba

- 6. Define a regular expression over the alphabet  $\Sigma=\{a,b,c\}$  that denotes the set of words over  $\Sigma$  that:
  - (a) begin and end with the same element;
  - (b) have an even number of b's whenever they begin with an a;
  - (c) end with c, begin with a or b, and have an odd number of c's;
  - (d) do not have consecutive b's.