

## Problem type 1:

Provide the regular expression for the following language:

(See variants below)

Assume  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

a. BYH

All strings containing the *substring* 000

**Solution:**  $(0 + 1)^* 000 (0 + 1)^*$  ■

b. BYA

All strings containing the *subsequence* 000

**Solution:**  $(0 + 1)^* 0 (0 + 1)^* 0 (0 + 1)^* 0 (0 + 1)^*$  ■

c. BYC

All strings that do not contain the *substring* 00.

**Solution:** Basically we simply can't have two zeros appear consecutively. Every zero must have a 1 after it. So we can construct a regular expression that does this:  $(\epsilon + 0)(1(\epsilon + 0))^*$ . See Lab1P2 for a more detailed explanation. ■

d. BYG

All strings that do not contain the *subsequence* 00

**Solution:** This is just another way of saying that the strings must have at most one 0.  $1^*(\epsilon + 0)1^*$  ■

e. BYF

All strings where every run of 0's is a multiple of 2.

**Solution:**  $(1 + (00)^*)^*$  ■

f. BYE

All strings where every run of 0's is *not* a multiple of two.

**Solution:** Another way to say this is that every run of 0's is odd. So let's start off with something like  $(1^+ 0 (00)^*)^*$  (we need the "+"). But then you have to account for starting on zero and starting/ending on a run of ones:  $1^* 0 (00)^* (1^+ 0 (00)^*)^* 1^*$ .

As long as you got something along the lines of  $(1^+ 0 (00)^*)^*$ , we'll give you full credit. ■

g. BYB

All string containing at **least** three 0's

Solution:  $(0 + 1)^* 0 (0 + 1)^* 0 (0 + 1)^* 0 (0 + 1)^*$  ■

h. BYD

All string containing at **most** three 0's

Solution:  $1^* (\epsilon + 0) 1^* (\epsilon + 0) 1^* (\epsilon + 0) 1^*$  ■