

CSE 322 Spring'07: HW 2
Due back Friday April 13th

Reading Assignment: Sipser Sections 1.2 and 1.3.

Practice Problems: Exercises 1.16 and 1.19.

Problems for Submission:

1. Let $M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$ be a DFA that accepts language L . Formally describe an NFA to accept the language L^* . Give an example showing that turning q_0 into an accept state will not work. (For a more precise statement of what this means, see Problem 1.15).
2. Problem 1.17
3. Show that every NFA can be converted to an equivalent one with a single accept state. Show that this is not true for DFAs. In other words, construct a language L which is regular, and prove that every DFA accepting L must have more than one accept state. Extend this to show that for every integer $k \geq 2$, there is a language L so that any DFA for L must have at least k accept states.
4. Problem 1.41.