

HIGHER SET THEORY  
FORMAL DERIVATIONS AND NATURAL PROOFS  
EXERCISE SHEET 2

1. Write a grammar that represents arithmetic expressions without superfluous brackets (i.e. expressions like  $(a + b) \cdot (b - c)$ ).

*Deterministic finite automata:*

A deterministic finite automaton  $M$  is a 5-tuple  $(Z, \Sigma, \delta, z_0, E)$ , where  $Z$  is a finite set called the set of states,  $\Sigma$  is a finite set of input symbols called the alphabet ( $Z \cap \Sigma = \emptyset$ ),  $z_0 \in Z$  is called the start state,  $E$  is a finite subset of  $Z$  called the set of accepted states or end states, and  $\delta : Z \times \Sigma \rightarrow Z$  is called the transition function.

For this  $M$  we define a function  $\hat{\delta} : Z \times \Sigma^* \rightarrow Z$  inductively as follows:  $\hat{\delta}(z, \epsilon) = z$ , and  $\hat{\delta}(z, ax) = \hat{\delta}(\delta(z, a), x)$ , where  $z \in Z$ ,  $x \in \Sigma^*$  (the set of all finite strings of elements of  $\Sigma$ ), and  $a \in \Sigma$ . We say that the language that  $M$  accepts is the set  $T(M) := \{x \in \Sigma^* ; \hat{\delta}(z_0, x) \in E\}$ .

2. Write a deterministic finite automaton to accept all strings in the alphabet  $\{0, 1\}$  which do not contain three consecutive ones.

3. Write a Turing machine with the alphabet  $\{0, 1\}$  that transforms an input consisting of  $k$  consecutive 1's to an input that consists of  $2k$  consecutive 1's.

Extra points:

Given a deterministic finite automaton, write a Turing machine that simulates it.