

Some more solutions to exercises in
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and The Theory of Computation**
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3.51(a)

$r^0(i, j)$	$j = 1$	2	3
$i = 1$	Λ	b	a
2	a	Λ	b
3	b	a	Λ

$r^1(i, j)$	$j = 1$	2	3	$r^1(i, j)$ simplified	$j = 1$	2	3
$i = 1$	$\Lambda + \Lambda\Lambda^*\Lambda$	$b + \Lambda\Lambda^*b$	$a + \Lambda\Lambda^*a$	$i = 1$	Λ	b	a
2	$a + a\Lambda^*\Lambda$	$\Lambda + a\Lambda^*b$	$b + a\Lambda^*a$	2	a	$\Lambda + ab$	$b + aa$
3	$b + b\Lambda^*\Lambda$	$a + b\Lambda^*b$	$\Lambda + b\Lambda^*a$	3	b	$a + bb$	$\Lambda + ba$

$r^2(i, j)$	$j = 1$	2	3
$i = 1$	$\Lambda + b(\Lambda + ab)^*a$	$b + b(\Lambda + ab)^*(\Lambda + ab)$	$a + b(\Lambda + ab)^*(b + aa)$
2	$a + (\Lambda + ab)(\Lambda + ab)^*a$	$\Lambda + ab + (\Lambda + ab)(\Lambda + ab)^*(\Lambda + ab)$	$b + aa + (\Lambda + ab)(\Lambda + ab)^*(b + aa)$
3	$b + (a + bb)(\Lambda + ab)^*a$	$a + bb + (a + bb)(\Lambda + ab)^*(\Lambda + ab)$	$\Lambda + ba + (a + bb)(\Lambda + ab)^*(b + aa)$

$r^2(i, j)$ simplified	$j = 1$	2	3
$i = 1$	$\Lambda + b(ab)^*a$	$b(ab)^*$	$a + b(ab)^*(b + aa)$
2	$(ab)^*a$	$(ab)^*$	$(ab)^*(b + aa)$
3	$b + (a + bb)(ab)^*a$	$(a + bb)(ab)^*$	$\Lambda + ba + (a + bb)(ab)^*(b + aa)$

$$\begin{aligned}
r^3(1, 3) &= a + b(ab)^*(b + aa) \\
&\quad + (a + b(ab)^*(b + aa))(\Lambda + ba + (a + bb)(ab)^*(b + aa))^*(\Lambda + ba + (a + bb)(ab)^*(b + aa)) \\
&= (a + b(ab)^*(b + aa))(ba + (a + bb)(ab)^*(b + aa))^*
\end{aligned}$$

For simplifying the expressions we used the following equalities, for arbitrary regular expressions r, r_1, r_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda^* &= \Lambda \\
\Lambda r &= r\Lambda = r \\
r + r &= r \\
(\Lambda + r)^* &= r^* \\
r^*(\Lambda + r) &= (\Lambda + r)r^* = r^* \\
r_1 + r_1(r_2)^* &= r_1(r_2)^* \\
r_1 + (r_2)^*r_1 &= (r_2)^*r_1 \\
\Lambda + r^* &= r^* \\
r + r^* &= r^*
\end{aligned}$$