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The entire examination is 340 points.

Name: _____

No books, notes, scratch paper, or calculators. Use pen or pencil, any color. Use the rest of this page and the backs of the pages for scratch paper. If you need more scratch paper, it will be provided.

Do not leave the room until you have seriously attempted every problem!

Think! Think! Think! In some cases, the problem was not explicitly mentioned in class or homework, but follows easily from something that was mentioned. No problem is beyond the scope of a student who learned the material.

Definitions you will need. We say that a set S of integers is *recursive* if the set of binary numerals for members of S is recursive, while we say that S is *recursively enumerable* if the set of binary numerals for members of S is recursively enumerable.

1. True/False/Open

- (i) _____ Every subset of a regular language is decidable.
- (ii) _____ The intersection of any two \mathcal{NP} languages is \mathcal{NP} .
- (iii) _____ Every language accepted by a non-deterministic machine is accepted by some deterministic machine.
- (iv) _____ $\mathcal{NC} = \mathcal{P}$.
- (v) _____ $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{NP}$.
- (vi) _____ The Boolean Circuit Problem (CVP) is in \mathcal{NC} .
- (vii) _____ The independent set problem is \mathcal{P} -TIME.
- (viii) _____ IF L_1 is undecidable and there is a recursive reduction of L_1 to L_2 , then L_2 must be undecidable.
- (ix) _____ If S is a recursive set of positive integers, then $\sum_{n \in S} 2^{-n}$ must be a recursive real number.
- (x) _____ Multiplication of matrices with binary numeral entries is \mathcal{NC} .
- (xi) _____ Equivalence of regular expressions is decidable.
- (xii) _____ Every recursively enumerable language is generated by a general grammar.

- (xiii) ----- Equivalence of context-free grammars is $\text{co-}\mathcal{RE}$.
 - (xiv) ----- The language consisting of all fractions whose values are less than the natural logarithm of 5.0 is recursive.
 - (xv) ----- If L is in \mathcal{RE} and also $\text{co-}\mathcal{RE}$, then L must be decidable.
 - (xvi) ----- For every real number x , there exists a machine that runs forever and outputs the string of decimal digits of x .
 - (xvii) ----- The language of all true mathematical statements is recursively enumerable.
 - (xviii) ----- Every sliding block problem is \mathcal{P} -SPACE.
 - (xix) ----- There are uncountably many $\text{co-}\mathcal{RE}$ languages.
 - (xx) ----- If L is any \mathcal{P} -TIME language, there is an \mathcal{NC} reduction of L to CVP, the Boolean circuit problem.
 - (xxi) ----- There is a polynomial time algorithm for checking whether an integer is prime.
 - (xxii) ----- Every finite language is regular.
 - (xxiii) ----- If L is a \mathcal{P} -TIME language, there is a Turing Machine which decides L in polynomial time.
 - (xxiv) ----- If anyone ever finds a polynomial time algorithm for any \mathcal{NP} -complete language, then $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{NP}$.
 - (xxv) ----- RSA encryption is believed to be secure because it is believed that the factorization problem for integers is very hard.
 - (xxvi) ----- If S is a recursively enumerable set of positive integers, then $\sum_{n \in S} 2^{-n}$ must be a recursive real number.
2. Every language, or problem, falls into exactly one of these categories. For each of the languages, write a letter indicating the correct category. [5 points each]
- A** Known to be \mathcal{NC} .
 - B** Known to be \mathcal{P} -TIME, but not known to be \mathcal{NC} .
 - C** Known to be \mathcal{NP} , but not known to be \mathcal{P} -TIME and not known to be \mathcal{NP} -complete.
 - D** Known to be \mathcal{NP} -complete.
 - E** Known to be \mathcal{P} -SPACE but not known to be \mathcal{NP}
 - F** Known to be decidable, but not known to be \mathcal{P} -SPACE.
 - G** \mathcal{RE} but not decidable.
 - H** $\text{co-}\mathcal{RE}$ but not decidable.
 - I** Neither \mathcal{RE} nor $\text{co-}\mathcal{RE}$.
- (a) ----- All C++ programs which do not halt if given themselves as input.
 - (b) ----- All base 10 numerals for perfect squares.

- (c) ----- The Dyck language.
- (d) ----- $\{\langle G \rangle : L(G) \text{ is the Dyck language.}\}$
- (e) ----- All positions of RUSH HOUR from which it is possible to win.
- (f) ----- The Jigsaw problem. (That is, given a finite set of two-dimensional pieces, can they be assembled into a rectangle, with no overlap and no spaces.)
- (g) ----- Factorization of binary numerals.

3. [20 points] Find a DFA equivalent to the NFA shown in Figure 1.

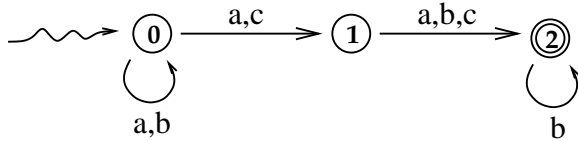


Figure 1: NFA for problems 3 and 4

4. [20 points] Give a regular grammar for the language accepted by the machine in Figure 1.

5. [20 points] Give a regular expression for the language accepted by the machine in Figure 2

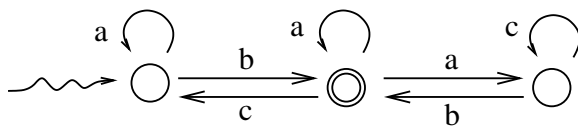


Figure 2: NFA for problem 5.

6. Which class of languages does each of these machine classes accept? [5 points each]

- (a) Deterministic finite automata. _____
- (b) Non-deterministic finite automata. _____
- (c) Push-down automata. _____
- (d) Turing Machines. _____

7. [20 points]

Let $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* : \#_a(w) = \#_b(w)\}$, that is, each string of L has equal numbers of each symbol.

Draw a PDA which accepts L .

8. [20 points] The grammar below is an ambiguous CF grammar with start symbol E , and is parsed by the LALR parser whose ACTION and GOTO tables are shown here. The ACTION table is missing actions for the second column, when the next input symbol is the “minus” sign. Fill it in. Remember the C++ precedence of operators. (Hint: the column has seven different actions: s2, s4, r1, r2, r3, r4, and r5, some more than once, and has no blank spaces.)

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1. $E \rightarrow E -_2 E_3$	0	s11		s8			1
2. $E \rightarrow -_4 E_5$	1		s6			halt	
3. $E \rightarrow E *_6 E_7$	2	s11		s8			3
4. $E \rightarrow ({}_8 E_9)_{10}$	3		s6	r1	r1		
5. $E \rightarrow x_{11}$	4	s11		s8			5
	5		r2	r2	r2		
	6	s11		s8			7
	7		r3	r3	r3		
	8	s11		s8			9
	9		s6	s6			
	10		r4	r4	r4	r4	
	11		r5	r5	r5		

9. [20 points] Prove that any decidable language can be enumerated in canonical order by some machine.

10. [20 points] Give a polynomial time reduction of 3-SAT to the independent set problem.

11. [20 points] Prove that the halting problem is undecidable.