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No books, notes, or scratch paper. 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.

The entire test is 270 points.

1. True or False. [5 points each]

   (a) _____ The intersection of any context-free language with any regular language is context-free.

   (b) _____ Every subset of a regular language is regular.

   (c) _____ The complement of every recursively enumerable language is recursively enumerable.

   (d) _____ Every language which is generated by some general grammar is recursive.

2. For each language given, write "R" if the language is recursive, write "RE not R" if the language is recursively enumerable but not recursive, and write "not RE" if the language is not recursively enumerable. [5 points each]

   (a) _____ The language consisting of all Pascal programs p such that p halts if given p as its input file.

   (b) _____ The language of all encodings of Turing Machines which fail to halt for at least one possible input string.

   (c) _____ The 0-1 Traveling Salesman Problem.

3. [10 points] Draw a minimal DFA which accepts the language L over the binary alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ consisting of all binary numerals for all positive integers that are divisible by 3.

4. [15 points] Consider the context-free grammar with start symbol S and productions as follows:

   $S \to s$

   $S \to bLn$

   $S \to iSSt$

   $L \to \Lambda$

   $L \to LS$

   Write a leftmost derivation of the string $ibiisstbntsnst$

5. [10 points each]

(a) What is the Church-Turing Thesis, and why is it important?

(b) We write $e(T)$ to be the binary encoding for any Turing machine, T. What is the *diagonal language*?

(c) Why are we interested in the diagonal language?

6. (a) [20 points] Prove that addition is primitive recursive.

(b) [20 points] Prove that multiplication is primitive recursive. You may use the fact that addition is primitive recursive.

7. (a) [20 points] What is a PDA? Give a precise definition, with all details.

(b) [10 points] What is another name for the class of languages which are accepted by PDA's?

(c) [20 points] Referring the definition you just wrote in (??) define the *language accepted by* a PDA.

8. (a) [20 points] Give a definition of the language class $\mathcal{P}$-TIME.

(b) [20 points] Give a definition of the language class $\mathcal{NP}$-TIME.

9. Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, the binary alphabet. We say a string w over Σ is *fair* if w has the same number of 0's as 1's. Let L_{fair} be the set of fair strings over Σ.

   (a) [20 points] Give an unambiguous context-free grammar for L_{fair}. (Partial credit for an ambiguous context-free grammar for L_{fair}).

   (b) [30 points] Use the pumping lemma to prove that L_{fair} is not regular.