

University of Nevada, Las Vegas Computer Science 456/656 Spring 2022

Assignment 2: Due Monday February 14 2022

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You are permitted to work in groups, get help from others, read books, and use the internet. You will receive a message from our graduate assistant telling you how to turn in the assignment.

1. If w is a string, then w^R is the reverse of w : for example, $abcac^R = cacba$. If L is any language, $L^R = \{w^R : w \in L\}$, the *reverse* of L .

True or False:

- (a) _____ The reverse of any regular language is regular.
 - (b) _____ The reverse of any context-free language is context-free..
2. A *palindrome* is a word that is its own reverse, such as “level” or “noon.” Let L be the language of all palindromes over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$, such as λ , a , bb , and $abbba$. L is a CF language. Give an unambiguous context-free grammar for L .

3. Let G be the following CF grammar, with start symbol S and variables S, X, Y

$S \rightarrow XY$

$X \rightarrow aXb | \lambda$

$Y \rightarrow cYd | \lambda$

Give a right-most derivation for $abcd$.

4. The *Dyck* language is the language over $\{(\,)\}$ consisting of all strings of parentheses that are balanced, that is, every left parenthesis is paired with right parenthesis to its right. The following grammar, G_1 , with start symbol S , generates the Dyck language:

$S \rightarrow (S)$

$S \rightarrow SS$

$S \rightarrow \lambda$

Prove that G_1 is ambiguous by giving two different leftmost derivations for the same string.

5. Give an unambiguous CF grammar, G_2 , for the Dyck language.

6. Let L be the set of all palindromes of odd length over $\{a, b\}$, such as $a, b, aaa, aba, baabbbaab$. Give a Chomsky Normal Form grammar for L .

7. Illustrate a PDA which accepts the language of all strings over $\{a, b\}$ which have equal numbers of each symbol, such as $\lambda, ab, ba, aabaababbabb$.

8. Which of the following languages are **known** to be \mathcal{NP} -complete?
 - (a) ----- The travelling salesman problem.
 - (b) ----- Boolean satisfiability.
 - (c) ----- Equivalence of context-free grammars.
 - (d) ----- The knapsack problem.
 - (e) ----- The independent set problem.
 - (f) ----- Equivalence of left-regular (left-linear) grammars.
 - (g) ----- The membership problem for a context-free language.
 - (h) ----- 2-SAT
 - (i) ----- 3-SAT.
 - (j) ----- The set of all configurations of Rush Hour, with any size board, from which it is possible to get the red car out of the parking lot.