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Time and Duration: 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm (3 hours)

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Answer Question No. 1, 2, and **any Four** from the rest.

1. Answer **any** 5 questions:

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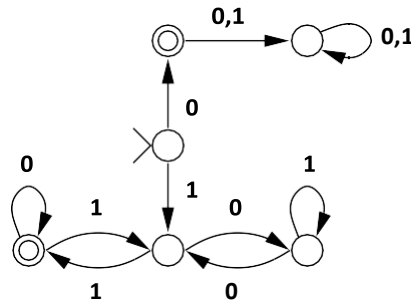
- a. Show an example that if M is an NFA that recognizes language C, swapping the accept and non-accept states in M doesn't necessarily yield a new NFA that identifies C' ( complement of C)
- b. Do NFAs recognize the class of languages closed under complement? Explain your answer.
- c. What will be the result if we remove a finite set of strings from a regular language? Justify your answer.
- d. Consider the set of all strings of odd length on the alphabet {0,1}. Express this set in the form of a regular expression.
- e. Construct regular expression for the following language over alphabet {a}  
 $\{a^n \mid n \text{ is divisible by 2 or 3 or } n=5\}$
- f. How does a recursive language differ from a recursively enumerable language?
- g. Give the state diagram of a DFA recognizing the following language  
 $\{w \mid \text{every odd position of } w \text{ is a } 1\}$
- h. Define Chomsky Normal Form and Greibach Normal Form of CFG. Give a suitable example of each.

2. Answer **any** 5 questions:

[5 X 4 = 20]

- a. Which of the following languages are regular? Justify your answer.
  - i.  $L_1 = \{xy \mid |x| = |y|, x, y \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$ .
  - ii.  $L_2 = \{xy \mid |x| = |y|, x, y \in \{0, 1\}^*, \text{ and } y \text{ contains a } 1\}$ .
- b. Give the regular expressions generating the following languages. In all cases, the alphabet is {0, 1}
  - i.  $L_1 = \{w \mid w \text{ does not contain } 100 \text{ as a substring}\}$
  - ii.  $L_2 = \{w \mid w \text{ starts with } 0 \text{ and has odd length or starts with } 1 \text{ and has even length}\}$

c. Give an informal description of the language accepted by the following NFA.



d. Give an equivalent grammar in CNF for the following CFG:

$$S \rightarrow aSbb \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow bTaa \mid S \mid \epsilon$$

e. Show that the regular languages are closed under CYCLE operation, defined as follows.

$$\text{CYCLE}(L) = \{xy \mid x, y \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ such that } yx \in L\}$$

For example, if  $L = \{01, 011\}$ ,  $\text{CYCLE}(L) = \{01, 10, 011, 110, 101\}$

f. Construct a DFA for  $L = \{ab^n c^m \mid n \geq 2, m \geq 3\}$

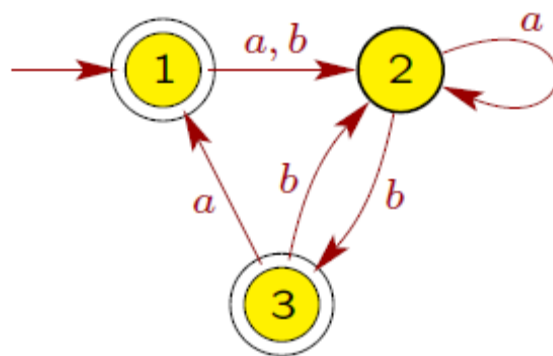
g. Let  $G_1 = \{V_1, \Sigma, S_1, P_1\}$  be a right-linear grammar and  $G_2 = \{V_2, \Sigma, S_2, P_2\}$  be a left-linear grammar. Assume that  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are disjoint. Consider the linear grammar  $G = (\{S\} \cup V_1 \cup V_2, \Sigma, S, P)$  where  $S$  is not in  $V_1 \cup V_2$  and  $P = \{S \rightarrow S_1 \mid S_2\} \cup P_1 \cup P_2$ . Prove that  $L(G)$  is regular.

3. a. Design a Single Tape Single Head (STSH) Turing machine to compare two unary symbol strings which are stored on the tape at positions after pointers A and B, respectively. Draw the suitable state transition diagram and mention your assumptions.

b. Prove that there exist more languages than there exist Turing Machines.

[6+4]

4. a. Write an algorithm to construct the regular expression from a deterministic finite automaton. Explore the algorithmic steps for the following DFA.



b. State and prove the pumping lemma for the regular set.

[7+3]

5. a. Construct a CFG equivalent to the following PDA.

$\text{PDA} = \{(p, q), (0, 1), \delta, p, q, (Z, X)\}$ , where  $p$  is initial state,  $q$  is final state.

$\delta$  is defined as  $\delta(p, 0, Z) = (p, XZ)$ ,  $\delta(p, 0, X) = (p, XX)$ ,  $\delta(p, 1, X) = (q, \epsilon)$ ,  $\delta(p, 1, Z) = (p, \epsilon)$ ,  $\delta(p, \epsilon, Z) = (p, \epsilon)$

b. Construct an equivalent PDA for the following CFG

$$S \rightarrow aAB \mid bBA$$

$$A \rightarrow bS \mid a$$

$$B \rightarrow aS \mid b$$

[5+5]

6. a. Let  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $L = \{ \alpha a \alpha^R a \alpha \mid \alpha \in \{b, c\}^* \}$ . Show that  $L$  is not context free

b. Let  $L = \{a^{5k+1} b^{3k-2}\} \subseteq \{a, b\}^*$ . Write CFG  $G$  with  $L(G) = L$

[5+5]

7. a. Provide an algorithm that takes as input a CFG  $G$ , a string  $x$ , and decides whether  $x \in L(G)$ . Find the complexity of the algorithm.

b. Explore the algorithmic steps for the following grammar and string  $x = ababa$

- $S \rightarrow AB \mid BC$

- $A \rightarrow BA \mid a$

- $B \rightarrow CC \mid b$

- $C \rightarrow AB \mid a$

[6+4]

8. a. Show that the language  $L = \{v w v \mid v, w \in \{a, b\}^*, |v| = 2\}$  is regular

b. Why do we need to convert a left-recursive grammar to its equivalent right-recursive form?

c. Comment on: "equivalence of PDA's and CFL's."

[5+2+3]