## THEORY OF COMPUTATION Final Exam

# Graduate Course College of Computer Science Zhejiang University Fall 2004

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	Time a	llowed: 2 Hours.		

- 1. (20%) Determine whether the following statements are true or false. If it is true write a  $\checkmark$  otherwise a  $\times$  in the bracket before the statement.
  - (a) ( ) Every context-free language is recursive.
  - (b) ( ) Language  $\{a^mb^nc^l \mid m, n, l \in \mathbb{N}, m+n > 3l\}$  is context free.
  - (c) ( ) All languages on an alphabet are recursively enumerable.
  - (d) ( ) There's a language L such that L is undecidable, yet L and its complement are both semi-decided by the some Turing machine.
  - (e) ( ) There's a function  $\varphi$  such that  $\varphi$  can be computed by some Turing machines, yet  $\varphi$  is not a primitive recursive function.
  - (f) ( ) Let  $L_1, L_2 \subseteq \Sigma^*$  be languages, recursive function  $\tau$  is a reduction from  $L_1$  to  $L_2$ , if  $L_1$  is decidable, then so is  $L_2$ .
  - (g) ( ) A language L is recursive if and only if it is Turing-enumerable.
  - (h) ( ) Every language in  $\mathcal{NP}$  is recursive.
  - (i) ( ) Suppose A, B are two languages and there is a polynomial-time reductions from A to B. If A is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete, then B is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete.
  - (j) ( ) Every language in  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete can be reducible to the 3-SAT problem in polynomial time.
- 2. (20%) FA and regular languages:
  - (a) Decide whether the following language is regular or not and provide a formal proof for your answer.

$$L = \{a^m b^n \mid m, n \in \mathbb{N}, (m-n) \mod 3 \neq 0\}$$

(b) Let  $\Sigma$  be an alphabet and let  $L_1, L_2 \subseteq \Sigma^*$  be languages so that  $L_1$  is not regular but  $L_2$  is regular. Assume  $L_1 \cap L_2$  is finite. Prove that  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is not regular.

- 3. (20%) PDA and Context-free languages:
  - (a) Give a context-free grammar for the language

 $L_3 = \{xy \mid x, y \in \{a, b\}^*, |x| = |y| \text{ and } x \text{ and } y^R \text{ differ in one positions } \}.$ 

(b) Design a PDA  $M = (K, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, s, F)$  accepting the language  $L_3$ . **Solution:** (b) The PDA  $M = (K, \Sigma, \Gamma, \Delta, s, F)$  is defined below:

	$  (q, \sigma, \beta)   (p, \gamma)$
K =	
$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$	
Γ =	
s =	
$F = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	

#### 4. (10%) Numerical Functions:

Let P(x, y) be primitive recursive predicates. Prove the following predicate

$$\forall y \leq u P(x, y)$$

is also primitive recursive.

### 5. (10%) Turing Machines

Design a Turing machine for computing the following function.

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2x+1, & \text{if } y \text{ is even} \\ 4x, & \text{if } y \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

where x and y are represented by binary strings respectively and separated with the symbol ";", i.e. the initial configuration in form of  $\triangleright \sqsubseteq x; y$ .

### 6. (10%) Decidability and Undecidability

Show that the following language

$$\{ M'''w'' \mid M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ halts on } w \}$$

is recursively enumerable. An informal description suffices.

### 7. $(10\%)\mathcal{P}$ and $\mathcal{NP}$ Problems

Given n natural numbers  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  to test whether there exist distinct  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k$  such that  $x_{i_1} + x_{i_2} + \dots + x_{i_k} = (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)/2$ , and  $x_{i_1} + x_{i_2} + \dots + x_{i_k}$  is not a prime number. Design a  $\mathcal{NP}$  algorithm for it, and estimate its time complexity.