# Formal languages and compilers - June 12, 2012

## Exercise 1

Let the regular expression r be defined as follows:

$$r = (a(ab|bb)^*(aa|c))^*$$

- 1. Provide the minimum DFA that recognizes  $\mathcal{L}(r)$ .
- 2. Provide a regular grammar  $\mathcal G$  such that  $\mathcal L(\mathcal G)=\mathcal L(r)$ .

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### Exercise 2

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be the following grammar:

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- 1. Show the grammar  $\mathcal{G}'$  obtained from  $\mathcal{G}$  by removing left recursion, either immediate or not.
- 2. Compute the set of first and follow for  $\mathcal{G}'$ .  $\bigcirc$
- 3. Say, justifying your answer, whether  $\mathcal{G}'$  is LL(1) or not.  $\bigcirc$

# Exercise 3 (only after Ex. 1 and Ex. 2)

Say whether or not the language

$$\mathcal{L} = \{a^i a^i b^j \mid i, j \ge 0 \text{ and if } i, j > 0 \text{ then } i \ne j\}$$

is a context-free language. Justify your answer.

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## Formal Languages and Compilers - session 3, 2012

#### Exercise 1

Let  $r = r_1 r_1^*$  with

$$r_1 = (a(ab \mid bb)^*(aa \mid c)).$$

Provide the minimum DFA that recognizes the complement of  $\mathcal{L}(r)$  over the alphabet  $\{a,b,c\}$ , namely the minimum DFA that recognizes the language

$$\mathcal{L}((a \mid b \mid c)^*) \setminus \mathcal{L}(r).$$

#### Exercise 2

Let  $\mathcal{G}$ , where R is the single non-terminal symbol, be the following grammar for regular expressions over  $\{a, b\}$ :

$$R \rightarrow R + R \mid R \bullet R \mid R^* \mid (R) \mid a \mid b$$

- 1. Show that  $\mathcal{G}$  is ambiguous.
- 2. Define a SLR grammar  $\mathcal{G}'$  for regular expressions over  $\{a,b\}$  by imposing the usual rules for regular expression operators, i.e. by imposing that all the operators are left associative, and that:
  - the unary Kleene-star operator "\_\*" has highest precedence;
  - the binary concatenation operator "\_•\_" has the second highest precedence;
  - the binary operator "\_+\_" has the lowest precedence.

For example,  $r = a + b^* \bullet a$  stands for  $(a) + ((b^*) \bullet (a))$ .

3. Show the SLR parsing steps on input r and draw the resulting parse tree.

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## Formal Languages and Compilers - 2012, session 4

Exercise 1

Say whether

$$\mathcal{L} = \{a^nb^m \mid n+m = 2k \text{ for } n,m,k \geq 0\}$$

is a regular language or not. Justify your answer.

Exercise 2

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be defined as follows:

$$S \rightarrow TUTU$$

$$T \rightarrow aT \mid bT \mid \epsilon \quad (ab)^*$$

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Say whether  $\mathcal G$  is LL(1) and in case it is not, define a LL(1) grammar  $\mathcal G'$  such that  $\mathcal L(\mathcal G')=\mathcal L(\mathcal G)$ .

