

Theory of Computation, Fall 2021
Assignment 8 (Due November 14 Monday 10:00am)

- Q1. Are the following statements true or false? Briefly explain your answer.
- (a) Every standard Turing machine semidecides some language.
 - (b) Every standard Turing machine decides some language.
- Q2. Let M be a Turing machine that decides some language. What is $L(M)$? (Recall that $L(M)$ is the language semidecided by M .)
- Q3. Let $M = \{K, \Sigma_0, \Sigma, \Delta, s, \{y, n\}\}$ be a non-deterministic Turing machine. Are the following statements about M true or false? Briefly explain your answer.
- (a) M semi-decides exactly one language.
 - (b) If M decides some language, then for any $w \in \Sigma_0^*$, every branch of the computation on w halts.
 - (c) If for any $w \in \Sigma_0^*$, every branch of the computation on w halts, then M decides some language.
- Q4. Let L be a recursive language. Prove that \overline{L} is also recursive.
- Q5. The encoding of an object O is represented as “ O ”. Similarly, the encoding of several objects O_1, \dots, O_k is represented as “ O_1 ”“ O_2 ” \dots “ O_k ”. Convert the following problems into the corresponding languages.
- (a) Given a DFA A and a string w , does A accept w ?
 - (b) Given two DFAs A and B , is $L(A) = L(B)$?