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Question 1

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"There exists a decidable function that is not time constructible". Which of the following statements is true about this statement:

Select one:

- ☐ a.
The above statement is false as all functions are not decidable.
- ☐ b.
The above statement is false as all decidable functions are time constructible.
- ☐ c.
The above statement can be proven to be true by the fact that $\neg HP$ is not decidable, and therefore not time constructible.
- ☒ d.
The above statement can be proven to be true by a diagonalization argument on decidable functions.

The correct answer is:

The above statement can be proven to be true by a diagonalization argument on decidable functions.

Question 2

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For every i , $\Sigma_i^p = \sum_c (\Sigma_i \text{Time}(n^c))$. Which of the following statements is true:

Select one:

- ☐ a.

This statement is false and it is only true that $\sum_c(\Sigma_i Time(n^c)) \subsetneq \Sigma_i^p$.

☐ b.

This statement is false and it is only true that $\Sigma_i^p \subsetneq \sum_c(\Sigma_i Time(n^c))$.

☒ c.

This statement is true and by a similar argument it can be shown that $\Pi_i^p = \sum_c(\Pi_i Time(n^c))$.

☐ d.

This statement is true but there is an i such that $\Pi_i^p \subsetneq \sum_c(\Pi_i Time(n^c))$ because the first quantifier is a \forall quantifier.

The correct answer is:

This statement is true and by a similar argument it can be shown that $\Pi_i^p = \sum_c(\Pi_i Time(n^c))$.

Question 3

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Let CL_1 and CL_2 be two time complexity classes or two space complexity classes. Let $c \geq 1$ be a positive integer.

Select one:

☐ a.

If $CL_1(f(n)) \subsetneq CL_2(g(n))$, then $CL_1(f(n^c)) \subsetneq CL_2(g(n^c))$ only when they are two time complexity classes.

☐ b.

If $CL_1(f(n)) \subsetneq CL_2(g(n))$,
then
 $CL_1(f(n^c)) \subsetneq CL_2(g(n^c))$
only when they are two space complexity classes.

☒ c.

If $CL_1(f(n)) \subsetneq CL_2(g(n))$,
then
 $CL_1(f(n^c)) \subsetneq CL_2(g(n^c))$

no matter if they are two time complexity classes or two space complexity classes.

- ☐ d.
If $CL_1(f(n)) \not\subseteq CL_2(g(n))$,
then there is always a c such that
 $CL_1(f(n^c)) = CL_2(g(n^c))$.

The correct answer is:

If $CL_1(f(n)) \not\subseteq CL_2(g(n))$, then
 $CL_1(f(n^c)) \not\subseteq CL_2(g(n^c))$ no
matter if they are two time complexity classes or two space complexity classes.

Question 4

Complete

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The union of 2 NL-complete languages is NL-complete.

Select one:

- ☐ a.
True. The composition of the reduction functions is still a reduction function.
- ☐ b.
True. By Savitch's theorem, we can show that there exists a reduction function for the union language.
- ☒ c.
False. This cannot be true as a co-NL complete language is also NL-complete and this would mean $L = NL$.
- ☐ d.
False. This cannot be true as the class NL itself is not closed under union.

The correct answer is:

False. This cannot be true as a co-NL complete language is also NL-complete and this would mean $L = NL$.

Question 5

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The language BIPARTITE consists of graph encodings where the graph is bipartite. Which of the following is true about this language?

Select one:

- ☐ a.
BIPARTITE is not in NL because it is not in P itself.

- ☐ b.
BIPARTITE is in P. But it is not in NL as otherwise this would imply $L = NL$, and that would mean $P = NP$.
- ☐ c.
BIPARTITE is in NL because an $O(n^c)$ time algorithm means that it can take at most $\log(n^c) = c \log(n)$ space by a method of binary coding.
- ☒ d.
BIPARTITE is in NL, as \neg BIPARTITE can easily be shown to be in NL and then we can apply Immerman-Szelepcznyi Theorem.

The correct answer is:

BIPARTITE is in NL, as \neg BIPARTITE can easily be shown to be in NL and then we can apply Immerman-Szelepcznyi Theorem.

Question 6

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For a given positive integer $c \geq 1$, which of the following can be proven?

Select one:

- ☐ a.
 $P \subseteq DSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq NP \subseteq NSPACE((\log n)^c)$
- ☐ b.
 $DSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq P \subseteq NSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq NP$
- ☒ c.
 $DSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq NSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq P \subseteq NP$
- ☐ d.
 $DSPACE((\log n)^c) = NSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq P \subseteq NP$

The correct answer is:

$$DSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq NSPACE((\log n)^c) \subseteq P \subseteq NP$$

Question 7

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The language TRIANGLE consists of graph encodings where the graph has a triangle. Which of the following is true?

Select one:

- ☐ a. TRIANGLE is not in L but in NL.
- ☐ b. TRIANGLE is not in NL.
- ☒ c. TRIANGLE is in L.
- ☐ d. TRIANGLE is not in P.

The correct answer is:

TRIANGLE is in L.

Question 8

Complete

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We have a nondeterministic space hierarchy theorem (NSHT), but there will be differences with the Space Hierarchy theorem:

Select one:

- ☐ a. The condition $f(n) = o(g(n))$ will not be sufficient to show that $NSPACE(f(n)) \subsetneq NSPACE(g(n))$ for the NSHT.
- ☒ b. NSHT can be proven in a very similar way for the condition of $f(n) = o(g(n))$ but by using Savitch's theorem.
- ☐ c. NSHT can be proven in a very similar way for the condition of $f(n) = o(g(n))$ but by using Immerman-Szelepczycki Theorem.

- ☐ d.
We do not have a NSHT.

The correct answer is:

NSHT can be proven in a very similar way for the condition of

$f(n) = o(g(n))$ but by using Immerman-Szelepczyeni Theorem.

Question 9

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Consider the algorithm Rand-Ter-QS. Here quicksort is done, but at each step we pick 2 pivot elements p_1, p_2 . Without loss of generality, $p_1 \leq p_2$. We divide the rest of the elements into 3 parts depending on whether they are $\leq p_1$, between p_1 and p_2 , or $\geq p_2$. Then the 3 sets are recursively sorted and finally put together in linear time. What is the expected number of comparisons in Rand-Ter-QS:

Select one:

- ☒ a. $O(n \log n)$
- ☐ b. $O(n \log \log n)$
- ☐ c. $O(n^{3/2} \log n)$
- ☐ d. $O(n)$

The correct answer is:

$O(n \log n)$

Question 10

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Let n be the size of the input of an RP algorithm, and d be a positive integer. The error probability of this RP algorithm can be reduced to e^{-n^d} by

Select one:

- ☒ a.

Repeating the algorithm independently $O(n^d)$ times, and if there is a YES returned at least once then the output is YES.

☐ b.

Repeating the algorithm independently $O(n^d)$ times and returning the majority of YESes or NOs as the output.

☐ c.

Both strategies work

☐ d.

Neither strategy can be used for the above error reduction.

The correct answer is:
Both strategies work

Question 11

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PP is a complexity class where $L \in PP$:

$$x \in L \iff \mathbb{P}[M(x) = 1] > 1/2$$

$$x \notin L \iff \mathbb{P}[M(x) = 1] < 1/2$$

Select one:

☒ a.

$NP \subseteq PP \subseteq PSPACE$: [Proof sketch] The first containment can be argued once you analyse an algorithm for SAT where a satisfying assignment is picked uniformly at random; if it satisfies the input instance then the output is YES, otherwise with probability $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ the output is NO, and with probability $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ the output is YES. The second containment can be argued by trying all choices of random sequences.

☐ b.

$NP, PP \subseteq PSPACE$ but NP and PP cannot be compared: [Proof sketch] From definition $PP = BPP$, and therefore the relation between NP and PP are not known. But both belong to $PSPACE$, as one has to try all possible certificates and random sequences to show containment in $PSPACE$.

☐ c. $PP \subseteq NP \subseteq PSPACE$: [Proof sketch] The first containment can be argued once you analyse an algorithm in class PP to have at least 1 random sequence that leads to YES for a YES instance. The second containment is by trying all possible random sequences/certificates in polynomial space.

☐ d. $NP \subseteq PSPACE \subseteq PP$: [Proof sketch] The first containment has been taught in class. The second containment can be argued by analysing the algorithm where a $PSPACE$ algorithm is taken as a subroutine, a coin is tossed polynomially many times and then the random sequences are ignored.

The correct answer is:

$NP \subseteq PP \subseteq PSPACE$: [Proof sketch] The first containment can be argued once you analyse an algorithm for SAT where a satisfying assignment is picked uniformly at random; if it satisfies the input instance then the output is YES, otherwise with probability $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ the output is NO, and with probability $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ the output is YES. The second containment can be argued by trying all choices of random sequences.

Question 12

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Statement I: It is not known whether SAT is in BPP, and this is an open question.

Statement II: If SAT is in BPP, then an RP algorithm for SAT can also be designed by recursively using the BPP algorithm.

Select one:

- ☒ a. Both I and II are true
- ☐ b. Both I and II are false
- ☐ c. I is true but II is false
- ☐ d. I is false but II is true

The correct answer is: Both I and II are true

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