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Do five of the following six problems. Write each answer on a separate piece of paper.

1. Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ be a finite alphabet.
 - (a) Define *regular language*.
 - (b) Show the following language is regular over Σ : $\{w \mid w \text{ ends in a } 0\}$
 - (c) Show the following language is not regular over Σ : $\{w \mid w = 0^n 1^n, n \geq 0\}$
2. For each of the following statements, state whether it is true or false. Justify your answer by providing a proof sketch or counterexample.
 - (a) Every regular language is context-free.
 - (b) Every regular language is Turing-recognizable.
 - (c) Every decidable language is regular.
3.
 - (a) State the Halting Problem.
 - (b) Prove the Halting Problem is Turing-Recognizable.
 - (c) Prove the Halting Problem is not decidable.
4.
 - (a) State the Post Correspondence Problem (PCP).
 - (b) Is the PCP undecidable for all alphabets? Why or why not? If yes, sketch a proof of the undecidability. If no, give an example of an alphabet over which PCP is decidable. Justify your answer.
5.
 - (a) State the Recursion Theorem.
 - (b) Given a Turing Machine M , the *length* of the description of $\langle M \rangle$ is the number of symbols in the string describing M . M is *minimal* if there is no Turing Machine equivalent to M with a shorter description. Show

$$\text{MIN}_{TM} = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a minimal TM}\}$$

is not Turing-recognizable.

6. For the following sets, state whether the set is decidable or Turing-recognizable (or both). Justify your answer.
 - (a) $E_{TM} = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } L(M) = \emptyset\}$
 - (b) $Th(\mathbf{N}, +)$
 - (c) $Th(\mathbf{N}, +, \times)$