

Exercise 1. Consider the following language:

$$COMPOSITE_n = \{n \mid n = ab \text{ for some integers } a, b \text{ such that } a, b \neq n \text{ and } a, b \neq 1\}$$

What is the smallest class that contains this language (finite, regular, context-free, decidable, recognizable, or unrecognizable)? Prove it.

Solution: Your solution here

Exercise 2. Consider the following language:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{COMPOSITE}_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid & M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ halts on } w \text{ in} \\ & n = ab \text{ steps for some integers } a, b \\ & \text{such that } a, b \neq n \text{ and } a, b \neq 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

What is the smallest class that contains this language (finite, regular, context-free, decidable, recognizable, or unrecognizable)? Prove it.

Solution: Your solution here

Exercise 3. Consider the following language:

$$COMPOSITE_{RE} = \{n \mid n = ab \text{ for some regular expressions } a, b\}$$

Note: Yes, a and b are REs and n is ab . This means: “How do we know if n is a regular expression (a) followed by another one (b)?”

What is the smallest class that contains this language (finite, regular, context-free, decidable, recognizable, or unrecognizable)? Prove it.

Solution: Your solution here

Exercise 4. Describe the primary differences between a Turing reduction (\leq_T) and a Mapping reduction (\leq_m).

Solution: Your solution here

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