

# CS 334 Fall 2021: Problem Set 7.

**Problem 1.** (15 points) Prove that every infinite TM-recognizable language has an infinite decidable subset.

**Problem 2.** (15 points) Prove that the following language is decidable by giving a high-level description of a TM that decides the language.

$\{ \langle G \rangle : G \text{ is a CFG in CNF and } L(G) \text{ is an infinite language} \}$

You may assume that a string of terminal symbols can be derived from every non-terminal in the CFG, and that every non-terminal appears in some string derivable from the start symbol.

**Problem 3.** (15 points) Let  $G$  be a context-free grammar that generates strings over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ . Show that the problem of determining if  $G$  generates a string in  $a^*$  is decidable. In other words, show that the following language is decidable:

$\{ \langle G \rangle : G \text{ is a CFG over } \{a, b\} \text{ and } a^* \cap L(G) \neq \emptyset \}$