

There are a total of five problems. You have to solve the first four. Problem 5 is optional.

### Problem 1 (CO1): DFA and Regular Languages (10 points)

Let  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ . Consider the following languages over  $\Sigma$ .

$$L_1 = \{w : w = 1^m 0^n, \text{ where } m, n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{w : 1 \text{ does not appear at any even position in } w\}$$

$$L_3 = L_1 \cap L_2$$

Now solve the following problems.

- Give** the state diagram for a DFA that recognizes  $L_1$ . (3 points)
- Give** the state diagram for a DFA that recognizes  $L_2$ . (3 points)
- If you were to use the “cross product” construction shown in class to obtain a DFA for the language  $L_3$ , how many states would it have? (1 point)
- Find** all four-letter strings in  $L_3$ . (1 point)
- Give** the state diagram for a DFA that recognizes  $L_3$  using only three states. (2 points)

### Problem 2 (CO1): Regular Expressions (10 points)

Consider the following languages over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ .

$$L_1 = \{w : w \text{ does not contain } 00\}$$

$$L_2 = \{w : \text{every } 0 \text{ in } w \text{ is preceded by at least one } 1\}$$

$$L_3 = \{w : \text{the number of times } 0 \text{ appears in } w \text{ is even}\}$$

Now solve the following problems.

- Give** a regular expression for the language  $L_1$ . (2 points)
- Your friend claims that  $L_1 = L_2$ . **Prove** him wrong by writing down a five-letter string in  $L_1 \setminus L_2$ . Recall that  $L_1 \setminus L_2$  contains all strings that are in  $L_1$  but not in  $L_2$ . (2 points)
- Give** a regular expression for the language  $L_1 \setminus L_2$ . (2 points)
- Give** a regular expression for the language  $L_3$ . (2 points)
- Give** a regular expression for the language  $L_2 \setminus L_3$ . (2 points)

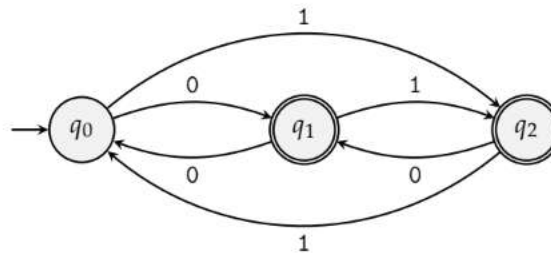
### Problem 3 (CO3): Converting Regular Expressions to NFAs (10 points)

**Convert** the following regular expression over  $\Sigma = \{e, f, g, h\}$  into an equivalent NFA. Note that  $R_1 + R_2$  is the same as  $R_1 \cup R_2$ .

$$(g^* + h)^* + e(f^*g)^* + eg(f^*g)^*$$

## Problem 4 (CO3): Converting Finite Automata to Regular Expressions (10 points)

**Convert** the following DFA into an equivalent regular expression using the state elimination method. First eliminate  $q_2$ , then  $q_1$ , and finally  $q_0$ . You must show work.



## Problem 5 (Bonus): Even-Odd Runs (5 points)

**Disclaimer:** This is a bonus problem. Attempt it only after you are done with everything else. Even if you do not attempt it, you can get a perfect score. So, do not worry if you find it too hard!

A *run* in a string is a maximal non-empty substring consisting entirely of the same letter. For example, the string 111001111011 consists of five runs: a run of three 1s, followed by a run of two 0s, a run of four 1s, a run of one 0, and a run of two 1s. Consider the following language over  $\{0, 1\}$ .

$$L = \{w : \text{every run of 0s in } w \text{ has odd length and every run of 1s in } w \text{ has even length}\}$$

**Give** a six-state DFA that recognizes  $L$ .



After you are done with the test, please indicate where you stand on the smiley face spectrum.

