

# End Semester Examination

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(CS41001) Theory of Computation (Full marks = 100)

Answer exactly 5 questions. In case of reasonable doubt, state your assumptions.

1. (a) Consider the function  $f : \{a, b\}^* \rightarrow \{a, b\}^*$  such that  
 $f(u) = a$ , if  $u$  contains even number of  $a$ 's and odd number of  $b$ 's;  
 $= b$ , otherwise.  
 Show that  $f$  is grammatically computable. Give a brief explanation of the computational steps. Indicate the fixed parenthetic strings  $x, y, x', y'$ ; explain clearly the purpose of other nonterminal symbols used in the computation of  $f$  by the grammar.
- (b) Show that the following functions are primitive recursive:
  - (i)  $rem(n, m)$  = the integer remainder when  $n$  is divided by  $m$ ; zero when  $m$  is zero; use only the initial functions for this.
  - (ii)  $prime(n) = 0$  if  $n$  is prime  
 $= 1$  if  $n$  is not a prime.
- (c) Prove that every grammatically computable function over strings is a  $\mu$ -recursive function. You may assume that the following predicates or functions, as the case may be, are given to be primitive recursive:
  - (i)  $\Sigma_0^* n (\Sigma_1^* n)$ :  $n$  is the Godel number of a string in the domain  $\Sigma_0^*$  (codomain  $\Sigma_1^*$ ) of the grammatically computable function,
  - (ii)  $Bpq$ : ("the derivation  $p$  begins with  $q$ ") —  $p$  is the Godel number of the derivation of the grammar (for computing the function) and  $q$  is the Godel number of the first string of terminals and nonterminals in  $p$ ,
  - (iii)  $Epq$ : ("the derivation  $p$  ends with  $q$ ") —  $p$  is as given in (ii) above and  $q$  is the Godel number of the last string of terminals and nonterminals in  $p$ ,
  - (iv)  $extract(p)$ : extracts the Godel number of the string corresponding to the value  $f(n)$  of the grammatically computable function from  $q$  where  $Epq$  holds.

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2. (a) Let  $EQ_{\text{REX}} = \{ (R, S) \mid R \text{ and } S \text{ are equivalent regular expressions} \}$ . Show that  $EQ_{\text{REX}}$  is in PSPACE.
- (b) Let  $BIPARTITE = \{ G \mid G \text{ is a bipartite graph} \}$ . Show that,  $BIPARTITE \in \text{co-NL}$ .
- (c) Let  $GG = \{ \langle G, b \rangle \mid \text{Player 1 has winning strategy for the generalized geography game played on graph } G \text{ starting at node } b \}$ . Prove that  $GG$  is PSPACE-complete.
- (d) Show that, if every NP-hard language is also PSPACE-hard, then  $\text{PSPACE} = \text{NP}$ .

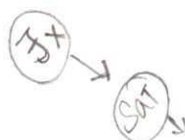
[5+5+7+3=20]

3. (a) Formally define the complexity classes  $\Sigma_2^P$  and  $\Pi_2^P$ . Prove that If  $P = \text{NP}$  then  $\text{PH} = P$ .
- (b) Prove that  $\Sigma_2^P \subseteq \text{NP}^{\text{SAT}}$ . Prove that the emptiness problem of Buchi Automata can be checked in polynomial time.

~~$\Sigma_2^P \subseteq \text{NP}^{\text{SAT}}$~~

[(4+6)+(5+5)=20]

4. (a) Prove the equivalence of the following LTL formulae.
  - i.  $\neg \Diamond \phi \equiv \Box \neg \phi$
  - ii.  $\phi U \psi \equiv \psi \vee (\phi \wedge \bigcirc (\phi U \psi))$
- (b) Provide a formal definition of the Buchi Acceptance Condition. Construct a Buchi Automaton for the  $\omega$ -regular language  $(ab)^* a (ba)^\omega$ .



$x \in \Sigma_1^P$

$\exists u, v$

$x, u, v \in \Sigma_{i-1}^P \rightarrow P$

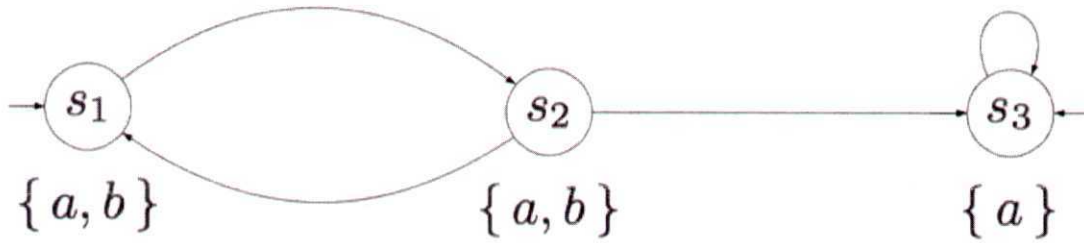
$\forall u_1, \forall u_2$

- (c) Construct a Timed Automaton which captures the formal specification of a bus controller given as follows.

"Consider a system with two processors  $P_1, P_2$  connected by a bus. The bus controller grants exclusive access to the bus for  $P_1, P_2$  using events  $l_1, l_2$  respectively. The bus controller can request  $P_1, P_2$  to release the bus using events  $r_1, r_2$  respectively. Once granted access, a processor cannot entertain a release request within the next 2 seconds. If the release request comes within 2 seconds, the system cannot execute any further. If the release request comes after 2 seconds, then the processor releases the bus instantaneously. Once granted access, a processor can occupy the bus exclusively for not more than 5 seconds. If no release request comes within 5 seconds, then also system cannot execute any further. Two consecutive bus accesses by  $P_1$  have to be separated by at least 10 seconds. Two consecutive bus accesses by  $P_2$  have to be separated by at least 20 seconds." - Note that  $\Sigma = \{l_1, l_2, r_1, r_2\}$ .

$$[(3+3)+(4+4)+6=20]$$

5. (a) Let  $\text{MODEXP} = \{\langle a, b, c, p \rangle \mid a, b, c, \text{ and } p \text{ are binary integers such that } a^b \equiv c \pmod{p}\}$ . Show that  $\text{MODEXP}$  is in P.
- (b) For a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , a set of nodes  $S \subseteq V$  is called independent if no two nodes in  $S$  are connected by an edge  $e \in E$ . Let  $\text{IND-SET}$  be the language :  $\text{IND-SET} = \{\langle G, k \rangle \mid \text{Graph } G \text{ has an independent set of size } k\}$ . Prove that  $\text{IND-SET}$  is NP-Complete.
- (c) Which of the following LTL formulae are true on all paths of the labeled transition system given



- i.  $\Box a$
- ii.  $\Box(\neg b \implies \Box(a \wedge \neg b))$
- iii.  $\bigcirc(a \wedge b)$
- iv.  $bU(a \wedge \neg b)$

$$[5+5+(2.5 \times 4)=20]$$

6. (a) Let  $L_\infty = \{\langle M \rangle \mid |L(M)| = \infty\}$ . Prove that  $L_\infty$  is not Turing-recognizable.
- (b) Let  $TQBF = \{\langle \phi \rangle \mid \phi \text{ is a true fully quantified boolean formula}\}$ . Prove that  $TQBF$  is PSPACE-complete.
- (c) Let us define the class of problems **DP** as follows. A language  $L$  is in the class **DP** if and only if there are two languages  $L_1 \in \mathbf{NP}$  and  $L_2 \in \mathbf{coNP}$  such that  $L = L_1 \cap L_2$ . Now let  $\text{SAT} - \text{UNSAT} = \{\langle \phi, \phi' \rangle : \phi \text{ and } \phi' \text{ are boolean formulae in 3CNF and } \phi \text{ is satisfiable and } \phi' \text{ is not satisfiable}\}$ . Prove that  $\text{SAT} - \text{UNSAT}$  is **DP**-complete.

$$[5+7+(3+5)= 20]$$

7. (a) Let  $L_{fin} = \{\langle M \rangle \mid L(M) \text{ is finite}\}$ . Prove that  $L_{fin}$  is undecidable.
- (b) Construct a reduction from  $Th(\mathbb{N}, <)$  to  $Th(\mathbb{N}, +)$ .
- (c) Prove that for  $f(n) \geq \log n$ ,  $\text{ASPACE}(f(n)) = \text{TIME}(2^{O(f(n))})$ .

$$[6+6+8=20]$$