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We have tried to provide enough information to allow you to answer each of the questions. If you need additional information, make a *reasonable* assumption, write down the assumption with your answer, and answer the question. There are **6** problems, and the exam has **8** pages. Make sure that you have all pages. The exam is worth **250** points. You have **80 minutes** to answer the questions. Good luck!

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Problem 1 - Regular Expressions and FSAs (30 pts)

Assume that *lower* stands for lower case letters, i.e., {a, b, c, ... z}, *upper* for upper case letters, i.e., {A, B, C, ... Z}, *digit* for digits, i.e., {0, 1, ... 9}, and *special* for special symbols, i.e., {\$, #, %, ... }. The following regular expression describes the set of valid identifiers in some programming language:

$$(upper|lower)special^*digit^+special^+$$

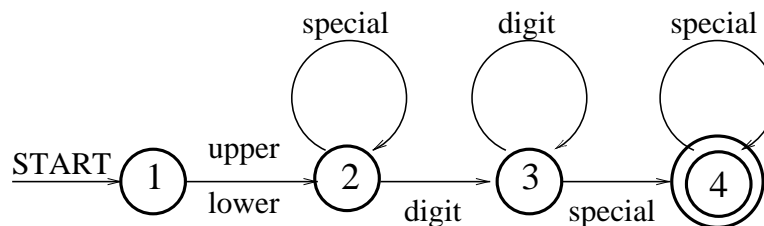
1. Give an example of a string of **length 7** that

is a valid identifier in this language: A12345&

is not a valid identifier in this language: doOr123

(3 pts each)

2. Build a DFA (Deterministic Finite Automaton) for the regular expression of valid identifiers as defined above. The start state is **state 1**, and the final (accepting) state is **state 4**. You are only allowed to add edges with their appropriate labels, i.e., valid labels are *lower*, *upper*, *digit*, and *special*. Note that an edge may have more than one label. (24 pts)



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Problem 2 – Context Free Grammars and Regular Expressions (30 pts)

A *context-free language* is a language that can be specified using a context-free grammar. A *regular language* is a language that can be specified using a regular expression.

For the four languages given below, if the language is context-free, give a compact context-free grammar in Backus-Naur-Form (BNF). If the language is regular, give a compact regular expression using the regular expression syntax introduced in class. If a language is context-free and regular, give both specifications, a BNF and a regular expression. You do not have to justify why you believe a language is not context-free or not regular.

1. $\{ a^{3n}b^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$, with alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

$S ::= aaa S b \mid \epsilon$

2. $\{ a^{3n}b^{2m} \mid n \geq 0, m > 0 \}$, with alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

$S ::= A B$

$A ::= aaa A \mid \epsilon$

$B ::= bb B \mid bb$

$(aaa)^*(bb)^+$

3. $\{ w_1 w_2 w_2^R w_1^R \mid w_1, w_2 \in \Sigma^*, w^R \text{ is } w \text{ in reverse, and alphabet } \Sigma = \{a, b\} \}$

$S ::= a S a \mid b S b \mid X$

$X ::= a X a \mid b X b \mid \epsilon$

4. $\{ w \mid w \text{ has at least 4 symbols} \}$, with alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

$S ::= A B C D X$

$A ::= a \mid b$

$B ::= a \mid b$

$C ::= a \mid b$

$C ::= a \mid b$

$X ::= a X \mid b X \mid \epsilon$

$(a \mid b) (a \mid b) (a \mid b) (a \mid b)^+$

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Problem 3 – Context Free Grammars (60 pts)

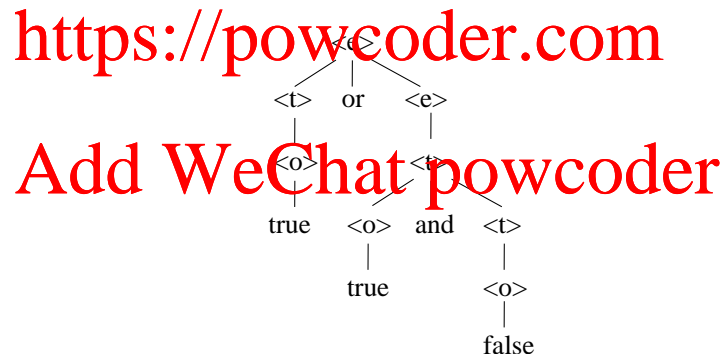
Assume the following context-free logical expression grammar in BNF over the alphabet (set of tokens) $\Sigma = \{ \text{true}, \text{false}, \text{or}, \text{and} \}$ with the start symbol $\langle e \rangle$.

```
 $\langle e \rangle ::= \langle t \rangle \text{ or } \langle e \rangle \mid \langle t \rangle$   
 $\langle t \rangle ::= \langle o \rangle \text{ and } \langle t \rangle \mid \langle o \rangle$   
 $\langle o \rangle ::= \text{true} \mid \text{false}$ 
```

1. Give a left-most derivation (\Rightarrow_L) for the sentence true or true and false.

```
 $\langle e \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\langle t \rangle \text{ or } \langle e \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\langle o \rangle \text{ or } \langle e \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\text{true or } \langle e \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\text{true or } \langle t \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\text{true or } \langle o \rangle \text{ and } \langle t \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\text{true or true and } \langle t \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\text{true or true and } \langle o \rangle \Rightarrow_L$   
 $\text{true or true and false}$ 
```

2. Show the corresponding parse tree for your left-most derivation.



3. Is the grammar LL(1)? Justify your answer using $FIRST^+$ sets.

The grammar is not LL(1). For example, for the two rules for nonterminal $\langle e \rangle$, $FIRST^+(\langle t \rangle \text{ or } \langle e \rangle) = \{ \text{true}, \text{false} \}$, and $FIRST^+(\langle t \rangle) = \{ \text{true}, \text{false} \}$. Therefore, these sets are not disjoint, which is a requirement for the grammar to be LL(1).

4. What is the associativity of the **or** operator as specified in the grammar? right associative

What is the associativity of the **and** operator as specified in the grammar? right associative

5. Does the grammar implement the precedence of the **or** operator over the **and** operator (**or** binds stronger than **and**)? If not, give a minimal change to the grammar (fewest number of changed rules) such that **or** has precedence over **and**. In addition, change the grammar rules, if necessary, to make **and** left associative.

```
<e> ::= <e> and <t> | <t>  
<t> ::= <o> or <t> | <o>  
<o> ::= true | false
```

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Problem 4 - Scoping (30 pts)

Assume the following program while answering the questions below.

```
Program A()
{
    x, y, z: integer;

    procedure D()
    {
        x = z + 2;
    }
    procedure C()
    {
        z = 3;
        x = z + 4;
        call D();
    }
    procedure B()
    {
        x, z: integer;
        z = 4;
        x = y + z;
        call C();
    }

    // statement body of A
    x = 6;
    y = 7;
    z = 8;
    call B();
    print x, y, z;
}
```

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1. Show the output of a program execution assuming **static (lexical) scoping for all variables**:

x= 5 , y= 7 , z= 3

2. Show the output of a program execution assuming **dynamic scoping for all variables**:

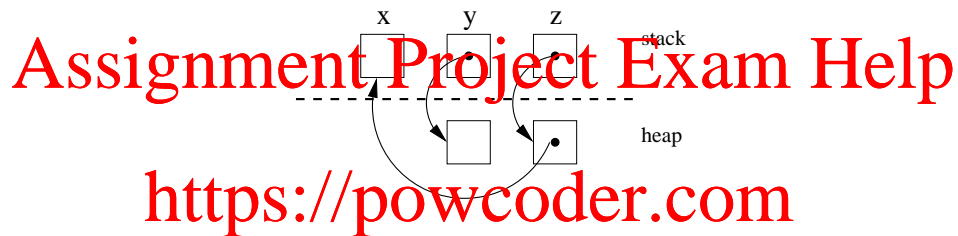
x= 6 , y= 7 , z= 8

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Problem 5 – Pointers and Memory Allocation in C (40 pts)

```
int main() {
    int x;
    int *y;
    int **z;

    z = (int **) malloc (sizeof(int *));
    y = (int *) malloc (sizeof(int));
    x = 2;
    *z = &x;
    *y = x;
    x = x + 3;
    **z = *y + 3;
    printf("x=%d, *y=%d, **z=%d\n", x, *y, **z);
    return 0;
}
```



1. What is the output of the above program? (5 pts each)

x= 5, *y= 2, **z= 5

2. Specify, whether the following program objects are allocated on the **stack** (includes global variables), on the **heap**, or **not defined** (2 pts each).

x is allocated on the stack

y is allocated on the stack

z is allocated on the stack

*x is allocated on the not defined

*y is allocated on the heap

*z is allocated on the heap

**y is allocated on the not defined

**z is allocated on the stack

3. Assume the following code segment:

```
int *x;
*x = 5;
printf("%d\n", *x);
```

Is there a problem with this code? Assume that when you ran the code a couple of times, it printed "5". If you believe there is a problem, give a possible "fix" for the problem? (9 pts)

The content of variable `x` is not initialized. However, its content is used as an address of a memory location, and that memory location is assigned the value 5.

To fix the problem, `x` should point to an object on the heap that is allocated as follows:

```
x = (int *) malloc(sizeof(int *))
```

This statement should be placed before statement `*x = 5`.

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Problem 6 – Syntax-Directed Translation (60 pts)

Assume the following logical expression grammar:

```
<expr> ::= and <expr> <expr> |
          <const>
<const> ::= true | false
```

instr. format	description	semantics
memory instructions		
LOADI #true $\Rightarrow r_x$	load constant value #true into register r_x	$r_x \leftarrow \text{true}$
LOADI #false $\Rightarrow r_x$	load constant value #false into register r_x	$r_x \leftarrow \text{false}$
logical instructions		
AND $r_x, r_y \Rightarrow r_z$	'and' logical operation on truth values in registers r_x and r_y , and store result into register r_z	$r_z \leftarrow r_x \text{ and } r_y$

Here is a recursive descent parser that implements a compiler for the above grammar. Note that 'and', 'true', and 'false' are the new tokens. Here is the important part of the code:

```
int expr() {
    int reg, left_reg, right_reg;
    switch (token) {
        case 'and': next_token();
                    left_reg = expr(); right_reg = expr(); reg = next_register();
                    CodeGen(AND, left_reg, right_reg, reg);
                    return reg;
        case 'true':
        case 'false': return const();
    }
}

int const() {
    int reg;
    switch (token) {
        case 'true': next_token(); reg = next_register();
                    CodeGen(LOADI, true, reg);
                    return reg;
        case 'false': next_token(); reg = next_register();
                    CodeGen(LOADI, false, reg);
                    return reg;
    }
}
```

Make the following assumptions:

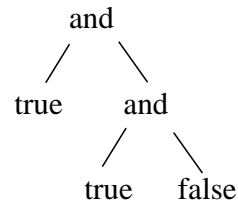
- The value of variable “token” has been initialized correctly.
- The function `CodeGen` has been extended to deal with logical binary operations and logical arguments.
- The first call to function `next_register()` the shown parser returns integer value “1”. In other words, the first register that the generated code will be using is register r_1 .
- Your parser “starts” by calling function `expr()` on the entire input.

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1. Show the code that the recursive descent parser generates for input

and true and true false

will produce:



```
loadI #true => r1
loadI #true => r2
loadI #false => r3
and r2, r3 => r4
and r1, r4 => r5
```

2. Change the basic recursive-descent parser to implement an interpreter for our example language. You may insert pseudo code in the spaces marked by _____. You may also assume the availability of a type `boolean`. No error handling is necessary. **There are many possible solutions.**

```
boolean expr() {
    boolean bval1, bval2, bval;
    switch (token) {
        case 'and': next_token();
                    bval1 = expr(); bval2 = expr();
                    bval = bval1 && bval2; // && is 'and' operator

                    return bval;
        case 'true':
        case 'false': return const();
    }
}

boolean const() {

    boolean bval;
    switch (token) {
        case 'true': next_token();

                    bval = TRUE; // TRUE is boolean constant for 'true'

                    return bval;

        case 'false': next_token();

                    bval = FALSE; // FALSE is boolean constant for 'false'

                    return bval;
    }
}
```