# Quiz III (10 pts)

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Assigned: May the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20h00

Duration : 60 minutes

# Q1. (7 pts) Design a Turing Machine (TM)

$$M = (\{\ldots, \mathsf{halt}, \mathsf{halt}\text{-reject}\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, \vdash, \_, X\}, \vdash, \_, \delta, s, t, r)$$

which on input x # y (such that  $x, y \in \{a, b\}^*$ ) halts with

$$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 2 * \#a(x) > \#a(y) \\ 0 & \text{if } 2 * \#a(x) = \#a(y) \\ 2 & \text{if } 2 * \#a(x) < \#a(y) \end{cases}$$

written on its tape.

Note that #a(y) denotes the number of as in the string y. Similarly, 2 \* #a(x) connotes the double amount of as in the string x. Below are a few examples to the input-output harmony of the intended TM:

Input	Output
$\vdash$ abbbaa#aabababaa# $\_^\omega$	<b>⊢…#…#</b> 0
$\vdash$ abbabaa#aabababaa# $\_^\omega$	⊢ · · · # · · · # <mark>1</mark>
$\vdash$ abbbaa#aababaabaa# $\_^\omega$	<b>⊢</b> ···# ···# <mark>2</mark>
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**Important.** Implement the machine *M* in Morphett's TM simulator, and explain your implementation in a few comment-out lines. Note that TMs designated elsewise will be graded zero.

#### A1. Turing Machine

$$M = (\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \text{halt, halt-reject}\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, \vdash, X\}, \vdash, \delta, 1, \text{halt, halt-reject}\}$$

with the below stated transition function  $\delta$ 

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1 \vdash \vdash r 1
                                  5 a a l 5
                                  5 b b l 5
1 b b r 1
1 a ⊢ r 2
                                  5 X X 1 5
1 # # r 7
                                 5 # # l 5
                                  5 + + r 1
1 * * * halt-reject
                                  5 * * * halt-reject
\mathbf{2} a a r \mathbf{2}
2 b b r 2
2 # # r 3
                                 6 _1 l halt
                                 6 * * * halt-reject
2 * * * halt-reject
                                  7 X X r 7
3 a X r 4
                                  7 b b r 7
3 b b r 3
                                 7 # # r 7
                                 7 _ 0 l halt
3 X X r 3
3 # # r 6
                                  7 a a r 8
3 * * * halt-reject
                                  7 * * * halt-reject
4 a X r 5
                                 8 a a r 8
4 b b r 4
                                 8 b b r 8
                                 8 # # r 8
8 _ 2 l halt
4 # # r 6
4 * * * halt-reject
                                  8 * * * halt-reject
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computes the intended function. Click here to load the code in your browser.

Q2. (3 pts) Prove employing contra-positive of the Pumping Lemma if the set

$$A := \{x^k y^m z^n \mid k \ge n \text{ and } m \text{ is even}\}$$

cannot be context free. Otherwise, construct a context-free grammar (CFG) that generates the set A.

**A2**. The set  $A := \{x^k y^m z^n \mid k \ge n \text{ and } m \text{ is even} \}$  is context-free as the context-free grammar

$$G = (\{S, A\}, \{x, y, z\}, P, S)$$

with below set of production rules P generates A:

$$S \rightarrow xSz \mid xS \mid A$$
  
 $A \rightarrow yAy \mid \varepsilon$ .

## **Important Notice:**

- Collaboration is strictly and positively prohibited; lowers your score to 0 if detected.
- Any submission after 60 minutes will NOT be accepted. Please be aware and respect the deadline!
- Submission policy:
  - 1. considering **Q1**, first implement a TM in Morphett's TM simulator, then copy-and-paste your code in a text file named **A1.txt**,
  - 2. as for Q2, write your answer down on a piece of paper, scan it into a PDF file named A2.pdf,
  - 3. and then submit both files **A1.txt** and **A2.pdf**.
- Make sure that your handwriting in **A2.pdf** is decent and readable.