

- [10] 1. Answer each question with a **brief** explanation.
- (a) If  $L_1, L_2$  are regular languages, is  $L_1 \cap L_2$  necessarily regular?
  - (b) If  $L_1, L_2$  are both not regular languages, is  $L_1 \cup L_2$  necessarily not regular?
  - (b) If  $L_1 \cap L_2$  is not regular and  $L_2$  is regular, is  $L_1$  necessarily not regular?
  - (b) If  $L_1, L_2$  are acceptable, is  $L_1 \cap L_2$  necessarily acceptable?
  - (b) If  $L$  is acceptable, is the complement of  $L$  necessarily acceptable?
  - (c) If  $L$  is decidable, is the complement of  $L$  necessarily decidable?
- [10] 2. Write down a DFA for the set of strings over  $0,1$  that do not contain  $110$  as a substring. Use the procedure described in class and the text to convert the DFA into an appropriate GNFA and then, by removing states one by one, find a corresponding regular expression.
- [10] 3. Show that  $\{ww|w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$  is not context-free.
- [10] 4. Let  $G_1$  be the grammar  $S \rightarrow Sa|a$ , and let  $G_2$  be the grammar  $S \rightarrow SS|a$ . (Both grammar's describe the language of words consisting of one or more  $a$ 's.)
- (a) How many parse trees are there for  $aaa$  with  $G_1$ , and how many with  $G_2$ ?
  - (b) Explain why one of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is unambiguous, and the other isn't.
  - (c) List all rules in Earley's algorithm in bags  $S_0, S_1, S_2$  on input  $aaa$  for  $G_1$ ; then do the same for  $G_2$ . [Recall that Earley's algorithm adds the rule  $\phi \rightarrow S$ , begins by placing  $\phi \rightarrow .S$  into  $S_0$ , and has the bag  $S_i$  contain all rules obtained after scanning the first  $i$  symbols of the word being parsed.]
  - (d) On input  $a^n$  with  $n$  large, explain why Earley's algorithm will be much faster on one of  $G_1, G_2$  than the other.
- [10] 5. Recall that
- $$A_{TM} = \{\langle M, w \rangle | M \text{ is a Turing machine and } M \text{ accepts } w\}.$$
- Show that  $A_{TM}$  is not decidable. [Hint: Suppose  $R$  is a Turing machine deciding  $A_{TM}$ . Let  $S$  be the machine that on input  $\langle M \rangle$  runs  $R$  on input  $\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle$  and outputs the opposite of  $R$ 's answer. What does  $S$  do on input  $\langle S \rangle$ ?
- [10] 6. Let 5PLUS be the language of  $\langle M \rangle$  such that  $M$  accepts at least five strings. Show that 5PLUS is acceptable but not decidable.
- [10] 7. Give a reduction to show that  $3SAT \leq_P \text{SUBSET-SUM}$ . [Hint: Starting with a 3CNF formula, dedicate one digit (in a suitable base) to each variable and clause in the 3CNF.]
- [10] 8. Let DOUBLE-SAT be the set of  $\langle \phi \rangle$  such that  $\phi$  is a Boolean formula with at least two satisfying assignments. Show that DOUBLE-SAT is NP-complete.
- [10] 9. Let  $L_n$  be the language of strings over  $\{0,1\}$  of length at least  $n$  whose  $n$ -th last digit is a 1. In other

words,  $L_n$  contains precisely those strings of the form  $u1w$ , where  $w$  is a string of length  $n - 1$  and  $u$  is an arbitrary (possibly empty) string.

- (a) Write down an NFA accepting  $L_n$  with  $O(n)$  states.
- (b) Show that any DFA accepting  $L_n$  has at least  $2^n$  states. [Hint: Show that there is a set of  $2^n$  words that are pairwise distinguishable by  $L_n$ , i.e., such that any two of them  $x, y$  that are distinct have the property that for some  $z$ , exactly one of  $zx, zy$  is accepted by  $L_n$ .]