

Marks

- [10] 1. Give a formal description of a Turing machine—and explain how your machine works—that takes as input, $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$, and (1) accepts x if it has an even number of 1's, and (2) rejects x if not. You should **explicitly write** your choice of $Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, q_{\text{accept}}, q_{\text{reject}}$. For example, you should write $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, since this is the input alphabet.

- [16] 2. (4 points for each part) Briefly justify your answers:
- (a) Let \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{I} be any countably infinite sets and let “Result” be a function described in Axiom 1. Are there languages, i.e., subsets of \mathcal{I} , that are not recognized by any element of \mathcal{P} ?

 - (b) Russell’s paradox involves considering “the set of all sets that do not contain themselves.” What is the standard way of resolving this paradox?

 - (c) Assume that you have a set of axioms in a system of logic where you can construct a sentence, S , whose meaning is “ S is not provable (from the axioms).” Assume that you have an interpretation of your sentences so that each sentence is either true or false, but not both. Show that at least one of the following holds: (1) Some sentence that is provable (from the axioms) is false, or (2) Some sentence is true but not provable (from the axioms).

 - (d) In class we showed that $|S| < |Power(S)|$ for any set S , where $Power(S)$ is the set of all subsets of S . Our proof involved considering any map $f: S \rightarrow Power(S)$, and forming the set

$$T = \{s \in S \mid s \notin f(s)\}.$$
 How do we use this T and what assumptions do we make on f to show that $|S| < |Power(S)|$?

- [10] **3.** Let NO-COUNT-3 be the language of descriptions, $\langle p, i \rangle$, consisting of a 421Simple program, p , and an input, i , such that p has a variable named COUNT, and when p is run on input i , the variable COUNT that never attains the value 3 (at any point in its computation). Is NO-COUNT-3 decidable (say, by a 421Simple program) or recognizable? Justify your answer.

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