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End-Semester Exam

CU2102 CG1103 Theory of Computation

Duration: 120 mins

Maximum Marks: 35

Notation: Let Σ be a finite alphabet. For a word $w \in \Sigma^*$ and a letter $a \in \Sigma$, we denote by $|w|_a$ the number of occurrences of the letter a in w .

~~1~~ Give a DFA¹ for the following language:

$$\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid |w|_a \text{ is even if, and only if, } |w|_b \text{ is even.}\}$$

(5 marks)

~~2~~ Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$. Give a one-counter automaton¹ for the following language.

$$\{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid |w|_a = |w|_b\}$$

(5 marks)

3. Let $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$. For $L_1 \subseteq \Sigma^*$ and $L_2 \subseteq \Sigma^*$, we define the following operators:

$$\bigcap_{\{a\}, L_2} (L_1) = \{w \mid w \in L_1, \exists u \in L_2, |w|_a = |u|_a\}$$

$$\bigcap_{\{a, b\}, L_2} (L_1) = \{w \mid w \in L_1, \exists u \in L_2, |w|_a = |u|_a, |w|_b = |u|_b\}$$

$$\bigcap_{\{a, b, c\}, L_2} (L_1) = \{w \mid w \in L_1, \exists u \in L_2, |w|_a = |u|_a, |w|_b = |u|_b, |w|_c = |u|_c\}$$

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~~(a)~~ Describe how to construct an NFA for $\bigcap_{\{a\}, L_2} (L_1)$ given a DFA for L_1 and a DFA for L_2 . (5 marks)

~~(b)~~ Prove that $\bigcap_{\{a, b\}, L_2} (L_1)$ need not be regular even if L_1 and L_2 are regular. (3 marks)

~~(c)~~ Describe how to construct a PDA for $\bigcap_{\{a, b\}, L_2} (L_1)$ given a DFA for L_1 and a DFA for L_2 . (5 marks)

~~(d)~~ Prove that $\bigcap_{\{a, b, c\}, L_2} (L_1)$ need not be context-free even if L_1 and L_2 are regular. (2 marks)

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4. Consider the following problem (All-Even).

Input: a context-free grammar G over $\{a, b\}$.

Question: Is $((a + b)(a + b))^* \subseteq L(G)$?

That is, All-Even asks if every even length word is generated by the input grammar G .

(a) Is All-Even recursively enumerable? Justify. (5 marks)

(b) Is All-Even co-recursively enumerable? Justify. (5 marks)

¹Correctness proof is not needed.