Midterm Exam COSE215: Theory of Computation 2023 Spring

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- If you are not good at English, please write your answers in Korean. (영어가 익숙하지 않은 경우, 답안을 한글로 작성해 주세요.)
- Write answers in good handwriting. If we cannot recognize your answers, you will not get any points. (글씨를 알아보기 힘들면 점수를 드릴 수 없습니다. 답안을 읽기 좋게 작성해주세요.)
- Write your answers in the boxes provided. (답안을 제공된 박스 안에 작성해 주세요.)

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Question:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Points:	10	20	10	20	15	15	10	100
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1. A deterministic finite automaton (DFA) D is 5-tuple:

$$D = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F)$$

- Q is a finite set of **states**
- Σ is a finite set of **symbols**
- $\delta: Q \times \Sigma \to Q$ is the transition function
- $q_0 \in Q$ is the **initial state**
- $F \subseteq Q$ is the set of **final states**

Consider the following DFA D described by a **transition diagram**:

$$D = \begin{array}{c} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ \text{start} \rightarrow q_0 & 1 \\ 1 & q_1 & 0 \\ 1 & q_2 \end{array}$$

(a) 4 points Fill in the blanks in the **transition table** of D. (Note that \rightarrow indicates the **initial state**, and * indicates a **final state**.)



- (b) 4 points The extended transition function δ* : Q × Σ* → Q of D is defined as:
 (Basis Case) δ*(q, ε) = q
 - (Basis Case) $\delta^*(q, \epsilon) = q$
 - (Induction Case) $\delta^*(q, aw) = \delta^*(\delta(q, a), w)$

Fill in the blanks in the results of the **extended transition function** δ^* of D.

 $\delta^*(q_0,\epsilon) = \boxed{\qquad} \delta^*(q_0,1) = \boxed{\qquad} \delta^*(q_1,010) = \boxed{\qquad} \delta^*(q_2,00101) = \boxed{\} \delta^*(q_2,$

(c) 2 points Describe the **language** accepted by D:

(Hint: you can use the notation $\mathbb{N}(w)$ which denotes the natural number equivalent to w in binary, allowing leading zeros. For example, $\mathbb{N}(1) = 1$, $\mathbb{N}(101) = 5$, $\mathbb{N}(000101) = 5$, and $\mathbb{N}(000) = 0$.)

- 2. Design a **DFA** using a **transition diagram** that accepts each of the following languages.
 - (a) 5 points $L = \{0^k \mid k \ge 2\}$

(b) 5 points $L = \{awb \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$

(c) 5 points $L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid N_a(w) \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \land N_b(w) \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \}$

(Note that $N_{a}(w)$ and $N_{b}(w)$ denotes the number of a and b in w, respectively. For example, $N_{a}(abbab) = 2$ and $N_{b}(abbab) = 3$.)

(d) 5 points $L = \{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid \mathbb{N}(w) \equiv 2 \pmod{5}\}.$

(Note that $\mathbb{N}(w)$ represents the natural number equivalent to w in binary, allowing leading zeros. For example, $\mathbb{N}(1) = 1$, $\mathbb{N}(101) = 5$, $\mathbb{N}(000101) = 5$, and $\mathbb{N}(000) = 0$.)

3. Consider the following ϵ -nondeterministic finite automaton (ϵ -NFA) N_{ϵ} :



(a) 4 points Construct a **DFA** D using a **transition table** such that $L(D) = L(N_{\epsilon})$ via the subset construction.

(Note that the states P in D should be the **subsets** of states Q in N_{ϵ} . And, \rightarrow indicates the **initial state**, and * indicates a **final state**. Consider only **reachable states** of D when constructing the transition table.)



(b) 4 points Fill in the table in the left side using the **table-filling algorithm**, and define the **equivalence classes** P_{\equiv} in the right side using the result of the algorithm.



(c) 2 points Construct a **minimized DFA** D^M of D. (Note that the states of D^M should be $P/_{\equiv} = \{p'_0, p'_1\}$)

- 4. Write a regular expressions (RE) that represents each of the following languages:
 - (a) 4 points The language of the following DFA.



(b) 4 points $L = \{(ab)^n c^m \mid n, m \ge 0\}.$



(c) 4 points The language of the following DFA.



(d) 4 points $L = \{w \in \{0,1\}^* \mid w \text{ has an even number of } 0's\}.$ R =

(e) 4 points
$$L = \{ \mathbf{a}^n \mathbf{b}^m \mid n + 2m \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \}.$$

5. Fill in the blanks in the proof showing that each of the following languages is not regular.
(a) 5 points L = {aⁿbcⁿ | n ≥ 0}.

We can prove L is not regular by using the **pumping lemma** for regular languages.

- 1. Assume that any positive integer n is given. (i.e., $n \ge 1$)
- Pick a word L ∋ w =
 |w| = ≥ n.
 Assume that any split w = xyz satisfying ① |y| > 0 and ② |xy| ≤ n is given.
 Let i = . We need to show that ¬③ xyⁱz ∉ L:

(b) 10 points $L = \{ \mathbf{a}^p \mid p \text{ is a prime number } \}.$

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5. Let i = . We need to show that $\neg(3) xy^i z \notin L$:

- 6. Design a **context-free grammar** that represents each of the following languages.
 - (a) 5 points L = L(R) where $R = (0|1(01^*0)^*1)^*$.

(b) 5 points $L = \{ \mathbf{a}^n \mathbf{b}^m \mathbf{c}^m \mathbf{d}^n \mid n, m \ge 0 \}$

(c) 5 points $L = \{w \in \{a, b, c\}^* \mid N_a(w) = N_b(w) - N_c(w)\}$

- 7. 10 points **True/False questions.** Please answer **O** for True and **X** for False. (Note that each question is worth **1 points**, but you will get **-1 points** for each wrong answer. So, if you are unsure about the answer, please leave it blank.)
 - 1. The Kleene star of the empty language is the empty language.
 - 2. Every regular language is context-free.
 - 3. We can prove that a language is regular using the pumping lemma.
 - 4. $L = \{w \in \{\emptyset, \varepsilon, a, b, |, *, (,)\}^* \mid w \text{ is a regular expression } \}$ is regular.
 - 5. Regular languages are closed under the union but not under the intersection.
 - 6. Regular languages are closed under the complement and the homomorphism.
 - 7. We can construct two parse trees having the same yield for an ambiguous CFG.
 - 8. All words in an ambiguous CFG have at least two left-most derivations.
 - 9. We can always remove the ambiguity in a CFG.
 - 10. Every CFG for an inherently ambiguous language is ambiguous.

This is the last page. I hope that your tests went well!