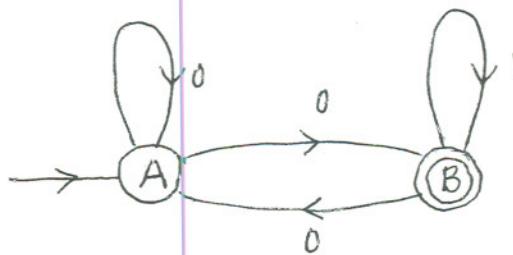


## TEST #2 - Spring 2009

TIME: 75 min.

Answer all 6 questions. Provide all reasoning and show all working. An unjustified answer will receive little or no credit. Begin each question on a separate page.

- (15) 1. Let  $L$  be the language accepted by the NFA shown on the right. Find NFAs which accept
- (a)  $L^c$       (b)  $(L^c)^R$ .

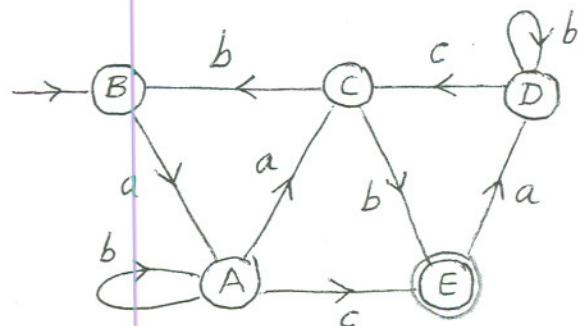


- (15) 2. (a) Find an NFA which is equivalent to the RLG given below.

$$G: \begin{array}{ll} S \rightarrow A, & S \rightarrow 10B, \\ A \rightarrow 01A, & A \rightarrow 1C, \\ B \rightarrow 010, & C \rightarrow \lambda, \\ C \rightarrow D, & D \rightarrow 10S, \\ D \rightarrow 01. & \end{array}$$

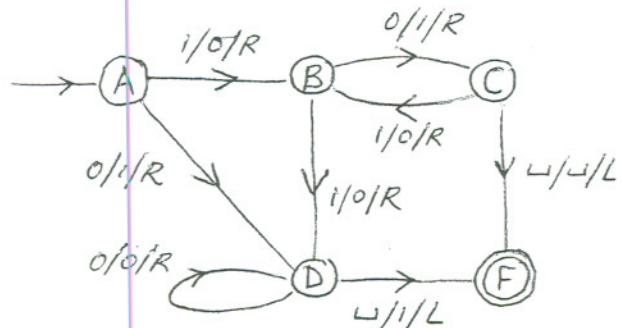
- (b) Convert the NFA shown below on the right in Qu.#3 into an equivalent RLG.

- (18) 3 (a) Find a regular expression for the language accepted by the NFA shown on the right.  
 (b) Write down what the Halting Problem says and define what is a Primitive Recursive function.



- (16) 4 (a) If  $B$ ,  $A \cup B$ , and  $A^c \cup B^c$  are all regular languages, does it always follow that  $A$  must be regular? (Justify your answer)  
 (b) If  $C$  and  $D$  are both non-regular languages, does it always follow that  $C \cdot D$  must be non-regular? (Justify your answer)  
 [You may use any result that was proved in class for Problem #4]

- (16) 5 (a) Define what is a Turing computable function with domain  $D$ .  
 (b) Show what happens at each step if 10110 is the input for the TM,  $M$  shown on the right.  
 (c) Find the language accepted by  $M$ .

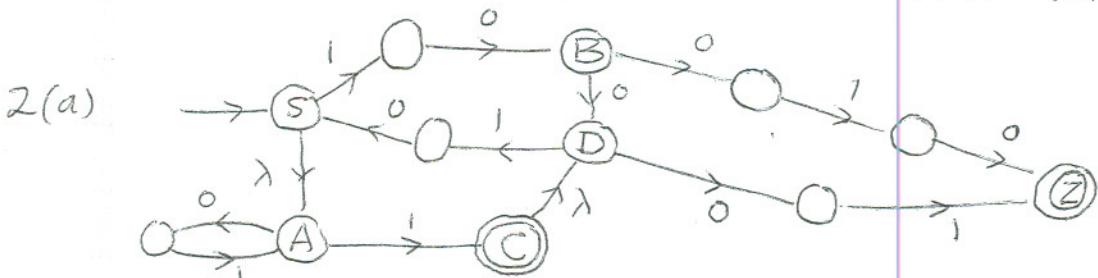
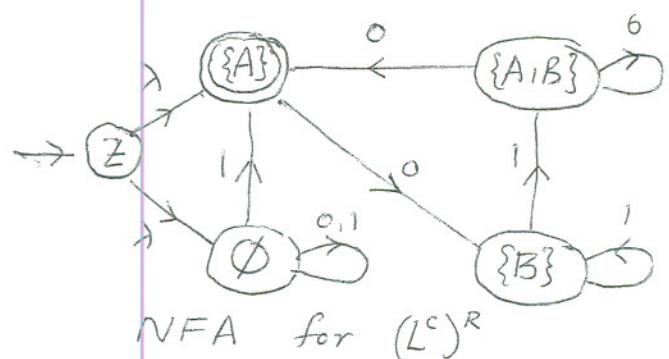
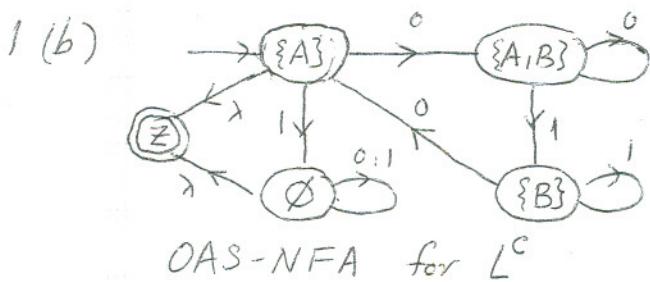
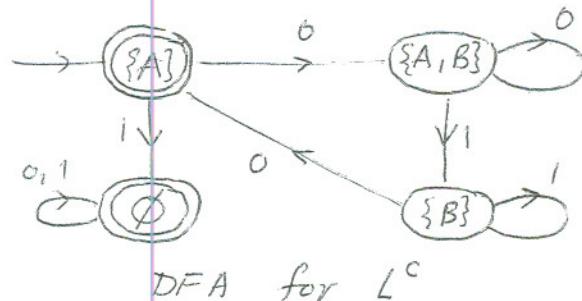
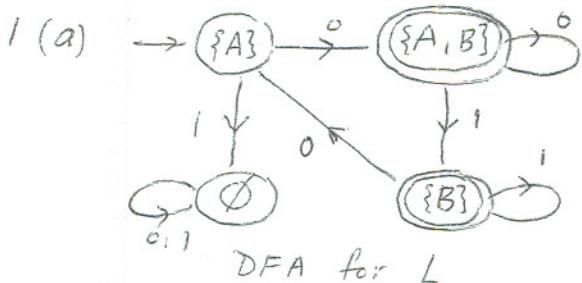
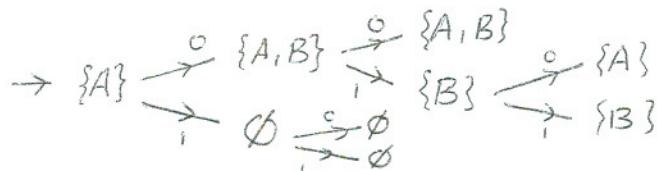


- (20) 6. Determine which of the following languages are regular and which are not.  
 (a)  $L_1 = \{a^k \cdot b^n : k \equiv n^2 - 1 \pmod{3}\}$       (b)  $L_2 = \{b^k \cdot c^n : k > n^2 - 1\}$

[If you say that it is regular, you must find a regular expression for it; if you say it is non-regular, you must give a complete proof.]

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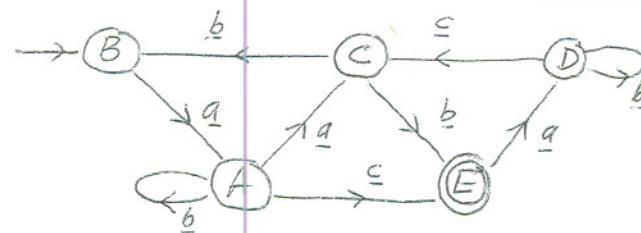


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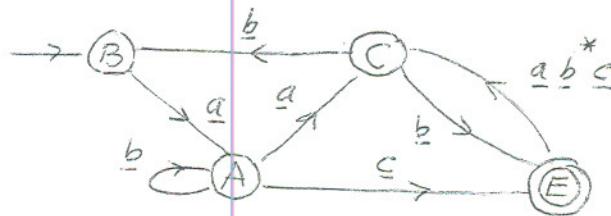
$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow B, \quad B \rightarrow aA, \quad A \rightarrow bA, \quad A \rightarrow aC, \quad A \rightarrow cE \\ &C \rightarrow bB, \quad C \rightarrow bE, \quad D \rightarrow bD, \quad D \rightarrow cC, \quad E \rightarrow aD, \quad E \rightarrow \lambda \end{aligned}$$

- 3 (b) Halting Problem: Is there a TM  $H$  such that for an arbitrary TM  $M$  and an arbitrary input  $w$ ,  $H$  will halt on  $c(M) \# c(w)$  in an accepting state, if  $M$  halts on  $w$ , and on  $c(M) \# c(w)$  in a non-accepting state, if  $M$  does not halt on  $w$ . A primitive recursive function is a function which can be obtained from the initial functions by a finite number of applications of compositions and primitive recursions.

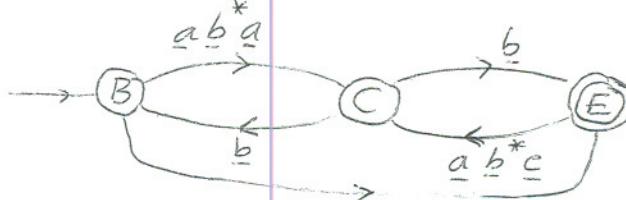
3(a)  $M_0$  is the GFA



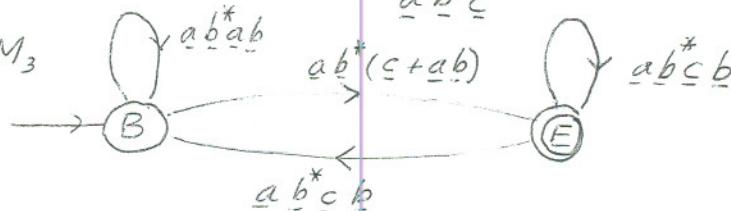
Eliminate  $D$ :  $M_1$



Eliminate  $A$ :  $M_2$



Eliminate  $C$ :  $M_3$



$$L(M) = r_1^* r_2 \cdot (r_4 + r_3 r_1^* r_2)^*$$

$$\therefore L(M) = (\underline{abab})^* \cdot \underline{ab}^*(c+\underline{ab}) \cdot (\underline{ab}^* \underline{cb} + \underline{ab}^* \underline{cb} \cdot (\underline{abab})^* \cdot \underline{ab}^*(c+\underline{ab}))^*$$

4(a) We know that  $A = (A \cup B) - (B \cap (A^c \cup B^c))$ .

Now since  $B$  and  $A^c \cup B^c$  are regular, it

follows from the closure theorem that

$B \cap (A^c \cup B^c)$  will be regular. And since  $A \cup B$

is also regular  $(A \cup B) - (B \cap (A^c \cup B^c))$  will also be regular by the closure theorem again. So  $A$  must be a regular language.

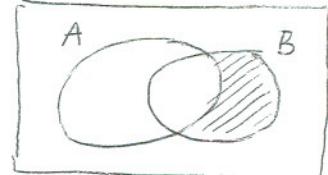
(b) Take  $C = \{a^{n^2} : n \geq 0\}$  and  $D = \underline{a}^* - C$ . Then  $C$  and  $D$  are both non-regular languages. Also

$$C \cdot D = \{\underline{a}^k : k \geq 0\} \cdot \{\underline{a}^k : k \neq n^2\} \supseteq \{\underline{a}^k : k \neq n^2\} \quad \text{and}$$

$$C \cdot D \supseteq \{\underline{a}^k : k \geq 0\} \cdot \{a^{n^2} : n \geq 2\} \supseteq \{a^{n^2} : n \geq 2\}.$$

So  $C \cdot D = \{\underline{a}^k : k \geq 2\} = \underline{aa}(\underline{a}^*)$ . So  $C \cdot D$  does not have to be non-regular. (It could be regular as shown here)

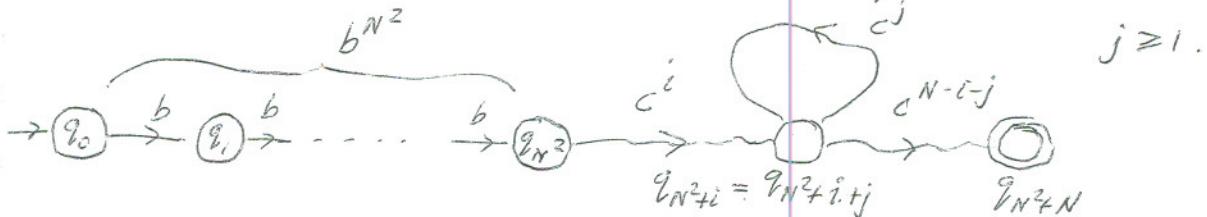
Extra:  $C \cdot D = \{a^0, a^1, a^4, a^9, \dots\}, \{a^2, a^3, a^5, a^6, \dots\} = \{a^2, a^3, a^4, a^5, a^6, a^7, \dots\}$   
 $C$  was proved to be non-reg in class. Also if  $D$  was reg., then  $C$  would be reg.



- 5(a) A Turing computable function with domain  $\mathcal{D}$  is any function for which we can find a TM  $M$  such that  $\omega \in \mathcal{D} \Leftrightarrow \langle q_0, \omega \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle q_f, \varphi f(\omega) \rangle$  is a halted computation with  $q_f \in A(M)$
- (b)  $\langle A, 10110 \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle B, 00110 \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle C, 01110 \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle D, 01010 \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle D, 01000 \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle D, 01000 \rangle \xrightarrow{*} \langle F, 01000 \rangle$  halts.
- (c)  $L(M) = \underline{0}\underline{0}^* + \underline{1}\underline{1}0^* + \underline{1}(0\underline{1})^*\underline{1}0^* + \underline{1}(0\underline{1})^*\underline{0}$   
 $= \underline{0}\underline{0}^* + \underline{1}(0\underline{1})^*(\underline{1}0^* + \underline{0})$

6(a)  $L_1 = \{a^k b^n : k \equiv n^2 - 1 \pmod{3}\}$ , If  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then  $k \equiv 0^2 - 1 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ ; if  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ ,  $k \equiv 1^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ; and if  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , then  $k \equiv 2^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . So  $L_1 = \{a^{3p+2} b^{3q} : p, q \geq 0\} \cup \{a^{3p} b^{3q+1} : p, q \geq 0\} \cup \{a^{3p} b^{3q+2} : p, q \geq 0\}$ . Hence a regular expression for  $L_1$  will be  $(\underline{aaa})^* \underline{aa} (\underline{bbb})^* + (\underline{aaa})^* (\underline{bbb})^* \underline{b} + (\underline{aaa})^* (\underline{bbb})^* \underline{bb}$ . Hence  $L_1$  is a regular language.

- (b) Suppose  $L_2$  was regular. Then we can find an NFA  $M_2$  such that  $L(M_2) = L_2$ . Let  $N$  = the number of states in  $M_2$ . Since  $b^{N^2} c^N \in L_2$ ,  $M_2$  will accept  $b^{N^2} c^N$ . Also since it takes  $N+1$  states to process the  $c^N$  part of this string, the acceptance track of  $b^{N^2} c^N$  must have a loop as shown below:



Now if we ride this loop twice, we will see that  $M_2$  accepts the string  $b^{N^2} \cdot c^i \cdot c^j \cdot c^j \cdot c^{N-i-j} = b^{N^2} \cdot c^{N+j}$ . But  $N^2 \neq (N+j)^2 - 1$ , because  $j \geq 1$ , so this means that  $b^{N^2} \cdot c^{N+j} \notin L_2$ . But this contradicts the fact that  $L(M_2) = L_2$ . Hence  $L_2$  cannot be regular.

END.