

# CISC 462 ASN 3 SOLUTIONS

1. a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 00 \\ 001 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 00 \\ 001 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 011 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) i) Match: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 101 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 011 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

ii) This instance has the following property for all dominos  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ :

$x$  is not a suffix of  $y$  and  $y$  is not a suffix of  $x$ .

The instance has no match because no domino could end a match.

2. Consider PCP instance  $(u_1, v_1), \dots, (u_m, v_m)$

Define

$$L_u = \{u_1, \dots, u_m\}^+, \quad L_v = \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}^+$$

The instance has a non-constrained solution iff

$$L_u \cap L_v \neq \emptyset.$$

Decider for  $L_{ncPCP}$ :

Q = "On input  $\langle (u_1, v_1), \dots, (u_m, v_m) \rangle$

1. Using the regex-to-DFA conversion algorithm construct DFA A for  $L_u$  and DFA B for  $L_v$ .
2. Construct DFA C such that  $L(C) = L(A) \cap L(B)$
3. Using decider for DFA-emptiness decide whether  $L(C) = \emptyset$ .  
If "yes" reject, and if "no" accept"

3. a) Yes,  $A = E_{CFG}$ .  $A \leq_m E_{CFG}$  via the identity function.  $E_{CFG}$  is decidable.

b) Yes,  $B = E_{CFG}$ .  $E_{CFG} \leq_m B$  via the identity function.

c) No.  $E_{CFG}$  is decidable so, according to Theorem 5.22,  $C \leq_m E_{CFG}$  implies that  $C$  is decidable.

d) Yes.  $E_{CFG} \leq_m ATM$  using following reduction

f. Let  $M_1$  be a TM that accepts string  $b$  and rejects  $bb$ . Define  $f$  by setting: (\*)

$$f(\langle G \rangle) = \begin{cases} \langle M_1, b \rangle & \text{if } L(G) = \emptyset \\ \langle M_1, bb \rangle & \text{if } L(G) \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

$f$  is a computable function because  $E_{CFG}$  is decidable.

$f$  mapping reduces  $E_{CFG}$  to  $ATM$  because

$$\begin{cases} L(G) = \emptyset & \text{implies } f(\langle G \rangle) \in ATM \\ L(G) \neq \emptyset & \text{implies } f(\langle G \rangle) \notin ATM \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} L(G) \neq \emptyset & \text{implies } f(\langle G \rangle) \notin ATM \end{cases}$$

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(\*) If  $w$  does not encode a grammar, define  $f(w) = \langle M_1, bb \rangle$ .

4.

a) TRUE

b) FALSE

c) TRUE

d) TRUE

e) FALSE

f) NO (Explanation:  $2^{n+5} = 32 \cdot 2^n$

so  $2^n$  is not asymptotically less than  $2^{n+5}$ .)

g) NO

h) YES

i) YES

j) YES

5. Decide for ALL DFA:

$Q = \{ \langle A \rangle \mid A \text{ is a DFA} \}$

1. Using graph reachability algorithm find the set of reachable states of  $A$ .
2. If some reachable state is non-final or some reachable state has an undefined transition, reject. Otherwise accept.

The algorithm works because a DFA accepts all strings iff (all reachable states are final and all transitions from reachable states are defined).

The algorithm works in polynomial time because graph reachability is in  $P$ .

(Theorem 7.14)

## 6. a) Decider for TRIANGLE:

$M =$  "On input  $G = (V, E)$  where  $E$  contains unordered pairs of vertices:

1. For all  $(x, y, z) \in V \times V \times V$ :

If  $(x \neq y) \& (y \neq z) \& (x \neq z) \& (x, y) \in E$

$\& (y, z) \in E \& (x, z) \in E$ , then accept.

2. If did not accept up to this line, reject"

Time used:

The for-loop repeats  $|V|^3$  times where  $|V|$  is at most the length of input. Each iteration of the for-loop can be done by scanning through the list of edges, and checking equality of names of some vertices.

On a TM <sup>(one iteration)</sup> this can be done in time  $O(n^2)$  where  $n$  is the length of the input. (More precise:  $O(n \cdot \log n)$ .)

The total running time is  $O(n^5)$ .

6. b) Using a similar algorithm for CLIQUE means that we have to go through  $k$ -tuples of elements of  $V$  where  $k$  is given as input. The for-loop repeats  $|V|^k$  times and this is not polynomial as a function of the input length.