MCS 441 – Theory of Computation I Spring 2013 Problem Set 5

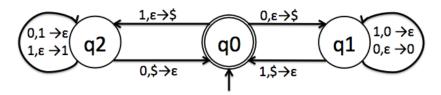
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Due: 2/27/13 at the beginning of class

Related reading: Chapters 2.1-2.3

Instructions: Atop your problem set, write your name, clearly list your collaborators¹ (see syllabus for the collaboration policy), and indicate whether you are an undergraduate or graduate student. Answer all questions in the order they are assigned.

1. [10 pts] Let PDA P_1 be:



- a. [2 pts] Give a formal description of P_1 . (Be careful in this part because points will be deducted for small mistakes.)
- b. [3 pts] What language does P_1 recognize?
- c. [3 pts] Give a CFG that generates $L(P_1)$.
- d. [2 pts] Is $L(P_1)$ regular? Why or why not?

2. [10 pts] Consider the CFG G_2 :

- a. [3 pts] What language does G_2 generate?
- b. [2 pts] Is $L(G_2)$ regular? Why or why not?

¹If you did not have any collaborators, please say so.

- c. [3 pts] Give a CFG in CNF generating $L(G_2)$.
- d. [2 pts] Is your CFG in [c.] ambiguous? Why or why not?
- **3.** [10 pts] Consider the following languages over $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$:

$$L_{3.1} = \{0^n 1^n 0^n 1^n \mid n \ge 0\}$$

$$L_{3.2} = \{st \mid s, t \in \Sigma^*, s \ne t, |s| = |t|\}$$

- a. [5 pts] Is $L_{3.1}$ context free? Show your answer is correct.
- b. [5 pts] Is $L_{3.2}$ context free? Show your answer is correct.

4. [5 pts] Prove that if A is a context-free language, then so is A^{\leftrightarrow} . Refer to Problem Set 3 for our definition of $\overset{\leftrightarrow}{}$.