

- 4 1. Write a Context Free Grammar for the language  $L$ , where  
 $L = \{ a^i b^j c^k \mid i, k > 0, j = i + k \}$ , that is  $\#b's = \#a's + \#c's$
- 8 2. Use the Pumping Lemma for CFLs to show that the following language  $L$  is not Context Free.  
 $L = \{ a^i b^j c^k \mid i, k > 0, j = i * k \}$ , that is  $\#b's = \#a's * \#c's$   
Be explicit as to why each case you analyze fails to be in  $L$ . I will do the first two steps.

*Me: Assume  $L$  is Context Free*

*PL: Provides a whole number  $N > 0$  that is the value associated with  $L$  based on the Pumping Lemma for CFLs*

**12 3.** Consider some language  $L$ . For each of (a) and (b), and for each of the three possible complexities of  $L$ , indicate whether this is possible (Y or N) and present evidence, if you answered Y, by providing an example language  $A$ , with a homomorphism  $\sigma$  for (b), and the resulting  $L$ , or, if you answered N, state some known closure property that reflects a bound on the complexity of  $L$ .

**a.)**  $L = \min(A)$  where  $A$  is context-free, not regular.

Can  $L$  be Regular? Circle Y or N.

If yes, show  $A$  and argue  $\min(A)$  is Regular; if no, why not?

Can  $L$  be a non-regular CFL? Circle Y or N.

If yes, show  $A$  and argue  $\min(A)$  is a CFL; if no, why not?

Can  $L$  be more complex than a CFL? Circle Y or N.

If yes, show  $A$  and argue  $\min(A)$  is not a CFL; if no, why not?

**b.)** Let  $\sigma$  be a homomorphism from  $\Sigma$  into regular languages, such that, for each  $a \in \Sigma$ ,  $\sigma(a) = w_a$ , for some string  $w_a$ . Let  $A$  be a context free, non-regular language and let  $L = \sigma(A)$ .

Can  $L$  be Regular? Circle Y or N.

If yes, show  $A$  and  $\sigma$ , and argue  $\sigma(A)$  is Regular; if no, why not?

Can  $L$  be a non-regular CFL? Circle Y or N.

If yes, show  $A$  and  $\sigma$ , and argue  $\sigma(A)$  is a CFL; if no, why not?

Can  $L$  be more complex than a CFL? Circle Y or N.

If yes, show  $A$  and  $\sigma$ , and argue  $\sigma(A)$  is not a CFL; if no, why not?

- 10 4. Present the CKY recognition matrix for the string  $a-(a)+a$  assuming the Chomsky Normal Form grammar,  $G = (\{E, L, P, R, T, Y, Z\}, \{a, +, -, (, )\}, R, E)$ , specified by the rules  $R$ :

$E \rightarrow a \mid EY \mid LZ \mid PE$

$Z \rightarrow ER$

$Y \rightarrow PT$

$T \rightarrow a \mid LZ$

$P \rightarrow + \mid -$

$L \rightarrow ($

$R \rightarrow )$

Note: Do not be surprised if many of the cells are blank when you complete this.

	a	-	(	a	)	+	a
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							

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A little help

Non-Terminal	First Symbol in Rules	Second Symbol in Rules
E	$E \rightarrow EY; Z \rightarrow ER$	$E \rightarrow PE$
Z	None	$E \rightarrow LZ; T \rightarrow LZ$
Y	None	$E \rightarrow EY$
T	None	$Y \rightarrow PT$
P	$E \rightarrow PE; Y \rightarrow PT$	None
L	$E \rightarrow LZ; T \rightarrow LZ$	None
R	None	$Z \rightarrow ER$

Is  $a-(a)+a$  in  $L(G)$ ? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the order of execution of this approach to determine if some  $w$ ,  $|w| = N$ , is in  $L$ ? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the algorithmic strategy, e.g., greedy, divide and conquer, dynamic programming, backtracking or randomized, associated with this CKY algorithm called? \_\_\_\_\_

- 8 5. Prove that **Context-Free Languages** are closed under **double quotient with Regular Languages**. Double Quotient of a CFL  $L$  and a Regular Language  $R$ , both of which are over the alphabet  $\Sigma$ , is denoted  $DQ(L, R)$ , and defined as  $DQ(L, R) = \{ x \mid xyz \in L \text{ and } y, z \in R \}$ . That is, we select a prefix  $x$  of  $xyz$  in  $L$ , provided  $y$  and  $z$  are both in the Regular Language  $R$ . You may assume substitution  $f(a) = \{a, a'\}$ , and homomorphisms  $g(a) = a'$  and  $h(a) = a, h(a') = \lambda$ . Here  $a \in \Sigma$  and  $a'$  is a distinct new character associated with each  $a \in \Sigma$ .

$DQ(L, R) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

You must now be very explicit as to why each language you produce by your various transformations (substitutions and other operations) is a CFL or a Regular language. Do this for **all** parts of the expression you write, with **appropriate justifications** based on known closure properties. You do **not** need to describe what is produced by each such transformation

- 5 6. Let  $L1, L2$  be Non-Regular CFLs;  $R1, R2$  be Regular; Answer is about  $S$  and there should be just one cell per row that has a check mark, or **X** if your prefer.

<i>Definition of S / Characterization of S</i>	<i>Always Regular</i>	<i>At worst CFL</i>	<i>Might not be CFL</i>
$S \subseteq L1 \cup L2$			
$S = L1 \cap R1$			
$S = R1 - R2$			
$S \supseteq R1$			
$S = L1 \cup R1$			

12 7. Consider the CFG  $G = ( \{ S, A, B \}, \{ a, b \}, R, S )$  where  $R$  is:

$S \rightarrow SAB \mid BA$

$A \rightarrow AB \mid a$

$B \rightarrow bS \mid b$

In the PDAs below, you may (and are encouraged) to use a transition diagram where transitions have arcs with labels of form  $a, \alpha \rightarrow \beta$  where  $a \in \Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma^*$ . Note: This just means that you can use extended stack operations that push or pop arbitrary length strings.

a.) Present a pushdown automaton that parses the language  $L(G)$  using a top down strategy.

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b.) Now, using the notation of IDs (Instantaneous Descriptions,  $[q, x, z]$ ), describe how your PDA in (a) accepts strings generated by  $G$ .

c.) Present a pushdown automaton that parses the language  $L(G)$  using a bottom up strategy. Note: I am fine with your showing strings that are on top of the stack in either reversed or non-reversed form.

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d.) Now, using the notation of IDs (Instantaneous Descriptions,  $[q, x, z]$ ), describe how your PDA in (c) accepts strings generated by  $G$ .

8. Consider the context-free grammar  $G = ( \{ S, A, B, C, D, E \}, \{ 0, 1 \}, R, S )$ , where  $R$  is:

$$S \rightarrow A \mid B$$

$$A \rightarrow 1CD$$

$$B \rightarrow 1CE$$

$$C \rightarrow 1C1 \mid 01 \mid \lambda$$

$$D \rightarrow 0C$$

$$E \rightarrow 0B \mid A$$

3 a.) Remove  $\lambda$ -rules, creating an equivalent grammar  $G'$ . Show **all** rules.

$$Nullable = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$$

3 b.) Remove all **unit** rules, creating an equivalent grammar  $G''$ . Show **all** rules.

$$Unit(S) = \{ \quad \quad \}; Unit(A) = \{ \quad \quad \}; Unit(B) = \{ \quad \quad \};$$

$$Unit(C) = \{ \quad \quad \}; Unit(D) = \{ \quad \quad \}; Unit(E) = \{ \quad \quad \}$$

2 c.) Remove all unproductive symbols, creating an equivalent grammar  $G'''$ . Show **all** rules.

$$Productive = \{ \quad \quad \}; Unproductive = \{ \quad \quad \}$$

2 d.) Remove all unreachable symbols, creating an equivalent grammar  $G^{iv}$ . Show **all** rules.

$$Unreachable = \{ \quad \quad \}$$

3 e.) Convert grammar  $G^{iv}$  to its **Chomsky Normal Form** equivalent,  $G^v$ . Show **all** rules.