

Weekly Proof Questions (Sections 4.2, 5.1)

Assigned: 3/5/2015

Due: 3/19/2015

- 1) Prove that the set of ordered pairs (x, y) , where x and y are positive integers are countable.
- 2) Prove that the subsets of the positive integers are uncountable.
- 3) Prove EQ_{DFA} is decidable by testing the two DFAs on all strings upto a certain size. Calculate a size that works and show why this is good enough.
- 4) Find a match in the following instance of the PCP: $\left\{ \left[\frac{ab}{abab} \right], \left[\frac{b}{a} \right], \left[\frac{aba}{b} \right], \left[\frac{aa}{a} \right] \right\}$.
- 5) Let $S = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts } w^R \text{ whenever it accepts } w \}$. Show that S is undecidable.
- 6) Consider the problem of testing whether a Turing machine M on an input w ever attempts to move its head left at any point during its computation on w . Formulate this problem as a language and show that it's decidable.