

CMSC330 Fall 2019 - Midterm 2

SOLUTIONS

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Instructions:

- Do not start this test until you are told to do so!
- You have 75 minutes to take this midterm.
- This exam has a total of 100 points, so allocate 45 seconds for each point.
- This is a closed book exam. No notes or other aids are allowed.
- Answer essay questions concisely in 2-3 sentences. Longer answers are not needed.
- For partial credit, show all of your work and clearly indicate your answers.
- Write neatly. Credit cannot be given for illegible answers.
- **Write your 9-Digit UID at the top of EVERY PAGE.**

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Total	/ 100

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1. [15pts] PL Concepts

1 (7pts) **Circle your answers.** Each T/F question is 1 point.

- T** F A regular expression can express all palindromes with letters A-Z, and shorter than 10 letters
- T **F** Static analysis, such as type checking, occurs before parsing
- T **F** There are multiple paths by which the same string can be accepted in a DFA
- T** F Calling a grammar ambiguous is equivalent to saying a string may have multiple different leftmost derivations
- T** F Using `lookahead` in our parser is an example of predictive parsing
- T** F Operational semantics are analogous to interpreting a program
- T **F** Regular expressions are more powerful than DFAs (i.e., they can express more languages than DFAs can)

2 (1pts) The step below is an example of...

$$\begin{aligned} & (\lambda x . x y) (\lambda z . a z) \\ & (\lambda z . a z) y \end{aligned}$$

- A. α -conversion
- B. **β -reduction**

- 3 (3pts) What is the output of the following OCaml code? (That is, what is printed)

```
let x = ref 0 in
  let y = x in
    y := 1;
    print_int !x;
    print_int !y
```

OUTPUT: 1 1

- 4 (4pts) What is printed by the following OCaml program when the parameters are passed by call-by-name and call-by-value?

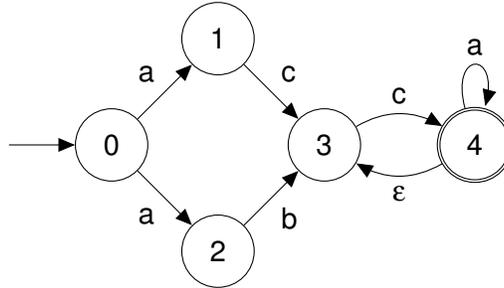
```
let f x y =
  if x > 5 then (y,y) else (10,10);;
f 10 (print_string "hello"; 2);;
```

Call-by-name: hellohello

Call-by-value: hello

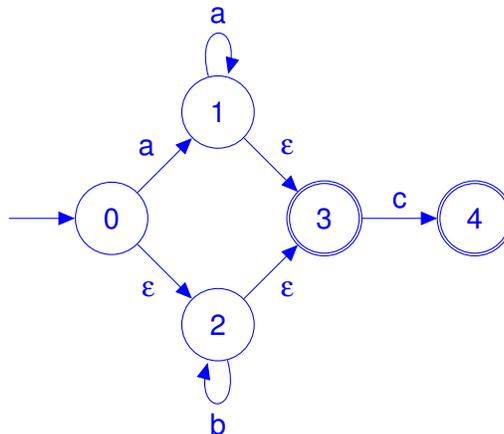
2. [30pts] Finite Automata

- 1 (6pts) Which of the following strings are accepted by this NFA? *Circle all that apply.*

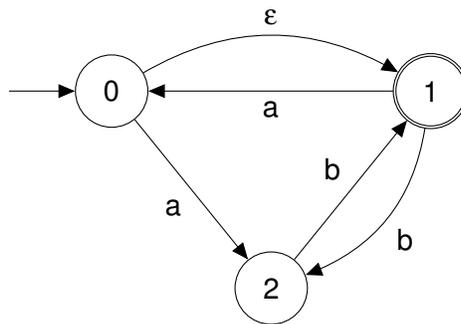


- A. abcab
- B. **abca**
- C. **abccc**
- D. aacaccaca
- 2 (8pts) Construct an NFA that accepts the same language as the following regular expression.
There are many answers, any equivalent NFA will be accepted.

$(a^+ | b^*) c^?$



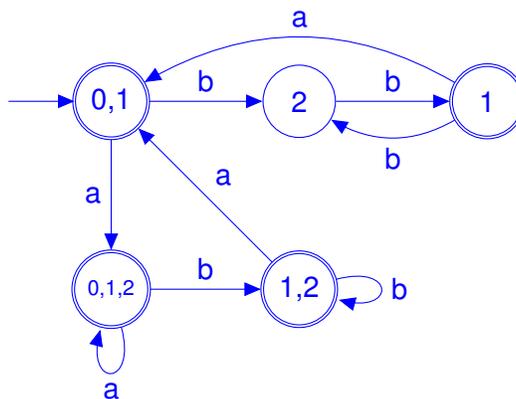
3 (6pts) Answer the following questions about this NFA:



e-closure({0}) = {0, 1}

e-closure(move({0, 1}, a)) = {0, 1, 2}

4 (10pts) Give a DFA equivalent to the NFA above. Any equivalent DFA will be accepted, but your answer should be clear. You may give steps for partial credit.



3. [30pts] CFGs and Parsing

- 1 (5pts) Write a CFG that generates the following language:

$$a^x b^y c^{x+y}, \text{ where } x, y \geq 0$$

S → **aSc** | **B**
B → **bBc** | ϵ

- 2 (5pts) The following CFG is ambiguous. Rewrite it so that it is not ambiguous. There are many answers, any CFG which is equivalent and is not ambiguous will be accepted. (Note: here, the terminals are: **+**, *****, **(**, **)**, **a**, and **b**.)

$$E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid (E) \mid a \mid b$$

E → **T + E** | **T**
T → **W * T** | **W**
W → **(E)** | **a** | **b**

- 3 (4pts) List the FIRST SETS for each nonterminal in the following grammar (lowercase letters are terminals):

$$S \rightarrow aB \mid Bb \mid Sc$$

$$B \rightarrow dB \mid d$$

FIRST(S) = { a, d }

FIRST(B) = { d }

- 4 (6pts) Indicate if each of the following grammars can be parsed by a recursive descent parser. If the answer is no, give a very brief explanation why.

Grammar	Yes	No	If no, why?
$S \rightarrow S + S \mid N$ $N \rightarrow 1 \mid 2 \mid 3 \mid (S)$		X	It is ambiguous.
$S \rightarrow aS \mid B$ $B \rightarrow bB \mid b$	X		
$S \rightarrow Sb \mid A$ $A \rightarrow aAc \mid c$		X	It is left recursive.

- 5 (10pts) Complete the OCaml implementation for a recursive-descent parser of the following context-free grammar. The implementation of `match_tok` and `lookahead` are given below:

```
let tok_list = ref [];;
let match_tok x = match !tok_list with
  | h :: t when x = h -> tok_list := t
  | _ -> raise (ParseError "bad match");;
let lookahead () = match !tok_list with
  | [] -> None
  | h :: t -> Some h
```

$S \rightarrow bS \mid cT$ $T \rightarrow Ra \mid RbR$ $R \rightarrow dR \mid \epsilon$

NOTE: this parser takes the imperative approach. Also notice that the tokens are simply strings. So the token list for the string "abcdc" would look like ["a"; "b"; "c"; "d"; "c"]. You are not creating an AST. If the input is invalid, throw a `ParseError`.

Write your implementation on the next page. The CFG is repeated on the next page for your reference.

```

let rec parse_S () =
  if lookahead () = Some "b" then
    match_tok "b";
    parse_S ()
  else (* fill in below *)
    if lookahead () = Some "c" then
      match_tok "c";
      parse_T ()
    else
      raise (ParseError "invalid")

```

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```

and rec parse_T () = (* fill in below *)
  parse_R ();
  if lookahead () = Some "a" then
    match_tok "a"
  else if lookahead () = Some "b" then
    match_tok "b";
    parse_R ()
  else
    raise (ParseError "invalid")

```

```

and rec parse_R () =
  if lookahead () = None then
    ()
  else (* fill in below *)
    if lookahead () = Some "d" then
      match_tok "d";
      parse_R ()
    else
      raise (ParseError "invalid")

```

4. [10pts] Operational Semantics

- 1 (2pts) Below is an incorrect rule for an if-then-else construct when the condition is true. Identify the mistake, and explain how to fix it. Here, the expression `if a then b else c` is encoded as `if-then-else a b c`.

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow true \quad A; e_3 \rightarrow v}{A; \mathbf{if-then-else} \ e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3 \rightarrow v} \text{IFTHENELSE-TRUE}$$

The second part on the top should be e_2 , not e_3 .

- 2 (3pts) Describe what the operator **myst** does, or give its name.

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow true \quad A; e_2 \rightarrow true}{A; e_1 \ \mathbf{myst} \ e_2 \rightarrow true}$$

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow true \quad A; e_2 \rightarrow false}{A; e_1 \ \mathbf{myst} \ e_2 \rightarrow false}$$

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow false \quad A; e_2 \rightarrow true}{A; e_1 \ \mathbf{myst} \ e_2 \rightarrow false}$$

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow false \quad A; e_2 \rightarrow false}{A; e_1 \ \mathbf{myst} \ e_2 \rightarrow false}$$

The AND operator

3 (5pts) Using the following rules, show that:

$$A; \text{let } x = 3 \text{ in let } x = 2 \text{ in } x + x \rightarrow 4$$

$$\frac{}{A; n \rightarrow n}$$

$$\frac{A(x) = v}{A; x \rightarrow v}$$

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow v_1 \quad A, x : v_1; e_2 \rightarrow v_2}{A; \text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2 \rightarrow v_2}$$

$$\frac{A; e_1 \rightarrow n_1 \quad A; e_2 \rightarrow n_2 \quad n_3 \text{ is } n_1 + n_2}{A; e_1 + e_2 \rightarrow n_3}$$

$$\frac{A, x : 3, x : 2(x) = 2}{A, x : 3, x : 2; x \rightarrow 2}$$

$$\frac{A, x : 3, x : 2(x) = 2}{A, x : 3, x : 2; x \rightarrow 2}$$

4 is 2 + 2

$$\frac{}{A, x : 3; 2 \rightarrow 2}$$

$$\frac{}{A, x : 2, x : 3; x + x \rightarrow 4}$$

$$\frac{}{A; 3 \rightarrow 3}$$

$$\frac{}{A, x : 3; \text{let } x = 2 \text{ in } x + x \rightarrow 4}$$

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5. [15pts] Lambda Calculus

- 1 (8pts) Reduce the expressions as far as possible by showing the intermediate β -reductions and α -conversions. Make sure to show each step for full credit!

$(\lambda x. \lambda y. x y) (\lambda y. y) x$

$((\lambda x. (\lambda y. x y)) (\lambda y. y)) x$
 $(\lambda y. (\lambda y. y) y) x$
 $(\lambda y. (\lambda z. z) y) x$
 $(\lambda z. z) x$
 x

$(\lambda x. \lambda y. x y y) (\lambda m. m) n$

$((\lambda x. (\lambda y. x y y)) (\lambda m. m)) n$
 $(\lambda y. (\lambda m. m) y y) n$
 $(\lambda m. m) n n$
 $((\lambda m. m) n) n$
 $n n$

- 2 (7pts) Reduce the following expression to β -normal form using both call-by-name and call-by-value. Show each step, including any β -reductions and α -conversions. If there is infinite reduction, write "infinite reduction."

$$(\lambda y.x) ((\lambda x. x x x) (\lambda z. z z z))$$

Call-by-name:

```
(λy.x) ((λx. x x x) (λz. z z z))
x
```

Call-by-value:

```
(λy.x) ((λx. x x x) (λz. z z z))
(λy.x) ((λz. z z z) (λz. z z z) (λz. z z z))
(λy.x) ((λz. z z z) (λz. z z z) (λz. z z z) (λz. z z z))
...
Infinite reduction
```