

Question 1:

[1 point]

Give five distinguishable strings for the language $L = \{0,1\}^*\{00\}\{0,1\}$ and show why they are pairwise distinguishable.

Question 2:

[2 points]

- Give a *deterministic* finite automaton M_1 recognizing the language L_1 over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a,b\}$ containing all strings with no two consecutive equal alphabet symbols.
- Construct a *deterministic* finite automaton M_2 recognizing the language L_2 denoted by the regular expression $(a+ab)^*bb^*$.
- Give a *deterministic* finite automaton M_3 recognizing the complement of the above language L_2 .

Question 3:

[1,5 points]

- Construct a *nondeterministic* finite automaton M recognizing the language $L(G)$ generated by the *regular grammar* G with the following productions

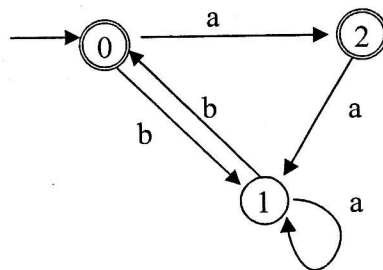
$$S \rightarrow bA \quad A \rightarrow aA \mid aS \mid aB \mid \Lambda \quad B \rightarrow bS \mid \Lambda$$

- Use the *powerset construction* to construct a *deterministic* finite automaton N recognizing the same language as the above *nondeterministic* automaton M .
- Use the automaton N above to construct a *regular grammar* generating the same language accepted by N . It may be helpful to rename the states of the automaton N .

Question 4:

[1 point]

Use the *state elimination* method of Brzozowski and McCluskey to construct a regular expression for the language recognized by the following finite automaton



Question 5:

[1 point]

Use the pumping lemma to show that the language $L = \{a^n b^n a^m \mid n \geq 0, m \geq n\}$ is not regular.

Question 6:

[2 points]

- Find a context-free grammar G_1 generating the language $L_1 = \{a^n b^n \mid n > 0\}$.
- Find a context-free grammar G_2 generating the language $L_2 = \{b^n \mid n > 0\}$.
- Use the above two grammar to give a context free grammar for the language $L_3 = L_1 \cdot L_2$.
- Find a context-free grammar G generating the language $L_4 = L_3^*$.

Question 7:

[1.5 points]

- Draw a pushdown automaton M recognizing the language $L = \{a^n b^m \mid m > n > 0\}$ using as alphabet symbols only A and Z_0 (the initial stack symbol).
- Use the above pushdown automaton M to construct a new pushdown automaton M_e accepting the above language L by *empty stack* (thus without accepting states).

The final score is given by the sum of the points obtained.