

Midterm Exam II  
CIS 341: Introduction to Logic and Automata — **Fall 2003, evening**  
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I have read and understand all of the instructions below, and I will obey the Academic Honor Code.

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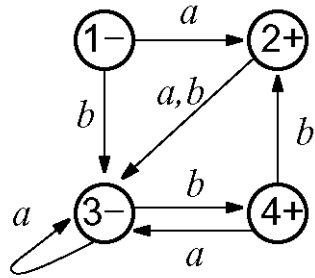
- This exam has 5 pages in total, numbered 1 to 5. Make sure your exam has all the pages.
- This exam will be 1 hour and 25 minutes in length.
- This is a closed-book, closed-note exam.
- For all problems, follow these instructions:
  1. Give only your answers in the spaces provided. I will only grade what you put in the answer space, and I will take off points for any scratch work in the answer space. Use the scratch-work area or the backs of the sheets to work out your answers before filling in the answer space.
  2. FA stands for finite automaton; TG stands for transition graph.
  3. For any proofs, be sure to provide a step-by-step argument, with justifications for every step.

Problem	1	2	3	4	Total
Points					

1. [30 points] For each of the following, circle TRUE if the statement is correct. Otherwise, circle FALSE

- (a) TRUE FALSE — Some nonregular languages are finite.
- (b) TRUE FALSE — There is an effective procedure to determine if a transition graph accepts an infinite language.
- (c) TRUE FALSE — The language  $L = \{a^i b^j : i \geq 0, j \geq 0\}$  is a regular language.
- (d) TRUE FALSE — If  $L_1$  is a regular language and  $L_2$  is a nonregular language, then  $L_1 \cap L_2$  must be nonregular.
- (e) TRUE FALSE — If  $L_1$  is a regular language and  $L_2$  is a nonregular language, then  $L_1 \cap L_2$  must be regular.
- (f) TRUE FALSE — If a language  $L$  is accepted by a nondeterministic finite automaton, then there is a regular expression for  $L$ .
- (g) TRUE FALSE — If  $L$  is the language Palindrome over  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ , then  $L^*$  has regular expression  $(\mathbf{a + b^*})^*$ .
- (h) TRUE FALSE — If  $L$  is accepted by a transition graph  $T$ , the language  $L'$  is accepted by the transition  $T'$  formed by swapping all final and non-final states of  $T$ , and using the same transitions and initial states.
- (i) TRUE FALSE — Some regular languages are infinite.
- (j) TRUE FALSE — It is impossible to determine if a regular expression generates an infinite language.

2. [30 points] Give a regular expression for the language  $L$  of the transition graph below.



Regular expression: \_\_\_\_\_

Scratch-work area

3. [25 points] For each of the following parts, provide an example satisfying the given conditions. Give a brief explanation for each of your examples.

(a) Give an example of a nonregular language  $L_1$  and a regular language  $L_2$  such that  $L_1 \subset L_2$ .

(b) Give an example of nonregular languages  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  such that  $L_1 \cap L_2$  is regular.

(c) Give an example of infinitely many regular languages  $L_1, L_2, L_3, \dots$  such that  $L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + \dots$  is nonregular.

4. **[15 points]** Prove that if we remove a finite set of words from a regular language, the result is a regular language. (For this question, you may assume that all theorems from the book and the notes hold; i.e., you do not have to reprove any of those theorems.)