Homework Assignment #9

Note

This assignment is due 2:10PM Wednesday, May 21, 2014. Please write or type your answers on A4 (or similar size) paper. Drop your homework by the due time in Yih-Kuen Tsay's mail box on the first floor of Management College Building II, or put it on the instructor's desk before the class on the due date starts. Late submission will be penalized by 20% for each working day overdue. You may discuss the problems with others, but copying answers is strictly forbidden.

Problems

(Note: problems marked with "Exercise X.XX" or "Problem X.XX" are taken from [Sipser 2013] with probable adaptation.)

- 1. (Exercise 4.9; 10 points) Review the way that we define sets to be of the same size in Definition 4.12. Show that "are of the same size" is an equivalence relation.
- 2. (Problem 4.12; 10 points) Let A be a Turing-recognizable language consisting of descriptions of Turing machines, $\{\langle M_1 \rangle, \langle M_2 \rangle, \ldots\}$, where every M_i is a decider. Prove that some decidable language D is not decided by any decider M_i whose description appears in A. (Hint: You may find it helpful to consider an enumerator for A.)
- 3. (Problem 4.22; 20 points) Let A and B be two disjoint languages. Say that language C separates A and B if $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq \overline{C}$. Show that any two disjoint co-Turing-recognizable languages are separable by some decidable language.
- 4. (Problem 4.25; 20 points) Prove that EQ_{DFA} is decidable by testing the two DFAs on all strings up to a certain size. Calculate a size that works.
- 5. (Exercise 5.1; 20 points) Show that EQ_{CFG} is undecidable.
- 6. (Exercise 5.4; 20 points) If A is reducible to B and B is a regular language, does that imply that A is a regular language? Why or why not?