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# **Test I Solutions**

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# I Regular Expressions and Finite-State Automata

For Questions 1, 2, and 3, let the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ . Let language  $L$  be the language of all strings over  $\Sigma$  where any “ $a$ ” character is followed by at least two “ $b$ ” characters.

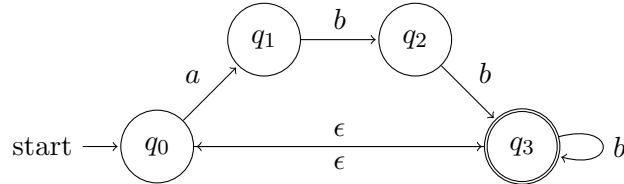
1. [5 points]: Write a regular expression that recognizes language  $L$ .

**Solution:**  $(abb|b)^*$  **Rubric:**

- -1 for each category of string accepted but shouldn't
- -1 for each category of string not accepted but should

2. [5 points]: Draw a state diagram of a nondeterministic finite-state automaton (NFA) that recognizes language  $L$ . Remember to indicate starting and accepting states.

**Solution:** See Problem 3. All DFA are NFA. Alternative solution:

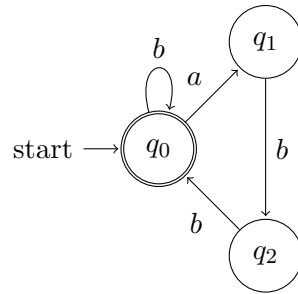


**Rubric:**

- -2 for not accepting  $L$  for same reason as problem 1.
- -1 for each category of string not accepted by  $L$  or above Regex

3. [5 points]: Draw a state diagram of a deterministic finite-state automaton (DFA) that recognizes language  $L$ . Note that you can either build a DFA directly from the English description or convert your NFA into a DFA. Remember to indicate starting and accepting states.

**Solution:**



**Rubric:**

- Same as problem 2

## II Ambiguous Grammar

For each of the following grammars, state if it is ambiguous.

If the grammar is ambiguous, find a sentence in the language with two (or more) parse trees, and show the two parse trees.

Every lowercase letter and symbol indicates a terminal, and every uppercase letter indicates a non-terminal. Parsing starts at  $S$ .

**Rubric:** For each of the next four problems

- +5 If not ambiguous correctly stated
- +2 If ambiguous correctly stated, +1 for an ambiguous status, +1 for each correct parse tree.

4. [5 points]:

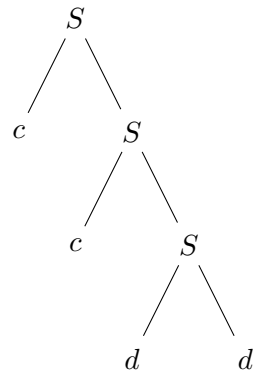
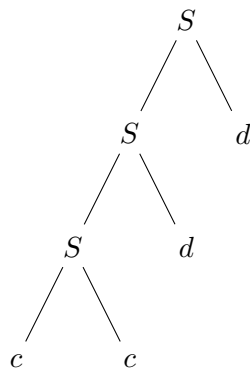
$$S \rightarrow S d$$

$$S \rightarrow c S$$

$$S \rightarrow c c$$

$$S \rightarrow d d$$

**Solution:** Ambiguous. Example:  $ccdd$



5. [5 points]:

$$S \rightarrow T \parallel S$$

$$S \rightarrow U$$

$$U \rightarrow T \ \&\& \ U$$

$$U \rightarrow T$$

$$T \rightarrow c$$

**Solution:** Not ambiguous.

6. [5 points]:

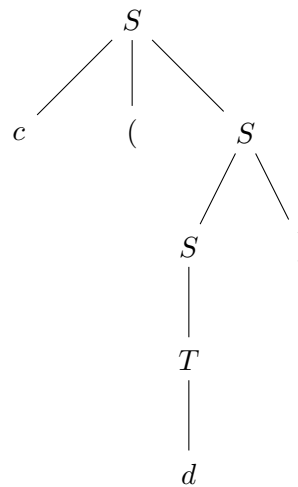
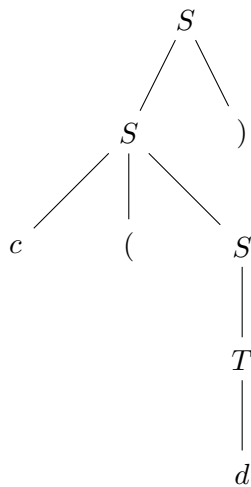
$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow c ( T \\ T &\rightarrow S ) \\ T &\rightarrow d , T \\ T &\rightarrow d ) \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:** Not ambiguous.

7. [5 points]:

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow c ( S \\ S &\rightarrow S ) \\ S &\rightarrow T \\ T &\rightarrow d , S \\ T &\rightarrow d \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:** Ambiguous. Example:  $c(d)$



### III Implementing Object-Orientation: Descriptors and Symbol Tables

Use the diagram on the next page to answer the following three questions about this fragment of code.

```
1 class BinaryOperation {
2     int left;
3     int right;
4     int eval(){ return 0; }
5 }
6
7 class Plus extends BinaryOperation {
8     int eval(){ return left + right; }
9 }
10
11 class Divide extends BinaryOperation {
12     bool isDivisible;
13     int getRemainder(){
14         isDivisible = (left % right == 0);
15         return left % right;
16     }
17     int eval(){ return left/right; }
18 }
```

8. [7 points]: Complete the entries of the class descriptors for each class. Use an arrow to connect the entry to a descriptor or symbol table where appropriate.

#### Solution: Rubric:

- +1 for writing parents.
- +1 for each parent arrow.
- +1 for writing fields and +1 for their arrows
- +1 for writing methods and +1 for their arrows

9. [7 points]: Complete the entries of the field symbol tables for each class. Use an arrow to connect the entry to a descriptor or symbol table where appropriate.

**Solution:** See Below **Rubric:**

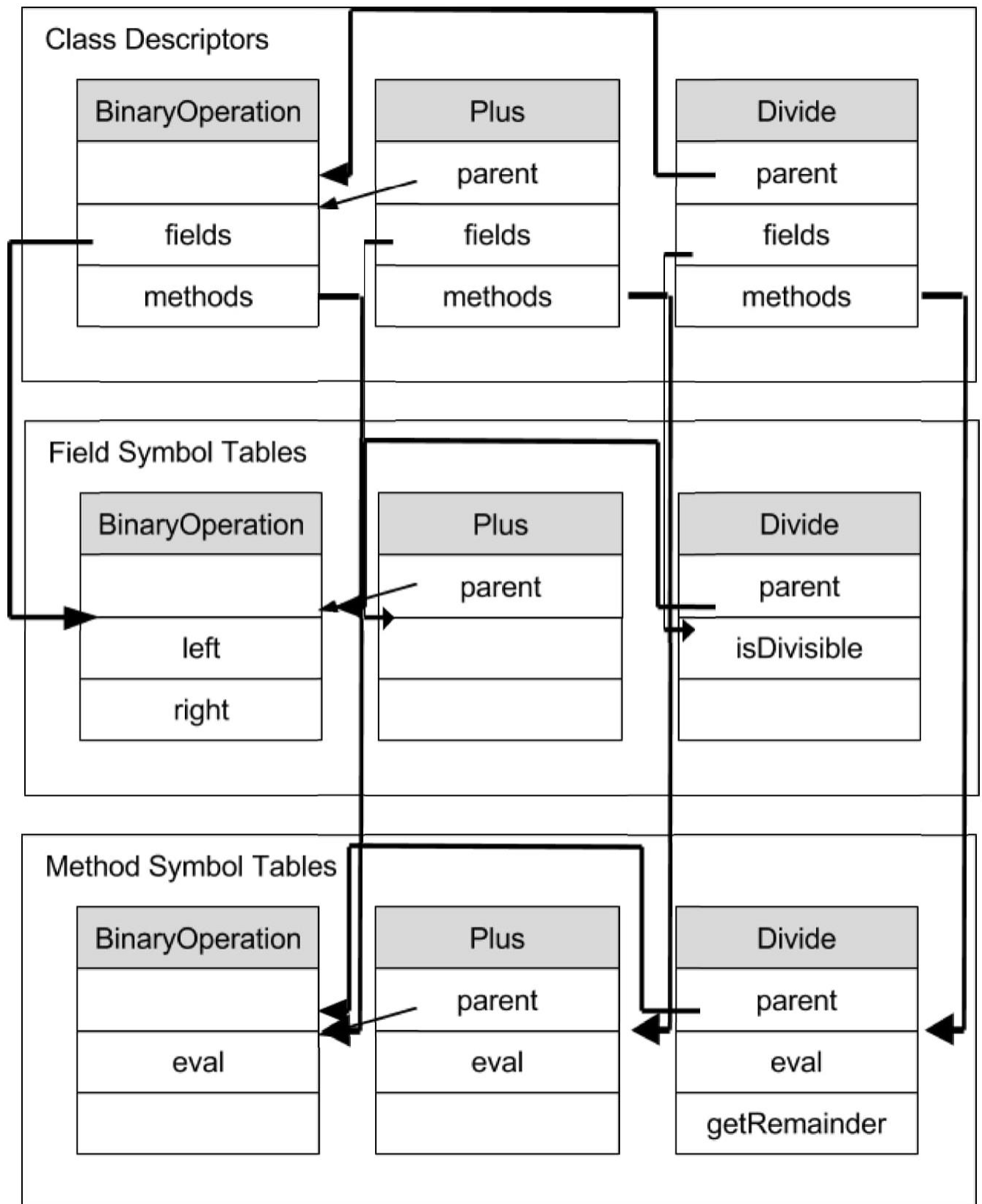
- +1 for writing parent with arrow.
- +2 for left field.
- +2 for right field.
- +2 for isDivisible field.

**10. [7 points]:** Complete the entries of the method symbol tables for each class. Use an arrow to connect the entry to a descriptor or symbol table where appropriate.

**Solution: Rubric:**

- +1 for writing parents.
- +1 for each parent arrow.
- +1 for each eval
- +2 for getRemainder





## IV Control Flow and Short-Circuiting

Consider a programming language that includes a control flow construct called the “loop-with-test” loop. A loop-with-test loop is written as follows:

```
loop {  
    // first body statements  
} while test {  
    // second body statements  
} repeat;
```

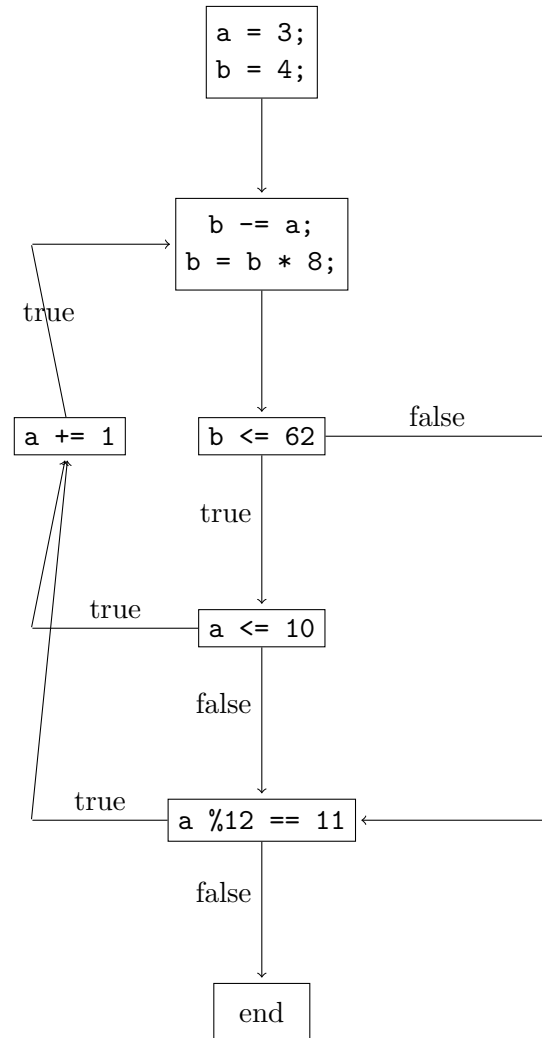
The loop-with-test loop runs the code in the first loop body, then checks the test condition. **If the condition evaluates to false, the loop ends;** otherwise, the second loop body evaluates and the loop repeats. Note that even if the test condition is always false, the first loop body will still run once.

**11. [10 points]:** The semantics of the programming language says that a compiled program should execute only as much as required to determine the value of a boolean condition. The program evaluates a compound condition from left to right. Complete the control flow graph on the next page that illustrates the control flow for evaluating the following statements, including short-circuit logic for conditionals, assuming the compiler is not performing any optimizations:

```
int a = 3;  
int b = 4;  
loop {  
    b -= a;  
    b = b * 8;  
} while ((b <= 62 && a <= 10) || a % 12 != 11) {  
    a += 1;  
} repeat;
```

**Solution: Rubric:**

- 9 relations -j +9 points.
- +1 for correct code written.



**12. [10 points]:** In the lecture, we discussed the implementation of procedures called `shortcircuit` and `destruct`.

The procedure `shortcircuit(c, t, f)` generates the short-circuit control-flow representation for a conditional `c`. This procedure makes the control flow to node `t` if `c` is true and flow to node `f` if `c` is false. The procedure returns the begin node for evaluating condition `c`.

The procedure `destruct(n)` generates the control-flow representation for structured code represented by `n`. This procedure creates a control flow graph for `n` and returns the begin and end nodes of the graph.

Recall that the pseudocode of `destruct(n)` for an if-else statement is as follows:

If `n` is of the form `if (c) { x1 } else { x2 }` then

```
e = new nop;
(b1, e1) = destruct(x1);
(b2, e2) = destruct(x2);
bc = shortcircuit(c, b1, b2);
next(e1) = e;
next(e2) = e;
return (bc, e);
```

Implement the pseudocode of `destruct(n)` for a loop-with-test loop:

If `n` is of the form `loop { x1 } while (c) { x2 } repeat;` then

**Solution:**

```
e = new nop;
(b1, e1) = destruct(x1);
(b2, e2) = destruct(x2);
bc = shortcircuit(c, b2, e);
next(e1) = bc;
next(e2) = b1;
return (b1, e);
```

**Rubric:**

- +1 for `new nop`.
- +1 for each `destruct`.
- +1 for `shortcircuit` and +1 for correct arguments
- +2 for each `next` (1 for statement, 1 for argument)
- +1 for `return`.

## V Code Generation for Procedures

Consider the following two functions in Decaf and its corresponding assembly code generated by a compiler.

```
int baz(int y) {  
    return y*y;  
}
```

```
int foo() {  
    int x;  
    x = 3;  
    x += baz(x);  
    return x;  
}
```

The compiler follows the standard Linux x86-64 calling convention:

A caller procedure/function passes the first 6 arguments, from left to right, in %rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9. Any remaining arguments are passed on the stack, from right to left.

The caller owns registers %rsp, %rbp, %rbx, and %r12-%r15. The callee procedure/function is responsible for ensuring that these registers have the same value after the call as before the call. Note that %rsp and %rbp are the stack and base registers. Registers %rsp, %rbp, %rbx, and %r12-%r15 are the *callee-save* registers.

The callee owns the remaining registers %rax, %rcx, %rdx, %rsi, %rdi, and %r8-%r11. These registers can have different values after the call as before the call. These registers are the *caller-save* registers.

The callee places its return value in %rax.

**Rubric:** For each of the next four questions

- +2 for correctly identifying correct or incorrect.
- +4 for right justification (correct could be blank).
- +2 for good justification of the wrong answer

Which of the following possible generated code sequences for `baz` are correct in the sense that 1) they compute the correct return value for `baz` and 2) they follow the the standard Linux x86-64 calling convention? Provide your answer by circling either Correct or Incorrect below each code sequence. If incorrect, please specify why.

**13. [6 points]:**

```
1  pushq    %rbp           // push the value of %rbp to the stack
2  movq     %rsp, %rbp     // copy the value of %rsp to %rbp
3  movq     %rdi, %r12     // copy the value of %rdi to %r12
4  mulq     %rdi, %r12     // mult the value of %rdi to %r12
5  movq     %r12, %rax     // copy the value of %rsp to %rbp
6  popq     %rbp           // pop the top value from the stack to %rbp
7  retq                                // return from the function
```

Correct

Incorrect

**Solution:** Incorrect. The method is editing a callee-save register `%r12`, without saving/restoring its value.

**14. [6 points]:**

```
1  movq     %rdi, -8(%rsp) // copy the value of %rdi to the stack
2  mulq     -8(%rsp), %rdi // mult the value on the stack to %rdi
3  movq     %rdi, %rax     // copy the value of %rdi to %rax
4  retq                                // return from the function
```

Correct

Incorrect

**Solution:** Correct

Points were also awarded to a student identifying `mulq` shouldn't use a stack location as the source argument, deeming the above incorrect, though this wasn't a criteria specified above.

Which of the following possible generated code sequences for `foo` are correct in the sense that 1) they compute the correct return value for `foo` and 2) they follow the the standard Linux x86-64 calling convention? Provide your answer by circling either Correct or Incorrect below each code sequence. If incorrect, please specify why.

**15. [6 points]:**

```
1 pushq    %rbp           // push the value of %rbp to the stack
2 movq     %rsp, %rbp     // copy the value of %rsp to %rbp
3 movq     $3, %r11       // copy the value 3 to %r11
4 movq     %r11, %rdi     // move the value of %r11 to %rdi
5 call     baz            // call the baz method
6 addq     %rax, %r11     // add the value of %rax to %r11
7 movq     %r11, %rax     // move the value of %r11 to %rax
8 popq     %rbp           // pop the top value from the stack to %rbp
9 retq                               // return from the function
```

Correct

Incorrect

**Solution:** Incorrect. The method is editing a caller-save register before calling `baz`, therefore having no guarantee that `%r11` will preserve the same value after the call.

**16. [6 points]:**

```
1 movq     $3, -8(%rsp)   // copy 3 to the stack
2 movq     -8(%rsp), %rdi // copy the value on the stack to %rdi
3 call     baz
4 movq     -8(%rsp), %r10 // copy the value on the stack to %r10
5 addq     %rax, %r10     // add the value of %rax to %r10
6 movq     %r10, %rax     // copy the value of %r10 to %rax
7 retq                               // return from the function
```

Correct

Incorrect

**Solution:** Incorrect. Edited part of the stack after the stack pointer before a method call, therefore having no guarantee that the value in the address space will be preserved.