

## Problem 1

```
nfa<-regex :: Regex -> NFA // from class
dfa<-nfa   :: NFA -> DFA   // from class
complement :: DFA -> DFA   // flips the final states
intersect  :: DFA -> DFA -> DFA // from class, accepts iff both DFAs accept
```

```
def algo(R :: Regex, S :: Regex)
  dfa_R = dfa<-nfa (nfa<-regex R)
  dfa_S = dfa<-nfa (nfa<-regex S)
  dfa_ans = dfa_R intersect (complement dfa_S)
  return dfa_ans
```

For correctness, note that  $L(dfa_{ans}) = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow L(R) \cap \overline{L(S)} = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow L(R) \subseteq L(S)$ .

For termination, we note that (1) our function does not have loops / recursions and (2) all functions our function calls terminate.

## Problem 2

- (a) Let RA be a recognizer for A.  
We will construct a recognizer R\_CATM for (complement A\_TM) as follows:

```
def R_CATM (M, x):
  def m1(z):
    if (M(x) == accept)
      then accept
      else reject
  def m2(z):
    reject
  return RA(m1, m2)
```

Proof (not required for full credit)

```
case (M,x) is in (complement A_TM):
  (M,x) not in A_TM
  M(x) does not accept
  L(m1) = emptyset
  L(m2) = emptyset
  (m1, m2) is in A
  RA(m1, m2) halts + accepts
  Yay!
```

```
case (M,x) is NOT in (complement A_TM):
  (M,x) is in A_TM
  M(x) accepts
  L(m1) = all strings
  L(m2) = emptyset
  (m1, m2) is NOT in A
  RA(m1, m2) does not accept
  Yay!
```

- (b) Let RCA be a recognizer for (complement A).  
We will construct a recognizer R\_CATM for (complement A\_TM) as follows:

```
def R_CATM (M, x):
  def m1(z):
    accept
  def m2(z):
    if (M(x) == accept)
      then accept
    else reject
  return RCA(m1, m2)
```

Proof (not required for full credit)

```
case (M,x) is in (complement A_TM):
  (M,x) not in A_TM
  M(x) does not accept
  L(m1) = all strings
  L(m2) = emptyset
  (m1, m2) is NOT in A
  RCA(m1, m2) halts + accepts
  Yay!
```

```
case (M,x) is NOT in (complement A_TM):
  (M,x) is in A_TM
  M(x) accepts
  L(m1) = all strings
  L(m2) = all strings
  (m1, m2) is in A
  RCA(m1, m2) does not accept
  Yay!
```

### Problem 3

- (a) worker(M, s):  
run M(s) for  $|s|^2$  steps  
if halted, reject  
if still running, accept

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R(M):
for s in lexicographical order
  fork worker(M, s);
if (any existing worker accepts), accept;
```

- (b) Let RL be a recognizer for L.  
We will now construct a recognizer RC\_HTM for (complement H\_TM):

```
def RC_HTM(M, x):
```

```

def m1(z):
    run M(x) for |z|^2 steps
    if M(x) is still running, halt
    if M(x) halted, inf loop
return RL(m1)

```

Proof (not required for full credit):

If  $(M,x)$  is in (complement  $H_{TM}$ ):

```

M(x) does not halt
m1(z), for all z, halts after |z|^2 + 2 steps
m1 in L ==> RL(m1) halts + accepts

```

If  $(M,x)$  is NOT in (complement  $H_{TM}$ ):

```

M(x) halts after k steps
consider some z s.t. |z|^2 > k
m1(z):
    sims M(x) for |z|^2 > k steps
    M(x) halts ==> inf loops
thus m1 not in L ==> RL(m1) does not accept

```

## Grading Rubric

- There's 5 separate sections: P1 (30), P2a (15), P2b (15), P3a (10), P3b (30).
- For each section:
  - Decide if solution is “basically correct” or “way off” (incorrect reduction; reducing in wrong direction; etc ...)
  - “Way off” solutions = 0 points
  - “Basically correct solutions” = start from full credit, deduct points as necessary for minor technical mistakes
  - When taking off points, provide a short (1-2 sentence) explanation for why points are being deducted.
- For P3: we allow students the following variations (instead of  $|x|^2$  time steps):
  - $|x|^2 + 100$
  - $9999 * |x|^2 + 9999$
  - $|x|^2$  requirement for all  $|x| > k$