

# Theoretical Computer Science - Bridging Course

## Summer Term 2017

### Exercise Sheet 3

Hand in (electronically or hard copy) by 12:15 pm, November 13th, 2017

#### Exercise 1: Regular Expressions (4 Points)

Consider the regular expression  $r = (aa^* + ba)^* \cdot (bbb + ab^*) + (ab)^*$ . State for each of the following words whether they are contained in  $L(r)$

$\epsilon, baabbb, bbbb, abab, ababa, ababaa, a.$

In case that a word is contained in  $L(r)$  show how to obtain the word from  $r$ , e.g., by marking the corresponding parts in  $r$ .

#### Exercise 2: Regular Expressions 2 (6 Points)

1. Let  $L_1$  be the language consisting of words of the form  $w_1w_2w_3$  with  $w_1, w_2, w_3 \in \{a, b, c\}^*$  and  $w_1$  contains **no**  $a$ 's and  $w_2$  contains **no**  $b$ 's and  $w_3$  contains **no**  $c$ 's.

Give a regular expression that generates  $L_1$ .

2. Let  $L_2 \subseteq \{a, b\}^*$  be the language of all words that do not have any of the words  $\{aaa, aaaa, \dots\}$  as a consecutive substring.

Give a regular expression that generates  $L_2$ .

#### Exercise 3: Pumping Lemma (6 Points)

Use the pumping lemma to show that  $L = \{a^ib^j \mid i \neq j\}$  is not regular.

#### Exercise 4: Context Free Grammar (4 Points)

Give a context free grammar for the language  $L = \{a^ib^j \mid i \neq j\}$ .