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**T-79.1002 Introduction to Theoretical Computer Science Y (2 ECTS)**  
**Exam Wed 14 Dec 2005, 1–4 p.m.**

Write down on each answer sheet:

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1. Which of the following claims are true (T) and which false (F):

- (a) All languages described by regular expressions can be recognised (decided) by deterministic finite automata. 2p.
- (b) All languages described by context-free grammars can be recognised (decided) by non-deterministic finite automata. 2p.
- (c) The union of two regular languages is regular. 2p.
- (d) The intersection of a regular language and a context-free language is regular. 2p.

2. (a) Give a regular expression that describes the language

$\{w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid w \text{ contains an odd number of 0's or an odd number of 1's (or both).}\}$

5p.

- (b) Design a nondeterministic finite automaton with no  $\epsilon$ -transitions that recognises the language in part (a). 5p.
- (c) Design a deterministic finite automaton that recognises the language in part (a). 5p.

3. (a) Design a context-free grammar for the language

$L = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i = j \text{ or } j = k \text{ (or both)}\}.$

5 p.

- (b) Show that the grammar you gave in part (a) is ambiguous. 5 p.

4. (a) Justify the claim: if languages  $A$  and  $B$  over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  are regular, then so is the language  $A \cap B$ . 4p.

- (b) Based on part (a), justify the claim: if a language  $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$  is regular, then so is the language  $L' = \{w \in L \mid |w| \text{ even}\}$ . 3p.

*Total 40p.*