## CS46 Homework 8

This homework is due at 11:59PM on Thursday, April 22. This is a **7 point** homework. For this homework, you will work with a partner. It's ok to discuss approaches at a high level with other students, but most of your discussions should just be with your partner. Your partnership's write-up is your own: do not share it, and do not read other teams' write-ups. If you use any out-of-class references (anything except class notes, the textbook, or asking Joshua), then you **must** cite these in your post-homework survey. Please refer to the course webpage or ask me any questions you have about this policy.

Note: You must submit your solutions in a file named hw8.tex, and your submission must compile without errors using pdflatex. Any .pdf submissions will be ignored. Any .tex files not named hw8.tex, .tex files that don't compile, or not submitting a post-homework survey will earn up to a -0.5 point deduction.

- 1. Consider the language  $L = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ is a single-tape TM that never modifies the portion of the tape that contains the original input <math>w \}$ .
  - (a) Show that L is co-Turing-recognizable, by briefly describing the elements of  $\overline{L}$  and then describing a recognizer for  $\overline{L}$ .
  - (b) Is L decidable? Prove your answer.
- 2. Two disjoint languages A and B are **decidably separable** if there is a decidable language C such that  $A \subseteq C$  and  $C \cap B = \emptyset$ .



- (a) Give two example languages which are decidably separable.
- (b) Give two example disjoint languages which are *not* decidably separable.
- (c) If A and B are disjoint languages which are both co-Turing-recognizable, show that A is decidably separable from B.
- (d) **Extra credit.** Given a Turing-recognizable language A, let machine $(A) = \{\langle M \rangle \mid L(M) = A\}$ . Show that if A and B are Turing-recognizable languages and  $A \subsetneq B$ , then machine(A) is not decidably separable from machine(B).