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**Q1 [5x3M = 15M].** Are the following languages decidable/un-decidable? If it is decidable, prove it. If not, prove by reduction using the language  $A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid \langle M \rangle \text{ is a Turing Machine and } \langle M \rangle \text{ accepts } w \}$ .

- a)  $L_2 = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ is Turing Machine, } w \text{ is a string, and some Turing Machine } M_1 \text{ exists such that } w \text{ does not belong to } L(M) \cap L(M_1) \}$
- b)  $L_3 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a Turing Machine that halts on all inputs and for some undecidable language } B, L(M) = L(B) \}$
- c)  $L_4 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is the Turing Machine and } M \text{ is the only Turing Machine that accepts } L(M) \}$
- d)  $L_5 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a Turing Machine and there exist a TM } M_1 \text{ such that the encodings of } M \text{ and } M_1 \text{ are not same but } L(M) = L(M_1) \}$
- e)  $L_6 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a Turing Machine, and there exists two Turing Machines } M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ such that } L(M) \subseteq L(M_1) \cup L(M_2) \}$

**Q2 [6M].** Decide whether each of the following statements are True/False. If TRUE, prove formally. If FALSE, give a counter example. For giving the counter example, use the following languages only.

$$L_1 = \{ a^p \mid p \text{ is prime} \}$$

$$L_2 = \{ a^p \mid p \text{ is greater than } 0 \text{ and is not prime} \}$$

$$L_3 = \{ a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$$

In addition to above, you can consider any number of finite languages.

- a) The union of an infinite number of regular languages must be regular.
- b) If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are not regular languages, then  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is not regular.
- c) If  $L^*$  is regular, then  $L$  is regular.