

1. (20%) Do *slowly* and *lovely* share a morpheme? Why? Why not?

**Solution:** They do not. Because the *-ly* suffix has different functions in the two words. In *slowly*, it makes an adverb out of an adjective, while in *lovely*, it makes an adjective out of a noun.

2. (30%) State as true or false:

- (a)  $\{\epsilon\}^* = \{\epsilon\}$
- (b)  $\emptyset^* = \{\epsilon\}$
- (c) For any alphabet  $\Sigma$ , any  $L$  defined over  $\Sigma$  is such that  $L \in \mathcal{P}(\Sigma^*)$ . ( $\mathcal{P}(X)$  denotes the power set of  $X$ .)
- (d) For any language  $L$ ,  $\emptyset L = L\emptyset = L$
- (e) For any language  $L$ ,  $\{\epsilon\}L = \emptyset$
- (f)  $abcd \in (a(cd)^*b)^*$

**Solution:** (a) T; (b) T; (c) T; (d) F,  $\emptyset$ ; (e) F,  $L$ ; (f) F.

3. (25%) Give a regular expression for the set of strings over the alphabet  $\{0,1,2\}$  such that every 0 is followed by exactly two 1's and every 2 is followed either by 10 or 01.

**Solution:**  $1^*(011 \cup 21011 \cup 2011)^*$

4. (25%) Give a regular expression for the set of strings over  $\{a,b\}$  with exactly one occurrence of the string *aaa*. (Hint: the rule does NOT say possible *a*'s in a string are limited to that one occurrence of *aaa*.)

**Solution:**  $((a \cup aa \cup \epsilon)b)^*aaa(b(a \cup aa \cup \epsilon))^*$