Computer Science 4602 Fall 2020 Quiz 3

Answer all of the questions. *Check your work*.

- 1. Write \mathbf{T} next to each of the following that is true, and \mathbf{F} next to each that is false.
 - (a) A language is computable if and only if it can be solved by a finite-state machine.
 - (b) Every infinite language is uncomputable.
 - (c) Every finite language is computable.
 - (d) Every computational problem can be solved by an algorithm.
 - (e) The Halting Problem is conjectured to be uncomputable, but that conjecture has not been proved.
 - (f) There exists an algorithm that determines whether a given multivariate polynomial has a real-valued zero.
 - (g) There exists an algorithm that determines whether a given multivariate polynomial has an integer-valued zero.
 - (h) A Turing reduction from A to B is a program that solves B and that is allowed to ask questions about A at no cost.
 - (i) A Turing reduction from language A to language B is not required to ask a question about the membership of a value in B.

2. Suppose A is the set of all multivariate polynomials that have an integer zero and B is the set of all multivariate polynomials that do not have an integer zero. Give a Turing reduction from A to B.

3. Suppose A is language $\{M \mid M \text{ is a finite-state machine with alphabet } \{a, b\}$ that accepts all strings that contain only symbol $a\}$. Is A computable? Justify your answer. You will receive no credit for a yes or no answer without convincing justification.

4. Let G be the following program that takes a program p as a parameter.

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\begin{array}{l} \{ \mathcal{G}(p) \colon \\ \text{if } \operatorname{Run}(p,1) \cong 1 \\ \text{return } p \\ \text{else} \\ \text{return } 0 \\ \} \end{array}
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Is G an algorithm? Justify your answer. You will receive no credit for a yes or no answer without convincing justification.