6.045J/18.400J: Automata, Computability and Complexity	Prof. Ron Rivest
Handout 9: Recitation Problems	
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**Problem 1**: Warm up: Suppose  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are decidable languages. Which of the following are decidable?

- $L_1 \cup L_2$
- $L_1 \cap L_2$
- $L_1 \setminus L_2$
- $\bullet$   $\overline{L_2}$
- $L_2^*$
- $L_1 \circ L_2$

What if  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are recognizable? Which of the above are recognizable?

**Problem 2**: For the TM  $M_1$  in exercise 3.4, give the sequence of configuration that  $M_1$  enters into on the input strings:

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**Problem 3**: What can be said about the language L(M) in each of the following cases?

- M moves its head right on each move.
- There is some integer n such that, no matter what its input is, M never moves its head past square n.
- For at least one input string x, M accepts before moving its head to the end of x.
- ullet M never changes any symbol on its tape.

**Problem 4**: Show that a language is recognizable iff it is enumerable. (Yes, we did this in class.)

**Problem 5**: Show that a language is recognizable iff a non-deterministic Turing machine recognizes it.