

**Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2018**  
**Formal Languages and Automata Theory**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

- Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.**  
**2. Assume any missing data, if any.**

**PART - A**

- 1 a. Define DFA. Mention the difference between DFA and NFA. (04 Marks)
- b. Design DFA for the following language over  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$
- The set of strings containing substring abb
  - The set of strings with exactly three a's
  - $L = \{awa \mid w \in (a+b)^*\}$ . (10 Marks)
- c. Design NFA or  $\epsilon$ -NFA for the following languages
- abc, abd, aacd  $\{\Sigma = \{a, b, c, d\}\}$
  - $\{ab, abc\}^*$   $\{\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}\}$ . (06 Marks)
- 2 a. Compute  $\epsilon$ -closure of each state from the following  $\epsilon$ -NFA : (04 Marks)

	$\epsilon$	a	b
$\rightarrow p$	{ r }	{ q }	{ p, r }
q	$\phi$	{ p }	$\phi$
r	{ p, q }	{ r }	{ p }
*s	{ p }	{ p }	{ p }

- b. Define regular expression. Write the regular expression for the following languages:
- $L = \{a^n b^m \mid n \leq 4, m \geq 2\}$
  - Strings of 0's and 1's having no two consecutive zeros
  - Strings of 0's and 1's whose lengths are multiples of 3. (06 Marks)
- c. Design an  $\epsilon$ -NFA for the regular expression  $(a+b)^*ab$ . (04 Marks)
- d. Obtain a regular expression from the following DFA using state elimination method [Refer Fig.Q2(d)]:

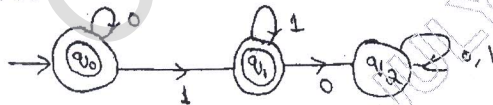


Fig.Q2(d)

(06 Marks)

- 3 a. State and prove pumping lemma for regular languages. (08 Marks)
- b. Show that the language  $L = \{w \mid n_a(w) = n_b(w)\}$  is not regular. (04 Marks)
- c. Minimize the following DFA using table filling method [Refer Fig.Q3(c)] (08 Marks)

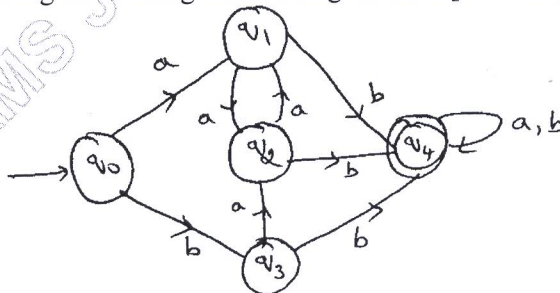


Fig.Q3(c)

- 4 a. Define CFG. Obtain CFG for the following :
- $L = \{a^n b^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\}$
  - $L = \{a^n b^{n-3} \mid n \geq 3\}$
  - For regular expression  $(a + b)^*$ . (07 Marks)
- b. Consider the grammar G with following productions  $E \rightarrow +EE \mid * EE \mid - EE \mid x \mid y$   
Find LMD, RMD and write parse tree for the string  $+ * - xyxy$ . (06 Marks)
- c. What is ambiguous grammar? Show that the following grammar is ambiguous on the string  $ibtibtaea$ .  
 $S \rightarrow iCtS \mid iCtSeS \mid a$   
 $C \rightarrow b$ . (07 Marks)

**PART - B**

- 5 a. Define PDA. Describe the language accepted by PDA. (04 Marks)
- b. Construct a PDA that accepts the language  $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$ . Give the graphical representation for PDA obtained. Show the instantaneous description of the PDA on the input string  $aaabbb$ . (10 Marks)
- c. Obtain a PDA equivalent to the following grammar:  
 $S \rightarrow AS \mid \epsilon$   
 $A \rightarrow 0A1 \mid A1 \mid 01$  (06 Marks)
- 6 a. Remove useless symbols from the following grammar:  
 $S \rightarrow aA \mid \beta$   
 $A \rightarrow aA \mid a$   
 $B \rightarrow bB$   
 $D \rightarrow ab \mid Ea$   
 $E \rightarrow ac \mid d$ . (08 Marks)
- b. Define CNF. Convert the following CFG to CNF:  
 $E \rightarrow E + E$   
 $E \rightarrow E * E$   
 $E \rightarrow (E)$   
 $E \rightarrow id$  (08 Marks)
- c. Prove that context tree languages are closed under union operation. (04 Marks)
- 7 a. Define turing machine. Explain with a diagram, general structure of multitape turing machine. (06 Marks)
- b. Design a turing machine to accept the language  $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$ . Write its transition diagram and give instantaneous description for the input  $0011$ . (14 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on the following :
- Multi tape Turing M/C
  - Halting problem of TM
  - Recursive language
  - Post's correspondence problem. (20 Marks)

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