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**Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2019**  
**Formal Languages and Automata Theory**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO full questions from each part.**

**PART - A**

- 1 a. Briefly discuss why study automata theory. (06 Marks)
- b. Design a DFA to accepts strings over {a, b} that contain the substring bb or do not contain the substring aa. (05 Marks)
- c. Design a DFA to accept set of strings over {0, 1} in which the number of 0's is divisible by three and 1's is divisible by two. (05 Marks)
- d. Explain the procedure subset construction for converting NFA to an equivalent DFA. (04 Marks)

- 2 a. Define  $\epsilon$  - NFA. Consider the following  $\epsilon$  - NFA :

$\delta$	$\epsilon$	0	1	2
$\rightarrow q_0$	{q1}	{q0}	$\phi$	$\phi$
q1	{q2}	$\phi$	{q1}	$\phi$
*q2	$\phi$	$\phi$	$\phi$	{q2}

- i) Compute the  $\epsilon$  - closure of each state.
- ii) Convert the automaton to a DFA. (10 Marks)
- b. Define regular expression. Convert the following DFA to a regular expression, using the state elimination technique:

$\delta$	0	1
$\rightarrow * p$	s	p
q	p	s
r	r	q
s	q	r

- 3 a. State and prove pumping lemma for regular languages. (05 Marks)
- b. Prove that the language  $L = \{0^n | n \geq 0\}$  is not regular. (05 Marks)
- c. Prove the following with examples:
  - i) If L and M are regular languages, then so is  $L \cap M$ .
  - ii) If L is a regular language, so is  $L^R$ . (10 Marks)

- 4 a. Define context-free grammar. Design CFG's for the following languages:
  - i)  $L = \{0^i 1^j | i \neq j\}$
  - ii)  $L = \{x | n_0(x) \neq n_1(x)\}$  (10 Marks)

- b. What is an ambiguous grammar? Show that the following grammar is ambiguous.

$$S \rightarrow aSb | aAb$$

$$A \rightarrow cAd | B$$

$$B \rightarrow aBb | \epsilon$$

(05 Marks)

- c. Define inherently ambiguous. With suitable example, show that the CFL is inherently ambiguous. (05 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.  
 2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

**PART – B**

- 5 a. Define pushdown automata. Define a PDA to accept the language.  
 $L = \{wxw^R \mid w \text{ is in } \{0,1\}^* \text{ and } x \text{ is in } \{0,1,\varepsilon\}\}.$  (10 Marks)
- b. What conditions are to be met for a PDA to be deterministic? Convert the PDA  
 $P = (\{q_0, q_1\}, \{0,1\}, \{X, Z_0\}, \delta, q_0, Z_0)$  to a CFG, if  $\delta$  is given by :
- i)  $\delta(q_0, 0, Z_0) = \{(q_0, XZ_0)\}$   
 ii)  $\delta(q_0, 1, X) = \{(q_0, XX)\}$   
 iii)  $\delta(q_0, 0, X) = \{(q_1, \varepsilon)\}$  (10 Marks)
- 6 a. Consider the grammar:  
 $S \rightarrow aAa \mid bBb \mid \varepsilon$   
 $A \rightarrow C \mid a$   
 $B \rightarrow C \mid b$   
 $C \rightarrow CDE \mid \varepsilon$   
 $D \rightarrow A \mid B \mid ab$
- i) Are there any useless symbols? Eliminate them if so.  
 ii) Eliminate  $\varepsilon$  - productions  
 iii) Eliminate unit productions  
 iv) Put the resulting grammar into CNF. (10 Marks)
- b. Show that the language  $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \leq i \leq 2n\}$  is not context-free. (05 Marks)
- c. Prove that if  $L$  is a CFL and  $R$  is a regular language, then  $L \cap R$  is a CFL. (05 Marks)
- 7 a. Define Turing machine. Design a Turing machine to accept the language  
 $L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } \{0,1\}^*\}.$  Also show the sequence of moves made by the Turing machine  
 for the string 0110. (12 Marks)
- b. Prove that if  $M_N$  is a nondeterministic Turing machine, then there is a deterministic Turing  
 machine  $M_D$  such that  $L(M_N) = L(M_D)$ . (08 Marks)
- 8 a. Define the following:  
 i) Recursive and recursively enumerable languages.  
 ii) Decidable and undecidable problems. (04 Marks)
- b. Prove that if a language  $L$  and its complement are recursively enumerable, then  $L$  is  
 recursive. (06 Marks)
- c. Define Post's Correspondence Problem. With suitable example, briefly explain PCP and its  
 variant Modified PCP. Also comment on how PCP problem is undecidable. (10 Marks)

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