

Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2017/Jan.2018
Formal Language and Automata Theory

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

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

PART – A

1. a. Define the following terms with an example for each,
 (i) String (ii) Alphabet (iii) Power set (iv) Language (08 Marks)
 b. Give the difference between NFA and DFA. (06 Marks)
 c. Design DFA for the following languages on set $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$
 (i) Set of all strings that either begins, ends and both with the string 'ab'.
 (ii) $L = \{w \mid |w| \text{ mod } 5 > 0\}$
 (iii) String with even number of a's and b's. (06 Marks)
2. a. Write a note on applications of finite automata. (04 Marks)
 b. Define an ϵ -NFA and ϵ -closure. Design an ϵ -NFA for a language $(a / b)^* abb$. (08 Marks)
 c. Prove that for every regular expression there exist a Finite Automata which accepts the same language accepted by the Regular expression. (08 Marks)
3. a. State and prove pumping lemma for regular language and prove that the language $L = \{a^p \mid P \text{ is a prime number}\}$ is not regular. (08 Marks)
 b. Construct the NFA for the following transition table.
- | δ | 0 | 1 |
|-------------------|-------|-------|
| $\rightarrow q_1$ | q_2 | q_3 |
| q_2 | q_3 | q_5 |
| $*q_3$ | q_4 | q_3 |
| q_4 | q_3 | q_5 |
| $*q_5$ | q_2 | q_5 |
- (i) Draw the table of distinguishable and indistinguishable states for the Automata.
 (ii) Construct minimum state equivalent DFA using Table filling algorithm. (12 Marks)
4. a. Define Context free Grammar. Give the CFG for the following language over set $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.
 (i) $L = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i = j + k \mid i, j, k \geq 0\}$.
 (ii) $L = \{w \mid n_a(w) = n_b(w)\}$
 (iii) $L = \{w \mid n_a(w) \text{ is divisible by } 3\}$
 (iv) $L = \{a^{n+2} b^n \mid n \geq 0, m > n\}$ (10 Marks)
 b. Let G be a Grammar and the set of production are,
 $S \rightarrow aB / bA$
 $A \rightarrow a / aS / bAA$
 $B \rightarrow b / bS / aBB$
 Give the
 (i) right most derivation (ii) left most derivation and
 (iii) derivation tree for the string "aaabbabbba" (06 Marks)
- c. What is an ambiguous Grammar? Prove that the following Grammar is ambiguous on string "aab"
 $S \rightarrow aS / aSbS / \epsilon$ (04 Marks)

PART - B

- 5 a. Define PDA and construct PDA that accepts the following language:
 $L = \{w / w \in \{a, b\}^* \text{ and } n_a(w) = n_b(w)\}$
 Write the instantaneous description for the string “aababb” (12 Marks)
- b. Convert the following Grammar to PDA that accepts the same language by empty string,
 $S \rightarrow bABC/aBaB$
 $A \rightarrow aA/bBaC/a$
 $B \rightarrow bBb/a$
 $C \rightarrow bCA/aAC$
 $C \rightarrow d$ (08 Marks)
- 6 a. Convert the following Grammar into Chomsky Normal form.
 $S \rightarrow ABa$
 $A \rightarrow aab$
 $B \rightarrow Ac$ (06 Marks)
- b. Eliminate useless production from the Grammar given below:
 $S \rightarrow aS/A|C$
 $A \rightarrow a$
 $B \rightarrow aa$
 $C \rightarrow aCb$ (06 Marks)
- c. State and prove pumping lemma for CFL and show that $L = \{a^n b^n c^n / n \geq 0\}$ is not a context Free Language. (08 Marks)
- 7 a. Explain with a neat diagram, the working of Turing machine. (06 Marks)
- b. Design a TM to accept all sets of palindrome over $\{a, b\}^*$, also write the transition diagram, instantaneous description and give the sequence of moves made by TM for string “babab” (14 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on:
 a. Post correspondence problem.
 b. Multitape TM.
 c. Turing machine Halting problem.
 d. Recursive language. (20 Marks)
