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Fourth Semester, B.E., - Information Science and Engineering

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Finite Automata and formal Languages

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Note: i) Answer **FIVE** full questions, selecting **ONE** full question from each unit.

ii) Missing data may be assumed suitably.

UNIT - I

1 a. Construct DFA which accepts strings of a's and b's such that,

$$L = \{awa \mid w \in (a+b)^n \text{ where } n \geq 0\}.$$

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b. Differentiate between NFA, DFA and ϵ -NFA.

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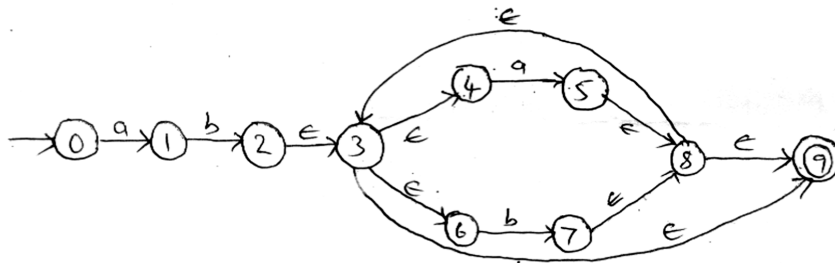
c. Define transition diagram.

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2 a. List any five applications of finite automata.

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b. Convert the following NFA to its equivalent DFA.



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c. Construct the DFA to accept strings of a's and b's having four a's.

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UNIT - II

3 a. List and explain any five applications of regular expression. Also give examples for each.

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b. Show that if L and M are regular languages, then $L \cap M$ is also regular.

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c. Show that if the language L is regular, then L^R is also regular.

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4 a. Write the regular expressions for the following :

i) $L(R) = \{w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^* \text{ with at least three one occurrence of consecutive 0's.}\}$

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ii) $L = \{a^n b^m \mid m+n \text{ is even}\}$

iii) $L = \{w : n_a(w) \bmod 3 = 0 \text{ where } w \in (a,b)^*\}$

iv) $L = \{vuv : v \in \{a,b\}^* \text{ and } |v| = 2\}$

b. List and explain the properties of regular languages.

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UNIT - III

- 5 a. What is the language generated by the grammar,
 $S \rightarrow 0A \mid \epsilon$
 $A \rightarrow 1S$ 5
- b. Obtain grammar to generate the language,
 $L = \{a^{n+2}b^n \mid n \geq 0 \text{ and } m > n\}$ 5
- c. Show that $L = \{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 1\}$ is not a context free. 10
6. a. Prove that the following grammar is ambiguous :
 i) $S \rightarrow a \mid aAb \mid abSb$
 $A \rightarrow aAAb \mid bS$ 8
 ii) $S \rightarrow iCtS \mid iCtSeS \mid a$
 $C \rightarrow b$
- b. Describe the Chomsky Hierarchy of the grammars. 12

UNIT - IV

- 7 a. Prove that a language is accepted by a PDA by the empty stack if and only if the language is accepted by a PDA by the final state. 10
- b. Construct a PDA to accept a given language L by both the empty stack the final state where
 $L = \{a^n b^n, \text{ where } n \geq 1\}$ 10
- 8 a. Construct a PDA to accept the language
 $L = \{W \subset W^R, \text{ where } W \in (a,b)^+ \text{ and } w^R \text{ is the reverse of } w\}$ by the empty stack and by the final state. 12
- b. Explain the push down Automata with the help of a neat diagram. 8

UNIT - V

- 9 a. Define and explain Turing machine. 6
- b. Obtain the Turing machine to accept a palindrome consisting of a's and b's of any length. 14
- 10 a. Briefly explain the undecidable problems that are regular expressions. 8
- b. Explain the post's correspondence problem and universal languages. 12

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