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(2013 Scheme)**

13.406 : FORMAL LANGUAGE AND AUTOMATA THEORY

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

PART – A

Answer **all** questions.

1. Design one DFA to accept all words in binary. Verify the correctness of the machine by showing computation sequence for a particular input. 4
2. Explain four differences between NFAs and DFAs. 4
3. Write a grammar to recognize all the odd length palindromes over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$. 4
4. Let L_1 be a recursive language. Let L_2 and L_3 be languages that are recursively enumerable but not recursive. Which of the following statements is not necessarily true ? Justify your answer. 4
 - a) $L_2 - L_1$ is recursively enumerable
 - b) $L_1 - L_3$ is recursively enumerable
 - c) $L_2 \cap L_1$ is recursively enumerable
 - d) $L_2 \cup L_1$ is recursively enumerable
5. What do you mean by Recursively enumerable languages ? Explain. 4



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PART – B

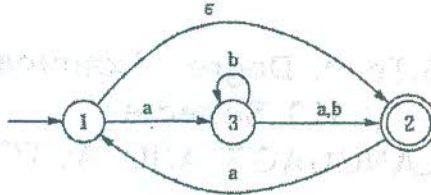
Answer **any one full** question from **each** Module.

Module – 1

6. a) Consider the set of strings on $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ in which, every substring of 3 symbols has at most two zeros. For examples, 001110 and 011001 are in the language, but 100010 is not. All strings of length less than 3 are also in the language. Design a DFA to recognize the language. Verify the correctness of the designed model by writing computation sequence for 00111111010.



- b) Convert the NFA given below to an equivalent DFA using subset construction algorithm. 6



- c) What do you mean by a Moore machine ? Explain with an example. 6

OR

7. a) Construct a Moore machine that determines whether an input string contains an even or odd number of 1s. The machine should give 1 as output if an even number of 1s are in the string and 0 as output if an odd number of 1s are in the string. 9
- b) Construct a DFA which accepts the following language : 7
 $L = \{w \mid w \in \Sigma^* \text{ and } w \text{ contains the substring } 0101\}$. Formally define all the components of the DFA. Show the computation sequence for an input of your own choice.
- c) Compare one way finite automata with two way finite automata. 4

Module – 2

8. a) Which of the following regular expressions are ambiguous ? 6
 i) $a(ab)^*cd^* \cup a(ababcb^*)^*a^*$ $aab^*(ab)^* \cup ab^* \cup a^*bba^*$
- b) Show that the set of palindromes over $\{0, 1\}$ is not regular using pumping lemma. 6
- c) Convert regular expression $((a|b)|(a^*ba))^*$ into DFA by applying the direct conversion algorithm. 8

OR

9. a) Using closure properties, determine if the give language L is regular or non regular. 8
 $L = \{w \mid w \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } |w|_0 = |w|_1\}$, where $|w|_0$ denotes the number of 0's in the string w .

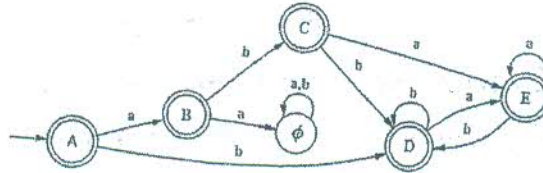


b) What are decision algorithms for regular set ? Explain.

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c) Minimise the DFA given below :

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Module – 3

10. a) Construct non-deterministic pushdown automata (PDA) to accept the following language :

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$$L = \{1^n 0^n \mid n > 0\} \cup \{0^n 1^{2n} \mid n \geq 0\}$$

Verify the correctness of the construction showing computation sequence for an input of your own choice.

b) With examples, define following terms with respect to the Pushdown Automata.

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- a) Configuration of PDA
- b) Computation of PDA
- c) Language accepted by PDA
- d) Transition function of PDA



c) Show that the problem of determining whether a CFG generates all string in 1^* is decidable.

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OR

11. a) Find a CFG that generates the language

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$$L(G) = \{a^n b^m c^m d^{2n} \mid n \geq 0, m > 0\}.$$

b) Obtain a grammar in Chomsky Normal Form (CNF) equivalent to the grammar G with productions P given by

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$S \rightarrow ABa$

$A \rightarrow aab$

$B \rightarrow AC$

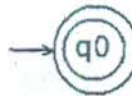
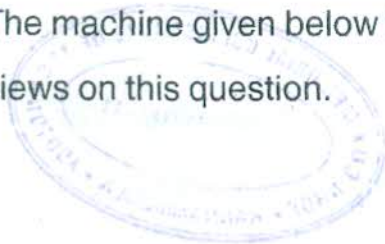
c) Explain with example, the procedure to find CFG without *epsilon* productions. 4

**Module – 4**

12. a) Design a Turing Machine (TM) that increments a binary number appearing on its input tape. Draw the state diagram and transition table of the designed TM. Write the computation sequence for an input. 7
- b) Can we simulate a Turing Machine using a PDA P with two stacks ? Formally explain your views on this question. 6
- c) Show that every recursive language is recursively enumerable. 7

OR

13. a) Design a Turing Machine that accepts the set of all even palindromes over $\{0, 1\}$. Draw the state diagram and the transition table of the TM. Write the computation sequence for an input of your own choice. 8
- b) The machine given below has no transitions. Is it a legal TM ? Explain your views on this question. 3



- c) Write note on the following :
- i) Universal Turing Machines 3
 - ii) Decidable and Undecidable problems 3
 - iii) Variants of Turing machines. 3

(4×20=80 Marks)