

B.Sc DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019
III Year VI Semester
Formal Languages and Automata Theory

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

Section A ($10 \times 2 = 20$) Marks

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3. Let $G = (\{S\}, \{a, b\}, \{S \rightarrow aSb, S \rightarrow ab\}, S)$. Find a derivation tree for the word a^2b^2 .
4. What is meant by reflection of a language?
5. Give an example of a context-free grammar which is in Chomsky normal form.
6. When do you say that a grammar is reduced?
7. Define ϵ -closure of a state.
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9. Define regular expression.
10. If $L_1 = \{10, 1\}$ and $L_2 = \{011, 11\}$. Find L_1L_2 .
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12. Define Greibach normal form.

Section B ($5 \times 5 = 25$) Marks

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13. Define a language generated by a grammar. Find the language generated by the grammar $G = (N, T, P, S)$ where $N = \{S\}$, $T = \{a, b\}$ and $P = \{S \rightarrow aSb, S \rightarrow ab\}$.
14. When do you say that a grammar is ambiguous? Show that the grammar $G = (N, T, P, S)$ where $N = \{S, A\}$, $T = \{a, b\}$ and $P = \{S \rightarrow aAb, S \rightarrow abSb, S \rightarrow a, A \rightarrow bS, A \rightarrow aAAb\}$ is ambiguous.
15. Let $G = (N, T, P, S)$ be any context-free grammar generating a non-empty language. Show that it is possible to find an equivalent grammar G_1 such that for every non-terminal A in G_1 , there is a terminal string w such that $A \Rightarrow^* w$.

16. Let $M = (\{q_0, q_1\}, \{0, 1\}, \delta, q_0, \{q_1\})$ be an NFA where $\delta(q_0, 0) = \{q_0, q_1\}$, $\delta(q_0, 1) = \{q_1\}$, $\delta(q_1, 0) = \phi$, $\delta(q_1, 1) = \{q_0, q_1\}$. Construct an equivalent DFA.
17. Construct an NFA for the regular expression $01^* + 1$.
18. Show that the family of CFL is closed under substitution.
19. State and prove the pumping lemma for regular sets.

Section C ($3 \times 10 = 30$) Marks

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 $L = \{w \mid w \text{ is in } \{a, b\}^+ \text{ \& } w \text{ consist of an even number of } a\text{'s} \text{ and an even number of } b\text{'s}\}$
21. Show that the family of context free languages is closed under homomorphism but not under intersection.
22. Construct a context-free grammar in Greibach normal form to generate the language $L = \{ww^R \mid w \text{ is in } \{a, b\}^+\}$.
23. Show that if L is accepted by an NFA with \in -transition, then L is accepted by an NFA without \in -transitions.
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