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**COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

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CourseName: Formal Languages and Automata Theory

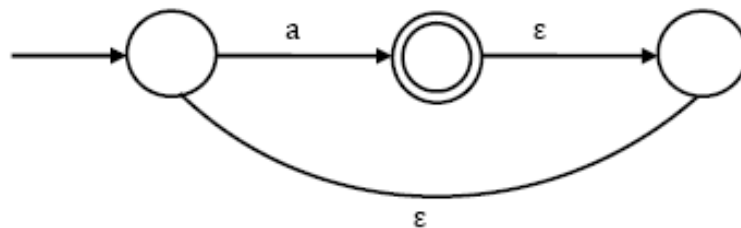
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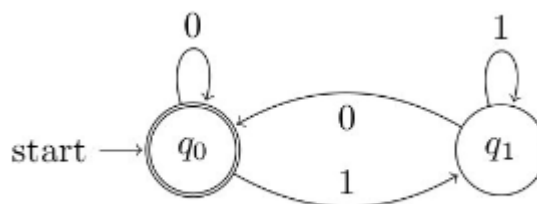
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**PART A****(Answer all questions. Each question carries 3 marks)**

- Consider X and Y are two languages over alphabet {0, 1} represented by regular expression  $0^*(10^*)^*$  and  $(0^* + 1^*)^*$  respectively. Is  $X = Y$ ? Justify your answer with proper proof.
- What is the complement of the language accepted by the NFA shown below? Assume  $\Sigma = \{a\}$  and  $\epsilon$  is the empty string



- Identify the language accepted by the following DFA?



- Obtain the regular expression for the following set:  
 $\{b^2, b^5, b^8, \dots\}$
- Write the equivalent Context Free grammar for the following regular expression:  
 $(00 + 11 + 10 + 01)^*$
- Assume that you are asked to design a comment statement for a C programming language. Comments appear between the delimiters such as **/\*and \*/**. For simplicity, assume the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b, /, *\}$ . Give an NFA that recognises the language.
- Consider the following grammar (the start symbol is S; the alphabets are implicit in the rules):

$$S \rightarrow SS \mid AAA \mid \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow aA \mid Aa \mid b$$

Is the grammar ambiguous? Prove.

8. Distinguish between decidable and undecidable problems.

9.

Eliminate left recursion from the following grammar:

$$A \rightarrow Ba \mid Aa \mid c$$

$$B \rightarrow Bb \mid Ab \mid d$$

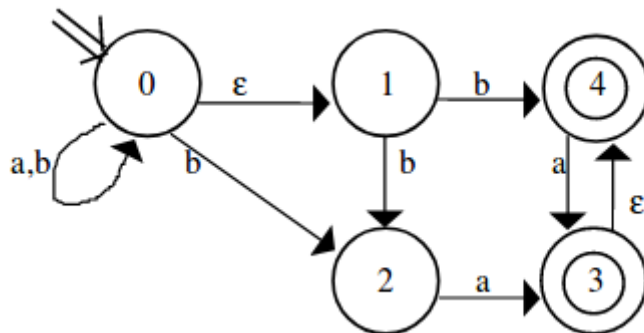
10. Give a deterministic PDA to accept the language  $L = \{0^n 1^m 0^n \mid n, m > 0\}$

### PART B

(Answer one full question from each module, each question carries 14 marks)

#### MODULE I

11. a) Convert the  $\epsilon$ -NFA to DFA.



(10)

b) What is dead or trap state? Explain with an example. (4)

#### OR

12. a) Design a DFA for the language  $aba^*$ . Also show that the DFA works fine while tracing the instance  $abaa$ . (7)

b) Design a DFA for language

$L = \{w \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{each } a \text{ in } w \text{ is immediately preceded and immediately followed by } b\}$  (7)

#### MODULE II

13. a)

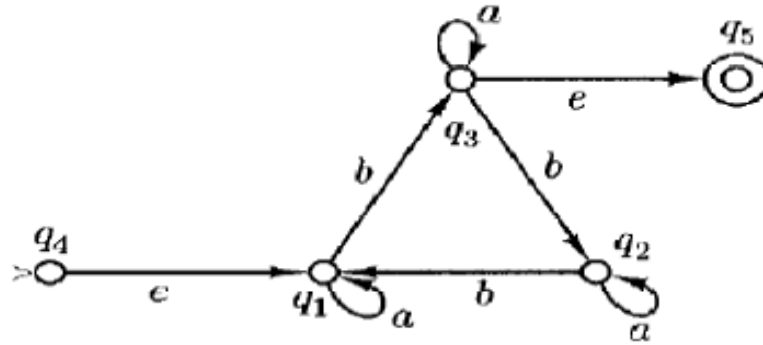
Write regular expressions for the following language

i) All strings that contain an even number of b's.

ii)  $L = \{w \mid w \text{ contains at least two 0's and at most one 1}\}$ .

iii) The set of strings of 0's and 1's with at most one pair of consecutive 1's. (6)

b) Find the Regular Expression from the NFA given below:



(8)

**OR**

14. a) Find the minimal DFA for the following automata.

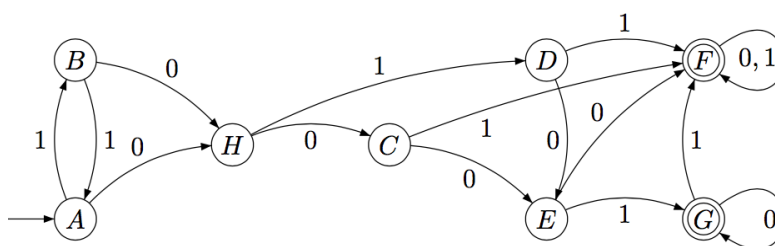
Current State	a	b
→q <sub>0</sub>	q <sub>5</sub>	q <sub>1</sub>
q <sub>1</sub>	q <sub>2</sub>	q <sub>6</sub>
*q <sub>2</sub>	q <sub>2</sub>	q <sub>0</sub>
q <sub>3</sub>	q <sub>6</sub>	q <sub>2</sub>
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(12)

b) What will be the maximum number of states in a DFA whose equivalent NFA has k-states. Justify your answer. (2)

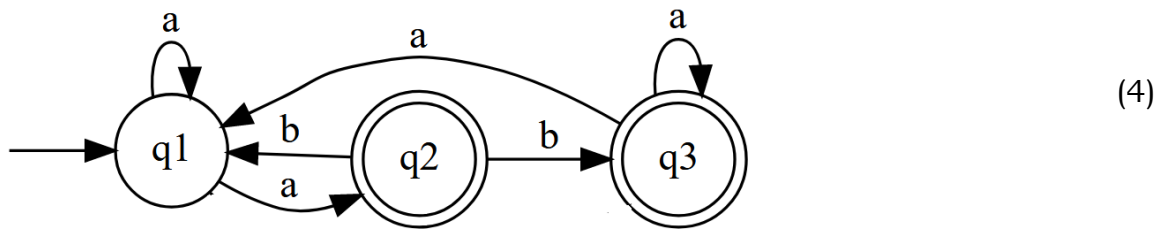
**MODULE III**

15. a) Using Myhill Nerode theorem , minimize the following DFA.



(10)

- b) Consider the following machine M. Does the machine accept the string '**abaaba**'? Prove your answer.



**OR**

16. a) Convert the given Context Free grammar to Greibach Normal Form (GNF):

$$P \rightarrow RT | QQ$$

$$Q \rightarrow d | PQ$$

$$R \rightarrow d$$

$$T \rightarrow b$$

(10)

- b) Differentiate between Null and Unit production

(4)

#### MODULE IV

17. a) Construct a Pushdown Automata that recognizes the language

(7)

$$L = \{ w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid w = w^R \text{ and the length of } w \text{ is odd} \}$$

- b) Using the PDA constructed, check if the string **abbc** is accepted.

(7)

**OR**

18. a) Give pushdown automata that recognize the following languages.

(5)

$$A = \{ w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid w \text{ contains at least three 1s} \}$$

- b) Let M be the PDA defined by

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$\Gamma = \{A\}$$

$$F = \{q_1, q_2\}$$

$$\delta(q_0, a, \lambda) = \{[q_0, A]\}$$

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(9)

- a) Describe the language accepted by M.

- b) Give the state diagram of M.

#### MODULE V

19. a) Design a Turing machine that recognizes the languages:  
All strings in the Language  $0^n 1^n 2^n$ , where  $n \geq 0$ : (8)
- b) Elucidate different types of Turing Machines. (6)

**OR**

20. a) Let M be the Turing machine defined by  $\delta$ :

$\delta$	B	a	b	c	
$q_0$	$q_1, B, R$				
$q_1$	$q_2, B, L$	$q_1, a, R$	$q_1, c, R$	$q_1, c, R$	
$q_2$		$q_2, c, L$		$q_2, b, L$	(8)

Trace the computation for the input string **aabca** Give the state diagram of M.

- b) Construct a Turing machine with input alphabet  $\{a, b\}$  to accept each of the following language by final state: (6)
- $L \{a^i b^j \mid i \geq 0, j \geq i\}$

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