

**Formal Language and Automata Theory
(IT-404)**

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 70

Q 1 is compulsory. Answer any five from the rest.

Q1. Answer any ten.

10 X 2 = 20

- a) If w is any string over an alphabet $\{0, 1\}$, then w^* denotes the reverse of w . If L is any language, then L^* denotes the language consisting of the reverses of all strings in L . Then If L is any language, then the language LL^* must be equal to $\{ww^* \mid w \text{ belongs to } L\}$. Is it true or false? Explain with reasons.
- b) If L is a recursive language and R is a recursively enumerable language then $L - R$ must be recursively enumerable. Is it true or false? Explain with reasons.
- c) Is the r.e. languages closed under both union and intersection? Explain with reasons.
- d) Consider three decision problems P_1 , P_2 and P_3 . It is known that P_1 is decidable and P_2 is un-decidable. Which one of the following is true? Explain with reasons.
(A) P_3 is decidable if P_1 is reducible to P_3 .
(B) P_3 un-decidable if P_3 is reducible to P_2 .
(C) P_3 is un-decidable if P_2 is reducible to P_3 .
(D) P_3 is decidable if P_3 is reducible to P_2 's complement.
- e) Let $\Sigma = \{0\}$. Let $L = \{0^j \mid j \text{ is in Geometric Progression}\}$ and $R = \{0^k \mid k \text{ is in arithmetic progression}\}$. The language $L \cap R$ is regular. Is it true or false? Explain with reasons.
- f) Let L_1 , L_2 and L_3 be three languages over an alphabet Σ . Let $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3 = \Sigma^*$ and there's nothing common between L_1 , L_2 and L_3 .

Then:

- A) If all languages are recursive then all are r.e
B) If all languages are r.e. then they are recursive
C) Both A and B is true
D) Neither A nor B is true

g) Consider the following grammar G :

$S \rightarrow bS \mid aA \mid b$

$A \rightarrow bA|aB$

$B \rightarrow bB|aS|a$

Let $N_a(w)$ and $N_b(w)$ denote the number of a's and b's in a string w respectively. Find out the relation between $N_a(w)$ and $N_b(w)$.

h) If L_1 is a r.e. language and L_2 is recursive, then L_1 concatenated with L_2 is r.e. language. Is it true or false? Explain with reasons.

i) If f is a function from the set $A \rightarrow B$. The number of different functions is 31. Find the cardinalities of A and B .

j) Let $S = \{0,1,2\}$. Find out the number of possible binary relations out of this member of the set.

k) Show that any co-finite set (complement of a finite set) is always regular.

l) Is DPDA and NDPDA equivalent? Explain with reasons.

Q2.

a) Show by construction that $(0^*01 + 10)^*0^* = (0 + 01 + 10)^*$

b) Show that the language $\{0^p \text{ where } p \text{ is a prime number}\}$ is not regular.

$$7 + 3 = 10$$

Q3.

$$5 + 5 = 10$$

Find out the regular expression accepted by the DFA below:

- a) By GNFA method
- b) By Arden's theorem

Q4.

- a) Consider the following grammar:

$S \rightarrow A^0A^1B^1|BB$

$A \rightarrow C$

$B \rightarrow S|A$

$C \rightarrow S|e$

Remove null and unit production and convert it into CNF. Then apply CYK algorithm to show that 1001 belongs to the language produced by this grammar.

$$6 + 4 - 10$$

Q5.

- a) Show that if L is a CFL so is L^* .
b) If L_1 and L_2 are two CFL's then is $L_1 \cup L_2$ CFL?
c) If L is a language accepted by a PDA with a finite stack then is L regular? Explain with reasons.

$$4 + 3 + 3 = 10$$

Q6.

- a) Show that the language L_{\leq} is the set of strings w such that the TM M whose code is w does not accept when given w as input, is non recursively-enumerable.
b) Show that the Universal language is recursively enumerable but not recursive.

$$5 + 5 = 10$$

Q7.

- a) Design a Turing Machine to accept the language $\{0^n 1^n 2^n \mid n \geq 1\}$
b) Consider a Turing Machine with the states $\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_f\}$ and the input symbol is $\{0,1\}$. There is only one extra tape symbol that is B . q_0 is the initial state and q_f is the accepting state. The transitions are as follows:
 $\delta(q_0, 0) = (q_1, 1, R)$; $\delta(q_1, 1) = (q_0, 0, R)$; $\delta(q_1, B) = (q_f, B, R)$

Show that it accepts $(01)^*0$

$$5 + 5 = 10$$

Q8.

- a) Show that if $a \bmod b = b \bmod a$ where a, b are positive integers, then $a = b$.
b) Show that any given 10 distinct positive numbers less than 100, that two completely different subsets sum to the same quantity. Use pigeon hole principle.

$$5 + 5 = 10$$

Q9.

- a) Show that a Turing Machine halting problem is un-decidable.
b) Construct a DFA which shall accept $L_1 \cap L_2$ where M_1 and M_2 are two DFA's accepting L_1 and L_2 respectively.

$$5 + 5 = 10$$