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FORMAL LANGUAGE AND AUTOMATA

Time : 2 Hours]

[Max. Marks: 70

Note :- This paper is of Seventy (70) marks divided into two (02) Sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt the questions contained in these Sections according to the detailed instructions given there in. *Candidates should limit* their answers to the questions on the given answer sheet. No additional (B) answer sheet will be issued.

Section-A

(Long Answer Type Questions) 2×19=38

Note :- Section 'A' contains Five (05) Long-answer type questions of Nineteen (19) marks each. Learners are required to answer any *two* (02) questions only.



- 1. (a) Define deterministic finite automaton. Let $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ then design a DFA that accepts all the strings that starts with a and terminates in *ab*. (10)
 - (b) Define concatenation, reversal and star closure of a language. (9)
- (a) Define a non-deterministic finite automaton.
 Convert the following NFA into an equivalent
 DFA : (10)



- (b) Define a regular expression. Write regular expressions for the following languages over Σ = {a, b}. (9)
 - (i) Set of all the words starting with *a*.
 - (ii) Set of all the words terminating with *abb*.
- 3. (a) Define Mealy machine. Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ and $\Gamma = \{a, b, c\}$ design a Mealy machine that provides an output caab for the input 1010. (10)
 - (b) Define a pushdown automaton. (9)

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- 4. (a) Define context free languages and context free grammar with the help of suitable example. (10)
 - (b) Describe pumping lemma for context free languages. (9)
- 5. (a) Define a Turing machine, instantaneous description and moves in Turing machine. (10)
 - (b) Describe post correspondence problem with the help of a suitable example. (9)

Section-B

(Short Answer Type Questions) 4×8=32

- *Note* :- Section 'B' contains Eight (08) Short-answer type questions of Eight (08) marks each. Learners are required to answer any *four* (04) questions only.
- 1. Define the grammar of formal languages. Write the grammar for the language that contains all the words starting with a over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.
- 2. Differentiate between deterministic and non-deterministic finite automaton.
- 3. Construct a DFA for the regular expression $(a + b)a^* ba$.
- 4. Describe recursive and recursively enumerable languages.



- 5. What do you mean by parsing ? Define top down and bottom-up parsing.
- 6. Define Chomsky normal form and Greibach normal form.
- 7. Describe the closure properties of context free languages.
- 8. Define computability and decidability.

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