

**FORMAL LANGUAGE & AUTOMATA THEORY  
(CSBS 3103)**

**Time Allotted : 2½ hrs**

**Full Marks : 60**

*Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and  
any 4 (four) from Group B to E, taking one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group – A**

1. Answer any twelve:

**12 × 1 = 12**

*Choose the correct alternative for the following*

- (i) A regular expression representing the language  $\{\epsilon, a, b\}$  is  
(a)  $a+b$                       (b)  $ab$                       (c)  $\epsilon + a + b$                       (d)  $\epsilon ab$ .
- (ii) Regular expression  $a / b$  denotes the set  
(a)  $\{a\}$                       (b)  $\{\epsilon, a, b\}$                       (c)  $\{a,b\}$                       (d)  $\{ab\}$ .
- (iii) The part of an PDA, where the input string is placed before it is run, is called?  
(a) State                      (b) Transition                      (c) Input tape                      (d) Output tape.
- (iv) Which one of the following languages over the alphabet  $\{0,1\}$  is described by the regular expression:  $(0+1)^*0(0+1)^*0(0+1)^*$ ?  
(a) The set of all strings containing the substring 00  
(b) The set of all strings containing at most two 0's  
(c) The set of all strings containing at least two 0's  
(d) The set of all strings that begin and end with either 0 or 1.
- (v) Regular Expression For All Strings Starts With  $ab$  and ends with  $b$  defined over  $\{a,b\}$   
(a)  $ab(a+b)b$                       (b)  $ab(a+b)^* b$                       (c)  $ab^* b$                       (d) none of these.
- (vi) The set  $\{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$  is generated by the CFG:  
(a)  $S \rightarrow aSb \mid ab$                       (b)  $S \rightarrow aSb \mid ab \mid \epsilon$   
(c)  $S \rightarrow aaSbb \mid ab$                       (d)  $S \rightarrow aaSbb \mid aabb \mid ab$ .
- (vii) A Moore machine accepts a string of length  $k$ ; the length of the output string is  
(a)  $k$                       (b)  $2k$                       (c)  $k+1$                       (d)  $k-1$ .
- (viii) A CFG is not closed under:  
(a) product                      (b) union                      (c) Complementation                      (d) Kleen star.
- (ix) The solution for the equation  $R = Q + RP$  is  
(a)  $R = QP^*$                       (b)  $R = Q^*P^*$                       (c)  $R = Q^*P$                       (d)  $R = QP$ .

- (x) If  $Q$  is the number of states of a NFA, the equivalent DFA can have a maximum number of states  
 (a)  $Q$                       (b)  $Q-1$                       (c)  $2Q$                       (d)  $2^Q$ .

*Fill in the blanks with the correct word*

- (xi) A grammar that produces more than one parse tree for the same sentence is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (xii) \_\_\_\_\_ is the acyclic graphical representation of a grammar.
- (xiii) A turing machine that is able to simulate other turing machines called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (xiv) Finite automata requires minimum \_\_\_\_\_ number of stacks.
- (xv) The pumping length of string of length  $x$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

### Group - B

2. (a) Design a DFA over  $\Sigma = \{a,b\}$  such that every string accepted must end with  $ab$ . [[CO1](Create/HOCQ)]
- (b) Convert the following NFA into equivalent DFA where  $q_0$  is initial state and  $q_3$  is final state. [[CO1](Apply/IOCQ)]

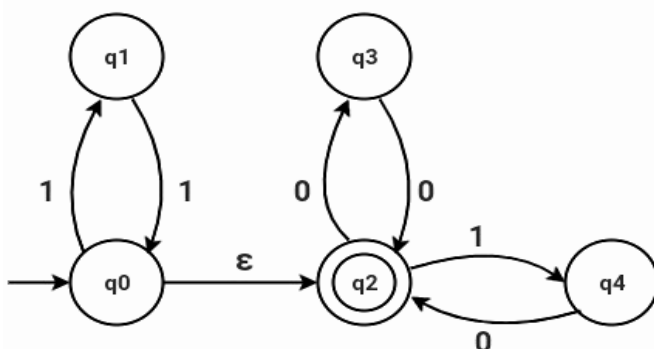
PS	Next State	
	X=0	X=1
$q_0$	$q_0, q_1$	$q_0$
$q_1$	$q_2$	$q_1$
$q_2$	$q_3$	$q_3$
$q_3$	—	$q_2$

**5 + 7 = 12**

3. (a) Consider the following Mealy machine as shown below. Convert it to equivalent Moore machine. [[CO1](Apply/IOCQ)]

PS	Next State, O/P	
	X=a	X=b
$q_1$	$q_1, 1$	$q_2, 0$
$q_2$	$q_4, 1$	$q_4, 1$
$q_3$	$q_2, 1$	$q_3, 1$
$q_4$	$q_3, 0$	$q_1, 1$

- (b) Convert the following Epsilon-NFA into NFA using Epsilon closure:

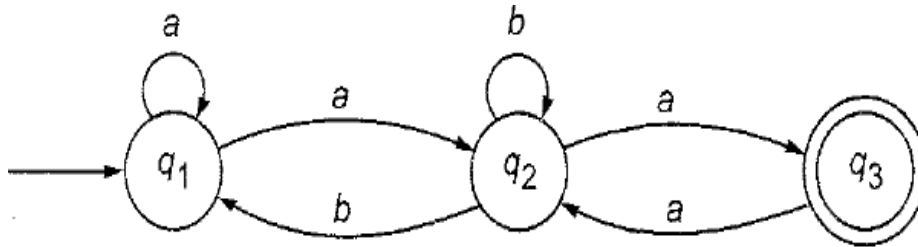


[[CO1](Apply/IOCQ)]  
**6 + 6 = 12**

## Group - C

4. (a) State Pumping Lemma. Show that the language  $L = \{0^i 1^i \mid i \geq 1\}$  is not Regular using Pumping Lemma. [[CO2](Apply/IOCQ)]
- (b) Draw Finite Automata Transition Diagram of the following Regular Expression:  
 (i)  $(ab)^* + (a+ab)^*b^*(a+b)^*$       (ii)  $[a+ba(a+b)]^*a(ba)^*b^*$  [[CO3](Create/HOCQ)]
- (3 + 3) + (3 + 3) = 12**

5. (a) Convert the following Regular Grammar to Regular Expression:  
 $S \rightarrow 011A \mid 101B$   
 $A \rightarrow 110A \mid 00$   
 $B \rightarrow 11B \mid S$  [[CO3](Apply/IOCQ)]
- (b) Find the Regular Expression over  $\Sigma = \{a,b\}$  such that  $|w_a| \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . [[CO3](Apply/IOCQ)]
- (c) State Arden's Theorem. Find the regular expression for the following FA using Arden's Theorem:



[[CO3](Apply/IOCQ)]  
**4 + 3 + (2 + 3) = 12**

## Group - D

6. (a) Design a PDA to accept the language  $L = \{a^n b^{2n} \mid n \geq 1\}$ . [[CO5](Create/HOCQ)]
- (b) Show that the following grammar is ambiguous.  
 $S \rightarrow a \mid abSb \mid aAb$   
 $A \rightarrow bS \mid aAAb$  [[CO5](Evaluate/HOCQ)]
- 8 + 4 = 12**

7. (a) Consider the following grammar:  
 $S \rightarrow aB \mid bA$   
 $A \rightarrow aS \mid bAA \mid a$   
 $B \rightarrow bS \mid aBB \mid b$
- For the string  $aaabbabbba$ , find (i) left most derivation (ii) right most derivation [[CO4](Apply/IOCQ)]
- (b) Convert the following Context Free Grammar (CFG) to Chomsky's Normal Form (CNF):

$S \rightarrow aAD$   
 $A \rightarrow aB \mid bAB$   
 $B \rightarrow b$   
 $D \rightarrow d$

[[CO4](Apply/IOCQ)]  
**(3 + 3) + 6 = 12**

## Group - E

8. (a) Design Turing Machine over  $\Sigma=\{0,1\}$  to accept the language  $L=\{0^m1^n \mid m,n \text{ are even}\}$ . [[CO6](Create/HOCQ)]  
(b) Define turing machine model. [[CO6](Remember/LOCQ)]  
**8 + 4 = 12**
9. (a) What is Instantaneous Description (ID) in TM? Explain with example. [[CO6](Understand/LOCQ)]  
(b) Design a Turing Machine that accepts the language  $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 1\}$ . [[CO6](Create/HOCQ)]  
**6 + 6 = 12**
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Cognition Level	LOCQ	IOCQ	HOCQ
Percentage distribution	10.42	51.04	38.54

### Course Outcome (CO):

After the completion of the course students will be able to

1. Demonstrate basic concepts of formal languages of finite automata techniques
2. Identify different formal language classes and their relationships
3. Design finite automata for different regular expressions and languages
4. Construct context free grammar for various languages
5. Design push down automata as a recognizer of languages
6. Interpret Turing machines as a language acceptor.

\*LOCQ: Lower Order Cognitive Question; IOCQ: Intermediate Order Cognitive Question; HOCQ: Higher Order Cognitive Question.