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**III-B.TECH-I-Semester End Examinations (Supply) - December- 2024
FORMAL LANGUAGES AND AUTOMATA THEORY
(Common for CSE, IT, CSC, CSM)**

[Time: 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks: 70]

Note: This question paper contains two parts A and B.

Part A is compulsory which carries 20 marks. Answer all questions in Part A.

Part B consists of 5 Units. Answer any one full question from each unit. Each question carries 10 marks.

PART-A**20 Marks)**

1. a) Provide a formal definition of NFAs. [2M]
- b) Define Moore and Mealy machines. [2M]
- c) List the advantages of DFA. [2M]
- d) Define the closure properties of regular expression. [2M]
- e) Explain context-free grammar (CFG). [2M]
- f) Define sentential forms in the context of CFGs. [2M]
- g) State the pumping lemma for context-free languages (CFLs). [2M]
- h) Define Greibach Normal Form (GNF) for a CFG. [2M]
- i) What is counter machines? [2M]
- j) Define recursive languages. [2M]

PART-B**(50 Marks)**

2. Explain how finite automata are used to solve problems and how these problems are classified based on complexity. [10M]

OR

3. Given the DFA with states $\{q_0, q_1, q_2\}$, alphabet $\{a, b\}$, start state q_0 , accept state q_2 , and transition function $\delta(q_0, a) = q_1, \delta(q_0, b) = q_0, \delta(q_1, a) = q_1, \delta(q_1, b) = q_2, \delta(q_2, a) = q_1, \delta(q_2, b) = q_0$, determine whether the DFA accepts the string "abaa". [10M]

4. Minimize the following DFA and provide the minimized DFA: States: [10M]

{A, B, C, D, E}

Alphabet: {0, 1}

Transition function:

 $\delta(A, 0) = B$ $\delta(A, 1) = C$ $\delta(B, 0) = A$ $\delta(B, 1) = D$ $\delta(C, 0) = D$ $\delta(C, 1) = A$ $\delta(D, 0) = C$ $\delta(D, 1) = E$ $\delta(E, 0) = E$ $\delta(E, 1) = E$

Start state: A

Accept states: {A, D}

OR

5. Explain algebraic laws for regular expressions with example. [10M]

6. Explain why not all context-free languages can be accepted by a deterministic PDA. [10M]

OR

7. Explain what makes a PDA deterministic (DPDA). [10M]
Discuss the limitations and advantages of DPDAs compared to non-deterministic PDAs.

8. Convert the following CFG into Chomsky Normal Form: [10M]

$S \rightarrow AB|aS,$

$A \rightarrow BC|b,$

$B \rightarrow b$

$C \rightarrow c$

OR

9. Explain how Turing machines extend the capabilities of finite automata and pushdown automata. Discuss the concept of Turing-completeness. [10M]

10. Explain the concept of a Turing machine. What is the halting problem, and why is it significant in the context of computation theory? [10M]

OR

11. Explain why the word problem for groups is undecidable. Provide an example illustrating this problem. [10M]
