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**B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – MATHEMATICS**

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**MT 5407 - FORMAL LANGUAGES AND AUTOMATA**

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Time: 09:00-12:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

**SECTION-A**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

**(10 X 2 = 20)**

1. Write any two differences between deterministic finite automata and non – deterministic finite automata.
2. Construct a deterministic finite automaton to check whether given number is divisible by two.
3. Define the equivalence of finite automata and non – deterministic finite automata.
4. Define a phrase structure grammar.
5. If  $G = (\{S\}, \{a, b, c\}, P, S)$  where P consists of  $S \rightarrow aSa / bSb / c$ , find  $L(G)$ .
6. Define a parse tree (or a derivation tree).
7. Eliminate the  $\epsilon$  – productions from the following set of production rules  $A \rightarrow 0B1 / 1B1$ ,  $B \rightarrow 0B / 1B / \epsilon$ .
8. Define Ambiguity.
9. State uvwxy theorem.
10. Define Star closure.

**SECTION – B**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS**

**(5 X 8 = 40)**

11. Construct a finite automaton M accepting  $\{ab, ba\}$ .
12. Construct a non – deterministic finite automaton to accept set of all strings over  $\{0, 1\}$  ending with 01.
13. Prove that union of two regular sets is also regular.
14. Let G be the grammar with the production rules  $S \rightarrow aB / bA$ ,  $A \rightarrow a / aS / bAA$ ,  $B \rightarrow b / bS / aBB$ , for the string aaabbabbba, find a rightmost derivation and parse tree.
15. Write a brief note on Chomsky hierarchy.
16. Find a CNF grammar equivalent to a grammar whose production rules are  $S \rightarrow aAbB$ ,  $A \rightarrow aA / a$ ,  $B \rightarrow bB / b$ .
17. Prove that  $L(G) = \{a^i / i \text{ is prime}\}$  is not a Context Free Language (CFL).
18. Let G be a grammar with the production rules  $S \rightarrow aSBc / abc$ ,  $cB \rightarrow Bc$ ,  $bB \rightarrow bb$ , then show that  $L(G) = \{a^n b^n c^n / n \geq 1\}$  is a context sensitive language (CSL).

**SECTION – C**

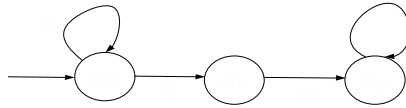
**ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS**

**(2 X 20 = 40)**

19. a) Construct a finite automata accepting all strings over  $\{0, 1\}$  having even number of 0's and even number of 1's.

b) Construct an NFA to accept set of all strings  $L = \{a^n b^m / m, n \geq 1\}$ . **(10+10)**

20. Construct a deterministic finite automaton (FA) equivalent to an NFA with the transition diagram (state diagram) given below :



21. a) Let  $L = \{a^n b^n / n \geq 1\}$ , consider the grammars  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  defined as follows:  $G_1 = (\{S\}, \{a, b\}, \{S \rightarrow aSb/ab\}, S)$  and  $G_2 = (\{S, A\}, \{a, b\}, \{S \rightarrow aASb/aSb/ab, A \rightarrow \epsilon\}, S)$  then  $L = L(G_1) = L(G_2)$ . Check whether the grammars  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  have two left most derivations?

b) Write a CNF grammar for the language  $L = \{a^n b^n / n \geq 1\}$ . **(12 + 8)**

22. a) Write the Greibach normal form to generate the context free grammar  $L = \{w w^R / w \in (a, b)^*\}$  and the production rules  $P$  is given by  $P = \{S \rightarrow aSa / bSb / aa / bb\}$ .

b) Consider the grammar  $G = (N, T, P, S)$ , where  $N = \{S, (P_r), (VP), V, A, N, (Aux), P\}$ ,  $T = \{They, are, flying, planes\}$ ,  $P = \{S \rightarrow (P_r)(VP), P_r \rightarrow They, VP \rightarrow (V)(NP), V \rightarrow are, NP \rightarrow (A)(N), A \rightarrow flying, N \rightarrow planes, V \rightarrow (Aux)(P), (Aux) \rightarrow are, NP \rightarrow N, P \rightarrow flying\}$ . Find two derivations and draw their corresponding generation trees.

**(12 + 8)**

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