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**FIFTH SEMESTER B.TECH. (ENGINEERING) [14 SCHEME] DEGREE  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016**

**CS/IT 14 506—THEORY OF COMPUTATION**



Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

**Part A (Short Questions)**

*Answer any eight questions.*

1. Show that "If  $n$  is a positive integer such that  $n \bmod (3) = 2$  then  $n$  is not a perfect square.
2. Find a regular expression for the set of strings containing exactly three 1's.
3. When is a grammar said to be ambiguous ? Give an example for ambiguous grammar.
4. Differentiate between Deterministic Push Down Automata (DPDA) and Non-Deterministic Push Down Automata (NPDA).
5. Define the ways of accepting languages by a PDA.
6. Give the formal definition for a Turing Machine(TM).
7. Why do you need a Universal Turing Machine ?
8. Show that the function  $\text{Add}(x, y) = x + y$  is primitive recursive.
9. How is  $\theta$  notation helpful in assigning complexity to functions ?
10. When is a language said to be NP-Complete ?

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

**Part B (Descriptive Questions)**

*Answer all questions.*

11. (a) Construct a NFA for the regular expression  $1(10 + 1)^*0$  defined over  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$  and trace the string "011". Use Thompson's construction method to design a NFA-A for the same regular expression and convert it into a DFA. Show the moves of the DFA on reading the string "1100" and "101".

(15 marks)

Or

- (b) (i) Using Pumping Lemma show that the language of palindromes is not regular.

(8 marks)

- (ii) Prove using mathematical induction that for  $n \geq 2$ , then  $n^3 - n$  is always divisible by 3.

(7 marks)

Turn over

12. (a) Design a Deterministic Push Down Automata (DPDA) with no  $\epsilon$ -transition that recognizes the following language  $L = \{x \in \{a, b\}^* \mid n_a(x) > n_b(x)\}$ . Check whether the strings  $aba$  and  $baab$  is recognized by it.

Or

- (b) (i) Write about how Push Down Automata helps in accepting strings in languages. (4 marks)
- (ii) Express the following Context Free Grammar in Chomsky Normal Form :

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow ASB \mid \epsilon \\ A &\rightarrow aAS \mid a \\ B &\rightarrow SbS \mid A \mid bb \end{aligned}$$

13. (a) (i) Design a Turing Machine that recognizes palindromes. (11 marks)
- (ii) Design a Turing Machine to simulate the following grammar. (9 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow abS \mid \wedge \\ aB &\rightarrow Ba \\ Ba &\rightarrow aB \\ B &\rightarrow b \end{aligned}$$

(6 marks)

Or

- (b) (i) Express the following Context Free Grammar to Chomsky Normal Form (CNF).

$$\begin{aligned} I &\rightarrow a \mid b \mid Ia \mid Ib \mid I0 \mid I1 \\ F &\rightarrow I \mid (E) \\ T &\rightarrow F \mid T^*F \\ E &\rightarrow T \mid E + T \end{aligned}$$

(11 marks)

- (ii) Write the procedure involved in converting Context Free Grammar(CFG) to Greibach Normal Form(GNF).

(4 marks)



14. (a) (i) Write the procedure involved in halting of a Turing Machine(TM). Design a Turing machine illustrating the halting problem.

(7 marks)

(ii) Prove the fact that 3-Satisfiable is in NP and the vertex cover problem is NP-Complete.

(8 marks)

Or

(b) (i) What is PCP ? Give an example.

(6 marks)

(ii) Explain in detail NP, NP hard, NP complete problems giving suitable examples.

(9 marks)

[4 × 15 = 60 marks]