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## Instruction/Notes:

- All the questions are to be attempted on this question paper in given space
- You can use rough sheet but answers and working should be shown on this question paper.
- Don't attach any extra sheet

## Question 1: (2 points)

$(bb)^*a(bb)^*$  is a regular expression of L, therefore we know for sure that L is a regular language.

If L is a regular language then it should fulfill the properties of Pumping lemma.

However according to the following Proof by contradiction (Using Pumping lemma) states the L is not a Regular Language. Identify the mistake in this Proof, identify the line/s with the mistake and give reason why you think it is a mistake in one or two sentences.

## Proof by contradiction

1. **Let L is regular with n states**
2. Let  $x = (bb)^{n/2}a(bb)^{n/2}$ ,  $x \in L$
3. Let u, v, w be strings such that  $x = uvw$
4. Taking  $u = (bb)^{n/2}$ ,  $v = a$ ,  $w = (bb)^{n/2}$
5. Checking 3 conditions of Pumping lemma
6. i)  $|uv| = 3n/2 < n$  (True)
7. ii)  $|v| > 0$  (True)
8. iii)  $uv^i w \in L$  for all  $i \geq 0$
9. checking for  $i = 0$
10.  $uv^0w = (bb)^{n/2}(bb)^{n/2}$
11. As  $(bb)^{n/2}(bb)^{n/2}$  does not belong to L therefore L is not a regular language
12. Question 2:

Answer:

**Question 2 (10 Points)**

Create a PDA for given language.

$L = \{a^i c^k b^j, \text{ where } 4i < 8j \text{ and } (k \bmod 3) \text{ should be } 1\}$

Your PDA has only two stack elements **A** and **Z<sub>0</sub>**. **Z<sub>0</sub>** will act as a delimiter, it is only placed at bottom of stack to indicate end of stack. Therefore you can only push or pop **A**'s (as many **A**'s as you like but you cannot push any other element on stack).

Note: **Z<sub>0</sub>** is same as **\$**, as used in Sipser book



**Question 3 (4 Points)**

Check if the string  $w$  belong to the given CFG using CYK algorithm. Show complete working. (5 points)

 $S \rightarrow AX \mid AB$  $Y \rightarrow AX \mid AB$  $X \rightarrow YB$  $A \rightarrow a$  $B \rightarrow b$  $w = aabb$ 

*Show all the working in given table.*


**Question 4 (4 Points)**

Remove null productions from following CFG (2<sup>nd</sup> step of converting to CNF)

*NOTE: you do not have to convert the CFG to CNF, only remove the null productions.*

$S \rightarrow ACAD|^{\wedge}$

$A \rightarrow aAC|^{\wedge} DD$

$C \rightarrow aC|^{\wedge} a|^{\wedge} AD$

$D \rightarrow aaD|^{\wedge} bDb|^{\wedge} \wedge$