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APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
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Course Code: CST 301

Course Name: FORMAL LANGUAGES AND AUTOMATA THEORY

Max. Marks: 100   Duration: 3 Hours

PART A
*(Answer all questions; each question carries 3 marks)*   Marks

1	Define ε-closure of a state? Explain with example.	3
2	Construct a DFA for strings in which first and last letters do not match. $\sum = \{a, b\}$	3
3	Generate regular expression for strings in which number of a's is a multiple of three. $\sum = \{a, b\}$	3
4	Explain any 3 closure properties of regular languages	3
5	With suitable example, explain about ambiguous grammar	3
6	State Myhill - Nerode Theorem	3
7	Whether DPDA and NPDA are equivalent? Justify your answer	3
8	Explain how CFGs can be converted to Chomsky Normal Form	3
9	Define Turing Machine	3
10	Differentiate between Recursive and Recursively Enumerable languages	3

PART B
(Answer one full question from each module, each question carries 14 marks)

Module -1

11	a)	Prove that, if L is accepted by an ordinary NFA, there exist an equivalent ε-NFA that also accepts L	7
	b)	Design an NFA (without ε-moves) for strings having substring '**bab**'. Convert it into equivalent DFA. $\sum = \{a, b\}$	7
12	a)	Construct an ε-NFA for the language $L= \{ 0^n 1^m 2^p / n, m, p \geq 0 \}$ and convert it into equivalent NFA without ε-transitions	7
	b)	Design an NFA (without ε-moves) for strings with either consecutive zeros or consecutive ones. Obtain its corresponding DFA	7

Module -2

13 a) Using pumping lemma, show that $L=\{a^n b^n / n > 0\}$ is not regular   7

    b) Develop equivalent automata for the Regular Expression $(a+b)^*aabb(a^*+bb)^*$ 7

14 a) Prove that for every Regular Expression *'R'*, there is an ε-NFA *'M'*   7

    b) List out the rules for writing regular expressions. Convert the following DFA to its equivalent Regular Expression

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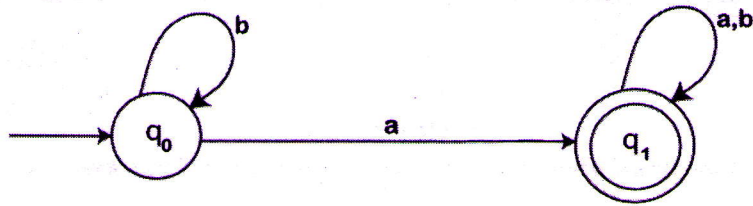
Module -3

15 a) What is Greibach Normal Form (GNF)? Convert the following CFG to GNF

$S \rightarrow AA / a, \qquad A \rightarrow SS / b$

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    b) a) Design CFG for the following languages

      (i)   Palindromes over {a, b}

      (ii)   Stings with more than 2 zeros. $\sum = \{0, 1\}$

      (iii) $(0+1)^*(01)^*(0+1)^*$

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16 a) Minimize the following DFA using Myhill – Nerode theorem

	a	b
→q0	q1	q2
q1	q1	q3
q2	q1	q2
q3	q1	*q4
*q4	q1	q2

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    b) What is Chomsky Normal Form (CNF)? Convert the following productions to CNF. $S \rightarrow aSa / bSb / SS / \varepsilon$

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Module -4

17 a) Prove that for every PDA accepted by final state, there exists an equivalent PDA accepted by empty stack. 7

    b) Design PDA for set of even length palindromes over {a, b}. Illustrate the working with suitable example 7

18 a) Design PDA for $L = \{ x \in \{a, b\}^* \,/\, \#_a (x) = \#_b (x) \}$.

    Here $\#_p (x)$ represents the number of occurrences of the symbol p in the string x 7

    b) Using pumping lemma for CFLs, show that $L = \{ ww \,/\, w \in \{a, b\}^* \}$ is not context free. 7

Module -5

19 a) Design TM for $L = \{a^n b^m a^n \,/\, m, n > 0\}$. Illustrate the working with suitable example 7

    b) Explain Chomsky hierarchy for formal languages and evaluate various types 7

20 a) Design a TM to copy a string of a's and b's to the right side, leaving one blank symbol (b) in between. Assume that initially the input tape contains **bxb** and TM halts with **bxbxb** as the tape content. $x \in \{a, b\}^*$ 7

    b) Prove that TM halting problem is undecidable 7

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