ANSWER SCHEME [100 MARKS]

This paper consists of 10 structured questions. Answer all questions in the space provided. The marks for each part of the question is as indicated.

Question 1 (10 marks)

- a) Write a regular expression for the following languages. (6 marks)
 - ii) The language $L = \{w \in \{a, b\} : w \text{ contains the substring } aa\}$. (a + b)*aa(a + b)*
 - ii) The language of all strings over $\{a, b\}$ in which b is the second letter and a is the second last letter. (a + b)b(a + b)*a(a + b)
- b) Give a description of the following languages in your own words. (4 marks)
 - i) (ab)*ba The language of all strings over $\{a, b\}$ that start with zero or more substring ab and end with substring ba
 - ii) (a + b)*(b + aa)(a + b)* The language of all strings over $\{a, b\}$ that contain letter b or substring aa.

Question 2 (10 marks)

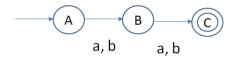
a) List down all the strings with length at most three and state whether the sets are finite or infinite.

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{ε, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, aaa, aab, aba, abb, baa, bab, bba, bbb}, FINITE
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- b) Give a regular expression of language A* that start and end with different symbol a(a + b)*b + b(a + b)*a
- c) Given $B = \{a, b, c\}$. Write the language of AB^2

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A = {a, b}
B = {a, b, c}
B<sup>2</sup>= {a, b, c} {a, b, c} = {aa, ab, ac, ba, bb, bc, ca, cb, cc}
AB<sup>2</sup>= {a, b} { aa, ab, ac, ba, bb, bc, ca, cb, cc}
AB<sup>2</sup> = {aaa, aab, aac, aba, abb, abc, aca, acb, acc, baa, bab, bac, bba, bbb, bbc, bca, bcb, bcc}
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d) Draw a state diagram of DFA which accepts set of all string over A* of length two.L = {aa, ab, ba, bb}



Question 3 (10 marks)

Complete the table below with the corresponding finite automata or regular expression.

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| Finite Automata | Regular Expression | | |
| a B b | a(ba)* | | |
| a b a b | (ab + ba)* | | |
| A a B b C | a(a + b + c) | | |
| A B C C | ab*c | | |
| A a C b B a | (ab*a)* + ba* | | |

Question 4 (10 marks)

a) (4 marks)

Table 1.

| IN the language | NOT IN the language |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| a, aa, ab, aab, abab, abaab | ba, abb |

b) Convert the NFA to the equivalent DFA.

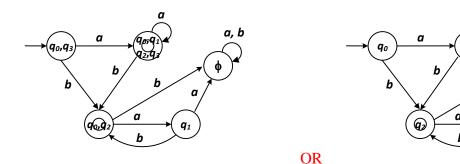
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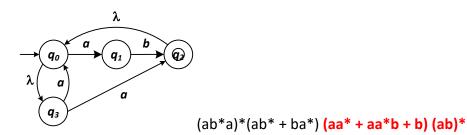
NFA

| δ | a | b | λ* |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------------|
| ${q_0}$ | $\{q_1\}$ | ф | $\{q_0, q_3\}$ |
| $\{q_1\}$ | φ | $\{q_2\}$ | $\{q_1\}$ |
| ${q_2}$ - final | ф | ф | $\{q_0, q_2\}$ |
| {q ₃ } | $\{q_0, q_2\}$ | ф | {q ₃ } |

DFA

| δ | α λ* | <i>b</i> λ* |
|--|--------------------------|----------------|
| {q ₀ , q ₃ } | $\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$ | $\{q_0, q_2\}$ |
| $ \begin{aligned} & \{q_0, \ q_3\} \\ & \{q_0, \ q_1, \ q_2, q_3\} \text{ - final} \end{aligned} $ | $\{q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3\}$ | $\{q_0, q_2\}$ |
| $\{q_0, q_2\}$ - final | {q ₁ } | ф |
| $\{q_1\}$ | ф | $\{q_0, q_2\}$ |





c) Write the regular expression for the DFA. (aa* + aa*b + b) (ab)*

(2 marks)

Question 5 (10 marks)

Given NFA state diagram below:

a) Which of the strings ababa, aababa, ababaabb, abaaba are accepted by the NFA? (4 marks)

ababa : $q_0 - q_2 - q_1 - q_2 - q_3 - q_1$: accepted

aababa: $q_0 - q_2$ - : rejected

ababaabb: $q_0 - q_2 - q_1 - q_2 - q_3 - q_1 - q_2 - q_3 - :$ rejected

abaaba: $q_0 - q_2 - q_1 - q_1 - q_2 - q_3 - q_1$: accepted

b) Construct the transition table of above NFA.

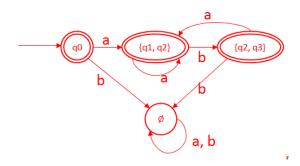
(2 marks)

| δ | a | b |
|----------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| > @ | $\{q_1, q_2\}$ | Ø |
| фl | {q ₁ , q ₂ } | Ø |
| q ₂ | Ø | {q ₁ , q ₃ } |
| q ₃ | {q ₁ , q ₂ } | Ø |

c) Convert the NFA to equivalent DFA

(4 marks)

| δ | a | b |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| > 00 | {q ₁ , q ₂ } | Ø |
| {q ₁ , q ₂ } | {q ₁ , q ₂ } | {q ₁ , q ₃ } |
| { q ₁, q₃} | {q ₁ , q ₂ } | Ø |
| Ø | Ø | Ø |



Question 6 (10 marks)

a) Given a regular expression $a\Sigma^*b\Sigma^*c$ and set of alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$. List THREE strings that can be generated and TWO strings that cannot be generated by the regular expression. (5 marks)

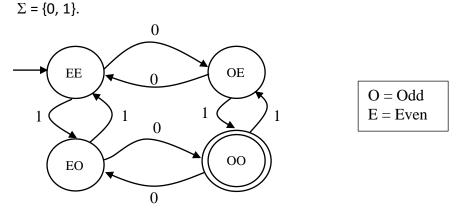
Accepted strings { awc | w contains at least a b } Rejected strings

| abc | В |
|------|-----|
| aabc | Abb |
| abac | |

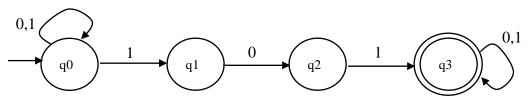
- b) Write the regular expression over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ for each of the following language:
 - i) $\{w \mid w \text{ has } at \text{ most one } 0\}$. $1*(\lambda + 0)1*$ (1 mark)
 - ii) {w | w has exactly two 0's}. 1*01*01* (2 marks)
 - iii) {w | w has no more than two 0's}. $(1*(\lambda + 0)1*) + (1*01*01*)$ (2 marks)

Questions 7 (10 marks)

a) Draw the DFA for the language L1 = {w | w has odd number of 0's and odd number of 1's}. $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}.$ (5 marks)

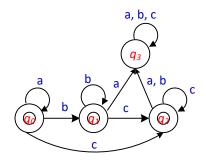


b) Draw the NFA for the language L2 = {w | w contains the substring 101}. Σ = {0, 1}.(5 marks)



Questions 8 (10 marks)

a) Draw a state diagram for M. Is it a DFA or NFA? _____ DFA (3 mark)



- b) Give a regular expression for the language accepted by M. a*b*c* (3 marks)
- c) Give 2 possible strings accepted by M. a, b, c, ab, ac, bc, abc, aa, bb, cc (2 marks)
- d) Trace the computations that process the strings *abbbbc*. (2 marks)

Question 9 (10 marks)

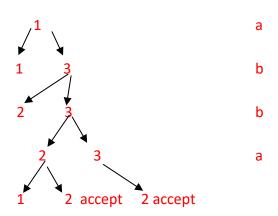
Based on the diagram below, answer the questions.

a) Write the transition table of the NFA above.

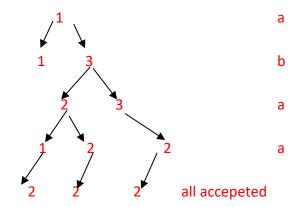
(3 marks)

| δ | а | b | ε |
|---|-----|-------|-------------|
| 1 | {3} | φ | {2 } |
| 2 | {1} | φ | φ |
| 3 | {2} | {2,3} | φ |

- b) Draw the possibility tree for the computation of the following strings. (4 marks)
 - i. abba



ii. abaa



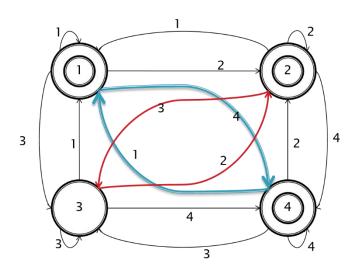
c) What is the regular expression of the FA above? (a*ab*(a+b))* (3 marks)

Question 10 (10 marks)

Given an FA description for Elevator/Lift.

a) Draw the state diagram for the Elevator.

(3 marks)



b) Inputs: 1, 2, 3, 4 (5 marks)

States: 1, 2, 3, 4
Final States: 1, 2, 4
Starting States: 1, 2, 3, 4

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c) 4 (2 marks)