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Theory of Computation

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THEORY OF COMPUTATION

YEAR 2001

- Q. 1 Consider the following two statements :
 $S1 : \{0^{2n} | n \geq 1\}$ is a regular language
 $S2 : \{0^m 1^n 0^{m+n} | m \geq 1 \text{ and } n \geq 1\}$ is a regular language
Which of the following statements is incorrect ?
(A) Only $S1$ is correct (B) Only $S2$ is correct
(C) Both $S1$ and $S2$ are correct (D) None of $S1$ and $S2$ is correct.
- Q. 2 Which of the following statements true ?
(A) If a language is context free it can be always be accepted by a deterministic push-down automaton.
(B) The union of two context free language is context free.
(C) The intersection of two context free language is context free
(D) The complement of a context free language is context free
- Q. 3 Given an arbitrary non-deterministic finite automaton (NFA) with N states, the maximum number of states in an equivalent minimized DFA is at least.
(A) N^2 (B) 2^N
(C) $2N$ (D) $N!$
- Q. 4 Consider a DFA over $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ accepting all strings which have number of a 's divisible by 6 and number of b 's divisible by 8. What is the minimum number of states that the DFA will have ?
(A) 8 (B) 14
(C) 15 (D) 48
- Q. 5 Consider the following languages :
 $L1 = \{ww | w \in \{a, b\}^*\}$
 $L2 = \{ww^R | w \in \{a, b\}^* \text{ is the reverse of } w\}$
 $L3 = \{0^{2i} | i \text{ is an integer}\}$
 $L4 = \{0^i | i \text{ is an integer}\}$
Which of the languages are regular ?
(A) Only $L1$ and $L2$ (B) Only $L2, L3$ and $L4$
(C) Only $L3$ and $L4$ (D) Only $L3$
- Q. 6 Consider the following problem x .
Given a Turing machine M over the input alphabet Σ , any state q of M .
And a word $w \in \Sigma^*$ does the computation of M on w visit the state q ?
Which of the following statements about x is correct ?
(A) x is decidable
(B) x is undecidable but partially decidable

- (C) x is undecidable and not even partially decidable
 (D) x is not a decision problem

YEAR 2002

- Q. 7 The smallest finite automaton which accepts the language $\{x \mid \text{length of } x \text{ is divisible by } 3\}$ has
 (A) 2 states (B) 3 states
 (C) 4 states (D) 5 states
- Q. 8 Which of the following is true ?
 (A) The complement of a recursive language is recursive.
 (B) The complement of a recursively enumerable language is recursively enumerable.
 (C) The complement of a recursive language is either recursive or recursively enumerable.
 (D) The complement of a context-free language is context-free.
- Q. 9 The C language is :
 (A) A context free language (B) A context sensitive language
 (C) A regular language (D) Parsable fully only by a Turing machine
- Q. 10 The language accepted by a Pushdown Automaton in which the stack is limited to 10 items is best described as
 (A) Context free (B) Regular
 (C) Deterministic Context free (D) Recursive

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- Q. 11 Ram and Shyam have been asked to show that a certain problem Π is NP-complete. Ram shows a polynomial time reduction from the 3-SAT problem to Π , and Shyam shows a polynomial time reduction from Π to 3-SAT. Which of the following can be inferred from these reduction?
 (A) Π is NP-hard but not NP-complete
 (b) Π is in NP, but is not NP-complete
 (C) Π is NP-complete
 (D) Π is neither NP-hard, nor in NP
- Q. 12 Nobody knows yet if $P = NP$. Consider the language L defined as follows

$$L = \begin{cases} (0+1)^* & \text{if } P = NP \\ \phi & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

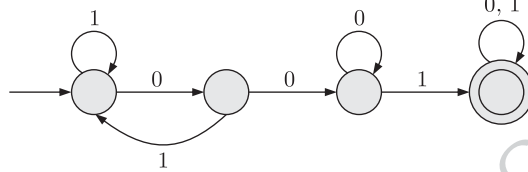
 Which of the following statements is true?
 (A) L is recursive
 (B) L is recursively enumerable but not recursive
 (C) L is not recursively enumerable
 (D) Whether L is recursive or not will be known after we find out if $P = NP$

- Q. 13 The regular expression $0^*(10)^*$ denotes the same set as
 (A) $(1^*0)^*1^*$
 (B) $0 + (0 + 10)^*$
 (C) $(0 + 1)^*10(0 + 1)^*$
 (D) None of the above
- Q. 14 If the strings of a language L can be effectively enumerated in lexicographic (i.e. alphabetic) order, which of the following statements is true?
 (A) L is necessarily finite
 (B) L is regular but not necessarily finite
 (C) L is context free but not necessarily regular
 (D) L is recursive but not necessarily context free

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- Q. 15 Consider the following deterministic finite state automaton M .



- Let S denote the set of seven bit binary strings in which the first, the fourth, and the last bits are 1. The number of strings in S that are accepted by M is
 (A) 1
 (B) 5
 (C) 7
 (D) 8

- Q. 16 Let $G = (\{S\}, \{a, b\}, R, S)$ be a context free grammar where the rule set R is
 $S \rightarrow a S b \mid S S \mid \epsilon$

- Which of the following statements is true?
 (A) G is not ambiguous
 (B) There exist $x, y \in L(G)$ such that $xy \notin L(G)$
 (C) There is a deterministic pushdown automaton that accepts $L(G)$
 (D) We can find a deterministic finite state automaton that accepts $L(G)$

- Q. 17 Consider two languages L_1 and L_2 each on the alphabet Σ . Let $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$ be a polynomial time computable bijection such that $(\forall x [x \in L_1 \text{ iff } f(x) \in L_2])$. Further, let f^{-1} be also polynomial time computable. Which of the following CANNOT be true?
 (A) $L_1 \in P$ and L_2 finite
 (B) $L_1 \in NP$ and $L_2 \in P$
 (C) L_1 is undecidable and L_2 is decidable
 (D) L_1 is recursively enumerable and L_2 is recursive

- Q. 18 A single tape Turing Machine M has two states q^0 and q^1 , of which q^0 is the starting state. The tape alphabet of M is $\{0, 1, B\}$ and its input alphabet is $\{0, 1\}$. The symbol B is the blank symbol used to indicate end of an input string. The transition function of M is described in the following table

	0	1	B
q^0	$q^{1,1,R}$	$q^{1,1,R}$	Halt
q^1	$q^{1,1,R}$	$q^{0,1,L}$	$qH0, B, L$

The table is interpreted as illustrated below.

The entry $(q^{1,1,R})$ in row q^0 and column 1 signifies that if M is in state q^0 and reads 1 on the current tape square, then it writes 1 on the same tape square, moves its tape head one position to the right and transitions to state q^1 .

Which of the following statements is true about M ?

- (A) M does not halt on any string in $(0+1)^+$
- (B) M does not halt on any string in $(00+1)^*$
- (C) M halts on all string ending in a 0
- (D) M halts on all string ending in a 1

Q. 19

Define languages L_0 and L_1 as follows

$L_0 = \{ \langle M, w, 0 \rangle \mid M \text{ halts on } w \}$

$L_1 = \{ \langle M, w, 1 \rangle \mid M \text{ does not halts on } w \}$

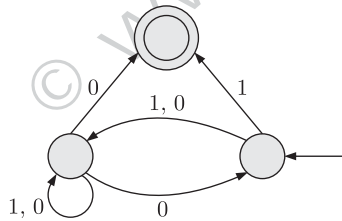
Here $\langle M, w, i \rangle$ is a triplet, whose first component, M is an encoding of a Turing Machine, second component, w , is a string, and third component, i , is a bit.

Let $L = L_0 \cup L_1$. Which of the following is true?

- (A) L is recursively enumerable, but \bar{L} is not
- (B) \bar{L} is recursively enumerable, but L is not
- (C) Both L and \bar{L} are recursive
- (D) Neither L nor \bar{L} is recursively enumerable

Q. 20

Consider the NFAM shown below.



Let the language accepted by M be L . Let L_1 be the language accepted by the NFAM, obtained by changing the accepting state of M to a non-accepting state and by changing the non-accepting state of M to accepting states. Which of the following statements is true?

- (A) $L_1 = \{0,1\}^* - L$
- (B) $L_1 = \{0,1\}^*$
- (C) $L_1 \subseteq L$
- (D) $L_1 = L$

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Q. 21

The problems 3-SAT and 2-SAT are

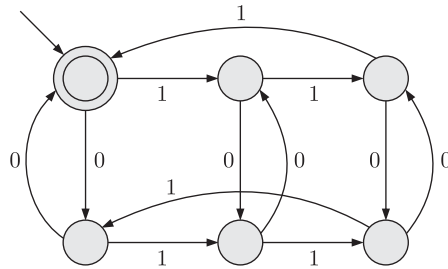
- (A) both in P
- (B) both NP-complete
- (C) NP-complete and in P respectively
- (D) undecidable and NP-complete respectively

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Q. 22

The following finite state machine accepts all those binary strings in which the number of 1's and 0's are respectively



(A) divisible by 3 and 2

(B) odd and even

(C) even and odd

(D) divisible by 2 and 3

Q. 23

The language $\{a^m b^{m+n} \mid m, n \leq 1\}$ is

(A) regular

(B) context-free but not regular

(C) context sensitive but not context free

(D) type-0 but not context sensitive

Q. 24

Consider the following grammar G

$$S \rightarrow bS \mid aA \mid b$$

$$A \rightarrow bA \mid aB$$

$$B \rightarrow bB \mid aS \mid a$$

Let $N_a(W)$ and $N_b(W)$ denote the number of a's and b's in a string W respectively.

The language $L(G) \subseteq \{a, b\}^+$ generated by G is

(A) $\{W \mid N_a(W) > 3N_b(W)\}$ (B) $\{W \mid N_b(W) > 3N_a(W)\}$ (C) $\{W \mid N_a(W) = 3k, k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}\}$ (D) $\{W \mid N_b(W) = 3k, k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}\}$

Q. 25

L_1 is a recursively enumerable language over Σ . An algorithm A effectively enumerates its words as w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots . Define another language L_2 over $\Sigma \cup \{\#\}$ as $\{w_i \# w_j \mid w_i, w_j \in L_1, i < j\}$. Here $\#$ is a new symbol. Consider the following assertion.

$S_1: L_1$ is recursive implies L_2 is recursive

$S_2: L_2$ is recursive implies L_1 is recursive

Which of the following statements is true?

(A) Both S_1 and S_2 are true(B) S_1 is true but S_2 is not necessarily true(C) S_2 is true but S_1 is not necessarily true

(D) Neither is necessarily true

YEAR 2005

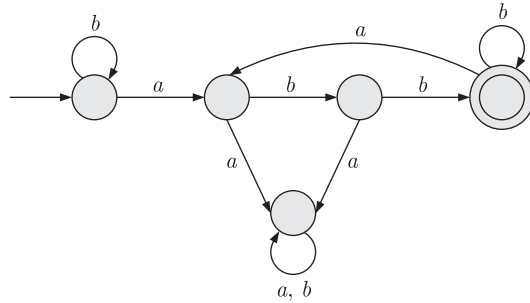
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Q. 26

Consider three decision problem P_1, P_2 and P_3 . It is known that P_1 is decidable and P_2 is undecidable. Which one of the following is TRUE?

(A) P_3 is decidable if P_1 is reducible to P_3 (B) P_3 is undecidable if P_3 is reducible to P_2 (C) P_3 is undecidable if P_2 is reducible to P_3 (D) P_3 is decidable if P_3 is reducible to P_2 's complement

Q. 27

Consider the machine M The language recognized by M is

- (A) $\{W \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{every } a \text{ in } w \text{ is followed by exactly two } b's\}$
 (B) $\{W \in \{a, b\}^* \mid \text{every } a \text{ in } w \text{ is followed by at least two } b's\}$
 (C) $\{W \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ contains the substring 'abb'}\}$
 (D) $\{W \in \{a, b\}^* \mid w \text{ does not contain 'aa' as a substring}\}$

Q. 28

Let N_f and N_p denote the classes of languages accepted by non-deterministic finite automata and non-deterministic push-down automata, respectively. Let D_f and D_p denote the classes of languages accepted by deterministic finite automata and deterministic push-down automata, respectively. Which one of the following is TRUE?

- (A) $D_f \subset N_f$ and $D_p \subset N_p$ (B) $D_f \subset N_f$ and $D_p = N_p$
 (C) $D_f = N_f$ and $D_p = N_p$ (D) $D_f = N_f$ and $D_p \subset N_p$

Q. 29

Consider the languages

$$L_1 = \{a^n b^n c^m \mid n, m > 0\} \text{ and } L_2 = \{a^n b^m c^m \mid n, m > 0\}$$

- (A) $L_1 \cap L_2$ is a context-free language (B) $L_1 \cup L_2$ is a context-free language
 (C) L_1 and L_2 are context-free language (D) $L_1 \cap L_2$ is a context sensitive language

Q. 30

Let L_1 be a recursive language, and let L_2 be a recursively enumerable but not a recursive language. Which one of the following is TRUE?

- (A) $\overline{L_1}$ is recursive and $\overline{L_2}$ is recursively enumerable
 (B) $\overline{L_1}$ is recursive and $\overline{L_2}$ is not recursively enumerable
 (C) $\overline{L_1}$ and $\overline{L_2}$ are recursively enumerable
 (D) $\overline{L_1}$ is recursively enumerable and $\overline{L_2}$ is recursive

Q. 31

Consider the languages

$$L_1 = \{WW^R \mid W \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$$

$$L_2 = \{W\#W^R \mid W \in \{0, 1\}^*\}, \text{ where } \# \text{ is a special symbol}$$

$$L_3 = \{WW \mid W \in \{0, 1\}^*\}$$

Which one of the following is TRUE?

- (A) L_1 is a deterministic CFL
 (B) L_2 is a deterministic CFL
 (C) L_3 is a CFL, but not a deterministic CFL
 (D) L_3 is a deterministic CFL

Q. 32

Consider the following two problems on undirected graphs

α : Given $G(V, E)$, does G have an independent set of size $|V| - 4$?

β : Given $G(V, E)$, does G have an independent set of size 5?

Which one of the following is TRUE?

(A) α is in the P and β is NP-complete

(B) α is NP-complete and β is P

(C) Both α and β are NP-complete

(D) Both α and β are in P

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Q. 33

Let S be an NP-complete problem Q and R be two other problems not known to be in NP. Q is polynomial-time reducible to S and S is polynomial-time reducible to R . Which one of the following statements is true?

(A) R is NP-complete

(B) R is NP-hard

(C) Q is NP-complete

(D) Q is NP-hard

Q. 34

Let $L_1 = \{0^{n+m}1^n0^m \mid n, m \leq 0\}$, $L_2 = \{0^{n+m}1^{n+m}0^m \mid n, m \leq 0\}$, and $L_3 = \{0^{n+m}1^{n+m}0^{n+m} \mid n, m \leq 0\}$. Which of these languages are NOT context free?

(A) L_1 only

(B) L_3 only

(C) L_1 and L_2

(D) L_2 and L_3

YEAR 2006

TWO MARKS

Q. 35

If s is a string over $(0+1)^*$, then let $n_0(s)$ denote the number of 0's in s and $n_1(s)$ the number of 1's in s . Which one of the following languages is not regular?

(A) $L = \{s \in (0+1)^* \mid n_0(s) \text{ is a 3-digit prime}\}$

(B) $L = \{s \in (0+1)^* \mid \text{for every prefixes' of } s, |n_0(s') - n_1(s')| \leq 2\}$

(C) $L = \{s \in (0+1)^* \mid n_0(s) - n_1(s) \leq 4\}$

(D) $L = \{s \in (0+1)^* \mid n_0(s) \bmod 7 = n_1(s) \bmod 5 = 0\}$

Q. 36

For $s \in (0+1)^*$ let $d(s)$ denote the decimal value of s (e.g. $d(101) = 5$)

Let $L = \{s \in (0+1)^* \mid d(s) \bmod 5 = 2 \text{ and } d(s) \bmod 7 \neq 4\}$

Which one of the following statements is true?

(A) L is recursively enumerable, but not recursive

(B) L is recursive, but not context-free

(C) L is context_free, but not regular

(D) L is regular

Q. 37

Let SHAM, be the problem of finding a Hamiltonian cycle in a graph $G + (V, E)$ with $|V|$ divisible by 3 and DHAM' be the problem of determining if a Hamiltonian cycle exists in such graphs. Which one of the following is true?

(A) Both DHAM, and SHAM, are NP-hard

(B) SHAM, is NP-hard, but DHAM, is not

(C) DHAM, is NP-hard, but SHAM, is not

(D) Neither DHAM, nor SHAM, is NP-hard

Q. 38 Consider the following statements about the context-free grammar,
 $G = \{S \rightarrow SS, S \rightarrow ab, S \rightarrow ba, S \rightarrow \epsilon\}$

1. G is ambiguous.
2. G produces all strings with equal number of a 's and b 's.
3. G can be accepted by a deterministic PDA .

Which combination below expresses all the true statements about G ?

- (A) 1 only (B) 1 and 3 only
 (C) 2 and 3 only (D) 1, 2 and 3

Q. 39 Let L_1 be regular language, L_2 be a deterministic context-free language and L_3 a recursively enumerable, but not recursive, language. Which one of the following statements is false?

- (A) $L_1 \cap L_2$ is a deterministic CFL (B) $L_3 \cap L_1$ is recursive
 (C) $L_1 \cup L_2$ is context free (D) $L_1 \cap L_2 \cap L_3$ is recursively enumerable

Q. 40 Consider the regular language $L = (111 + 111111)^*$. The minimum number of states in any DFA accepting this languages is

- (A) 3 (B) 5
 (C) 8 (D) 9

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Q. 41 Which of the following problems is undecidable?

- (A) Membership problem for $CFGs$
 (B) Ambiguity problem for $CFGs$
 (C) Finiteness problem for $FSAs$
 (D) Equivalence problem for $FSAs$

Q. 42 Which of the following is TRUE?

- (A) Every subset of a regular set is regular
 (B) Every finite subset of a non-regular set is regular
 (C) The union of two non-regular sets is not regular
 (D) Infinite union of finite sets is regular

YEAR 2007

TWO MARKS

Q. 43 A minimum state deterministic finite automation accepting the language
 $L = \{w \mid w \in (0,1)^*, \text{ number of } 0\text{'s \& } 1\text{'s in } w \text{ are divisible by } 3 \text{ and } 5, \text{ respectively}\}$
 has

- (A) 15 states (B) 11 states
 (C) 10 states (D) 9 states

Q. 44 The language $L = \{0^T 21^i \mid i \leq 0\}$ over the alphabet $\{0,1,2\}$ is

- (A) not recursive
 (B) is recursive and is a deterministic CFL
 (C) is a regular language
 (D) is not a deterministic CFI but a CFL

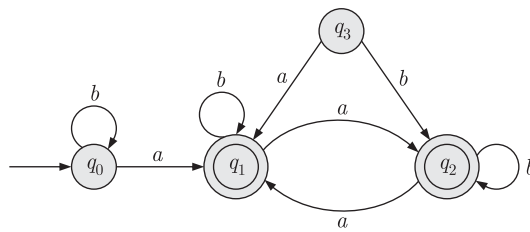
Q. 45 Which of the following languages is regular?

- (A) $\{WW^R \mid W \in \{0,1\}^+\}$
 (B) $\{WW^RX \mid X, W \in \{0,1\}^+\}$
 (C) $\{WXW^RX \mid X, W \in \{0,1\}^+\}$
 (D) $\{XWW^RX \mid X, W \in \{0,1\}^+\}$

Common Data For Q. 46 & 47

Solve the problems and choose the correct answers.

Consider the following Finite State Automation



Q. 46 The language accepted by this automaton is given by the regular expression

- (A) $b^*ab^*ab^*ab^*$ (B) $(a+b)^*$
 (C) $b^*a(a+b)^*$ (D) $b^*ab^*ab^*$

Q. 47 The minimum state automaton equivalent to the above FSA has the following number of states

- (A) 1 (B) 2
 (C) 3 (D) 4

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Q. 48 Which of the following is true for the language $\{a^P \mid P \text{ is a prime}\}$?

- (A) It is not accepted by a Turing Machine
 (B) It is regular but not context-free
 (C) It is context-free but not regular
 (D) It is neither regular nor context-free, but accepted by a Turing machine

Q. 49 Which of the following are decidable?

1. Whether the intersection of two regular languages is infinite
2. Whether a given context-free language is regular
3. Whether two push-down automata accept the same language
4. Whether a given grammar is context-free

- (A) 1 and 2 (B) 1 and 4
 (C) 2 and 3 (D) 2 and 4

Q. 50 If L and \bar{L} are recursively enumerable then L is

- (A) regular (B) context-free
 (C) context-sensitive (D) recursive

YEAR 2008

TWO MARKS

Q. 51

Which of the following statements is false?

- (A) Every *NFA* can be converted to an equivalent *DFA*
 (B) Every non-deterministic Turing machine can be converted to an equivalent deterministic Turing machine
 (C) Every regular language is also a context-free language
 (D) Every subset of a recursively enumerable set is recursive

Q. 52

Given below are two finite state automata(\rightarrow indicates the start and F indicates a final state)

Y:

	a	b
\rightarrow	1	2
2F	2	1

Z :

	a	b
\rightarrow	2	2
2F	1	1

(A)

	a	b
-P	S	R
Q	R	S
R(F)	Q	P
S	Q	P

(B)

	a	b
-P	S	Q
Q	R	S
R(F)	Q	P
S	Q	P

(C)

	a	b
-P	Q	S
Q	R	S
R(F)	Q	P
S	Q	P

(D)

	a	b
-P	S	Q
Q	S	R
R(F)	Q	P
S	Q	P

Q. 53

Which of the following statements are true ?

- Every left-recursive grammar can be converted to a right-recursive grammar and vice-versa
- All ϵ -productions can be removed from any context-free grammar by suitable transformations
- The language generated by a context-free grammar all of whose production are of the form $X \rightarrow w$ or $X \rightarrow wY$ (where, w is a string of terminals and Y is a non-terminal), is always regular
- The derivation trees of strings generated by a context-free grammar in Chomsky Normal Form are always binary trees.

- (A) 1, 2, 3 and 4
 (B) 2, 3 and 4 only
 (C) 1, 3 and 4 only
 (D) 1, 2 and 4 only

Q. 54

Match **List-I** with **List-II** and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

	List-I		List-II
P.	Checking that identifiers are declared before their use	1.	$L = \{a^n b^m c^n d^m \mid n \leq 1, m \leq 1\}$
Q.	Number of formal parameters in the declaration to a function agrees with the number of actual parameters in a use of that function	2.	$X \rightarrow XbX \mid XcX \mid dXf \mid g$
R.	Arithmetic expressions with matched pairs of parentheses	3.	$L = \{wcw \mid w \in (a \mid b)^*\}$
S.	Palindromes	4.	$X \rightarrow bXb \mid cXc \mid \varepsilon$

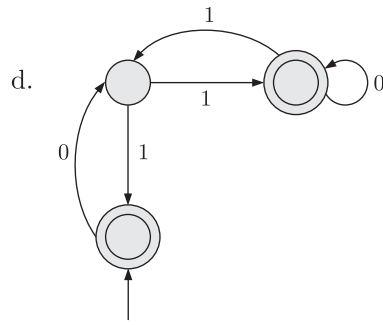
Codes:

	P	Q	R	S
(A)	1	3	2	4
(B)	3	1	4	2
(C)	3	1	2	4
(D)	1	3	4	2

Q. 55

Match **List I** with **List II** and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

	List I	List II
a.		1. $\varepsilon + 0(01^*1 + 00)^*01^*$
b.		2. $\varepsilon + 0(10^*1 + 00)^*0$
c.		3. $\varepsilon + 0(10^*1 + 10)^*1$



4. $\varepsilon + 0(10^*1 + 10)^*10^*$

Code:

	a	b	c	d
(A)	2	1	3	4
(B)	1	3	3	4
(C)	1	2	3	4
(D)	3	2	1	4

Q. 56

Which of the following are regular sets?

1. $\{a^n b^{2m} \mid n \leq 0, m \leq 0\}$
2. $\{a^n b^m \mid n = 2m\}$
3. $\{a^n b^m \mid n \neq m\}$
4. $\{xycy \mid x, y \in \{a, b\}^*\}$

(A) 1 and 4 only

(B) 1 and 3 only

(C) 1 only

(D) 4 only

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Q. 57

$S \rightarrow aSa \mid bSb \mid a \mid b$

The language generated by the above grammar over the alphabet $\{a, b\}$ is the set of

- (A) all palindromes
- (B) all odd length palindromes
- (C) strings that begin and end with the same symbol
- (D) all even length palindromes

Q. 58

Which one of the following languages over the alphabet $\{0, 1\}$ is described by the regular expression :

$(0 + 1)^*0(0 + 1)^*0(0 + 1)^* ?$

- (A) The set of all strings containing the substring 00
- (B) The set of all strings containing at most two 0's
- (C) The set of all strings containing at least two 0's
- (D) The set of all strings that begin and end with either 0 or 1

Q. 59

Which one of the following is FALSE ?

- (A) There is a unique minimal *DFA* for every regular language
- (B) Every *NFA* can be converted to an equivalent *PDA*
- (C) Complement of every context-free language is recursive
- (D) Every nondeterministic *PDA* can be converted to an equivalent deterministic *PDA*

Q. 60

Match all items in Group I with correct options from those given in Group 2

Group 1		Group 2	
P.	Regular expression	1.	Syntax analysis
Q.	Pushdown automata	2.	Code generation
R.	Data flow analysis	3.	Lexical analysis
S.	Register allocation	4.	Code Optimization

(A) P-4, Q-1, R-2, S-3

(B) P-3, Q-1, R-4, S-2

(C) P-3, Q-4, R-1, S-2

(D) P-2, Q-1, R-4, S-3

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Q. 61

Given the following state table of an *FSM* with two states *A* and *B*, one input and one output :

Present State A	Present State B	Input	Next State A	Next State B	Output
0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	1

If the initial state is $A = 0, B = 0$, what is the minimum length of an input string which will take the machine to the state $A = 0, B = 1$ with Output = 1 ?

(A) 3

(B) 4

(C) 5

(D) 6

Q. 62

Let $L = L_1 \cap L_2$ where L_1 and L_2 are language as defined below :

$$L_1 = \{a^m b^n c a^n b^n \mid m, n \geq 0\}$$

$$L_2 = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i, j, k \geq 0\}$$

Then L is

(A) Not recursive

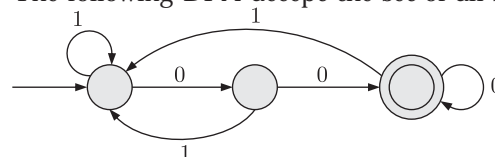
(B) Regular

(C) Context-free but not regular

(D) Recursively enumerable but not context-free

Q. 63

The following *DFA* accept the set of all string over $\{0, 1\}$ that



(A) Begin either with 0 or 1

(B) End with 0

(C) End with 00

(D) Contain the substring 00

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- Q. 64 Let L_1 be a recursive language. Let L_2 and L_3 be language that are recursively enumerable but not recursive. What of the following statements is not necessarily true ?
- (A) $L_1 - L_1$ is recursively enumerable
 - (B) $L_1 - L_3$ is recursively enumerable
 - (C) $L_2 \cap L_3$ is recursively enumerable
 - (D) $L_2 \cap L_3$ is recursively enumerable

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- Q. 65 Let $L = \{\omega \in (0+1)^* \mid \omega \text{ has even number of 1s}\}$, i.e., L is the set of all bit strings with even number of 1s. Which one of the regular expressions below represents L ?
- (A) $(0^*10^*1)^*$
 - (B) $0^*(10^*10^*)^*$
 - (C) $0^*(10^*1)^*0^*$
 - (D) $0^*1(10^*1)^*10^*$
- Q. 66 Consider the language $L_1 = \{0^i1^j \mid i \neq j\}$, $L_2 = \{0^i1^j \mid i = j\}$, $L_3 = \{0^i1^j \mid i = 2j + 1\}$ $L_4 = \{0^i1^j \mid i \neq 2j\}$. Which one of the following statements is true ?
- (A) Only L_2 is context free
 - (B) Only L_2 and L_3 are context free
 - (C) Only L_1 and L_2 are context free
 - (D) All are context free
- Q. 67 Let ω by any string of length n in $\{0,1\}^*$. Let L be the set of all substring so ω . What is the minimum number of states in a non-deterministic finite automation that accepts L ?
- (A) $n - 1$
 - (B) n
 - (C) $n + 1$
 - (D) 2^{n+1}

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- Q. 68 Which of the following pairs have DIFFERENT expressive power?
- (A) Deterministic finite automata (DFA) and Non-deterministic finite automata (NFA)
 - (B) Deterministic push down automata (DPDA) and Non-deterministic push down automata (NPDA)
 - (C) Deterministic single-tape Turing machine and Non-deterministic single-tape Turing machine
 - (D) Single-tape Turing machine and multi-tape Turing machine
- Q. 69 The lexical analysis for a modern computer language such as Java needs the power of which one of the following machine models in a necessary and sufficient sense?
- (A) Finite state automata
 - (B) Deterministic pushdown automata
 - (C) Non-deterministic pushdown automata
 - (D) Turing machine

- Q. 70 Let P be a regular language and Q be a context-free language such that $Q \subseteq P$. (For example, let P be the language represented by the regular expression p^*q^* and Q be $\{p^nq^n \mid n \in N\}$. Then which of the following is ALWAYS regular?
- (A) $P \cap Q$ (B) $P - Q$
 (C) $\Sigma^* - P$ (D) $\Sigma^* - Q$

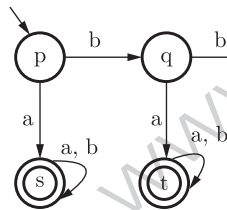
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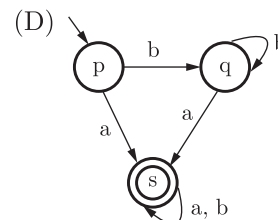
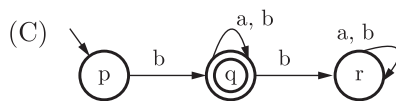
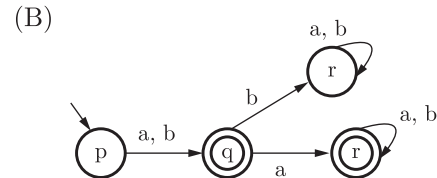
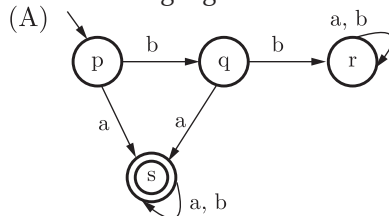
- Q. 71 Consider the languages L1, L2 and L3 are given below:
 $L1 = \{0^p1^q \mid p, q \in N\}$, $L2 = \{0^p1^q \mid p, q \in N \text{ and } p = q\}$ and
 $L3 = \{0^p1^q0^r \mid p, q, r \in N \text{ and } p = q = r\}$
 Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE?
- (A) Push Down Automata (PDA) can be used to recognize L1 and L2
 (B) L1 is a regular language
 (C) All the three languages are context free
 (D) Turing machines can be used to recognize all the languages

- Q. 72 Definition of a language L with alphabet $\{a\}$ is given as follows:
 $L = \{a^{nk} \mid k > 0\}$, and n is a positive integer constant
 What is the minimum number of states needed in a dfa to recognize L?
- (A) $k + 1$ (B) $n + 1$
 (C) 2^{n+1} (D) 2^{k+1}

- Q. 73 A deterministic finite automaton (DFA) D with alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ is given below:



Which of the following finite state machines is a valid minimal DFA which accepts the same language as D?



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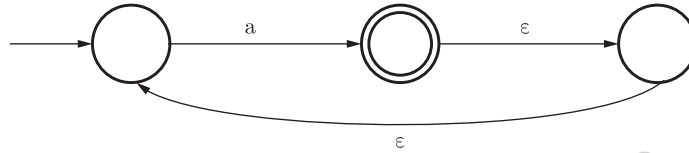
Q. 74

assuming $P \neq NP$, which of the following is TRUE?

- (A) $NP\text{-complete} = NP$
- (B) $NP\text{-complete} \cap P = \emptyset$
- (C) $NP\text{-hard} = NP$
- (D) $P = NP\text{-complete}$

Q. 75

What is the complement of the language accepted by the NFA shown below? Assume $\Sigma = \{a\}$ and ε is the empty string.



- (A) \emptyset
- (B) $\{\varepsilon\}$
- (C) a^*
- (D) $\{a, \varepsilon\}$

Q. 76

Which of the following problems are decidable?

1. Does a given program ever produce an output?
2. If L is a context-free language, then, is \bar{L} also context-free?
3. If L is a regular language, then, is \bar{L} also regular?
4. If L is a recursive language, then, is \bar{L} also recursive?

- (A) 1, 2, 3, 4
- (B) 1, 2
- (C) 2, 3, 4
- (D) 3, 4

Q. 77

Given the language $L = \{ab, aa, baa\}$, which of the following strings are in L^* ?

1. $abaabaaabaa$
2. $aaaabaaaa$
3. $baaaaabaaaab$
4. $baaaaabaa$

- (A) 1, 2 and 3
- (B) 2, 3 and 4
- (C) 1, 2 and 4
- (D) 1, 3 and 4

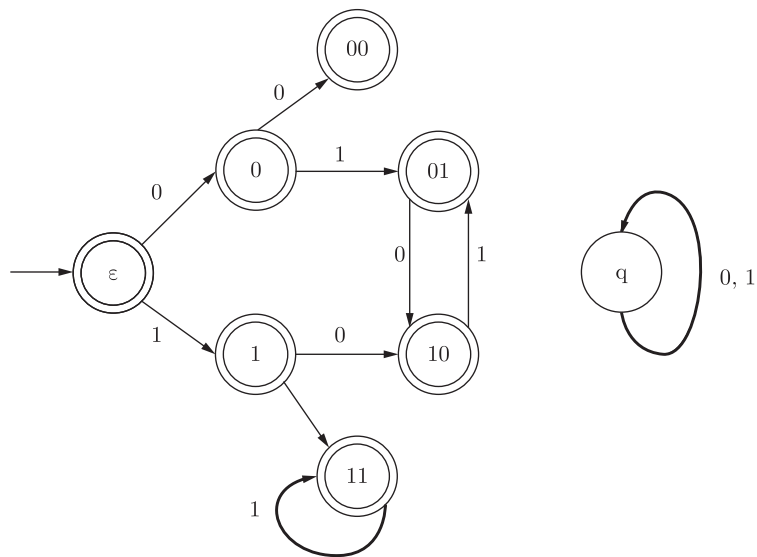
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Q. 78

Consider the set of strings on $\{0,1\}$ in which, every substring of 3 symbols has at most two zeros. For example, 001110 and 011001 are in the language, but 100010 is not. All strings of length less than 3 are also in the language. A partially complete DFA that accepts this language is shown below.

The missing arcs in the DFA are



(A)

	00	01	10	11	q
00	1	0			
01				1	
10	0				
11			0		

(B)

	00	01	10	11	q
00		0			1
01		1			
10				0	
11		0			

(C)

	00	01	10	11	q
00		1			0
01		1			
10			0		
11		0			

(D)

	00	01	10	11	q
00		1			0
01				1	
10	0				
11			0		

ANSWER KEY

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
(A)	(B)	(C)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(A)	(A)	(B)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
(C)	(A)	(?)	(D)	(C)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(C)
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
(C)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(B)	(C)	(B)	(D)	(A)	(B)
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
(B)	(?)	(B)	(D)	(C)	(D)	(?)	(B)	(B)	(D)
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
(B)	(B)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(C)	(B)	(D)	(B)	(D)
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
(D)	(A)	(C)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(B)
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
(A)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(B)	(D)	(C)	(B)	(A)	(C)
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78		
(C)	(B)	(A)	(B)	(B)	(D)	(C)	(D)		