

Question 1 [30%]

- (i) Give both a regular expression and a deterministic finite automaton that captures all alphanumeric strings (i.e. consisting of letters and digits) that contain the string "august" as a substring. (You may make use of the following shorthand: \cdot (dot) for "any symbol" and $[\wedge x]$ for "any symbol other than x ".) (10%)
- (ii) Draw a deterministic finite automaton that captures the strings over the alphabet $\{a, b, c\}$ in the following set: Between each consecutive pair of a s there is at least one b and at least one c . (10%)
- (iii) Give a regular expression that captures the set of binary strings such that every consecutive block of five symbols contains at most three zeros. (10%)

Question 2 [25%]

- (i) Consider the following simple grammar for the programming language PL0.

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<prog> → <list>
<list> → <assignment> ; <list> | ε
<assignment> → id := <expr>
<expr> → <expr> + <term> | <expr> - <term> | <term>
<term> → <term> * <factor> | <term> div <factor> | <term> mod
<factor> | <factor>
<factor> → ( <expr> ) | id | num
    
```

Give a complete parse tree for the following program.

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x := ( 17 );
y := x + 1;
z := y;
    
```

(10%)

- (ii) Modify the grammar so that semicolons act as statement separators rather than statement terminators (i.e. so that a three-statement program would appear as follows

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x := 17;
y := x + 1;
z := y
    
```

i.e. without a semicolon after the last statement.)

(5%)

- (iii) Modify the grammar of Part (i) to incorporate a simple while-loop construct with the following syntax:

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while <expr> do
  begin
    <list>
  end
    
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(10%)

Question 3 [30 %]

- (i) The following grammar is intended to capture the syntax of simple context-free grammars. The symbols \Rightarrow , \bullet , N , \parallel and T are all terminals. State which nonterminals are nullable.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle G \rangle &\rightarrow \langle P \rangle \langle G' \rangle \\ \langle G' \rangle &\rightarrow \langle P \rangle \langle G' \rangle \mid \epsilon \\ \langle P \rangle &\rightarrow \langle L \rangle \Rightarrow \langle R \rangle \bullet \\ \langle L \rangle &\rightarrow N \\ \langle R \rangle &\rightarrow \langle A \rangle \langle A' \rangle \\ \langle A \rangle &\rightarrow \langle S \rangle \langle S' \rangle \\ \langle A' \rangle &\rightarrow \parallel \langle A \rangle \langle A' \rangle \mid \epsilon \\ \langle S \rangle &\rightarrow N \mid T \\ \langle S' \rangle &\rightarrow \langle S \rangle \langle S' \rangle \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

(5%)

- (ii) Analyze the grammar to calculate the FIRST sets for each of the nonterminals in the grammar. (10%)
- (iii) Give a succinct description of a recursive descent parser this grammar. Give pseudocode for the parsing methods for nonterminals $\langle G \rangle$, $\langle G' \rangle$ and $\langle P \rangle$. Give a crisp summary (in words) of the behaviour of the remaining parsing methods. Summarise carefully any assumptions regarding the behaviour of the scanner or any ancillary methods you rely upon. (15%)

Question 4 [15 %]

- (i) Consider the code fragment based on the PL0 grammar introduced in Question 2 as augmented with the while loop of Part (iii) of that question.

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sum := 0;
k := 1;
while k <= 100 do
    begin
        sum := sum + k;
    end;

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Give a translation of the while loop shown into three-address code (TAC), showing clearly the correspondence between the PL0 code and the TAC. (10%)

- (ii) Write a brief note on the relationship between the concepts of regular expression and finite automata, specifically on the expressive power of both to capture patterns in strings. (5%)