

SAVEETHA University
CSA13 Theory of Computation

Time: **2 Hours** Total marks: **70**

Answer all the questions. Make your answers short and precise.

1. (2.5+2.5 marks) Let the alphabet be $\{a, b\}$. Write regular expressions for the following languages.

- (a) The set of all words where all a 's are before all b 's.
- (b) The set of all words that contain at most two a 's.

2. (5 marks) Define what is Greibach Normal Form (GNF). Convert the following grammar to GNF.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow T \mid aSd \\ T &\rightarrow \$ \mid bTc \end{aligned}$$

3. (12 marks) Construct an NFA for the set of all words over the alphabet $\{a, b\}$ that end with ab . For instance the word aab is in the language but not a or baa . Then determinize the automaton and draw the equivalent DFA.

4. (6+6 marks)

- (a) Write a regular expression for the language L over the alphabet $\{a, b\}$ where L is the set of all words that contains no adjacent b 's. For instance $abab \in L$ but not $aabb$.
- (b) Is the language $L = \{a^m b^n \mid m \neq n, m \geq 0, n \geq 0\}$ regular? Justify?

5. (6+6 marks)

- (a) Write a context-free grammar for the language

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

- (b) Assume L_1 and L_2 are context-free languages. Is $L_1 \cdot L_2$ context-free? Justify.

6. (12 marks) Is the language $\{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ accepted by a deterministic Turing machine? If not, prove it. Otherwise give an informal definition of such a machine.

7. (6+6 marks)

- (a) Is the family of recursively enumerable languages closed under union? Justify.
- (b) Show that it is undecidable to check if $L(M_1) \subseteq L(M_2)$ for two given Turing machines M_1 and M_2 .

