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CSE 711: Compilers
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[The figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks. Answer any **Three** questions from **Section-A** and any **Three** questions from **Section-B**]

Section - A

1. (a) What tasks are performed in the *front-end* and *back-end* of a compiler, and why? How are the *phases* related to the *passes*? (4)
- (b) How can immediate left-recursion be eliminated? Illustrate how left-recursion involving derivation of multiple steps can be eliminated using the following grammar: (3)

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow Pa \mid q \\ P &\rightarrow Pc \mid Sd \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Introduce the error recovery strategies in syntax analysis. (1.75)
2. Consider the following grammar:

$$S \rightarrow a S b S \mid b S a S \mid \epsilon$$

- (a) Compute FIRST and FOLLOW. (3)
- (b) Construct a predictive parsing table. (4)
- (c) Is the grammar LL(1)? (1.75)
3. (a) Consider the following grammar:

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow (L) \mid id \\ L &\rightarrow L , S \mid S \end{aligned}$$

- i. Construct the LR(0) items. (1.75)
- ii. Compute the LR(0) states. (5)
- (b) Differentiate between synthesized and inherited attributes. (2)
4. (a) Write a Yacc/Bison program that takes boolean expressions as input using following grammar and produces the truth value of the expressions. (5)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{bexpr} &\rightarrow \text{bexpr or bterm} \mid \text{bterm} \\ \text{bterm} &\rightarrow \text{bterm and bfactor} \mid \text{bfactor} \\ \text{bfactor} &\rightarrow \text{not bfactor} \mid (\text{bexpr}) \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) What is the role of symbol table in compilers? Remark briefly on the key technical aspects in creating and managing the *symbol table*. (3.75)

Section - B

5. (a) When can a compiler's implementation of a language be called *strongly typed*? What is *widening* and *narrowing* in type conversion? (2)
- (b) Given an LR(k) item $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \gamma, \delta]$ from a production $A \rightarrow \beta$, describe what A , α , γ and δ signify. (3)
- (c) Employing the following Action/Goto table (3.75)

State	Action		Goto	
	c	\$	S	T
0	Shift 1	Reduce $T \rightarrow \epsilon$	2	3
1	Shift 3	Reduce $S \rightarrow c$	0	
2		Accept	3	0
3	Shift 1	Accept		1

demonstrate the operation of a shift-reduce parser with the string "c". Show the stack contents, input and action at each step (assuming state 0 initially).

6. (a) Consider the following program in 3-address intermediate code

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(1) a = 2
(2) b = 3
(3) t = a
(4) r1 = 0
(5) if (t ≤ 0) goto (9)
(6) t1 = 2 * a
(7) r1 = t1 + r1
(8) goto (5)
(9) t = b
(10) r2 = 0
(11) if (t ≤ 0) goto (15)
(12) t2 = 7 * b
(13) r2 = t2 + r2
(14) goto (11)
(15) t3 = r1 + r2
(16) r = 8 * t3

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(1) t8 = j - 1
(2) t9 = 4 * t8
(3) tmp = A[t9]
(4) t10 = j + 1
(5) t11 = t10 - 1
(6) t12 = 4 * t11
(7) t13 = A[t12]
(8) t14 = j - 1
(9) t15 = 4 * t14
(10) A[t15] = t13
(11) t16 = j + 1
(12) t17 = t16 - 1
(13) t18 = 4 * t17
(14) A[t18] = tmp

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- i. Indicate where new basic blocks start. For each basic block, give the line number such that the instruction in the line is the first one of that block. (3)
- ii. Give names B_1, B_2, \dots for the program's basic blocks in the order the blocks appear in the given listing. Draw the control flow graph making use of those names. (3.75)
- (b) Construct the DAG for the basic block (2)

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(1) d = b * c
(2) e = a + b
(3) b = b * c
(4) a = e - d

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7. (a) What is the difference between a parse tree and an abstract syntax tree (AST)? (2)
(b) Introduce the idea of semantics preserving (local) optimizations in code optimization. (3)
(c) Illustrate how *triples*, *quadruples* and *static single assignment (SSA)* form are different in representing intermediate codes. (3.75)

8. Consider the following merge-sort program.

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void mergesort(int a[], int i, int j)
{
    int mid;
    if (i < j)
    {
        mid = (i+j)/2;
        mergesort(a, i, mid); // left recursion
        mergesort(a, mid+1, j); // right recursion
        merge(a, i, mid, j); // merging of two sorted sub-arrays
    }
}

void merge(int a[], int p, int q, int r)
{
    /* Combine the elements back in a[p . . r] by merging
    the two sorted subarrays a[p . . q] and
    a[q+1 . . r] into a sorted sequence. */
    . . .
}

main()
{
    int a[11] = { 10, 14, 19, 26, 27, 31, 33, 35, 42, 44, 0 };
    mergesort(a, 0, 10);
}
```

- (a) Define following terms: activation tree and activation record. (2)
(b) Show the complete activation tree for the given *merge-sort* program. (3)
(c) Draw the activation records for the given *merge-sort* program. (3.75)