

Theory of Computation

Regular Languages & Non Regular Languages

DPP-01

[MCQ]

1. Let $L_1 = \phi$, $L_2 = \{\epsilon\}$, $L_3 = \{a, \epsilon\}$.
 L_1, L_2, L_3 are languages defined over $\Sigma = \{a\}$
 then, $L_3 \cdot L_2 \cdot L_1^* + L_1 \cdot L_3$ is _____.
 (a) ϕ (b) $\{a\}$
 (c) $\{a, \epsilon\}$ (d) $\{a^n \mid n \geq 2\}$

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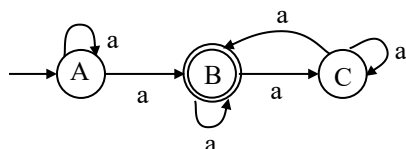
2. Consider the following given grammar
 $S \rightarrow AB$
 $A \rightarrow AS \mid a$
 $B \rightarrow BA \mid SB \mid b$
 Which of the following string generated by above grammar?
 (a) bbaa (b) baba
 (c) aabb (d) baab

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3. If the finite automaton M has 100 states and all the states are Non final except initial state over the alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ then the set $L(M)$ can be:
 (a) ϕ
 (b) Σ^*
 (c) $\{\epsilon\}$
 (d) Subset of Σ^*

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4. Consider the following finite automata.



Find the language accepted by above FA.

- (a) a^* (b) aa^*
 (c) aaa^* (d) $a(aa)^*$

[MCQ]

5. Which of the following language does not satisfy the prefix property?
 (a) $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 1\}$
 (b) $L = \{wxw^R \mid w \in (0+1)^*\}$
 (c) $L = \{a^m b^{2m} \mid m \geq 1\}$
 (d) $L = \{w \in (0+1)^* \mid n_0(w) = n_1(w)\}$

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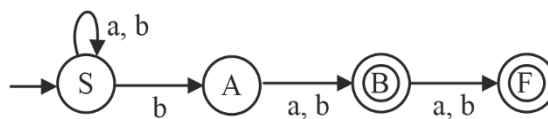
6. Consider the following left linear Grammar.
 $S \rightarrow Sa \mid Sb \mid A$
 $A \rightarrow Aab \mid \epsilon$
 Choose the correct language generated by the above grammar.
 (a) $(a+b)^*$ (b) $(a+b)^+$
 (c) $(a+b)^* ab$ (d) $(a+b)^+ ab$

[NAT]

7. Consider a language $L = \{w \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, 5^{\text{th}} \text{ symbol from end is 'a'}\}$
 If number of state in NFA is P and Number of states in MDFA (minimal DFA) is Q then the value of $P * Q$ is _____.

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8. Consider the following finite automaton:



Which one of the following is correct representation of above finite automaton?

- (a) Second symbol from ends is 'b'.
 (b) Containing $(b + ab + ba)$ as a substring.
 (c) Third symbol from ends is 'b'
 (d) None of these.

Answer Key

1. (c)
2. (c)
3. (d)
4. (b)
5. (d)

6. (a)
7. (192)
8. (c)



Hints and Solutions

1. (c)

$$L_1 = \phi \Rightarrow L_1^* = \varepsilon$$

$$L_2 = \varepsilon \Rightarrow L_2 = \varepsilon$$

$$L_3 = \{a, \varepsilon\}$$

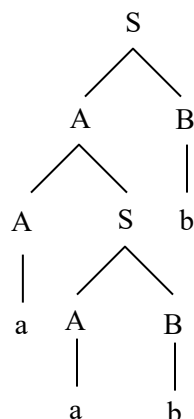
$$L_3 \cdot L_2 \cdot L_1^* + L_1 \cdot L_3 = L_3 \cdot \varepsilon \cdot \varepsilon + \phi \cdot L_3$$

$$= L_3 + \phi$$

$$= L_3$$

$$= \{a, \varepsilon\}$$

2. (c)



S always generates the strings starting with a so, option (a), (b), (d) is not possible.

3. (d)

M is a DFA with 100 states only initial state in final and all other states Non final.

So, language is defined only at initial state and it can be part of Σ^* .

$$\therefore L(M) \subseteq \Sigma^*$$

4. (b)

$$L = \{a, aa, aaa, \dots\}$$

$$= a^+$$

Given FA accepts a^+ .

5. (d)

$$L = \{w \in (0+1)^* \mid n_0(w) = n_1(w)\}$$

Let $x, y \in L$

$$x = 10, y = 1010$$

x is a proper prefix of y . If it is possible to find two different strings in L such that one is proper prefix of other, then L has no prefix property.

6. (a)

$$S \rightarrow Sa|Sb|A$$

$$A \rightarrow Aab|\varepsilon$$

It can generate all strings when A is substituted with null production.

$$S \rightarrow Sa|Sb|\varepsilon \text{ is enough to generate } (a+b)^*.$$

7. (192)

$$L = \{w \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*, n^{\text{th}} \text{ symbol from ends is } a\}$$

$$\text{NFA} = n + 1 \text{ states}$$

$$\text{MDFA} = 2^n \text{ states}$$

$$P * Q = (5 + 1) * (25)$$

$$= 6 * 32$$

$$= 192$$

Hence, (192) is correct answer.

8. (c)

Regular expression of FA

$$\text{Regular expression} = (a+b)^* b (a+b)^2$$

This RE represents third symbol from ends must be b .

Hence, option (c) is correct.



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