

## QUESTIONS ON SYNTAX ANALYSIS

- a) Consider the following **context-free grammar**:

$Goal \rightarrow L$   
 $L \rightarrow E ; L$   
 $L \rightarrow E$   
 $E \rightarrow E + T$   
 $E \rightarrow T$   
 $T \rightarrow id$   
 $T \rightarrow id ( )$   
 $T \rightarrow id ( L )$

The **terminal symbols** of this grammar are **; + ( ) id**

- (i) Derive a **leftmost derivation** for the string  $x + y ; z ( y ( ) )$  and show the corresponding **parse tree**. (5 marks)
- (ii) Transform this grammar so that it can be used to **construct a top-down predictive parser** with **one symbol of lookahead**. (6 marks)

- b) Consider the grammar and the **Action and Goto tables** below.

1.  $G \rightarrow L$   
 2.  $L \rightarrow L P$   
 3.  $L \rightarrow P$   
 4.  $P \rightarrow ( P )$   
 5.  $P \rightarrow ( )$

STATE	ACTION			GOTO	
	(	)	eof	L	P
0	S3			1	2
1	S3		accept		4
2	R3		R3		
3	S6	S7			5
4	R2		R2		
5		S8			
6	S6	S10			9
7	R5		R5		
8	R4		R4		
9		S11			
10		R5			
11		R4			

Show, in full detail, the steps that an **LR(1) parser** would follow to parse the string **(( )) ( )** using the above grammar. For each step, your answer should show the contents of the **stack**, what the next input is and the action that is taken. (5 marks)

- c) Consider the following grammar:

1.  $A \rightarrow bA$   
 2.  $A \rightarrow XY$   
 3.  $A \rightarrow \epsilon$   
 4.  $X \rightarrow aS$   
 5.  $X \rightarrow bS$   
 6.  $X \rightarrow \epsilon$   
 7.  $Y \rightarrow cS$   
 8.  $Y \rightarrow \epsilon$

Does it have the **LL(1) property**? (4 marks)

- d) Show that the following context-free grammar is **ambiguous**:

$S \rightarrow aSbS \mid bSaS \mid \epsilon$

(4 marks)