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**Subject: Computer Science**  
**Paper: CSM401-Elective-I (Compiler Design)**  
**Full Marks: 70**  
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**Duration: 12:00 Noon – 3:30 PM**

The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
Candidates are required to answer in their own words as far as applicable  
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Answer Question number 1, 2, and any Four from the rest.

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**1. Answer any 5 (five) questions from the following: [5x2=10]**

- ✓ i. Describe the type of the grammar with a set of production rules  $P = \{S \rightarrow a \mid b \mid Sa \mid bS\}$ .
- ii. State the difference between Context-Free Grammar and Regular Grammar in the context of the compilation process.
- iii. Explain with a suitable example for the use of the inherited attribute.
- ✓ iv. What do you understand by operator precedence parser?
- ✓ v. What do you understand by the Handle of a string?
- vi. What is the role of Symbol Table in compiler construction?
- vii. What is left factoring?

**2. Answer any 5 (five) questions (Briefly give reasons for your answer): [5x4=20]**

- i. Write a short note on the recursive descent parser.
- ii. Compute the set of non-terminals which produce the empty string in the following grammar:
  - a.  $S \rightarrow AB$
  - b.  $A \rightarrow CC \mid a$
  - c.  $B \rightarrow DD \mid \epsilon$
  - d.  $C \rightarrow c$
  - e.  $D \rightarrow AAE \mid b \mid \epsilon$
  - f.  $E \rightarrow SS$
- iii. Write a short note for errors handling during lexical analysis and parsing.

- iv. Remove the left factoring from the following production rules

$A \rightarrow abB | abC$

$B \rightarrow b$

$C \rightarrow c$

- v. Discuss the problems with Top-down Parsing?
- vi. Explain the issues related to the design of the code generator.
- vii. Explain the error recovery strategies for different parsing techniques.
3. a. State the difficulties in the parsing process when we use left-recursive non-terminals in the underlying grammar.
- b. Mention the rules that we use to eliminate left-recursions (both direct and indirect) from a grammar.
- c. Apply these rules for the following grammar:

$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$

$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$

$F \rightarrow (E) \mid a$

[2+3+5]

4. a. What do you mean by instruction cost - explain with a suitable example.
- b. State the importance of code-optimization.
- c. Define basic block.
- d. What are the different transformations generally applied for the Basic Block during code-optimization - explain with a suitable example?

[2+2+2+4]

5. a. Explain First and Follow
- b. Calculate First and Follow of the following production rules:

$S \rightarrow ABCDE$

$A \rightarrow a | \epsilon$

$B \rightarrow b | \epsilon$

$C \rightarrow c$

$D \rightarrow d | \epsilon$

$E \rightarrow e | \epsilon$

[4+6]

6. a. What is a viable prefix?
- b. What are the specifications of a simple type checker?
- c. What are activation trees?
- d. Write the role of activation trees in context of type checking.
- e. What is an activation record?

[2+2+2+2+2]

7. a. State the function of LEX and YACC software packages.

- b. Explain how call by address is different from the call by reference in the context of parameter passing.
- c. State the difference between synthesized attributes and inherited attributes.

**[4+3+3]**

- 8.** a. What is copy propagation? Explain with an example that copy propagation may produce dead code.
- b. Briefly explain the construction of syntax trees with a suitable example.

**[(2+4)+4]**