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**Important:**

1. This question paper consists of **seven** questions.
2. Answer **all** questions in **Part A** (60 marks) and **TWO** from **Part B** (40 marks).

**Part A**

Consider the following description of a compiler to answer Q1 to Q3.

The following “simple integer expression” grammar is used to do some basic arithmetic operations (only  $\times$ ,  $+$ ,  $-$ ) with standard precedence level for one digit integers. As examples, this grammar produces such forms as 3,  $(5+8)$  and  $2+3\times 4-1$ .

$exp \rightarrow exp \text{ addop } term \mid term$

$addop \rightarrow + \mid -$

$term \rightarrow term \text{ mulop } factor \mid factor$

$mulop \rightarrow \times$

$factor \rightarrow ( \text{ exp } ) \mid number$

Q1

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|---|------|
| (a) What are the terminals and the non-terminals in this grammar?                               | [02] |
| (b) Define the token table for this compiler.   | [03] |
| (c) Briefly explain how the lexical analyzer would process an input string of this language.    | [05] |
| (d) Write the stream of tokens generated by the lexical analyzer for the input string $(5+8)$ . | [02] |

Q2

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| (a) Explain why the grammar is not LL(1).                               | [02] |
| (b) Convert this grammar into LL(1).                                    | [04] |
| (c) Construct FIRST and FOLLOW sets for the above (b).                  | [16] |
| (d) Show that the resulting grammar in (b) is LL(1).                    | [04] |
| (e) Construct the LL(1) parsing table for the resulting grammar in (b). | [10] |

Q3

- (a) What is the *context handling* in this compiler? [02]
- (b) Define the instructions for the code generation phase of this compiler. Assume a stack-based (post-fix) system. [05]
- (c) By using the instructions in (b), write the result of the code generation phase when the input string is:  $2+3\times 4-1$  [05]

### Part B

Q4

- (a) Draw NFA for the regular expression  $(10)^*(01|1)^*$ . [05]
- (b) Convert the NFA obtained in (a) to a DFA. [15]

Q5 Consider the grammar.

$$E \rightarrow BA$$

$$A \rightarrow \&BA \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow TRUE \mid FALSE$$

; Where  $E, A, B$  are non-terminals and others are terminals.

- (a) Derive the string:  $TRUE \& FALSE \& TRUE$  [02]
- (b) Define the Chomsky Normal Form (CNF) for CFGs. [02]
- (c) Convert the given grammar into CNF. [14]
- (d) Derive the above string in (a) using your new grammar in (c) [02]  
*{Clearly indicate whether you use leftmost or rightmost derivation when answering (a) and (d)}*

Q6 Consider the following grammar.

$$S \rightarrow aSb \mid ab$$

- (a) Find the LR(1) sets of items. [08]
- (b) Compute the LR(1) parsing table (Action - Goto) for the corresponding shift-reduce parse engine. [08]
- (c) Show the parsing steps (Input – Action) for the string:  $aabb$  [04]

Q7 A Turing Machine accepts only the strings of the form  $a^n b^n c^n$  for  $(n > 0)$  and the blank symbol B.

- (a) Draw the transition graph. [14]
- (b) List the moves made for input  $aabbcc$  using instantaneous descriptions. [6]