

**M.C.A, Third Semester Examination, 2014-15**  
**Subject: Theory of computation.**  
**(M.C.A-304)**

**Time: Three Hours]**

**[Maximum Marks : 60**

**Note: Question Number 1 is compulsory. Answer any four questions from the remaining.**

**Q1. (Give answer in short)**

**Marks : 10X2**

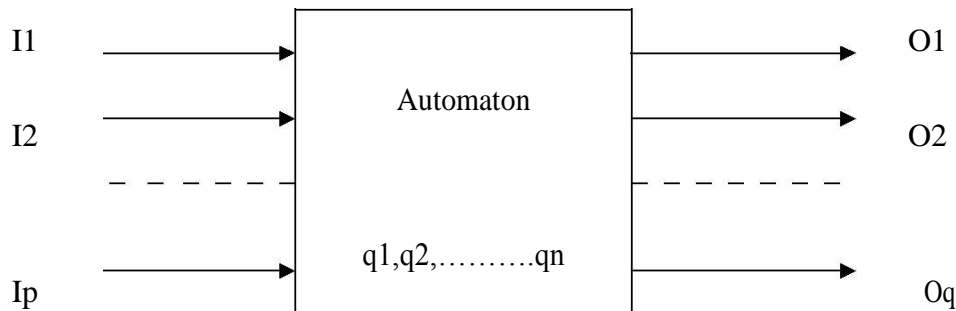
**i. Given  $L1 = \{a, ab, a^2\}$  and  $L2 = \{b^2, aba\}$  are the languages over  $A = \{a, b\}$ , determine {a}  $L1L2$  (b)  $L2L2$**

Ans: a)  $L1L2 = \{ab^2aaba, abb^2, ababa, a^2b^2, a^2aba\}$

b)  $L2L2 = \{b^2b^2, b^2aba, abab^2, abaaba\}$

**ii. Describe the model of discrete automaton.**

An automaton can be defined in an abstract way by the following figure.



Model of a discrete automaton

i) Input: - At each of the discrete instants of time  $t_1, t_2, \dots$  input values  $I_1, I_2, \dots$  each of which can take a finite number of fixed values from the input alphabet  $\Sigma$ , are applied to the input side of the model.

ii) Output: -  $O_1, O_2, \dots$  are the outputs of the model, each of which can take finite numbers of fixed values from an output  $O$ .

- iii) States : - At any instant of time the automaton can be in one of the states  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n$
- iv) State relation : - The next state of an automaton at any instant of time is determined by the present state and the present input. ie, by the transition function.
- Output relation : - Output is related to either state only or both the input and the state. It should be noted that at any instant of time the automaton is in some state. On 'reading' an input symbol, the automaton moves to a next state which is given by the state relation.
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**iii.. What is the application of pumping lemma.**

Pumping lemma can be used to prove that certain sets are not regular.

- Step-1 Assume L is regular. Let n be the number of states in the corresponding finite automation.
- Step-II Choose a string w such that  $|w| \geq n$ , Use pumping lemma to write  $w=xyz$ , with  $|xy| \leq n$  and  $|y| > 0$ .
- Step-III Find a suitable integer I such that  $xy^Iz$  does not belongs to L. This contradicts the assumption . Hence L is regular.

Or

Give example to show a Language is not regular.

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**iv. Write steps to remove a null move from an edge.**

- Step1: Find all the edges d\starting from  $v_2$ .
- Step2: Duplicate all these edges starting from  $v_1$ , without changing the edge lables.
- Step3: If  $v_1$  is an initial state, make  $v_2$  also as initial state.
- Step4: If  $v_2$  is a final state, make  $v_1$  as the final state.
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**v. Given a Grammar  $G = (\{S\}, \{a, b\}, S, P)$  with P defined as follows**

$S \rightarrow aSb,$

$S \rightarrow \text{null}$

- a) Obtain a sentence in language generated by G  
 b ) Obtain the language  $L(G)$ .

Ans: a) null or ab or aabb or aaabbb .....

b)  $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

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**vi. What is the difference between leftmost and right most derivation?**

A derivation is called leftmost derivation if a production is applied only to the leftmost variable at every step. A derivation is called right most derivation if a production is applied only to the rightmost variable at every step.

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**vii. Define the transition function  $\delta$  in DFA and NFA.**

In DFA  $\delta$  is the transition function mapping  $Q \times \Sigma$  into  $Q$ ,  $Q$  is the set of States,  $\Sigma$  is the set of input alphabets.

In NFA  $\delta$  is the transition function mapping  $Q \times \Sigma$  into  $2^Q$  which is the power set of  $Q$ , set of all subsets of  $Q$ .

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**viii. What do you mean by bottom up parsing?**

In bottom up parsing the derivation tree is built from the given input string to the top (the root with label  $S$ ) Example: String  $id+id*id$

Grammar:  $E \rightarrow E+E$   
 $E \rightarrow E*E$   
 $E \rightarrow id$

$id+id*id$   
 $id+id*E$  ( $E \rightarrow id$ )  
 $id+E*E$  ( $E \rightarrow id$ )  
 $id+E$  ( $E \rightarrow E*E$ )  
 $E+E$  ( $E \rightarrow id$ )  
 $E$  ( $E \rightarrow E+E$ )

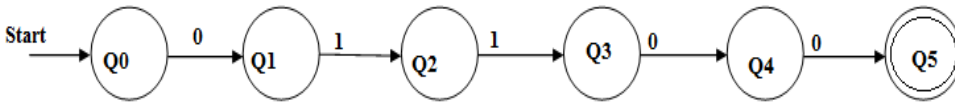
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**ix. Define a parse tree.**

A derivation tree for a CFG  $G=(V_N, \Sigma, P, S)$  is a tree satisfying the following condition.

- i) every vertex has a label which is a variable (non terminal) or terminal.
  - ii) The root has label which is non terminal  $S$
  - iii) The label of an internal vertex is a variable.
  - iv) If the vertices  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  written with labels  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$  are the sons of vertex  $n$  with label  $A$ , then  $A \rightarrow X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$  is a production in  $P$ .
  - v) A vertex  $n$  is a leaf if its label is a  $\epsilon \in \Sigma$  or  $\lambda$ ;  $n$  is the only son of its father if its label is  $\lambda$
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**x. Design a NFA to accept the string 01100 only.**



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**Q2 Given a grammar G with production rules**

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- $S \rightarrow aB$**
- $S \rightarrow bA$**
- $A \rightarrow aS$**
- $A \rightarrow bAA$**
- $A \rightarrow a$**
- $B \rightarrow bS$**
- $B \rightarrow aBB$**
- $B \rightarrow b$**

**Obtain the (i) leftmost derivation, and (ii) rightmost derivation for the string “aaabbabbba”.**

- (i)
- $S \rightarrow aB$  ( $S \rightarrow aB$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaBB$  ( $B \rightarrow aBB$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaaBBB$  ( $B \rightarrow aBB$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabBB$  ( $B \rightarrow b$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbB$  ( $B \rightarrow b$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbaBB$  ( $B \rightarrow b$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbabB$  ( $B \rightarrow b$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbabbS$  ( $B \rightarrow b$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbabbA$  ( $S \rightarrow bA$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbabbba$  ( $A \rightarrow a$ )

- (ii)
- $S \rightarrow aB$  ( $S \rightarrow aB$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaBB$  ( $B \rightarrow aBB$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaBbS$  ( $B \rightarrow bS$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaBbbA$  ( $S \rightarrow bA$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaaBBbba$  ( $A \rightarrow a$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaaBbbba$  ( $B \rightarrow b$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabSbbba$  ( $B \rightarrow bS$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbAbbba$  ( $S \rightarrow bA$ )
  - $S \rightarrow aaabbabbba$  ( $A \rightarrow a$ )

**(b) Explain the ID and move of a Turing machine. Indicate the major difference between Turing machine and Push Down automaton.**

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An ID of a Turing machine  $M$  is a string  $\alpha\beta\gamma$ , where  $\beta$  is the present state of  $M$ , the entire input string is split  $\alpha\beta\gamma$ , the first symbol of  $\gamma$  is the current symbol  $a$  under the R/W head and  $\gamma$  has all subsequent symbols of the input string, and the string  $\alpha$  is the substring of the input string formed by all the symbols to the left of  $a$ .

Suppose  $x_1x_2\dots\dots x_{i-1} q x_i\dots\dots x_n$  |--- is the string before processing

Right move is defined as

$(q, x_i) = (p, y, R)$  then  
 $x_1x_2\dots\dots x_{i-1} q x_i\dots\dots x_n$  |---  
 $x_1x_2\dots\dots x_{i-1} y p x_{i+1}\dots\dots x_n$

Left move is defined as

Let  $(q, x_i) = (p, y, L)$  then  
 $x_1x_2\dots\dots x_{i-1} q x_i\dots\dots x_n$  |---  
 $x_1x_2\dots\dots p x_{i-1} y x_{i+1}\dots\dots x_n$

- Turing Machine:
- 1) R/W head on tape moves towards left and right direction.
  - 2) No use of stack.
  - 3)  $\delta$  is defined as a mapping  $(q, x)$  onto  $(q', y, D)$  Where  $D$  is the direction of movement of R/W head
  - 4) It accepts type 0 languages. (Because used to solve any kind of Computing function)
  - 5) It performs following operation in one scan i) writing a new symbol in the cell being currently scanned ii) moving to the cell left of the present cell iii) moving to the cell right of the present cell iv) A change or no change in state

- Pushdown Automation:
- 1) R/W head on tape moves towards right direction only.
  - 2) Uses stack.
  - 3)  $\delta$  is defined as a transition function from  $Q \times X (\Sigma \cup \{\lambda\}) \times \Gamma$  to the set of finite subsets of  $Q \times \Gamma$
  - 4) It accepts context-free languages.
  - 5) It performs two operation in one scan i) Change or no change on the top of the stack. ii) Change or no change of the state.
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**Q-3 a) Given a grammar  $G$  defined by the production rules**

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- $S \rightarrow AB$
- $A \rightarrow Aa$
- $B \rightarrow Bb$
- $A \rightarrow a$
- $B \rightarrow b$

Show that the word  $w = a^2b^4 \in L(G)$ , Where  $L$  is a language determined by  $G$ .

$S \rightarrow AB(S \rightarrow AB)$   
 $S \rightarrow AaB(A \rightarrow Aa)$   
 $S \rightarrow aaB(A \rightarrow a)$   
 $S \rightarrow aaBb(B \rightarrow Bb)$   
 $S \rightarrow aaBbb(B \rightarrow Bb)$   
 $S \rightarrow aaBbbb(B \rightarrow Bb)$   
 $S \rightarrow aabbbb(B \rightarrow b)$

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b) Write a brief note on Linear Bounded Automaton.

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Linear bounded automation is described by the format

$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, b, C, \$, F)$

The input alphabet  $\Sigma$  contains two special symbol  $C$  and  $\$$ .  $C$  is called the left end marker and  $\$$  is called right end marker. The R/W never moves beyond the end mark.

Where  $Q =$  finite set of states

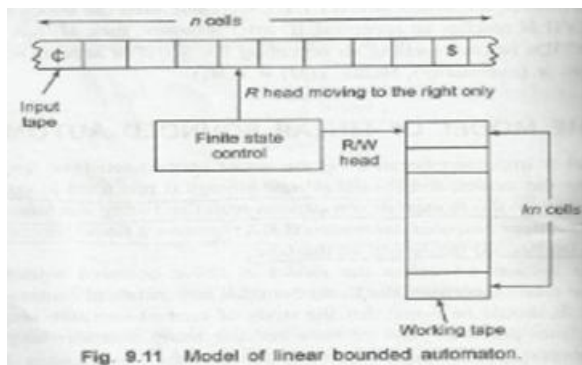
$\Sigma =$  Input alphabet

$\Gamma =$  is an alphabet called the stack

$Q_0 =$  is the initial state  $q_0 \in Q$

$B$  is the blank symbol

$F$  is set of final states  $F \subseteq / \text{equal to } Q$



Components of LBA: Tapes, Finite control, R/W head

There are two tapes : one is called the input tape, and the other, working tape. On the input tape the head never prints and never moves to the left. On the working tape the head can modify the contents without restriction.

For left end of the tape

$\delta(q, C) \rightarrow (p, C, R)$

For Right end of the tape

$\delta(q, \$) \rightarrow (p, \$, L)$

Q-4 a) Give examples for Moore Model of finite automata with outputs.

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| Present State     | Next State $\delta$ |       | Output $\lambda$ |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------|------------------|
|                   | a=0                 | a=1   |                  |
| $\rightarrow q_0$ | $q_3$               | $q_1$ | 0                |
| $.q_1$            | $q_1$               | $q_2$ | 1                |
| $.q_2$            | $q_2$               | $q_3$ | 0                |
| $.q_3$            | $q_3$               | $q_0$ | 0                |

b) Convert the following NFA to DFA

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| State<br>Q        | Inputs     |            |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
|                   | 0          | 1          |
| $\rightarrow q_0$ | $q_0, q_3$ | $q_0, q_1$ |
| $q_1$             | ---        | $q_2$      |
| $*q_2$            | $q_2$      | $q_2$      |
| $q_3$             | $q_4$      | -----      |
| $*q_4$            | $q_4$      | $q_4$      |

Ans:

|           | 0     | 1        |
|-----------|-------|----------|
| Q0        | Q0,Q3 | Q0,Q1    |
| Q0,Q1     | Q0,Q3 | Q0,Q1,Q2 |
| *Q0,Q1,Q2 | Q0,Q3 | Q0,Q1,Q2 |

|           |          |       |
|-----------|----------|-------|
| Q0,Q3     | Q0,Q3,Q4 | Q0,Q1 |
| *Q0,Q3,Q4 | Q0,Q3,Q4 | Q0,Q1 |

**Q-5 (a) Show that the grammar G with production**

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$S \rightarrow a | aAb | abSb$

$A \rightarrow aAAb | bS$

**is ambiguous.**

$S \rightarrow abSb$  ( $S \rightarrow abSb$ )

$S \rightarrow abab$  ( $S \rightarrow a$ )

$S \rightarrow aAb$

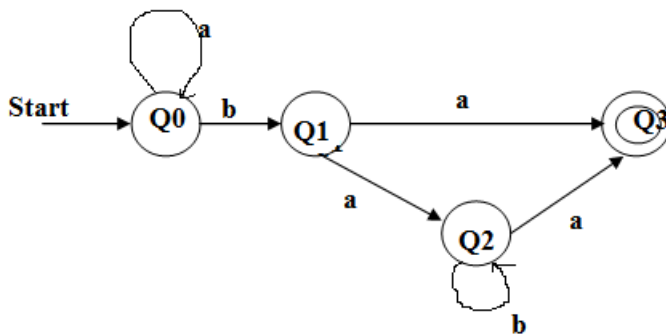
$A \rightarrow abSb$  ( $A \rightarrow bS$ )

$A \rightarrow abab$  ( $S \rightarrow a$ )

The string abab is derived from two different production rule and generates two different derivation tree. So the grammar is ambiguous.

**(b) Write Regular Grammar for the expression  $a^*b(a+ab^*a)$**

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$A0 \rightarrow aA0$

$A0 \rightarrow bA1$

$A1 \rightarrow aA2$

$A2 \rightarrow bA2$

$A2 \rightarrow aA3$

$A2 \rightarrow a$

$A1 \rightarrow aA3$

$A1 \rightarrow a$



**Q-6 (a) Given the CFG with P given by**

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**$S \rightarrow AB$**

**$A \rightarrow aAA \mid \text{null}$**

**$B \rightarrow bBB \mid \text{null}$**

**Eliminate the null productions to obtain P for an equivalent CFG.**

Because  $A \rightarrow \text{null}$  and  $B \rightarrow \text{null}$

$W1 = \{ A, B \}$

$A \rightarrow aAA \mid aA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow bBB \mid bB \mid b$

$W2 = \{ A, B, S \}$  as  $S \rightarrow AB$ ,  $A \rightarrow aAA$ ,  $B \rightarrow bBB$

$S \rightarrow AB \mid A \mid B \mid \text{null}$

$S \rightarrow AB \mid A \mid B \mid \text{null}$

$A \rightarrow aAA \mid aA \mid a$

$B \rightarrow bBB \mid bB \mid b$

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**6.b) Write abrief note on PDA.**

A PDA is defined as 7 tuple notation

$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, z_0, F)$

Where  $Q =$  finite set of states

$\Sigma =$  Input alphabet

$\Gamma =$  is an alphabet called the stack

$q_0 =$  is the initial state  $q_0 \in Q$

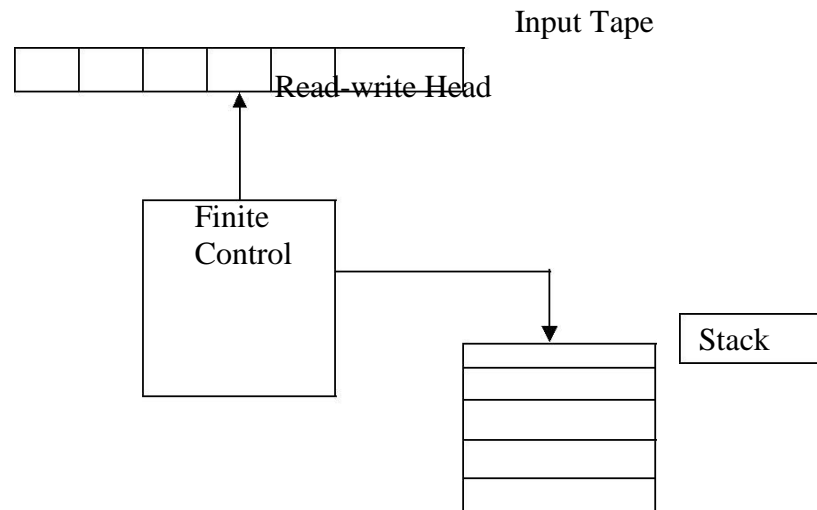
$F$  is set of final states  $F \subseteq Q$  / equal to  $Q$

$\delta$  is a transition mapping  $\delta = Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{ \epsilon \}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^*$

Basic model of PDA consists of 3 components:

- i) an infinite tape
- ii) a finite control
- iii) a stack

Now let us consider the ‘concept of PDA’ and the way it ‘operates’.



PDA has a read only input tape, an input alphabet, a finite state control , a set if initial states, and an initial state . in addition it has a stack called the pushdown stack. It is a read-write pushdown store as we add elements to PDS or remove element from PDS. A finite automation is on some state and on reading, an input symbol moves to a new state. The push down automaton is also in some state and on reading an input symbol , the topmost symbol ,it moves to a new state and writes a string of symbols in PDS.

**Example 1:** Construct a PDA that accepts the language  $\{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$  .

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_1, Z, F)$$

$$Q = \{q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}$$

$$\Gamma = \{a, b, z\}$$

$F = \{q_1, q_4\}$  , and  $\mathcal{E}$  consists of the following transitions

$$1. \delta(q_1, a, z) = \{(q_2, az)\}$$

$$2. \delta(q_2, a, a) = \{(q_2, aa)\}$$

$$3. \delta(q_2, b, a) = \{(q_3, \epsilon)\}$$

$$4. \delta(q_3, b, a) = \{(q_3, \epsilon)\}$$

$$5. \delta(q_3, \epsilon, z) = \{(q_4, z)\}$$

$(q_1, aabb, z) \vdash (q_2, abb, az)$  ( using transition 1 )

$\vdash (q_2, bb, aaz)$  ( using transition 2 )

$\vdash (q_3, b, az)$  ( using transition 3 )

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$\vdash (q_3, \epsilon, z)$  ( using transition 4 )

$\vdash (q_4, \epsilon, z)$  ( using transition 5 )

$q_4$  is final state. Hence ,accept. So the string  $aabb$  is rightly accepted by  $M$ .

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**Q7. (a) Obtain a grammar in Chomsky Normal Form (CNF) equivalent to the grammar  $G$**

**with productions  $P$  given by**

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$S \rightarrow ABa$

$A \rightarrow aab$

$B \rightarrow AC$

$S \rightarrow ABa$

$S \rightarrow X_1X_2$

$X_1 \rightarrow AB$

$X_2 \rightarrow a$

$A \rightarrow aab$

$A \rightarrow X_3X_4$

$X_3 \rightarrow aa$

$X_4 \rightarrow b$

$X_3 \rightarrow X_2X_2$

$B \rightarrow AC$

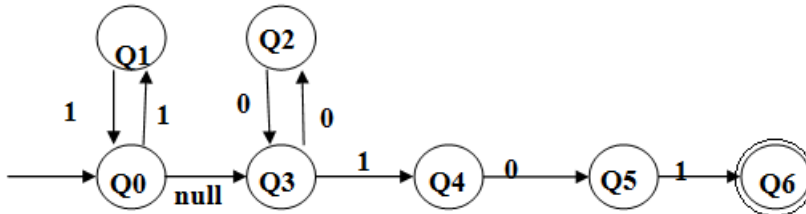
$S \rightarrow X_1X_2$

$X_1 \rightarrow AB$

$X_2 \rightarrow a$

$A \rightarrow X_3 X_4$   
 $X_4 \rightarrow b$   
 $X_3 \rightarrow X_2 X_2$   
 $B \rightarrow AC$

(b) Explain the procedure to convert NFA with null move to ordinary NFA with examples.



Step1: Find all the edges  $d$  starting from  $v_2$ .

$Q_3 \rightarrow Q_2$   
 $Q_3 \rightarrow Q_4$

Step2: Duplicate all these edges starting from  $v_1$ , without changing the edge labels.

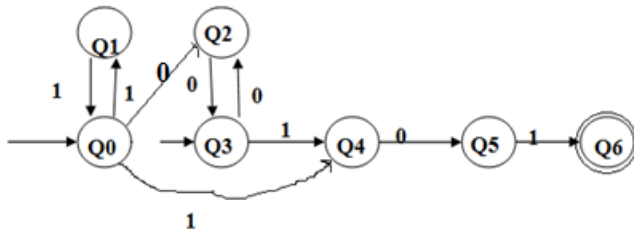
$Q_0 \rightarrow Q_2$   
 $Q_0 \rightarrow Q_4$

Step3: If  $v_1$  is an initial state, make  $v_2$  also as initial state.

Not Applicable

Step4: If  $v_2$  is a final state, make  $v_1$  as the final state.

Not Applicable



Q-8. a) Obtain a Grammar which generates the language.

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$L = \{a^n b^n : n \geq 0\}$

$S \rightarrow aSb$

$S \rightarrow \text{null}$

**b) Design a PDA that accepts  $L = \{ a^n b^n c^m \text{ where } n, m \geq 1 \}$ . Show acceptability of a string by the PDA by taking suitable example .**

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$\delta(Q_0, a, Z_0) \rightarrow (Q_0, a Z_0)$       R1

$\delta(Q_0, a, a) \rightarrow (Q_0, a a)$       R2

$\delta(Q_0, a, b) \rightarrow (Q_1, \text{null})$       R3

$\delta(Q_1, a, b) \rightarrow (Q_1, \text{null})$       R4

$\delta(Q_1, c, Z_0) \rightarrow (Q_1, Z_0)$       R5

$\delta(Q_1, \text{null}, Z_0) \rightarrow Q_f$       R6

Example aabbccc

$\delta(Q_0, a, Z_0) \rightarrow (Q_0, a Z_0)$       R1

$\delta(Q_0, a, a) \rightarrow (Q_0, a a)$       R2

$\delta(Q_0, b, a) \rightarrow (Q_1, b, \text{null})$       R3

$\delta(Q_1, b, a) \rightarrow (Q_1, b, \text{null})$       R4

$\delta(Q_1, c, Z_0) \rightarrow (Q_1, Z_0)$       R5

$\delta(Q_1, c, Z_0) \rightarrow (Q_1, Z_0)$       R5

$\delta(Q_1, c, Z_0) \rightarrow (Q_1, Z_0)$       R5

$\delta(Q_1, \text{null}, Z_0) \rightarrow Q_f$       R6

