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I Semester**

**Class: I PG
Major: Computer Science**

**Max. Marks: 60
Time: 3 Hours**

17MCSC02 Principles of Compiler Design

PART – A

(10 * 0.5 = 5 marks)

Choose the correct answer:

- 1) The term _____ denotes any finite set of symbols.
A) strings B) languages C) alphabet D) digits
- 2) A _____ also called a rewriting rule of the grammar.
A) production B) reduction C) noun D) phrase
- 3) _____ is the process of determining whether a string of tokens can be generated by a grammar.
A) Parsing B) Compiling C) Analyzing D) Translating
- 4) _____ parsing attempts to construct a parse tree for an input string from the leaves to the root.
A) Top down B) Target program C) Bottom up D) Source program
- 5) An efficient non-backtracking form of top-down parser is called _____.
A) unpredective parser B) predictive parser C) ambiguous parser D) sematic parser
- 6) A grammar for which we can construct a parsing table in which every entry is uniquely defined is said to be an _____ grammar.
A) Ambiguous B) LR C) Context-free D) Regular
- 7) Misspelling an identifier is an example for _____ error.
A) lexical B) syntactic C) semantic D) logical
- 8) Memory allocation is dealt with _____.
A) pointer B) code generation C) back end D) symbol table
- 9) The important step in local optimization is transforming basic block to _____.
A) leader B) flow graph C) DAG D) IR
- 10) The input of the code generator is _____.
A) parse tree B) intermediate code C) flow graph D) algorithm

PART – B

(5 *4 =20)

Answer All Questions

Each answer should not exceed 200 words or one page

- 11) a) Describe the lexical and syntactic structure of a language.
(Or)
b) What is a regular expression? State the rules, which define regular expression?
- 12) a) Write down the functions of lexical analyzer.
(Or)
b) Consider the following grammar for list structures:
 $S \rightarrow a \mid \wedge \mid (T)$
 $T \rightarrow T, S \mid S$
In the above grammar, find leftmost and rightmost derivation for
i) $(a, (a,a))$ ii) $(((a,a), \wedge, (a)), a)$
- 13) a) Explain about the recursive descent parser.
(Or)
b) Why SLR and LALR are more economical to construct than canonical LR?
- 14) a) Define: Symbol table. What are the capabilities of a symbol table?
(Or)
b) What are the Error-recovery actions in a lexical analyzer?
- 15) a) What are the problems in code generation? Explain.
(Or)
b) Define: DAG. Give an example.

PART – C

(5 *7 =35)

Answer all the Questions

Each answer should not exceed 600 words or three pages

- 16) a) State various phases of a compiler and explain them in detail.
(Or)
b) What is a Context-free Grammar? Explain the construction of grammars with an example.
- 17) a) Write an algorithm to constructing a NFA from a regular expression and give an example.
(Or)
b) What is a shift-reduce parser? Explain in detail the conflicts that may occur during shift-reduce parsing.
- 18) a) Construct the predictive parser for the following grammar:
 $S \rightarrow a \mid \uparrow \mid (T)$
 $T \rightarrow T, S \mid S$
Write down the necessary algorithms and define FIRST and FOLLOW.
Show the behavior of the parser in the sentence: $(a, (a, a))$
(Or)
b) Write an algorithm for construction of an SLR parsing table with examples.
- 19) a) Explain about the plan of an error detection/corrector.
(Or)
b) Explain the data structure used for implementing Symbol Table.
- 20) a) Write an algorithm for code generation and explain it.
(Or)
b) What are the advantages and disadvantages of register allocation and assignments? Explain.
