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COLLEGE OF BUSINESS PEACE LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

NCSC 117 : THEORY OF COMPUTING

END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **ALL** the questions

Start **each** question on a new page on your answer sheet.

The marks allocated to **each** question are shown at the end of the section.

1. Alan Turing was a
 - a) Mathematician
 - b) Futurist
 - c) Physicist
 - d) Teacher[1]

2. What was the enigma machine designed for? [3]

3. Give an example of a palindrome. [1]

4. Name these operations $\cap \cup \circ *$ [4]

5. What is the definition of a DFA and what does it do? [4]

6. According to the 5-tuple representation i.e. $FA = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q, F\}$

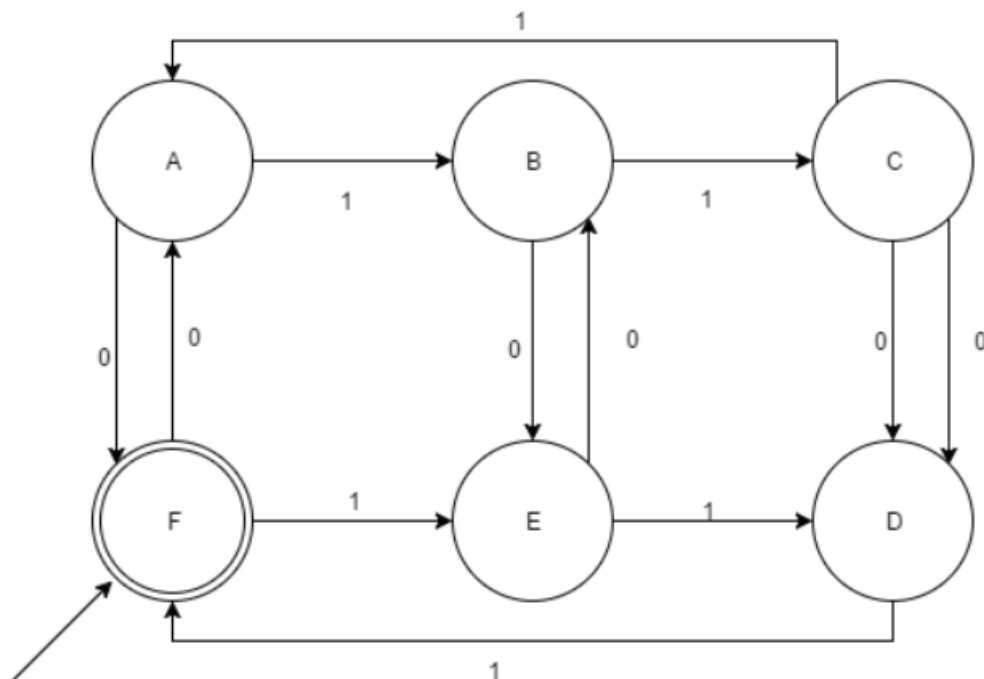
Statement 1: $q \in Q'$; Statement 2: $F \in Q$

- a) Statement 1 is true, Statement 2 is false
 - b) Statement 1 is false, Statement 2 is true
 - c) Statement 1 is false, Statement 2 may be true
 - d) Statement 1 may be true, Statement 2 is false
- [5]

7. δ^* tells us the best:

- a) how the Transition function describes the DFA
 - b) the state is the dumping state
 - c) the final state has been reached
 - d) Kleene operation is performed on the set
- [5].

8. What are the input strings that can be extracted from this DFA? [5]



9. What are the maximum number of transition which can be performed over a state in a DFA?

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

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4

[5]

10. What helps Push down automata to recognize context free languages?

[2]

11. Draw an NFA

[5]

12. Explain the 5 tuples of a DFA $\{Q, \Sigma, q, F, \delta\}$

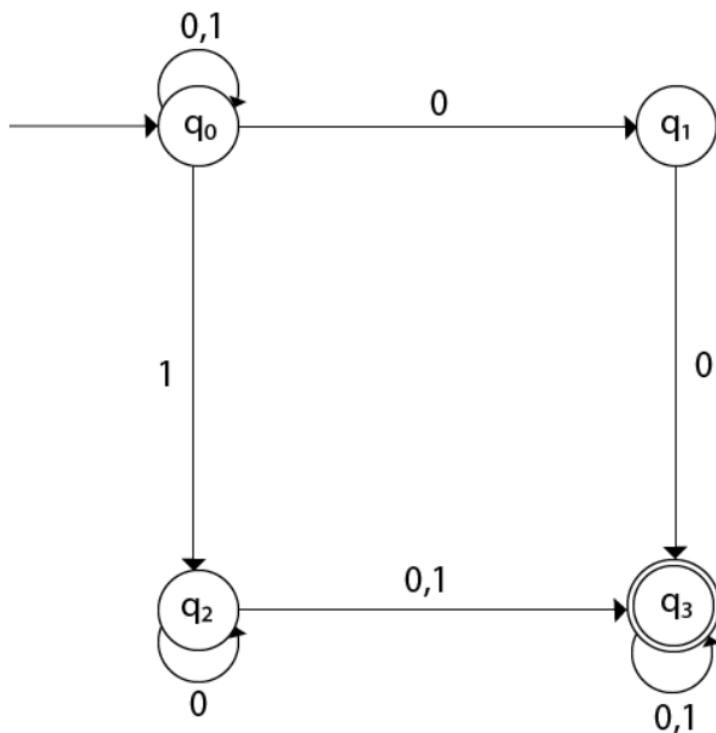
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13. A language recognized by a finite automaton is called a Language.

[1]

14. Give a concise description of the diagram below

[5]



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