

# Compiler Design VTU Question Paper Set 2017



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**Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2016/Jan.2017**  
**Compiler Design**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting  
at least TWO questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

- 1 a. Explain the various phases of a compiler with the help of neat diagram. (08 Marks)  
b. Write the transition diagram along with program code to recognize the token below.  
i) Relop ( relational operator) ii) Unsigned number (12 Marks)
- 2 a. Give the rules for constructing FIRST and FOLLOW sets. (08 Marks)  
b. Construct the predictive parsing table by making necessary changes to the grammar given below and show the parsing of string  
id + id \* id (LL parsing)  
 $E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$   
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$   
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$  (12 Marks)
- 3 a. What is shift reduce parser? Explain its actions and conflicts by taking an example. (10 Marks)  
b. Design SLR parser for the following grammar by computing LR(0) items and show the parsing of string ((a))  
 $A \rightarrow (A) \mid a$  (10 Marks)
- 4 a. Construct CLR parser by finding LR(1) items for the following grammar  
 $S \rightarrow AA$   
 $A \rightarrow aA \mid b$  (12 Marks)  
b. Construct LALR parser for the grammar of Q4(a) using LR(1) items. (08 Marks)

**PART – B**

- 5 a. Define inherited and synthesized attributes. Give examples. (06 Marks)  
b. Give the SDD for simple desk Calculator and draw Annotated parse Tree for expression  
 $(3+4) * (5+6)$ . (10 Marks)  
c. Define syntax directed definition for a simple type declaration. (04 Marks)
- 6 a. Construct DAG and three address code for the following expression :  
 $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$  (08 Marks)  
b. Explain the following with an example: i) Quadruples ii) Triples. (08 Marks)  
c. Generate three address code to the following statement :  
Switch (ch)  
{  
case 1 : C = a + b ; break ;  
case 2 : C = a - b ; break ;  
} (04 Marks)

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- 7 a. With a neat diagram, describe the general structure of an activation record. (06 Marks)  
b. Explain the strategies for reducing fragmentation in heap memory. (08 Marks)  
c. Explain briefly the performance metrics to be considered while designing garbage collector. (06 Marks)
- 8 a. Discuss the various issues in the design of a code generator. (10 Marks)  
b. For the following program segment :  
for i = 1 to 10 do  
for j = 1 to 10 do  
a[i, j] = 0.0  
for i = 1 to 10 to  
a [ i, j] = 1.0  
Generate intermediate code and identify basic blocks. (10 Marks)

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## Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2015

### Compiler Design

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

**Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting  
atleast TWO questions from each part.**

#### PART – A

1.
  - a. Explain with a diagram, the phases of compiler. (08 Marks)
  - b. Write regular definitions for the following using extended regular expression notation :
    - i) identifier
    - ii) unsigned number. (06 Marks)
  - c. Write a program for look ahead code with sentinels. (06 Marks)
  
2.
  - a. Define left – recursive grammar. Eliminate left recursion from the following grammar :
 
$$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id.}$$
 (05 Marks)
  - b. Given the grammar :
 
$$S \rightarrow AaAb \mid BbBa$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$
    - i) compute FIRST() and FOLLOW() functions
    - ii) construct predictive parsing table
    - iii) parse the input string  $w = ab$ . (09 Marks)
  - c. Show that the following grammar is ambiguous  $E \rightarrow E + E \mid E * E \mid (E) \mid \text{id}$ , write an equivalent unambiguous grammar for the same. (06 Marks)
  
3.
  - a. What is meant by handle pruning? construct Bottom – up parse tree for the input string  $w = aaa * a ++$ . Using the grammar :
 
$$S \rightarrow SS + \mid SS * \mid a.$$
 (06 Marks)
  - b. Explain the working of shift reduce parser. Parse the input string  $\text{id} * \text{id}$ . Using the grammar of question no, 2(a). (08 Marks)
  - c. With a diagram, explain the model of an LR parser. (06 Marks)
  
4.
  - a. Write an algorithm to construct LALR parsing table. (06 Marks)
  - b. Construct the parsing table for LALR(1) parser using the grammar :
 
$$S \rightarrow CC$$

$$C \rightarrow aC$$

$$C \rightarrow d.$$
 (10 Marks)
  - c. Compare LALR and canonical LR parsers. (04 Marks)

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## PART – B

- 5 a. Explain the concept of syntax directed definition. (04 Marks)  
 b. Consider the context free grammar given below :  
 $S \rightarrow EN$   
 $E \rightarrow E + T \mid E - T \mid T$   
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid T / F \mid F$   
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{digit}$   
 $N \rightarrow ;$   
 i) Obtain SDD for the above grammar  
 ii) Annotated parse tree for the input string  $5 * 6 + 7$ . (10 Marks)  
 c. Define :  
 i) Synthesized attribute  
 ii) Inherited attribute. (06 Marks)
- 6 a. Construct DAG and three address code for the following expression :  
 $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$ . (08 Marks)  
 b. Explain the following with an example : i) quadruples ii) triples. (08 Marks)  
 c. Generate three address code for the following statement :  
 switch (ch)  
 { case 1 :  $c = a + b$  ; break ;  
   case 2 :  $c = a - b$  ; break ;  
 } (04 Marks)
- 7 a. With a neat diagram, describe the general structure of an activation record. (06 Marks)  
 b. Explain in the strategy for reducing fragmentation in heap memory. (08 Marks)  
 c. Explain briefly the performance metrics to be considered while designing a garbage collector. (06 Marks)
- 8 a. Discuss the various issues in the design of a code generator. (10 Marks)  
 b. What are basic blocks and flow graphs? Write an algorithm to partition the three address instructions into basic blocks. (06 Marks)  
 c. List the characteristics of a peephole optimization. (04 Marks)

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**Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2014/Jan.2015**  
**Compiler Design**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting  
atleast TWO questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

- 1
  - a. Explain with neat diagram, the phases of compiler with example. (10 Marks)
  - b. Construct a transition diagram for recognizing relational operators. Sketch the program segment to implement it, showing the first state and one final state. (10 Marks)
- 2
  - a. Briefly explain the problems associated with top down parser. (03 Marks)
  - b. Show that following grammar is ambiguous:  $S \rightarrow S + S \mid S * S \mid id$ . Give an unambiguous grammar for the above grammar such that '+' has highest priority and \* has less priority and both are left associative. (07 Marks)
  - c. Given the grammar  $A \rightarrow (A) / a$ 
    - i) Construct predictive parser table.
    - ii) Check the grammar is LL(1) or not.
    - iii) Show the parser steps for the input ((a)). (10 Marks)
- 3
  - a. Obtain LR(0) items for the following grammar:  
 $S \rightarrow L = R \mid R \quad L \rightarrow * R \mid id \quad R \rightarrow L$ . (08 Marks)
  - b. Obtain FIRST and FOLLOW sets for the grammar shown in Q.3(a) and obtain SLR parsing table. Is the grammar SLR? (12 Marks)
- 4
  - a. Given the grammar:  
 $A \rightarrow CC \quad C \rightarrow aC \mid b$ 
    - i) Construct sets of LR(1) items.
    - ii) Construct canonical LR(1) parsing table. (12 Marks)
  - b. Write a note on the parse generator – YACC. (03 Marks)
  - c. Write the YACC specification of a simple desk calculator with following grammar for arithmetic expression:  
 $E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$   
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$   
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid digit$  where digit between 0 to 9. (05 Marks)

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**PART – B**

- 5 a. Explain type of attributes for non terminal with example. (04 Marks)  
 b. Write annotated parse tree for expression  $5 + 4 * 3n$  where grammar is  
 $L \rightarrow En$   
 $E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$   
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$   
 $F \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{digit}$  (06 Marks)  
 c. How different classes of SDD's that guarantee evaluation order? (06 Marks)  
 d. Obtain postfix SDT for simple desk calculator. (04 Marks)
- 6 a. Obtain the directed acyclic graph for the expression  $x + x * (y + z) + (y + z) * w$ . (06 Marks)  
 b. Explain the following with example:  
 i) Quadraples ii) Triples iii) Indirect triples. (06 Marks)  
 c. Explain SDT of switch statement. (08 Marks)
- 7 a. What is activation record? Explain structure and purpose of each field in the activation record. (06 Marks)  
 b. Explain tasks of caller and callee when procedure called and exit. (08 Marks)  
 c. Explain briefly the performance metrics to be considered while designing garbage collector. (06 Marks)
- 8 a. Write intermediate code for the following source code:  
 for i from 1 to 10 do  
 for j from 1 to 10 do  
 a[i, j] = 0.0;  
 for i from 1 to 10 do  
 a[i, i] = 1.0;  
 and identify basic blocks. (10 Marks)  
 b. Discuss the issues in the design of a code generator. (10 Marks)

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**Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June / July 2014**  
**Compiler Design**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

**Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting  
at least TWO questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

- 1
  - a. Explain the various phases of a compiler with the help of neat diagram. (08 Marks)
  - b. Give the formal definitions of operations on languages with notations. (04 Marks)
  - c. Write the transition diagram to recognize the token below:
    - i) relop (relational operations)
    - ii) unsigned number. (08 Marks)
- 2
  - a. Give the rules for constructing FIRST and FOLLOW sets. (06 Marks)
  - b. Construct the predictive parsing table by making necessary changes to the grammar given below:
 
$$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$$
 (10 Marks)
  - c. Give the formal definition of CFG with an example. (04 Marks)
- 3
  - a. What is a shift-reduce parser? Explain the conflicts that may occur during shift-reduce parsing. List the actions of shift-reduce parser. (06 Marks)
  - b. Form the Action / Goto table for the following grammar:
 
$$S \rightarrow Aa \mid bAc \mid Ba \mid bBa$$

$$A \rightarrow d$$

$$B \rightarrow d$$
 Justify whether the grammar is LR(0) or not. (14 Marks)
- 4
  - a. Construct the canonical LR(1) Item sets for the following grammar:
 
$$S \rightarrow AA$$

$$A \rightarrow aA \mid b$$
 (10 Marks)
  - b. Construct LALR parsing table for the grammar shown in Q4 (a) using LR(1) items. (10 Marks)

**PART – B**

- 5
  - a. Define inherited and synthesized attributes. Give examples. (06 Marks)
  - b. Give the SDD for simple desk calculator and draw dependency graph for expression,  $1 * 2 * 3 * (4 + 5)n$  (10 Marks)
  - c. Write SDD that generates either a basic type or an array type. (04 Marks)
- 6
  - a. Draw the DAG for the expression,  $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$ . Show the steps for constructing the same. (10 Marks)
  - b. Explain the following with examples: i) Quadraples ii) Triples. (06 Marks)
  - c. Write the three address code for the expression:
 
$$a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$$
 (04 Marks)



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- 7 a. Give the general structure of an activation record. Explain the purpose of each component. (08 Marks)
- b. Explain the performance metrics that must be considered while designing garbage collector. (08 Marks)
- c. Give the memory hierarchy configurations of modern computer highlighting size and access times. (04 Marks)
- 8 a. Explain the main issues in code generation. (10 Marks)
- b. For the following program segment:
- ```
for i = 1 to 10 do
  for j = 1 to 10 do
    a[i, j] = 0.0
  for i = 1 to 10 do
    a[i, i] = 1.0
```
- Generate intermediate code and identify basic blocks. (10 Marks)

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**Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec. 2013/Jan. 2014**  
**Compiler Design**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

**Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting  
atleast TWO questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

- 1 a. Explain the various phases of compiler. Show the translations for an assignment statement. Position = initial + rate \* 60, clearly indicate the output of each phase. (12 Marks)
- b. Write the regular definition for an unsigned number. Also write the transition diagram. (06 Marks)
- c. What is printed by the following C code?  

```
# define a (x + 1)
int x = 2 ;
void b() {int x = 1; printf("%d ln", a);}
void c() {printf("%d ln", a); }
void main() {b(); c();}
```

(02 Marks)
- 2 a. Describe an algorithm used for eliminating the left recursion. Eliminate left recursion from the grammar :  
 $S \rightarrow Aa | b$      $A \rightarrow Ac | Sd | a$ . (06 Marks)
- b. Show that the following grammar is ambiguous :  
 $E \rightarrow E + E | E * E | (E) | id$ . Write an equivalent unambiguous grammar for the same. (06 Marks)
- c. What are the key problems with top down parse? Write a recursive descent parser for the grammar :  
 $S \rightarrow cAd$      $A \rightarrow ab | a$ . (08 Marks)
- 3 a. Given the grammar :  
 $S \rightarrow aABb$   
 $A \rightarrow c | \epsilon$   
 $B \rightarrow d | \epsilon$   
 i) Compute FIRST and FOLLOW sets  
 ii) Construct the predictive parsing table  
 iii) Show the moves made by predictive parser on the input ; acdb. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain with a neat diagram, the model of a table driven predictive parser. (05 Marks)
- c. What is handle pruning? Give a bottom – up parse for the input : aaa \* a++ and grammar :  
 $S \rightarrow SS + | SS * | a$ . (05 Marks)
- 4 a. Given the grammar :  
 $S \rightarrow CC$   
 $C \rightarrow cC | d$   
 i) Obtain the sets of canonical collection of sets of valid LR(0) items  
 ii) Design SLR parsing table. (10 Marks)
- b. Write an algorithm used to compute LR (1) sets of items. (06 Marks)
- c. Write a note on the parser Generator – Yacc. (04 Marks)



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## PART – B

- 5 a. Explain the concept of syntax – directed definition. (05 Marks)  
 b. The SDD to translate binary integer number into decimal is shown below :

| Productions           | Semantic rules                     |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| $BN \rightarrow L$    | $BN.val = L.val$                   |
| $L \rightarrow L_1 B$ | $L.val = 2 \times L_1.val + B.val$ |
| $L \rightarrow B$     | $L.val = B.val$                    |
| $B \rightarrow 0$     | $B.val = 0$                        |
| $B \rightarrow 1$     | $B.val = 1$                        |

Construct the parse tree and annotated parse tree for the input string : 11001. (05 Marks)

- c. Give a SDT for desktop calculator and show its parser stack implementation. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. Translate the arithmetic expression :  $a + -(b + c)$  into quadruples, triples and indirect triples. (06 Marks)  
 b. Give a semantic action for :  $S \rightarrow \text{if}(B) S_1 \text{ else } S_2$ . (06 Marks)  
 c. Develop SDD to produce directed a cyclic graph for an expression. Show the steps for constructing the directed acyclic graph for the expression :  $a + a * (b - c) + (b - c) * d$ . (08 Marks)

- 7 a. Describe the general structure of an activation record. Explain the purpose of each field in the activation record. (08 Marks)  
 b. A C – code to compute Fibonacci numbers recursively is shown below :

```
int f(int n)
{
  int t, s;
  if(n <= 2) return 1;
  s = f(n-1);
  t = f(n-2);
  return (s+t);
}
```

- i) Draw the activation tree for the call :  $f(5)$   
 ii) What is the largest number of activation records that ever appear together on the stack? (06 Marks)  
 c. Explain the performance metrics to be considered while designing a garbage collector. (06 Marks)

- 8 a. Discuss the issues in the design of a code generator. (10 Marks)  
 b. Write the tree address code and construct the basic blocks for the following program segment.  
 $\text{sum} = 0;$   
 $\text{for}(i = 0; i <= 10; i++)$   
 $\quad \text{sum} = \text{sum} + a[i];$  (05 Marks)  
 c. Give the code generation process for operations. (05 Marks)

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## Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2013

### Compiler Design

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.**

#### PART – A

- 1
  - a. Explain three types of software productivity tools. (06 Marks)
  - b. Define sentinels. Give lookahead code with sentinels. (04 Marks)
  - c. Enlist algebraic laws for regular expressions. (07 Marks)
  - d. Give transition diagram for unsigned numbers. (03 Marks)
- 2
  - a. Write an algorithm to eliminate left recursion from a grammar, also give the syntax of the production. (05 Marks)
  - b. Consider the production:
 
$$S \rightarrow aAb$$

$$A \rightarrow cd/C.$$
 Show that recursive-descent parsing fails for the input string "acdb", also explain recursive descent algorithm. (07 Marks)
  - c. Find First and Follow for the given grammars:
    - i)  $\text{stmt\_sequence} \rightarrow \text{stmt stmt\_sequence}'$   
 $\text{stmt\_sequence}' \rightarrow ; \text{stmt\_sequence} / \epsilon$   
 $\text{stmt} \rightarrow s$
    - ii)  $S \rightarrow ,GH;$   
 $G \rightarrow aF$   
 $F \rightarrow bF / \epsilon$   
 $H \rightarrow KL$   
 $K \rightarrow m / \epsilon$   
 $L \rightarrow n / \epsilon$  (08 Marks)
- 3
  - a. What are two types of conflicts during shift reduce parsing? Give examples. (04 Marks)
  - b. For the given grammar  $E \rightarrow E + n/n$ . Construct parsing table of LL(1). Verify  $3 + 4 + 5$  and show each step of verification with reference to parsing table. (08 Marks)
  - c. How to verify whether grammar is LL(1) or not? Show that:
 
$$S \rightarrow AaAb/BbBa$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$
 is LL (1), without constructing any table. (08 Marks)
- 4
  - a. Construct the DFA of LR(0) items and SLR parsing table for the grammar:
 
$$\text{Stmt\_sequence} \rightarrow \text{stmt\_sequence}; \text{stmt}/\text{stmt}$$

$$\text{Stmt} \rightarrow S$$
 Identify Kernel and non Kernel items in state  $I_4$ . (12 Marks)
  - b. Discuss the behaviour of the LR parser. (04 Marks)
  - c. For the grammar  $A \rightarrow (A)/a$ , construct LR(1) set of items. (04 Marks)

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- 5 a. Write annotated parse tree for  $3*5 + 4n$  using Top down approach. Write semantic rules for each step. (08 Marks)
- b. Discuss S-attributes and L-attributes with respect to SDD (Syntax Directed Definition). (04 Marks)
- c. By considering an array type `int[3][3]`, write syntax directed translation with semantic rules. (08 Marks)
- 6 a. Enlist any four common three address instruction forms. (04 Marks)
- b. Define quadruples, triples and static single assignment form. (06 Marks)
- c. Write syntax directed definition for flow of control statements. (10 Marks)
- 7 a. Write a version of quick sort, in ML style using the nested functions. Give any four additional features of ML. (08 Marks)
- b. “Most programs exhibit a high degree of locality”, explain the statement. (05 Marks)
- c. “Garbage collection is seldom used in real time applications”, justify the statement. How language design affects the characteristics of memory usage. (07 Marks)
- 8 a. How register allocation and evaluation order plays an important role in a code generation? Discuss. (06 Marks)
- b. Write an intermediate code to set a  $10 \times 10$  matrix to an identity matrix. (10 Marks)
- c. Define flow graph. How it is constructed? (04 Marks)

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