

**AUTOMATA THEORY AND COMPUTABILITY**  
[As per Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) scheme]  
(Effective from the academic year 2017 - 2018)

**SEMESTER – V**

Subject Code	17CS54	IA Marks	40
Number of Lecture Hours/Week	4	Exam Marks	60
Total Number of Lecture Hours	50	Exam Hours	03

**CREDITS – 04**

<b>Module – 1</b>	<b>Teaching Hours</b>
<p><b>Why study the Theory of Computation, Languages and Strings:</b> Strings, Languages. A Language Hierarchy, Computation, <b>Finite State Machines (FSM):</b> Deterministic FSM, Regular languages, Designing FSM, Nondeterministic FSMs, From FSMs to Operational Systems, Simulators for FSMs, Minimizing FSMs, Canonical form of Regular languages, Finite State Transducers, Bidirectional Transducers.</p> <p><b>Textbook 1: Ch 1,2, 3,4, 5.1 to 5.10</b></p>	<b>10 Hours</b>
<b>Module – 2</b>	
<p><b>Regular Expressions (RE):</b> what is a RE?, Kleene's theorem, Applications of REs, Manipulating and Simplifying REs. <b>Regular Grammars:</b> Definition, Regular Grammars and Regular languages. <b>Regular Languages (RL) and Non-regular Languages:</b> How many RLs, To show that a language is regular, Closure properties of RLs, to show some languages are not RLs.</p> <p><b>Textbook 1: Ch 6, 7, 8: 6.1 to 6.4, 7.1, 7.2, 8.1 to 8.4</b></p>	<b>10 Hours</b>
<b>Module – 3</b>	
<p><b>Context-Free Grammars(CFG):</b> Introduction to Rewrite Systems and Grammars, CFGs and languages, designing CFGs, simplifying CFGs, proving that a Grammar is correct, Derivation and Parse trees, Ambiguity, Normal Forms. <b>Pushdown Automata (PDA):</b> Definition of non-deterministic PDA, Deterministic and Non-deterministic PDAs, Non-determinism and Halting, alternative equivalent definitions of a PDA, alternatives that are not equivalent to PDA.</p> <p><b>Textbook 1: Ch 11, 12: 11.1 to 11.8, 12.1, 12.2, 12.4, 12.5, 12.6</b></p>	<b>10 Hours</b>
<b>Module – 4</b>	
<p><b>Context-Free and Non-Context-Free Languages:</b> Where do the Context-Free Languages(CFL) fit, Showing a language is context-free, Pumping theorem for CFL, Important closure properties of CFLs, Deterministic CFLs. Algorithms and Decision Procedures for CFLs: Decidable questions, Un-decidable questions. <b>Turing Machine:</b> Turing machine model, Representation, Language acceptability by TM, design of TM, Techniques for TM construction.</p> <p><b>Textbook 1: Ch 13: 13.1 to 13.5, Ch 14: 14.1, 14.2, Textbook 2: Ch 9.1 to 9.6</b></p>	<b>10 Hours</b>
<b>Module – 5</b>	
<p><b>Variants of Turing Machines (TM), The model of Linear Bounded automata:</b> Decidability: Definition of an algorithm, decidability, decidable languages, Undecidable languages, halting problem of TM, Post correspondence problem. <b>Complexity:</b> Growth rate of functions, the classes of P and NP, Quantum Computation: quantum computers, Church-Turing thesis.</p> <p><b>Textbook 2: Ch 9.7 to 9.8, 10.1 to 10.7, 12.1, 12.2, 12.8, 12.8.1, 12.8.2</b></p>	<b>10 Hours</b>
<b>Course outcomes:</b> The students should be able to:	

- Tell the core concepts in automata theory and Theory of Computation



- Explain how to translate between different models of Computation (e.g., Deterministic and Non-deterministic and Software models).
- Interpret Grammars and Automata (recognizers) for different language classes and become knowledgeable about restricted models of Computation (Regular, Context Free) and their relative powers.
- Develop skills in formal reasoning and reduction of a problem to a formal model, with an emphasis on semantic precision and conciseness.
- Classify a problem with respect to different models of Computation.

**Question paper pattern:**

The question paper will have TEN questions.

There will be TWO questions from each module.

Each question will have questions covering all the topics under a module.

The students will have to answer FIVE full questions, selecting ONE full question from each module.

**Text Books:**

1. Elaine Rich, Automata, Computability and Complexity, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, Pearson Education, 2012/2013
2. K L P Mishra, N Chandrasekaran, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Theory of Computer Science, PHI, 2012.

**Reference Books:**

1. John E Hopcroft, Rajeev Motwani, Jeffery D Ullman, Introduction to Automata Theory, Languages, and Computation, 3rd Edition, Pearson Education, 2013
2. Michael Sipser : Introduction to the Theory of Computation, 3rd edition, Cengage learning, 2013
3. John C Martin, Introduction to Languages and The Theory of Computation, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Tata McGraw –Hill Publishing Company Limited, 2013
4. Peter Linz, “An Introduction to Formal Languages and Automata”, 3rd Edition, Narosa Publishers, 1998
5. Basavaraj S. Anami, Karibasappa K G, Formal Languages and Automata theory, Wiley India, 2012
6. C K Nagpal, Formal Languages and Automata Theory, Oxford University press, 2012.

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