THEORY OF COMPUTATION

OBJECTIVE

Learning about automata, grammar, language, and their relationships. Further, gives an understanding of the power of Turing machine, and the decidable nature of a problem. Also, gives the idea on some new trends and applications.

UNIT – I REGULAR LANGUAGES

Finite Automata (FA) – Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA) – Non-deterministic Finite Automata (NFA) – Finite Automata with Epsilon transitions - Regular Expression – FA and Regular Expressions – Pumping lemma for Regular languages - Equivalence and minimization of Finite Automata.

UNIT – II CONTEXT FREE LANGUAGES

Context-Free Grammar (CFG) – Parse Trees – Ambiguity in grammars and languages – Equivalence of Parse trees and derivation - Normal forms for CFG - Definition of the Pushdown automata – Languages of a Pushdown Automata – Equivalence of Pushdown automata and CFG – Pumping lemma for CFL.

UNIT – III CLOSURE PROPERTIES AND TURING MACHINES 8

Closure properties of Regular Sets: Complement and Intersection – Closure properties of CFL: Union, Concatenation, Kleene Closure, Intersection and Complement – Turing Machines – Language of a Turing machine – Turing machine as a computing device - Various techniques for construction of TMs – Equivalence of one tape and multi-tape Turing machines.

UNIT – IV UNDECIDABILITY

A language that is not Recursively Enumerable (RE) – An undecidable problem that is RE – Undecidable problems about Turing Machine – Rice theorem for Recursive and Recursively enumerable languages – Post's Correspondence Problem.

UNIT – V RECENT TRENDS & APPLICATIONS

Matrix grammar – Programmed grammar – Random context grammar – Regular Control grammar – Lindermayer systems – A glance on DNA computing and Membrane computing.

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