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**Course: Theory of Automata (3452)**

**Level: Bachelor**

**Semester: Spring, 2013**

**Total Marks: 100**

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

*Note: All questions carry equal marks.*

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- Q.1 Discuss the most common set operation with the help of examples.
- Q.2 What is recursive definition? Also describe the main purpose of recursive definition.
- Q.3 What is string? Also describe concatenates, factor and flip operation with the help of examples.
- Q.4 Define language. Elaborate the most common operation on languages.
- Q.5 Prove that  $L_1 - (L_2 \cup L_3) = (L_1 - L_2) \cap (L_1 - L_3)$   
and  $L_1 - (L_2 \cap L_3) = (L_1 - L_2) \cup (L_1 - L_3)$

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

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- Q.1 What is the difference between regular language and regular expression?
- Q.2
- a) Explain the technique for generating string from CFG.
  - b) Explain the method used for converting a CFG to push down Automata.
  - c) Describe the properties of CFL.
- Q.3
- a) What is parsing? Explain its type with examples.
  - b) Define normal form in General context. Also explain back-us and Chomsky normal form.

- Q.4 a) Define finite state machine. Explain various actions performed on FSM.  
b) Differentiate between DFA and NFA with examples.  
c) Discuss the pumping lemma for regular grammar.
- Q.5 a) What is pushdown automata? Also describe pumping lemma for CFL.  
b) What is difference between standard and universal Turing machine?
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## **3452 Theory of Automata**

**Credit Hours: 3(3+0)**

**Recommended Book: Introduction to Computer Theory by Denial I. A. Cohen**

**Course Outline:**

**Unit No.1 Mathematical Preliminaries**

Set theory, Relations and Functions, Recursive Definitions, Direct Graphs and Mathematics

**Unit No.2 Languages**

Strings and Languages, Finite Specification of Languages, Regular Sets and Expression

**Unit No.3 Context-Free Grammars**

Context-free Grammars and Languages, Regular Grammar and Arithmetic Expression

**Unit No.4 Parsing**

Leftmost Derivations and ambiguity, Regular Grammars, Bottom-up Parsing Shift Reducer Parser.

**Unit No.5 Normal Forms**

Elimination of Lambda Chain Rules, Chomsky Normal Form, Greibach Normal Form.

**Unit No.6 Finite Automata**

Finite State machine, Deterministic Finite Automata, Nondeterministic Finite Automata, Lambda Transitions, Expression Graphs

**Unit No.7 Regular Languages**

Regular Grammar and finite Automata, Non-regular Language, Pumping Lemma for Regular Language, Closure Properties of Regular Language

**Unit No.8 Pushdown Automata and Context-Free Languages**

Pushdown Automata, Pushdown Automata and Context-free Language, pumping Lemma for Context-Free Languages.

**Unit No.9 Turing Machine**

Standard Turing Machine, Multiple Machines, Nondeterministic, Turing Machines.