



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

COMPUTATIONAL MODELS COMPUTABILITY AND COMPLEXITY - 67521

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HU Credits: 5

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Computer Sciences

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

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Course/Module description:

The course consists of three parts. The first part examines the computational strength of simple computational models, such as automata, and the formal representation of the languages recognizable by these models. The second part deals with the computational abilities and limitations of a general (Turing complete) computer. The last part focuses on quantifying the computational resources, such as time and space, required for deciding different classes of computational problems.

Possible specific subjects include:

Automata and formal languages: Finite automata and regular languages, closure properties, determinization, minimality, context free languages, grammars, pushdown automata.

Computability: The Turing machine model, decidability and undecidability, reductions.

Complexity: Time and space complexity. The classes P , NP , $NLOGSPACE$, $PSPACE$ and completeness for these classes. Hierarchy theorems. Other advanced subjects.

Course/Module aims:

NA

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

NA

Attendance requirements(%):

0

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures, TA sessionsn exercises and quizzes.

Course/Module Content:

NA

Required Reading:

None

Additional Reading Material:

Introduction to the Theory of Computation by Michael Sipser

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 80 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 0 %

Assignments 10 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 10 %

Other 0 %

Additional information:

NA