# Automata and Formal Languages



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- Introduce concepts in automata theory and theory of computation
- Identify different formal language classes and their relationships
- Design grammars and recognizers for different formal languages
- Prove or disprove theorems in automata theory using its properties
- Determine the decidability and intractability of computational problems



## Course Organization

- Very broadly, the course will contain three parts:
  - Part I) Regular languages
  - Part II) Context-free languages
  - Part III) Turing machines & decidability



## Pre-requisites

Data Structures and Algorithms

Discrete Mathematical Structures



#### Required Textbook

- Introduction to Automata Theory, Languages and Computation
  - By J.E. Hopcroft, R. Motwani, J.D. Ullman 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Addison Wesley/Pearson
- Introduction to Languages and The theory of computation.

By John C Martin, 3rd Edition, McGraw-Hill.