# **Assignment Title: PDF Content Segmenter**

# **Objective:**

Develop a Java application that programmatically segments a system-generated PDF into distinct sections based on the whitespace between blocks of text, making exactly X cuts. The goal is to identify logical sections such as headings, paragraphs, and distinct blocks that are visually separated by increased whitespace, without using image processing techniques.

# Requirements:

### 1. Input Specifications:

The application should accept a PDF file as input.

### 2. Processing Details:

- Analyze the PDF to identify sudden changes in whitespaces along Y-axis that significantly separates text blocks.
- Define "significant whitespace" as vertical spaces that are noticeably larger than the typical line spacing within paragraphs.
- The application should make exactly X cuts based on the largest Y white spaces.

### 3. Output Specifications:

- The output should be multiple PDF files, each containing one of the segments created by the cuts.
- Ensure that the segmentation does not cut through the middle of text blocks or paragraphs.

#### 4. Constraints:

- Do not use image processing libraries or convert PDF pages to images for processing.
- Leverage PDF manipulation libraries such as Apache PDFBox or iText to analyze and manipulate the PDF content.

#### 5. Technologies to Use:

- Java 8 or above
- Apache PDFBox

#### Deliverables:

- Source code with appropriate comments to enhance readability and maintainability.
- A README .md file documenting:
  - Setup instructions
  - How to run the application
  - Examples of usage
- Unit tests demonstrating the functionality and handling edge cases.

### **Evaluation Criteria:**

- **Functionality**: The application meets all the requirements and correctly segments the PDF into the defined number of sections based on whitespace.
- **Code Quality**: The code should be clean, well-organized, and follow Java coding standards and best practices.
- **Error Handling**: The application gracefully handles errors such as invalid input or files that do not conform to expected formats.
- **Documentation**: The documentation is clear, concise, and sufficient for setting up and running the application.
- **Testing**: The presence of comprehensive tests that cover various scenarios including edge cases.