NIRMA UNIVERSITY

Institute:	Institute of Technology, School of Technology	
Name of Programme:	BTech CSE	
Course Code:	4CS501CC25	
Course Title:	Principles of Compiler Design	
Course Type:	Core	
Year of Introduction:	2025-26	

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Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):
At the end of the course, the students will be able to:

1.	summarise the functionalities of various phases of the compiler	(BL2)
2.	apply language theory concepts to various phases of compiler design	(BL3)
3.	select the appropriate optimization technique for the compilation process	(BL5)
4.	implement various compiler phases using the appropriate compiler design tools.	(BL6)

Unit	Contents	Teaching Hours	
Unit-I	Introduction: Overview of principles and significance of compiler	(Total 45)	
	design, Structure of compiler, Types of compilers and their applications, The role of language theory in compiler design		
Unit-II	Formal Languages and Automata: Introduction to formal languages and their types, the need for automata and formal languages in compiler design, Deterministic and Non-Deterministic Finite Automata, Conversion from NFA to DFA, Finite Automata, Regular Expression to Automata	06	
Unit-III	Lexical Analysis: The role of a Lexical Analyzer, Input Buffering, Specifications of Tokens, Recognition of tokens, Lexical Analyzer Generator	05	
Unit-IV	Syntax Analysis: Context-free Grammar, Top-down Parsing, Bottom- up Parsing, LR Parsers, Error Recovery, parsing for ambiguous grammar, Parsing Generator Tools	10	
Unit-V	Semantic Analysis and Intermediate Code Generation: Typical Semantic errors, Static and Dynamic Checks, Syntax directed definitions (SDD) & Translation schemes (SDT), Type checking, Syntax Directed Translation Schemes, Type checking, Type Checking, Intermediate code representations, Three Address Codes, Control Flow, Back patching	13	
Unit-VI	Runtime Environment: Storage Organization, Stack Allocation and Heap Management	02	

Unit-VII Code Generation and Optimization: Issues in code generation, Data
Flow and Control Flow, Peephole Optimization, Register Allocation,
Machine independent optimization techniques, Introduction to crosscompiler

Self-Study:

The self-study contents will be declared at the commencement of the semester. Around 10% of the questions will be asked from self-study contents

Suggested Readings/ References:

- 1. Aho, Lam, Ullman, Sethi, Compilers, Principles, Techniques and Tools, Pearson
- 2. Jean-Paul Trembly & Paul G Sorenson, *The Theory and Practice of Compiler writing*, McGraw Hill
- 3. Keith D Cooper & Linda Torczon, Engineering a Compiler, Elsevier
- 4. John C. Martin, Introduction to Languages and Theory of Computation, McGraw Hill
- 5. Michael Sisper, Theory of Computation, Thomson

Suggested List of Experiments:

Sr.	Name of Experiments/Exercises	Hours		
1	Getting acquainted with Lexical Analyzer generator tool lex/flex to	02		
	recognize tokens from the given code fragment			
2	To implement Lexical Analyzer: Define source programming language	02		
	and its constructs (one control construct, two arithmetic operators, one loop construct). Use the lex/flex tool to generate a token stream for a given character stream after eliminating comments and other extraneous tokens.			
	Report lexical errors with line numbers.	02		
3	To implement symbol table generation: Extend experiment 2 to constru			
	a symbol table construct (name, data type, address), and add all unique			
	identifier names to the symbol table.			
4	To implement Syntax Analyzer: Write Context Free Grammar for your	04		
	defined programming constructs. Use Lex and YACC tools to validate the			
-	grammar of the input program.	0.4		
5	To implement Error recovery in syntax analyzer: Apply error recovery	04		
(in experiment 4 to list syntax errors in the input program.	0.4		
6	To Implement a semantic analyzer: Write semantics for declaration	04		
	statements to update the data type of symbols in the symbol table. Also,			
	perform a semantic check to verify and report the use of undeclared variables and redeclaration of variables			
7	To implement three address code generators for control statements:	04		
,	Write semantic rules to generate three address codes for control statements	04		
8	To implement three address code generator part II: write semantic rules to	04		
	generate	0 1		
9	To implement Assembly code generator.: Implement getreg() to allocate	02		
9	registers to variables in given three address code.	02		
10	To implement Code Optimization techniques: Implement any code	02		
	optimization technique.			