

# Course Manual FSA

Formal Languages and Automata Theory

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## – General information

**Long name** Formal Languages and Automata Theory

**Approving CModule** [FSA\\_BaTIN](#)

**Responsible** Prof. Dr. Hans Nissen  
Professor Fakultät IME

**Valid from** summer semester 2021

**Level** Bachelor

**Semester in the year** summer semester

**Duration** Semester

**Hours in self-study** 78

**ECTS** 5

**Professors** Prof. Dr. Hans Nissen  
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**Requirements** no requirements

**Language** German

**Separate final exam** Yes

## Literature

Uwe Schöning: Theoretische Informatik - kurzgefasst, Spektrum Akademischer Verlag, 5. Auflage, 2008

Rolf Socher: Theoretische Grundlagen der Informatik Carl Hanser Verlag, 2007

Gottfried Vossen, Kurt-Ulrich Witt: Grundkurs Theoretische Informatik 4. Auflage, Vieweg Verlag, 2006

John E. Hopcroft, Rajeev Motwani, Jeffrey D. Ullman: Einführung in die Automatentheorie, Formale Sprachen und Komplexitätstheorie 3. Auflage, Pearson Studium, 2011

## Final exam

**Details**

The written exam ensures that each student has individually achieved the goals of the Learning Outcomes, through tasks of the following types:  
Formalize and analyze systems from an abstract perspective,  
formalize given formal languages,  
Specify grammar for given language,  
identify accepting machines for given languages,  
transform a description of a formal language into another, equivalent descriptive form  
prove or disprove that a language belongs to a particular language class.

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**Minimum standard**

At least 50% of the total number of points.

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**Exam Type**

EN Klausur

## – Lecture / Exercises

### Learning goals

Goal type	Description
Knowledge	formal languages and Chomsky hierarchy
Knowledge	formalization of grammars
Knowledge	formalization of abstract machine models finite automata pushdown automata turing machine
Knowledge	regular expressions
Knowledge	properties of formal languages closure decidability Pumping Lemma
Skills	specify chomsky level of formal languages
Skills	specification of formal languages
Skills	develop grammar for given formal language
Skills	develop automata for given grammar
Skills	develop automata for given grammar
Skills	transform formal specifications
Skills	formale Beweise zu formalen Sprachen, Grammatiken und Automaten durchführen
Skills	formalize real world problems
Skills	develop abstract automata for real problems

### Special requirements

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### Accompanying material

electronic presentation slides for the lecture, electronic worksheets for exercises

### Separate exam

No

### Expenditure classroom teaching

Type	Attendance (h/Wk.)
Lecture	2

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Exercises (whole course)	0
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Exercises (shared course)	2
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Tutorial (voluntary)	0
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