Advanced Algorithms-78041-CS630-001

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• LECTURE TIME
  August 27, 2018 - December 19, 2018: Tuesday: 7:20pm-10:00pm

• LOCATION
  James Buchanan Hall D023

• COURSE WEBPAGE
  GMU Blackboard CS630

• CREDIT
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• TEXTBOOK

• PREREQUISITES
  Grade of C or better in CS583

• OFFICE HOURS
  2:00pm - 4:00pm, Mondays

• TA: TBD
  - email: TBD
  - office: TBD
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• GRADING POLICY:
  - assignments (60%)
  - a final exam (40%)
  - [95, 100]: A+; [90, 94]: A; [85, 89]: A−; [80, 84]: B+; [75, 79]: B; [70, 74]: B−; [65, 69]: C; [0, 64]: F

• SYLLABUS (to be updated over time)

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| 1 | Introduction  
Greedy Algorithms | KT 4.7 (Clustering)  
KT 4.9 (Minimum-Cost Arborescences)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
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| 2 | Divide and Conquer | KT 5.4 (Finding the Closest Pair of Points)  
KT 5.5 (Integer Multiplication)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 3 | Polynomials and the FFT (Divide and Conquer) | KT 5.6 (Convolutions and the Fast Fourier Transform)  
CLRS 30 (Polynomials and the FFT)  
KT and CLRS Corresponding Exercises |
| 4 | Network Flows | KT 7.3 (Choosing Good Augmenting Paths)  
KT 7.4 (The Preflow-Push Maximum-Flow Algorithm)  
KT 7.7 (Extensions to the Maximum-Flow Problem)  
CLRS 26.4 (Push-Relabel Algorithms)  
CLRS 26.5 (The Relabel-to-Front Algorithm)  
KT and CLRS Corresponding Exercises |
| 5 | Network Flows | KT 7.8 (Survey Design)  
KT 7.9 (Airline Scheduling)  
KT 7.10 (Image Segmentation)  
KT 7.11 (Project Selection)  
KT 7.12 (Baseball Elimination)  
KT 7.13 (Adding Costs to the Matching Problem)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 6 | PSPACE | KT 9 (PSPACE: A Class of Problems Beyond NP)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 7 | Extending the Limits of Tractability | KT 10 (Extending the Limits of Tractability)  
Corresponding Exercises |
| 8 | Approximation Algorithms | KT 11 (Approximation Algorithms)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 9 | Approximation Algorithms | KT 11 (Approximation Algorithms)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 10 | Local Search | KT 12 (Local Search)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 11 | Local Search | KT 12 (Local Search)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 12 | Randomized Algorithms | KT 13 (Randomized Algorithms)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 13 | Randomized Algorithms | KT 13 (Randomized Algorithms)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |
| 14 | Randomized Algorithms | KT 13 (Randomized Algorithms)  
KT Corresponding Exercises |

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