

CMPS 201

Analysis of Algorithms

Spring 2007

Description:

Rigorous analysis of the time and space requirements of important algorithms, including worst case, average case, and amortized analysis. Techniques include order-notation, recurrence relations, information-theoretic lower bounds, adversary arguments. Analysis of the key data structures: trees, hash tables, balanced tree schemes, priority queues, Fibonacci and binomial heaps. Algorithmic paradigms such as divide and conquer, dynamic programming, union-find with path compression, augmenting paths. Selected advanced algorithms. Introduction to NP-completeness. **Prerequisites:** To take this course you must have completed an undergraduate course in data structures (such as CMPS 101), an undergraduate course in algorithms (CMPS 102), or an undergraduate course in graph theory (CMPE 177).

Time and Place: TTh 4:00-5:45 pm Cowell Academy 113

Class Webpage: <http://www.soe.ucsc.edu/classes/cmcs201/Spring07/>

Class Webforum: <http://forums.soe.ucsc.edu/viewforum.php?f=40>

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Required Text:

Introduction to Algorithms by Cormen, Leiserson, Rivest, & Stein; 2nd edition, McGraw Hill (2001).

Optional Texts:

Fundamentals of Algorithmics, Brassard and Bratley, Prentice Hall (1996).

Algorithmics: Theory and Practice, Brassard and Bratley, Prentice Hall (1988).

Computer Algorithms, Baase and van Gelder, 3rd ed, Addison-Wesley (2000).

Computer Algorithms: Introduction to Design and Analysis, Sara Baase, 2nd ed, Addison-Wesley (1988).

Coursework and Evaluation:

Homework assignments and due dates will be announced in class and on the webpage. The **Midterm Exam** will be held in class on **Tuesday May 8**. The **Final Exam** will be held on **Monday June 11, 7:30-10:30 pm**. Course work will be weighted as follows:

Homework	30%
Midterm Exam	35%
Final Exam	35%

The grading scale for the class will be approximately: A+::97%-100%, A::93%-96%, A-::90%-92%, B+::87%-89%, B::83%-86%, B-::80%-82%, C+::76%-79%, C::70%-75%, D::60%-69%, F::0%-59%. Letter grade boundaries may be lowered at my discretion in order to eliminate some borderline cases.

Academic Honesty:

In recent years, there has been an increased number of cheating incidents in many UC campuses, and unfortunately, UCSC is no exception. The Baskin School of Engineering has a zero tolerance policy for any incident of academic dishonesty. If cheating occurs, consequences within the context of the course may range from getting zero on a particular assignment, to failing the course. Cheating in any part of the course may lead to failing the course and suspension or dismissal from the university.

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http://www.ucsc.edu/academics/academic_integrity/