

COURSE DETAIL

RANDOMIZED ALGORITHMS

Country

Denmark

Host Institution

University of Copenhagen

Program(s)

University of Copenhagen

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Computer Science

UCEAP Course Number

170

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

RANDOMIZED ALGORITHMS

UCEAP Transcript Title

RANDOM ALGORITHMS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

In this course applications for randomization in many areas are considered, e.g., graph algorithms, machine learning, distributed computing, and geometry, but the focus is on the general understanding, the goal being to give the students the foundation needed to understand and use randomization, no matter what application area they may later be interested in. The course covers the relevant combinatorial probability theory and randomized techniques in algorithms, including: Game Theoretic Techniques; Moments and Deviations; Tail Inequalities; The Probabilistic Method; Markov Chains and Random Walks; Randomized Data Structures; Randomized Geometric Algorithms; Randomized Graph Algorithms; Randomized Distributed and Parallel Algorithms. Students learn to: prove bounds on the expected running time of randomized algorithms; explain methods for bounding the probability that a random variable deviates far from its expectation; apply the probabilistic method to prove the existence of e.g. algorithms; give algorithmic applications of random walks; give simple and efficient algorithms and data structures using randomization where more traditional deterministic approaches are more cumbersome or less efficient.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

NDAK14005U

Host Institution Course Title

RANDOMIZED ALGORITHMS (RA)

Host Institution Campus

Science

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Computer Science

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