

Computer Networks-CS327

FALL 2020

Course Outline

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Course Information

Program: BS

Credit hours: 3+1

Type: Core

Class meeting time: Sec 6E: Tue, Thu 8.00 – 9.30 AM, Sec 6F: Tue, Thu 9.30 – 11.00 AM

Course website: SLATE/Google Classroom

Class Venue: CS-15

Pre-requisites: CS218 Data Structures

Objective of the Course

The objective of this course is to introduce the principles and practices of Computer Networking, specifically focusing on the Internet. By the end of the course, students should be able to:

- Understand the anatomy of the Internet
- Understand fundamental layered structure, understand common offered layered services, examine protocols and algorithms used to operate the network
- Create foundation for more advanced courses in computer networks
- Be able to write networking application with Socket programming in C/C++
- Design and test networks on network designing tools
- Simulate existing protocols along with designing new protocols in network simulators

Text Book

Computer Networking: A Top Down approach featuring the Internet, 6th Edition James F. Kurose and Keith W. Ross

Reference book

Computer Networks, 4th Edition

Andrew Tanenbaum

Data Communications and Networking, 5th Edition

Behrouz A. Forouzan

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Module	No. Of Lectures	Reference Text
Introduction and Overview Basic Concepts of Networking Circuit switching Packet switching Multiplexing (TDM, FDM) Throughput and delay Internet Architecture Protocol Layering	3	Chapter 1 Supplement text from Forouzan
Application Layer Network application architectures	2	Chapter 2

HTTP, FTP, Email, DNS Basics of P2P applications		
Transport Layer 7 Multiplexing in UDP and TCP Connectionless Transport: UDP Reliable data transfer and TCP Congestion avoidance and control		Chapter 3
Network Layer 8 The Internet Protocol Routing algorithms Routing protocols Broadcasting and Multicasting		Chapter 4
Link Layer and MAC Layer 6 Functionalities Error Detection & Control, ARP Link layer addressing Bridges and Hubs LAN Technologies Multiple Access		Chapter 5 Supplement text from Tenanbaum
Advanced Topics (subject to availability of time) Introduction to Internet of things Multimedia networking Applications Introduction to Network Security and Principles of Cryptography Introduction to 1 G, 2G and 3G		Chapter 7 Supplement text from Tenanbaum/ Network security: private communication in a public world by Radia Perlman [Subject to the availability of the time]

(Tentative) Evaluation

Assignments	10%
Quizzes	15%
Mid Exams	30% (15 + 15)
Final Exam	45%
Total:	100 %

Grading Scheme

Absolute grading scheme will be followed for this CS327 in Fall 2020.

Course Policies

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- Course outline may change 10-20% as we proceed in the semester
 - Important: Though weightages of different course components are the same, grade assigning policy (or threshold) of other sections may or may not be the same.
 - Assignment deadlines for both class and lab are hard.
 - Quizzes might be announced or unannounced. We may have 3-6 quizzes during the semester.
 - There will be no retake of quizzes or exams. Special consideration may be given only for mid or final exam for an emergency on per case basis. In approved circumstances, percentage of mid will be awarded for final or vise versa.

- Integrity in the assignments/quizzes is expected; otherwise result would be an F grade in the course or may be the case is forwarded to Disciplinary committee.
- The lectures will be of 1.5 hours duration + there will be one 3 hours lab/week.
- (80%) Attendance MUST be ensured according to the University policy to avoid disqualification.
- File issues on this excel sheet: <https://goo.gl/JasES3>. Wrong marks on flex, assignment/quiz rechecking, quiz marks not added etc. can be classified as issues.