

General Course Information About

# MA421 Advanced Algorithms

**Course Materials** General course information about the course, schedule of topics discussed in lectures, schedule of course works, and course materials will be listed, linked, or available at the course Moodle page.

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**Times/Rooms** See the LSE timetables page.

**Seminars** Seminars start in Week 2. Extra material and solutions to weekly exercise sets will be discussed in the seminars.

**Office Hours** See the departmental Office Hours page.

**Course Material and Literature** Summary lecture notes and additional reference materials will be distributed regularly. However, students are expected to make their own notes during the lectures.

Below is a list of books that cover various parts of the course:

- T.H. Cormen, C.E. Leiserson, R.L. Rivest, and C. Stein, *Introduction to Algorithms*, Third Edition, MIT Press (2009).
- M.R. Garey and D.S. Johnson, *Computers and Intractability: A Guide to the Theory of NP-completeness*, W.H. Freeman (1979).
- V. Vazirani, *Approximation Algorithms*, Second Edition, Springer (2002).
- R. Motwani and P. Raghavan, *Randomized Algorithms*, Cambridge University Press (1995).

**Assessment** The final mark for this course will be determined by an assessed course-work in the Lent Term (25%) and a formal 150-minute examination in the Summer term (75%).