

Introduction & Module Details

COMP3009J: Information Retrieval

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Virtual Learning Environment (VLE)

- We will use **Brightspace** as the VLE for this module.
- This will be used for:
 - Making learning materials available to the class.
 - Discussions on the discussion forum.
 - Announcements.
 - Quizzes.
- Log in to <https://brightspace.ucd.ie> using your UCD Connect username and password.
 - If you are correctly registered, you should automatically have access to COMP3009J



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Calendar

Monday, 24 February 2020



Upcoming events



Updates

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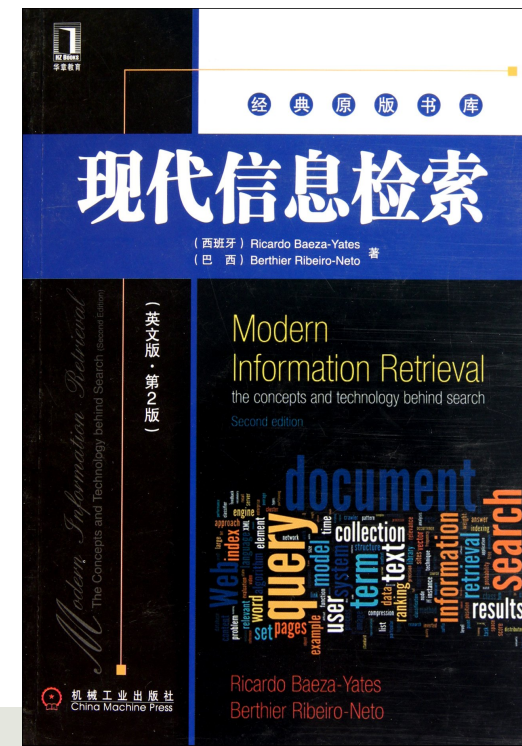


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Dear Students, Welcome to COMP3009J
Information Retrieval. Firstly, I hope that
you and your families are all healthy and

Resources

- **Modern Information Retrieval** (2nd Edition) by Ricardo Baeza-Yates and Berthier Ribeiro-Neto (ISBN: 978-7-111-33174-2): in the library.
- **An Introduction to Information Retrieval** by Christopher D. Manning, Prabhakar Raghavan and Hinrich Schütze: will be posted on Brightspace.
- Academic Papers from conference proceedings (SIGIR, ECIR, TREC etc.): will be posted on Moodle.



Assessment

- Final Exam (70% of final grade)
- Programming Assignment (20% of final grade)
 - Implement a simple search engine.
 - Before the programming assignment, we will use programming exercises to prepare you for this task.
- Quizzes (10% of final grade)

Module Content

- While we are working online, there are some changes to the normal way the module will be delivered.
- Materials will be posted to Brightspace:
 - Powerpoint slides with voice (as videos)
 - Lab exercises.
 - Videos of worked examples and exercise solutions.
- I will make an announcement on Brightspace when new materials are posted.
- Each week, the materials will be posted before the timetabled lecture/lab time.

Lectures and Exercises

- The slides for each lecture will be on Brightspace.
- Each lecture will be divided into a number of shorter videos.
- I recommend downloading the slides first, and making your own notes as you watch the video.

Module Interaction and Discussion

- We will mostly use the **Brightspace Discussion Forum** for keeping in contact.
 - **Anybody** can **ask** a question.
 - **Anybody** can **answer** a question.
 - If you want to, your question can be **anonymous** so that other users will not see your name.
 - Class representatives may **gather** questions from the class and ask them in the forum.
 - If your question is not suitable for the forum, you can email me at david.lillis@ucd.ie
 - Please make sure to say your name and include the module code in the subject of your email.

Programming: Python

- In this module we will use **Python 3** as our programming language.
 - Python 2 is a different language that is not compatible with Python 3.
- Please download and install this from <https://www.python.org/downloads/>
 - Latest version is 3.8.1.
- If you have Python already installed but you not know which version it is, run "`python --version`" on your command line.

Programming: Python Editor

- A good **programming editor** is recommended.
- Some suggestions include:
 - Notepad++ (Windows): <https://notepad-plus-plus.org/>
 - Visual Studio Code (Windows, Mac, Linux): <https://code.visualstudio.com/>
 - TextMate (Mac): <https://macromates.com/>
- IDEs like PyCharm, Spyder, IDLE are **not** recommended.
- Jupyter notebooks are not suitable for this type of programming.

Discussion



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