

# Algorithms for Internet-Applications



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This course will be presented as

- live lectures
- lecture is recorded : slides, annotations, sound using Camtasia
- recorded lectures available as [avi-documents](#) (streaming and avi, via the web pages of the course and at [DIVA](#))
- can be viewed with [any media player](#) (freely available for various operating systems)
- best viewed with the [Camtasia player](#) (link on web page)

All relevant information on this course available on the web page  
<http://www.aifb.uni-karlsruhe.de/Lehre/Winter2007-08/AIA/>

Online-VV <https://lsf.zvw.uni-karlsruhe.de/>

## „Virtual University“

- Course has been part of the “[Universitärer Lehrverbund Informatik](#)” (bmbf-project, 2001-2003),

- Local students at Karlsruhe
- Distant students / learners from other universities (e.g. at Hannover, Freiburg, Mannheim)
- Distant students follow recorded lectures, get on-line tutoring



- **Current situation:**

- Course is offered simultaneously to students at University of Hannover
- Course is offered within “EUCORvirtuale” to all students of the EUCOR universities



- All students from other universities who want to take this course for credit, should send a message to my assistant Andreas Kamper <aka@aifb.uni-karlsruhe.de>

## Time and location of this course:

**Scheduled Times:** Tuesday 9:45 – 11:15

**Location:** Multimedia Lecture Hall  
(Faculty of Informatics, building 50.34, room -102)

## Tutorials

- Assistant: Dipl.-Inform. Andreas Kamper  
Room 225, Kollegiengebäude am Ehrenhof  
Office hour: as arranged  
Email: [aka@aifb.uni-karlsruhe.de](mailto:aka@aifb.uni-karlsruhe.de)
- Unfortunately: no tutors
- Instead: One large tutorial every other week  
Friday, 11:30 - 13:00, Room -102, Building 50.34
- First tutorial: 9.11.2007



## Concept and Bonus

- Goals:
  - Examples for typical problems
  - Exercise how to approach typical problems
  - Possibility to ask questions
  - Incentive for students to learn during the semester
  - Early feedback for students
- Concept:
  - Forum
  - 6 assignments (exercises in tutorials + home assignments)
  - Assignments will be discussed in the tutorials, there you will get the solutions.
  - For learning control: at the end of each tutorial (except first one): 10 minute quiz
    - Bring your student ID
  - 1 programming assignment, its correct handling will count as one of the two needed well-done tasks of the bonus-examination
  - Bonus if you solve 3 out of (5 quizzes + programming assignment)
- Bonus amounts to 3 extra points for a passed exam (i.e. an improvement of your mark by 0.3 )
- Students out of Karlsruhe get the possibility to make a Bonus exam in January.

## Algorithms for Internet-Applications

- 4,5 / 5 ECTS credits / (2+1) SWS ("Semesterwochenstunden")

at Karlsruhe, this course is offered for students of

- **Business Engineering (Wirtschaftsingenieurwesen), Economics Engineering (Technische VWL)**
  - core course ("Kernvorlesung")
  - may be combined with any other course in Applied Informatics (offered by Institute AIFB)
  - within and informatics module in the new master program
  - within an informatics module in the new bachelor program
- **Information Engineering and Management (Informationswirtschaft)**
  - one of the courses in elective area 5 : "network information services"
  - exam in "informatics electives" may be split into different exams for individual courses
  - within an informatics module in year 3 of the new bachelor program
  - within an informatics module in the new master program
- and for some other programmes (Business Math, Techno Math, ...)

at Hannover or at an EUCOR university :  
you have to check with your local programme of study

## What type of exam?

- written exam on Tuesday or Wednesday of the first week after the end of term (Feb 19 or 20, 2008)
- written exam questions will be in English but you may answer in German.

## Why do we present English courses?

- Internationalisation
- Improving English language skills
- preparation for
  - foreign studies
  - job life
  - "the global marketplace"
- attract foreign students

English courses are offered in (almost) all subjects of this faculty.

## Motivation

### The internet has changed our lives...

### ... the way we communicate

- Email
- Instant messaging
- Voice over IP
- Video conferencing
- Computer Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW)

*-> the distance between communication partners is no longer determined by their spatial distance but by communication bandwidth and latency*

### ... the way we search for information

- Search engines (Google, Yahoo, ASK, ...)
- Wikipedia
- Newsgroups/Forum
- Job markets
- Electronic journals
- ...

### ... the way we shop

- Amazon
- iTunes
- ebay
- mobile.de, autoscout24.de
- Electronic banking
- Hotels
- Flights
- Personalized products (Dell, Shirts, Nike, ...)

## ... the way we compute

- Grid computing
- Seti@home

## ... the way we teach

- Recorded lectures
- Podcasts
- Teleseminars
- Forum
- Learning management systems
- combination of curricula contents
  - from different real universities,
  - from different authors

Do we still need regular lectures?

## Motivation

The internet has changed our lives...

... and algorithms make the difference!

This course is about some advanced algorithms for internet applications.

## Contents

What do **you** expect?  
What would **you** like to learn?

## ... the way we communicate

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**How can we ensure a reliable communication?**

**How can we avoid undesired messages?**

**What can we do about undesired communication of criminals?**

**How do we make sure the person we communicate with is the person we think it is?**

**How do we make sure that the message has not been modified?**

**How can we make sure no one else can read the messages we send?**

**How can we transfer and store large amounts of data?**

## ... the way we search for information

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**How can we efficiently search huge databases?**

**How can we identify relevant information?**

**How can we ensure the quality of information?**

**What is the price for information?**

**How do we protect intellectual property?**

**What are the consequences of the Internet for politics ?**

## ... the way we shop

- Amazon
- iTunes
- ebay
- mobile.de, autoscout24.de
- Electronic banking
- Hotels
- Flights
- Personalized products (Dell, Shirts, Nike, ...)

**How can we pay electronically?**

**How can we remain anonymous?**

**How do we find the products we want?**

## ... the way we compute

- Grid computing
- Seti@home

**How is computing power distributed?**

**How do we protect against faulty data?**

**How do we ensure interoperability of different platforms?**

**How can we protect ourselves (data, computer) from access through others?**

## Overview: *Algorithms for Internet Applications*

### 2 Internet History and Technology

- history
- technology
  - TCP / IP, routing
  - IPv6
- (ATM)

### 3 Searching for Information

- textual search (pattern matching)
- information and document retrieval
- full text search
- index construction
- search engine technology

## overview: *(cont.)*

### 4 Cryptographic Algorithms

- steganography/watermark
- symmetric methods (DES, IDEA, AES..)
- asymmetric methods
- RSA, Diffie-Hellmann
- digital signatures
- authentication
- protocol for secure communication

### 5 Electronic Payment Systems

- requirements
- SSL/TLS
- SET
- CyberCash
- DigiCash (ecash)
- smartcards

## Overview (cont.)

### 6 Firewalls

### 7 Data Compression

- Huffman
- Lempel/Ziff
- ZIP
- fractals
- iterated function systems
- MP3
- JPEG

## *further interesting topics:*

- **digital libraries**
  - electronic publishing
  - electronic documents
  - information services
  - retrieval
- **web computing**
  - hypercomputing
  - metacomputing
  - grid computing
  - “algorithm-servers”
- **spam protection**
  - spam filters
  - authentication
  - spam barriers
- **electronic commerce**
  - EDI/EDIFACT
  - business-to-consumer applications
  - business-to-business applications

*(rather to be found in Angewandte Informatik II)*

## References:

### **Multitude of information in the Internet**, e.g:

- web catalogs like yahoo ([www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com))
- RFC's (<http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/hypertext/information/rfc.html>)
- WWW- Consortium (<http://www.w3.org/>)
- Internet history (<http://www.isoc.org/internet-history/>)
- specific links on web pages of this course
- ...

### **Journal articles:**

- Communications of the acm (lots of survey articles and special topics,... )
- IEEE Computer
- IEEE Internet Computing
- ...

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