

Module MA-INF 1103	Cryptography				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Joachim von zur Gathen				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Joachim von zur Gathen, Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science		Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.	
Technical skills	Understanding of security concerns and measures, and of the interplay between computing power and security requirements. Mastery of the basic techniques for cryptosystems and cryptanalysis				
Soft skills	Oral presentation (in tutorial groups), written presentation (of exercise solutions), team collaboration in solving homework problems, critical assessment				
Contents	Basic private-key and public-key cryptosystems: AES, RSA, group-based. Security reductions. Key exchange, cryptographic hash functions, signatures, identification; factoring integers and discrete logarithms; lower bounds in structured models.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture	60	4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises	30	2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Written exam (graded)				
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stinson, Cryptography: Theory and Practice, 2nd edition• Course notes				