

Module MA-INF 1102	Combinatorial Optimization				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen, Prof. Dr. Norbert Blum, Prof. Dr. Stefan Hougardy, Prof. Dr. Marek Karpinski, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Korte, Prof. Dr. Stephan Held				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	Advanced knowledge of combinatorial optimization. Modelling and development of solution strategies for combinatorial optimization problems				
Soft skills	Mathematical modelling of practical problems, abstract thinking, presentation of solutions to exercises				
Contents	Matchings, b-matchings and T-joins, optimization over matroids, submodular function minimization, travelling salesman problem, polyhedral combinatorics, NP-hard problems				
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	Oral exam (graded)				
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• B. Korte, J. Vygen: Combinatorial Optimization: Theory and Algorithms. Springer, 5th edition, 2012</li><li>• A. Schrijver: Combinatorial Optimization: Polyhedra and Efficiency. Springer 2003</li><li>• W. Cook, W. Cunningham, W. Pulleyblank, A. Schrijver: Combinatorial Optimization. Wiley 1997</li></ul>				