

Complexity

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Introduction

- This is a course about *algorithms and complexity*
- We will *analyze* algorithms and assess *efficiency*
- It is an essential skill for advanced programmers



Basic course information

Teachers

- Alexandra & Henk (lectures)
- Bas and Bram (tutorials)

There are **8 lectures** plus **8 tutorials**.

Final grade

$$\max\{\text{exam}, 0.5\text{exam} + 0.25t_1 + 0.25t_2\}$$

Mark of written exam must be **at least 5**.

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Website

<http://alexandrasilva.org/teaching/complexity2012>

Doubts, complains, suggestions, ...

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How to pass this course ...

- Practice, practice, practice ...
- You don't learn it by just staring at the slides - not a spectator sport!
- Exam questions will be in line with exercises

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- 3ec means $3 \times 28 = 84$ hours in total
 - Let's say 20 hours for exam
 - 64 hours for 8 weeks means: 8 hours per week!
 - on average 4 hours for studying & making exercises