

Module Handbook

for the

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The curriculum of the master programme is divided into four sub-curricula, each corresponding to one of the four main areas of competence in research of the Bonn Institute of Computer Science:

1. Algorithmics
2. Graphics, Vision, Audio
3. Information and Communication Management
4. Intelligent Systems

Module numbers **MA-INF ASXY** have been assigned according to the following key: vergeben:

- **A** = number of the area of competence
- **S** = semester within the master curriculum
- **XY** = sequential number within the semester and the respective area of competence (two digits)

According to the curriculum, all modules ought to be taken between the first and the third semester. The fourth semester is reserved for preparing the master thesis.

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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)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics				
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		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • B. Korte, J. Vygen: Combinatorial Optimization: Theory and Algorithms. Springer, 6th edition, 2018 • A. Schrijver: Combinatorial Optimization: Polyhedra and Efficiency. Springer, 2003 • W. Cook, W. Cunningham, W. Pulleyblank, A. Schrijver: Combinatorial Optimization. Wiley, 1997 • A. Frank: Connections in Combinatorial Optimization. Oxford University Press, 2011 				

Module MA-INF 1103	Cryptography				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Lecturer(s)	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		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • Jonathan Katz & Yehuda Lindell (2015/2008). Introduction to Modern Cryptography, CRC Press. • Course notes 				

Module MA-INF 1105	Algorithms for Data Analysis				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	Deeper insights into selected methods and techniques of modern algorithmics with respect to big data and/or analytics tasks				
Soft skills	Presentation of solutions and methods, critical discussion of applied methods and techniques.				
Contents	Advanced algorithmic techniques and data structures relevant to analytic tasks for big data, i.e., algorithms for graph similarity, parallel algorithms, I/O-data structures, and streaming algorithms.				
Prerequisites	Required: none Recommended: Introductory knowledge of foundations of algorithms and data structures is essential.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 1107	Foundations of Quantum Computing				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr.-Ing. Christian Bauckhage				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr.-Ing. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Upon successful completion of this module, students should be able to describe fundamental concepts and techniques (qubits, quantum registers, quantum gates, quantum circuits) in quantum computing. Students will be equipped with specific, quantum computing related programming know-how; based on knowledge and skills acquired, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • devise quantum computing algorithms for basic computational tasks • run these algorithms on (simulated) quantum computers 				
Soft skills	<p>In the exercises, students will have the opportunity to put their knowledge into practice, since they will realize small projects on computing with quantum gates and their solutions using quantum inspired methods or genuine quantum methods. This requires teamwork; upon successful completion of the module, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • draft and implement basic quantum computing algorithms • apply quantum computing (simulations) to test these algorithms • prepare and give oral presentations about their work in front of an audience 				
Contents	<p>Boolean algebras and Boolean lattices; cellular automata; classical digital computing; classical reversible computing; mathematical foundations of quantum computing (complex vector spaces, tensor products, unitary operators, Hermitian operators, qubits, superposition, entanglement); quantum gate computing; quantum circuits</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: Good working knowledge of theory and practice of linear algebra</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides / lecture notes are made available online • notebooks with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Susskind, A. Friedman, “Quantum Mechanics: The Theoretical Minimum”, Penguin, 2015 • M.A. Nielsen, I.L Chuang, “Quantum Computation and Quantum Information”, Cambridge University Press, 10th Anniversary edition, 2010 • P. Wittek, “Quantum Machine Learning”, Academic Press, 2016 • M. Schuld, F. Petruccione, “Machine Learning with Quantum Computers”, Springer, 2nd edition, 2021 • S. Ganguly, “Quantum Machine Learning: An Applied Approach”, Apress, 2021 				

Module MA-INF 1108	Introduction to High Performance Computing: Architecture Features and Practical Parallel Programming				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Estela Suarez				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Estela Suarez				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-3.		
Technical skills	Understanding principles of computer architecture of modern HPC systems at component (processor, accelerators) and system level (system architecture, network, memory hierarchy) and their implication for application programming. Ability to program parallel computers, employing multi-core and multi-node features. Programming CPU and GPUs. Understanding the quality of performance and scaling behaviour, and applying the measures needed to improve them.				
Soft skills	Ability to select a specific HPC topic and present it in a clear and comprehensive manner suitable for a lightning talk (10min)				
Contents	Computer architectures, system components (CPU, memory, network) and their interrelation. Software environment Access to HPC compute resources at the Jülich Supercomputing Centre Practical use of parallel programming paradigms (MPI, OpenMP, CUDA) Performance of applications and scaling behavior, understanding and strategies for improvement Current challenges in HPC				
Prerequisites	Required: Knowledge of a modern programming language (ideally C/C++ and Python). Interest in High Performance Computing Cannot be taken after completing MA-INF 1106. Recommended: Bachelor lecture on computer architecture				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Written exam (graded)				
Study achievements	Successful participation in the exercises (not graded)				
Forms of media	Laptop and projector				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John L. Hennessy, David A. Patterson: Computer Architecture - A Quantitative Approach. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2012 • David A. Patterson, John L. Hennessy: Computer Organization and Design - The Hardware / Software Interface. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2013 • Message Passing Interface Forum: MPI: A Message-Passing Interface Standard, Version 3.1 • OpenMP Application Programming Interface, Version 4.5, November 2015 				

Module MA-INF 1201	Approximation Algorithms				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics, Senior Prof. Dr. Marek Karpinski				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Introduction to design and analysis of most important approximation algorithms for NP-hard combinatorial optimization problems, and various techniques for proving lower and upper bounds, probabilistic methods and applications				
Soft skills	Presentation of solutions and methods, critical discussion of applied methods and techniques				
Contents	Approximation Algorithms and Approximation Schemes. Design and Analysis of Approximation algorithms for selected NP-hard problems, like Set-Cover, and Vertex-Cover problems, MAXSAT, TSP, Knapsack, Bin Packing, Network Design, Facility Location. Introduction to various approximation techniques (like Greedy, LP-Rounding, Primal-Dual, Local Search, randomized techniques and Sampling, and MCMC-Methods), and their applications. Analysis of approximation hardness and PCP-Systems.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Introductory knowledge of foundations of algorithms and complexity theory is essential.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • S. Arora, C. Lund: Hardness of Approximations. In: Approximation Algorithms for NP-Hard Problems (D. S. Hochbaum, ed.), PWS, 1996 • M. Karpinski: Randomisierte und approximative Algorithmen für harte Berechnungsprobleme, Lecture Notes (5th edition), Universität Bonn, 2007 • B. Korte, J. Vygen: Combinatorial Optimization: Theory and Algorithms (6th edition), Springer, 2018 • V. V. Vazirani: Approximation Algorithms, Springer, 2001 • D. P. Williamson, D. B. Shmoys: The Design of Approximation Algorithms, Cambridge University Press, 2011 				

Module MA-INF 1202	Chip Design				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	Knowledge of the central problems and algorithms in chip design. Competence to develop and apply algorithms for solving real-world problems, also with respect to technical constraints. Techniques to develop and implement efficient algorithms for very large instances.				
Soft skills	Mathematical modelling of problems occurring in chip design, development of efficient algorithms, abstract thinking, presentation of solutions to exercises				
Contents	Problem formulation and design flow for chip design, logic synthesis, placement, routing, timing analysis and optimization				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • C.J. Alpert, D.P. Mehta, S.S. Sapatnekar: The Handbook of Algorithms for VLSI Physical Design Automation. CRC Press, New York, 2008. • S. Held, B. Korte, D. Rautenbach, J. Vygen: Combinatorial optimization in VLSI design. In: "Combinatorial Optimization: Methods and Applications" (V. Chvátal, ed.), IOS Press, Amsterdam 2011, pp. 33-96 • S. Held, J. Vygen: Chip Design. Lecture Notes (distributed during the course) • L. Lavagno, I.L. Markov, G. Martin, and L.K. Scheffer, eds.: Electronic Design Automation for IC Implementation, Circuit Design, and Process Technology. CRC Press, 2nd edition, 2016 				

Module MA-INF 1203	Discrete and Computational Geometry				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-4.		
Technical skills	Knowledge of fundamental theorems and concepts in the area of discrete and computational geometry; design and analysis of geometric algorithms; combinatorial analysis of the complexity of geometric configurations; to apply this knowledge autonomously in solving new problems.				
Soft skills	Social competence (communication, presenting one's own solutions, goal-oriented discussions in teams), methodical competence (analysis, abstraction, proofs), individual competence (commitment and willingness to learn, creativity, endurance).				
Contents	Fundamentals of convex sets, Voronoi diagrams, hyperplane arrangements, well-separated pair decomposition, spanners, metric space embedding, dimension reduction, VC-dimension, epsilon-nets, visibility, point location, range searching, randomized incremental construction, geometric distance problems in dimension two and higher.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: BA-INF 114 – Grundlagen der algorithmischen Geometrie				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • Jiri Matousek. Lectures on Discrete Geometry. Springer Graduate Texts in Mathematics. ISBN 0-387-95374-4. • Mark de Berg, Otfried Cheong, Marc van Kreveld, and Mark Overmars. Computational Geometry — Algorithms and Applications (Third Edition). Springer. ISBN 978-3-540-77973-5. • Narasimhan/Smid, Geometric Spanner Networks • Klein, Concrete and Abstract Voronoi Diagrams 				

Module MA-INF 1205	Graduate Seminar Discrete Optimization				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Competence to understand new research results based on original literature, to put such results in a broader context and present such results and relations.				
Soft skills	Ability to read and understand research papers, abstract thinking, presentation of mathematical results in a talk				
Contents	A current research topic in discrete optimization will be chosen each semester and discussed based on original literature.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 1102 – Combinatorial Optimization				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	4	60 T / 120 S	6
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The topics and the relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester.				

Module MA-INF 1206	Seminar Randomized and Approximation Algorithms				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim, Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort, Senior Prof. Dr. Marek Karpinski				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to perform individual literature search, critical reading, understanding, and clear presentation.				
Soft skills	Presentation of solutions and methods, critical discussion of applied methods and techniques				
Contents	Current topics in design and analysis of randomized and approximation algorithms based on latest research literature				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1207	Lab Combinatorial Algorithms				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Competence to implement advanced combinatorial algorithms, handling nontrivial data structures, testing, documentation. Advanced software techniques.				
Soft skills	Efficient implementation of complex algorithms, abstract thinking, documentation of source code				
Contents	Certain combinatorial algorithms will be chosen each semester. The precise task will be explained in a meeting in the previous semester.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 1102 – Combinatorial Optimization				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The topics and the relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester				

Module MA-INF 1209	Seminar Advanced Topics in Cryptography				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Understanding research publications, often written tersely. Distilling this into a presentation. Determination of relevant vs. irrelevant material. Developing a presentation that fascinates fellow students.				
Soft skills	Understanding and presenting material both orally and in visual media. Motivating other students to participate. Critical assessment of research results.				
Contents	A special topic within cryptography, changing from year to year, is studied in depth, based on current research literature				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 1103 – Cryptography and one further course in cryptography like The Art of Cryptography or eSecurity.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Current cryptographic literature.				

Module MA-INF 1213	Randomized Algorithms and Probabilistic Analysis				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 4.		
Technical skills	Understanding of models and techniques for the probabilistic analysis of algorithms as well as for the design and analysis of randomized algorithms				
Soft skills	Oral and written presentation of solutions and methods, abstract thinking				
Contents	Design and analysis of randomized algorithms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • complexity classes • Markov chains and random walks • tail inequalities • probabilistic method smoothed and average-case analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • simplex algorithm • local search algorithms • clustering algorithms • combinatorial optimization problems • multi-objective optimization 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • lecture notes • research articles • Motwani, Raghavan, Randomized Algorithms, Cambridge University Press, 1995 • Mitzenmacher, Upfal, Probability and Computing, Cambridge University Press, 2nd edition, 2017 				

Module MA-INF 1217	Seminar Theoretical Foundations of Data Science				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim, Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 1218	Algorithms and Uncertainty				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Understanding approaches for modeling uncertainty in algorithmic theory. Designing and analyzing algorithms with performance guarantees in the context of uncertainty.				
Soft skills	Oral and written presentation of solutions and methods				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Online Algorithms • Markov Decisions Processes • Stochastic and Robust Optimization • Online Learning Algorithms and Online Convex Optimization 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Solid background in algorithms, calculus, and probability theory. Specialized knowledge about certain algorithms is not necessary.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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	lecture notes, research articles				

Module MA-INF 1219	Seminar Algorithmic Game Theory				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to perform individual literature search, critical reading, and clear didactic presentation				
Contents	Advanced topics in Algorithmic Game Theory and Algorithmic Mechanism Design based on current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 1220	Seminar Algorithms for Computational Analytics				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to perform individual literature search, critical reading, understanding, and clear didactic presentation.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current topics in algorithms for computational analytics based on recent research literature.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Interest in Algorithms				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1221	Lab Computational Analytics				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to design, analyze and implement efficient algorithms for computational analytics problems. The LAB also includes experimental evaluation and documentation of the implemented software.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	Design of efficient exact and approximate algorithms and data structures for computational analytics problems.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Interests in algorithms				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1222	Lab High Performance Optimization				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Petra Mutzel, Dr. Sven Mallach				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to design, analyze and implement algorithms for computational analytics and optimization problems. The lab also includes experimental evaluation and documentation of the implemented software.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report				(graded)
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1223	Privacy Enhancing Technologies				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Knowledge: Cryptographic schemes for enhancing privacy, underlying security notions, applications and restrictions.</p> <p>Skills: Secure application of sophisticated cryptographic schemes. Evaluation of their correctness, efficiency and security in an application setting.</p>				
Soft skills	<p>Competences: Ability to assess schemes and their use in applications. Critical assessment of applications.</p>				
Contents	<p>With more and more data available a clear separation of sensitive data is necessary and needs to be protected. Some of that data must stay within strict environments, for examples hospitals must store certain highly sensitive medical information about patients but they are not allowed to store it outside its own facilities. Some of that data is stored or collected in a cloud environment in encrypted form, say data from a medical device or a smart home. But it shall still be possible to derive important conclusions from it, for example to send immediate help to a patient suffering a heart attack.</p> <p>Innovative solutions are needed in this area of tension. The research in cryptography provides some highly sophisticated tools for solving the like problems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully homomorphic encryption (FHE). • Zero-Knowledge techniques, in particular: Non-interactive zero-knowledge proof (NIZKs). • Secure multi-party computations (MPC). • Anonymisation, TOR. Pseudonymization. Blinding. • Weaker privacy notions, like differential privacy. 				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended:</p> <p>Basic knowledge in cryptography is highly recommended. A profound mathematical background does help. In particular, precise mathematical formulation and reasoning are important, but also topics like elementary number theory and discrete mathematics, especially lattices, are interesting.</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung				(graded)
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme				(not graded)
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 1224	Quantum Computing Algorithms				
Workload 150 h	Credit points 5 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 4.		
Technical skills	<p>Upon successful completion of this module, students should be able to describe fundamental concepts behind working quantum algorithms.</p> <p>Students acquire quantum computing programming know-how; based on knowledge and skills acquired, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • run quantum algorithms on (simulated) quantum computing platforms • devise their own algorithms for optimization or classification problems that can be solved on quantum computers 				
Soft skills	<p>In the exercises, students can put their quantum computing knowledge into practice and realize small projects involving the implementation of quantum algorithm. This requires teamwork; upon successful completion of the module, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • draft and implement basic quantum computing algorithms • apply quantum computing (simulations) to test these algorithms • prepare and give oral presentations about their work in front of an audience 				
Contents	quantum gate algorithms such as Deutsch-Jozsa, Bernstein-Vazirani, Simon, Shor, Grover; phase kick-back, amplitude amplification; swap tests; Hamiltonian simulation, Trotterization, variational quantum computing for optimization				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 1107 “Foundations of Quantum Computing“				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		1	15 T / 60 S	2.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides / lecture notes are made available online • notebooks with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	<p>M.A. Nielsen, I.L Chuang, “Quantum Computation and Quantum Information”, Cambridge University Press, 10th Anniversary edition, 2010</p> <p>P. Wittek, “Quantum Machine Learning”, Academic Press, 2016</p> <p>M. Schuld, F. Petruccione, “Machine Learning with Quantum Computers”, Springer, 2nd edition, 2021</p> <p>S. Ganguly, “Quantum Machine Learning: An Applied Approach”, Apress, 2021</p>				

Module MA-INF 1225	Lab Exploring HPC technologies				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Estela Suarez				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Estela Suarez				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Understanding a use case from complex code developed. Adapting and running applications to different kinds of processing units, taking into account their specific architecture characteristic and programming environments. Understanding and using parallel programming paradigms and high-level programming languages. Designing and executing a benchmarking campaign. Using performance analysis tools, understanding performance bottlenecks and measures to improve them. Software development skills and standards.				
Soft skills	Collaborating and interacting with application developers, tools developers, and system administrators in a solution oriented manner, taking into account their different “work language” and expertise. Presenting performed work and results obtained and classifying own results into the state-of-the-art. Preparing software documentation.				
Contents	The students carry out a practical task (project) in High Performance Computing (HPC), including test of different hardware architectures and software tools, documentation of the implemented software/system. Contents: HPC systems: access/use of compute resources at Jülich Supercomputing Centre; Use of different processor architectures; Software environment, performance analysis tools; Parallel programming; Benchmarking tools/procedures; Performance of applications and scaling behavior, strategies for improvement				
Prerequisites	Required: -Passed the exam of MA-INF 1106 or MA-INF 1108. -Knowledge modern programming languages (C/C++, Python). -Willing to stay for at least 2 days per week during 4 weeks at the Jülich Supercomputing Centre, dates to be discussed.				
Remarks	Registration first via direct mail communication with the lecturer, in order to identify suitable dates for the stay at JSC.				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 2	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media	Own laptop to connect and program on the supercomputers.				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John L. Hennessy, David A. Patterson: Computer Architecture - A Quantitative Approach. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2012 • David A. Patterson, John L. Hennessy: Computer Organization and Design - The Hardware / Software Interface. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2013 • Message Passing Interface Forum: MPI: A Message-Passing Interface Standard, Version 3.1 • OpenMP Application Programming Interface, Version 4.5, November 2015 				

Module MA-INF 1301	Algorithmic Game Theory				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim, Senior Prof. Dr. Marek Karpinski				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Knowledge of fundamental results in (algorithmic) game theory and (algorithmic) mechanism design. Techniques and methods related to mathematical modeling of strategic agents. Analyzing and designing systems of strategic agents, with a focus on computational efficiency and performance guarantees.				
Soft skills	Presentation of solutions and methods, critical discussion of applied methods and techniques				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • basic game theory • computability and hardness of equilibria • convergence of dynamics of selfish agents • (bounds on the) loss of performance due to selfish behavior • designing incentive-compatible auctions • maximizing revenue • designing mechanisms for stable and fair allocations without money 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Introductory knowledge of foundations of algorithms and complexity theory is essential.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • N. Nisan, T. Roughgarden, E. Tardos, V.V. Vazirani (ed.): Algorithmic Game Theory, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2007 • T. Roughgarden, Twenty Lectures on Algorithmic Game Theory, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2016 • A. Karlin, Y. Peres, Game Theory, Alive, AMS, 2017 • Y. Shoham, K. Leyton-Brown, Multiagent Systems, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2009 • D. M. Kreps: A Course in Microeconomic Theory, Princeton Univ. Press, 1990 • M. J. Osborne, A. Rubinstein: A Course in Game Theory, MIT Press, 2001 				

Module MA-INF 1304	Seminar Computational Geometry				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2-4.		
Technical skills	To independently study problems at research level, based on research publications, to prepare a concise summary, to present the summary in a scientific talk, to lead a critical discussion with other seminar participants.				
Soft skills					
Contents	Current topics in computational geometry.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: BA-INF 114 – Grundlagen der algorithmischen Geometrie MA-INF 1203 – Discrete and Computational Geometry				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media	Multimedia projector, black board.				
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced.				

Module MA-INF 1305	Graduate Seminar on Applied Combinatorial Optimization				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Competence to understand new theoretical results and practical solutions in VLSI design and related applications, as well as presentation of such results				
Soft skills	Ability to read and understand research papers, abstract thinking, presentation of mathematical results in a talk				
Contents	Current topics in chip design and related applications				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 1102 – Combinatorial Optimization MA-INF 1202 – Chip Design				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 120 S	CP 6
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The topics and the relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester				

Module MA-INF 1307	Seminar Advanced Algorithms				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim, Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Presentation of selected advanced topics in algorithm design and various applications				
Soft skills	Ability to perform individual literature search, critical reading, understanding, and clear didactic presentation				
Contents	Advanced topics in algorithm design based on newest research literature				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1308	Lab Algorithms for Chip Design				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Vygen				
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of Discrete Mathematics				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Competence to implement algorithms for VLSI design, efficient handling of very large instances, testing, documentation. Advanced software techniques.				
Soft skills	Efficient implementation of complex algorithms, abstract thinking, modelling of optimization problem in VLSI design, documentation of source code				
Contents	A currently challenging problem will be chosen each semester. The precise task will be explained in a meeting in the previous semester.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 3 of the following: MA-INF 1102 – Combinatorial Optimization MA-INF 1202 – Chip Design MA-INF 1205 – Graduate Seminar Discrete Optimization				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The topics and the relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester				

Module MA-INF 1309	Lab Efficient Algorithms: Design, Analysis and Implementation				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim, Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to design, analyze and implement efficient algorithms for selected computational problems.				
Soft skills	ability to work on advanced algorithmic implementation projects, to work in small teams, clear didactic presentation and critical discussion of results				
Contents	Design of efficient exact and approximate algorithms and data structures for selected computational problems.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1314	Online Motion Planning				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Rolf Klein, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-4.		
Technical skills	To acquire fundamental knowledge on topics and methods in online motion planning				
Soft skills					
Contents	Search and exploration in unknown environments (e.g., graphs, cellular environments, polygons, strets), online algorithms, competitive analysis, competitive complexity, functional optimization, shortest watchman route, tethered robots, marker algorithms, spiral search, approximation of optimal search paths.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: BA-INF 114 – Grundlagen der algorithmischen Geometrie				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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	Java applets of geometry lab				
Literature	Scientific research articles will be recommended in the lecture.				

Module MA-INF 1315	Lab Computational Geometry				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, PD Dr. Elmar Langetepe, Dr. Herman Haverkort				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to design, analyze, implement and document efficient algorithms for selected problems in computational geometry.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present, defend and discuss design and implementation decisions, to document software according to given rules and to collaborate with other students in small groups.				
Contents	Various problems in computational geometry.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1316	Lab Cryptography				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of Cryptography, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 1320	Lab Advanced Algorithms				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Kesselheim, Prof. Dr. Heiko Röglin				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Implementation of algorithms from advanced algorithmic theory, evaluating these algorithm on suitably chosen instances, and discussing how theoretical results transfer to practice.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present, defend and discuss design and implementation decisions and observed conclusions, and to collaborate with other students in small groups.				
Contents	Various problems from current research and courses on algorithmic theory.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 1321	Binary Linear and Quadratic Optimization				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Dr. Sven Mallach				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Sven Mallach				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Deeper understanding of computational methods to solve potentially large-scale mixed-integer programs in practice. Application-specific modelling and reformulation of combinatorial optimization problems, handling quadratic objective functions, algorithm design.				
Soft skills	Social, methodological, and analytical competences via communication, own development, presentation, and critical assessment of problem formulations, algorithms, and solutions covered in the course or the exercises. Learning to abstract, but also learning the limitations of abstraction.				
Contents	Computational methods in (mixed-)integer programming such as cutting plane separation and branch-and-bound along with a short and accessible introduction into their theoretical basis. Study of practically relevant binary linear and binary quadratic optimization problems, e.g., Maximum Cut, Linear Ordering and variants of the Traveling Salesman problem, along with the particular separation problems arising there. If there is time, linearizations of quadratic objective functions and more sophisticated formulations of binary quadratic problems are discussed.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 1322	Seminar Focus Topics in High Performance Computing				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Estela Suarez				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Estela Suarez				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to perform individual literature search, critical reading, understanding, prepare a concise summary, and clear didactic presentation				
Soft skills	Ability to present and critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area				
Contents	General topics and trends in high performance computing, based on recent review and research literature				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Interest in High Performance Computing				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Literature and further information about this seminar will be announced in time in the website of lecturer.				

Module MA-INF 1323	Computational Topology				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Anne Driemel, Dr. Benedikt Kolbe				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Knowledge of fundamental theorems and concepts in the area of computational topology in particular, persistent homology and topological data analysis; design and analysis of combinatorial algorithms in topological contexts; analysis of the complexity; to apply this knowledge autonomously to solving new problems and analysing new data sets.				
Soft skills	Social competence (communication, presenting one's own solutions, goal-oriented discussions in teams), methodical competence (analysis, abstraction, proofs), individual competence (commitment and willingness to learn, creativity, perseverance).				
Contents	Fundamental concepts of relative homology and cohomology theory and persistence theory in computational settings, category theory in this context, algorithms for the computation of (persistent) homology, (extended) persistence modules and their decompositions, Morse theory, duality theorems, quiver representation theory, stability of persistence diagrams and barcodes, algebraic stability, topological filtrations, multiparameter persistence, invariants of persistence, topological data analysis, applications to shape pattern recognition, machine learning, identification of geometric objects.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Herbert Edelsbrunner, John Harer (2010). Computational Topology: An Introduction. American Mathematical Society. • Steve Oudot (2015). Persistence Theory: From Quiver Representations to Data Analysis (Vol. 209). American Mathematical Society. • Magnus Bakke Botnan, Michael Lesnick (2022). An Introduction to Multiparameter Persistence. • Allen Hatcher (2002). Algebraic Topology (Vol. 44). Cambridge University Press. 				

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Module MA-INF 2113	Foundations of Audio Signal Processing				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth				
Lecturer(s)	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth, Prof. Dr. Michael Clausen				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to basic concepts of analog and digital signal processing; • Applications in the field of Audio Signal Processing; • Signal Processing Algorithms; • Implementing basic Signal Processing Algorithms 				
Soft skills	Solving basic Signal Processing Problems; Implementing Signal Processing Algorithms using state-of-the-art software frameworks; Capability to analyze; Time management; Presentation skills; Discussing own solutions and solutions of others, and working in groups.				
Contents	Theoretical introduction to analog and digital Signal Processing; Fourier Transforms; Analog to digital Conversion; Digital Filters; Audio Signal Processing Applications; Filter banks; Windowed Fourier Transform; 2D-Signal Processing				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Slides, Blackboard, Whiteboard				
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2201	Computer Vision				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	Students will learn about various mathematical methods and their applications to computer vision problems.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, development and realization of individual approaches and solutions, critical reflection of competing methods, discussion in groups.				
Contents	The class will cover a number of mathematical methods and their applications in computer vision. For example, linear filters, edges, derivatives, Hough transform, segmentation, graph cuts, mean shift, active contours, level sets, MRFs, expectation maximization, background subtraction, temporal filtering, active appearance models, shapes, optical flow, 2d tracking, cameras, 2d/3d features, stereo, 3d reconstruction, 3d pose estimation, articulated pose estimation, deformable meshes, RGBD vision.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Basic knowledge of linear algebra, analysis, probability theory, C++ programming				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • R. Hartley, A. Zisserman: Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision • R. Szeliski: Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications • S. Prince: Computer Vision: Models, Learning, and Inference 				

Module MA-INF 2203	Selected Topics in Signal Processing				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth				
Lecturer(s)	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth, Prof. Dr. Michael Clausen				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Learning advanced as well as state of the art topics and techniques in digital signal processing. Study examples from the field of digital audio signal processing with a focus on music audio. Develop skills for analysing audio signals and designing audio features for selected application scenarios. Mathematical modelling of signal processing problems in practical applications. Design and implementation of corresponding algorithms and data structures solving those problems. Efficiency issues.				
Soft skills	Capability to analyze. Time management. Strength of purpose. Discussing own solutions and solutions of others.				
Contents	Advanced techniques for filter design, design and extraction of features describing multimedia signals, efficient DSP algorithms, general concepts for content-based analysis of multimedia signals. Selected signal processing applications, for example content-based music analysis, signal compression, denoising, source separation.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • Lecture script and selected research publications • Hayes: Statistical Digital Signal Processing and Modelling, John Wiley, 1996 • Proakis, Manolakis: Digital Signal Processing, Prentice Hall, 1996 • Klapuri, Davy: Signal Processing, Methods for Music Transcription, Springer, 2006 				

Module MA-INF 2206	Seminar Vision				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers.				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 2201 – Computer Vision				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2207	Seminar Graphics				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Mathematical background (multidimensional analysis and linear algebra, basic numerical methods) Basic knowledge in Computer Graphics				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2208	Seminar Audio				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth				
Lecturer(s)	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth, Dr. Michael Clausen				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module	Advanced Topics in Computer Graphics I				
MA-INF 2209					
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Analytical formulation of problems related to rendering. Knowledge of principles, techniques and algorithms to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recognize and understand the physical quantities of light transport • explain a range of surface and volumetric material models • explain the rendering and radiative transfer equations • design and implement methods to solve these equations, especially Monte Carlo methods • Assess / Evaluate the performance and conceptual limits of the implemented simulation code 				
Soft skills	<p>Based on the knowledge and skills acquired students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • read and judge current scientific literature in the area of rendering • identify the major literature concerning a given problem in rendering and gain an overview of the current state of the art • discuss problems concerning rendering with researchers from different application fields • present, propose and communicate different solutions and work in a team to solve a rendering problem 				
Contents	<p>This course introduces the basic physical quantities as well as the mathematical and algorithmic tools required to understand and simulate the light interaction with objects and different materials in a 3D scene. We will discuss how to solve the mathematical problem numerically in order to create realistic images. Advanced topics include participating media, material models for sub-surface light transport, and Markov Chain Monte Carlo Methods. Topics among others will be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rendering and radiative transfer equation • methods and algorithms to solve these equations, radiosity, Monte Carlo, photon mapping • analytical and data driven surface and subsurface material models, especially BRDF, BSSRDF models • differentiable rendering <p>In addition, results from state-of-the-art research will be presented.</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: Recommended but not enforced: basic knowledge in computer graphics, (numerical) analysis and linear algebra, C++</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report				(graded)
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation				(not graded)
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Pharr, W. Jakob, and G. Humphreys, Physically Based Rendering: From Theory to Implementation (3rd edition), 2018 • L. Szirmay-Kalos: Monte-Carlo Methods in Global Illumination, Institute of Computer Graphics, Vienna University of Technology, Vienna, 1999 URL: https://cg.iit.bme.hu/~szirmay/script.pdf • P. Dutre, K. Bala, P. Bekaert: Advanced Global Illumination, 2nd ed., B&T, 2006 • D'Eon, Eugene. A Hitchhiker's Guide to Multiple Scattering, 2016 				

Module MA-INF 2212	Pattern Matching and Machine Learning for Audio Signal Processing				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth				
Lecturer(s)	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth, Prof. Dr. Michael Clausen				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction into selected topics of digital signal processing; • Applications in the field of Audio Signal Processing; • Methods of Automatic Pattern Recognition 				
Soft skills	Audio Signal Processing Applications; Extended programming skills for signal processing applications; Capability to analyze; Time management; Presentation skills; Discussing own solutions and solutions of others, and working in groups.				
Contents	The lecture is presented in modular form, where each module is motivated from the application side. The presented topics are: Windowed Fourier transforms; Audio Identifications; Audio Matching; Signal Classification; Hidden Markov Models; Support Vector Machines				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Slides, Blackboard, Whiteboard				
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2213	Advanced Computer Vision				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Students will learn about various learning methods and their applications to computer vision problems.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, development and realization of individual approaches and solutions, critical reflection of competing methods, discussion in groups.				
Contents	The class will cover a number of learning methods and their applications in computer vision. For example, linear methods for classification and regression, boosting, random forests, neural networks, SVMs, prototype methods, nearest neighbors, Gaussian processes, metric learning, structured learning, image classification, object detection, action recognition, pose estimation, face analysis, tracking.				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 2201 – Computer Vision				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		3	45 T / 45 S	3
	Exercises		1	15 T / 75 S	3
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral exam (graded)				
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2214	Computational Photography				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Foundations in optics and image sensors. Signal processing and inverse problems in imaging. Color spaces and perception. Image alignment and blending. High-dimensional representations of light transport (light fields, reflectance fields, reflectance distributions). Computational illumination.				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to read and understand current literature in the field • to implement standard computational photography techniques • to propose and implement solutions to a given problem • to follow good scientific practice by planning, documenting and communicating their work 				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Image sensors • Optics • Panoramas • Light fields • Signal processing and inverse problems • Color, perception and HDR • Reflectance fields and light transport matrices 				
Prerequisites	Required: Basic knowledge in computer graphics, data structures, multidimensional analysis und linear algebra, numerical analysis and numerical linear algebra, C++ or MATLAB				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 2215	Seminar Digital Material Appearance				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2216	Lab Visual Computing				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Florian Bernard				
Lecturer(s)	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Florian Bernard				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-3.		
Technical skills	Students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of visual computing, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area.				
Contents	This lab introduces visual computing methods and applications. You will get a chance to study the methods in depth by implementing them and running experiments. At the end of the semester, you will present the method, give a short demonstration and hand in a report describing the method and experimental outcomes.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2217	Advanced Deep Learning for Graphics				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Weinmann				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-4.		
Technical skills	Students will be introduced to adapt and apply deep learning techniques to various applications in computer graphics.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, development and realization of individual approaches and solutions, critical reflection of competing methods, discussion in groups.				
Contents	This course focuses on cutting-edge Deep Learning techniques for computer graphics. After a brief review of CNNs the focus will be laid on autoencoders, generative models and the extension of these methods to graph- and manifold-structured data. Applications discussed will include inverse problems in computer graphics and the synthesis of models including data completion and super-resolution.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: The course will build upon the basics of machine learning as well as fundamentals and basic architectures of neural networks. Therefore, it is highly recommended to have taken Deep Learning for Visual Recognition or a similar course as a prerequisite. Exercises will be a mix of theory and practical (Python).				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	No required text, supplemental readings will be given in class.				

Module MA-INF 2218	Video Analytics				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2-3.		
Technical skills	Students will learn advanced techniques for analyzing video data.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, development and realization of a state-of-the-art system for video analysis.				
Contents	The class will discuss state-of-the-art methods for several tasks of video analysis. For example, video clip classification, temporal video segmentation, spatio-temporal action detection, video context, spatio-temporal modeling of humans and objects, anticipation, affordance, video summarization, semantic video segmentation.				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 2201 – Computer Vision				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 2219	Seminar Visualization and Medical Image Analysis				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss scientific results in the context of the current state of the art. Ability to perform an independent search for relevant scientific literature.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA-INF 2222 – Visual Data Analysis • MA-INF 2312 – Image Acquisition and Analysis in Neuroscience 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2220	Lab Visualization and Medical Image Analysis				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of data visualization and visual analytics or medical image analysis, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA-INF 2222 – Visual Data Analysis • MA-INF 2312 – Image Acquisition and Analysis in Neuroscience 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2221	Seminar Visual Computing				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Florian Bernard				
Lecturer(s)	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Florian Bernard				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers.				
Prerequisites	Required: No formal requirements. Participants are expected to have some previous exposure to at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - visual computing (e.g. computer vision, computer graphics, 3D shape analysis, image analysis, etc.), - mathematical optimisation (e.g. combinatorial/continuous, convex/non-convex, etc.), or - machine learning. 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report				(graded)
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2222	Visual Data Analysis				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-4.		
Technical skills	Ability to design, implement, and make proper use of systems for visual data analysis. Knowledge of algorithms and techniques for the visualization of multi-dimensional data, graphs, as well as scalar, vector, and tensor fields.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, self-dependent solution of practical problems in the area of visual data analysis, critical reflection on visualization design, presentation of solution strategies and implementations, self management				
Contents	This class provides a broad overview of principles and algorithms for data analysis via interactive visualization. Specific topics include perceptual principles, luminance and color, visualization analysis and design, integration of visual with statistical data analysis and machine learning, as well as specific algorithms and techniques for the display of multidimensional data, dimensionality reduction, graphs, direct and indirect volume visualization, vector field and flow visualization, as well as tensor field visualization.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Students are recommended to have a basic knowledge in linear algebra and calculus, as well as proficiency in programming.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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	A.C. Telea, Data Visualization: Principles and Practice. CRC Press, Second Edition, 2015 M. Ward et al., Interactive Data Visualization: Foundations, Techniques, and Applications. CRC Press, 2010 T. Munzner, Visualization Analysis and Design, A K Peters, 2015				

Module MA-INF 2223	Seminar Advances in Multimodal Learning				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Hildegard Kühne				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Hildegard Kühne				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Presentation of selected advanced topics in computer vision and multimodal learning and various applications				
Soft skills	Ability to perform individual literature search, critical reading, understanding, and clear didactic presentation				
Contents	This seminar will cover most recent advancements and publications in multimodal learning, which is the integration of multiple data sources or multiple modalities for more complex machine learning applications. This can also include reviews of emerging techniques, including unsupervised approaches, deep learning, transfer learning, and reinforcement learning to combine multiple modalities such as images, audio, video, joint feature learning, and natural language processing. It can further cover techniques for data fusion and the role they play in successful applications of multimodal learning. Students will have an opportunity to evaluate and experiment with public code if available. Goal is to develop a better understanding of the possibilities and challenges of multimodal learning.				
Prerequisites	Required: none				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced in time.				

Module MA-INF 2224	Lab Challenges in Computer Vision				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Hildegard Kühne				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Hildegard Kühne				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of computer vision and/or multimodal learning, including evaluation and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to implement and evaluate a scientific approach; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time.				
Contents	This Programming Project focuses on exploring the challenges in modern Computer Vision algorithms and model development. The project will track the latest progress in the field and the associated challenges in different application areas, such as video understanding as well as general computer vision topics. The project will include a hands-on implementation of various techniques in current computer vision systems to identify and resolve problems, and to evaluate results in comparison to public benchmarks. It will further provide an understanding of the characteristics of models and benchmarks such as generalization and robustness. The project should provide insights on the development of novel computer vision technology in response to upcoming challenges.				
Prerequisites	Required: Practical experience in deep learning				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2307	Lab Vision				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jürgen Gall				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of RGB-D cameras.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	RGBD cameras: research topics and applications				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 2201 – Computer Vision Good C++ programming skills				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	A. Fossati, J. Gall, H. Grabner, X. Ren, K. Konolige. Consumer Depth Cameras for Computer Vision: Research Topics and Applications				

Module MA-INF 2308	Lab Graphics				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of geometry processing, rendering, scientific visualization or human computer interaction, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	Varying selected topics close to current research in the area of geometry processing, rendering, scientific visualization or human computer interaction.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2309	Lab Audio				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth				
Lecturer(s)	apl. Prof. Dr. Frank Kurth, Prof. Dr. Michael Clausen				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of audio and music processing, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area.				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2310	Advanced Topics in Computer Graphics II				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Analytical formulation of problems related to geometry processing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apply methods of geometry processing • apply basic concepts of statistical shape analysis and shape spaces to real world applications • Design and implement novel application software in this area 				
Soft skills	Based on the knowledge and skills acquired students should be able to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • read and judge current scientific literature in the area of geometry processing and gain an overview of the current state of the art • identify the major literature relevant for solving a given problem in geometry processing • present, propose and communicate different solutions and work in a team to solve geometry processing problems • discuss geometry processing problems with researchers from different application fields 				
Contents	<p>This course will first introduce the mathematical and algorithmic tools required to represent, model, and process 3D geometric objects. The second part discusses the latest mathematical, algorithmic, and statistical tools required for the analysis and modeling of 3D shape variability, which can facilitate the creation of 3D models. Topics among others will be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • classical and discrete differential geometry of curves and surfaces • mesh data structures and generation of meshes from point clouds • Laplacian operator and optimization techniques with applications to denoising, smoothing, decimation, shape fitting, shape descriptors, geodesic distances • parameterization and editing of surfaces • point cloud registration • correspondences • shape spaces and statistical shape analysis <p>In addition, results from state-of-the-art research will be presented.</p>				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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"> • M. Botsch, L. Kobbelt, M. Pauly, P. Alliez, B. Levy, Polygon Mesh, Processing, A K Peters, 2010 • Laga, Hamid, Yulan Guo, Hedi Tabia, Robert B. Fisher, and Mohammed Bennamoun. 3D Shape analysis: fundamentals, theory, and applications. John Wiley & Sons, 2018. • Solomon, Justin. Numerical Algorithms. Textbook published by AK Peters/CRC Press, 2015 				

Module MA-INF 2312	Image Acquisition and Analysis in Neuroscience				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Thomas Schultz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-4.		
Technical skills	Students will learn about image acquisition and analysis pipelines which are used in neuroscience. They will understand algorithms for image reconstruction, artifact removal, image registration and segmentation, as well as relevant statistical and machine learning techniques. A particular focus will be on data from Magnetic Resonance Imaging and on mathematical models for functional and diffusion MRI data.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, self-dependent solution of practical problems in the area of biomedical image processing, presentation of solution strategies and implementations, self management, critical reflection of conclusions drawn from complex experimental data.				
Contents	This course covers the full image formation and analysis pipeline that is typically used in biomedical studies, from image acquisition to image processing and statistical analysis.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Mathematical background (calculus, linear algebra, statistics); imperative programming.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		3	45 T / 45 S	3
	Exercises		1	15 T / 75 S	3
	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"> • B. Preim, C. Botha: Visual Computing for Medicine: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications. Morgan Kaufmann, 2014 • R.A. Poldrack, J.A. Mumford, T.E. Nichols: Handbook of Functional MRI Data Analysis. Cambridge University Press, 2011 • D.K. Jones: Diffusion MRI: Theory, Method, and Applications, Oxford University Press, 2011 				

Module MA-INF 2313	Deep Learning for Visual Recognition				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Klein				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Weinmann				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-4.		
Technical skills	Students will be introduced to the theory of neural networks and study various applications in computer vision and other topics in AI.				
Soft skills	Productive work in small teams, development and realization of individual approaches and solutions, critical reflection of competing methods, discussion in groups.				
Contents	Deep learning has taken over the machine learning community by storm, with success both in research and commercially. Deep learning is applicable over a range of fields such as computer vision, speech recognition, natural language processing, robotics, etc. This course will introduce the fundamentals of neural networks and then progress to state-of-the-art convolutional and recurrent neural networks as well as their use in applications for visual recognition. Students will get a chance to learn how to implement and train their own network for visual recognition tasks such as object recognition, image segmentation and caption generation.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Students are recommended to have a basic knowledge in probability and statistics and linear algebra as well as proficiency in programming (python or Matlab or C++).				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	No required text. Supplemental readings will be provided in the lecture.				

Module MA-INF 2314	Image Processing, Search and Analysis I				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Upon completion, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • implement basic and advanced methods for digital image processing • implement simple and advanced algorithms for image filtering • implement algorithms for creating artistic image effects • implement algorithms for image warping • implement algorithms for image morphing • implement algorithms for color and intensity manipulation • design and implement their own algorithms for image processing 				
Soft skills	Students will learn about the mathematical and algorithmic foundations of digital image processing and raster graphics editing. They will learn about the basic concepts and procedures in this area and to implement them on their own.				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • technical foundations / hardware aspects of digital photography • mathematical representations of digital images • coordinate systems and coordinate transformations • Fourier transforms and convolutions • low- band-, and high pass filtering • mean- and Gaussian filtering • median filtering and morphological operations • efficient implementations of various kinds of filters • interpolation methods • artistic image effects • image warping • image morphing • physiological foundations of color perception • color spaces • color manipulation 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides are made available online • lecture notes with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gonzales and Woods, "Digital Image Processing" • Jähne, "Digital Image Processing" 				

Module MA-INF 2315	Seminar Computational Photography				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2316	Lab Digital Material Appearance				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthias Hullin				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of the corresponding area, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 2317	Numerical Algorithms for Visual Computing and Machine Learning				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Florian Bernard				
Lecturer(s)	Jun.-Prof. Dr. Florian Bernard				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ability to implement basic numerical algorithms, understanding their strengths and shortcomings • mathematical modelling of computational problems in visual computing and machine learning • gain an intuition which algorithm is best applied for which problem in visual computing and machine learning, so that practical problems in these areas can be solved 				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • problem solving skills: ability to identify and utilise analogies between new problems and previously seen ones • analytical and abstract thinking: develop a general intuition of computational problems, being able to adopt different perspectives of particular concepts 				
Contents	<p>This module focuses on numerical methods that frequently occur in the fields visual computing (VC) and machine learning (ML). In addition to algorithms, this module will also cover modelling aspects that are relevant for solving practical problems in VC and ML. The contents include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Error analysis and conditioning of problems • Linear systems (solvability, algorithms, stability, regularisation), and applications and modelling in VC and ML (e.g. linear regression, image alignment, deconvolution) • Spectral methods (eigenvalue decomposition, singular value decomposition, respective algorithms), and their applications and modelling in VC and ML (e.g. clustering, Procrustes analysis, point-cloud alignment, principal components analysis) • Numerical optimisation (gradient-based methods, second-order methods, large-scale optimisation) and applications and modelling in VC and ML. 				
Prerequisites	<p>Required: No formal prerequisites.</p> <p>Recommended: Participants are expected to have a high level of mathematical maturity (in particular, a good working knowledge of linear algebra and calculus is essential). A basic understanding of mathematical optimisation is advantageous.</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

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Module MA-INF 3108	Secure Software Engineering				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Christian Tiefenau				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Christian Tiefenau, Mischa Meier				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>The students are introduced to the security-relevant aspects of a software-engineering lifecycle. Therefore, the main ideas of including security throughout the development process will be presented and explained by examples.</p> <p>By showing common vulnerabilities throughout this course, the students will get an understanding of common vulnerabilities and attacks and how to prevent them.</p>				
Soft skills	<p>In groups, the students will conduct practical exercises to strengthen the understanding of vulnerabilities and attack vectors. Through this, the abilities teamwork, time management, organization and critical discussion of their own and others' results are strengthened.</p>				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Threat modeling • Risk analysis • Architectural security • Secure coding • Applied Cryptography • Secure configuration and deployment • Updates and maintenance 				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: Fundamental knowledge in software-engineering and IT-security concepts.</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Software Security: Building Security In by Gary McGraw				

Module MA-INF 3109	Quantum Algorithms: Introduction and Data Fusion Examples				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch, Dr. Felix Govaers, Dr. Martin Ulmke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Quantum algorithms for data fusion may become game changers as soon as quantum processing kernels embedded in hybrid processing architectures with classical processors will exist. While emerging quantum technologies directly apply quantum physics, quantum algorithms do not exploit quantum physical phenomena as such, but rather use the sophisticated framework of quantum physics to deal with “uncertainty”. Although the link between mathematical statistics and quantum physics has long been known, the potential of physics-inspired algorithms for data fusion has just begun to be realized. While the implementation of quantum algorithms is to be considered on classical as well as on quantum computers, the latter are anticipated as well-adapted “analog computers” for unprecedentedly fast solving data fusion and resources management problems. While the development of quantum computers cannot be taken for granted, their potential is nonetheless real and has to be considered by the international information fusion community.</p>				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem solving • Adaptability • Critical thinking 				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction with Examples • Short introduction to quantum mechanics • Introduction to quantum computing • Quantum computing hardware • Quantum inspired tracking • Particle filtering and fermionic target tracking • The data association problem • Track extraction and sensor management • Quantum computing for multi target tracking data association • Quantum computing for resources management • Quantum many particle systems and boson sampling • Path Integrals 				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BA-INF 137 – Einführung in die Sensordatenfusion • MA-INF 3310 – Introduction to Sensor Data Fusion - Methods and Applications 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral exam				(graded)
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme				(not graded)
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3140	Advanced Computer Forensics				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Christian Tiefenau				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Christian Tiefenau				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1., 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The course covers advanced research topics in computer forensics and secure software engineering.				
Soft skills					
Contents	Theoretical and practical aspects of computer forensics and secure software engineering are covered.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 3202	Mobile Communication				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini, Dr. Matthias Frank				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Knowledge about key concepts of mobile communication including mobility management (both technology independent and technology dependent), knowledge about wireless technologies and their interaction with other protocol layers and/or other network technologies, ability to evaluate and assess scenarios with communication of mobile devices. In-depth understanding of communication paradigms of wireless/mobile systems and network elements, productive work in small groups, strengthening skills on presentation and discussion of solutions to current challenges				
Soft skills	Theoretical exercises to support in-depth understanding of lecture topics and to stimulate discussions, practical exercises in teamwork to support time management, targeted organisation of practical work and critical discussion of own and others' results				
Contents	Mobility Management in the Internet, Wireless Communication Basics, Wireless Networking Technologies, Cellular/Mobile Communication Networks (voice and data communication), Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Bachelor level knowledge of basics of communication systems (e.g. BA-INF 101 "Kommunikation in Verteilten Systemen" (German Bachelor Programme Informatik, English lecture slides available))				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • Jochen Schiller: Mobile Communications, Addison-Wesley, 2003 • William Stallings: Wireless Communications and Networking, Prentice Hall, 2002 • Further up-to-date literature will be announced in due course before the beginning of the lecture 				

Module MA-INF 3209	Seminar Selected Topics in Communication Management				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini, Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers, current standardization drafts				
Prerequisites	Required: Successful completion of at least one of the following lectures: Principles of Distributed Systems (MA-INF3105), Network Security (MA-INF3201), Mobile Communication (MA-INF3202), IT Security (MA-INF3236)				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester				

Module MA-INF 3216	Seminar Sensor Data Fusion				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	P.D. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Lecturer(s)	P.D. Dr. Wolfgang Koch, Dr. Felix Govaers				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced at the beginning of the seminar.				

Module MA-INF 3229	Lab IT-Security				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of IT Security, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3233	Advanced Sensor Data Fusion in Distributed Systems				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	PD Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Felix Govaers				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	For challenging state estimation tasks, algorithms which enhance the situational awareness by fusing sensor information are inevitable. Nowadays it has become very popular to improve the performance of systems by linking multiple sensors. This implies some challenges to the sensor data fusion methodologies such as sensor registration, communication delays, and correlations of estimation errors. In particular, if the communication links have limited bandwidth, data reduction techniques have to be applied at the sensor sites, that is local tracks have to be computed. Once received at a fusion center (FC), the tracks then are fused to reconstruct a global estimate. In this lecture, methodologies to achieve a distributed state estimation are considered. Among these are tracklet fusion, the Bar-Shalom-Campo formula, the Federated Kalman Filter, naive fusion, the distributed Kalman filter and the least squares estimate.				
Soft skills	Mathematical derivation of algorithms, application of mathematical results on estimation theory.				
Contents	tracklet fusion, the Bar-Shalom-Campo formula, the Federated Kalman Filter, naive fusion, the distributed Kalman filter and the least squares estimate, Accumulated State Densities, Decorrelated fusion, product representation				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: BA-INF 137 – Einführung in die Sensordatenfusion MA-INF 3310 – Introduction to Sensor Data Fusion - Methods and Applications				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Power Point				
Literature	W. Koch: "Tracking and Sensor Data Fusion: Methodological Framework and Selected Applications", Springer, 2014. D. Hall, C.-Y. Chong, J. Llinas, and M. L. II: "Distributed Data Fusion for Network-Centric Operations", CRC Press, 2014.				

Module MA-INF 3236	IT Security				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	Students are introduced to a variety of active research fields in IT security. Students learn about the motivation, challenges and objectives in these fields. Additionally, they get to know selected fundamental knowledge and methods helping them to deepen their knowledge in their upcoming studies.				
Soft skills	working in small groups on exercises, critical discussion of own and others' results, time management, transferring theoretical knowledge to practical scenarios				
Contents	The contents vary but usually include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Privacy • Cryptographic Protocols • Network Security • Supply Chain Attacks • Management of Identity Data • Low-level software analysis • Software testing • Side Channel Attacks • Anomaly Detection • Human Factor in Security 				
Prerequisites	Required: Fundamental knowledge in the following areas: operating systems, networks, security				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 3237	Array Signal and Multi-channel Processing				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Marc Oispuu				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Localization of multiple sources using passive sensors is a fundamental task encountered in various fields like wireless communication, radar, sonar, and seismology. In this lecture, a unified framework for electromagnetic and acoustic signals and signal processing techniques are presented. Furthermore, the sensor calibration, direction finding, and bearings-only localization problem are considered. Special applications are emphasized, like small airborne arrays for unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs).				
Soft skills	Mathematical derivation of algorithms, applications of mathematical results on estimation theory				
Contents	Estimation theory, Sensor model, Cramér-Rao analysis, conventional beamforming, Multiple Signal Classification (MUSIC), sensor calibration, Bearings-only localization, Direct Position Determination (DPD), Applications				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Recommended: F. Kurth: “Foundations of Audio Signal Processing” (MA-INF 2113)				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Power Point				
Literature	H. L. van Trees, Optimum Array Processing. Part IV of Detection, Estimation, and Modulation Theory. New York: Wiley-Interscience, 2002.				

Module MA-INF 3238	Side Channel Attacks				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Felix Boes				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Felix Boes				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students are introduced to theoretical and practical side channel effects of modern hardware. • Students learn techniques to utilize these effects to circumvent security mechanisms. • This includes covert channels as well as side channel attacks and microarchitectural attacks on modern CPUs. 				
Soft skills	Theoretical exercises to support in-depth understanding of lecture topics and to stimulate discussions, practical exercises in teamwork to support time management, targeted organization of practical work and critical discussion of own and others' results.				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theoretical foundations of side channel effects and attacks as well as • covert channels, • differential power analysis, • padding oracle, • RSA timing attacks, • cache based side channel effects, • microarchitectural attacks (Spectre) 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Fundamental knowledge about IT Security, operating systems and statistics is advantageous but not mandatory.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 3239	Malware Analysis				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elmar Padilla				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students should be able to analyze the functional scope of a binary file independently and to describe its damage potential. In addition, the students should be able to carry out detailed analyzes of given aspects and to partially automate these with the help of scripts.				
Soft skills	Presentation of solutions and methods, critical discussion of applied methods and techniques.				
Contents	<p>In the course, the skills acquired so far in binary analysis will first be deepened and adapted to the peculiarities of malware analysis. Different malware samples are used to explain the techniques used by malware authors. These priorities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Characteristics of malware • Persistence • Network communication • Encryption • Dynamic malware analysis • Debugging • Behavioral obfuscation • Virtual analysis environments • Static malware analysis • Control flow obfuscation • Automation of common analysis steps • Reconstruction of binary algorithms <p>The event begins with several lectures that provide the basics for the students to work independently later. In the course of this, the students will work on practical topics from the field of malware analysis during the semester. Since these subject areas can turn out to be very specific, it is necessary to be willing to deal with the subject outside of the lecture and exercise times.</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Required: none</p> <p>Recommended: Basic knowledge of operating systems (kernel, threads, virtual memory), network communication (protocols, architectures), binary analysis (assembler, endianness, semantic gap, coding), software development (programming, semantics, scripting in Python)</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	The relevant literature will be announced at the beginning of the lecture				

Module MA-INF 3241	Practical Challenges in Human Factors of Security and Privacy				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	After completing the unit students will be able to conduct related work searches to get a deep understanding into the state of the art. They will be able to design, run and evaluate scientific studies in this area.				
Soft skills					
Contents	In this course we will learn about and develop solutions for a specific challenge concerning human factors in security and privacy.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		1	15 T / 45 S	2
	Exercises		3	45 T / 75 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Project work				(graded)
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation				(not graded)
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3242	Security of Distributed and Resource-constrained Systems				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Thorsten Aurisch				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand and analyse theoretical and practical cyber security challenges of distributed and resource-constrained systems, as well as the ability to select and apply appropriate solutions.				
Soft skills					
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group communication with IP multicast • Group key management • Broadcast encryption • Public key infrastructure • Web of trust • Multicast infrastructure protection • Distributed security mechanisms • Cyber resilience in groups • Security in tactical radio networks • Security for IoT 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 3304	Lab Communication and Communicating Devices				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini, Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of communication systems, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Work in small teams and cooperate with other teams in a group; ability to make design decisions in a practical task; present and discuss (interim and final) results in the team/group and to other students; prepare written documentation of the work carried out				
Contents	Selected topics close to current research in the area of communication systems, network security, mobile communication and communicating devices.				
Prerequisites	Required: Successful completion of at least one of the following lectures: Principles of Distributed Systems (MA-INF3105), Network Security (MA-INF3201), Mobile Communication (MA-INF3202), IT Security (MA-INF3236)				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester.				

Module MA-INF 3305	Lab Information Systems				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Thomas Bode				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Thomas Bode				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of information systems, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	Varying selected topics close to current research in the area of database- and information systems.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester.				

Module MA-INF 3309	Lab Malware Analysis				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini, Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of communication systems with a specific topic focus on Malware Analysis and Computer/Network Security, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Work in small teams and cooperate with other teams in a group; ability to make design decisions in a practical task; present and discuss (interim and final) results in the team/group and to other students; prepare written documentation of the work carried out				
Contents	Selected topics close to current research in the area of communication systems, malware analysis, computer and network security.				
Prerequisites	Required: Successful completion of at least one of the following lectures: Principles of Distributed Systems (MA-INF3105), Network Security (MA-INF3201), Mobile Communication (MA-INF3202), IT Security (MA-INF3236)				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3310	Introduction to Sensor Data Fusion - Methods and Applications				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	<p>All participants shall get known to the basic theory of sensor data fusion. The lecture starts with preliminaries on how to handle uncertain data and knowledge within analytical calculus. Then, the fundamental and well-known Kalman filter is derived. Based on this tracking scheme, further approaches to a wide spectrum of applications will be shown. All algorithms will be motivated by examples from ongoing research projects, industrial cooperations, and impressions of current demonstration hardware.</p> <p>Because of inherent practical issues, every sensor measures certain properties up to an error. This lecture shows how to model and overcome this error by an application of theoretical tools such as Bayes' rule and further derivations. Moreover, solutions to possible false-alarms, miss-detections, maneuvering phases, and much more will be presented.</p>				
Soft skills	Mathematical derivation of algorithms, application of mathematical results on estimation theory.				
Contents	Gaussian probability density functions, Kalman filter, Multi-Hypothesis-Tracker, Interacting Multiple Model Filter, Retrodiction, Smoothing, Maneuver Modeling				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	<p>W. Koch: "Tracking and Sensor Data Fusion: Methodological Framework and Selected Applications", Springer, 2014.</p> <p>Y. Bar-Shalom: "Estimation with Applications to Tracking and Navigation", Wiley-Interscience, 2001.</p>				

Module MA-INF 3312	Lab Sensor Data Fusion				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Koch				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	The students will work together on a data fusion project using various sensor hardware. Latest algorithms for fusing information from several nodes will be implemented.				
Soft skills	The students shall work together in a team. Everyone is responsible for a specific part in the context of a main goal. Results will be exchanged and integrated via software interfaces.				
Contents	Varying selected topics on sensor data fusion.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report				(graded)
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced at the beginning of the lab.				

Module MA-INF 3317	Seminar Selected Topics in IT Security				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Michael Meier, Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3319	Lab Usable Security and Privacy				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of usable security and privacy, including user studies.				
Soft skills	Ability to create and defend a scientific user study				
Contents	Students have a great degree of freedom to chose their own topics within the context of human aspects of security and privacy.				
Prerequisites	<p>Required: Vorkenntnisse zur Durchführung und Auswertung von Benutzerstudien sind notwendig. Wie sie z.B. in BA-INF145 - Usable Security and Privacy gelehrt werden.</p> <p>Knowledge on how to run and evaluate user studies are required. For example as it is taught in BA-INF145 - Usable Security and Privacy.</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3320	Lab Security in Distributed Systems				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of distributed security, including documentation of the implemented software/system. Strong programming skills required.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	Security in distributed systems, including amongst others: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secure Messaging • App Security • SSL/HTTPS • API Security • Machine Learning for Security • Passwords • Intrusion Detection Systems • Anomaly Detection • Security Visualisation 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3321	Seminar Usable Security and Privacy				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3322	Applied Binary Exploitation				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Peter Martini				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elmar Padilla				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Static and dynamic program analysis, Exploitation (Stack-based Buffer Overflows, Format String Exploits, Heap Exploitation, Use-After-Free Exploits) and Countermeasures (Stack Cookies, NX, ASLR, RELRO)				
Soft skills	Frustration tolerance when working with binary representations and trying to apply taught techniques, focussed working on technically challenging problems, simultaneously applying knowledge from different areas of computer science				
Contents	Our computers run a lot of closed source binary programs meaning that the source code of those programs is not available. Naturally, those programs contain bugs, mistakes that the programmer made during the development. Those bugs could (under certain circumstances) be exploited by attackers and thus may lead to arbitrary code execution. In this lecture we aim to teach you how to find well known exploitable bugs and how to exploit them. After a brief recap of basic binary program analysis such as static and dynamic analysis, we will talk about vulnerability discovery in general, meaning that you will learn how to find exploitable bugs by yourself. Next we move on to basic stack-based buffer overflows and add mitigation techniques (stack cookies, NX, ASLR, RELRO, ...) as we progress and exploit them as well. After we finished the topic of stack-based buffer overflows we move on to more advanced topics such as heap exploitation, use-after-free exploits and others. The lecture ends with an introduction to fuzzing and an analysis of a sophisticated real-world exploit.				
Prerequisites	Required: none Recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binary Analysis skills (Lecture: “Applied Binary Analysis” BA-INF 155) • Basic knowledge of the Linux operating system • System Programming skills in C (Lecture: “Systemnahe Programmierung”) • Basic Python programming skills 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral Examination (graded)				
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced at the beginning of the lecture				

Module MA-INF 3323	Lab Fuzzing Bootcamp				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Christian Tiefenau				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of fuzz testing, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 3324	Lab Design of Usable Security Mechanisms				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Matthew Smith				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Emmanuel von Zezschwitz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of usable security mechanisms, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

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Module MA-INF 4111	Principles of Machine Learning				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator					
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr.-Ing. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	<p>Upon successful completion of this module, students should be able to describe fundamental methods, algorithms, and use cases of machine learning. Students acquire knowledge about supervised and unsupervised learning; based on the knowledge and skills acquired, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement, algorithms for optimization and parameter estimation in model training and machine learning tasks. • Adopt the fundamental methods they learned about to a wide range of problems in automated intelligent data analysis. 				
Soft skills	<p>In the exercises, students can put their knowledge about theoretical concepts, mathematical methods, and algorithmic approaches into practice and realize small projects involving the implementation and evaluation of machine learning algorithms. This requires teamwork; upon successful completion of the module, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • draft and implement basic machine learning algorithms for various practical problem settings • prepare and give oral presentations about their work in front of an audience 				
Contents	<p>Fundamental machine learning models for classification and clustering, model training via minimization of loss functions, fundamental optimization algorithms, model regularization, kernel methods for supervised and unsupervised learning, probabilistic modeling and inference, dimensionality reduction and latent factor models, the basic theory behind neural networks and neural network training; This course is intended to lay the foundation for more advanced courses on modern deep learning and reinforcement learning.</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: Linear algebra, statistics, probability theory, calculus, python programming</p>				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides / lecture notes are made available online • notebooks with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D.J.C MacKay: Information Theory, Inference and Learning Algorithms, Cambridge University Press, 2003 • C.M. Bishop: Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Springer, 2006 • S. Haykin: Neural Networks and Learning Machines, Pearson, 2008 				

Module MA-INF 4113	Cognitive Robotics				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	<p>This lecture is one of two introductory lectures of the intelligent systems track. The lecture covers cognitive capabilities of robots, like self-localization, mapping, object perception, and action-planning in complex environments.</p> <p>This module complements MA-INF 4114 and can be taken before or after that module.</p>				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (oral and written presentation of solutions, discussions in small teams), self competences (ability to accept and formulate criticism, ability to analyze problems)				
Contents	Probabilistic approaches to state estimation (Bayes Filters, Kalman Filter, Particle Filter), motion models, sensor models, self-localization, mapping with known poses, simultaneous mapping and localization (SLAM), iterated closest-point matching, path planning, place- and person recognition, object recognition.				
Prerequisites	Required: MA-INF 4101 - Theory of Sensorimotor Systems has not been passed.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press, 2005. • B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics, 2008. • R. Szeliski: Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications, Springer 2010. 				

Module MA-INF 4114	Robot Learning				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke, Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	<p>This lecture is one of two introductory lectures of the intelligent systems track. Creating autonomous robots that can learn to assist humans in situations of daily life is a fascinating challenge for machine learning. The lecture covers key ingredients for a general robot learning approach to get closer towards human-like performance in robotics, such as reinforcement learning, learning models for control, learning motor primitives, learning from demonstrations and imitation learning, and interactive learning.</p> <p>This module complements MA-INF 4113 and can be taken before or after that module.</p>				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (oral and written presentation of solutions, discussions in small teams), self competences (ability to accept and formulate criticism, ability to analyze problems)				
Contents	Reinforcement learning, Markov decision processes, dynamic programming, Monte Carlo methods, temporal-difference methods, function approximation, linear quadratic regulation, differential dynamic programming, partially observable MDPs, policy gradient methods, inverse reinforcement learning, imitation learning, learning kinematic models, perceiving and handling of objects.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • R. Sutton and A. Barto: Reinforcement Learning, MIT-Press, 1998. • O. Sigaud and J. Peters (Eds.): From Motor Learning to Interaction Learning in Robots. Springer, 2010. 				

Module MA-INF 4115	Introduction to Natural Language Processing				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Lucie Flek				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Lucie Flek				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	This class provides a technical perspective on NLP ? methods for building computer software that understands and manipulates human language. Contemporary data-driven approaches are emphasized, focusing on machine learning techniques. The covered applications vary in complexity, including for example Entity Recognition, Argument Mining, or Emotion Analysis.				
Soft skills	Group work during programming exercises will allow students to work on real-world NLP application projects. The final project offers you the chance to apply your newly acquired skills towards an in-depth application using different frameworks such as PyTorch and spaCy and present it in a poster session.				
Contents	<p>Through lectures, exercises, and a final project, you will gain a thorough introduction to cutting-edge research in NLP, from the linguistic basis of computational language methods to recent advances in deep learning and large language models. This course provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of NLP goals, challenges, and applications • Text representation (Words, sentences, paragraphs, documents), word embeddings, word2vec, BERT, word similarity • Machine learning / deep learning algorithms for text classification, Transformers • Basics of neural language modeling • Basics of computational linguistics <p>- Transforming words to their base forms (tokenization, stemming, lemmatization)</p> <p>- Syntactic analysis (part of speech tagging, chunking, and parsing)</p> <p>- Techniques for extracting meaning from text (semantic analysis), use of lexical resources in NLP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NLP applications and projects (e.g., Sentiment Analysis, Named Entity Recognition, Question Answering, Summarization, Fake news detection, Plagiarism detection, Abusive language detection, Opinion mining...) 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basics of statistics recommended. • Basic programming knowledge in Python is of advantage. • Basics of machine learning are of advantage. 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		3	45 T / 45 S	3
	Exercises		1	15 T / 75 S	3
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Klausur (60 %); Projektarbeit (40 %)				(graded)
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme				(not graded)
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture slides • Exercise slides • Notebooks with programming examples 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Eisenstein: Introduction to Natural Language Processing 				

Module MA-INF 4116	AI Ethics Seminar				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Lucie Flek				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Lucie Flek				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1. or 2.		
Technical skills	The seminar aims to introduce students to the ethical dilemmas of artificial intelligence. Students will develop skills in assessing AI systems, identifying ethical dilemmas and social impacts, reasoning through ethical and social issues, and communicating their reasoning.				
Soft skills	Students will learn about the design of ethical and socially responsible systems. They will gain practice engaging with multidisciplinary perspectives from behavioral and social science. At the end of the course, students will write a final term essay on one of the course topics.				
Contents	<p>We study artificial intelligence and the ethical dilemmas associated with the research, design, deployment, and interaction with AI systems.</p> <p>Six broad modules structure the seminar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundations of AI and AI ethics • Bias & fairness • Privacy & data privacy • Social networks & civility of communication • Politics & policy • AI for “social good” <p>A typical lecture will consist of 2-3 student presentations that focus on a research article and the broad context of its topic.</p> <p>Following each presentation, we discuss the work with a focus on assessing relevant ethical issues and potential approaches for ethical design and engineering.</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Required: No previous knowledge is required.</p> <p>Recommended: Previously attended classes in machine learning, robotics, data mining, or related, can be useful for understanding the topics but are not a must.</p>				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4201	Artificial Life				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke, Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-3.		
Technical skills	Detailed understanding of the most important approaches and principles of artificial life. Knowledge and understanding of the current state of research in the field of artificial life				
Soft skills	Capability to identify the state of the art in artificial life, and to present and defend the found solutions within the exercises in front of a group of students. Critical discussion of the results of the homework.				
Contents	Foundations of artificial life, cellular automata, Conway's "Game of Life"; mechanisms for structural development; foundations of nonlinear dynamical systems, Lindenmeyer-systems, evolutionary methods and genetic algorithms, reinforcement learning, artificial immune systems, adaptive behaviour, self-organising criticality, multi-agent systems, and swarm intelligence, particle swarm optimization.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Pencil and paper work, explain solutions in front of the exercise group, implementation of small programs, use of simple simulation tools.				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christoph Adami: Introduction to Artificial Life, The Electronic Library of Science, TELOS, Springer-Verlag • Eric Bonabeau, Marco Dorigo, Guy Theraulaz: Swarm Intelligence: From Natural to Artificial Systems, Oxford University Press, Santa Fe Institute Studies in the Science of Complexity. • Andrzej Osyczka: Evolutionary Algorithms for Single and Multicriteria Design Optimization, Studies in Fuzzyness and Soft Computing, Physica-Verlag, A Springer-Verlag Company, Heidelberg 				

Module MA-INF 4203	Autonomous Mobile Systems				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Dirk Schulz, Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Profound knowledge of development and test regarding structure and function of learning, autonomous, mobile systems; Knowledge of the computational, mathematical, and technical requirements for the design of autonomous systems for specific applications and for specific functional environments				
Soft skills	The students will be capable to assess applications for autonomous mobile systems. They will be capable to identify what part of the applications might be improved by using state of the art developments. The student will learn how to plan and implement a software project in small working groups.				
Contents	Requirements for the implementation of autonomous mobile systems, e.g. for: map making, dead reckoning, localisation, SLAM-methods, various principles of robot path planning; methods for action planning. Comparison of different learning paradigms for specific applications.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: all of the following: MA-INF 4101 – Theory of Sensorimotor Systems MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • J. Buchli: Mobile Robots: Moving Intelligence, Published by Advanced Robotic Systems and Pro Literatur Verlag • Sebastian Thrun, Wolfram Burgard, Dieter Fox: Probabilistic Robotics, MIT Press, 2005 • Howie Choset et al.: Principles of Robot Motion, MIT-Press, 2005 				

Module MA-INF 4204	Technical Neural Nets				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf, Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1-3.		
Technical skills	Detailed knowledge of the most important neural network approaches and learning algorithms and its fields of application. Knowledge and understanding of technical neural networks as Non-Von Neumann computer architectures similar to concepts of brain functions at different stages of development				
Soft skills	The students will be capable to propose several paradigms from neural networks that are capable to solve a given task. They can discuss the pro and cons with respect to efficiency and risk. They will be capable to plan and implement a small project with state of the art neural network solutions.				
Contents	Multi-layer perceptron, radial-basis function nets, Hopfield nets, self organizing maps (Kohonen), adaptive resonance theory, learning vector quantization, recurrent networks, back-propagation of error, reinforcement learning, Q-learning, support vector machines, pulse processing neural networks. Exemplary applications of neural nets: function approximation, prediction, quality control, image processing, speech processing, action planning, control of technical processes and robots. Implementation of neural networks in hardware and software: tools, simulators, analog and digital neural hardware.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • Christopher M. Bishop: Neural Networks for Pattern Recognition, Oxford University Press, ISBN-10: 0198538642, ISBN-13: 978-0198538646 • Ian T. Nabney: NETLAB. Algorithms for Pattern Recognition, Springer, ISBN-10: 1852334401, ISBN-13: 978-1852334406 				

Module MA-INF 4207	Dynamically Reconfigurable Systems				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Knowledge of the most important FPGA architectures, ability to select appropriate FPGAs for a given application, overview of programming tools				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (oral and written presentation of solutions), social skills (ability to solve problems in small teams, discussions of solution concepts) self competences (ability to accept and formulate criticism, ability to analyze problems)				
Contents	Architecture of FPGAs, Configurable Logic Blocks, Wiring Ressources, Special Blocks, Hardware Description Languages, Synthesis, Technology Mapping, Place and Route, FPGA Computing, Partial Reconfigurability				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	Current research papers and technical documentation				

Module MA-INF 4208	Seminar Vision Systems				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke, Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf, Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge in advanced topics in the area of technical vision systems, such as image segmentation, feature extraction, and object recognition. • Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers and to present them in a research talk as well as in a seminar report. 				
Soft skills	Self-competences (time management, literature search, self-study), communication skills (preparation and clear didactic presentation of research talk, scientific discussion, structured writing of seminar report), social skills (ability to formulate and accept criticism, critical examination of research results).				
Contents	Current research papers from conferences and journals in the field of vision systems covering fundamental techniques and applications.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning MA-INF 4204 – Technical Neural Nets				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Szeliski: Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications, Springer 2010. • C. M. Bishop: Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Springer 2006. • D. A. Forsyth and J. Ponce: Computer Vision: A Modern Approach, Prentice Hall, 2003. 				

Module MA-INF 4209	Seminar Principles of Data Mining and Learning Algorithms				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Enhanced and in-depth knowledge in specialized topics in the area of machine learning and data mining, acquiring the competence to independently study scientific literature, present it to others and discuss it with a knowledgeable scientific auditorium. Learn how to scientifically present prior work by others, in writing and in presentations.				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (preparing and presenting talks, written presentation of contents in a longer document), self competences (time management with long-ranging deadlines, ability to accept and formulate criticism, ability to analyse, creativity).				
Contents	Theoretical, statistical and algorithmical principles of data mining and learning algorithms. Search and optimization algorithms. Specialized learning algorithms from the frontier of research. Fundamental results from neighbouring areas.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning MA-INF 4112 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media	Scientific papers and websites, interactive presentations.				
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester.				

Module MA-INF 4210	Seminar Advanced Topics in Technical Informatics				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Current Topics in Technical Informatics				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (preparing and presenting talks, preparing a structured written document), social skills (ability to accept and formulate criticism, discussions of current content) self competences (time management with long-ranging deadlines, understanding of research topics from original literature)				
Contents	Current topics such as: new architectures of computers or FPGAs (field programmable gate arrays) or new applications of dynamically reconfigurable systems				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Current research papers				

Module MA-INF 4211	Seminar Cognitive Robotics				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke, Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Knowledge in advanced topics in the area of cognitive robotics, such as robot perception, action planning, and robot learning.</p> <p>Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers and to present them in a research talk as well as in a seminar report.</p>				
Soft skills	<p>Self-competences (time management, literature search, self-study), communication skills (preparation and clear didactic presentation of research talk, scientific discussion, structured writing of seminar report), social skills (ability to formulate and accept criticism, critical examination of research results).</p>				
Contents	<p>Current research papers from conferences and journals in the field of cognitive robotics covering fundamental techniques and applications.</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics MA-INF 4114 – Robot Learning</p>				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press, 2005. • B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics, 2008. • Selected papers. 				

Module MA-INF 4213	Seminar Humanoid Robots				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Knowledge in advanced topics in the area of humanoid robotics, such as environment perception, state estimation, navigation, or motion planning. Ability to understand new research results of scientific papers and to present them in a talk as well as in a self-written summary.				
Soft skills	Self-competences (time management, literature search, self-study), communication skills (preparation of the talk, clear didactic presentation of techniques and experimental results, scientific discussion, structured writing of summary), social skills (ability to formulate and accept criticism, critical examination of algorithms and experimental results).				
Contents	Current research papers from conferences and journals in the field of humanoid robotics covering fundamental techniques and applications.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4215 – Humanoid Robotics MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press - B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics - K. Harada, E. Yoshida, K. Yokoi (Eds.), Motion Planning for Humanoid Robots, Springer - Selected papers. 				

Module MA-INF 4214	Lab Humanoid Robots				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Practical experience and in-depth knowledge in the design and implementation of perception, state estimation, environment representation, navigation, and motion planning techniques for humanoid robots. In small groups, the participants analyze a problem, realize a solution, and perform an experimental evaluation.				
Soft skills	Self-competences (time management, goal-oriented work, ability to analyze problems theoretically and to find practical solutions), communication skills (collaboration in small teams, oral and written presentation of solutions, critical examination of implementations).				
Contents	Robot middleware, perception, state estimation, environment representations, navigation, and motion planning for humanoid robots.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4215 – Humanoid Robotics MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press - B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics - K. Harada, E. Yoshida, K. Yokoi (Eds.), Motion Planning for Humanoid Robots, Springer - Selected papers. 				

Module MA-INF 4215	Humanoid Robotics				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2-3.		
Technical skills	This lecture covers techniques for humanoid robots such as perception, navigation, and motion planning.				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (oral and written presentation of solutions, discussions in small teams), ability to analyze problems.				
Contents	Self-calibration with least squares, 3D environment representations, self-localization with particle filters, footstep planning, inverse kinematics, whole-body motion planning with rapidly exploring random trees, statistical testing.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press, 2005. • B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics • K. Harada, E. Yoshida, K. Yokoi (Eds.), Motion Planning for Humanoid Robots, Springer • Selected research papers. 				

Module MA-INF 4216	Biomedical Data Science & AI				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Holger Fröhlich				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Holger Fröhlich				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - understanding and knowledge of fundamental data mining and machine learning methods - understanding of their application in bioinformatics 				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - communication: oral and written presentation of solutions to exercises - self-competences: ability to analyze application problems and to formulate possible solutions - practical skills: ability to practically implement solutions - social skills: working in a small team with other students 				
Contents	<p>This lecture gives a broad overview about frequently used statistical techniques as well as data mining and machine learning algorithms. The use of the respective methods to solve problems in bioinformatics is explained. The goal is to understand the explained methods, being able to apply them correctly and partially implement them. More detailed, the following topics are covered in the context of their application in bioinformatics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Short introduction to Bioinformatics and Biomedicine - Statistical Basics: Probability distributions and Bayesian inference, statistical hypothesis testing, linear models, logistic regression, Principal Component Analysis - Clustering - Hidden Markov Models - Principles of Supervised Machine Learning - Elastic Net - Basics of deep learning 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	<p>T. Hastie, R. Tibshirani, J. Friedman, The Elements of Statistical Learning, Springer, 2008</p> <p>S. Boslaugh, P. Watters, Statistics in a Nutshell, O'Reilly, 2008</p> <p>N. Jones, P. Pevzner, An Introduction to Bioinformatics Algorithms, MIT Press, 2004</p>				

Module MA-INF 4217	Seminar Machine Learning Methods in the Life Sciences				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Holger Fröhlich				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Holger Fröhlich				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 4.		
Technical skills	- understanding and knowledge of machine learning methods and their application in modern life sciences, e.g. biomedicine				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - communication: oral scientific presentation of a defined topic - self-competences: ability to identify relevant literature for a given topic; ability to read, understand and analyze scientific publications - social skills: ability to discuss a scientific topic with other students and the staff 				
Contents	<p>Machine learning techniques play a crucial role in modern life sciences, including biomedicine. The goal of this seminar is to discuss a variety of machine learning techniques in the context of their application to solve real-world problems in biomedicine.</p> <p>Topics will be selected from the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensemble learning - Survival and disease progression models - Bayesian Networks - Stochastic processes, e.g. Gaussian Processes, Dirichlet Process Mixture Models - MCMC methods - Deep learning methods, e.g. DNNs, CNNs, Deep Belief Networks - feature selection and non-linear embedding methods - multi-modal data fusion techniques <p>Attendees will be asked to perform research about their topic in a self-responsible manner.</p>				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 4216 – Data Mining and Machine Learning Methods in Bioinformatics				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media	powerpoint				
Literature	selected journal and conference papers				

Module MA-INF 4226	Lab Parallel Computing for Mobile Robotics				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Maren Bennewitz				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Students will make practical experience with the design and implementation of parallelized algorithms in the context of motion planning and navigation.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	Parallel programming on the GPU, CUDA, shortest path planning, collision checking, visibility graph, A* algorithm				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: C++, Linux.</p> <p>Since the exercises revolve around path planning, one of those courses might be helpful:</p> <p>MA-INF 4203: Autonomous Mobile Systems MA-INF 4113: Cognitive Robotics MA-INF 4310: Lab Mobile Robots</p>				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4228	Foundations of Data Science				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Knowledge: Peculiarities of high dimensional spaces in geometry and probabilities. Singular vector decomposition. Basics in machine learning and clustering.</p> <p>Skills: Understanding of mathematical tools.</p>				
Soft skills	Competences: Application to data science problems and ability to assess similar methods.				
Contents	<p>Data science aims at making sense of big data. To that end, various tools have to be understood for helping in analyzing the arising structures.</p> <p>Often data comes as a collection of vectors with a large number of components. To understand their common structure is the first main objective of understanding the data. The geometry and the linear algebra behind them becomes relevant and enlightning. Yet, the intuition from low-dimensional space turns out to be often misleading. We need to be aware of the particular properties of high-dimensional spaces when working with such data. Fruitful methods for the analysis include singular vector decomposition from linear algebra and supervised and unsupervised machine learning. If time permits, we also consider random graphs, which are the second most used model for real world phenomena.</p>				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Avrim Blum, John Hopcroft, and Ravindran Kannan (2018+). Foundations of Data Science.				

Module MA-INF 4229	Pattern Recognition I				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Upon completion, students should be able to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • devise mathematical models for problems in data analysis, clustering, and classification • implement basic and advanced algorithms for model fitting and optimization • implement basic and advanced algorithms for data clustering and classification • implement basic and advanced algorithms for pattern recognition 				
Soft skills	Students will learn about the mathematical and algorithmic foundations of machine learning for pattern recognition. They will learn about basic and advanced mathematical models in this area, how to implement them on their own, and how to put them into practice.				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fundamental concepts, prerequisites, and procedures in pattern recognition • basic and advanced concepts in linear algebra • basic and advanced concepts in probability theory and statistics • least squares techniques for model fitting • maximum likelihood techniques • maximum a-posteriori techniques • Bayesian inference methods • fundamental aspects of learning theory and the VC dimension • the curse of dimensionality • methods and algorithms for data clustering • Gaussian mixture models • the method of Lagrange multipliers and the KKT conditions • quadratic and linear discriminant analysis • algorithms for constrained optimization • support vector machines • the kernel trick • neural networks • Hebbian learning 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Students should good working knowledge in linear algebra, probability theory, and statistics as well as programming experience.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides are made available online • lecture notes with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	Bishop, "Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning" Duda, Stork, Hart, "Pattern Classification" MacKay, "Information Theory, Inference, and Learning Algorithms"				

Module MA-INF 4230	Advanced Methods of Information Retrieval				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>This module introduces the students to the advanced methods, data structures, and algorithms of information retrieval for structured and semi-structured data (including, for example, knowledge graphs, relational data, and tabular data).</p> <p>At the end of the module, the students will be capable of choosing appropriate data structures and retrieval algorithms for specific applications and correctly apply relevant statistical and machine learning-based information retrieval procedures.</p>				
Soft skills	<p>Communication skills: oral and written presentation and discussion of solutions.</p> <p>Self-competences: ability to analyse and solve problems.</p>				
Contents	<p>The module topics include data structures, ranking methods, and efficient algorithms that enable end-users to effectively obtain the most relevant search results from structured, heterogeneous, and distributed data sources. Furthermore, we will study the corresponding evaluation techniques as well as novel applications.</p>				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung (graded)				
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<p>Selected chapters from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher D. Manning, Prabhakar Raghavan and Hinrich Schütze, Introduction to Information Retrieval, Cambridge University Press. 2008. • Bhaskar Mitra and Nick Craswell (2018), "An Introduction to Neural Information Retrieval ", Foundations and Trends^o in Information Retrieval: Vol. 13: No. 1, pp 1-126. <p>- Ridho Reinanda, Edgar Meij and Maarten de Rijke (2020), "Knowledge Graphs: An Information Retrieval Perspective", Foundations and Trends^o in Information Retrieval: Vol. 14: No. 4, pp 289-444.</p> <p>- Jeffrey Xu Yu, Lu Qin, Lijun Chang. Keyword Search in Databases. Synthesis Lectures on Data Management. Morgan & Claypool Publishers. 2009.</p> <p>Further references to relevant material will be provided during the lecture.</p>				

Module MA-INF 4231	Seminar Advanced Topics in Information Retrieval				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	This module concentrates on specialized topics in information retrieval. The students obtain skills in the independent, in-depth study of state-of-the-art scientific literature on specific topics, discussion with their peers and presentation to the scientific audience.				
Soft skills	Communication skills: oral and written presentation of scientific content. Self-competences: the ability to analyze problems, time management, creativity.				
Contents	Statistical and machine learning-based information retrieval methods, including typical steps of the information retrieval process: data collection, feature extraction, indexing, retrieval, ranking, and evaluation. Specialized data representation and retrieval methods for selected data types and applications in specific domains.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 4230 - Advanced Methods of Information Retrieval				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	None (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<p>Selected chapters from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher D. Manning, Prabhakar Raghavan and Hinrich Schütze, Introduction to Information Retrieval, Cambridge University Press. 2008. • Bhaskar Mitra and Nick Craswell (2018), "An Introduction to Neural Information Retrieval ", Foundations and Trends in Information Retrieval: Vol. 13: No. 1, pp 1-126. <p>Further relevant literature will be announced at the beginning of the seminar.</p>				

Module MA-INF 4232	Lab Information Retrieval in Practice				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	This module concentrates on practical experience in information retrieval. Participants acquire basic knowledge and practical experience in designing and implementing information retrieval systems for specific data types and applications.				
Soft skills	Communication skills: the ability to work in teams. Self-competences: the ability to analyse problems and find practical solutions. Time management, creativity, presentation of results.				
Contents	Practical application of information retrieval methods to solve retrieval problems on real-world data and evaluate proposed solutions.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 4230 - Advanced Methods of Information Retrieval MA-INF 4231 - Seminar Advanced Topics in Information Retrieval				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	None (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Selected chapters from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher D. Manning, Prabhakar Raghavan and Hinrich Schütze, Introduction to Information Retrieval, Cambridge University Press. 2008. • Bhaskar Mitra and Nick Craswell (2018), "An Introduction to Neural Information Retrieval ", Foundations and Trends^{so} in Information Retrieval: Vol. 13: No. 1, pp 1-126. Further references to relevant material will be provided during the lab.				

Module MA-INF 4302	Advanced Learning Systems				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Participants specialize and require in-depth knowledge of one particular class of learning algorithms, they acquire the necessary knowledge to improve existing algorithms and construct their own within the given class, all the way up to the research frontier on the topic.				
Soft skills	In group work, students acquire the necessary social and communication skills for effective team work and project planning, and learn how to present software projects to others.				
Contents	The module each time concentrates on one or more specific algorithm classes, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kernel machines • neural networks • probabilistic and statistical learning approaches • logic-based learning approaches • reinforcement learning 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: all of the following: MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning MA-INF 4112 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	lectures, exercises, software systems				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B. Schoelkopf, A.J. Smola, Learning with Kernels, The MIT Press, 2002, Cambridge, MA • John Shawe-Taylor, Nello Christianini, Kernel Methods for Pattern Analysis, CUP, 2004 • Christopher Bishop, Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, The University of Edinburgh, 2006 • David MacKay, Information Theory, Inference, and Learning Algorithms, 2003 • Richard Duda, Peter Hart, David Stork, Pattern Classification, John Wiley and Sons, 2001 				

Module MA-INF 4303	Learning from Non-Standard Data				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel, Dr. Tamas Horvath				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Participants deepen their knowledge of learning systems with respect to one particular non-standard data type, i.e., non-tabular data, as they are becoming increasingly important in many applications. Each type of data not only requires specialized algorithms but also knowledge of the surrounding pre- and postprocessing operations which is acquired by the participants in the module. In group work, students acquire the necessary social and communication skills for effective team work and project planning, and learn how to present software projects to others.				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (oral and written presentation of solutions, discussions in teams), self-competences (ability to accept and formulate criticism, ability to analyse, creativity in the context of an "open end" task)				
Contents	The module will offered every year, concentrating on one particular non-standard data type each time, including: Text Mining, Multimedia Mining, Graph Mining. Learning from structured data, Spatial Data Mining				
Prerequisites	Recommended: all of the following: MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning MA-INF 4112 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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	lectures, exercises, software systems.				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gennady Andrienko, Natalia Andrienko, Exploratory Analysis of Spatial and Temporal Data, Springer, 2006 • Diane J. Cook, Lawrence B. Holder, Mining Graph Data, Wiley & Sons, 2006 • Saso Dzeroski, Nada Lavrac, Relational Data Mining, Springer, 2001 • Sholom M. Weiss, Nitin Indurkha, Tong Zhang, Fred J. Damerau, Text Mining. Predictive Methods for Analyzing Unstructured Information, Springer, 2004 				

Module MA-INF 4304	Lab Cognitive Robotics				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Participants acquire practical experience and in-depth knowledge in the design and implementation of perception and control algorithms for complex robotic systems. In a small group, they analyze a problem, realize a state-of-the-art solution, and evaluate its performance.				
Soft skills	Self-competences (time management, goal-oriented work, ability to analyze problems and to find practical solutions), communication skills (Work together in small teams, oral and written presentation of solutions, critical examination of implementations)				
Contents	Robot middleware (ROS), simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM), 3D representations of objects and environments, object detection and recognition, person detection and tracking, action recognition, action planning and control, mobile manipulation, human-robot interaction.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics MA-INF 4114 – Robot Learning				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press, 2005. • B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics, 2008. • Selected research papers. 				

Module MA-INF 4306	Lab Development and Application of Data Mining and Learning Systems				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Stefan Wrobel				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Students will acquire in-depth knowledge in the construction and development of intelligent learning systems for machine learning and data mining. They learn how to work with existing state-of-the-art systems and apply them to application problems, usually extending them for the requirements of their particular task.				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (appropriate oral presentation and written documentation of project results), social skills (ability to work in teams), self-competences (time management, aiming at long-range goals under limited resources, ability to work under pressure, ability to accept/formulate criticism)				
Contents	Data storage and process models of data analysis. Common open source frameworks for the construction of data analysis systems, specialized statistical packages. Pre-processing tools. Mathematical libraries for numerical computation. Search and optimization methods. User interfaces and visualization for analysis systems. Data analysis algorithms for embedded and distributed systems. Ubiquitous discovery systems.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning MA-INF 4112 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media	Computer Software, Documentation, Research Papers.				
Literature	The relevant literature will be announced towards the end of the previous semester.				

Module MA-INF 4307	Lab Field Programmable Gate Arrays				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Joachim K. Anlauf				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Development and simulation of digital circuits in VHDL and SystemC, experience with synthesizable subsets, knowledge of the design path from the idea to a realized circuit implemented in an FPGA (field programmable gate array)				
Soft skills	Communicative skills (oral and written presentation of results), social skills (ability to cooperate in small teams, discussions of solution concepts) self competences (ability to accept and formulate criticism, ability to analyze and find practical solutions to problems)				
Contents	VHDL for Hardware Description, Simulation, and Synthesis, SystemC for Hardware Description, Simulation, and Synthesis, Synthesizable Subsets, Test of Implementations on FPGA Evaluation Boards				
Prerequisites	Recommended: MA-INF 4207 - Dynamically Reconfigurable Systems				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Technical documentation				

Module MA-INF 4308	Lab Vision Systems				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	Students will acquire knowledge of the design and implementation of parallel algorithms on GPUs. They will apply these techniques to accelerate standard machine learning algorithms for data-intensive computer vision tasks.				
Soft skills	Self-competences (time management, goal-oriented work, ability to analyze problems and to find practical solutions), communication skills (Work together in small teams, oral and written presentation of solutions, critical examination of implementations)				
Contents	Basic matrix and vector computations with GPUs (CUDA). Classification algorithms, such as multi-layer perceptrons, support-vector machines, k-nearest neighbors, linear-discriminant analysis. Image preprocessing and data handling. Quantitative performance evaluation of learning algorithms for segmentation and categorization.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning MA-INF 4204 – Technical Neural Nets				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Szeliski: Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications, Springer 2010. • C. M. Bishop: Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Springer 2006. • NVidia CUDA Programming Guide, Version 4.0, 2011. 				

Module MA-INF 4309	Lab Sensor Data Interpretation				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	PD. Dr. Volker Steinhage				
Lecturer(s)	PD. Dr. Volker Steinhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Competence to implement algorithms for sensor data interpretation, efficient handling and testing, documentation.				
Soft skills	Efficient implementation of complex algorithms, abstract thinking, documentation of source code.				
Contents	Varying selected up-to-date topics on sensor data interpretation				
Prerequisites	Required: All of the following: MA-INF 2201 – Computer Vision MA-INF 4206 – Selected Topics in Sensor Data Interpretation				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Relevant literature will be announced at start of the lab.				

Module MA-INF 4310	Lab Mobile Robots				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Sven Behnke, Dr. Nils Goerke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Participants acquire basic knowledge and practical experience in the design and implementation of control algorithms for simple structured robotic systems using real mobile robots. Fundamental paradigms for mobile robots will be identified and implemented in 2 person groups.				
Soft skills	Self-competences (time management, goal-oriented work, ability to analyze problems and to find practical solutions), communication skills (Work together in small teams, oral and written presentation of solutions, critical examination of implementations)				
Contents	Robot middleware (e.g. ROS), robot simulation tools, basic capabilities for mobile robots: reactive control, SMPA architecture, navigation, path planning, localisation, simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM), visual based object detection, learning robot control.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: At least 1 of the following: BA-INF 132 – Grundlagen der Robotik BA-INF 131 – Intelligente Sehsysteme MA-INF 1314 – Online Motion Planning MA-INF 2201 – Computer Vision MA-INF 4113 – Cognitive Robotics MA-INF 4114 – Robot Learning MA-INF 4203 – Autonomous Mobile Systems				
Format	Teaching format Lab	Group size 8	h/week 4	Workload[h] 60 T / 210 S	CP 9
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media	Robots simulation environments, robot control middleware, computer vision libraries, programming, demonstration of robot capabilities (real robotic systems), presentation and written report of approach and results.				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Thrun, W. Burgard and D. Fox: Probabilistic Robotics. MIT Press, 2005. • J. Buchli: Mobile Robots: Moving Intelligence, Published by Advanced Robotic Systems and Pro Literatur Verlag • B. Siciliano, O. Khatib (Eds.): Springer Handbook of Robotics, 2008. • Additional State-of-the-art publications. 				

Module MA-INF 4312	Semantic Data Web Technologies				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Lehmann				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jens Lehmann, Dr. Christoph Lange, Dr. Maria Maleschkova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1.		
Technical skills	The goal of this lecture is to impart knowledge on the fundamentals, technologies and applications of the Semantic Web and information retrieval. As part of the lecture the basic concepts and standards for semantic technologies are explained.				
Soft skills					
Contents	<p>As part of the W3C Semantic Web initiative standards and technologies have been developed for machine-readable exchange of data, information and knowledge on the Web. These standards and technologies are increasingly being used in applications and have already led to a number of exciting projects (e.g. DBpedia, semantic wiki or commercial applications such as schema.org, OpenCalais, or Google's Freebase). The module provides a theoretically grounded and practically oriented introduction to this area. The topics discussed within the lecture include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RDF syntax and data model • RDF Schema and formal semantics of RDF (S) • ontologies in OWL and formal semantics of OWL • RDF databases, triple and knowledge stores, query languages • Linked Data Web and Semantic Web applications • Semantic text analysis and information retrieval systems 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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					

Module MA-INF 4313	Seminar Semantic Data Web Technologies				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Lehmann				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Christoph Lange, Dr. Maria Maleshkova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	Through the seminar, students will learn to work with tools and technologies of the Semantic Web as well as assess their capabilities for given problems. They will gain the ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss technologies and research results in the framework of Semantic Web technologies.				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • technologies such as triple stores, link discovery frameworks, NLP pipelines. • recent conference and journal papers 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4314	Lab Semantic Data Web Technologies				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jens Lehmann				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Jens Lehmann, Dr. Maria Maleschkova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of Semantic Web technologies, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify own results with regard to the state-of-the-art				
Contents					
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module	Graph Representation Learning				
MA-INF 4316					
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency at least every 2 years		
Module coordinator	Dr. Pascal Welke				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Pascal Welke				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 1.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deep understanding of the trade-off between expressiveness of graph representation and computational complexity, as well as practical runtime of algorithms in the context of machine learning applications. - Ability to implement, practically apply, and theoretically analyze graph representation, graph kernels, and graph mining algorithms. 				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social, methodological, and analytical competences via communication, own development, and presentation of problem formulations, algorithms, and solutions. • Learning to solve project tasks in a group. • Learning to evaluate the trade-offs and limitations of existing methods. 				
Contents	<p>We will discuss general approaches for machine learning (ML) on graph structured data. In particular, computational methods for graph representation learning such as graph neural networks (GNNs), graph kernels, as well as graph mining techniques will be discussed, analyzed, and applied. Regarding GNNs and graph kernels, we will discuss the expressive power and how these concepts are related, as well as several specific examples. In the area of graph mining, we will likely investigate fast (approximate) algorithms to count small patterns, such as triangles, or trees.</p> <p>If time permits, we might venture into the realm of ranking on large-scale graphs, with applications such as recommender systems. The exercises will focus on practical implementations and the application of these methods to real world examples.</p>				
Prerequisites	<p>Recommended: Helpful: one or more of the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA-INF 4111 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Machine Learning • MA-INF 4112 – Intelligent Learning and Analysis Systems: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery • MA-INF 4212 – Data Science and Big Data • MA-INF 1105 - Algorithms for Data Analysis • MA-INF 1102 - Combinatorial Optimization 				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral exam or written exam				(graded)
Study achievements	Successful exercise participation				(not graded)
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture slides • Jupyter notebooks 				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William L. Hamilton: Graph Representation Learning, Synthesis Lectures on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Morgan and Claypool. • Nils M. Kriege, Fredrik D. Johansson, Christopher Morris: A survey on graph kernels, Applied Network Science 5(1):6. • Karsten M. Borgwardt, M. Elisabetta Ghisu et al.: Graph Kernels: State-of-the-Art and Future Challenges, Foundations and Trends in Machine Learning 13(5-6). 				

Module MA-INF 4318	Seminar Representation Learning for Big Data Analytics				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Emmanuel Müller				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Emmanuel Müller				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	<p>Smart representations (such as embeddings, kernels, and dimensionality reduction methods) are useful models that allow the abstraction of data within a well-defined mathematical formalism. The representations we aim at are conceptual abstractions of real world phenomena (such as social interactions, chemical reactions and biological processes) into the world of statistics and discrete mathematics in such a way that the powerful tools developed in those areas are available for complex analyses in a simple and elegant manner.</p> <p>The focus will be the understanding and comparison of smart representations and their explicit/implicit data transformation models. We will study limitations and advantages of different techniques, and how the data representation changes the problem setup, reduces complexity, introduces robustness, or other valuable properties for big data analytics.</p>				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Open-minded for new problem settings, Programming in different languages (C++, Python, Java), Critical approach to existing solutions, Research curiosity				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	<p>[1] Sergey Ivanov, Evgeny Burnaev. "Anonymous Walk Embeddings" ICML, 2018.</p> <p>[2] Tsitsulin, Anton, Davide Mottin, Panagiotis Karras, and Emmanuel Müller "VERSE: Versatile Graph Embeddings from Similarity Measures." WWW, 2018.</p> <p>[3] Yanardag, Pinar, and S. V. N. Vishwanathan. "Deep graph kernels." KDD, 2015.</p> <p>[4] Holger Dell, Martin Grohe, Gaurav Rattan "Lovász Meets Weisfeiler and Leman". ICALP, 2018</p> <p>[5] Anton Tsitsulin, Davide Mottin, Panagiotis Karras, Alexander M. Bronstein, Emmanuel Müller "NetLSD: Hearing the Shape of a Graph". KDD, 2018</p> <p>[6] Nino Shervashidze, Pascal Schweitzer, Erik Jan van Leeuwen, Kurt Mehlhorn, Karsten M. Borgwardt "Weisfeiler-Lehman Graph Kernels". JMLR, 2011</p> <p>[7] Haochen Chen, Bryan Perozzi, Yifan Hu, Steven Skiena "HARP: Hierarchical Representation Learning for Networks". AAAI, 2018.</p>				

Module MA-INF 4319	Game AI				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Upon completion, students should be able to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • know about fundamental concepts of artificial intelligence and how they apply to computer games • know about basic and advanced methods for planning, problem solving, and behavior modelling • implement basic and advanced algorithms for planning, problem solving, and behavior modelling • implement numerically robust data clustering and classification 				
Soft skills	Students will learn about mathematical and algorithmic foundations of artificial intelligence. They will learn about basic and more advanced techniques for planning, problem solving, and behavior modelling, how to implement them on their own, and how to put them into practice especially in the context of artificial computer game agents.				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • historical overview of game AI • basic terms and definitions for AI in games • backward induction and the minmax algorithm • alpha-beta pruning, depth restricted searches, features, and evaluation functions • (traditional, uninformed) tree search algorithms • Monte Carlo tree search • algorithms for path- and motion planning, A* search • mathematical models and computer algorithms for data clustering • self organizing maps • finite state machines for behavior modeling / programming • fuzzy logic / fuzzy control for behavior modeling / programming • probability theory and Bayesian networks • Markov chains / Markov models • hidden Markov models for behavior modeling and analysis • Markov decision processes and reinforcement learning • the Bellman equations for reinforcement learning • temporal difference learning • Q learning • genetic algorithms and genetic programming 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Students should good working knowledge in linear algebra, probability theory, and statistics as well as programming experience.				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides are made available online • lecture notes with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	Russell and Norvig, "Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach" Millington, "Artificial Intelligence For Games" MacKay, "Information Theory, Inference, and Learning Algorithms"				

Module MA-INF 4322	Lab Machine Learning on Encrypted Data				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Michael Nüsken				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of Cryptography, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	<p>With the rise of more and more mechanisms and installations of data science methodology to automatically analyze large amounts of possibly privacy infringing data we have to carefully understand how to protect our data. Also more and more fake data shows up and we have to find ways to distinguish faked from trustable data. At the same time we want to allow insightful research and life-easing analyzes to be possible. This seeming contradiction has lead to various efforts for unifying both: protecting data and allowing analyzes, at least to some extent and possibly under some restrictions. See Munn et al. (2019) for a review on challenges and options.</p> <p>The target of the lab is to understand how computations on encrypted data may work in one particular application that we are chosing together. Ideally, we can come up with a novel solution for performing an unconsidered algorithm. We study the tasks and tools, select algorithms, find a protocol, prototype an implementation, perform a security analysis, present an evaluation, ...</p>				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung				(graded)
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme				(not graded)
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4323	Pattern Recognition II				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Christian Bauckhage				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	<p>Upon completion, students should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • know about aspects of numerical computing and how these may affect practical implementations of machine learning / pattern recognition algorithms • know about iterative algorithms for machine learning / pattern recognition with large data sets • implement numerically robust algorithms for data dimensionality reduction • implement numerically robust data clustering and classification 				
Soft skills	Students will learn about mathematical and algorithmic foundations of robust implementations of machine learning algorithms for data analysis and pattern recognition. They will learn about iterative algorithms and dynamical systems approaches in this area, how to implement them on their own, and how to put them into practice.				
Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advanced concepts from linear algebra • QR-, spectral-, and singular value decompositions • iterative algorithms for least squares optimization • iterative algorithms for principal component analysis • Hebbian learning and Oja's rule for principal component analysis • auto-encoder networks • associative memory networks • Hopfield networks • Hopfield networks for pattern recognition • Hopfield networks for problem solving • energy minimization methods in machine learning and pattern recognition • latent factor models for data analysis • data matrix factorization techniques • multidimensional scaling • manifold learning • basic graph theory • graph cuts and graph clustering • graph diffusion processes • radial basis functions for interpolation • radial basis functions for classification • radial basis functions for density estimation 				
Prerequisites	Recommended: Students should good working knowledge in linear algebra, probability theory, and statistics. Ideally, they will have attended the lecture Pattern Recognition (1).				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		4	60 T / 105 S	5.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung				(graded)
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme				(not graded)
Forms of media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lecture slides are made available online • lecture notes with programming examples are made available online 				
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MacKay, "Information Theory, Inference, and Learning Algorithms" • Haykin, "Neural Networks and Learning Machines" • Bishop, "Neural Networks for Pattern Recognition" • Elden, "Matrix Methods in Data Mining and Pattern Recognition" • Skillicorn, "Understanding Complex Datasets" • Kirby, "Geometric Data Analysis" 				

Module MA-INF 4324	Seminar Advanced Topics in Data Science				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	This module concentrates on specialized topics in data science. The students obtain skills in the independent, in-depth study of state-of-the-art scientific literature on specific topics, discussion with their peers and presentation to the scientific audience.				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication skills: oral and written presentation of scientific content. • Self-competences: the ability to analyze problems, time management, creativity. 				
Contents	Statistical and machine learning-based methods of data analytics, including typical steps of the data science process: data generation, integration, cleaning, exploration, modelling and evaluation. Specialized data representation and analytics methods for selected data types and applications in specific domains.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: BA-INF 150 - Einführung in die Data Science				
Format	Teaching format Seminar	Group size 10	h/week 2	Workload[h] 30 T / 90 S	CP 4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	None (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Relevant literature will be announced at the beginning of the seminar				

Module MA-INF 4325	Lab Data Science in Practice				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	This module concentrates on practical experience in data analytics. Participants acquire basic knowledge and practical experience in the design and implementation of data science workflows for specific data types and applications.				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication skills: the ability to work in teams. • Self-competences: the ability to analyse problems and find practical solutions. Time management, creativity, presentation of results. 				
Contents	Practical application of statistical and machine learning-based methods to solve data analytics problems on real-world datasets and evaluate proposed solutions.				
Prerequisites	Recommended: BA-INF 150 - Einführung in die Data Science MA-INF 4230 - Advanced Methods of Information Retrieval				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	None (not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4326	Explainable AI and Applications				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Dr. Tiansi Dong				
Lecturer(s)	Dr. Tiansi Dong				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know the dual-model functioning of the human mind, and two main AI paradigms • Develop white-box neural AI systems • Understand the problems and limitations of Blackbox Deep-Learning systems, and Know the state-of-the-art Methods for Interpreting Deep-Learning systems (XAI) 				
Soft skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know System 1 and 2 of the mind, prons and cons of symbolic AI and connectionist AI • Develop neural-geometric systems that have both good features of symbolic AI and connectionist AI • Know the limitation of famous Deep-Learning systems, such as GPT3, self-driving. Know standard methods to explore the explainability of Deep-Learning systems 				
Contents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction: fates of large Deep-Learning systems, e.g. Watson, GPT, self-driving cars 2. Dual-system theories (System 1 and 2), nine laws of cognition, criteria of semantic models 3. The target and the state-of-art methods of XAI 4. Neural-symbolic AI 5. Cognitive maps, Collages, Mental Spatial Representation, Events 6. Qualitative Spatial Representation and Reasoning 7. Rotating Sphere Embedding: A New Wheel for Neural-Symbolic Unification 8. Neural Syllogistic Reasoning 9. Recognizing Variable Environments 10. Humor Understanding 11. Rotating Spheres as building-block semantic components for Language, Vision, and Action 				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		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"> • Kahneman, D. (2011). Thinking fast and slow. Farrar, Straus and Giroux. • Gaedenfors, P. (2017). The Geometry of Meaning. MIT Press. • Attardo, Hempelmann, Maio (2003). Script Oppositions and Logical Mechanisms: Modeling Incongruities and their Resolutions, HUMOR 15(1)3–46 • Tversky, B. (2019). Mind in Motion. Basic Books, New York. • Dong, et al. (2020). Learning Syllogism with Euler Neural-Networks. arXiv:2007.07320 • Dong, T. (2021). A Geometric Approach to the Unification of Symbolic Structure and Neural Networks. Springer. • Knauff and Spohn (2021). Handbook of Rationality. MIT Press, Cambridge, MA, USA. • Samek et.al. (2019), Explainable AI: Interpreting, Explaining and Visualizing Deep Learning. Springer. • Greg Dean (2019). Step by Step to Stand-Up Comedy (Revised Edition). ISBN: 978-0-9897351-7-9 				

Module MA-INF 4327	Lab Biomedical Data Science				
Workload 270 h	Credit points 9 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Holger Fröhlich				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Holger Fröhlich				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 3.		
Technical skills	The students will carry out a practical task (project) in the context of biomedical data science, including test and documentation of the implemented software/system.				
Soft skills	Ability to properly present and defend design decisions, to prepare readable documentation of software; skills in constructively collaborating with others in small teams over a longer period of time; ability to classify ones own results into the state-of-the-art of the resp. area				
Contents	Varying selected topics close to current research in the area of biomedical data science.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lab	8	4	60 T / 210 S	9
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4328	Spatio-Temporal Data Analytics				
Workload 180 h	Credit points 6 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Elena Demidova				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	This module introduces the students to the advanced methods, data structures, and data analytics algorithms for spatio-temporal data. At the end of the module, the students will be capable of choosing appropriate data representations, data structures and algorithms for specific applications and correctly applying relevant statistical and machine learning-based data analytics procedures.				
Soft skills	Communication skills: oral and written presentation and discussion of solutions. Self-competences: the ability to analyze and solve problems.				
Contents	The module topics include data structures, data representation and analysis methods, and algorithms that enable analyzing spatio-temporal data and building predictive models effectively and effectively. Furthermore, we will study the corresponding evaluation techniques and novel applications.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Lecture		2	30 T / 45 S	2.5
	Exercises		2	30 T / 75 S	3.5
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Schriftliche Prüfung				(graded)
Study achievements	Erfolgreiche Übungsteilnahme				(not graded)
Forms of media					
Literature					

Module MA-INF 4329	Seminar Biological Intelligence				
Workload 120 h	Credit points 4 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every year		
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Dr. Dominik Bach				
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Dr. Dominik Bach				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Optional	Semester 2. or 3.		
Technical skills	Ability to understand new research results presented in original scientific papers.				
Soft skills	Ability to present and to critically discuss these results in the framework of the corresponding area.				
Contents	Current conference and journal papers.				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar	10	2	30 T / 90 S	4
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation, written report (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature					

5 Master Thesis

MA-INF 0401	30 CP	Master Thesis	148
MA-INF 0402	2 CP	Master Seminar	149

Module MA-INF 0401	Master Thesis				
Workload 900 h	Credit points 30 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator					
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of computer science				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Compulsory	Semester 4.		
Technical skills	Ability to solve a well-defined, significant research problem under supervision, but in principle independently				
Soft skills	Ability to write a scientific documentation of considerable length according to established scientific principles of form and style, in particular reflecting solid knowledge about the state-of-the-art in the field				
Contents	Topics of the thesis may be chosen from any of the areas of computer science represented in the curriculum				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Independent preparation of a scientific thesis with individual coaching		0	900 S	30
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Master Thesis (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Individual bibliographic research required for identifying relevant literature (depending on the topic of the thesis)				

Module MA-INF 0402	Master Seminar				
Workload 60 h	Credit points 2 CP	Duration 1 semester	Frequency every semester		
Module coordinator					
Lecturer(s)	All lecturers of computer science				
Classification	Programme M. Sc. Computer Science	Mode Compulsory	Semester 4.		
Technical skills	Ability to document and defend the results of the thesis work in a scientifically appropriate style, taking into consideration the state-of-the-art in research in the resp. area				
Soft skills					
Contents	Topic, scientific context, and results of the master thesis				
Prerequisites	none				
Format	Teaching format	Group size	h/week	Workload[h]	CP
	Seminar		2	30 T / 30 S	2
	T = face-to-face teaching; S = independent study				
Exam achievements	Oral presentation of final results (graded)				
Study achievements	(not graded)				
Forms of media					
Literature	Individual bibliographic research required for identifying relevant literature (depending on the topic of the thesis)				