

1. Course number and name

CptS 350: Design and Analysis of Algorithms

2. Credits and contact hours

3 credits, 3 lecture hours

3. Instructor's or course coordinator's name

Zhe Dang

4. Textbook, title, author, and year

T.H. Cormen, C.E. Leiserson, R.L. Rivest, and C. Stein. 2009. *Introduction to Algorithms* (3rd ed.).

5. Specific course information

- a. *Catalog description*: Analysis of data structures and algorithms; computational complexity and design of efficient data-handling procedures.
- b. *Prerequisites or corequisites*: CPT S 223 with a C or better or CPT S 233 with a C or better; CPT S 317 with a C or better; certified major in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or Software Engineering.

6. Specific goals for the course

By the end of the course, students will be able to

- Analyze complexities of algorithms using recurrence growth rate estimation (1b).
- Design algorithms using basic algorithm design principles learned in the course to solve problems (1a,1c,1e).
- Understand and use symbolic algorithms in manipulating large data structures (1d,1c,6a,7a,7f).

7. Brief list of topics to be covered

- What is an algorithm? Fundamentals
- Worst-case and average time complexities
- Comparison-based sorting: lower complexity bound
- Quick_Select: complexity analysis
- MergeInsert: complexity analysis
- Divide and conquer: Karatsuba algorithm and closest pair algorithm
- Dynamic programming: LCS algorithm and a generalized LCS algorithm, applications in bioinformatics
- Greedy algorithms: Huffman code and analysis
- Amortized analysis: aggregate method, accounting method, potential method
- Basic graph algorithms and analysis: DFS, BFS, topological sort, minimal spanning tree, shortest path
- Advanced graph algorithms and applications: SCC, machines/programs as graphs, search over symbolic graphs
- Number-theoretic algorithms: RSA and security protocols
- NP-completeness, many-to-one reduction, SAT, 3SAT

- Automata-theoretic algorithms