Introduction to Computer Networks

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Vital Information

- Course
- Taught by
- Class No.

- :電腦網路導論
- :黃寶儀
- : EE4020

901 E31110

- Session : 02
- Credit : 3 units

99.9% in English

- All communication in English, including
 - Lectures
 - Homework
 - Exams
 - In/off-class interaction
- One exception
 - You may fall back in Mandarin in class if you are really short of words

Be Aware

- Assignments and exams are accepted only in English
- Credits are granted only when the English is comprehensible
 - Keep your words/sentences simple
 - The point is to communicate

And to Avoid Confusion...

- Please make sure your names are clearly written in Chinese for all the write-up submissions.
 - Assignments
 - Exams

Alternatives

• Another session in Fall and another session in Spring are fully in Mandarin.

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Semester Grade Histogram - 2008 Fall



Grade





Semester Grade Histogram - 2012 Fall



Semester Grade Histogram - 2014 Fall



Semester Grade Histogram - 2015 Fall

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Today

The Class Admin

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Roadmap

- The essentials
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 - Course objective and scope
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The Essentials

- Course page
 - http://homepage.ntu.edu.tw/~pollyhuang/teach/intro
 -cn-fall-16/

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Lecture Info

- Location
 - BL-212
- Time
 - Wednesday, 1:20-2:10;
 - Thursday, 10:20-11:10, 11:20-12:10
 - Please note that during the breaks the priority goes to the calls of nature. Questions will be addressed afterwards

The Instructor

- Polly Huang
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 - Homepage: http://homepage.ntu.edu.tw/~pollyhuang

Office Hour

- Thursday 12:10-1:00
- Or by appointment

The TA

• None

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Nature

- A first course on data networks
- For EECS students

Prerequisite

- Introduction to Computer Programming (must)
- Introduction to Computers (must)
- Data Structure and Programming Language (preferred)

Objectives

- Knowing the existence and the components of the Internet (what)
- Examining the mechanisms running in various components (how)
- Understanding the nature of the problems these mechanisms are trying to solve (why)

Scope

- The data network, a.k.a. the Internet
- By the layers
 - Application Layer, Transport Layer, Network Layer, Link Layer
- By the common functions across layers
 - Mobile Wireless Networking, Multimedia
 Networking

Syllabus+Schedule: 1st Half

- 01 09/14- Class Admin
- 02 09/21- Overview
- 03 09/28- Overview (PA#1)
- 04 10/05- Application Layer: Web/HTTP, FTP
- 05 10/12- Application Layer: SMTP, DNS, P2P (EA#1)
- 06 10/19- Application Layer: Unix Socket Programming
- 07 10/26- Transport Layer: UDP, Reliable transfer (PA#2)
- 08 11/02- Transport Layer: TCP error recovery
- 09 11/09- Midterm Examination

Syllabus+Schedule: 2nd Half

- 10 11/16- Transport Layer: TCP congestion control
- 11 11/23- Network Layer: Routing Principle (EA#2)
- 12 11/30- Network Layer: IPv4
- 13 12/07- Network Layer: IPv6, Multicast Routing (PA#3)
- 14 12/14- Link Layer: MAC
- 15 12/21- Link Layer: Ethernet (PA#4)
- 16 12/28- Wireless and Mobile
- 17 01/04- Multimedia Networking (EA#3)
- 18 01/11- Final Examination

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Grading

- Homework
 - Essay assignments (15%)
 - Practical assignments (20%)
- Interaction
 - In-class quiz (15%)
 - Participation (10%)
- Exams
 - Midterm (20%)
 - Final (20%)

Team vs. Individual

- Teamwork
 - Essay assignments (15%)
 - Practical assignments (20%)
 - In-class quiz (15%)
- Individual
 - Participation (10%)
 - Midterm (20%)
 - Final (20%)

Team Up – Loners Allowed

- 1-3 students per team
 - No more
- Same members for
 - Homework
 - In-class quiz

Homework Assignments

- 3 essay assignments
- 4 practical assignments
 - Unix and socket programming exercises

- Submission all in electronic format
- No late assignments
Essay Assignments

• Essays

- Assigned topic
- Search for additional material (google or else)
- Read and discuss as a group
- Set your storyline
- Write a 3-page essay about it
- Submission all in electronic format
- To fulfill this requirement
 - 3-page write-up (5% each)

Practical Assignments

- PA1: Basic Unix commands (5%)
- PA2: Unix socket web server stage 1 (5%)
 - A Simple Echoer
- PA3: Unix socket web server stage 2 (5%)
 - A Simple HTTP 1.0 Command Interpreter
- PA4: Unix socket web server stage 3 (5%)
 - A Simple HTTP 1.0 Web Server

In-Class Quiz

- Random quiz
 - Problem related to the topics of the week
 - Given time to work on in class
- To fulfill this requirement
 - Submit your solutions in/off class (by the Friday of Week 17)
 - Graded by completion rate (total 15%)
 - Top sharers get special reward

Class Participation

- Any in-class or **off-class** interaction counts
 - Remember to state your name
- Off-class interaction includes
 - Coming to the office hour
 - Interacting over FB/email
- Graded by curve (scale to min/max of the class)

Exams

- 1 Midterm (20%)
- 1 Final (20%)
- In Q&A form
- Old exams available from the class page
- No early/makeup exams
 - Many sorries to exchange students who need to leave early for the winter quarter at home universities

Integrity

- Shall there be any cheating behavior involved
 - You receive 0 for the grade
 - The case reported to the department and the university

Gentle Reminder:

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Textbook

Computer Networking: A Top-Down Approach, **6/e** James F. Kurose & Keith W. Ross Addison Wesley, ISBN 0273768964

• Local carrier

歐亞 Eurasia Book Co.

Tel: 02-8912-1188, FAX: 02-8912-1166

Additional Material

- Lecture slides in pdf format
- Past lecture recordings in mp3 format
 - Available from past years' course website
- Past Lecture video recording
 - Available from 2008's course website

• All available from the course page

Which is again here:

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Questions?

Quiz Time!