

# Data structures and algorithms

## Lecturer

Jean CARDINAL (Coordinator)

## Course mnemonic

INFO-F413

## ECTS credits

5 credits

## Language(s) of instruction

English

## Course period

First term

## Campus

Plaine

## Course content

The course focuses on **Randomized Algorithms**:

- > Las Vegas and Monte-Carlo algorithms, examples : Minimum cut, binary space partitions
- > Randomized complexity classes
- > Game-theoretic techniques and Yao's Min-max principle
- > Moments and deviations : Randomized selection, coupon collector
- > Chernoff bounds
- > Randomized data structures and hashing

## Objectives (and/or specific learning outcomes)

An understanding of the theoretical foundations of randomness and probabilities in the design of efficient algorithms, and a hands-on experience on the programming of randomized algorithms.

## Pre-requisites and co-requisites

### Required knowledge and skills

A good background in elementary probability theory and algorithm design.

## Teaching method and learning activities

Lectures, exercises, and individual programming assignments.

## References, bibliography and recommended reading

*Randomized Algorithms*, R. Motwani and P. Raghavan, Cambridge University Press, 1995.

## Course notes

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## Other information

### Place(s) of teaching

Plaine

### Contact(s)

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## Evaluation method(s)

Project and written examination

## Main language(s) of evaluation

English

## Programmes

### Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Sciences

MA-BINF | **Master in Bio-informatics and Modelling** | finalité Research/unit 2 and MA-INFO | **Master in Computer science** | finalité Professional/unit 1 and finalité Professional/unit 2

### Programmes proposing this course at the Brussels School of Engineering

MA-IRIF | **Master of science in Computer Science and Engineering** | finalité Professional/unit 2