#### **SYLLABUS**

## 1. Data about the program of study

| 1.1 Institution                      | The Technical University of Cluj-Napoca     |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1.2 Faculty                          | Faculty of Automation and Computer Science  |
| 1.3 Department                       | Computer Science                            |
| 1.4 Field of study                   | Computer Science and Information Technology |
| 1.5 Cycle of study                   | Bachelor of Science                         |
| 1.6 Program of study / Qualification | Computer science / Engineer                 |
| 1.7 Form of education                | Full time                                   |
| 1.8 Subject code                     | 16.00                                       |

## 2. Data about the subject

| 2.1 Subject name                                    |       |  | Fundamental Algorithms  |       |   |    |
|---|-------|--|---|-------|---|----|
| 2.2 Course responsible / lecturer                   |       | Prof. dr. eng. Rodica Potolea - Rodica.Potolea@cs.utcluj.ro                      |   |       |   |    |
| 2.3 Teachers in charge of s<br>laboratory / project | semin | ars /  | Prof. dr. eng. Rodica Potolea - Rodica.Potolea@cs.utcluj.ro Assoc. prof. dr. eng. Camelia Lemnaru - Camelia.Lemnaru@cs.utcluj.ro Assoc. prof. dr. eng. Ciprian Oprișa - Ciprian.OPRISA@cs.utcluj.ro |       |   |    |
| 2.4 Year of study                                   | =     | II 2.5 Semester 1 2.6 Type of assessment (E - exam, C - colloquiun verification) |   |       | 2.6 Type of assessment (E - exam, C - colloquium, V - verification) | E  |
| DF – fundame  |       |  | entală, DD – în domeniu, DS – de specialitate, DC – complementară   |       |   |    |
| 2.7 Subject category  DI – Impusă                   |       | Impusă,  | DOp – o   | pțion | ală, DFac – facultativă   | DI |

#### 3. Estimated total time

| 5  | of which: | Course                           | 2   | Seminars   | 1   | Laboratory   | 2   | Project  | -  |
|--|-----------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| 70   | of which: | Course                           | 28  | Seminars   | 14  | Laboratory   | 28  | Project  | -  |
|  |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |
| (a) Manual, lecture material and notes, bibliography                                 |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   | 21   |  |
| (b) Supplementary study in the library, online and in the field                      |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   |  | 26   |
| (c) Preparation for seminars/laboratory works, homework, reports, portfolios, essays |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   | 16   |  |
| (d) Tutoring   |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   |  | 8  |
| (e) Exams and tests  |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   |  | 9  |
| (f) Other activities:  |           |                                  |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |
|  | 70        | 70 of which: I and notes, biblic | 70 of which: Course  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in t | 70 of which: Course 28  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in the fie | 70 of which: Course 28 Seminars  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in the field | 70 of which: Course 28 Seminars 14  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in the field | 70 of which: Course 28 Seminars 14 Laboratory  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in the field | 70 of which: Course 28 Seminars 14 Laboratory 28  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in the field | 70 of which: Course 28 Seminars 14 Laboratory 28 Project  I and notes, bibliography the library, online and in the field |

| 3.4 Total hours of individual study (suma (3.3(a)3.3(f))) | 80  |
|---|-----|
| 3.5 Total hours per semester (3.2+3.4)                    | 150 |
| 3.6 Number of credit points                               | 6   |

# 4. Pre-requisites (where appropriate)

| 4.1 Curriculum | Imperative programming languages (C) Data Structures and Algorithms  |
|----------------|--|
| 4.2 Competence | Acquire the abilities of designing, implementing, testing and evaluating programs to solve specific problems |

## 5. Requirements (where appropriate)

| 5.1. For the course       | Whiteboard, projector, computer     |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 5.2. For the applications | Computers/Network of computers, C++ |

## 6. Specific competence

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| 6.1 Professional competences | <ul> <li>C3. Problems solving using specific Computer Science and Computer Engineering tools (5 credit points)</li> <li>C3.1- Identifying classes of problems and solving methods that are specific to computing systems</li> <li>C3.2 - Using interdisciplinary knowledge, solution patterns and tools, making experiments and interpreting their results</li> <li>C3.3 - Applying solution patterns using specific engineering tools and mehods</li> <li>C3.4 - Evaluating, comparatively and experimentally, the available alternative solutions for performance optimization</li> <li>C3.5 - Developing and implementing informatic solutions for concrete problems</li> <li>C4. Improving performances of hardware, software and communication systems</li> <li>C4.1 - Identifying and describing the defining performance elements of hardware, software and communication systems</li> <li>C4.2 - Explaining the interaction of the factors that determine the performances of hardware, software and communication systems</li> <li>C4.3 - Applying fundamental methods and principles for increasing performance of hardware, software and communication systems</li> </ul> |
|------------------------------|--|
|                              | <ul> <li>C4.4 - Choosing criteria and methods for performance evaluation of hardware, software and communication systems</li> <li>C4.5 - Developing performance based professional solutions for hardware, software and communication systems</li> </ul>   |
| 6.2 Cross competences        | N/A  |

7. Discipline objective (as results from the key competences gained)

| 7.1 General objective   | • | Acquiring modern study of algorithms: design and analysis       |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| 7.2 Specific objectives | • | Learn to identify and design efficient solutions to problems    |
|                         | • | Learn methods to evaluate efficiency                            |
|                         | • | Learn the basic polynomial algorithms                           |
|                         | • | Learn basic computational complexity                            |
|                         | • | Algorithms description with focus on control structures         |
|                         | • | Learning the correct implementation following the pseudocode    |
|                         | • | Efficient implementation of key polynomial algorithms           |
|                         | • | Estimation of algorithms' efficiency: space and processing time |

## 8. Contents

| 8.1 Lectures   | Hours | Teaching methods                               | Notes |
|--|-------|--|-------|
| Mathematical Foundations: Asymptotical notation, Recurrence  | 2     |  |       |
| Complexity Classes   | 2     |  |       |
| Sorting and Order Statistics                                 | 2     |  |       |
| Sorting and Order Statistics (continued)                     | 2     |  |       |
| Advanced Data Structures : Hash Tables, Trees                | 2     | Whiteboard,                                    |       |
| Advanced Data Structures: Heaps, Disjoint Sets               | 2     | projector, computer;<br>Lectures, discussions, |       |
| Design and Analysis Advanced Techniques: Dynamic Programming | 2     | Q&A sessions                                   |       |
| Design and Analysis Advanced Techniques: Greedy Algorithms   | 2     | (Teams + Moodle)                               |       |
| Design and Analysis Advanced Techniques: Amotized Analysis   | 2     |  |       |
| Graphs: Search in a Graph, Minimal Spanning Tree             | 2     |  |       |
| Graphs: Shortest path  | 2     |  |       |
| Graphs: Max Flow   | 2     | ]  |       |
| Graphs: Bipartite Graphs                                     | 2     | ]  |       |
| Learn the basic Complexity sets and representative problems  | 2     |  |       |

| Bibliography   |              |   |               |
|--|--------------|---|---------------|
| 1. T. Cormen, C. Rleiserson, R. Rivest, C. Stein, <i>Introduction to A</i> | Algorithms,  | Second Edition, The MI                  | Γ Press, 2001 |
| 8.2 Applications – Seminars/Laboratory/Project                             | Hours        | Teaching methods                        | Notes         |
| Efficient implementation and comparison of sorting algorithms              |              |   |               |
| Efficient implementation and comparison of sorting algorithms (continued)  |              |   |               |
| Efficient implementation and comparison of lists algorithms                |              |   |               |
| Efficient implementation and comparison of lists algorithms (continued)    |              |   |               |
| Efficient implementation and comparison of trees algorithms                |              | Hands on work on                        |               |
| Efficient implementation and comparison of trees algorithms (continued)    |              | specific algorithms; weekly assessment, |               |
| Implementation of augmented data structures                                |              | feedback, and                           |               |
| Implementation of augmented data structures (continued)                    |              | assistance                              |               |
| Efficient implementation of graphs algorithms                              |              | ]                                       |               |
| Efficient implementation of graphs algorithms (continued)                  |              |   |               |
| Efficient implementation of graphs algorithms (continued)                  |              |   |               |
| Efficient implementation of graphs algorithms (continued)                  |              |   |               |
| Approximation algorithms   |              | 1                                       |               |
| Final Evaluation   |              | 1                                       |               |
| Bibliography   | •            | •                                       | •             |
| 1. T. Cormen, C. Rleiserson, R. Rivest, C. Stein, Introduction to A        | lgorithms, s | Second Edition, The MIT                 | Press, 2001   |

# 9. Bridging course contents with the expectations of the representatives of the community, professional associations and employers in the field

The topic is fundamental in the field of Computer and Information Technology, its content is beyond dispute, familiarizing students with the principles of algorithms design and analysis. The content is similar (including the textbook) with all representative computer science departments in the world, is a core course in the ACM curricula and was rated by the Romanian governmental agencies (CNEAA and ARACIS).

#### 10. Evaluation

| Activity type | Assessment criteria                             | Assessment methods                    | Weight in the final grade |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Course        | Theoretical analysis and problem solving skills | Final Exam (FE) (oral/written/Moodle) | 50%                       |
|               |   | 2-3 Course Quizzes (written/Moodle)   | 20%                       |
| Seminar       | Hands on Problem solving skills                 | Implementation/ hands on              | 30% (Lab)                 |
| Laboratory    |   |                                       |                           |

Minimum standard of performance:

Final Grade calculus (FG): 20% Quiz (written/Moodle; during courses; min 2 max 3 Quizzes, equal weights, averaged) + 30% laboratory (evaluation of each assignment, equal weights, averaged) + 50% Final Exam (FE) Conditions for participating in the final exam: Laboratory  $\geq$  5

Conditions for promotion: Final Exam ≥ 5, Final Grade ≥ 5

FE format: Quiz (Moodle) for FE  $\leq$  7; Oral problem solving for 7<FE  $\leq$  10 (subscription-based; conditions apply);

Re-Examination format: Quiz (Moodle) max grade 5; for better grade Oral Examination

| Date of filling in:<br>05.06.2024 | Responsible  | Title First name Last name         | Signature |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
|                                   | Course       | Prof.dr.eng. Rodica Potolea        |           |
|                                   | Applications | Assoc.prof.dr.eng. Camelia Lemnaru |           |
|                                   |              | Assoc.prof.dr.eng. Ciprian Oprișa  |           |

| Date of approval in the department                    | Head of department,                      |
|---|--|
| 20.02.2024  | Prof.dr.eng. Rodica Potolea              |
| Date of approval in the Faculty Council<br>22.02.2024 | Dean,<br>Prof.dr.eng. Mihaela Dinşoreanu |