CMPT 307 - D200 Data Structures and Algorithms

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Calendar Objective/Description:  
Analysis and design of data structures for lists, sets, trees, dictionaries, and priority queues. A selection of topics chosen from sorting, memory management, graphs and graph algorithms.

Instructor's Objectives:  
The objective of this course is to introduce concepts and problem-solving techniques that are used in the design and analysis of efficient algorithms. This is done by studying various algorithms, algorithmic techniques, data structures, and applications.

Prerequisites:  
CMPT 225, MACM 201, MATH 151 (or MATH 150), and MATH 232 or 240.

Topics:  
- Algorithms with Numbers: Asymptotics, Arithmetic, Cryptography, Hashing, Randomization  
- Divide-and-Conquer: Recurrences, Sorting, Selection, Lower bounds, Fast Fourier Transform  
- Graphs: Graph Searches and Applications, Trees, Shortest paths, Priority queues and heaps  
- Greedy Algorithms: Spanning trees, Disjoint sets, Amortized analysis, Huffman encoding  
- Dynamic Programming: Shortest paths, Longest subsequences, Edit distance, Sequence alignment  
- Introduction to NP-Completeness: Reductions, Approximation algorithms  
- Linear Programming

Grading:  
The course grade will be based on a midterm exam and final examination. There will be some graded assignments as well. The exact grade distribution will be announced during the first week of classes in a detailed course outline.  
Students must attain an overall passing grade on the weighted average of exams in the course in order to obtain a clear pass (C- or better).

Required Books:  

Reference Books:  
Algorithm Design, J. Kleinberg, E. Tardos, Addison Wesley, 2006, 9780321295354  

Academic Honesty Statement:  
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