

## Algorithms and Data Structures (C002794)

**Course size** *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

**Credits 6.0** **Study time 165 h**

**Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2025-2026**

A (semester 1)	Dutch	Gent	lecture
			seminar

**Lecturers in academic year 2025-2026**

Fack, Veerle	WE02	lecturer-in-charge
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**Offered in the following programmes in 2025-2026**

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics	crdts	offering
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**Teaching languages**

Dutch

**Keywords**

Algorithm, data structure, complexity analysis, algorithm design, abstract datatypes

**Position of the course**

Acquire basic skills in the domain of algorithms and data structures:

- learn to use common design techniques for algorithms;
- get acquainted standard data structures and their implementations.

**Contents**

- Design of algorithms
  - Algorithm complexity
  - Recursion
  - Brute force algorithms
  - Divide and conquer algorithms
  - Greedy algorithms
  - Graph algorithms
- Data structures
  - Stacks and queues
  - Hashtables
  - Linked lists
  - Binary search trees
  - Priority queues

**Initial competences**

Knowledge of the programming language Java and basic concepts of object-oriented programming, as taught in "Programming".

**Final competences**

- 1 The student can apply design techniques for algorithms and can implement standard data structures efficiently.
- 2 The student can apply the new knowledge to practical problems and use it also in a research environment.

**Conditions for credit contract**

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

**Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

#### **Teaching methods**

Seminar, Lecture

#### **Study material**

Type: Syllabus

Name: Syllabus: Algoritmen en Datastructuren  
Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty  
Optional: no  
Language : Dutch  
Available on Ufora : Yes

Type: Handouts

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Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty  
Optional: no  
Language : Dutch  
Available on Ufora : Yes

#### **References**

- Cormen T.E., Leiserson C.E. en Rivest R.L., "Introduction to Algorithms", MIT Press, 1990.
- D. E. Knuth, "The Art of Computing Programming", vol I, II, III. Addison-Wesley, 1968-1973.
- T. Roughgarden, "Algorithms Illuminated", Soundlikeyourself Publishing, 2017.
- Sedgewick R., "Algorithms in Java: Fundamentals, Data Structures, Sorting, Searching", Addison-Wesley, 2003.

#### **Course content-related study coaching**

#### **Assessment moments**

end-of-term and continuous assessment

#### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**

Written assessment

#### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period**

Written assessment

#### **Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

Oral assessment, Assignment

#### **Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

examination during the second examination period is not possible

#### **Calculation of the examination mark**

Continuous assessment (20%) + end-of-term evaluation (80%).