

# MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM COMPUTER SCIENCE



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DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

COMPUTER SCIENCE MASTER'S  
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# STRUCTURE OF MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM

1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	Specialization 1 (30 ECTS)	Specialization 2 (30 ECTS)	Elective (30 ECTS)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester			
3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester			
4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

Mandatory:

- Two 30 ECTS specializations

Elective:

- Recommendation is a 3rd specialization.
- A small number of elective courses in computer science is offered in addition to specializations. Project work (partly) is also a possibility.
- Elective courses may be supportive rather than core computer science, e.g. extra mathematics courses.
- There may be requirements for the composition of the study program in connection with possible admission. In this case mandatory courses replace the elective courses (partly).

Thesis: Written within the area of specialization 1 or 2

# CURRENT SPECIALIZATIONS

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Specializations are taught by active researchers in the corresponding field

Current offerings

- Advanced Machine Learning and Data Science (30 ECTS)
- Algorithmics (30 ECTS)
- Cryptology (30 ECTS)
- Data-Intensive Systems (30 ECTS)
- Human-computer Interaction (30 ECTS)
- Logic, Semantics and Verification (30 ECTS)
- Programming Languages and Software Security (30 ECTS)
- Ubiquitous Computing and Interaction (30 ECTS)
- Bioinformatics (30 ECTS)
  - For more than a single specialization in bioinformatics apply for the special [Master's Degree Program in Bioinformatics](#)

# ADVANCED MACHINE LEARNING AND DATA SCIENCE

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Deep Learning for Visual Recognition (10 ECTS)</a>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Cluster Analysis (10 ECTS)</a>	CS
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Algorithms, Incentives, and Data (10 ECTS)</a>	IC

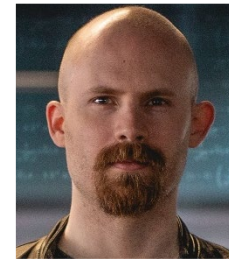
- Semesters are independent – can be taken in any order
- Machine Learning is a prerequisite for this specialization

## Algorithms, Data Structures and Foundations of Machine Learning

- Chris Schwiegelshohn
- Gerth Stølting Brodal
- Kasper Green Larsen
- Peyman Afshani

## Computational Complexity and Game Theory

- Ioannis Caragiannis
- Kristoffer Arnsfelt Hansen
- Srikanth Srinivasan



# ALGORITHMICS

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Computational Geometry: Theory and Experimentation (10 ECTS)</a>	PA
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Randomized Algorithms (10 ECTS)</a>	KGL + IC
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Theory of Algorithms and Computational Complexity (10 ECTS)</a> OR <a href="#">Quantum Information Processing (10 ECTS)</a>	KAH IBD + SS

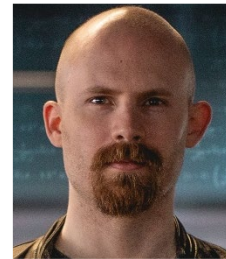
- Semesters are independent – can be taken in any order
- Third semester may be replaced with Advanced Data Management and Analysis (10 ECTS) from the Data-Intensive Systems group

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# CRYPTOLOGY

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Cryptography (10 ECTS)</a>	IBD
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Cryptologic Protocol Theory (10 ECTS)</a> OR <a href="#">Systems Security (10 ECTS)</a>	SY + IBD DFA
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Cryptographic Computing (10 ECTS)</a> OR <a href="#">Quantum Information Processing (10 ECTS)</a>	CO + PS IBD + SS

- Cryptology is prerequisite for Cryptologic Protocol Theory and Cryptographic Computing
- Systems Security is independent of the other courses

## Cryptography and Security

- Claudio Orlandi
- Diego F. Aranha
- Ivan Bjerre Damgård
- Jesper Buus Nielsen
- Peter Scholl
- Sophia Yakoubov



# DATA-INTENSIVE SYSTEMS

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Data Visualization (10 ECTS)</a> OR <a href="#">Deep Learning for Visual Recognition (10 ECTS)</a>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Data Mining (10 ECTS)</a> *	DM
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Advanced Data Management and Analysis (10 ECTS)</a>	PK

- Semesters are independent – can be taken in any order
- (\*) Machine Learning is a prerequisite for Data Mining
- Data Visualization and Deep Learning for Visual Recognition are taught by and shared with the Ubiquitous Computing and Interaction group

## Data-intensive Systems

- Cigdem Aslay
- Davide Mottin
- Ira Assent
- Panagiotis Karras





# HUMAN-COMPUTER INTERACTION

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Interactivity and Computer Mediation – Concepts, Theories, Methods, Cases (10 ECTS)</a>	OB
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Designing Interactive Technologies (10 ECTS)</a>	NE
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Multimodal Interaction (10 ECTS)</a> (not in 2023) <a href="#">Engineering Interactive Technologies (10 ECTS)</a>	EH MW

- Semesters are independent – can be taken in any order

## Collaboration and Computer-Human Interaction

- Clemens Nylandsted Klokmoose
- Eve Hoggan
- Henrik Korsgaard
- Michael Wessely
- Olav Bertelsen
- Susanne Bødker



## Ubiquitous Computing and Interaction

- Hans-Jörg Schultz
- Niklas Elmqvist
- Kaj Grønbæk
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- Marianne Graves Petersen
- Niels Olof Bouvin





# PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES AND SOFTWARE SECURITY

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Program Analysis (10 ECTS)</a>	AM + MM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Language-based Security (10 ECTS)</a>	AA
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Advanced Topics in Programming Language Theory (10 ECTS)</a>	BS

- Semesters are independent – can be taken in any order

## Logic and Semantics

- Amin Timany
- Aslan Askarov
- Bas Spitters
- Jaco van de Pol
- Jean Yves Alexis Pichon
- Lars Birkedal



## Programming Languages

- Anders Møller
- Andreas Pavlogiannis
- Magnus Madsen



# LOGIC, SEMANTICS AND VERIFICATION

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Formal Software Verification (10 ECTS)</a>	BS
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Algorithmic Model Checking (10 ECTS)</a>	JvdP + AP
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Program Logics (10 ECTS)</a>	AT + LB

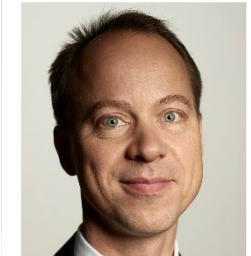
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# UBIQUITOUS COMPUTING AND INTERACTION

1 <sup>st</sup> sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Building the Internet of Things with P2P and Cloud Computing (10 ECTS)</a>	NOB
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Augmented Reality (5 ECTS)</a>	KP
	<a href="#">Advanced Augmented Reality Project (5 ECTS)</a>	KP
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Data Visualization (10 ECTS)</a> OR <a href="#">Deep Learning for Visual Recognition (10 ECTS)</a>	H-JS

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# SPECIALIZATIONS FROM MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM IN BIOINFORMATICS (OFFERED BY BIOINFORMATICS RESEARCH CENTRE)

## Algorithms and Programming

	Recommended order of courses	Alternative order of courses
1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<u><a href="#">Genome-Scale Algorithms (10 ECTS)</a></u> (not in 2023)	<u><a href="#">Evolutionary Thinking (10 ECTS)</a></u>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<u><a href="#">Algorithms in Bioinformatics (10 ECTS)</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Algorithms in Bioinformatics (10 ECTS)</a></u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<u><a href="#">Evolutionary Thinking (10 ECTS)</a></u> OR <u><a href="#">Projects in Bioinformatics (10 ECTS)</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Genome-Scale Algorithms (10 ECTS)</a></u> (not in 2023)

## Statistics and Data

1 <sup>st</sup> Sem (Fall)	<u><a href="#">Data Science in Bioinformatics (10 ECTS)</a></u>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem (Spring)	<u><a href="#">Statistical and Machine Learning in Bioinformatics (10 ECTS)</a></u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem (Fall)	<u><a href="#">Evolutionary Thinking (10 ECTS)</a></u> OR <u><a href="#">Genome-Scale Algorithms (10 ECTS)</a></u> (not in 2023) OR <u><a href="#">Projects in Bioinformatics (10 ECTS)</a></u>

For more info about the Master's program in bioinformatics, see <http://www.birc.au.dk/Studies>  
Contact: Christian Storm Pedersen [cstorm@birc.au.dk](mailto:cstorm@birc.au.dk)



# ELECTIVE COURSES (CS)

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Elective courses (apart from specialisations):

Fall & Spring:

- [Project work in Computer Science \(5 or 10 ECTS\)](#)
- [Vocational Training Project at Department of Computer Science \(10 ECTS\)](#)



# SPECIALIZATIONS: PREREQUISITES

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If you don't have the prerequisite courses or similar background in your bachelor, you can take a bachelor course as part of your MSc program.

Specialization	Prerequisite (bachelor course)	Recommended / required
Advanced Machine Learning and Data Science	<a href="#">Machine Learning</a>	required
Algorithms and Data Structures	<a href="#">Optimization</a>	recommended
Cryptography	<a href="#">Distributed Systems and Security</a>	recommended
Data-Intensive Systems	<a href="#">Machine Learning</a>	recommended
Human-Computer Interaction	<a href="#">Human-Computer Interaction</a>	required
Logic, Semantics and Verification	<a href="#">Computability and Logic</a>	recommended
Programming Languages and Software Security	<a href="#">Compilation</a>	required
Ubiquitous Computing and Interaction	<a href="#">Distributed Systems and Security</a>	recommended



# EXAMPLE 1:

Advanced Machine Learning and Data Science

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Data-Intensive Systems

1. Sem (Fall)	<u>Deep Learning for Visual Recognition (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Data Visualization (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 1
2. Sem (Spring)	<u>Cluster Analysis (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Data Mining (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 2
3. Sem (Fall)	<u>Algorithms, Incentives, and Data (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Advanced Data Management and Analysis (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 3
4. Sem (Spring)	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

OR

1. Sem (Fall)	<u>Deep Learning for Visual Recognition (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Data Visualization (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Machine Learning (10 ECTS)</u>
2. Sem (Spring)	<u>Cluster Analysis (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Data Mining (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 1
3. Sem (Fall)	<u>Algorithms, Incentives, and Data (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Advanced Data Management and Analysis (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 2
4. Sem (Spring)	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

# EXAMPLE 2:

Programming  
Languages and Software Security

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Logic, Semantics and  
Verification

1. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Program Analysis (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Formal Software Verification (10 ECTS)</a>	Elective 1
2. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Language-based Security (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Algorithmic Model Checking (10 ECTS)</a>	Elective 2
3. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Advanced Topics in Programming Language Theory (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Program Logics (10 ECTS)</a>	Elective 3
4. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Thesis (30 ECTS)</a>		

OR

1. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Compilation (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Formal Software Verification (10 ECTS)</a>	Elective 1
2. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Language-based Security (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Algorithmic Model Checking (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Computability and Logic (10 ECTS)</a>
3. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Advanced Topics in Programming Language Theory (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Program Logics (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Program Analysis (10 ECTS)</a>
4. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Thesis (30 ECTS)</a>		

# EXAMPLE 3:

Human-Computer Interaction

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Ubiquitous computing  
and Interaction

1. Sem (Fall)	<u>Interactivity and Computer Mediation – Concepts, Theories, Methods, Cases (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Building the Internet of Things with P2P and Cloud Computing (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 1
2. Sem (Spring)	<u>Designing Interactive Technologies (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Augmented Reality (5 ECTS) + Advanced Augmented Reality Project (5 ECTS)</u>	Elective 2
3. Sem (Fall)	<u>Engineering Interactive Technologies (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Data Visualization (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 3
4. Sem (Spring)	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

OR

1. Sem (Fall)	<u>Human-Computer Interaction (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Data Visualization (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Distributed Systems and Security (10 ECTS)</u>
2. Sem (Spring)	<u>Designing Interactive Technologies (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Augmented Reality (5 ECTS) + Advanced Augmented Reality Project (5 ECTS)</u>	Elective 1
3. Sem (Fall)	<u>Multimodal Interaction (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Building the Internet of Things with P2P and Cloud Computing (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Interactivity and Computer Mediation – Concepts, Theories, Methods, Cases (10 ECTS)</u>
4. Sem (Spring)	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

# EXAMPLE 4:

Algorithmics

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Cryptography

1. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Computational Geometry: Theory and Experimentation (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Cryptography (10 ECTS)</a>	Elective
2. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Randomized Algorithms (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Cryptologic Protocol Theory (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Systems Security (10 ECTS)</a>
3. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Theory of Algorithms and Computational Complexity (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Cryptographic Computing (10 ECTS)</a>	Quantum Information Processing (10 ECTS)
4. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Thesis (30 ECTS)</a>		

OR

1. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Computational Geometry: Theory and Experimentation (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Cryptography (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Distributed Systems and Security (10 ECTS)</a>
2. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Randomized Algorithms (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Cryptologic Protocol Theory (10 ECTS)</a> OR <a href="#">Systems Security (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Optimization (10 ECTS)</a>
3. Sem (Fall)	<a href="#">Theory of Algorithms and Computational Complexity (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Cryptographic Computing (10 ECTS)</a>	<a href="#">Quantum Information Processing (10 ECTS)</a>
4. Sem (Spring)	<a href="#">Thesis (30 ECTS)</a>		

# EXAMPLE 5:

## Formal Methods for Security

1. Sem (Fall)	<u>Formal Software Verification (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Cryptology (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 1
2. Sem (Spring)	<u>Language-based Security (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Cryptologic Protocol Theory (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 2
3. Sem (Fall)	<u>Advanced Topics in Programming Language Theory (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Cryptographic Computing (10 ECTS)</u>	Elective 3
4. Sem (Spring)	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

OR

1. Sem (Fall)	<u>Compilation (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Cryptology (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Distributed Systems and Security (10 ECTS)</u>
2. Sem (Spring)	<u>Language-based Security (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Cryptologic Protocol Theory (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Computability and Logic (10 ECTS)</u>
3. Sem (Fall)	<u>Advanced Topics in Programming Language Theory (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Cryptographic Computing (10 ECTS)</u>	<u>Formal Software Verification (10 ECTS)</u>
4. Sem (Spring)	<u>Thesis (30 ECTS)</u>		

# GUIDANCE/QUESTIONS

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Guidance for your personal study program?

Questions about rules for composition of the study program?

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