



Course title and number CSCE 440/640 Quantum Algorithms
Term Fall 2012
Meeting times and location MWF 10:20-11:10am, HRBB 126

Course Description and Prerequisites

This course gives a self-contained introduction to quantum algorithms, one of the most exciting recent developments in computer science. We do not expect any background knowledge in quantum computing nor in quantum physics. You should know how to multiply a matrix with a vector, but the most important prerequisite is simply an open mind.

Course Objectives

At the end of this course, students should understand the basics of the quantum circuit model, be able to understand fundamental quantum algorithms, and ways to protect quantum information.

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Textbook and/or Resource Material

M. Nielsen and I. Chuang: Quantum Computation and Quantum Information, Cambridge University Press, 2000.
<http://faculty.cs.tamu.edu/klappi/qalg-s11/qalg.html>

Grading Policies

Midterm exam 25%, final project 30%, assignments 40%, culture 5%. The grades will be assigned on an absolute scale: A=90-100, B=80-89, C=70-79, D=60-69, F=0-59. I will lower the cut-offs if the grades are lower than expected.

Course Topics, Calendar of Activities, Major Assignment Dates

Date	Topic	
M Aug 27	Introduction	
W Aug 29	Background	
F Aug 31	Quantum Cryptography	
M Sep 3	Quantum Gates	
W Sep 5	Quantum Gates	
F Sep 7	Quantum Gates	
M Sep 10	Quantum Circuits	
W Sep 12	Quantum Circuits	
F Sep 14	Quantum Circuits	
M Sep 17	Quantum Search	
W Sep 19	Quantum Search	
F Sep 21	Quantum Search	
M Sep 24	Quantum Counting	
W Sep 26	Quantum Counting	
F Sep 28	Simon's Algorithm	
M Oct 1	Simon's Algorithm	
W Oct 3	Factoring	
F Oct 5	Factoring	
M Oct 8	Shor's Algorithm	
W Oct 10	Shor's Algorithm	
F Oct 12	Shor's Algorithm	

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The midterm exam is on Friday, Oct 19. There will be a final project that can be done in teams (up to 2 persons for a theoretical topic, and up to 3 persons for a programming intensive project).

M Oct 15	Kitaev's Algorithm	
W Oct 17	Review	
F Oct 19	Midterm	

M Oct 22	Midterm exam solutions	
W Oct 24	Quantum communication	
F Oct 26	Quantum communication	
M Oct 29	Quantum communication	
W Oct 31	Quantum communication	
F Nov 2	Quantum communication	
M Nov 5	Quantum codes	
W Nov 7	Quantum codes	
F Nov 9	Quantum codes	
M Nov 12	Quantum codes	
W Nov 14	Quantum codes	
F Nov 16	Quantum codes	
M Nov 19	Fault Tolerance	
W Nov 21	Fault Tolerance	
F Nov 23	No class - Thanksgiving	
M Nov 19	Fault Tolerance	
W Nov 21	Project presentations	
F Nov 23	Project presentations	
M Nov 26	Project presentations	
W Nov 28	Project presentations	
F Nov 30	Project presentations	
M Dec 3 (A&M F Dec 3)	Project presentations	

Other Pertinent Information

The course webpage is

<http://faculty.cs.tamu.edu/klappi/csce640-f12/index.html>

You will find homework assignments, current class schedule, and other information on that page

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