Introduction to ITS 413 - Internet Technologies and Applications

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Welcome

 To an advanced course on technologies and applications that are used in the Internet

A 3rd/4th year course for ICT stream

Who Am I?

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What will you learn in ITS 413?

- Network technologies used in the Internet
 - Current and next-generation wireless networks
 - Details of transport protocols
- How Internet applications work
 - Voice and video over IP
 - How search engines work
 - Instant messaging
 - Peer-to-peer file sharing applications
- Aspects of Internet security
 - Internet security protocols
 - Hiding your activities

Topics



Application

Transport

Network

Data Link

Physical

Search, Privacy, P2P, IM, IPTV, VoIP



Mobile Networking, Multicast, QoS

Wireless LANs











Why is ITS 413 Useful?

- It will help you get a job!
 - Designing and writing applications that use the Internet
 - Setting up and managing computer networks
 - Designing and using network software and hardware
- You will have deeper understanding of:
 - Details of network protocols' operations
 - Protocol and algorithm design principles
 - Factors affecting performance and security of networks
 - Directions and challenges for future Internet technologies

Prerequisites

- I assume you have passed:
 - ITS 323 Introduction to Data Communications
 - You may not have completed the co-requisites:
 - ITS 327 Computer Network Architectures and Protocols; or
 - ITS 393 Networking and Collaborative Computing
- And you know:
 - What are computer networks and distributed systems?
 - What are communication protocols?
 - What is the Internet and what are the basic principles of operation, e.g. routing?
 - What are the principles and details of layered communications, e.g. OSI 7 layer stack?
 - What devices are used in networks, e.g. computers, switches, routers, cables?
 - How do basic protocols and algorithms work, e.g. MAC, routing, physical transmission?

Course Structure

- Lectures
 - 3 hours per week
- Self study
 - At least 6 hours per week
 - Browsing lecture notes BEFORE and AFTER class, reading the textbook and other materials, studying for quizzes and exams, preparing assignments, consultations, group discussions, ...
- Assessment

Assessment

Quizzes

- 10 minute quizzes at the beginning of selected lectures
- Cover the topics since the last quiz
- Test your understanding of lectures, reading materials and homework problems
- Closed book
- 7 quizzes; 5 best marks will count
- 20% total (4% each)

Assignment

- Set of problems for you to complete over a number of weeks
- Test your in-depth understanding of concepts and protocols
- Open book
- 25%

Assessment

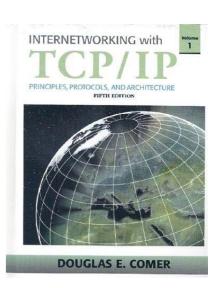
- Mid-term Exam
 - Closed book
 - 25%
- Final Exam
 - Closed book
 - 30%
- For advice:
 - Closed book assessment is not a memory test (e.g. I won't test your knowledge of every header field in every protocol) – it's a test of understanding
 - We will discuss types of questions and topics before exam

Academic Misconduct

- What is it?
 - Plagiarism, cheating, copying, "lending", ...
- Examples
 - Copying assignment answers from friend (verbal or written)
 - Giving your assignment (or some answers) to a friend
 - Looking at neighbours answers during quiz/exam
 - Copying sentences/paragraphs/code from textbooks/Internet without acknowledgement
- Results
 - If detected, questions or entire assessment item may get 0 marks
- Discussion with friends is encouraged; telling your friends answers is not!

Learning Materials

- Lectures
 - Attend, listen and ask questions!
 - Will include examples and demonstrations
- Lecture notes
 - PDF of Powerpoint slides
 - Available on website and from document services
 - Aim to have available 1 day before lecture
 - Make your own notes
- Recommended Textbook
 - Internetworking with TCP/IP by Douglas Comer
 - 5th Edition
- Other Useful Textbooks
 - 3rd and 4th edition of Comer textbook
 - Network textbooks by Stallings, Tanenbaum, Comer, Kurose, ...
 - These other textbooks should only be used as supplementary readings



Learning Materials

- Recommended Readings
 - For selected topics I will list papers/chapters/websites/standards that should be read
 - These will be publicly available on the Internet or available through the Library (electronic or hardcopy)
- Course Website
 - All materials will be available from the website
 - Announcements, selected solutions will be on the website
- Mailing List (access via course website)
 - You must subscribe (as will be used for announcements)

Course Web Site

- http://ict.siit.tu.ac.th/~steven/its413/
 - Introduction, Topics, Lecture Notes, Assessment Schedule,
 Textbooks, Web Links, Extra Handouts, Maillist, ...
 - When you click on Lecture Notes (and other handouts) to download, you will be prompted for a username and password:
 - Username: stevecourse
 - Password: siitict