



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Networks Crowds and Markets - 47711

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HU Credits: 4

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: MATAR - Interfaces of Technology, Society, and Networks

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: English and Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

The course combines a variety of points of view from mathematics, sociology, computer science, and economics in the analysis of human interaction over a variety of social, economic, and computerized networks.

Course/Module aims:

Introduction to quantitative and mathematical analysis of social networks

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

Analyze various aspects of social networks using a variety of quantitative and mathematical tools

Attendance requirements(%):

90%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction:

Course/Module Content:

Chapter 1. Aspects of Networks
Graph Theory and Social Networks
o Chapter 2. Graphs
o Chapter 3. Strong and Weak Ties
o Chapter 4. Networks in Their Surrounding Contexts
o Chapter 5. Positive and Negative Relationships
Game Theory
o Chapter 6. Games
o Chapter 7. Evolutionary Game Theory
o Chapter 8. Modeling Network Traffic using Game Theory
o Chapter 9. Auctions
Markets and Strategic Interaction in Networks
o Chapter 10. Matching Markets
o Chapter 11. Network Models of Markets with Intermediaries
o Chapter 12. Bargaining and Power in Networks
Information Networks and the World Wide Web
o Chapter 13. The Structure of the Web
o Chapter 14. Link Analysis and Web Search

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- o Chapter 15. Sponsored Search Markets*
 - Network Dynamics: Population Models*
 - o Chapter 16. Information Cascades*
 - o Chapter 17. Network Effects*
 - o Chapter 18. Power Laws and Rich-Get-Richer Phenomena*
 - Network Dynamics: Structural Models*
 - o Chapter 19. Cascading Behavior in Networks*
 - o Chapter 20. The Small-World Phenomenon*
 - o Chapter 21. Epidemics*
 - Institutions and Aggregate Behavior*
 - o Chapter 22. Markets and Information*
 - o Chapter 23. Voting*
 - o Chapter 24. Property Rights*

Required Reading:

Networks, Crowds, and Markets
by
David Easley and Jon Kleinberg.
Published by
Cambridge University Press 2010.

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 80 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 0 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 20 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: