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Computer networks 332 (COS 332)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Module credits 18.00

Programmes BIS Multimedia

BSc Computer Science

BSc Information and Knowledge Systems

Prerequisites COS 216

Contact time 1 practical per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Computer Science

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The objective of this module is to acquaint the student with the terminology of communication systems and to establish a thorough understanding of exactly how data is transferred in such communication networks, as well as applications that can be found in such environments. The study material includes: concepts and terminology, the hierarchy of protocols according to the OSI and TCP/IP models, protocols on the data level, physical level and network level as well as higher level protocols. The practical component of the module involves programming TCP/IP sockets using a high level language. The emphasis throughout is on the technical aspects underlying the operation of networks, rather than the application of networks.

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