



Participation

- It is strongly suggested that everyone **become familiar with the material** for each session **before** the presentation.
 - The articles are available via WWW. Check the link list on the course home page.
 - While listening to a presentation think about **questions and comments** that you could present at the end.
 - Give a brief (written) **feedback** to the presenter using the form distributed by the organizers
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Presentations

- Dig up the essentials in the material and present them in an **understandable** way.
 - Give out **copies of your slides** in the beginning of the presentation.
 - Try to **encourage discussion** on the topic, e.g. by highlighting controversial issues or open questions regarding the topic
 - Briefly tell about your project work or literature study at whatever state it is (problem setting, partial completion, results, conclusions)
 - Spend about 35 min (+10 minutes for discussion)
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Home exercises: creating an exercise

- Try to come up with a good exercise or two related to your topic. A good question is not difficult but yet non-trivial, it requires being familiar with the material and thinking about the topic of the presentation.
 - The exercise might be e.g. hand-simulation of some algorithm on a sample problem, or solving some mathematical problem.
 - **Get feedback** by showing your exercise(s) and its solution to the course organizers at least **one week before your presentation**.
 - **Check the solutions** and suggest a grade (0/.5/1).
 - **Return the solutions and grades to organizers** in the last meeting 28.11.2002.
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Solving an exercise

- Return solutions of exercises by email to the speaker and the course organizer **no later than 2 weeks after the presentation.**
- After the last meeting 28.11.2002, all remaining solutions should be returned to organizers.



Project work

A: Study some essential aspect of the material. For example, test an algorithm by programming it and running it on a suitable test material. Describe your intended project work to the organizers before you start!

- Return a written report and be prepared to present your results briefly in the last meeting 28.11.2002.

OR B: Carry out a literature study related to the given material.

- Return a written report and be prepared to present it briefly in the last meeting 28.11.2002.
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The grade

- Each of the three parts: the presentation and slides, the exercises, and the report of the project work is given a grade **pass** or **pass with distinction**.
 - To pass the course, 60% of exercises must be solved correctly (if there are totally 10 exercise topics this means returning correct solutions for 6 of them and the reference solutions of your own topic), the presentation and slides as well as the project work must be completed and acceptable.
 - Passing with distinction requires all exercises solved, an exceptionally good presentation and project work, and active participation in discussions.
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