

# EL2910 Principles of Networked and Multi-agent Control Systems 7.5 credits

Principer för nätverksbaserade och multi-agent styrsytem

This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, course syllabus.

If the course is discontinued, students may request to be examined during the following two academic years

#### **Establishment**

Course syllabus for EL2910 valid from Spring 2013

## **Grading scale**

A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

#### **Education cycle**

Second cycle

# Main field of study

**Electrical Engineering** 

# Specific prerequisites

For single course students; 120hp and documented proficiency in English B or equivalent

#### Language of instruction

The language of instruction is specified in the course offering information in the course catalogue.

#### Intended learning outcomes

After the course, the student should be able to:

- know the established problems and results in the area of networked and multi-agent control systems
- · use the essential theoretical tools to cope with these systems
- analyze stability and performance of basic setups
- be aware of ongoing research in the area

#### Course contents

Recent technological advances in computational and communication resources have facilitated the control of multi-agent systems. Such systems are comprised of a large number of entities ("agents") that aim at achieving a global task. Distributed control is preferable in many cases, since it provides scalability, flexibility and redundancy. Moreover they are natural realizations of the limitations in communication, networking, and sensing capabilities which are inherent in multi-agent systems.

Multi-agent systems have a broad range of modern applications such as multi-robot coordination, control of sensor networks, air traffic management, unmanned vehicles and power systems, just to name a few. This course will review the basic problems and develop the fundamental tools for the modeling and control of networked multi-agent systems. Moreover it will indicate possible future research directions.

#### Disposition

Lectures and homeworks

#### **Course literature**

See course homepage

www.s3.kth.se/~dimos/Networked\_and\_Multi.htm

#### **Examination**

- INL1 Assignment, 1.0 credits, grading scale: P, F
- INL2 Assignment, 1.0 credits, grading scale: P, F

- INL3 Assignment, 1.0 credits, grading scale: P, F
- TEN1 Examination, 4.5 credits, grading scale: A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

Based on recommendation from KTH's coordinator for disabilities, the examiner will decide how to adapt an examination for students with documented disability.

The examiner may apply another examination format when re-examining individual students.

## Other requirements for final grade

Lectures and homeworks

#### Ethical approach

- All members of a group are responsible for the group's work.
- In any assessment, every student shall honestly disclose any help received and sources used.
- In an oral assessment, every student shall be able to present and answer questions about the entire assignment and solution.