



ID2201 Distributed Systems, Basic Course 7.5 credits

Distribuerade system, grundkurs

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

Establishment

Course syllabus for ID2201 valid from Autumn 2008

Grading scale

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

Education cycle

Second cycle

Main field of study

Information Technology, Computer Science and Engineering

Specific prerequisites

The course requires good knowledge in computer systems (passed 2G1518 or equivalent courses), operating systems (passed 2G1504 or equivalent courses), and good knowledge in programming.

Language of instruction

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

Intended learning outcomes

The students shall after the course be able to:

- explain important characteristics of distributed systems
- describe architectural and fundamental models of distributed systems
- explain and compare strategies for interprocess communication
- explain and compare middleware models
- explain and compare name services
- explain the concept of logical time
- use logical time to implement distributed algorithms

Course contents

The course covers fundamental models for distributed systems, inter process communication and how to handle synchronization, consistency, replication, fault tolerance and security in a distributed system. The course consist of a series of lectures and seminars that include practical assignments. The assignments will be programming tasks that exemplify problem statements examined in the course.

Course literature

Distributed Systems - Concepts and Design, Georgis Coulouris, Jean Dollimore and Tim Kindberg
Upplaga: fourth edition Förlag: Addison-Wesley År: 2005
ISBN: 0-321-26354-5

Examination

- TEN1 - Examination, 6.0 credits, grading scale: A, B, C, D, E, FX, F
- LAB1 - Laboratory Work, 1.5 credits, grading scale: P, 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.

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

Other requirements for final grade

The examination consists of a written examination and practical assignments during seminar sessions. Assignments should be done and presented when scheduled. Final grade is based on the performance of the written exam and the practical assignments.

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.