

COURSE OUTLINE – subject to changes :

Numbers of suggested exercises follow the list of topics for each lecture.

L-1	Mon	13	Jan	1.1	definition and examples – convex hulls, a first algorithm – 1,2,3
L-2	Wed	15	Jan	1.1-4	second convex hull algorithm – degeneracies and robustness – 4,7,9
L-3	Fri	17	Jan		software for computational geometry
	Mon	20	Jan		Martin Luther King Jr. Day. No classes.
L-4	Wed	22	Jan	2.1	line segment intersection – plane sweep algorithms – 1,2,3
L-5	Fri	24	Jan	2.2	output sensitivity – event queues – doubly connected edge lists – 4,5,6
L-6	Mon	27	Jan	2.3-5	overlays of subdivisions – boolean operations – 7,8,9
L-7	Wed	29	Jan	3.1	triangulations and colorings – the art gallery theorem – 1,2,3
L-8	Fri	31	Jan	3.2	partitioning a polygon into monotone pieces – 5,6,8
L-9	Mon	3	Feb	3.3-4	triangulating a monotone polygon – 10,13,14
L-10	Wed	5	Feb	4.1,2	geometry of casting – half-plane intersections – 2,4,5
L-11	Fri	7	Feb	4.3,4	incremental and randomized linear programming – 10,11,12
L-12	Mon	10	Feb	4.5,6	unbounded linear programs – LP in higher dimensions – 13,15,16
L-13	Wed	12	Feb	5.1,2	range searching – Kd trees – 1,2,3

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L-14	Fri	14	Feb	5.3,4	range trees in dimensions two and higher – 6,8,9
L-15	Mon	17	Feb	5.5-7	general set of points – fractional cascading – 10,11,12
L-16	Wed	19	Feb		review of the first five chapters
L-17	Fri	21	Feb		the first midterm exam covers chapters 1 through 5
L-18	Mon	24	Feb	6.1	point location and trapezoidal maps – 1,3,4
L-19	Wed	26	Feb	6.2	randomized incremental algorithm – 5,7,8
L-20	Fri	28	Feb	6.3,4	dealing with degenerate case – a tail estimate – 11,13,15
L-21	Mon	3	Mar	7.1	Voronoi diagrams, definition and basic properties
L-22	Wed	5	Mar	7.2	computing the Voronoi diagram – 4,6,8
L-23	Fri	7	Mar	7.3,4	Voronoi diagrams of line segments – farthest points – 9,10,11
L-24	Mon	10	Mar	8.1,2	supersampling – computing the discrepancy – duality – 1,2,3
L-25	Wed	12	Mar	8.2,3	duality – arrangements of lines – 5,6,9

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L-26	Fri	14	Mar	8.4,5	levels and discrepancy – 10,12,13
L-27	Mon	17	Mar	9.1,2	triangulations of point sets – the Delaunay triangulation – 1,2,3
L-28	Wed	19	Mar	9.3	computing the Delaunay triangulation – 5,6,8
L-29	Fri	21	Mar	9.4,5	analysis – a framework for randomized algorithms – 9,11,16
L-30	Mon	31	Mar	10.1	more geometric data structures: interval trees – 1,4,9
L-31	Wed	2	Apr	10.2	priority search trees – 2,3,10
L-32	Fri	4	Apr	10.3	segment trees – 5,7,8
L-33	Mon	7	Apr		review of chapters 6 to 10
L-34	Wed	9	Apr		the second midterm exam covers chapters 6 through 10
L-35	Fri	11	Apr	11.1	the complexity of convex hulls in 3-space – 5,6,7
L-36	Mon	14	Apr	11.2	computing convex hulls in 3-space – 5,6,7
L-37	Wed	16	Apr	11.3,4	analysis – convex hulls and half-space intersection – 8,9,10
L-38	Fri	18	Apr	12	binary space partitions and the painter's algorithm – 1,2,3
L-39	Mon	21	Apr	13	robot motion planning – Minkowski sums – 1,4,5
L-40	Wed	23	Apr	14	quadtrees and non-uniform mesh generation – 1,3,4

Project Three due on Wednesday 23 April at 2pm

L-41	Fri	25	Apr	15	visibility graphs – finding shortest paths – 1,2,4
L-42	Mon	28	Apr		review of chapters 1 through 5 and/or project presentations
L-43	Wed	30	Apr		review of chapters 6 through 10 and/or project presentations
L-44	Fri	2	May		comprehensive review and/or project presentations

Final exam: Wednesday 7 May 2025, 1:00PM-3:00PM, Taft Hall 219.