SYLLABUS

CS 594 – Applied Combinatorial Optimization

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308 BH MW 2:00-3:15

1 General Information

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Prerequisites: cs401 or eq.

Text: Combinatorial Optimization: Algorithms and Complexity

by C. Papadimitriou, K. Steiglitz

Reference Text: Introduction to Algorithms

by T. Cormen, C. Leiserson, R. Rivest, C. Stein

Topics (subject to change)

- NP-completeness
 - Theoetical Background
 - Exact Algorithms
 - Approximation Algorithms
 - Heuristic and Search Based Techniques
- Modern Network Flow Algorithms
- Algorithms for Min Cost Flow
- General Matching
- Linear Programming and Duality
- Matroids

Course Requirements

- Written Homeworks and Exams
- Implementation Project including presentation