Programming Lab in Medical Informatics III
BIOMED 223C, University of California, Los Angeles
Syllabus for Spring 2006

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Intranet site on the MII wiki: courses/biomed223c-spring06.

Course Overview: The course is designed to expose the students to both relevant topics in medical informatics and the process of developing these topics into large software systems. The topic of emphasis for this quarter will be pattern classification. As a group, we will design the software framework necessary for a comprehensive pattern classification system. Collectively, the students will implement the designed framework. Individually, each student will implement a particular pattern classification algorithm in this framework. This project will be developed through the duration of the quarter as new topics in both software engineering and pattern classification are learned; the result will be a practical and complete system that the students can take with them into their future research.

Course Goals: In this course, it is expected that the students will have gained knowledge and experience in

1. Object-Oriented software design and analysis.
2. Pattern classification algorithms and the associated implementation problems.
3. Participation in a long-term software design project.
4. The use of mainstream software tools for large system engineering (Eclipse, UML, JUnit, CVS/SVN, JavaDoc).
5. Presenting the work in an oral presentation.

Textbooks: Required material distributed by instructor.
Recommended (in MII):

*UML Distilled* by Fowler (2nd or 3rd Ed.).
*Pattern Classification* by Duda, Hart and Stork.
*Software Engineering, A Practitioner’s Approach* by Pressman.

Meeting Times: Currently, TR, 1-2:50. Will be changed to suit participants’ schedules. We will meet twice a week for two hours each: one lecture per week and one interactive programming lab session.

Grading: Letter grading distributed as follows:

- Class participation (10%)
- Short programming assignment (10%).
- One written homework (10%).
- One quiz (10%).
- Quarter Programming Project (20% design, 15% team programming part, 15% independent programming part, 10% oral presentation)

Programming Language: Java.
## Calendar

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| 1 | April 3 | 1. Course Overview.  
2. Assessment and Java Review.  
| 3 | April 17 | 1. The UML.  
2. Class Responsibility Collaboration (CRC) cards. | Fowler Ch. 3-5,9 (2nd Ed.). | Written 1 (due end of week 4). |
| **Part II: Quarter Focus: Pattern Classification** | | | |
| 4 | April 24 | 1. Introduction to Pattern Classification.  
2. Dimensionality Reduction and Data Quantization. | Duda Ch. 1 and Handout. | Project Design (due end of week 5). |
| **Part III: Advanced Software Engineering Concepts** | | | |
| 8 | May 22 | 1. Design Patterns. | Handout. | |

**Final**  The final oral presentations will take place during finals week and will be publicly announced.