# Courses in winter term 2021/22





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# Prof. Dr. Markus Bläser



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#### Complexity of bilinear problems

- Monday 10:15–12:00
- Thursday 12:15–14:00
- starts Oct 21
- specialized lecture, 6 CP
- tutorial every second Thursday
- online lecture
- Flagship question: How fast can we multiply matrices?
- Solid knowledge of linear algebra is highly recommended
- Web: cms.sic.saarland/bil2122/
- Contact: Markus Bläser mblaeser@cs.uni-saarland.de



# Dr. Aleksandar Bojchevski





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#### Trustworthy Graph Neural Networks Seminar





Organization: Block format, Kick-off meeting via Zoom, Final presentations at the end Grade: Seminar paper (40%, 4 pages), Presentation (30%), Reviews ( $3 \times 10\%$ ) Lecturer: Dr. Aleksandar Bojchevski, bojchevski@cispa.de, abojchevski.github.io Website: https://cms.cispa.saarland/tgnn\_ws21/

# Prof. Dr. Karl Bringmann



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### **Algorithms and Data Structures**

**Core Course 9CP** 



#### You will learn:

- Fundamental problems
- Efficient algorithms
- Algorithmic problem solving

#### **Topics:**

- Algorithms on graphs, strings, polynomials, points & lines, ...
- Randomized algorithms
- Advanced data structures using amortized analysis

#### **Details:**

Intensive block course: February 28 – March 25 with 2 lectures per day
Lecturers: Prof. Karl Bringmann, Prof. Raimund Seidel
Requirements: introductory course on algorithm design
Website: https://cms.sic.saarland/algodat\_21/
Online participation will be possible

### Fine-Grained Complexity Theory Advanced Lecture 5CP

P vs NP is too coarse! Even  $O(n^2)$  can be too slow!

#### What you will see:

A fine-grained view on complexity theory

Conditional lower bounds and algorithm design





# Derek Dreyer, Ph.D.



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# Semantics

## • Formalize what programs do

# We will use Coq!

# Type systems

# Semantic models

**Program logics** 

Wed, Fri: 10:15-11:45 Room 002, E1.3 + Zoom option More details on CMS

- Show that they do the right thing!

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 $\llbracket A \to B \rrbracket_{\delta} \triangleq \lambda \nu. \ \Box \left( \forall w. \llbracket A \rrbracket_{\delta}(w) \twoheadrightarrow \llbracket B \rrbracket_{\delta}^{e}(v w) \right)$ 

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# Prof. Bernd Finkbeiner, Ph.D.



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# Verification





**Core lecture** with course project and weekly assignments = 9 ECTS



Lecture: Tue 14-16 and Thu 10-12 in HS001, E1 3 and online Tutorials: Fri 10-12 or 12-14 in Room 206, E1 1 and online Office Hour: Wed 10-12 in Room 106, E1 1 and online

### Prof. Bernd Finkbeiner, Ph.D.







# Dr. Marc Fournelle



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#### **Ultrasound Imaging**

#### Weekly lecture Mo 16-17h30 (or block seminar in Jan/Feb 2022)

- Lecture in English
- Final written or oral exam

#### Topics:

- Physics of Ultrasound
- Ultrasound Signal Processing
- Ultrasound Systems and Transducers
- Ultrasound Imaging modalities (B-mode, Doppler,...)
- Ultrasound Image Reconstruction → from signals to images
- Technical Ultrasound Applications (NDT, Sonar)
- Molecular imaging & hybrid approaches
- Please register:
  - Dr. Marc Fournelle (+49 6897 9071 310)
  - marc.fournelle@ibmt.fraunhofer.de





Tanter et al: Journal of Cerebral blood flow & metabolism (2014), 34, 1009-1017



# Prof. Dr. Thorsten Herfet



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# Courses WS2021/22 Telecommunications Lab

## Prof. Dr.-Ing. Thorsten Herfet



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### **Digital Transmission & Signal Processing**

- Core- / Advanced Lecture 9CP (4L2T)
  - Tuesdays 12:15–13:45, Wednesdays 08:30–10:00, Start October 19<sup>th</sup>
  - Lectures & Tutorials: MS-Teams (LIVE, recordings available to class)
  - Assignments & Quizzes: UdS-Moodle (100% paperless)
- All major building blocks of modern telecommunication systems
  - Discretization (Sampling & Quantization), Digital Modulation (PSK, QAM), Multicarrier-Transmission (OFDM), Forward Error Coding
- ...and the underlying mathematical foundations
  - Fourier-, Laplace-, Z- and Hilbert-Transforms, Algebra on Finite Fields (Prime Fields and extended Prime Fields), Stochastic Signal Analysis
- Registration mandatory via Moodle: <u>https://lms.sulb.uni-saarland.de/moodle/enrol/index.php?id=5802</u>
  - Will be duplicated into MS-Teams for all registered students!





### **Multimedia Transport**

- Core- / Advanced Lecture 9CP (4L2T)
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  - Assignments & Quizzes: UdS-Moodle (100% paperless)
- All major components of multimedia streaming
  - Latency- and Resilience-Awareness, Congestion- & Flow Control, Adaptive Hybrid-ARQ, Video- and Audio-Coding
- ...and the underlying mathematical foundations
  - Markov-Chains, Gilbert-Elliot Erasure Channel Models, LDPC-Coding, Residual Error Rate Calculation, Delay Budgets
- Registration mandatory via Moodle: <u>https://lms.sulb.uni-saarland.de/moodle/enrol/index.php?id=5803</u>
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# Hands on Spring 2022\*

### Hands on Networking

- Block Course CW11/12 2022 (14.–25. March 2022), daily 8:30–15:00
- Individual project work (-10. April 2022)
- Admission test in January (date to be communicated)
- Course Announcements and Material: UdS-Moodle (100% paperless)
- Networking Practice
  - Wired & Wireless Networks (Physical & Link Layer) • Network Addressing (IPv4 & IPv6) • Transport Protocols (UDP, TCP, QUIC) Network Management & Debugging (GNS3)

### Registration mandatory via Moodle:

• Link will be provided on our websites: https://www.nt.uni-saarland.de/education/ https://lms.sulb.uni-saarland.de/moodle/

\*: Hands on Networking + Hands on Dependability



Practical / Advanced Course 6CP (2L2T)



# AG Prof. Dr. Holger Hermanns



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### Hands-On Dependability with Rust

#### Advanced Lecture\* 25. Feb. - 11. Mar. & 28. Mar. - 01. Apr. 2022



Andreas Schmidt

register at dcms.cs.uni-saarland.de/hod\_21/



Dependable Systems and Software Chair

\* no requirements except Programming 1/2 or comparable

# Prof. Dr. Jörg Hoffmann



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**Programming projects:** You'll make your own planning system and participate in a competition!

Jörg Hoffmann

Foundations of AI



#### **Prof. Hoffmann, Foundations of Al Group** Seminar: Neural Networks in Planning (7 ECTS)

Me: "Data-driven AI: Learn a policy  $\pi$  mapping states to actions  $\Rightarrow$  policy explanation, verification, testing, visualization."

#### But how to learn $\pi$ in the first place?

- We will cover graph neural networks as an essential paradigm, then cover the current state of the art in learning policies (among others).
- Prerequisites: Basic knowledge assumed (AI core course, neural networks general background).
   More specialized knowledge helpful (AI Planning course, neural network courses).

# Dr. Swen Jacobs



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### **PARAMETERIZED VERIFICATION**

of



**Formal Verification** 





Systems with arbitrary # of components



Advanced Lecture

Block Course in Feb/Mar 2022

Swen Jacobs

Registration and further information: cms.cispa.saarland



### FORMAL METHODS FOR FINDING AND FIXING INFORMATION LEAKS





**Register at Seminar Assignment Platform:** 

seminars.cs.uni-saarland.de

(until tonight 23:59)

#### Seminar

Swen Jacobs

# AG Prof. Dr. Dietrich Klakow





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### Neural Networks: Theory and Application

#### Topics:

- Intro to Machine Learning
- Deep Feedforward Networks
- Regularization for Deep Learning
- Optimization for Training Deep Models
- Convolutional Networks
- Sequence Modeling: Recurrent and Recursive Nets

Location: MS Teams (for the start) Lecture: Tuesday 14:15-15:45 Starts: October 26th Hours Sieee  $W_{11}^{(2)}$   $W_{12}^{(1)}$   $W_{12}^{(1)}$   $W_{12}^{(1)}$   $W_{12}^{(2)}$   $W_{12}^{(2)}$ 

**Registration for participation**: https://www.lsv.uni-saarland.de/neural-networks-theory-and-implementation-winter-2021-2022/



#### Contact: dietrich.klakow@lsv.uni-saarland.de


### Grundlagen der Signalverarbeitung



#### Themen:

- Darstellung von Signalen
- Systemtheorie
- Lineare Zeitinvariante Systeme
- Fourier Transformation
- Numerische Fouriertransformation (FFT Algorithmus)
- Korrelation von Signalen
- Statistische Beschreibung von Signalen
- Filter

Ort: MS Teams Zeit Vorlesung: Montag 10:15-11:45 Beginn: 25. Oktober Übung: Montag 12:00-13:30 CP: 6

To participate **register** on the course home page:

https://www.lsv.uni-saarland.de/grundlagen-der-signalverarbeitung-winter-2021-22/

#### Contact: dietrich.klakow@lsv.uni-saarland.de





### **Proseminar** 'Computational Pragmatics'

#### Teacher: Dr. Volha Petukhova

You will learn:

- (1) understand how to compute pragmatic meaning;
- (2) study the mechanisms underlying the main pragmatic inferences and aspects of pragmatic meaning;
- (3) discuss algorithms that enable the use of theoretical concepts in practical applications.

Focus will be put on **computational dialogue modelling** for dialogue system design.



Method: 10 topics with paper selection; a presentation for each participation in discussions and exercises(20% of final scores); Final assignment: 10 pages report (40% of final scores)

<u>First meeting:</u> 26.10.2021 at 12:15 in TEAMS link on the course homepage: https://www.lsv.uni-saarland.de/upcoming-courses/proseminar-computationalpragmatics-winter-2021-2022/

# Prof. Dr. Jana Koehler



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### Prof. Jana Koehler: Architectural Thinking for Intelligent Systems

### If you think good architecture is expensive, try bad architecture

Brian Foote and Joseph Yoder: "Big Ball of Mud" http://www.laputan.org/mud/

- Learn about established methods to build a "good" architecture
  - "good" = viable and fit for a purpose
- Practice architectural thinking on an AI project step-by-step
- > Focus is on systematic conceptual thinking, no coding, no proofs
- > Master the language and methods used by software architects
- > Lay foundation to prepare for professional certifications
- Get insights into AI architectures



Starts Thursday 10/21 4:15 PM in HS001 in E1.3





amazon echo



# AG Prof. Dr. Antonio Krüger



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## Seminar Walk While Work!

- WhyBecause you will learn how to nudge<br/>people to a healthier work-life-style!
- Who Dr. Pascal Lessel (DFKI) + Support Thomas Immich (Centigrade) + Support
- What UX-Driven Development of Player Type-Centric Motion Games
- When Fridays, 10-12 am

Where https://bit.ly/3mswgfu



°CENTIGRADE 🌔





Our research attempts to combine the powers of Multimodal Dialogue and Machine Learning to make human-machine interaction more *personalized* and *explainable*.









Contact: Dr. Michael Feld <u>michael.feld@dfki.de</u> Amr Gomaa Ve Discussion Niko Kleer Maurice Rekrut Guillermo Reyes Julian Wolter

Thursdays, 16:15 (Hybrid) 20 Places Practical Group Projects + Topic Presentation + Active Discussion

Visit our webpage for up-to-date information:

https://umtl.cs.uni-saarland.de/teaching/winter-2021/2022/adaptive-human-machine-interfaces-for-autonomous-systems.html

Adaptive Interfaces & Dialogue Group



### Seminar: SupRTwin

#### Sensing, Understanding and Provisioning of Robotic Digital Twins

Cooperation between UMTL (Prof. Krüger) and ZeMA (Prof. Müller)

Daniel Porta (DFKI), Tim Schwartz (DFKI), Ali Kanso (ZeMA)

Andreas Luxenburger (DFKI), Caspar Jacob (DFKI), Jonas Mohr (DFKI), Khansa Rekik (ZeMA), Xiaomei Xu (ZeMA)





#### Gain practical experience with

- Robots
- Drones
- Digital Twins
- Industrie 4.0 concepts

#### Requirements

- basic knowledge in AI (computer vision, planning)
- good programming skills in Java
- programming skills in Python or C++ (for CV tasks)
- beneficial: experience in Unity 3D

**Location:** Power4Production Hall at ZeMA (Eschberger Weg 46) and Online **Kick-off:** to be announced

https://umtl.cs.uni-saarland.de/teaching/winter-2021/2022/

**Contact:** suprtwin@dfki.de







# Dr. Marco Patrignani Dr. Hamed Nemati Dr. Robert Künnemann



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# **Formal methods in Security** Advanced lecture, 2h lecture/week + 2h exercises/week

Analyse computer security problems and solutions with mathematical precision

Learn various techniques to design and implement secure software stack:





Robert Künnemann



Marco Patrignani



Hamed Nemati

# Dr. Giancarlo Pellegrino



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#### Perspectives of Entrepreneurial Cybersecurity (5 ECTS)

KING CISPA

- Lecture series ("Ringvorlesung")
  - weekly presentations by successful founders and VCs in the vicinity of cybersecurity about their experience for starting a company and insights for a successful startup
  - For 5 CP: Create a pitch for a joint event at end of the semester and participate in weekly meetings
- It is possible to join to just listen to the presentations!
  - Still need to sign up in CISPA CMS
- Course website and schedule: https://cms.cispa.saarland/poser\_2122/



# Prof. Dr. Sven Rahmann



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#### Special lecture (MSc/BSc Bioinformatics), Elective (others): Statistics, Probability and Applications in Bioinformatics

Probabilistic modeling, specialized to bioinformatics

- elementary probability and combinatorics
- discrete and continuous distributions
- statistics: description, parameter estimation, testing
- stochastic processes: e.g., Poisson; PAAs
- Applications: DNA Motifs, PCR process, significance of pairwise sequence alignment, differential gene expression, methylation level estimation, variant calling
- Winter 2021/22: 4V+2Ü, 9 cr, Tue+Thu 08:30-10:00
- Tutorials: 1x on-campus, 1x online
- Information: <u>https://www.rahmannlab.de/lehre/spab</u>
- Registration at CMS: <u>https://cms.sic.saarland/spab/</u>
- Contact: Sven Rahmann, rahmann@cs...





# Prof. Dr. Jürgen Steimle



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### Core lecture (9 ECTS): Human-Computer Interaction

Prof. Dr. Jürgen Steimle TA: Adwait Sharma

- What makes user interfaces good or bad?
- Learn from the past and get to see the future of UIs
- How to design great user interfaces?
- How can we shape next generations of UIs?

#### **Registration** in first lecture Tuesday 10:15am



https://hci.cs.uni-saarland.de





### Block Seminar (7 ECTS): Interactive Touch Surfaces

Prof. Dr. Jürgen Steimle Narges Pourjafarian

- Hands-on block course during the winter semester break
- Learn about state-of-the-art technologies for touch sensing
- Implement your own project of how you envision future touch systems

More information: https://hci.cs.uni-saarland.de

# Dr. Sebastian Stich



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#### Seminar on Optimization for Machine Learning

many ML tasks can be formulated as an optimization problem:



This seminar is about **algorithms** that we use to train ML models.

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optimizer = optim.SGD(model.parameters(), lr=0.01, momentum=0.9)
optimizer = optim.Adam([var1, var2], lr=0.0001)
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- Stochastic gradient descent (SGD)
- Variance reduction (SVRG)
- Adaptive algorithms (ADAM)
- Distributed training (Local SGD)
- basic classic techniques (convex settings, standard assumptions and tools, etc.)
- standard algorithms for ML/DL
- advanced techniques (tailored to special applications)

Contact: Sebastian Stich sebastian.stich@uni-saarland.de

seminar = we will discuss, present, read & review a selection of papers

# Prof. Dr. Isabel Valera Prof. Dr. Jilles Vreeken



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## Elements of Machine Learning



Who Prof. Jilles Vreeken & Prof. Isabel Valera



*How much* 1 lecture and 1 tutorial per week, 6 credits

When &Lectures: Thu16-18onsite+online(starts: 21 Oct)WhereTutorials: Mo/Tu12-14onsite+online(starts: 25/26 Oct)

# Dr. Uwe Waldmann



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### Automated Reasoning (I)

Uwe Waldmann

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Mondays 16:00–18:00 and Wednesdays, 16:00–18:00
(starting Wednesday, October 20)
Bldg. E1.3, Lecture hall 2
4h Lecture + 2h Tutorial (9 CP)
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Contents:

Syntax and semantics of logics, proof calculi, and how to implement them:

- Propositional Logic, CDCL, OBDD
- First-Order Logic, Resolution, Tableaux
- Equality, Rewriting, Completion, Termination

More info: https://rg1-teaching.mpi-inf.mpg.de/autrea-ws21/ (Online students: contact me as soon as possible!)

# AG Prof. Dr. Weickert



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### Differential Equations in Image Processing and Computer Vision

Four teaching awards (2003, 2006, 2009, 2015)

- ◆ Lecturer: Prof. Joachim Weickert ◆ Type: advanced class, 4h+2h, 9 CP
- Scope: denoising, restoration, segmentation, motion analysis, compression



Example: Shadow Removal with Osmosis Processes

- Extra Benefit: enables you to write a master thesis in our group
- Requirements: undergraduate mathematics, elementary C programming
- Virtual Lectures: Wednesday and Friday, 10:15–12:00 (starting Oct. 20)

https://www.mia.uni-saarland.de/Teaching/dic21.shtml

Mathematical Image Analysis Group — www.mia.uni-saarland.de

### **Image Acquisition Methods**

Two computer science teaching awards (2014, 2018)

https://www.mia.uni-saarland.de/Teaching/iam21.shtml

• Lecturer: Dr. Pascal Peter

- **Type:** advanced class, 2h+2h, 6 CP
- Requirements: undergraduate mathematics
- Virtual Lectures: pre-recorded videos + live discussions, Thursday, 10–12 c.t.

Interactive Tutorials: Monday, 8:30–10 s.t. and 10–12 c.t.

broad overview of image acquisition methods and their physical background

oldest existing photograph



(Joseph Nicéphore Niépce, 1826)





(ImageJ Data Set)



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(Dartmouth EMF)

### **Advanced Image Analysis**

https://www.mia.uni-saarland.de/Teaching/aia21.shtml

- Requirements: undergraduate mathematics, C programming helpful: image processing/computer vision knowledge
- Virtual Lectures: pre-recorded videos + live discussions, Monday, 14-16 c.t.
- Online Tutorials: Friday, 14-16 c.t.
- advanced image processing methods that (mostly) fuse multiple input images
- + HDR imaging, super resolution, focus fusion, image stitching, ...

underexposed

overexposed



merged HDR



Mathematical Image Analysis Group — www.mia.uni-saarland.de

### Seminar Milestones and Advances in Image Analysis

- Organisers: Karl Schrader (and Prof. Joachim Weickert)
  - **Scope:** influential and novel papers on image analysis



 Requirements: needed: undergraduate mathematics, image analysis helpful: machine learning basics

 Online Talks: Tuesday, 16:15-18:00 (starting Nov. 16) https://www.mia.uni-saarland.de/Teaching/maia21.shtml

 Registration: via the SIC seminar system by tomorrow, 23:59: https://seminars.cs.uni-saarland.de

**First Meeting:** Tue, Oct. 26, 16:15–18 (paper distribution)

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### **Proseminar Simulation der Welt**

• **Organisatoren:** Kristina Schaefer, Karl Schrader (und Prof. Joachim Weickert)

- Themen: Modellierung und Computersimulation von Naturvorgängen Hauptwerkzeug: Differentialgleichungen breites Spektrum: Fußpilzwachstum bis Umweltverschmutzung
- **Vorkenntnisse:** Grundkenntnisse in Mathematik (mindestens Mfl 1+2)

Vorträge: Mittwochs, 16:15–18:00, online über Teams
 https://www.mia.uni-saarland.de/Teaching/sdw21.shtml

- Registrierung: über das SIC Seminar System bis morgen 23:59 Uhr: https://seminars.cs.uni-saarland.de
- Vorbesprechung: Mittwoch, 27. 10., 16:15–18 Uhr

# Dr. Rhaleb Zayer



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## Geometric Modeling

Rhaleb Zayer

- Part I: Geometric Modeling Techniques
  - Differential geometry of curves
  - Bezier curves, B-Splines, NURBS, ...
- Part II: Geometry Processing
  - Differential geometry of surfaces
  - 3D data and mesh processing, subdivision, ...
- What else?
  - Mathematical background
  - Practical skills: hands on implementation
- When & where:
  - First Lecture: Monday Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> 12-14h
  - Mon. 12-14h, Thu. 14-16h.
  - Zoom (link by email)
- Contact:
  - Site : <u>http://geomod.mpi-inf.mpg.de/</u>
  - Mail: <u>rzayer@mpi-inf.mpg.de</u>







# Prof. Dr. Andreas Zeller



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## **Automated Testing and Debugging**

Software has bugs and vulnerabilities.

This proseminar explores and evaluates <u>automated techniques for testing</u> <u>and debugging software.</u>

#### Weekly (virtual) Meetings

- Read, summarize, discuss a paper on a particular technique
- Give 5-minute presentations (ungraded) for training

#### **Final Presentations (at End of Semester)**

• Each participant presents one technique (graded)

#### Details, registration, more at <u>seminars.cs.uni-saarland.de</u>

## **Security Testing**

Software has bugs and vulnerabilities. We find them through <u>automated test generation</u> (fuzzing). This advanced course (6 ECTS) teaches you <u>how to build fuzzers</u>.

#### **Inverted Classroom**

- Jupyter notebooks w/ Python code + videos every week at <u>fuzzingbook.org</u>
- Weekly coding exercises (1/3 of final grade)

#### **Two Programming Projects**

- One on black-box fuzzing, one on white-box fuzzing (<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of final grade)
   Hybrid Meeting every Tuesday 16-18 @ CISPA
- Discuss material, exercises, projects

#### Details, registration, more at <u>cms.cispa.saarland</u>

### The End.

### **Enjoy your studies**

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& stay safe!