

TDDD25

Distributed Systems

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Course Moments

- 12 Lectures
- 1 Lesson (prepares for the labs)
- 5+1 Lab assignments (in 7 sessions)

- Credits:
 - Written exam, 4 hp
 - Lab series attended and completed by deadline, 2 hp

Lab Series

- Work in **pairs**.
- 2 passes (group A, group B) 1 pass in 2025
- Sign up in **webreg** (www.ida.liu.se/webreg) by **Thursday 23/1**
 - We reserve the right to compact and balance groups
 - Attend your group's lab sessions, see the course schedule
- The lab room is reserved (and paid!) for our course during scheduled lab hours.
- Demonstration / lab reports to lab assistant by the **deadline**
- No supervision / demonstration outside scheduled lab hours.
- Be well-prepared!
Supervised lab time is too costly for reading the instructions ...
- **No copying!**
- Lab introduction in the lesson **tomorrow**

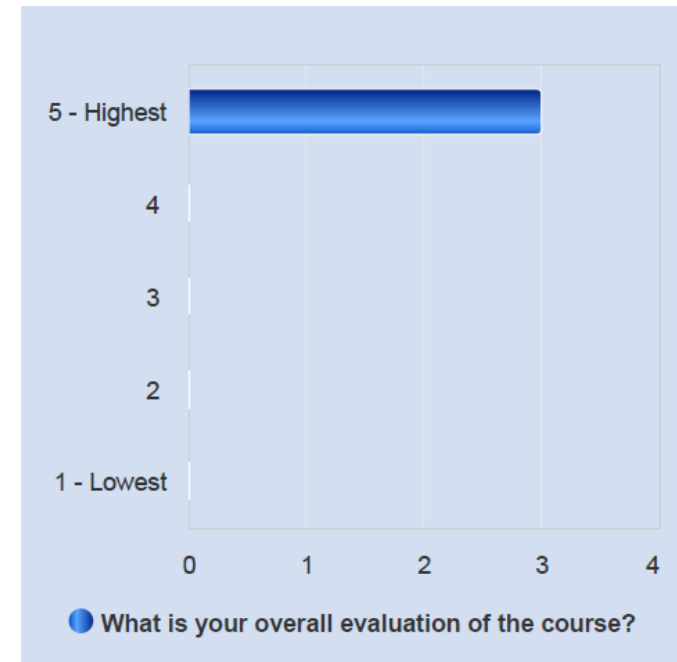
Written Exam

- 24 March 2025, 08:00-12:00
 - Re-exams: 11 June 14:00-18:00,
29 August 14:00-18:00



Recent Changes in TDDD25

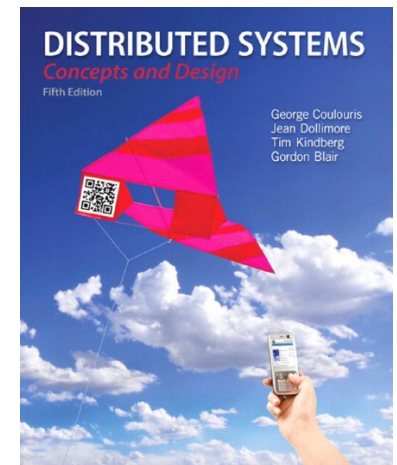
- 2023: New examiner, new course assistant
- 2023, 2024 some updates in the lecture slide material
- 2024: Overall evaluation 5.00 😊
- 2025: fewer students
→ single lab pass,
but more lab sessions
- Otherwise no changes
except minor updates in slide material



From Evaluate, TDDD25 VT2024

Course material and homepage

- All information available on the **course webpage**:
 - <https://www.ida.liu.se/~TDDD25>
 - ▶ We do *NOT* use LISAM!
 - Slides
 - ▶ NB: slides (topics) are not mapped 1:1 to schedule slots
 - Reading directions
- **Course book:**
 - George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore, Tim Kindberg, Gordon Blair:
"Distributed Systems - Concepts and Design",
Addison Wesley Publ. Comp., 5th edition, 2011
 - OR:
 - George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore, Tim Kindberg:
"Distributed Systems - Concepts and Design",
Addison Wesley Publ. Comp., 4th edition, 2005.
- **Lab assignments** on the course webpage / gitlab



Another Master-Level Course ...

TDDE65 Programming of Parallel Computers, 6hp

- VT2 (March–May) every year
- Topics include:
 - Parallel computer architecture concepts, esp. **clusters**
 - Parallel algorithms for **High-Performance Computing**
 - Parallel thread programming with **OpenMP (Labs)**
 - Message passing programming of clusters with **MPI (Labs)**
 - Tools for **performance analysis (Labs)**
- Labs on Swedens largest (academic) supercomputer (or equivalent), at NSC
- Could be a good complement of TDDD25