

# Optimization of Realistic Complex Systems

Programme course

6 credits

Optimering av realistiska, sammansatta system

TAOP61

Valid from: 2017 Spring semester

**Determined by**

Board of Studies for Mechanical  
Engineering and Design

**Date determined**

2017-01-25

## Main field of study

Mathematics, Applied Mathematics

## Course level

Second cycle

## Advancement level

A1X

## Course offered for

- Energy-Environment-Management
- Computer Science and Engineering, M Sc in Engineering
- Chemical Biology
- Engineering Biology, M Sc in Engineering
- Mathematics, Master's programme
- Information Technology, M Sc in Engineering
- Computer Science and Software Engineering, M Sc in Engineering

## Entry requirements

Note: Admission requirements for non-programme students usually also include admission requirements for the programme and threshold requirements for progression within the programme, or corresponding.

## Prerequisites

Optimization for engineers (or similar basic course in optimization).  
programming in Matlab.

## Intended learning outcomes

The course treats mathematical tools for formulation and solving of optimization problems for realistic complex systems, including environment and energy aspects. Both advanced model formulation and choice of solution method based on the problem structure are included.

Methods used are heuristics and decomposition methods.

After finished course, the student shall be able to:

Formulate complicated optimization problems as mathematical models.

Identify structures in complex model formulations.

Choose suitable solution method based on the problem structure, and motivate the choice.

Explain the principles behind certain heuristic solution methods and decomposition methods, and use them to solve problems.

Plan, develop and realize certain advanced solution techniques for complex optimization problems.

Use general and specialized software for optimization.

Present results orally and in writing.

## Course content

Advanced model formulation, metaheuristics, heuristics for combinatorical problems, methods for expensive objective functions, decomposition methods based on Lagrange relaxation. Examples of formulations containing environment and energy aspects.

## Teaching and working methods

The course is given as lectures, lessons and project work. The lectures treat theory, solution methods and principles of modeling. The lessons contain exercises in model formulation and problem solving. The project work contains model formulation, implementation of optimization algorithms, solution of optimization problems with self-made or available software, and presentation of the results.

## Examination

PRA1	Project work	3 credits	U, G
TEN1	Written examination	3 credits	U, 3, 4, 5

## Grades

Four-grade scale, LiU, U, 3, 4, 5

## Department

Matematiska institutionen

## Director of Studies or equivalent

Ingegerd Skoglund

## Examiner

Kaj Holmberg

## Course website and other links

<http://courses.mai.liu.se/GU/TAOP61>

## Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 48 h

Recommended self-study hours: 112 h

## Course literature

Kaj Holmberg: Optimering (Liber 2010). Kaj Holmberg: Kompletterande material, 2014.

## Common rules

Regulations (apply to LiU in its entirety)

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