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Hi. This wiki is run on an installation of software from Atlassian https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Atlassian running at the University of Western Ontario http://www.uwo.ca/. This portion of the wiki system has been configured to be publically viewable. However, to comment, edit, and add to the wiki, you need to log in (which basically means you need to have an account at UWO and be associated with the course this wiki was created to support: Computer Science 9622a: Nonfunctional Software Requirements: Safety, Accessibility, and Sustainability). To log in, select login from the menu that appears when you click on the person icon in the upper right hand corner of the Confluence page.

On the left hand margin, you should find under Page Tree, the roots of different sections of the course material. When you open a page, if that page is the root of a sub tree, then its children appear underneath its entry on the left margin. You can just move from node to node in the structure in the left margin, or you can look at the root node (and choose from the selections those nodes offer). The root node of each section contains a list of all the resources in that section grouped by why they are there. A good place to start is Course Overview, which explains the structure and intent of the wiki as well as provides links to the section roots. Alternately, along the top bar of the page, a bit to the left of the person icon in the right hand corner, is a search area where you can type a string and get back pages that contain that string. For example, if you type in android, you get a list of pages referencing the Android phone system on this wiki.

For those interested in taking the course, the course outline is a good place to check out Course Outline for Computer Science 9622a: Nonfunctional Software Requirements: Safety, Accessibility, and Sustainability. General communications with students during the semester will be posted to Course Announcements.

Note that new material is constantly being added to this wiki and occasionally existing material is being modified.

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Items tagged thesis (such as uwo thesis) are usually publically accessible. Many Computer Science departments made theses and other reports publically available via ftp in the 70s before web browsers. Now it has become common for universities (such as UWO) to make their entire thesis collections publically available. Unlike articles and blogs, these are book sized objects (often more than 200 pages) focussed on a particular topic. In the best case, you get a good introduction to the topic and an extensive worked example. In the worst case, at least you get a bibliography of related material that can be investigated. Unlike journal articles, theses are targetted toward a more general audience as usually at least one of the examiners is not a member of the department where the thesis was written.