

Let's start at 4:00 PM sharp

Special Session
DSA Interview Tips & AMA

Agenda:

Sharing a few pointers to keep in mind if
you have a DSA Interview coming up

A few tips about Online Assessments:

1. Do lots of short contests (Leetcode, Codeforces etc.), they'll help with OA.
2. Do company-wise research about OAs.
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Getting an interview (in brief)

Before the interview rounds:

Do proper research on interview experiences.

1. Ask the recruiter
2. Use leetcode Discuss section
3. Search for youtube videos for interview experience of that company.
4. Reach out to a few employees in a similar role.

Don't be lazy - Revise the topics you think need improvement.

Prepare a few non-clitched questions that you'd like to ask the interviewers.

Have good sleep and freshen up properly before the interview(s).

During the interview

1. Be calm

Don't worry, the interviewer is also a normal person,
they were also in your shoes not too long ago.

2. Don't cheat

No doubt, the interviewer is a normal person,
but not an idiot person.

3. Be in your game mode

4. Ask clarifying questions

5. Get the brute force approach out of the way

6. Don't get stuck on 1 approach

7. If nothing else seems to be working, then, in your mind, try to think algorithm-by-algorithm.

8. Whatever you think needs to be communicated, don't hesitate in doing that. The less the pauses, the better it is.

9. Make sure that almost all the aspects are clear, before getting to code.

10. Write Clean Code

11. Try not to ask for hints.

12. In the end, don't just ask "How is it working at the XYZ Company?" :)

That's it.

Thank You!

Reminder: Going to the gym & observing the trainer work out can help you know the right technique, but you'll muscle up only if you lift some weights yourself.

So, PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!