

A large, spreading tree with many branches and a thick trunk, set against a bright sky.

CSCI 1102 Computer Science 2

Meeting 1: Thursday 1/28/2021
Getting Started



CS2

CS1

Two Main Themes

1. Learning classic data structures & algorithms
2. Craftsmanship of software

Data Structures & Algorithms

Example: Data Compression

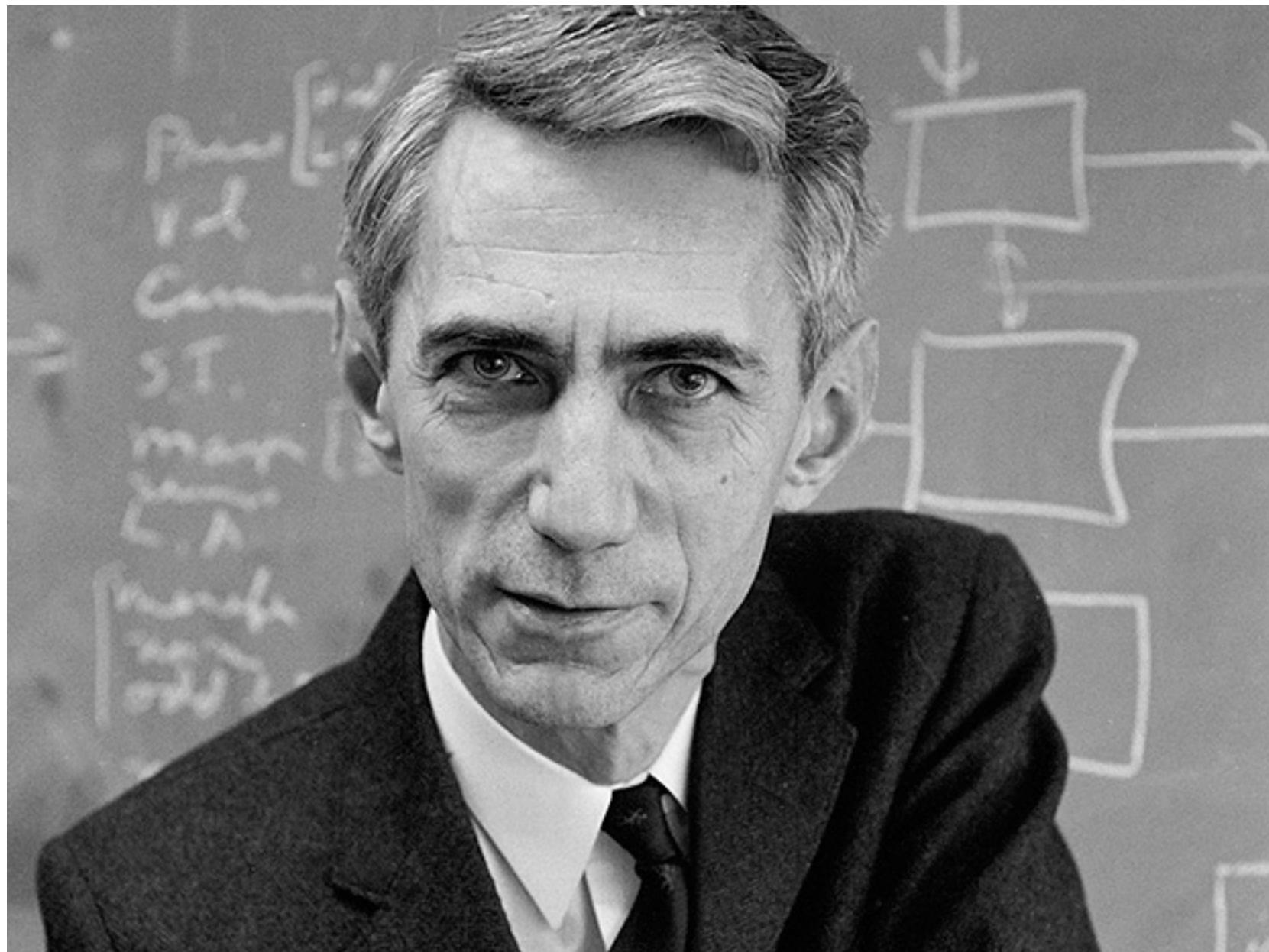
“ALABAMA”

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7 letters x 8-bits per letter => 56 bits

“ALABAMA”

‘A’ is run of the mill, ‘B’, ‘L’, & ‘M’
are more *interesting*, i.e., contain more
Information than ‘A’.



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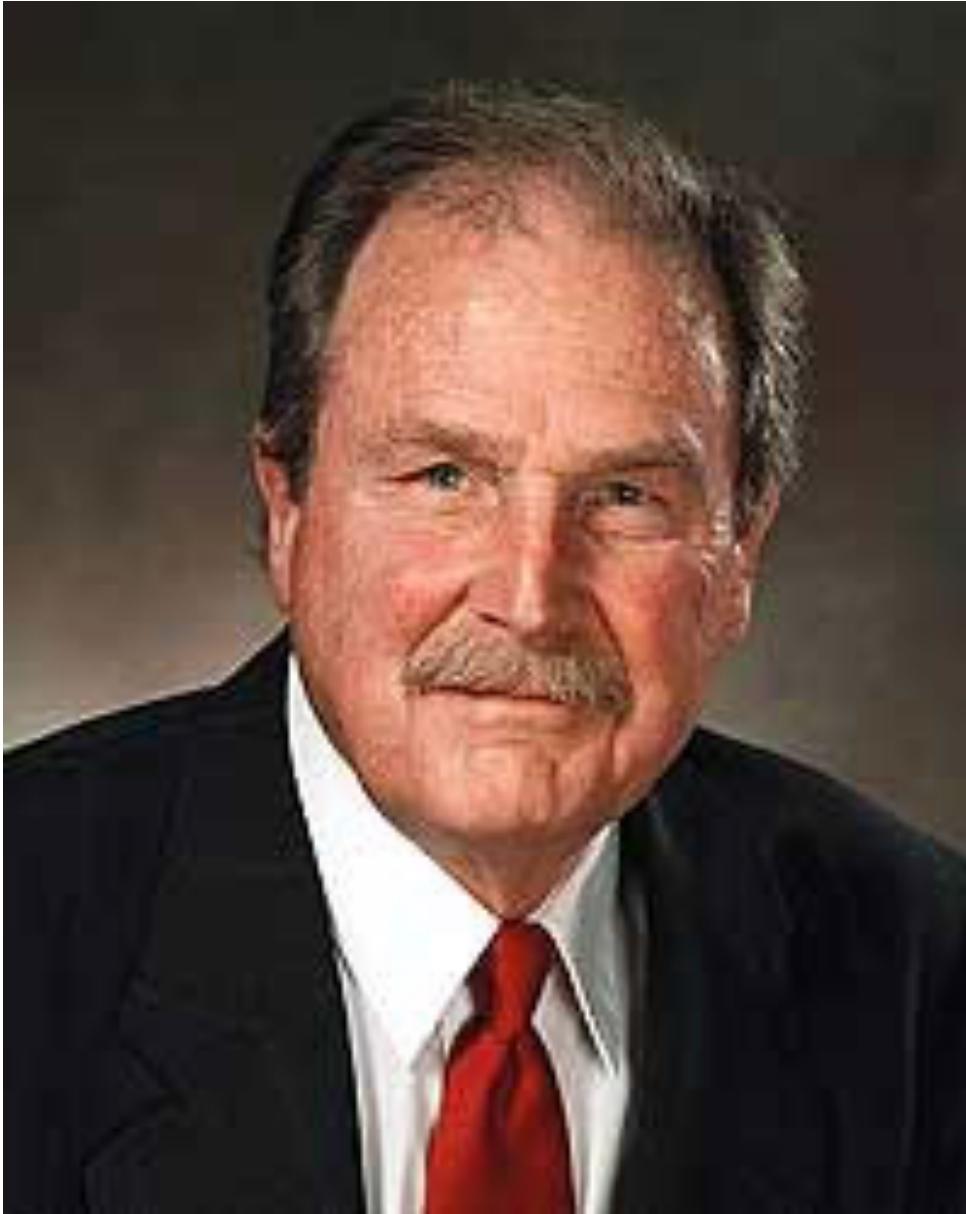
A Mathematical Theory of Communication

By C. E. SHANNON

INTRODUCTION

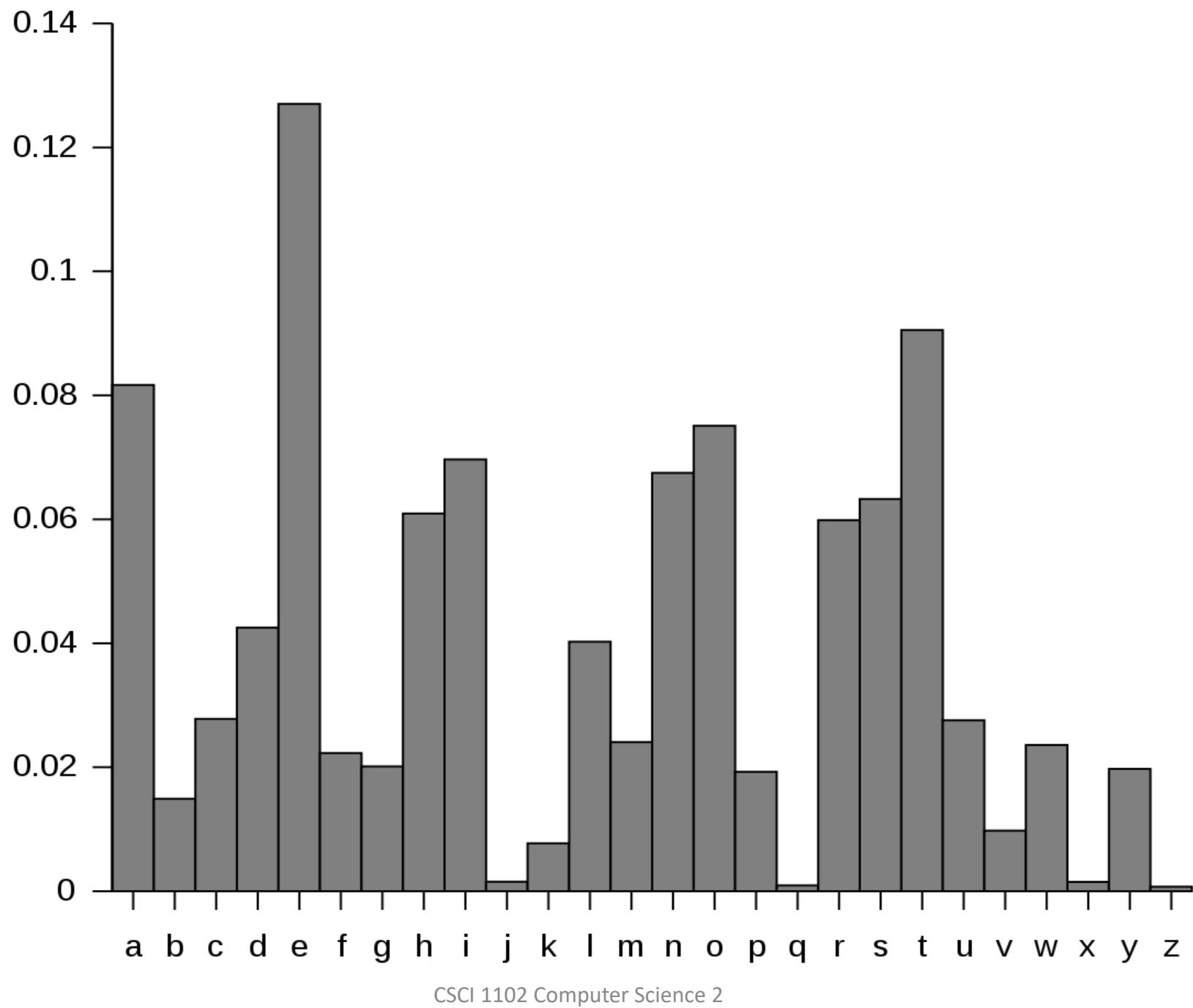
THE recent development of various methods of modulation such as PCM and PPM which exchange bandwidth for signal-to-noise ratio has intensified the interest in a general theory of communication. A basis for such a theory is contained in the important papers of Nyquist¹ and Hartley² on this subject. In the present paper we will extend the theory to include a number of new factors, in particular the effect of noise in the channel, and the savings possible due to the statistical structure of the original message and due to the nature of the final destination of the information.

The fundamental problem of communication is that of reproducing at one point either exactly or approximately a message selected at another point. Frequently the messages have *meaning*; that is they refer to or are correlated according to some system with certain physical or conceptual entities. These semantic aspects of communication are irrelevant to the engineering problem. The significant aspect is that the actual



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Instead of an 8-bit fixed-length code for a letter, choose a variable-length code reflecting the amount of information in the letter.



“ALABAMA”

A₄ L₁ B₁ M₁

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A Frequency Table

A Queue



A Priority Queue



B₁ L₁ M₁ A₄



Low frequency
=> High Priority, head
of the queue!
(letters arrived in
alphabetical order)

High frequency
⇒ Low Priority,
back of the queue!

B₁ L₁ M₁ A₄

Algorithm step: while the priority queue has more than one entry, remove two entries, combine them and reinsert the result back into the priority queue.

B₁ L₁ M₁ A₄

B₁

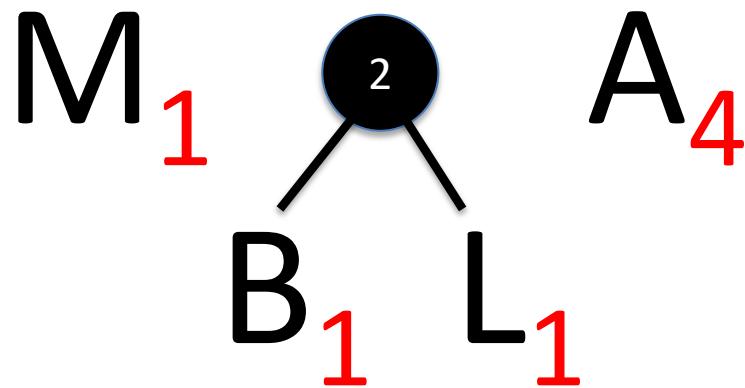
L₁

M₁ A₄

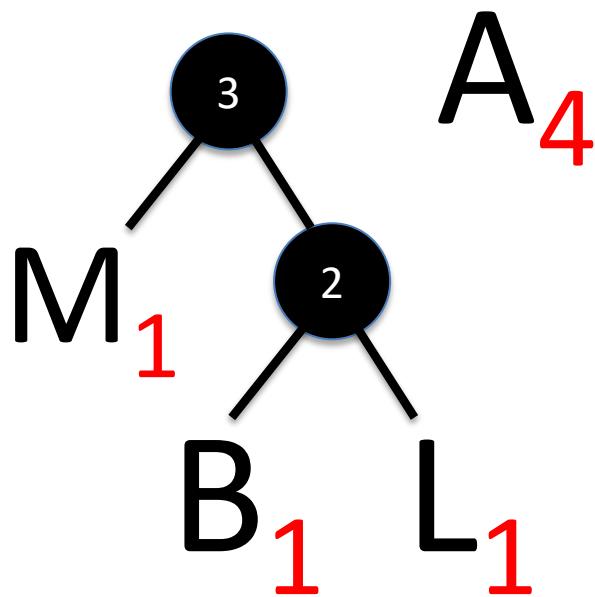
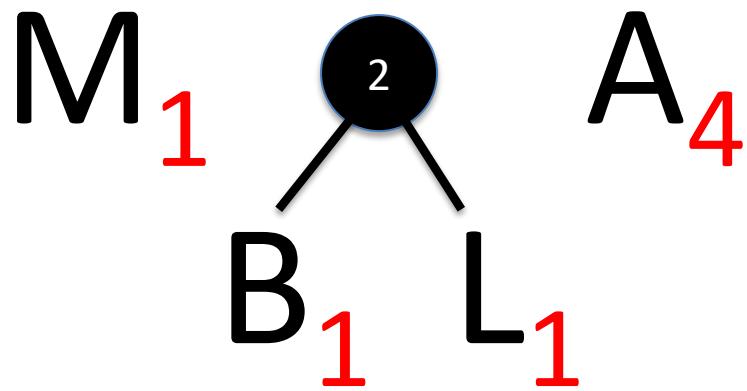


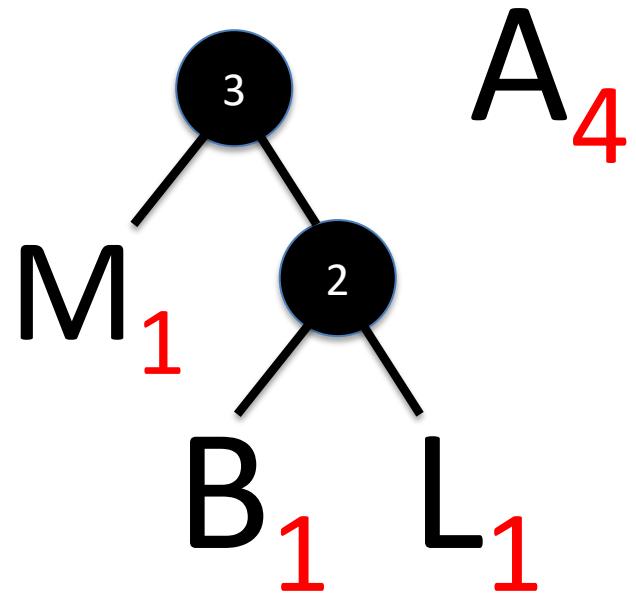
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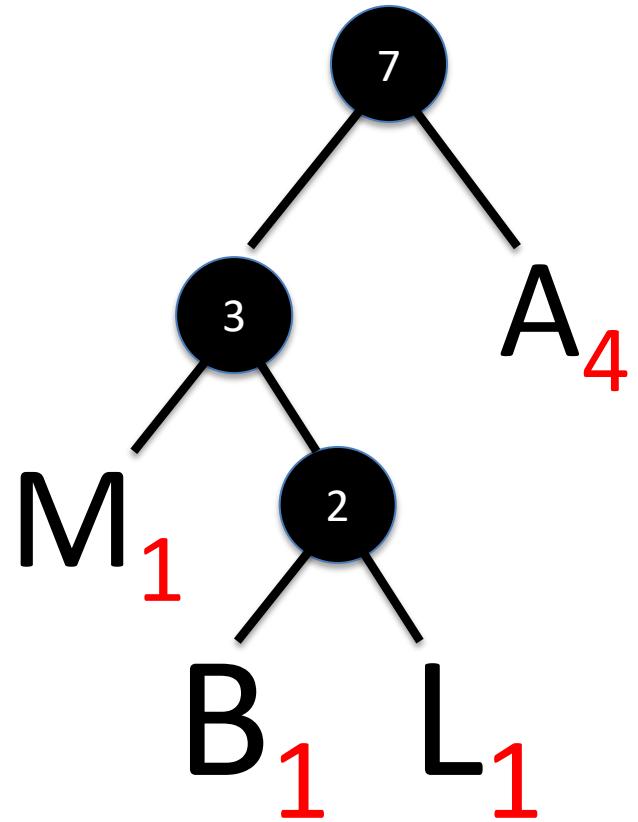
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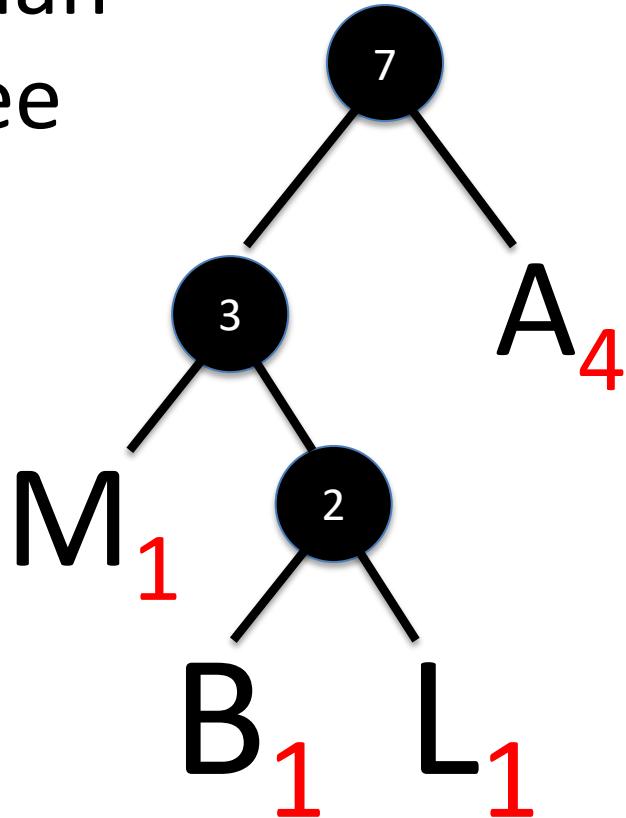
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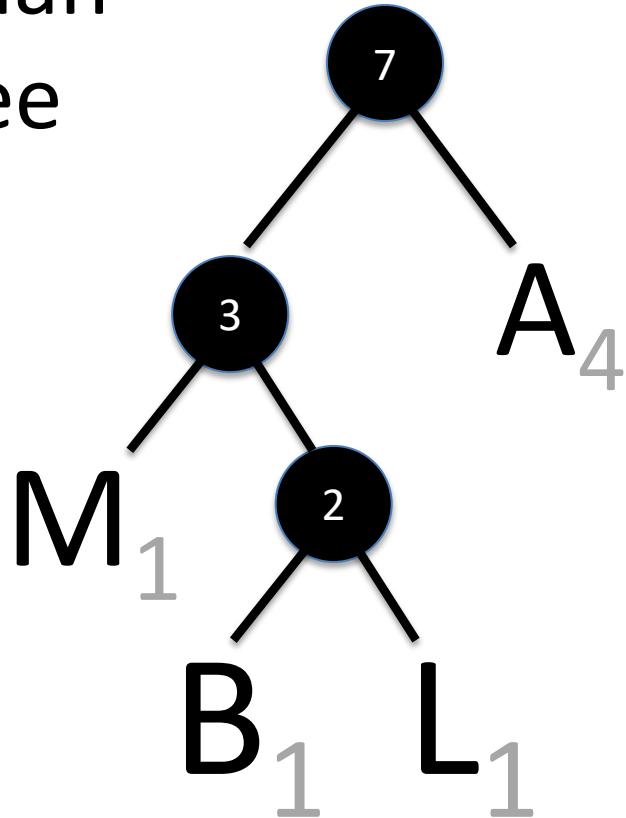




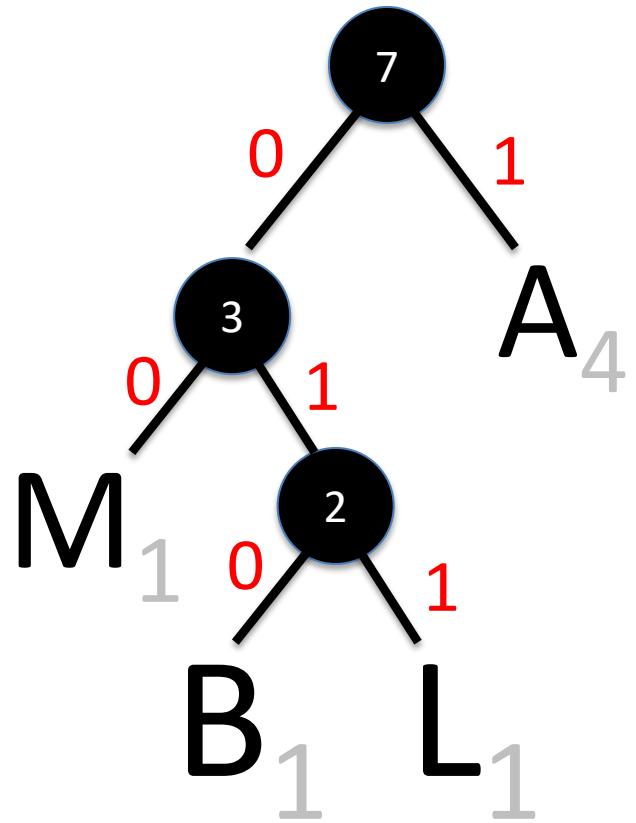
The Huffman Coding Tree

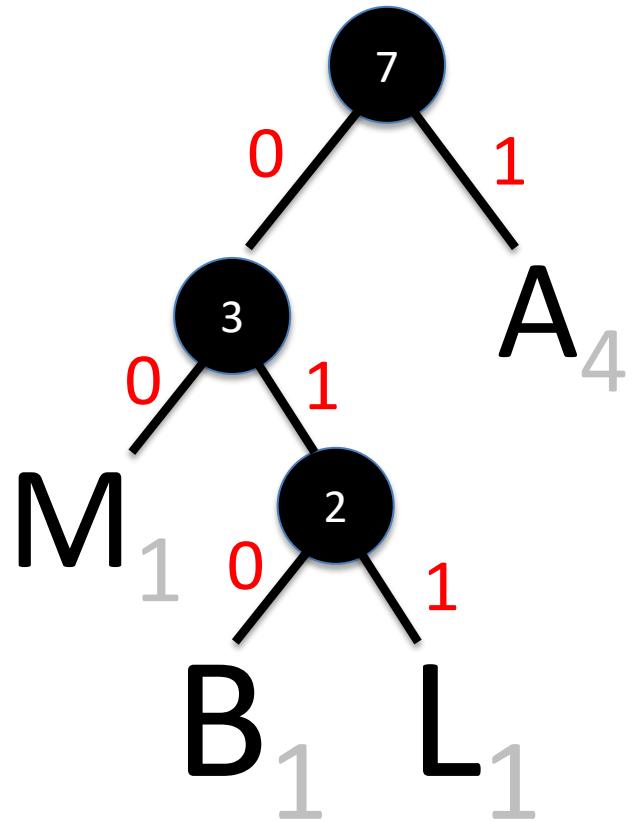


The Huffman Coding Tree



Left = 0
Right = 1





M = 00, B = 010; L = 011; A = 1

A L A B A M A

1 011 1 010 1 001

M = 00, B = 010; L = 011; A = 1

ALABAMA

101110101001

12 bits << 56 bits

M = 00, B = 010; L = 011; A = 1

2. Craftsmanship of software

How to write good code

- Correct
- Performant
- Easy to read
- Easy to write
- Modular
- Maintainable

Data Abstraction



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E.g., *Frequency Table*

- Our programming language has **types** `int`, `real`, `string`, etc, but there is no **frequency table** type.
- *How to design and develop a new type?*

Abstract Data Types

- Decide what a client ought to be able to do with values of the new type, the **operations**.
- Decide how to **represent** the new type so that the operations can be *implemented efficiently*.

Subplot

Trade-offs between block-allocation
and linked allocation

Standard Data Structures & Algorithms

- Stacks, Queues, Deques, Priority Queues, Binary Heaps, Binary Search Trees, Balanced Trees, Hash Tables, etc
- Searching and Sorting

What this course is not about

This course uses the Java
programming language as a tool,
Java is *not* the subject of the course.

This course is not about and does
not cover object-oriented
programming; in fact we don't use
it at all.

Pragmatics

Who are We?

- Instructor: Robert Muller
- TAs:
 - Callie Sardina, Head TA
 - Kristen Bayreuther
 - Emma Huang
 - Liam Murphy

We're here to help.



Algorithms

FOURTH EDITION

ROBERT SEDGEWICK | KEVIN WAYNE

ALGORITHMS, 4TH EDITION

*essential information that
every serious programmer
needs to know about
algorithms and data structures*

Online content. This booksite contains tens of thousands of files, fully coordinated with our textbook and also useful as a stand-alone resource. It consists of the following elements:

- *Excerpts.* A condensed version of the text narrative, for reference while online.
- *Lectures.* Curated studio-produced online videos, suitable for remote instruction via CUvids
- *Java code.* The algorithms and clients in this textbook, along with the standard libraries they use.
- *Exercises.* Selected exercises from the book and “web exercises” developed since its publication, along with solutions to selected exercises.
- *Programming assignments.* Creative programming assignments that we have used at Princeton.

You can explore these resources via the sidebar at left.

Textbook. The textbook *Algorithms, 4th Edition* by Robert Sedgewick and Kevin Wayne [[Amazon](#) · [Pearson](#) · [InformIT](#)] surveys the most important algorithms and data structures in use today. We motivate each algorithm that we address by examining its impact on applications to science, engineering, and industry. The textbook is organized into six chapters:

- *Chapter 1: Fundamentals* introduces a scientific and engineering basis for comparing algorithms and making predictions. It also includes our programming model.
- *Chapter 2: Sorting* considers several classic sorting algorithms, including insertion sort, mergesort, and quicksort. It also features a binary heap implementation of a priority queue.
- *Chapter 3: Searching* describes several classic symbol-table implementations, including binary search trees, red-black trees, and hash tables.
- *Chapter 4: Graphs* surveys the most important graph-processing problems, including depth-first search, breadth-first search, minimum spanning trees, and shortest paths.
- *Chapter 5: Strings* investigates specialized algorithms for string processing, including radix sorting, substring search, tries, regular expressions, and data compression.

Joshua Bloch

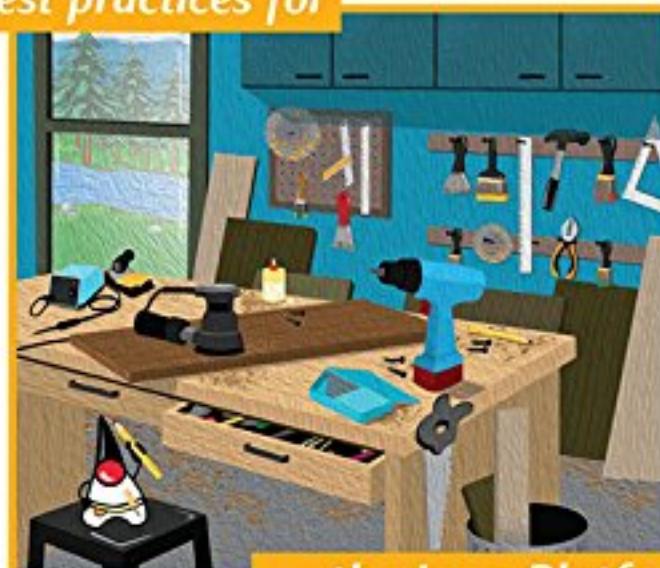
Updated
for
Java 9



Effective Java

Third Edition

Best practices for



...the Java Platform



The screenshot shows a Java code editor with the file `TestAlgs4.java` open. The code is a simple program that draws a blue bullseye on a black background using the `StdDraw` library. The code includes comments explaining its purpose and how to compile and run it.

```
three – TestAlgs4.java
Project: three [COS 226] SOURCES TestAlgs4.java .gitignore External Libraries
1  ****
2  * Compilation: javac -algs4 TestAlgs4.java
3  * Execution: java -algs4 TestAlgs4
4  * Dependencies: StdDraw.java
5  * https://algs4.cs.princeton.edu/mac/cover.jpg
6  *
7  * Draws a blue bullseye with a greeting in the center.
8  *
9  ****
10 import edu.princeton.cs.algs4.StdDraw;
11
12 import java.awt.Font;
13
14 public class TestAlgs4 {
15     public static void main(String[] args) {
16
17         StdDraw.setScale(-1, 1);
18         StdDraw.clear(StdDraw.BLACK);
19
20         // draw the bullseye
21         StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.BOOK_BLUE);
22         StdDraw.filledCircle(0, 0, 0.9);
23         StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.BLACK);
24         StdDraw.filledCircle(0, 0, 0.8);
25         StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.BOOK_BLUE);
26
27     }
28 }
```

Terminal: Terminal +

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rm:~/teaching/cs1102/s21/dev/psets/01/solution/three\>
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★ Favorites

Git TODO SpotBugs Terminal CheckStyle Event Log

The Checkstyle rules file could not be read (a minute ago)

9:2 LF UTF-8 2 spaces main

A screenshot of a web browser showing a GitHub repository page for "BC-CSCI1102 / s21".

The browser's address bar shows the URL github.com/BC-CSCI1102/s21. The page title is "BC-CSCI1102 / s21".

The repository navigation bar includes links for Pull requests, Issues, Marketplace, and Explore.

The main content area displays the repository's code structure:

- Branch: main (selected)
- Branches: 1 branch
- Tags: 0 tags

Recent commits:

Commit	Message	Time
443de74	dogfishbar initial	16 hours ago
		16 hours ago
		12 days ago
		17 hours ago

Code navigation buttons: Go to file, Add file, Code (dropdown).

The repository details sidebar includes:

- About**: CSCI 1102 Computer Science 2 - Spring 2021, Readme.
- Releases**: No releases published, Create a new release.
- Packages**: No packages published, Publish your first package.

The README.md file content is displayed:

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Sections 04 and 05

Spring 2021

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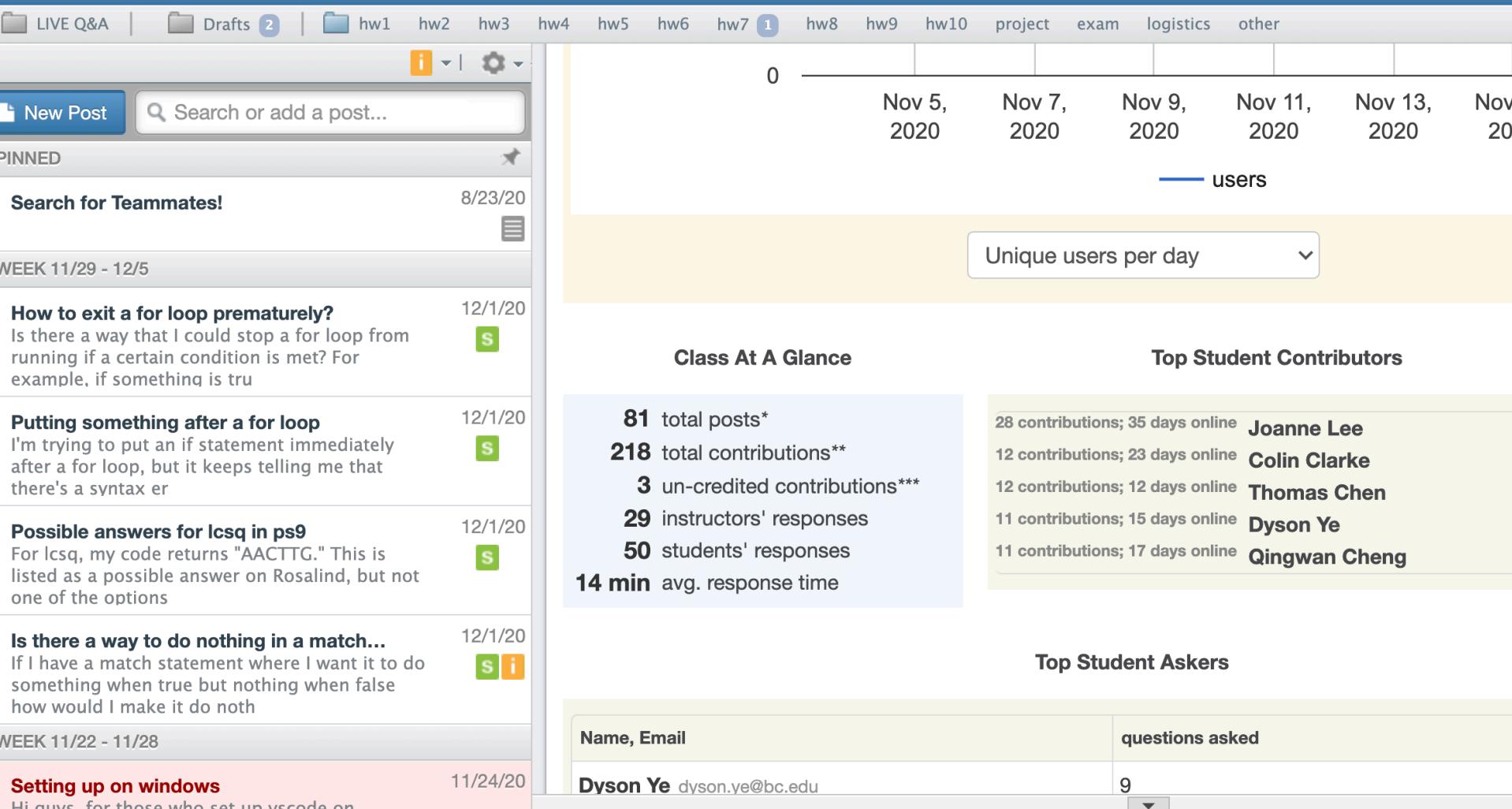
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Work

- Ten software projects
- Three short quizzes
- Reading
- Participation – class & piazza forum

Grading

- Ten software projects – 140 points
- Three short quizzes – 30 points
- Reading
- Participation – 30 points



Challenges

- This damnable pandemic and all that entails.
- Pythonistas: coming to terms with types
- OCamlers:
 - No either/or types or pattern matching;
 - Imperative style, mutability is the default.

First couple of weeks



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How to Succeed

- Actually read the **Algorithms** textbook!
- Start problem sets right away.
- Persist! --- If you're not confused and uncomfortable most of the time, you aren't doing it right.
- Work a little harder to stay engaged.

