

dont know	know a bit	OK	good!	master	COMS 311 TOPICS				
1	2	3	4	5	BIG-OH	week4	week3	week2	week1
					Basics				x
					Definitions of big-oh, omega, theta $c>0$, $n\geq 0$ (7 things)				x
					big-omega				x
					big-theta				x
					Intuition/understanding (graph)				x
					tighter and weaker bounds			x	x
					how to prove $O/\Omega/\Theta$ techniques				x
					for polynomials choose $c > \text{sum of coeff}$ or coeff for omega				x
					for same type compare exponents				x
					take log				x
					Application to Algorithms				x
					ram model (vs actual)				x
					instances and runtime graphs			x	x
					WCET, BCET, ACET			x	x
					Big-oh of code segments			x	x
					problem complexity and algorithmic complexity				x
					code examples of different O s				x
					Big-oh in real world			x	
					real code times (matrix mult)			x	
					effect of cache/pipelining etc			x	
					choosing algo in real-world vs big-Oh			x	
					constants might matter more in real world than O			x	
					easier implementation might make the diff			x	
					Dominance Relationships				x
					logs beat constants				x
					poly beats all logs				x
					exp beats all poly				x
					fact beats all exp				x
					n^n beats fact				x
1	2	3	4	5	DATA STRUCTURES				
					Basic			x	x
					arrays (sorted/unordered)			x	x
					linked lists (singly/doubly; sorted/unordered)			x	x
					comparison of arrays and linked lists			x	x
					Basic Abstract Data Types			x	x
					Stack, Queue (implementations using array/linkedlists)			x	x
					comparison of operations of diff impl of stack/queue			x	x
					reasons for differences			x	x
					Dictionaries		x	x	
					Hash Tables		x	x	
					Other ADTs and their Java Implementations		x	x	

					Binary Search Trees		x	x	
					Priority Search Queues		x	x	
					Heap impl		x	x	
					Fast Heap Impl and Analysis		x		
					Storing points, graphs, sets etc		x	x	
					graphs	x	x	x	
					sets	x	x	x	
					big-oh of operations on data structures		x	x	
					algorithms on data structures (BST, HEAP etc)		x	x	
1	2	3	4	5	GRAPHS (unweighted)				
					BFS	x	x		
					connected components	x	x		
					two-color problem	x	x		
					DFS on undirected graphs (tree and back edges)	x	x		
					articulation vertices (parent, root, bridge cutnodes)	x			
					DFS on directed graphs(tree,back,cross,forward)	x			
					topological sorting/DAG	x			
					strongly connected components	x			
					following algorithm by marking graph	x			
					big-oh of graph algorithms	x	x		
1	2	3	4	5	P-NP				
					Intro Concepts				x
					the diagram and four classes of problems	x			x
					informal (solvable, probab intract, provably intract, prov unsolvable)	x			x
					examples of problems in four classes	x			x
					Halting Problem	x			x
					Hamiltonian Cycle Enumeration problem	x			x
					Hamiltonian Cycle Search problem	x			x
					Independent Set problem	x			x
					Search/Sort problems	x			x
					Classes of problems				
					Undecidable (prove Halting problem is undecidable)	x			x
					P	x			x
					NP	x			x
					prove P is a subset of NP				
					NP-Complete (probably intractable class)				x
					why if a NP-C problem is in P, then P=NP				
					provably intractable classes				x
					NP-Hard problems				
					Reduction				
					optimization, search, decision and reductions	x			
					definition of polynomial-time reduction & notation	x			
					conclusions (or implications of) from $Y \leq_p X$	x			
					transitive property ($x \leq_p y, y \leq_p z \Rightarrow x \leq_p z$)	x			

					how to prove $X \leq_p Y$ (the three steps)	x			
					interval sched \leq_p IS	x			
					vector cover \leq_p IS	x			
					IS \leq_p vector cover	x			
					bipartite matching \leq_p IS	x			
					NP-Complete				
					Definition and Intuition				
					The first NP-C problem (circuitSAT) & Cook-Levin's theorem				
					how to prove that a problem is NP-C				
					prove 3-SAT is NP-C				
					prove IS is NP-C				
					prove VC is NP-C				
1	2	3	4	5	PROOF TECHNIQUES				
					Why is proving important?				x
					Job selection problem				x
					solutions to JS problem				x
					why is proving so important?				x
					CALCULUS				PreReq
					propositional logic rules				PreReq
					predicate logic rules				PreReq
					form of deduction proofs				PreReq
					DIFFERENT TECHNIQUES			x	PreReq
					contradiction (and correct form)		x	x	PreReq
					induction (form)			x	PreReq
					direct proof (see form of deduction proofs)			x	PreReq
					trivial/vacuous			x	PreReq
					contrapositive	x		x	PreReq
					EXAMPLES IN CLASS				PreReq
					contradiction (and correct form)		x		PreReq
					induction (form)				PreReq
					direct proof (see form of deduction proofs)				PreReq
					trivial/vacuous				PreReq
					contrapositive	x			PreReq
					Proofs in class				
					Halting problem is undecidable		x	x	PreReq
					VC \leq_p IS and IS \leq_p VC	x			
					select jobs satisfies greedy choice + opt substructuring				
					Proving Code correct				
					Loop invariants				
					proof of recursive codes..				
1	2	3	4	5	ALGORITHMIC TECHNIQUES				
					BRUTE FORCE TECHNIQUES				

