Computer Science 228 Introduction to Data Structures Spring 2015 Tentative Schedule

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Week 1: January 12–16

- Jan. 12: Introduction: course staff; course policies; overview of the course. Algorithms and abstract data types.
- Jan. 14: Modularity and abstraction. Objects and classes; overview of encapsulation, inheritance, and polymorphism. Java interfaces.
- Jan. 16: Inheritance: interface implementation and class extension; overriding. Polymorphism: compile-time types, runtime types, and dynamic binding.

Week 2: January 19–23

- Jan. 19: University holiday; no class.
- Jan. 21: More on polymorphism and dynamic binding. Abstract classes.
- Jan. 23: Access modifiers. The Object class. Primitive types versus object types. Object equality and the equals () method.

Week 3: January 26–30

- Jan. 26: More on equals (): deep versus shallow comparison. Copying and cloning.
- Jan. 28: Shallow copying versus deep copying; copy constructors; cloning. Static variables and static methods.
- Jan. 30: Lifetime of variables. Review of exception handling.

Week 4: February 2-6

- Feb. 2: Analysis of algorithms and big-O notation.
- Feb. 4: Binary search; further examples of algorithm analysis.
- Feb. 6: Sorting; selection sort and insertion sort; big-O analysis.

Week 5: February 9-13

- Feb. 9: Mergesort. Partitioning and quicksort.
- Feb. 11: Implementing and analyzing quicksort.
- Feb. 13: The Comparable interface and the Comparator interface.

Week 6: February 16-20

- Feb. 16: Sorting with generics.
- Feb. 18: Review for exam.
- Feb. 19:
 - **Exam 1:** 6:45pm-7:45pm,
- Feb. 20: No lecture.

Week 7: February 23–27

- *Feb. 23:* More on generics: raw types and erasure. The Java Collections framework; iterators and the Java Iterator interface.
- Feb. 25: Array implementation of collections.
- Feb. 27: Introduction to linked lists. Linked list implementation of collections.

Week 8: March 2-6

- Mar. 2: Linked list implementation of collections, continued.
- *Mar. 4:* The List interface and the ListIterator interface.
- *Mar. 6:* Linked list implementations of the List interface.

Week 9: March 9-13

- Mar. 9: Stacks and queues; applications.
- Mar. 11: Introduction to trees.
- Mar. 13: Implementing binary trees.

Week 10: March 16-20

Spring break; no class.

Week 11: March 23-27

- Mar. 23: Introduction to binary search trees.
- Mar. 25: Review for exam.
- Mar. 26:
 - **Exam 2:** 6:45pm-7:45pm
- Mar. 27: No lecture.

Week 12: March 30-April 3

- Mar. 30: Implementing binary search trees.
- Apr. 1: Introduction to heaps pseudocode and big-O analysis.
- *Apr. 3:* Implementing heaps.

Week 13: April 6-10

- Apr. 6: The Map interface.
- Apr. 8: Graphs: definitions; directed graphs; undirected graphs.
- Apr. 10: Depth-first search; breadth-first search.

Week 14: April 13–17

- Apr. 13: Minimum spanning trees; Prim's algorithm.
- Apr. 15: Single-source shortest paths; Dijkstra's algorithm.
- Apr. 17: Examples.

Week 15: April 20–24

- Apr. 20: Hashing: basic concepts.
- Apr. 22: Hash functions; hashcode(); equals() revisited.
- Apr. 24: Implementing chained hashing.

Week 16: April 27-May 1 (Dead week)

- Apr. 27: Finish implementation of chained hashing.
- Apr. 29: Review for final exam.
- May. 1: Review of practice problems.

Week 17: May 4-8

Final Exam week; no class.