Course Overview

Data Structures C++ for C Coders

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What does the data structure mean?

- Data structures:
 - methods to store and organize data in a computer so that it can be used efficiently.
 - A key to designing efficient algorithms.
- Algorithms:
 - methods for solving a problem
- Data structures &algorithms are the fundamentals of programming.
 - To become a good computer scientist or engineering it is essential
 to master the data structures and algorithms and learn to
 apply them to the real world problems.



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What is this course?

- Intermediate-level course.
- Programming after programming for problem solving with applications.

topic	data structures and algorithms
concepts	algorithms, time-complexity, array and structure
data types	linked list, array, stack, queue, trees, union-find, bag, priority queues
sorting	selection sort, quick sort, merge sort, heap sort
searching	binary search tree, hashing
graph	BFS, DFS

Their impact is broad and far-reaching

- Internet Web search, packet routing, distributed file sharing, ...
- Social networks News feeds, advertisements, ...
- Computers Circuit layout, file system, compilers, ...
- Computer graphics Movies, video games, virtual reality, ...
- Multimedia MP3, JPG, DivX, HDTV, face recognition, ...
- Security Cell phones, e-commerce, voting machines, ...
- Biology Human genome project, protein folding, ...
- Physics N-body simulation, particle collision simulation, ...











To become a proficient programmer.

"Algorithms + Data Structures = Programs." — Niklaus Wirth



"An **algorithm** must be seen to be believed." — Donald Knuth

"I will, in fact, claim that the difference between a bad programmer and a good one is whether he considers his code or his data structures more important. Bad programmers worry about the code. Good programmers worry about data structures and their relationships."

— Linus Torvalds (creator of Linux)

Algorithms – Old roots, new opportunities.

- Study of algorithms dates at least to Euclid.
- Formalized by Church and Turing in 1930s.
- Some important **algorithms** were discovered by undergraduates in a course like this.
- Then, why data structures?
 It always comes with algorithms like its shadow.

Ex. Fast Fourier Transform(FFT) Algorithm

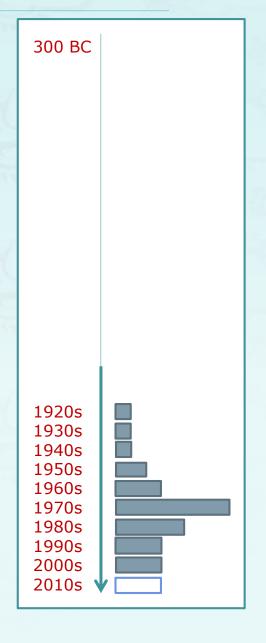
Joseph Fourier(1768-1830) used for heat-transfer computation.

1805 - invented by Carl Friedrich Gauss.

1965 – popularized by James Cooley(IBM) and John Tukey(Princeton).

1986 – JPEG(Joint Photographic Experts Group) was formed.

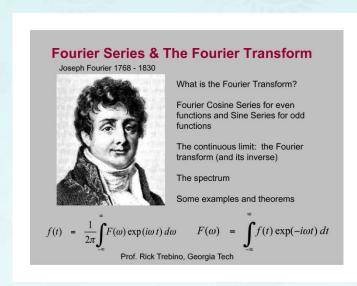
1992 – issued the first standard of JPEG using DCT Discrete cosine transform – another form of FFT.



They may unlock the secrets of life and of the universe.

Computational models are replacing math models in scientific inquiry. Ex. Fourier Transform → Fast FT algorithm → Image Processing → JPEG/MPEG

1805 1965 \ 1992



~ old century science (formula based)

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RECURSIVE-FFT(a)
                                             \triangleright n is a power of 2.
  1 \quad n \leftarrow length[a]
  2 if n = 1
             then return a
       \omega_n \leftarrow e^{2\pi i/n}
       a^{[0]} \leftarrow (a_0, a_2, \dots, a_{n-2})
       a^{[1]} \leftarrow (a_1, a_3, \dots, a_{n-1})
  8 v^{[0]} \leftarrow \text{Recursive-FFT}(a^{[0]})
      v^{[1]} \leftarrow \text{Recursive-FFT}(a^{[1]})
10 for k \leftarrow 0 to n/2 - 1
               do y_k \leftarrow y_k^{[0]} + \omega y_k^{[1]}
                     y_{k+(n/2)} \leftarrow y_k^{[0]} - \omega y_k^{[1]}
                      \omega \leftarrow \omega \cdot \omega_n
                                             \triangleright v is assumed to be column vector.
 14 return v
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21th century science (algorithm based)

- Their impact is broad and far-reaching.
- Old roots, new opportunities.
- To solve problems that could not otherwise be addressed.
- For intellectual stimulation.
- To become a proficient programmer.
- They may unlock the secrets of life and of the universe.
- For fun and profit..



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