## Algorithms and Data Structures Lecture 2

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## Examples

Sort 2 words alphabetically and then check if theyre identical

• Replace characters Score out already read characters

```
for each el1 in str1
  found = false
  i = 0
  while not found and i < len(str2)
    if el1 == str2[i]
       delete str2[i] = None
       found = true
    index++
    if not found
       return false
    return true</pre>
```

- This will take  $O(n^2)$  (Not efficient) Better way:
  - Use a dictionary count
  - Create dictionary

```
for each el1 in str1
    if el1 is key in dict
        dict[el1] += 1
    else
        dict[el1] = 1
for el2 in str2
    if el2 not in dict
        return falses
    else
        dict[el2] -= 1
```

```
for key in dict
   if dict[key] != 0
     return false
return true
```

## Count method:

• Create list of chars in alphabet of size 10,000

```
for el1 in str1
    list[el1]++

for el2 in str2
    list[el2]--

for each el in list
    if el != 0
        return false

return true
```

## Sort method:

```
sort(str1)
sort(str2)
i = 0
while i < len(str1)
    if str1[i] != str2[i]
        return false
return true</pre>
```