

SC1007

Structures and Algorithms

Introduction



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Course Schedule

Week	Lecture Topic	Tutorial	Lab	Assignment Deadline
1	Introduction to Data Structure			
2	Introduction Linked List (LL)			
3	Linked List (LL) – Linear Search		Lab 1 (LL)	
4	Stack and Queue (SQ) – Arithmetic Operations	T1(LL)	Lab 2 (SQ)	AS1: LL (09/02/2024)
5	Binary Trees (BT) and Binary Search Trees			
6	Binary Trees - Binary Search and AVL Trees	T2 (SQ)	Lab 3 (BT)	AS2: SQ (23/02/2024)
7	Analysis of Algorithm (AA)	T3 (BT & BST)	Lab 4 (BST)	AS3: BT (01/03/2024)
	Lab Test 1 (Recess Week: 05/03/2024 – 06/03/2024)			
8	Hash Table, Graph Representation			
9	BFS, DFS	T4 (AA)	Lab 5 (Hash Table)	
10	Backtracking, Permutation	T5 (Hash Table)	Lab 6 (Graph, BFS, DFS)	AS4: Hash Table (29/03/2024)
11	Dynamic Programming		Lab 7 (Backtracking)	
12	Matching	T6 (Graph)	Lab 8 (DP)	AS5: Graph (12/04/2024)
13	Revision			AS6: Permutation/ Matching (19/04/2024)
14	Lab Test 2 + Quiz (23/04/2024 – 24/04/2024)			

Course Schedule (Part-Time)

Week	Date	1830-1930	1930-2030	2030-2130	Venue
7	29-Feb-24	T3 (BT & BST)	Lab 4 (BST)	Lab 4 (BST)	SW2
Recess	07-Mar-24	Lab Test 1			SW2
8	14-Mar-24	Analysis of Algorithm (AA)		Hash Table	TR+3
9	21-Mar-24	Graph Representation, BFS, DFS	T4 (AA)	Lab 5 – Hash Table	SW2
10	28-Mar-24	Backtracking, Permutation	Lab 6 - Graph	Lab 6 - Graph	SW2
11	04-Apr-24	Dynamic Programming	Lab 7 - Backtracking	Lab 7 - Backtracking	SW2
12	11-Apr-24	T5 (Hash Table)	Lab 8 – Dynamic Programming	Lab 8 – Dynamic Programming	SW2
13	18-Apr-24	Matching Problem	Matching Problem	T6 (Graph)	TR+3
	25-Apr-24	Lab Test 2 + Final Quiz			SW2

Overview of SC1007

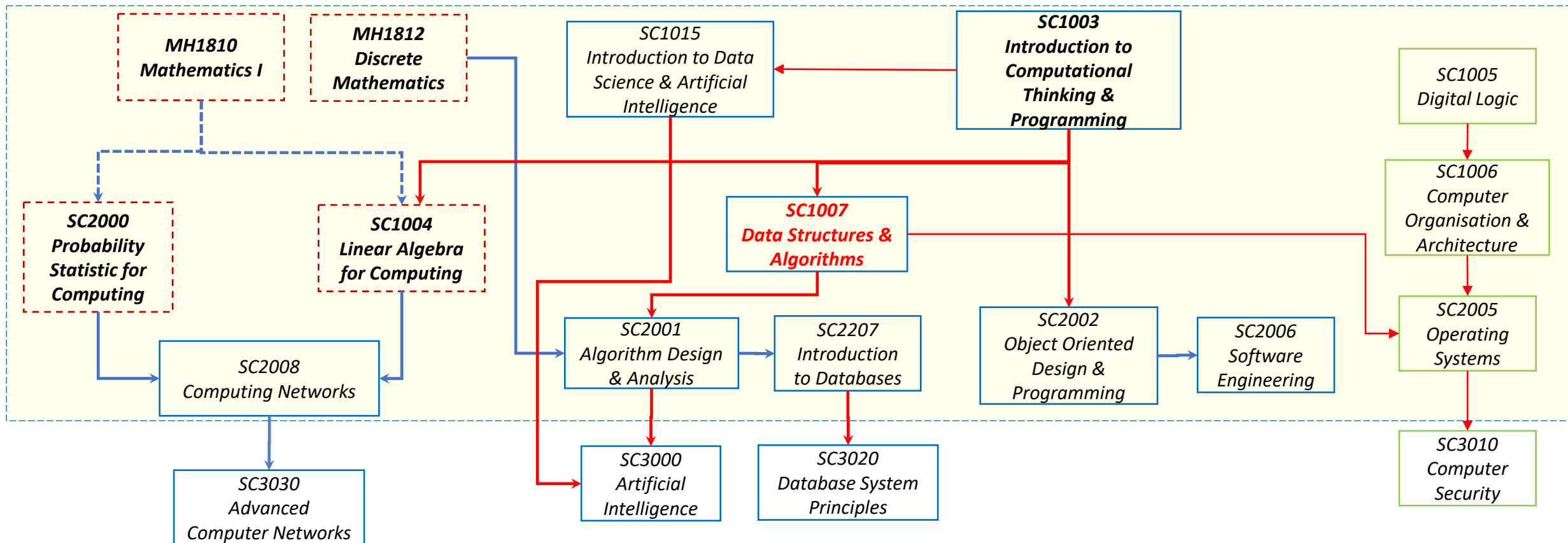
Data Structures:

- Concepts of pointers and structures (aggregates)
- Introduce some classical data structures
 - Linear: Linked list, stack, queue
 - Non-linear: tree
- Implement these data structures

Algorithms:

- Analysis of Algorithm – time complexity and space complexity
- Introduce to some typical algorithms and their applications
- Introduce to some algorithm design strategies

Why Learn Algorithms?



Why Learn Algorithms?

- Given two arrays num1 and num2. Both are sorted in ascending order. The length is m and n, respectively. Please find the median of the two arrays. The time complexity needs to be $O(\log(m + n))$.
- You are given a grid with two dimensions. The grid cell values are 1 or 0 only, where 1 represents land and 0 represents water. An island is lands surrounded by water. Each island is formed by connecting nearby lands vertically and/or horizontally. Please give the number of island in the given grid.
- Given a string s, please find the longest palindrome substring (e.g., tenet).

Why Learn Algorithms?

To Continuously Build a Way of
Thinking.

What is an Algorithm?

- Appear in Webster's New World Dictionary after 1957
- It is derived from the name of a Persian Mathematician in the 9th century.
- Euclidean algorithm for finding the greatest common divisor of two numbers – Euclid's Elements (300 B.C.)



algorithm

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noun

noun: **algorithm**; plural noun: **algorithms**

a process or set of rules to be followed in calculations or other problem-solving operations, especially by a computer.

"a basic **algorithm** for division"

Origin



late 17th century (denoting the Arabic or decimal notation of numbers): variant (influenced by Greek *arithmos* 'number') of Middle English *algorism*, via Old French from medieval Latin *algorismus*. The Arabic source, *al-Kwārizmī* 'the man of Kwārizm' (now Khiva), was a name given to the 9th-century mathematician Abū Ja'far Muhammad ibn Mūsa, author of widely translated works on algebra and arithmetic.

Translate algorithm to

Choose language

Use over time for: algorithm



Definitions from Oxford Languages

Feedback

What is an Algorithm?

- An algorithm is a sequence of unambiguous instructions for solving a problem, i.e., for obtaining a required output for any legitimate input in a finite amount of time.

Introduction to The Design & Analysis of Algorithms
-Anany Levitin

- An algorithm is any well-defined computational procedure that takes some value, or set of values, as input and produces some value, or set of values, as output.

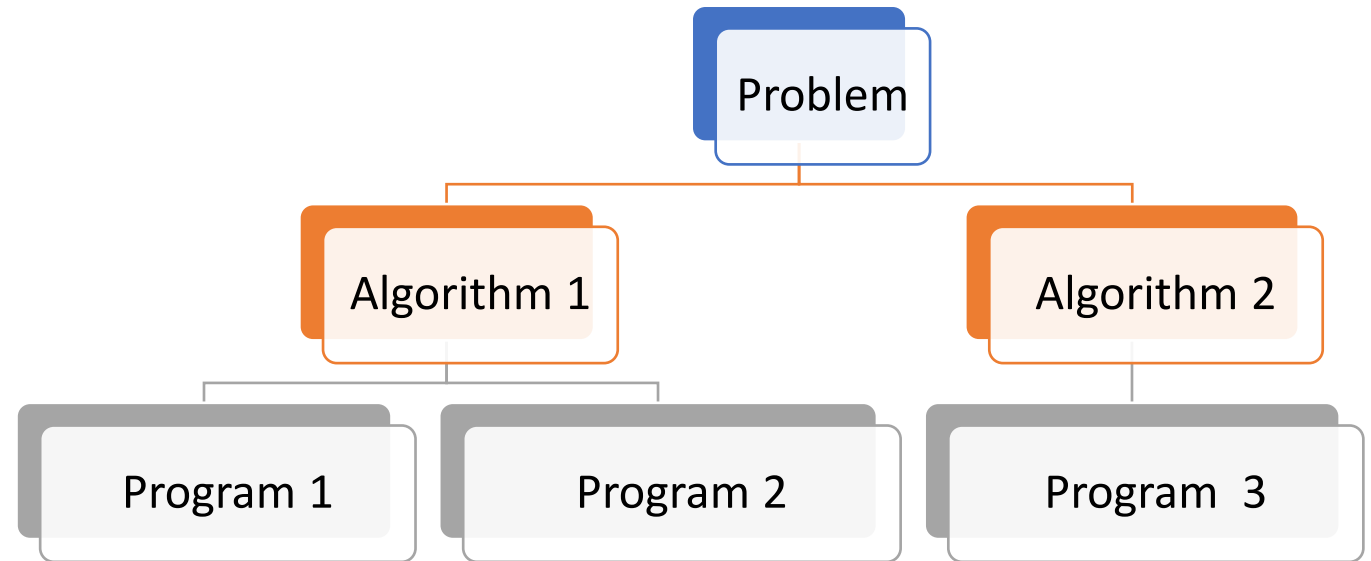
Introduction to Algorithms
-T. H. Cormen et. al.

What is an Algorithm?

- Correctness:
 - Output results must be correct and consistent for every given input instance
- Precision:
 - A series of well-defined and systematic steps
 - The steps should not contain any ambiguous word like maybe, roughly, about etc.
- Finiteness:
 - Terminates in a finite number of instructions

Algorithm VS. Program

- A computer program is an instance, or concrete representation of an algorithm in some programming languages.
- Implementation is the task of turning an algorithm into a computer program.



Example 1: Arithmetic Series

- There are many ways (algorithms) to solve a problem
- Summing up 1 to n , i.e., $1 + 2 + \dots + n$

Algorithm 1 Summing Arithmetic Sequence

```
1: function Method_One( $n$ )  
2: begin  
3:    $sum \leftarrow 0$   
4:   for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do  
5:      $sum \leftarrow sum + i$   
6: end
```

Algorithm 2 Summing Arithmetic

```
1: function Method_Two( $n$ )  
2: begin  
3:    $sum \leftarrow n * (1 + n) / 2$   
4: end
```

Algorithm 3 Summing Arithmetic Sequence

```
1: function Method_Three( $n$ )  
2: begin  
3:   if  $n=1$  then  
4:     return 1  
5:   else  
6:     return  $n + \text{Method\_Three}(n - 1)$   
7: end
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Example 2: Fibonacci Sequence

- 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...
- The n^{th} term is

$$f(n) = f(n - 1) + f(n - 2)$$



Which is a better algorithm?

Algorithm 4 Fibonacci Sequence: A Simple Recursive Function

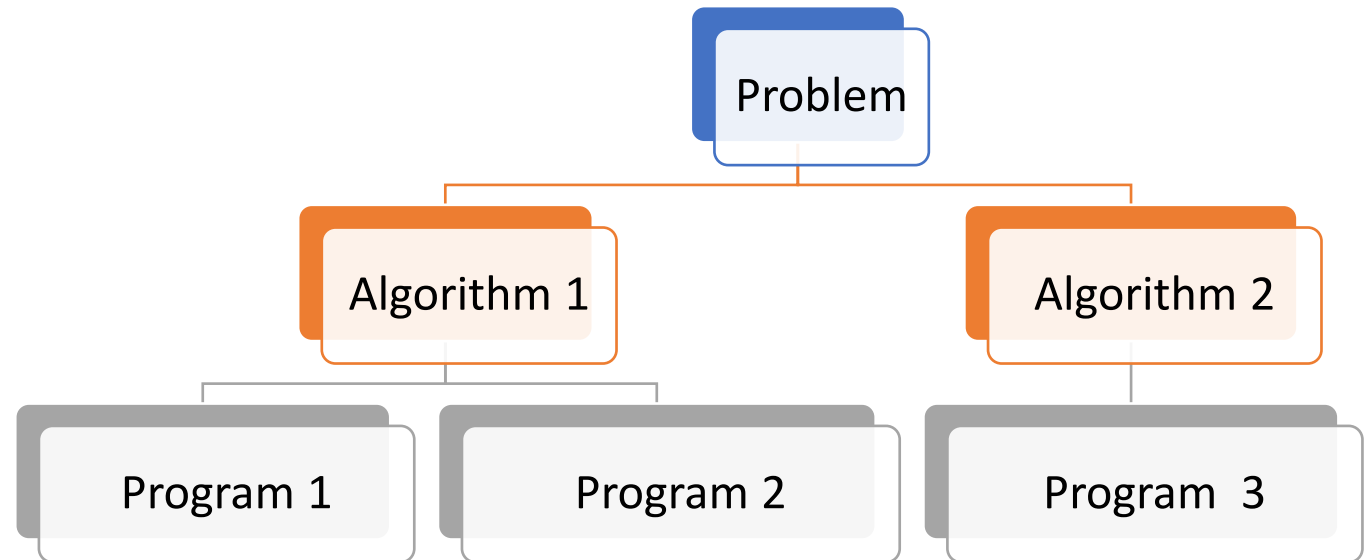
```
1: function Fibonacci_Recursive(n)
2: begin
3: if n<1 then
4:   return 0
5: if n==1 OR n==2 then
6:   return 1
7: return Fibonacci_Recursive(n-1)+Fibonacci_Recursive(n-2)
8: end
```

Algorithm 5 Fibonacci Sequence: A Simple Iterative Function

```
1: function Fibonacci_Iterative(n)
2: begin
3: if n<1 then
4:   return 0
5: if n==1 OR n==2 then
6:   return 1
7:  $F_1 \leftarrow 1$ 
8:  $F_2 \leftarrow 1$ 
9: for  $i = 3$  to  $n$  do
10:  begin
11:     $F_i \leftarrow F_{i-2} + F_{i-1}$ 
12:     $F_{i-2} \leftarrow F_{i-1}$ 
13:     $F_{i-1} \leftarrow F_i$ 
14:  end
15: return  $F_n$ 
16: end
```

Problem Types

- Searching
- Graph Problems
- Combinatorial Problems
- Sorting (SC2001/CZ2101)
- String Processing (SC2001/CZ2101)
- Geometric Problems
- Numerical Problems



Searching: Find a Search Key in a Given Set

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7	15	77	1	20	32	19	53
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Linear Search/ Sequential Search

5	3			7				
6			1	9	5			
	9	8					6	
8				6				3
4			8		3			1
7				2				6
	6					2	8	
			4	1	9			5
				8			7	9

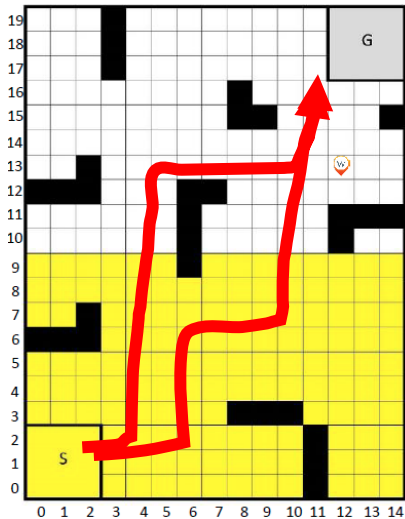
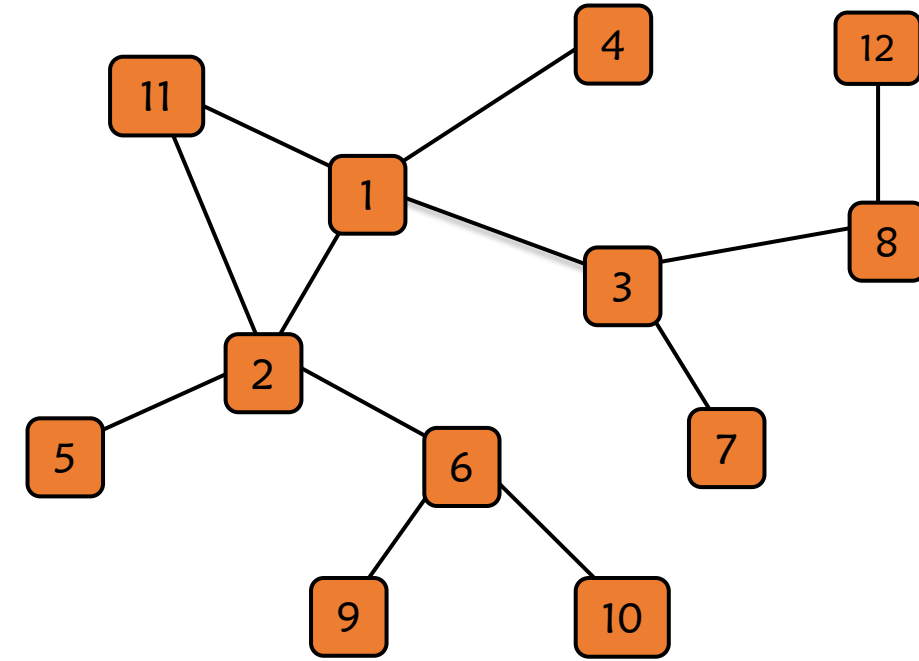
Sudoku

Hash Table

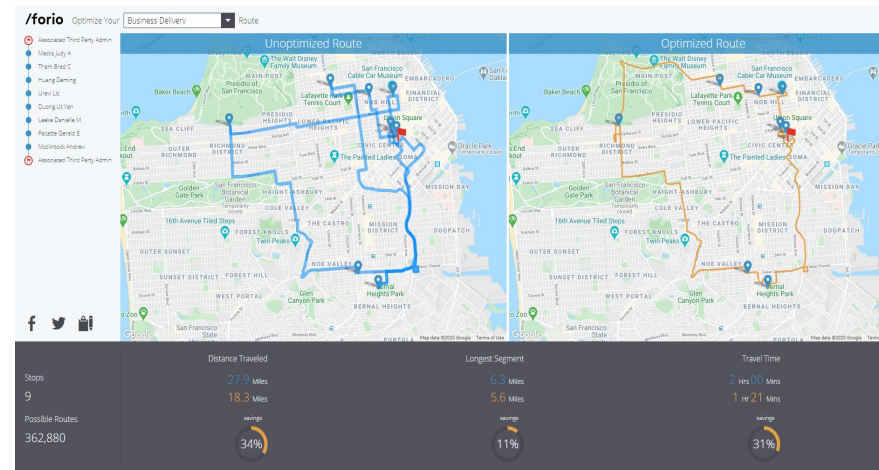
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	002	Harry, +369852
Tom	003	Dick, +965483
Dick
Harry

Graph Problems

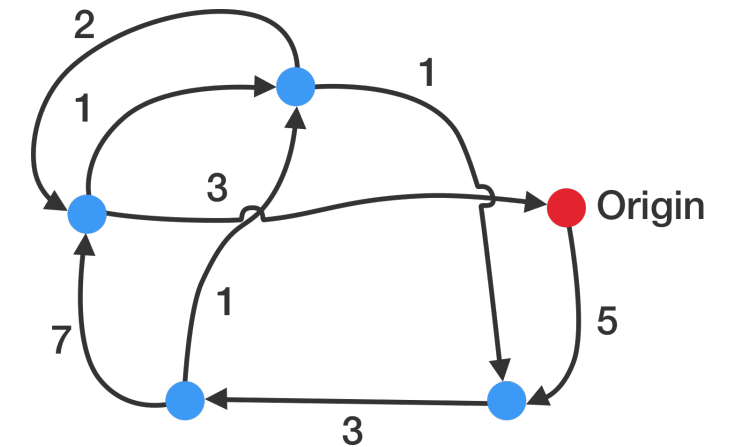
- A graph is a mathematical structure consisting of a collection of vertices and edges.
- Each edge has one or two vertices associated to it.



Path Finding



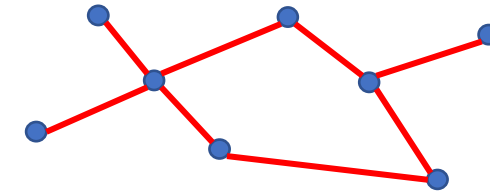
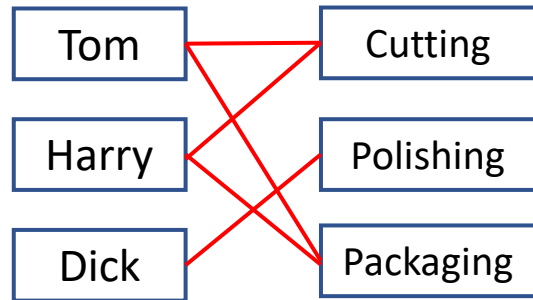
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Travelling Salesman Problem

Combinatorial Problems

- The study of arrangements, patterns, designs, assignments schedules, connections and configurations.



Minimum Vertex Cover Problem

Sorting Problems

- Rearrange items of a given list in certain order
- Find the median

{ Numerical Order
Lexicographical Order

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String Processing

String matching

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Chapter 2 Getting Started

- a pointer to the array is passed, rather than the entire array. Individual array elements are visible to the caller.
- A **return** statement immediately transfers control to the calling procedure. Most **return** statements return a value to the caller. Our pseudocode differs from many programming languages in that we allow multiple values to be returned in a single **return** statement.
 - The boolean operators “and” and “or” are **short circuiting**. That is, when we evaluate the expression “ x and y ” we first evaluate x . If x evaluates to FALSE, then the entire expression cannot evaluate to TRUE, and so we do not evaluate y . If, on the other hand, x evaluates to TRUE, we must evaluate y to determine the value of the entire expression. Similarly, in the expression “ x or y ” we evaluate the expression y only if x evaluates to FALSE. Short-circuiting operators allow us to write boolean expressions such as “ $x \neq \text{NIL}$ and $x.f = y$ ” without worrying about what happens when we try to evaluate $x.f$ when x is NIL.
 - The keyword **error** indicates that an error occurred because conditions were wrong for the procedure to have been called. The calling procedure is responsible for handling the error, and so we do not specify what action to take.

Exercises

2.1-1

Using Figure 2.2 as a model, illustrate the operation of INSERTION-SORT on the array $A = (31, 41, 59, 26, 41, 58)$.

2.1-2

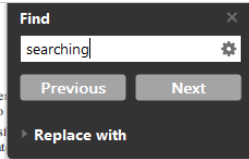
Rewrite the INSERTION-SORT procedure to sort into nonincreasing instead of non-decreasing order.

2.1-3

Consider the **searching problem**:

Input: A sequence of n numbers $A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and a value v .

Output: An index i such that $v = A[i]$ or the special value NIL if v does not appear in A .



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1 attaaaggtt tatacttcc caggttaaca accaaccaac tttgatctc ttgtagatct
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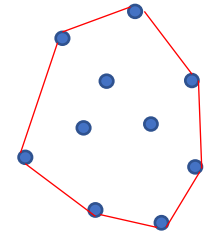
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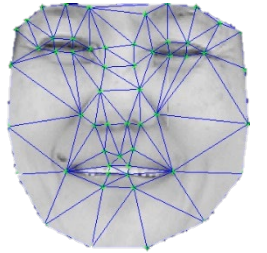
Text Matching

Computational Geometric Problem

- Finding the convex hull of a set of points
- Finding the closest pair of points in a set of points
- Finding the intersection of two line segments or two circles
- Testing whether a point is inside or outside a polygon
- Finding the Voronoi diagram of a set of points
- Finding the shortest path between two points in a planar graph with obstacles
- Constructing a Delaunay triangulation Computing the area of a polygon or the volume of a polyhedron
- Detecting and resolving collisions between objects in a 2D or 3D space



Convex Hull

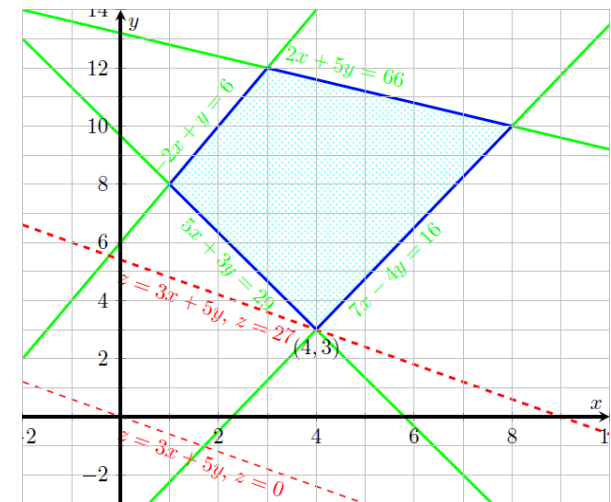


Delaunay Triangulation

Numerical Problem and Optimization Problem

- Use numerical approximation for the mathematical analysis
- Widely used for solving problems of engineering and mathematical models
 - Newton's method
 - Gaussian elimination
- Linear programming is an optimization technique for a system of linear constraints and a linear objective function

$$\begin{aligned} \min & 3x + 5y \\ \text{subject to} & 5x + 3y \geq 29 \\ & -2x + y \leq 6 \\ & 2x + 5y \leq 66 \\ & 7x - 4y \leq 16 \end{aligned}$$



How do we solve these problems?

How do We Solve these Problems?

- Select appropriate data structures
 - Arrays
 - Linked Lists
 - Singly linked list, doubly linked list, circular linked list etc.
 - Stack and Queue
 - Trees
 - Graphs

Algorithm Design Strategies

- A general approach to solving problems algorithmically that is applicable to a variety of problems from different areas of computing
- Brute Force and Exhaustive Search
- Divide-and-Conquer
- Greedy Strategy
- ...etc.
- Decrease-and-Conquer
- Transform-and-Conquer
- Iterative Improvement

Call for Participations

- Study 1:
 - A VR game to facilitate the learning of graph search algorithm.
 - Time consumed: 30 minutes (game playing and questionnaire)
 - Time and venue: March 16 and 17, 2024 in school
 - Reward: \$5
- Study 2:
 - A web game to facilitate the learning of the second part of this module
 - Time consumed: 30 minutes \times 3 sessions (each session consists of game playing and questionnaire)
 - Time and venue: Anytime before attending tutorials. The game can be played online.
 - Reward: \$15
- Registration:
 - Scan the code, or
 - Drop me email: syliu@ntu.edu.sg

