

IUT ACM Student Chapter Competitive Programming Course Syllabus

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1 Resources

- Competitive programmers handbook
- Competitive programming by Felix Halim
- Emaxx english (website)
- Codeforces blogs

2 Topics

1. Introduction
 - (a) Programming languages
 - (b) Input & output
 - (c) Shortening code
 - (d) Resources
 - (e) Contests
2. Time & memory complexity
3. Basic (STL) data structures & sorting
 - (a) Sorting theory
 - (b) Binary search (BS the answer)
 - (c) *Ternary search ¹
4. Complete search
5. Greedy algorithms
6. Basic dynamic programming
7. Graph theory
 - (a) Basics of graphs
 - (b) Graph traversal
 - i. BFS
 - ii. DFS
 - iii. Applications
 - (c) Bipartite Checking (2-coloring)
 - (d) Shortest paths
 - (e) Tree algorithms & spanning trees

- (f) Directed graphs
 - i. Directed acyclic graphs (DAGs)
 - (g) Connectivity
 - i. Connected components
 - ii. *Bridges & articulation points
 - iii. Strong connectivity
 - A. Basics
 - B. *2-sat
 - (h) *Binary lifting method
 - i. Basics
 - ii. Lowest common ancestor and applications
 - (i) Matching
 - (j) *Flows & cuts
 - i. Minimum cost maximum flow
8. Number theory
 - (a) Fundamentals
 - (b) Primes & factors
 - (c) Modular arithmetic
 9. Combinatorics
 - (a) Inclusion/exclusion principle
 - (b) *Stars & bars method
 - (c) *Burnside lemma
 10. String algorithms
 - (a) Z-function
 - (b) String hashing
 11. *Square root algorithms
 - (a) SQRT decomposition
 - (b) Mo's algorithm
 12. Advanced data structures
 - (a) Disjoint set union
 - (b) *Segment tree
 - i. Basics
 - ii. Lazy propagation
 - (c) *Fenwick tree (binary indexed tree)
 - i. Basics
 - ii. N-dimensionality
 - (d) *Heavy light decomposition
 13. *Dynamic programming revisited
 - (a) DP on trees
 - (b) DP optimization techniques
 - (c) Matrix exponentiation
 14. *Sweep line algorithms

¹Topics specified by * are more advanced and can be skipped in the beginning for start

