

Striver's A2Z DSA Sheet - Complete 450+ Problems Organization

Total Count: 450+ Problems

PATTERN-WISE ORGANIZATION WITH DIFFICULTY LEVELS

PATTERN 1: BASIC PROGRAMMING & MATHEMATICS

Total Problems: ~35-40

Easy (25-30 problems)

- Basic I/O Operations
 - Data types, variables, input/output
 - Pattern printing (stars, numbers, alphabets)
 - Basic arithmetic operations
- Mathematical Fundamentals
 - Check if number is prime
 - Find GCD/LCM of two numbers
 - Check if number is palindrome
 - Count digits in a number
 - Reverse a number
 - Check if number is Armstrong number
 - Print all divisors of a number

Medium (8-10 problems)

- Advanced Mathematics
 - Sieve of Eratosthenes
 - Power calculation (x^n)
 - Square root using binary search
 - Check if number is perfect square

Hard (2-5 problems)

- Complex Mathematical Problems
 - Fast exponentiation

- Modular arithmetic problems
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PATTERN 2: SORTING ALGORITHMS

Total Problems: ~25-30

Easy (15-18 problems)

- Basic Sorting Understanding
 - Selection Sort implementation
 - Bubble Sort implementation
 - Insertion Sort implementation
 - Merge two sorted arrays
 - Sort array of 0s, 1s, and 2s

Medium (8-10 problems)

- Advanced Sorting Concepts
 - Merge Sort implementation
 - Quick Sort implementation
 - Count inversions in array
 - Sort array by frequency

Hard (2-4 problems)

- Complex Sorting Problems
 - External sorting concepts
 - Sorting with custom comparators

PATTERN 3: ARRAY MANIPULATION

Total Problems: ~60-70

Easy (30-35 problems)

- Basic Array Operations
 - Find largest/smallest element
 - Second largest element
 - Check if array is sorted

- Remove duplicates from sorted array
- Left/Right rotate array by k positions
- Find missing number in array
- Move zeros to end
- Linear search implementation
- Find union of two sorted arrays

Medium (25-30 problems)

- **Two Pointers Pattern**

- Two Sum problem
- Three Sum problem
- Four Sum problem
- Container with most water
- Sort colors (Dutch National Flag)
- Remove duplicates from sorted array II

- **Sliding Window Pattern**

- Maximum sum subarray of size k
- Longest subarray with sum k
- Count subarrays with given sum

- **Prefix Sum Pattern**

- Subarray sum equals k
- Maximum subarray sum (Kadane's algorithm)
- Product of array except self

Hard (8-12 problems)

- **Advanced Array Problems**

- Trapping rain water
- Minimum window substring
- Sliding window maximum
- Longest substring without repeating characters
- Median of two sorted arrays

PATTERN 4: BINARY SEARCH

Total Problems: ~35-40

● Easy (15-18 problems)

- Basic Binary Search

- Binary search implementation
- Search insert position
- Find first and last position of element
- Search in rotated sorted array I
- Find peak element
- Find minimum in rotated sorted array

● Medium (15-18 problems)

- Search in Answer Space

- Square root using binary search
- Find nth root of number
- Koko eating bananas
- Minimum days to make m bouquets
- Smallest divisor given threshold
- Capacity to ship packages within d days

● Hard (5-8 problems)

- Advanced Binary Search

- Median of two sorted arrays
- Kth element of two sorted arrays
- Aggressive cows problem
- Book allocation problem

PATTERN 5: STRING MANIPULATION

Total Problems: ~30-35

● Easy (15-18 problems)

- Basic String Operations

- Reverse a string
- Check if string is palindrome
- Count vowels and consonants
- Remove characters from string
- Check if strings are anagrams
- Longest common prefix

Medium (12-15 problems)

• **String Algorithms**

- KMP algorithm for pattern matching
- Rabin-Karp algorithm
- Z algorithm
- Minimum window substring
- Group anagrams

Hard (3-5 problems)

• **Advanced String Problems**

- Edit distance
- Distinct subsequences
- Wildcard pattern matching

PATTERN 6: LINKED LIST OPERATIONS

Total Problems: ~30-35

Easy (15-18 problems)

• **Basic Linked List Operations**

- Insert/Delete at beginning, middle, end
- Search in linked list
- Find length of linked list
- Reverse a linked list
- Find middle of linked list
- Detect cycle in linked list

Medium (12-15 problems)

- **Two Pointers in Linked List**

- Remove nth node from end
- Intersection of two linked lists
- Add two numbers represented as linked lists
- Merge two sorted linked lists
- Remove duplicates from sorted linked list

Hard (3-5 problems)

- **Advanced Linked List Problems**

- Merge k sorted linked lists
- Reverse nodes in k-group
- Clone linked list with random pointers

PATTERN 7: RECURSION & BACKTRACKING

Total Problems: ~40-45

Easy (18-20 problems)

- **Basic Recursion**

- Factorial using recursion
- Fibonacci using recursion
- Print numbers 1 to n
- Sum of first n natural numbers
- Print all subsequences of string
- Tower of Hanoi

Medium (18-20 problems)

- **Backtracking Problems**

- Generate all permutations
- Generate all combinations
- Combination sum problems
- Subset sum problems

- Word search in grid
- Generate parentheses

● Hard (4-7 problems)

• Complex Backtracking

- N-Queens problem
 - Sudoku solver
 - Word break problem
 - Palindrome partitioning
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PATTERN 8: BIT MANIPULATION

Total Problems: ~20-25

● Easy (12-15 problems)

• Basic Bit Operations

- Check if number is power of 2
- Count set bits in number
- Find the odd occurring element
- Swap two numbers using XOR
- Check if ith bit is set

● Medium (6-8 problems)

• Intermediate Bit Problems

- Find two odd occurring elements
- Bit difference between two numbers
- Maximum XOR of two numbers in array

● Hard (2-4 problems)

• Advanced Bit Manipulation

- Maximum XOR subarray
 - Minimum XOR of two elements
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PATTERN 9: STACK & QUEUE

Total Problems: ~35-40

Easy (18-20 problems)

- **Basic Stack Operations**

- Implement stack using arrays/linked lists
- Valid parentheses
- Implement queue using stacks
- Implement stack using queues

Medium (15-18 problems)

- **Stack/Queue Applications**

- Next greater element
- Previous smaller element
- Largest rectangle in histogram
- Sliding window maximum
- LRU Cache implementation

Hard (2-4 problems)

- **Advanced Stack/Queue Problems**

- Maximum rectangle in binary matrix
 - Implement min stack
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PATTERN 10: TREE ALGORITHMS

Total Problems: ~50-55

Easy (25-28 problems)

- **Basic Tree Operations**

- Tree traversals (Inorder, Preorder, Postorder)
- Level order traversal
- Height/Depth of binary tree
- Diameter of binary tree
- Check if tree is balanced
- Mirror of binary tree

Medium (20-22 problems)

- **Tree Properties & Algorithms**

- Lowest common ancestor
- Path sum problems
- Construct tree from traversals
- Serialize and deserialize binary tree
- Vertical order traversal
- Top/Bottom view of binary tree

Hard (5-8 problems)

- **Advanced Tree Problems**

- Binary tree maximum path sum
- Recover binary search tree
- Count complete tree nodes
- Binary tree cameras

PATTERN 11: GRAPH ALGORITHMS

Total Problems: ~40-45

Easy (15-18 problems)

- **Basic Graph Concepts**

- BFS implementation
- DFS implementation
- Detect cycle in undirected graph
- Number of connected components
- Graph representation methods

Medium (20-22 problems)

- **Graph Traversal Applications**

- Detect cycle in directed graph
- Topological sorting
- Shortest path in unweighted graph

- Clone graph
- Course schedule problems
- Number of islands

● Hard (5-8 problems)

• Advanced Graph Algorithms

- Dijkstra's shortest path
 - Bellman-Ford algorithm
 - Floyd-Warshall algorithm
 - Minimum spanning tree (Kruskal's, Prim's)
 - Strongly connected components
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PATTERN 12: DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

Total Problems: ~50-55

● Easy (20-22 problems)

• 1D DP Problems

- Climbing stairs
- Fibonacci with memoization
- House robber
- Maximum sum with no adjacent elements
- Coin change (count ways)

● Medium (25-28 problems)

• 2D DP Problems

- Unique paths in grid
- Minimum path sum
- Longest common subsequence
- Edit distance
- Knapsack problems
- Palindromic subsequences

● Hard (5-8 problems)

- **Advanced DP Problems**
 - Longest increasing subsequence
 - Matrix chain multiplication
 - Egg dropping problem
 - Burst balloons
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PATTERN 13: GREEDY ALGORITHMS

Total Problems: ~25-30

Easy (12-15 problems)

- **Basic Greedy Problems**
 - Activity selection problem
 - Fractional knapsack
 - Minimum coins needed
 - Find minimum platforms

Medium (10-12 problems)

- **Intermediate Greedy**
 - Job scheduling with deadlines
 - Minimum number of meetings
 - Huffman coding
 - Gas station problem

Hard (3-5 problems)

- **Advanced Greedy Problems**
 - Candy distribution
 - Jump game variations

PATTERN 14: HEAP/PRIORITY QUEUE

Total Problems: ~20-25

Easy (10-12 problems)

- **Basic Heap Operations**

- Implement min/max heap
- Kth largest/smallest element
- Sort array using heap

Medium (8-10 problems)

• **Heap Applications**

- Top K frequent elements
- Merge K sorted arrays
- Find median from data stream

Hard (2-4 problems)

• **Advanced Heap Problems**

- Sliding window median
 - Employee free time
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PATTERN 15: TRIE (PREFIX TREE)

Total Problems: ~15-20

Easy (8-10 problems)

• **Basic Trie Operations**

- Implement Trie
- Insert, search, delete in Trie
- Count words with given prefix

Medium (5-7 problems)

• **Trie Applications**

- Word search II
- Replace words
- Maximum XOR problems using Trie

Hard (2-3 problems)

• **Advanced Trie Problems**

- Palindrome pairs

- Stream of characters
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OVERALL DIFFICULTY DISTRIBUTION

Difficulty	Count	Percentage
● Easy	~180 problems	40%
● Medium	~200 problems	45%
● Hard	~70 problems	15%
Total	~450 problems	100%

RECOMMENDED STUDY PATH

Phase 1: Foundation (Weeks 1-4)

1. Basic Programming & Mathematics
2. Sorting Algorithms
3. Basic Array Operations

Phase 2: Core Data Structures (Weeks 5-8)

1. String Manipulation
2. Linked List Operations
3. Stack & Queue

Phase 3: Searching & Advanced Arrays (Weeks 9-12)

1. Binary Search
2. Advanced Array Patterns
3. Bit Manipulation

Phase 4: Tree & Graph Fundamentals (Weeks 13-16)

1. Tree Algorithms
2. Basic Graph Algorithms
3. Recursion & Backtracking

Phase 5: Advanced Topics (Weeks 17-20)

1. Dynamic Programming

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- 2. Greedy Algorithms
 - 3. Heap/Priority Queue
 - 4. Trie
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HIGH-FREQUENCY INTERVIEW PATTERNS

- 1. **Two Pointers** (40+ problems)
 - 2. **Sliding Window** (25+ problems)
 - 3. **Binary Search** (35+ problems)
 - 4. **Tree Traversals** (30+ problems)
 - 5. **Dynamic Programming** (50+ problems)
 - 6. **Graph BFS/DFS** (25+ problems)
 - 7. **Backtracking** (20+ problems)
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This organization is based on the structure found in Striver's A2Z DSA Course repositories and typical problem distributions in comprehensive DSA curricula.