

**CA-C2T: PROBLEM SOLVING TECHNIQUES**

Total Teaching Hours: 48

No. of Hours / Week: 03

**UNIT - I**

[12 Hours]

Introduction: The Role of Algorithms in Computing, Algorithms as a technology, Analyzing algorithms, Designing algorithms, Growth of Functions, Asymptotic notation, Standard notations and common functions. Fundamental Algorithms: Exchanging the values of two variables, Counting, Summation of a set of numbers, Factorial Computation, Generating of the Fibonacci sequence, Reversing the digits of an integer, Character to number conversion.

**UNIT - II**

[12 Hours]

C Programming: Getting Started, Variables and Arithmetic expressions. Input and Output: Standard input and output, formatted output- printf, variable length argument list, formatted input-scanf. Control Flow: Statements and Blocks, If-else, else-if, switch, loops: while loop, for loop, do while, break and continue, goto and labels. Pointers and Arrays: pointers and address, pointers and function arguments, multidimensional array, initialization of pointer arrays, command line arguments.

**UNIT - III**

[12 Hours]

Factoring Methods: Finding the square root of a number, the smallest Divisor of an integer, the greatest common divisor of two integers, computing the prime factors of an integer, generation of pseudo random numbers, raising a number to a large power. Array Techniques: Array order Reversal, Array counting or Histogramming, Finding the maximum number in a set, removal of duplicates from an ordered array, partitioning an array, Finding the kth smallest element, multiplication of two matrices.

**UNIT - IV**

[12 Hours]

Merging: the two-way merge. Sorting: Sorting by selection, sorting by exchange, sorting by insertion, sorting by diminishing increment, sorting by partitioning. Searching: binary search, hash search. Text processing and Pattern searching: text line length adjustment, keyword searching in text, text line editing, linear pattern search

**Text Books:**

1. R.G.Dromey, "How to Solve it by Computer", Pearson Education India, 2008.
2. Thomas H. Cormen, Charles E. Leiserson, Ronald L. Rivest, Clifford Stein, "Introduction to Algorithms", 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, The MIT Press Cambridge, Massachusetts London, England, 2008
3. Brian M. Kernighan, and Dennis M. Ritchie, "The C Programming Language", 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Princeton Hall Software Series, 2012.

**Reference Books:**

1. Steven S. Skiena, "The Algorithm Design Module", 2nd Edition, Springer-Verlag London Limited, 2008.
2. Donald E. Knuth, "The Art of Computer Programming", Volume 1: Fundamental Algorithms, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Addison Wesley Longman, 1997.
3. Donald E. Knuth, "The Art of Computer Programming", Volume 2: Seminumerical Algorithms, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Addison Wesley Longman, 1998.
4. Greg Perry and Dean Miller, "C programming Absolute Beginner's Guide", 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Pearson Education, Inc, 2014.

**Web Resources:**

1. <http://algorithmsforinterviews.com> "Algorithms for Interviews"