

Lecture 1

Introduction

FIT 1008
Introduction to Computer Science



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Objectives of the unit

- Implement and modify **data types**.
- Compare and **evaluate** different **implementations of data types**.
- Design and implement **algorithms**.
- Calculate **complexity** of simple algorithms.
- Manually translate **high level code into assembly**.

What is this unit about

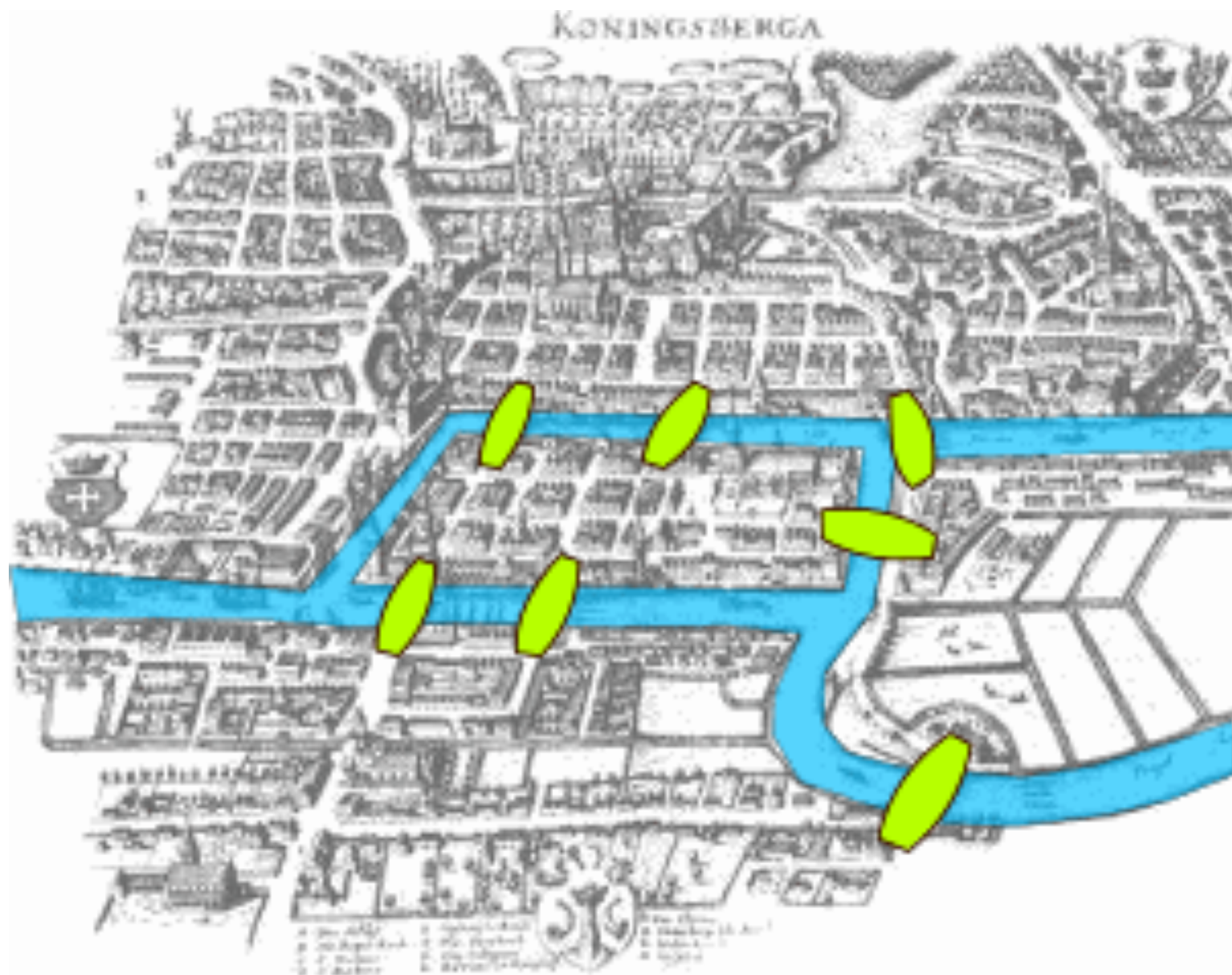
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Computer Science is **NOT** just about **Programming**

- Hardware
- Computer Systems Organisation
- Software and Data
- Theory of Computation
- Mathematics of Computing
- Analysis of computing methods
- Information Systems
- Computing Applications
- Computing Culture



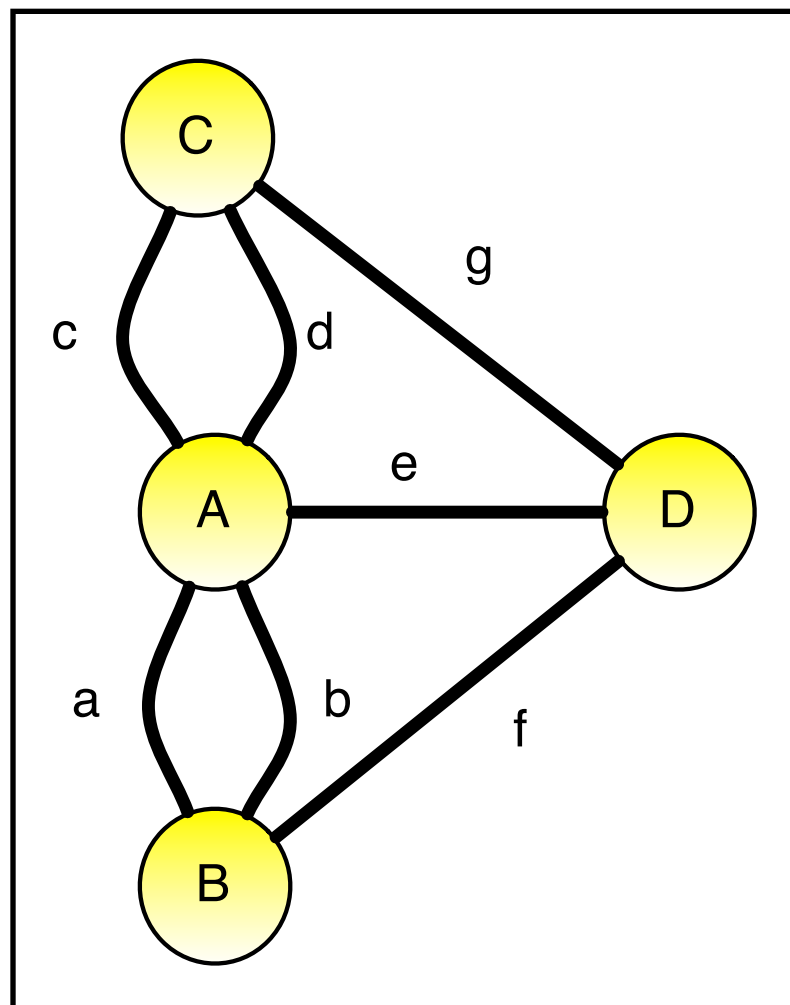
We put the vertices in a list...

$V = [A, B, C, D]$
 0 1 2 3

Eulerian($V[0, n-1]$)

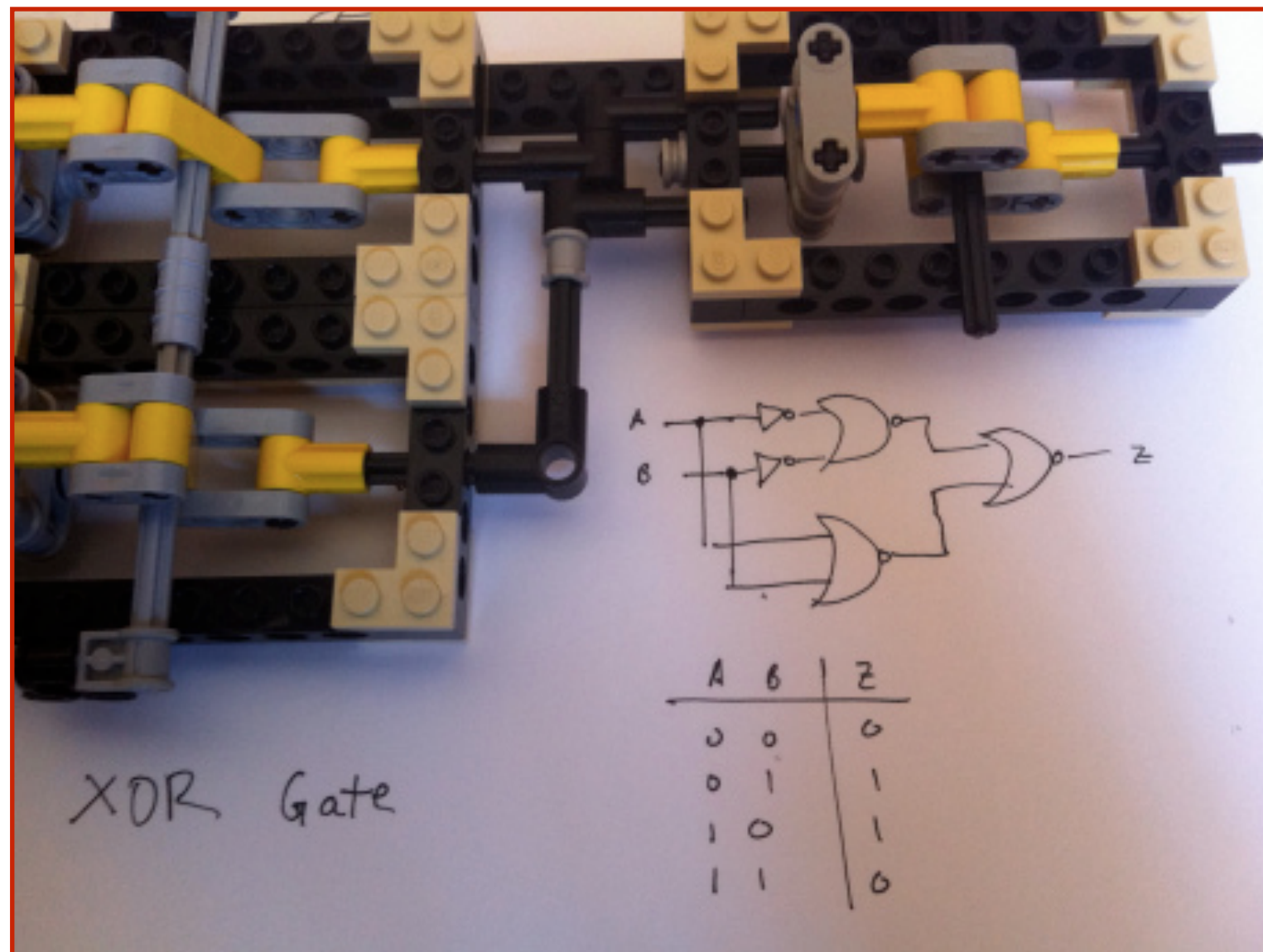
Input: A list of n vertices.

Output: **True** if the graph is Eulerian,
False otherwise

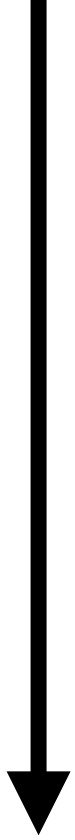


```
v ← 0
while(v < n)
{
    if( degree(L[v]) is odd)
    {
        return FALSE
    }
    v ← v + 1
}
return TRUE
```

“all computation done by large combinations of **on-and-off** switches, wired together in meaningful ways”

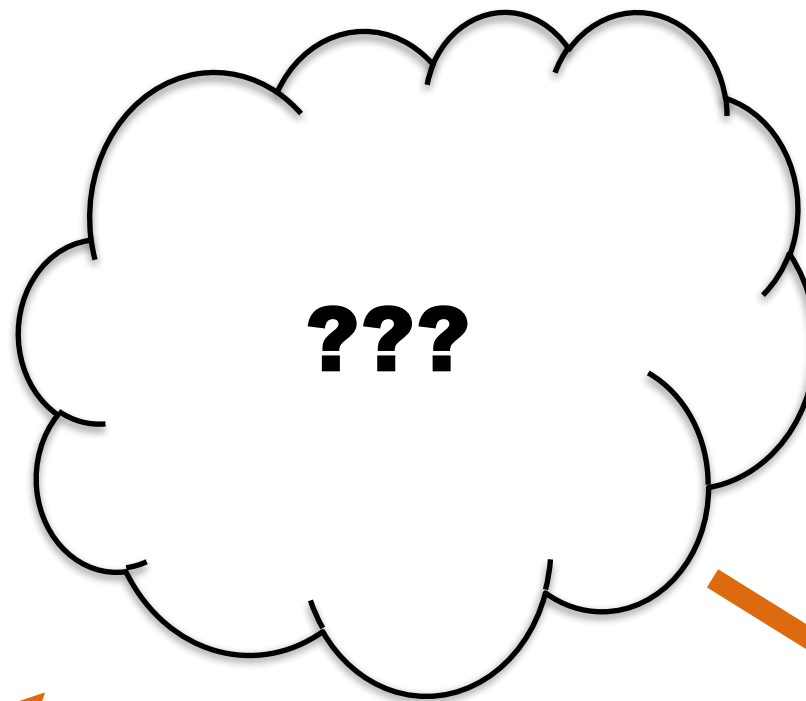








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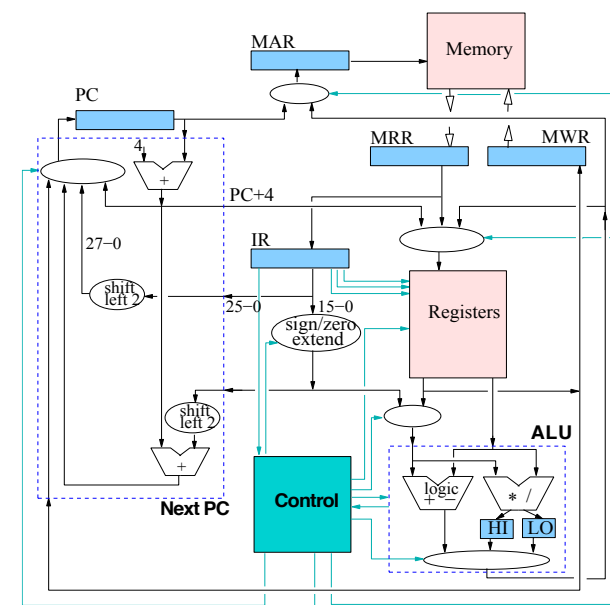


```
f = 1
n = int(input("Enter int:"))
while n > 0:
    f = f*n
    n = n-1
print(f)
```

Human-readable code



Machine language



CPU



High level programming
language

Assembly Language
Program

Machine language

```
def find_duplicates(a_list):  
    n = len(a_list)  
    k = 0  
    while k < n:  
        j = k + 1  
        while j < n:  
            if a_list[k] == a_list[j]:  
                print(a_list[k])  
            j += 1  
        k += 1
```

```
main:    # 1 * 4 = 4 bytes local.  
  
    addi $fp, $sp, 0  
    addi $sp, $sp, -4  
    sw    $0, -4($fp) # n = 0  
  
    addi $v0, $0, 5  
    syscall  
  
    sw    $v0, -4($fp) # n
```

```
0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000  
1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110  
1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001  
0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111
```

**Programs =
Algorithms + Data Structures**

(Programming is still important)

Data Structures

Front

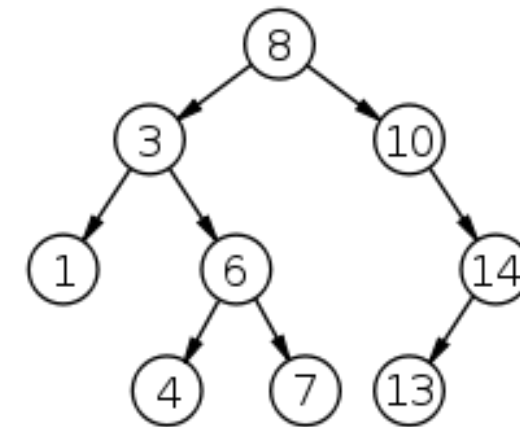
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Queues

 **Top**

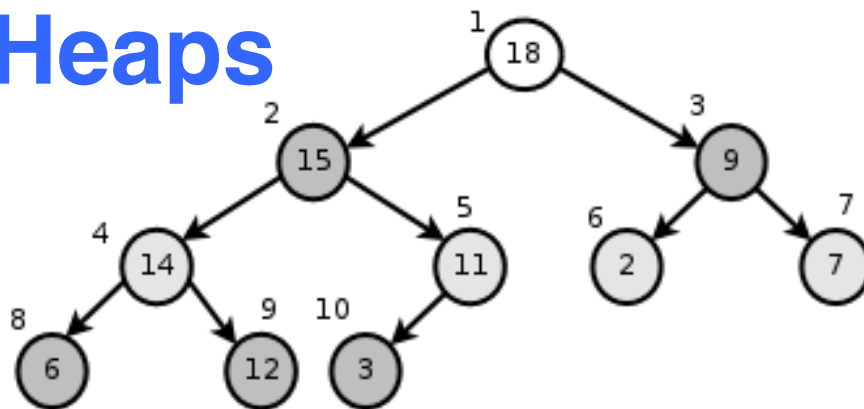
1
3
6
12

Stacks



Binary Search Trees

Heaps



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

```

graph LR
    n1[18] --> n2[15]
    n2 --> n3[9]
    n3 --> n4[14]
    n4 --> n5[11]
    n5 --> n6[2]
    n6 --> n7[7]
    n7 --> n8[6]
    n8 --> n9[12]
    n9 --> null(( ))
  
```

0. stop

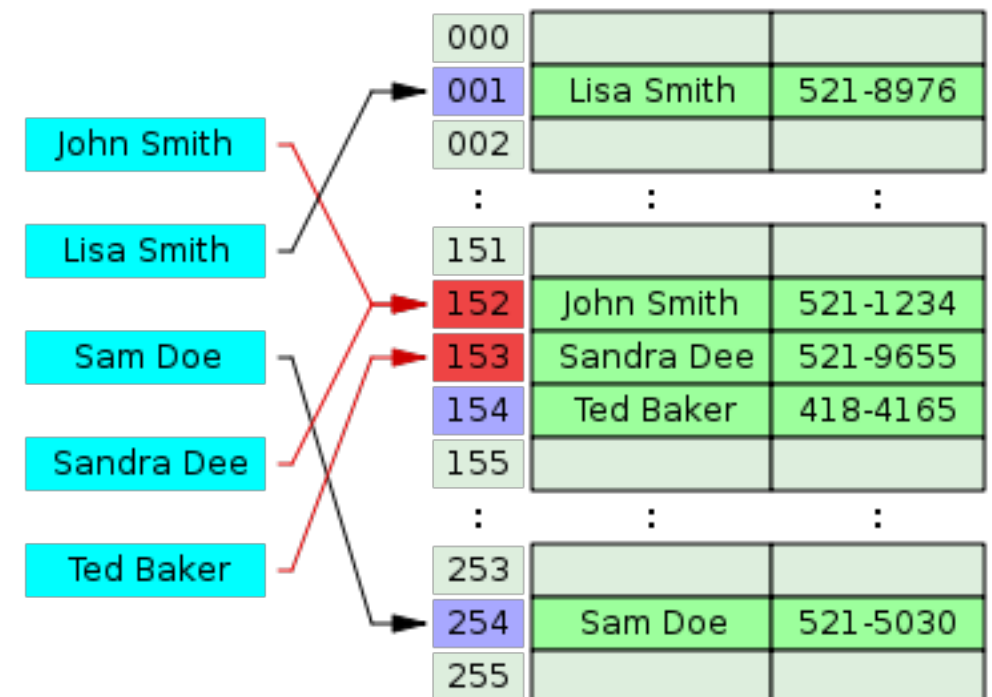
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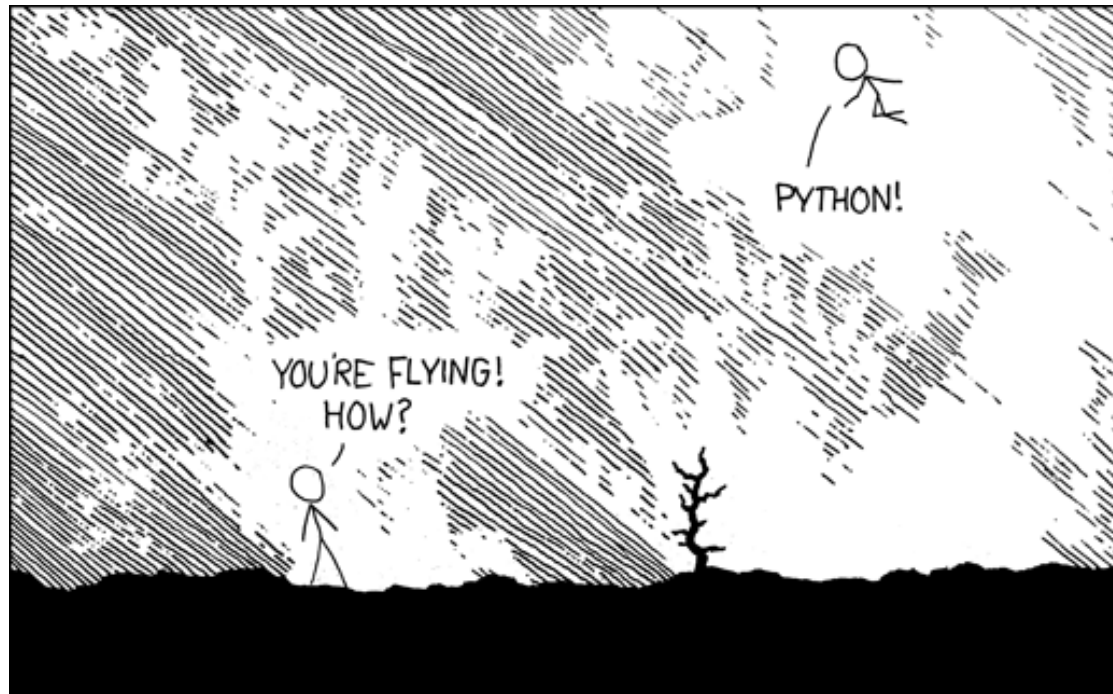
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Lists

Hash Tables

keys

buckets



- We will use Python to **implement the algorithms.**
- We will use Python to **implement the data structures.**
- However this is **NOT a Python Course.** You do not need to know all the Python details.
- Disclaimer: I am **NOT** a Python **expert.**

Why Python

- **General** purpose
- Very popular with many **libraries**
- Very **easy** to program
- Has **depth** if you need it
 - Multi-paradigm: OO, functional, and imperative
 - Associated programming concepts: objects, higher order, etc.

```
def swap(the_list, i, j):  
    the_list[i], the_list[j] = the_list[j], the_list[i]
```

```
def selection_sort(the_list):  
    n = len(the_list)  
    for k in range(n):  
        min_position = find_minimum(the_list, k)  
        swap(the_list, k, min_position)
```

```
def find_minimum(the_list, starting_index):  
    min_position = starting_index  
    n = len(the_list)  
    for i in range(starting_index, n):  
        if the_list[i] < the_list[min_position]:  
            min_position = i  
    return min_position
```


Tentative Timetable

Week	Lecture		
1	1	Intro and House Rules, A simple python program	Simple Python & Algorithmics Workshop
	2	MIPS Architechture	
	3	MIPS Simple programs	
2	4	Decisions in MIPS	MIPS/MARS Workshop
	5	Iteration	
	6	Arrays in MIPS	
3	7	MIPS Memory	MIPS Prac - Checkpoint
	8	Functions MIPS (Part 1 - Calling)	
	9	Functions MIPS (Part 2 - Returning)	
4	10	Complexity: Searching, Sorting	MIPS Prac - Assessment
	11	Sorting and Complexity II	
	12	Assertions, Exceptions, Testing	
5	13	ADT/Classes and Objects	No Pracs
	14	Objects, variables and Scoping in Python	
	15	Mid-semester test	
BREAK			

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6	16	List Array & Sorted List	Complexity Workshop - Experimental
	17	Stacks and Queues with Arrays	
	18	Linked Structures & Linked Stacks	
7	19	Linked Queues	Classes & Objects Workshop / Testing
	20	Linked Lists	
		Iterators	
8	21	Recursion again	Containers - checkpoint
		Recursion vs Iteration	
	22	Recursive Sorts	
9	23	Recursion and Complexity	Containers - Assessment
	24	Dynamic Programming I	
	25	Dynamic Programming II	
10	26	Hashing	Dynamic programming workshop
	27	Collision Resolution	
	28	Collision Resolution II	
11	29	Binary Tree Traversal	Hashtables - checkpoint
	30	Extra Binary Tree	
	31	Binary Search Trees	
12	32	Priority Queues	Hashtables - Assessment
	33	Heaps	
	34	Heaps II / Epilogue	

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Timetable Synopsis

Lectures

- **Monday** 11:00, 19 Anc **G31**.
- **Tuesday** 8:00, 19 Anc **G31**.
- **Wednesday** 9:00, 19 Anc **G31**.

Pracs: Once a week.

- **3 Interview Pracs:**

- Each assessed Prac runs over two weeks.
- First week: aim to reach the **checkpoint** (**hurdle**) and get feedback.
- Second week: Whole prac will be marked.
- Weeks 3 and 4, 8 and 9, 11 and 12.

- **5 Workshops:** All other weeks (except week 5)

- Prepare before the workshop.
- **Code review** at the end of the workshop. Working in groups. Ends with group presentation.

Must happen at the end of the prac, must be present.

Tutes:

Once a week (1 hour) / Must show to demonstrator worked out answers or attempts **before start**.

Assessment



- Assessed practical sessions (20%)
- Code review reports (5%) - during workshops
- Student participation — via **quizzes** (5%) + tutorial prep hurdle
- Mid Semester Test (10%) — Week 7 during a lecture.
- Exam (3 hours) (60%)

Pracs



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Revision

Revision material


 [Introduction to algorithms](#)

New material that you should start looking into

 [Guide to preconditions and postconditions](#)


 [Python Tutorial](#)


 [Style Guide for Python Code](#)


 [Docstrings conventions in Python](#)


Things you need to know


 [FIT1008 PracGuide](#)

 [Video guide to installing all the python tools](#)


 [Examples of good documentation](#)

 [Lecture-Tute-Prac expectations](#)


 [Accessing recommended text from the library](#)


 [Python Tutorial](#)

Python bridging course materials: work through these specially if you are new to Python.

 [Optional Python Revision Lecture](#) 113.6KB PDF document

 [Python Revision Demos](#) 12.2KB Text file

 [Further reading](#)

 [Optional Python Revision Prac](#) 74.6KB PDF document

Submitting Pracs

- At the end of **each prac** you must submit your solutions (for both assessed & non-assessed pracs).
- You must compress your source files and associated documentation in one **zip file**.
- You **must** name your zip file with the following format:
<STUDENTID>_PRAC<N>.zip
- eg. 123456789_Prac1.zip.
- **START EARLY**

Cheating, Collusion, Plagiarism

- **Cheating:** Seeking to obtain an unfair advantage in an examination or in other written or practical work required to be submitted or completed for assessment.
- **Collusion:** Unauthorised collaboration on assessable work with another person or persons.
- **Plagiarism:** To take and use another person's ideas and or manner of expressing them and to pass them off as one's own by failing to give appropriate acknowledgement. This includes material from any source, staff, students or the Internet – published and un-published works.

http://bit.ly/plagiarism_video

Moss

A System for Detecting Software Plagiarism

What is Moss?

Moss (for a Measure Of Software Similarity) is an automatic system for determining the similarity of programs. To date, the main application of Moss has been in detecting plagiarism in programming classes. Since its development in 1994, Moss has been very effective in this role. The algorithm behind moss is a significant improvement over other cheating detection algorithms (at least, over those known to us).

<https://theory.stanford.edu/~aiken/moss/>

Special consideration



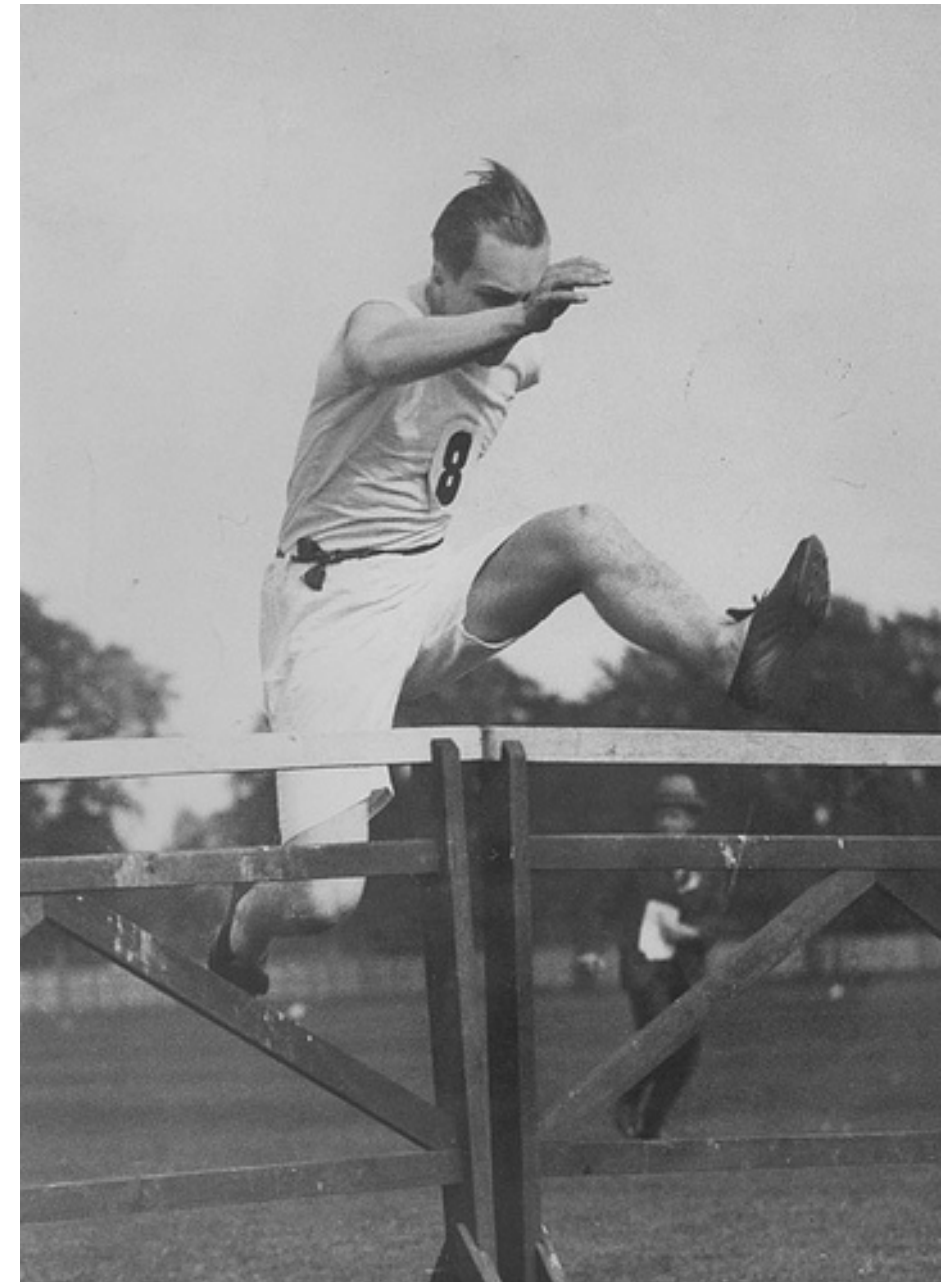
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Hurdles

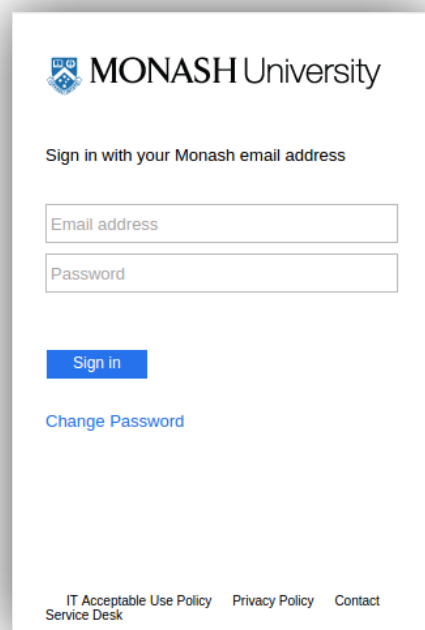
- To pass this unit a student must obtain:
 - ➔ **At least 40% of the total within semester assessment.**
 - ➔ **At least 40% of the exam marks.**
 - ➔ **An overall unit mark of 50% or more.**
- If a student does not pass these hurdles then a mark of no greater than **49N** will be recorded for the unit.



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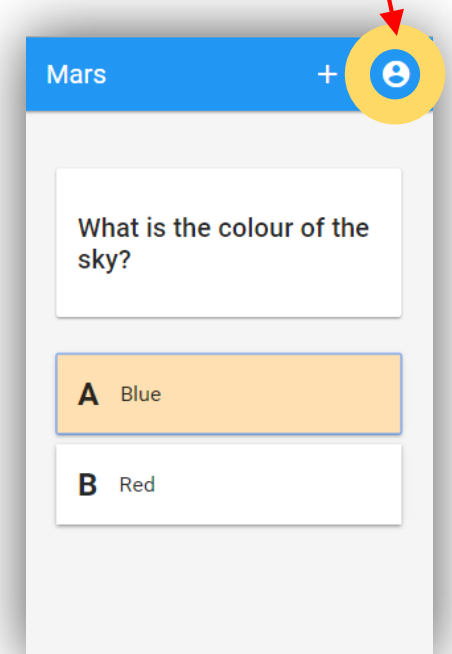
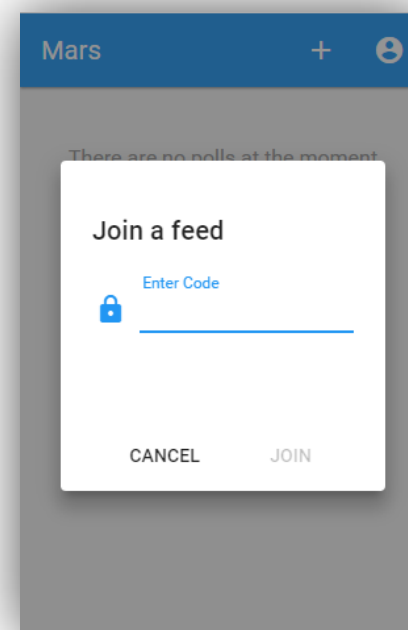
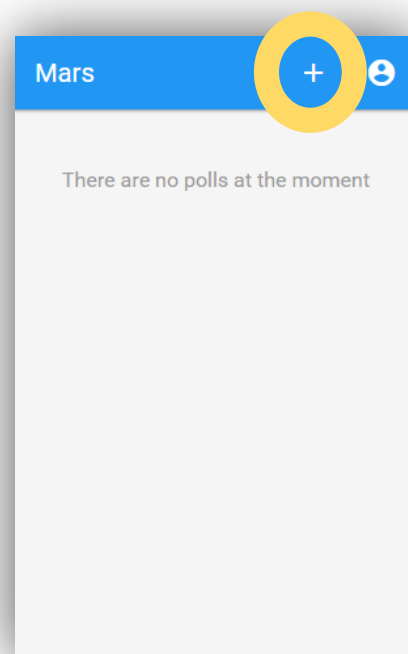
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If possible take notes...

The Pen Is Mightier Than the Keyboard Advantages of Longhand Over Laptop Note Taking

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Recommended Reading

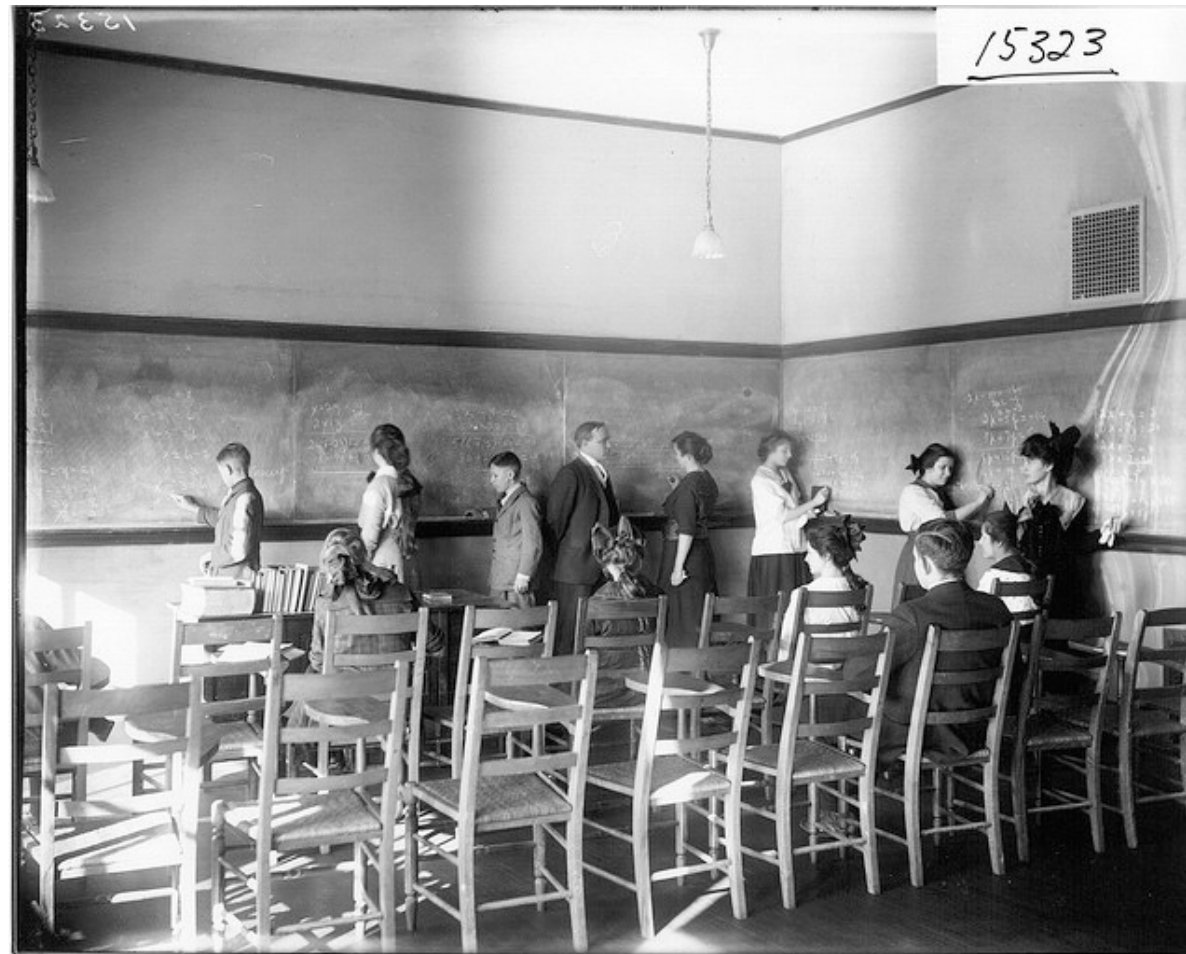
- **MIPS Assembly Language Programming.** Britton.
- **Problem Solving with algorithms and data structures using Python.** Miller & Ranum.
[available online under CC license:
<https://interactivepython.org/runestone/static/pythonds/index.html>]
- **Data Structures & Algorithms in Python.** Goodrich, Tamassia & Goldwasser.

Help is Available



- Lecturer
- Tutors
- Help Room Consultations (every week TBA)
- Moodle
- Co-ordinators
- Administration Officers

Consultations



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ALSO:

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Study Hacks by Cal Newport

On Preparation:

Drizzle Test Preparation Over Many Days

How early should you start studying? This post lays out the basic philosophy preached in Straight-A. Put simply: start early; work in little batches.

Use Focused-Question Clusters to Study for Knowledge Based Tests

How should you study for classes that require you to know a large number of facts and concepts? I overlooked these classes in Straight-A (as many of you subsequently brought to my attention.) In this post I rectify this oversight. It was originally written for multiple choice tests, but the advice is relevant for any exam requiring a large amount of memorized information.

Pseudo-Work Doesn't Equal Work and Studying is a Technical Skill

How are some high-scoring students able to escape the stress of the grind lifestyle? These two early posts, from a series titled "The Straight-A Gospels," lay out the core philosophical ideas behind the mysterious, yeti-like low-stress 'A.' I recommend a quick review before diving too deep into exam period chaos.

<http://calnewport.com/blog/2008/04/28/monday-master-class-the-study-hacks-guide-to-exams/>

Studying is a skill

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Looking forward!