Lecture 1: Introduction

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OUTLINE

- Class Details
- Learning Outcomes
- * Introduction
- Insertion Sort
- ***** Bubble Sort



- Credits: 2.5 (GPA)
- Pre-requisites: None
- Course Objective:
 - * Provide an understanding of how to approach problem solving in computer science

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- * Hours/ Week:
 - * Lectures 2 hrs
 - * Thursday 9.15 11.15
 - * Tutorial/Lab
 - * Monday 3.15 to 6.15
 - * Reading the Book, Self Study & Homework: 5 hrs (will depend on individuals)

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- After completing this module, students should be able to
 - * analyze the complexity of algorithms
 - * implement and use common data structures
 - * select appropriate data structures and algorithms for a given situation
 - apply basic algorithm design techniques for a given situation

COURSE OUTLINE

- Complexity Analysis of Algorithms
- * Recursion
- Searching
- Sorting
- Basic Algorithm Design Techniques
 - * Divide-and-conquer
 - * Greedy approach
 - * Dynamic programming

COURSE OUTLINE

- Basic Data Structures and Operations on Them
 - * Arrays, Linked lists, Queues, Stacks
 - * Sets
 - * Trees
 - * Hash tables
 - * Graphs
- Introduction to NP-Completeness

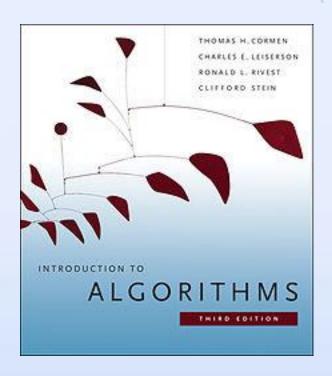
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METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Exam 60% (35% to Pass)
 - * 2 hour
 - * Closed book
 - * Answer all
 - * Will have short answer/multiple choice questions
- Continuous Assessments 40% (35% to Pass)
 - * Labs 60%
 - * Mid semester exam 40%

RECOMMENDED TEXT BOOKS

Thomas H. Cormen, Charles E. Leiserson, Ronald L. Rivest and Clifford Stein, *Introduction* to Algorithms, 3rd Ed. Cambridge, MA, MIT Press, 2009.



CLASS RULES

- Be Respectful and Responsible
 - * No talking among yourselves
 - * No cell phones
- Be Organized and Follow Directions
- Be Prepared
 - If you miss a lecture, it is your responsibility to makeup
 - * No makeup labs/tutorial slots

CLASS RULES

- * Take Home CA Must Be Your Own Work
 - * It will help you understand the material
 - * Cite all references
 - * We may be using plagiarism detection tools
- * Homework and In-class activities are Individual Work
 - No peeking, copying, talking during In-class activities
 - * Don't let someone else copy from you as well
- * All course contents will be provided through the course Moodle page

EXPECTATIONS

- * All the students are required to read the assigned sections of the book
 - * Please keep up with the reading
 - * In-class activities and homework will assume that you have done this.
- * All the students are expected to actively participate in the in-class activities





LEARNING OUTCOMES

- After successfully studying contents covered in this lecture, students should be able to,
 - * explain what an algorithm is and express an algorithm using pseudo code of flowcharts
 - * explain the insertion sort, bubble sort & optimized versions of bubble sort

INTRODUCTION

- What is an Algorithm?
 - * Well defined procedure
 - * Takes some inputs
 - * Produce some outputs
- An algorithm is a step-by-step method of solving a computational task
- Why Do We Study Algorithms?
 - * To make understanding and solving problems simple
 - * To solve problems in the BEST way

SAMPLE PROBLEMS

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- Sorting a List of Names
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COMPUTATIONAL TASK

- A computational task is not just a "single" task such as
 - * "Is 3962431 prime?"
 - * "What is 37487*2371?"
- * A computational task is a whole family of "similar" tasks with varying INPUT, such as
 - * "Given a whole number A, is A prime?"
 - * "Given 2 numbers x and y, what is x times y?"

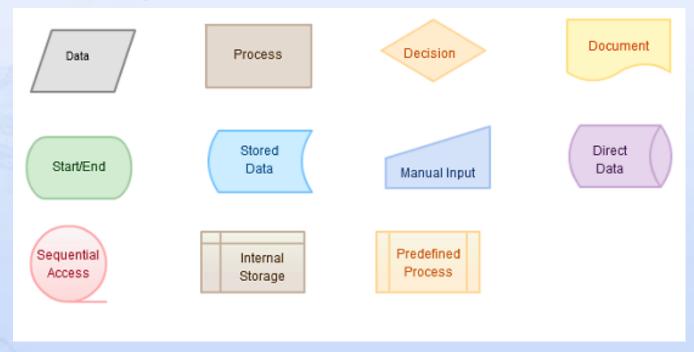
SPECIFYING ALGORITHMS

- Listing the Steps
- * Flowcharts
- Pseudo Code
- Program Listing

- Class Activity
 - * Specify an algorithm to add all the numbers in an array/list.

FLOWCHARTS

- A diagram that show the "flow of control" of an algorithm/a program
- Flowchart symbols



FLOWCHART SYMBOLS

* Terminals

- Represents the stat or end of the process
- Represented by rounded rectangles

Start

End

Input/output Data

- Represented by parallelograms
- Indicate an input or output operation

Read input x

Output Max Value

FLOWCHART SYMBOLS

Stored Data

- Represented by rectangles
- Indicates a process such as a mathematical computation or variable assignment

 Stored data

Processing

- Represented by rectangles
- Indicates a process such as a mathematical computation or variable assignment

$$x = x + 1$$
$$y = y + 5$$

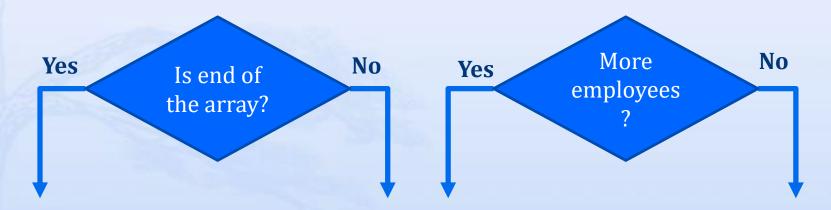
Salary = hourly_rate * num_hours

value

FLOWCHART SYMBOLS

Decision

- Represented by diamond shape
- Indicates different paths of execution/choices the program can take





THE SORTING PROBLEM

- * Input:
 - * A sequence of *n* numbers $\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, ..., a_n \rangle$
- Output:
 - * A permutation (ordering) $\langle a_1^{'}, a_2^{'}, a_3^{'}, \ldots, a_n^{'} \rangle$ of the input sequence such that $a_1^{'} \leq a_2^{'} \leq a_3^{'} \leq \ldots \leq a_n^{'}$
- * A More General Version
 - * Input:
 - * Output:

INSERTION SORT

- Suitable for Sorting Small Number of Elements
- * The Idea

* Remove an element from input and insert it in

proper location



Figure 2.1: Sorting a hand of cards using insertion sort.

INSERTION SORT

* The Idea

Sorted partial result			Unsorted data
≤ <i>x</i>	> <i>x</i>	\boldsymbol{x}	

becomes

Sorted partial result Unsorted data
$$\leq x$$
 x $> x$...

THE ALGORITHM

INSERTION-SORT (A)

```
1. for j = 2 to A.length
    key = A[j]
    //Insert A[j] into the sorted
  sequence A[1, \ldots, j-1].
 i = j-1
  while i > 0 and A[i] > key
        A[i+1] = A[i]
6.
       i = i - 1
7.
    A[i+1] = key
```

BUBBLE SORT

The Idea:

- * Bubble up the largest(smallest) element to the bottom(top) of the list in each iteration
- * Repeatedly step through the list
 - * Compare each pair of adjacent items
 - * Swap them if they are in the wrong order
 - * Repeated until no swaps are needed, which indicates that the list is sorted

THE ALGORITHM (HOMEWORK)

BUBBLE-SORT (A)

```
1. do
     swapped = false
2.
      for i = 2 to A.length
3.
        if A[i-1] > A[i]
4.
          temp = A[i]
5.
          A[i] = A[i-1]
6.
          A[i-1] = temp
7.
          swapped = true
8.
9. while swapped
```

REFERENCES

- [1] T.H. Cormen, C.E. Leiserson, R.L. Rivest and C. Stein, Introduction to Algorithms, 3rd Ed. Cambridge, MA, MIT Press, 2009.
- [2] Wikipedia, "Insertion sort", Oct. 09, 2012. [Online]. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Insertion_sort. [Accessed: Oct. 22, 2012].
- [3] Wikipedia, "Bubble sort", Oct. 17, 2012. [Online]. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bubble_sort. [Accessed: Oct. 22, 2012].

HOMEWORK

- Reading for Today's Class
 - Introduction: Chapter 1
 - Insertion Sort: Sections 2.1 & 2.2
 - Bubble Sort: [3]
- For Next Class
 - Asymptotic Notation: Section 3.1