

Algorithm Time & Space Complexity Cheat Sheet

1. Data Structures

Array (static): Access $O(1)$, Search $O(n)$, Insert $O(n)$, Delete $O(n)$, Space $O(n)$

List (dynamic): Access $O(1)$, Search $O(n)$, Insert $O(1)$, Delete $O(n)$, Space $O(n)$

HashMap: Search/Insert/Delete $O(1)$ avg, $O(n)$ worst, Space $O(n)$

Stack/Queue: Insert/Delete $O(1)$, Search $O(n)$, Space $O(n)$

BST (Balanced): Search/Insert/Delete $O(\log n)$, Space $O(n)$

Heap: Insert/Delete $O(\log n)$, Peek $O(1)$, Space $O(n)$

2. Sorting Algorithms

Bubble Sort: Best $O(n)$, Avg/Worst $O(n^2)$, Space $O(1)$

Insertion Sort: Best $O(n)$, Avg/Worst $O(n^2)$, Space $O(1)$

Merge Sort: $O(n \log n)$ all cases, Space $O(n)$

Quick Sort: Avg $O(n \log n)$, Worst $O(n^2)$, Space $O(\log n)$

Heap Sort: $O(n \log n)$ all cases, Space $O(1)$

Counting Sort: $O(n + k)$, Space $O(k)$

Radix Sort: $O(nk)$, Space $O(n + k)$

3. Searching Algorithms

Linear Search: $O(n)$ time, $O(1)$ space

Binary Search: $O(\log n)$ time, $O(1)$ space

Hashing Search: $O(1)$ avg, $O(n)$ worst, Space $O(n)$

4. Recursion & DP

Recursive Fibonacci: $O(2^n)$ time, $O(n)$ space

DP Fibonacci: $O(n)$ time, $O(n)$ or $O(1)$ space

0/1 Knapsack: $O(nW)$ time, $O(nW)$ space

LCS: $O(m \times n)$ time and space

5. Graph Algorithms

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BFS/DFS: $O(V + E)$ time, $O(V)$ space

Dijkstra: $O((V + E) \log V)$ time, $O(V)$ space

Bellman-Ford: $O(VE)$ time

Floyd-Warshall: $O(V^3)$ time, $O(V^2)$ space

Kruskal/Prim: $O(E \log V)$ time

6. Tree Algorithms

BST (Balanced): Insert/Search/Delete $O(\log n)$

BST (Unbalanced): $O(n)$

AVL/Red-Black: $O(\log n)$ for all operations

Traversal: $O(n)$ time

7. Heap Operations

Insert/Delete Min-Max: $O(\log n)$

Peek: $O(1)$

Build Heap: $O(n)$

8. String Algorithms

Naive Matching: $O(nm)$ time

KMP: $O(n + m)$ time, $O(m)$ space

Rabin-Karp: $O(n + m)$ avg

Trie: $O(k)$ time, $O(k \cdot n)$ space