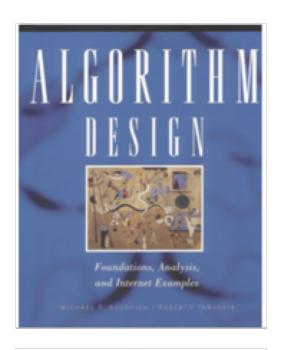
CS 4/56101 Design & Analysis of Algorithms

- Course Website:
 - http://www.cs.kent.edu/~hmichaud/daa-s19/
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Books

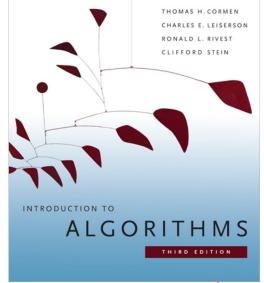
Textbook:

Algorithm Design: Foundations, Analysis, and Internet Examples, by Michael T. Goodrich and Roberto Tamassia, 1st edition, Wiley, 2001



An excellent reference:

Introduction to Algorithms, 3rd Edition, by T.H. Cormen, C.E. Leiserson, R.L. Rivest, and C. Stein, MIT, 2009.



Course Requirements

- Homework 35%
 - Good preparation for exams
 - Homework is weighted based on different problems
- Exams (closed book, no calculators, one sheet of notes)
 - Midterm 30% March ??, during class
 - Final 30% Wed May 8, 10:15am-12:30pm
- Participation 5%
 - Engagement in class and on Piazza

Other Syllabus Info

Late Policy

- Homework must be turned in by the end of class on the due-date.
- Unexcused late homework is not accepted.
- Missed exams and missed homework are only excused if absence was essential and can be fully documented.

• Registration Requirements

- January 20: Official registration deadline
- January 27: Last day to withdraw before a grade of "W" is assigned
- March 24: Last day to withdraw with a grade of "W" assigned

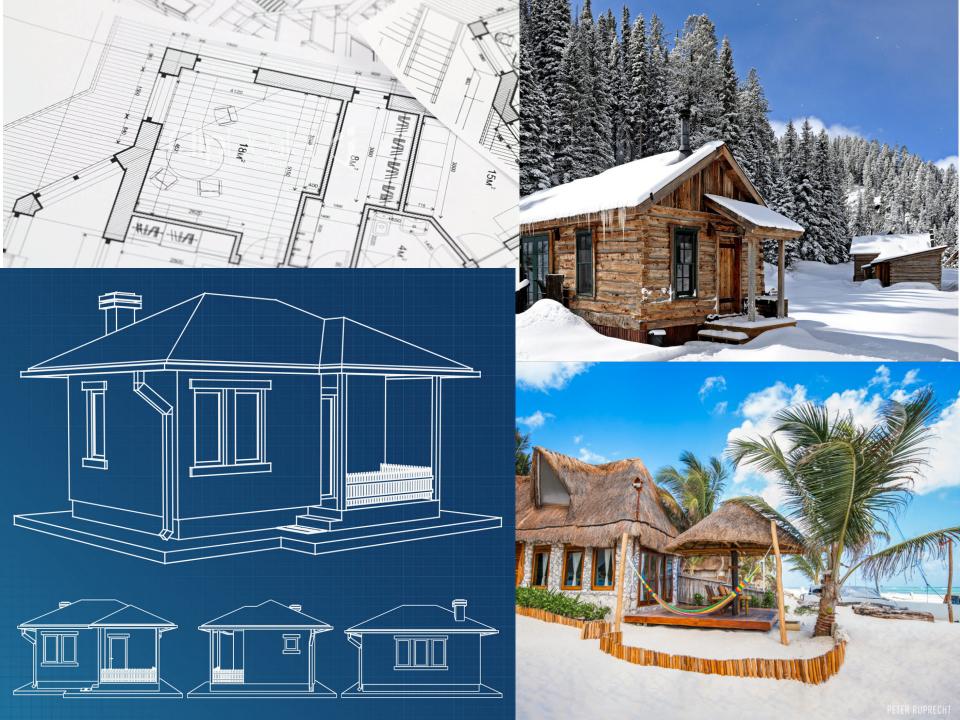
Example: Boss assigns a task

- Given today's prices of pork, grain, sawdust, etc...
- Given constraints on what constitutes a hotdog.
- Make the cheapest hotdog.

Every industry asks these questions.

- Mundane programmer: "Um? Tell me what to code."
- Better: "I learned an algorithm that will work."
- Best: "I can develop an algorithm for you."

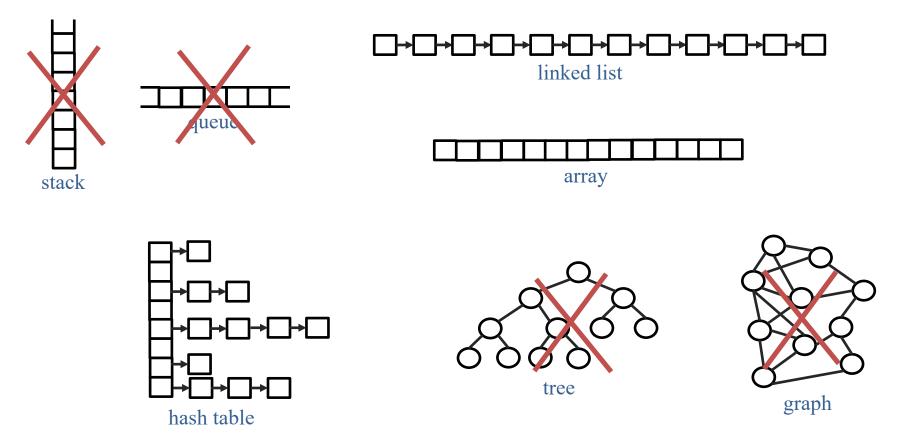
How to do this?



Tools you need

Example: Design an inventory system which can quickly find an item.

What data structure to use?



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What approach to take?

Brute force

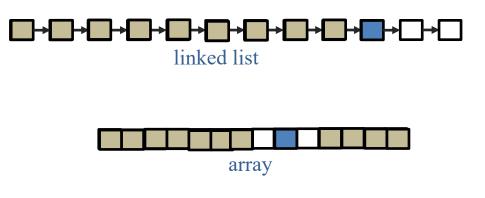
Dynamic programming

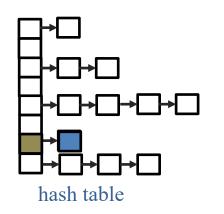
Divide and conquer

Greedy method

Prune and search

 Are there any existing algorithms that could be used/modified?





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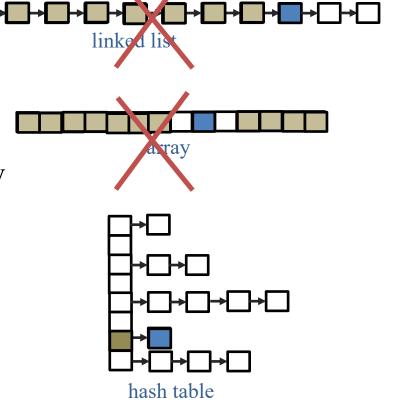
- How to determine which solution is best?
- Does it work as required?

Rationalization

Proof of correctness

 How much memory is required? How long does it take?

Big-oh notation
Amortization
Complexity analysis



Design & Analysis of Algorithms

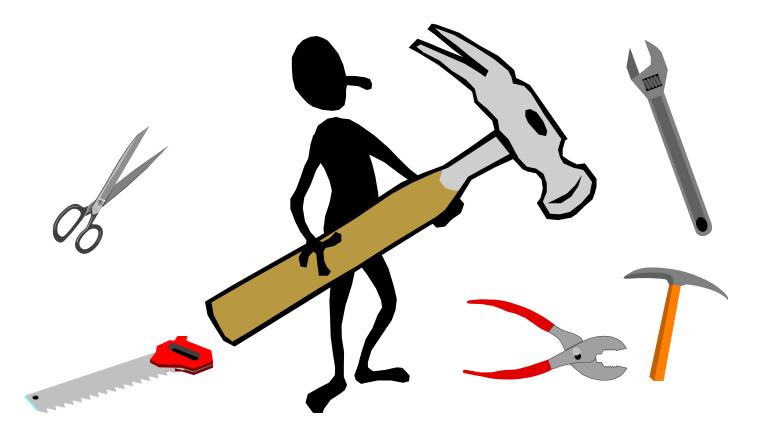
- How to evaluate algorithms (correctness, complexity)
 - Notations and abstractions for describing algorithms
- Advanced data structures and their analysis
- Fundamental techniques to solve the vast array of unfamiliar problems that arise in a rapidly changing field
 - Up to date grasp of fundamental problems and solutions
 - Approaches to solve
- To think algorithmically like a 'real' computer scientist

Course Content

- A list of algorithms
 - Learn the code
 - Trace them until you are convinced that they work
 - Implement them.

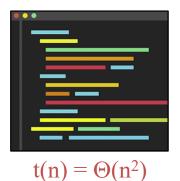
Course Content

- A survey of algorithmic design techniques
- Abstract thinking
- How to develop new algorithms for any problem that may arise



Start with some math

Time complexity as a function

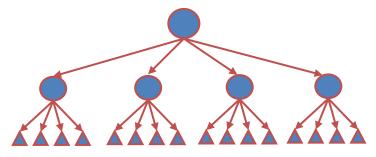


Counting primitive operations

- Sequences and summations
- Linear functions
- Logarithmic and exponential functions

$$a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} ar^k = a\left(rac{1-r^n}{1-r}
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Recurrence Relations



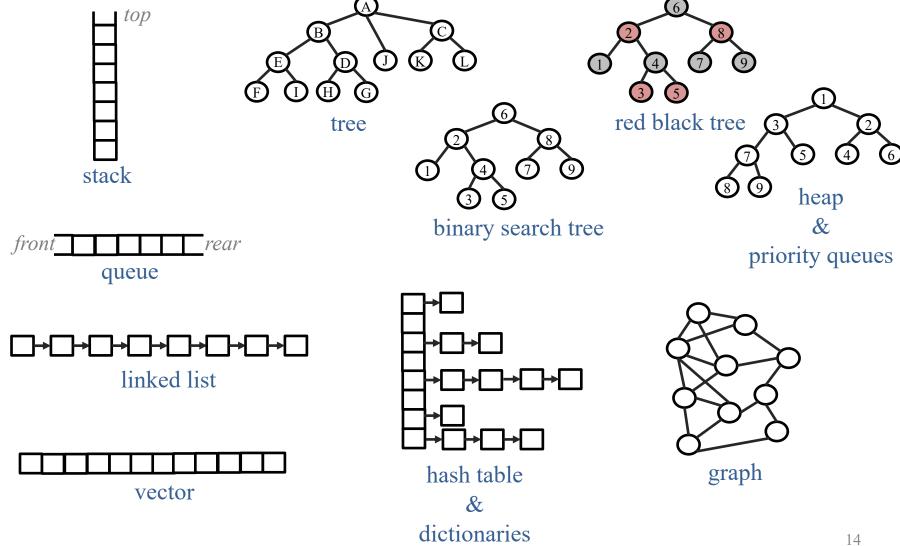
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Time

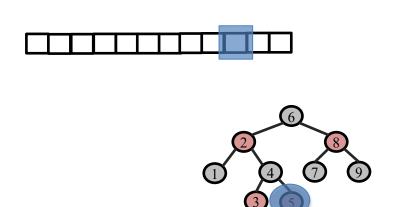
Classifying functions

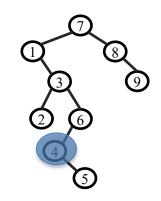
Input Size

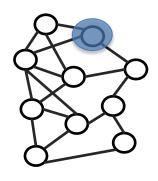
Data Structures



Searching & Sorting











selection sort



heap sort



merge sort



quick sort

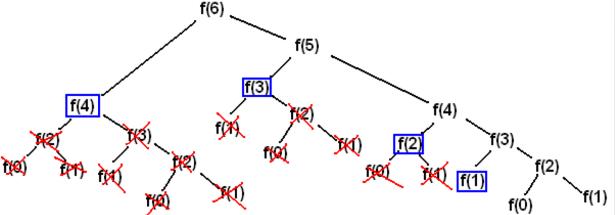


Fundamental Techniques

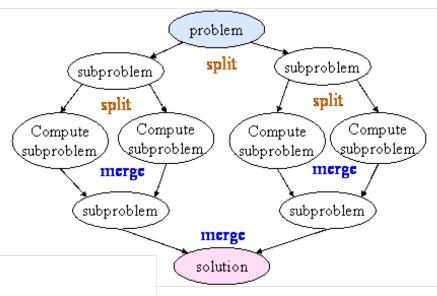
Greedy Algorithms



Dynamic Programming

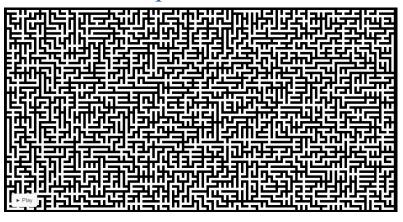


Divide and Conquer

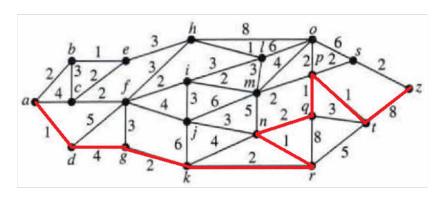


Graphs & Graph Algorithms

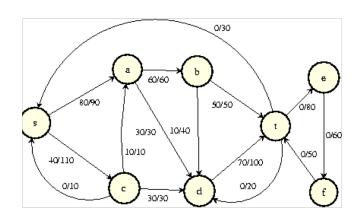
Graph search



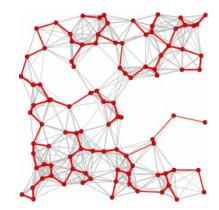
Shortest path



Network flow



Minimum Spanning Tree



Useful Learning Techniques

- You are expected to read ahead (before the lecture)
 - This will facilitate more productive discussion during class
- Guess at potential algorithms for solving a problem
 - Look for input instances where your algorithm is wrong
- Practice explaining
 - You'll be tested on your ability to explain material
- Ask questions
 - Why is it done this way and not that way?