

SA - short answer | FR - free response | CT - code tracing | CW - code writing

UNIT 1

Early Definitions (SA/FR)

- Algorithms and Abstraction
- Basic data values/types
- Syntax, runtime, and logical errors

Computer organization (SA/FR)

- Reading and/or reorganizing bytecode
- Binary addition and/or conversion
- Data abstraction - pixels or ascii
- Data abstraction - design your own abstraction
- Comprehension of half-adder/full-adder/n-bit adder/flip flop
- How files work at a basic level

Basic Programming (SA/FR)

- Print vs Return
- Basic scope, without crazy global stuff
- Evaluate logical operations
- Evaluate range expressions
- Comprehension of linear search
- Indexing/slicing with strings

Basic Programming (CT/CW)

- Code tracing basic algorithms
- Code tracing with variables
- Code writing functions with variables and basic data values
- Code writing - convert control flow chart to code
- Code trace code with control structures (conditionals and loops)
- Write new code with control structures (conditionals and loops)
- Convert between boolean expressions, truth tables, and circuits
- Implement linear search algorithms
- Code tracing - indexing/slicing/methods with strings
- Basic code writing with strings
- Using basic string methods - isalpha(), isdigit(), lower(), upper()
- Input() and file reading/writing

UNIT 2

Graphics (CW)

Lists (CW)

- Create lists

- Add to lists (append, insert, +)

- Remove from lists

- Check if an element is in a list

- Swap or replace elements

- Iteration over elements of lists

- Using 2D lists (CT)

Destructive vs non-destructive methods (CW)

- Examples of each in python (append, etc)

- Identifying destructive methods

- Implementing a given algorithm destructively or non-destructively

Aliasing and Mutability (CT)

Recursion

- Parts of recursive functions (SA)

- Tracing recursive functions (CT)

- Writing very simple recursive functions on lists, strings, ints (CW)

Runtime and Big-O Notation

- Differences between runtimes (SA)

- Runtime Analysis of simple Loops (CT)

Search Algorithms

- Recognizing linear/binary search (CT)

- Recalling runtime of different search algorithms (SA)

Sorting Algorithms (Insertion sort, Selection sort, Mergesort)

- Runtime of given sorting algorithms (SA)

- List sorting (CT)

Hash Tables/hash functions (FR/SA)

Dictionaries (CW)

- Purpose and use cases

- Creation

- Adding elements

- Removing

- Replacing values

- Iteration over

Trees

- Vocabulary (parent, children, leaf, root) (SA)

- Implemented as dictionaries (CW)

Trees vs Binary trees vs BSTs (comparison & runtime) (SA)

Very simple tree operations with given algorithm (CW)

Graphs (CT)

Implemented as dictionaries or adjacency matrices

Breadth First Search and Depth First Search

Tractability (SA)

Runtime analysis

Complexity classes P and NP

Implications of P=NP

UNIT 3

Hardware scaling (SA/FR)

Circuit-level Concurrency

Multiprocessing

Pipelining

Multitasking

Distributed Computing

MapReduce

Challenges of implementation

The Internet (SA/FR)

Packets

Routers

IP Addresses

DNS

Security and Privacy (SA)

Adversaries

DDOS attack

Man in the middle attack

Malware

Authentication - Certificates, Usernames/passwords

RSA

Encryption (CT)

Caesar

Substitution

The Cloud (SA)

Software as a Service

Platform as a Service

Infrastructure as a Service

UNIT 4

Data Analysis (CW)

- Opening and reading a file
- Parsing strings
- Converting strings to ints to floats and vice versa
- Dataframe - how it organizes data, not how to call it (SA)

Simulation (CT)

- Identifying components and rules of a model (SA)
- Representing a model as a dictionary
- Visualizing a model using tkinter
- Updating a model with a time loop
- Events - key presses and mouse clicks

Data Summarization (CW)

- Algorithms to find means, medians, counts

Machine Learning (SA)

- Define ML and AI
- Define training vs. testing data
- When to use Classification vs regression
- Identify basic classification algorithms and when they can be used

Visualization (SA)

- Identify category vs. ordinal vs. numerical data
- Correct use of plots
- Which plots should be used for
 - counts (histograms),
 - category (x-axis, independent variable) and numerical data (y-axis, dependent variable) (bar charts),
 - numerical and numerical data (scatterplots)

Monte Carlo

- Define true randomness vs. pseudo-randomness (SA)
- Write very basic Monte Carlo code (CW)
- Recognize the relationship between # trials, accuracy, and time (SA)

AI (SA)

- Types of AI agents
- Graphs to model states and actions
- BFS to search graphs

UNIT 5

CS History (SA)

Identify math theories that influenced CS (binary numbers & boolean algebra)

Identify hardware components that made personal computing possible
(transistor, integrated circuit, and microprocessor)

Recognize the contributions of a few of the founders of CS:

Charles Babbage [first general computer design]

Ada Lovelace [first program & computational thinking]

Claude Shannon [circuit design & information theory]

Alan Turing [Turing machines & halting problem]

John Mauchly & J. Presper Eckert [ENIAC, the first computer]

John von Neumann [software architecture]

Grace Hopper [the compiler]

Douglas Engelbart [the mouse & the GUI]

Vinton Cerf & Robert Kahn [TCP/IP]

Tim Berners-Lee [HTML & URL]

CS Ethics (SA)

Identify our three big rules for code maintenance

Define the data economy and explain why it exists

List recent examples of bias in machine learning

Recognize where there can be room for debate about ethics in AI

CS Future (SA)

Define what a deepfake is

Recognize how 5G will be different from 4G and predecessors

Identify occupations that may be at risk because of automation

Define quantum computing

Define the Turing Test and its purpose