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UNIT-I-Introduction

TOPIC: Important Problem Types

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Answer: Important Problem Types





Important Problem Types



- ✓ Sorting
- ✓ Searching
- ✓ String processing
 - Text String
 - Bit String
 - Gene Sequence
- ✓ Graph problems
- ✓ Combinatorial problems
- Geometric problems
- ✓ Numerical problems



Sorting







Sorting



- ➤ The *sorting problem* is to **rearrange** the items of a given list in **non** decreasing order.
- A sorting algo- rithm is called *stable* if it preserves the relative order of any two equal elements in its input.
- The second notable feature of a sorting algorithm is the amount of extra memory the algorithm requires. An algorithm is said to be *in-place* if it does not require extra memory, except, possibly, for a few memory units



Searching



- The *searching problem* deals with finding a given value, called a *search key*, in a given set (or a multiset, which permits several elements to have the same value).
- > Sequential search
- Binary search

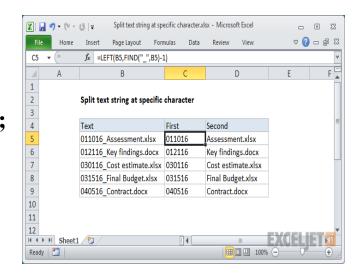








A string is a sequence of characters from an alphabet. Strings of particular interest are text strings, which **comprise** letters, numbers, and special characters; bit strings, which comprise zeros and ones; and gene sequences, which can be modeled by strings of characters from the four-character alphabet {A, C, G, T}.





String Processing



➤ It should be pointed out, however, that string-processing algorithms have been important for computer science for a long time in conjunction with **computer languages and compiling issues**.

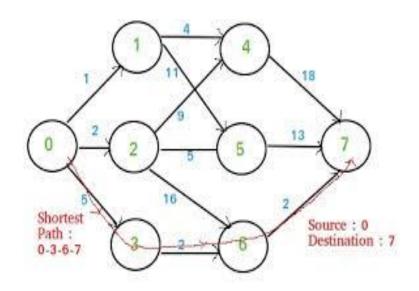
One particular problem—that of searching for a given word in a text—has attracted special attention from researchers. They call it *string matching*.



Graph Problems



A *graph* can be thought of as a collection of points called **vertices**, so me of which are connected by line segments called **edges**





Graph Problems



Fraphs can be used for modeling a wide variety of applications, including transportation, communication, social and economic networks, project scheduling, and games. Studying different technical and social aspects of the Internet in particular is one of the active areas of current research involving computer scientists, economists, and social scientists

Graph Problems

- > Basic graph algorithms include
- Shortest-path Algorithms
- Topological Sorting For Graphs With Directed Edges
- **❖** Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP)
- Graph-coloring Problem





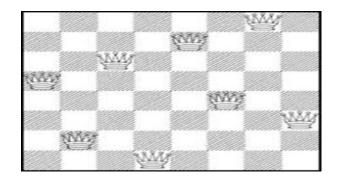




Combinatorial Problems



From a more abstract perspective, the traveling salesman problem and the graph-coloring problem are examples of *combinatorial problems*. These are problems that ask, explicitly or implicitly, to find a combinatorial object—such as a **permu-tation**, a combination, or a subset—that satisfies certain constraints. A desired combinatorial object may also be required to have some additional property such as a maximum value or a minimum cost.



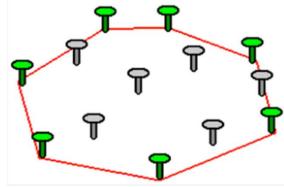


Geometric Problems



Geometric algorithms deal with geometric **objects such as points, lines, and poly- gons**. The ancient Greeks were very much interested in developing proc edures (they did not call them algorithms, of course) for solving a variety of geometric problems, including problems of constructing simple geometric **shapes—triangles, circles, and so on—with an unmarked ruler and a com pass**

- ✓ closest-pair problem
- ✓ convex-hull problem





Numerical Problems



Numerical problems, another large **special area of applications**, are problems that Involve mathematical objects of continuous nature: **solving equations** and systems of equations, **computing definite integrals**, **evaluating functions**, an so on. The majority of such mathematical problems can be solved only approximately.

5. Estimate the amount work done on the previous problem 3 given the empirical equation below from the distance of x_1 = 5ft up to x_2 = 35ft using **Multiple** application Trapezoidal Rule with n = 12 segments.

$$W = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x) \cos[\theta(x)] dx$$



Assessment



Match the following

Arrange the Elements in order - Graph problems

N Queen Problem - String processing

Convex hull - Numerical Problems

Integral Calculus - Searching

Graph coloring - Combinatorial problem

Find a new string in existing one - Geometric problem

Find the given number - Sorting







