

Lecture 32

CSE 331

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Comments on Feedback

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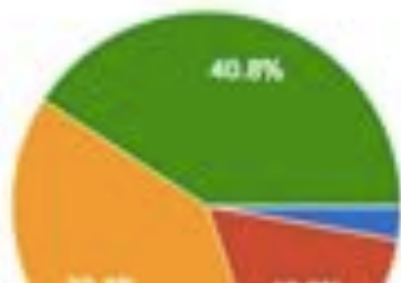
Thanks for everyone who have feedback (@B40). Over the course of this week, I will address/respond to some of the feedback (both the quantitative ones and the written comments).

In some cases I will be able to incorporate your comments this year. For others, it might not be but I will at least present you my rationale for for why not.

I will start off with responses to how you felt about the class overall, in particular, I pay close attention to the fraction of students who say they are "challenged and unhappy." Last year this was around 17%; higher than what I would like but still something that I can potentially live with. However, this year's number are not good:

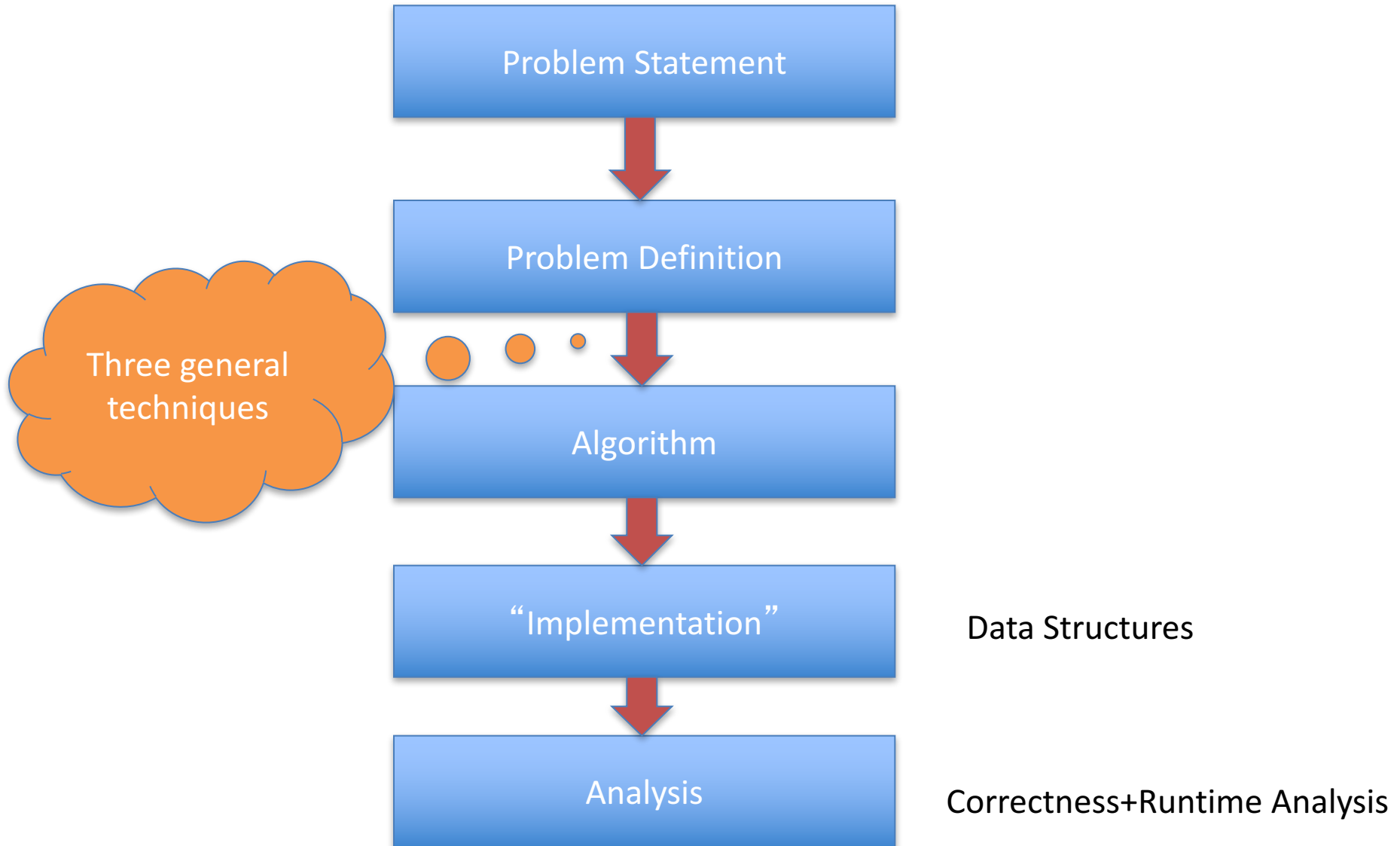
Overall your feeling about CSE 331

71 responses



- Very Happy
- Challenged but happy
- Challenged and meh
- Challenged and unhappy
- I'm bored!

High level view of CSE 331



Greedy Algorithms

Natural algorithms



Reduced exponential running time to polynomial

Divide and Conquer

Recursive algorithmic paradigm



Reduced large polynomial time to smaller polynomial time

A new algorithmic technique

Dynamic Programming

Dynamic programming vs. Divide & Conquer



Same same because

Both design recursive algorithms



Different because

Dynamic programming is smarter about solving recursive sub-problems



End of Semester blues

Can only do one thing at any day: what is the optimal schedule to obtain maximum value?



Write up a term paper (10)

Party! (2)

Exam study (5)

331 HW (3)

Project (30)

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Previous Greedy algorithm

Order by end time and pick jobs greedily

Greedy value = $5+2+3=10$

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OPT = 30

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Today's agenda

Formal definition of the problem

Start designing a recursive algorithm for the problem



Property of OPT

j in $\text{OPT}(j)$

j not in $\text{OPT}(j)$

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \max \{ v_j + \text{OPT}(p(j)), \text{OPT}(j-1) \}$$

Given $\text{OPT}(1), \dots, \text{OPT}(j-1)$,
how can one figure out if j
in optimal solution or not?



A recursive algorithm

Compute-Opt(j)

Correct for $j=0$

Proof of correctness by induction on j

If $j = 0$ then return 0

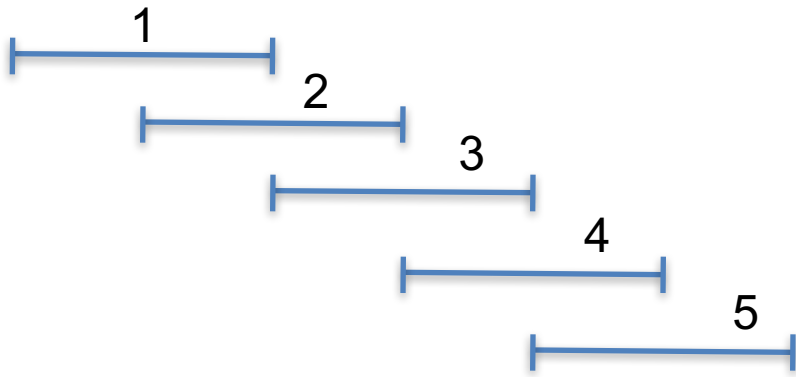
return $\max \{ v_j + \text{Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{Compute-Opt}(j-1) \}$

$= \text{OPT}(p(j))$

$= \text{OPT}(j-1)$

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \max \{ v_j + \text{OPT}(p(j)), \text{OPT}(j-1) \}$$

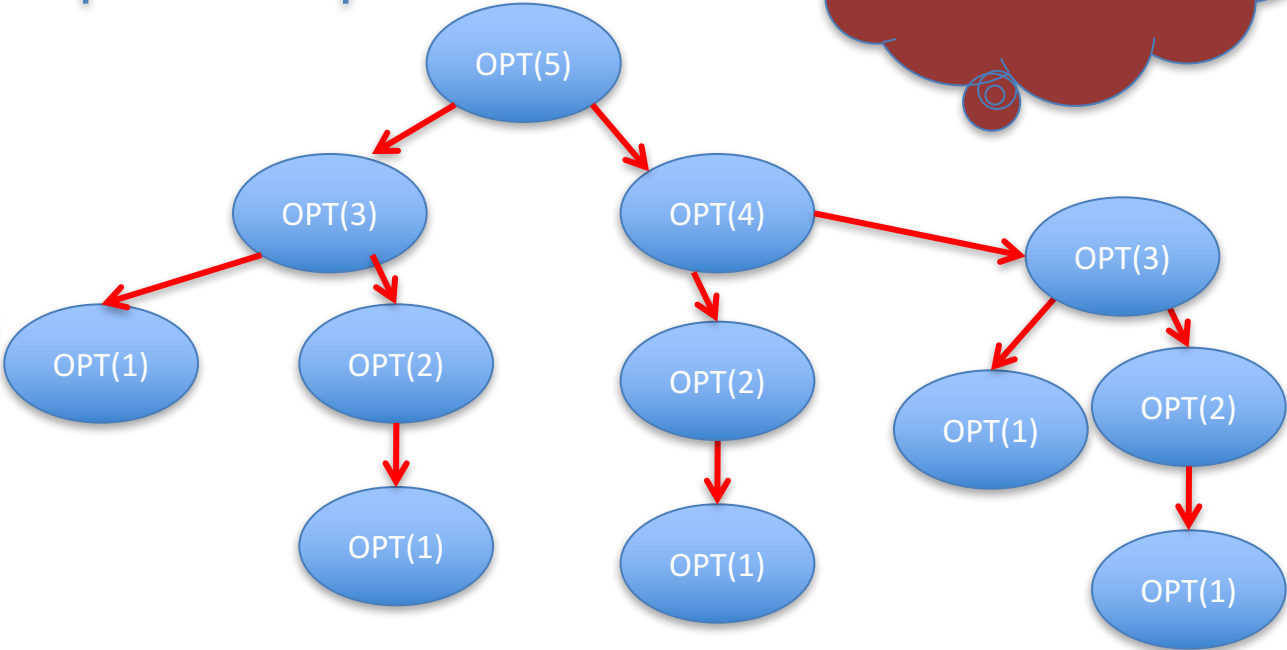
Exponential Running Time



$$p(j) = j - 2$$

Only 5 OPT values!

Formal proof: Ex.





How many distinct OPT values?

A recursive algorithm

M-Compute-Opt(j)

If $j = 0$ then return 0

If $M[j]$ is not null then return $M[j]$

$M[j] = \max \{ v_j + \text{M-Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{M-Compute-Opt}(j-1) \}$

return $M[j]$

M-Compute-Opt(j)
= OPT(j)

Run time = $O(\# \text{ recursive calls})$

Bounding # recursions

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return $M[j]$

$O(n)$ overall

Whenever a recursive call is made an M value of assigned

At most n values of M can be assigned



Reading Assignment

Sec 6.1, 6.2 of [KT]



When to use Dynamic Programming

There are polynomially many sub-problems



Richard Bellman

Optimal solution can be computed from solutions to sub-problems

There is an ordering among sub-problem that allows for iterative solution