CSCI 241: Data Structures

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About Me

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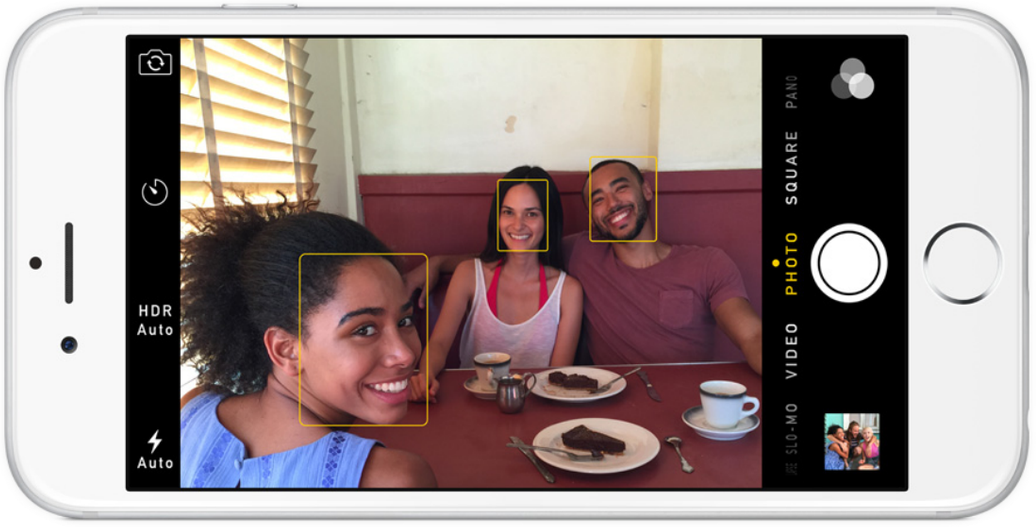

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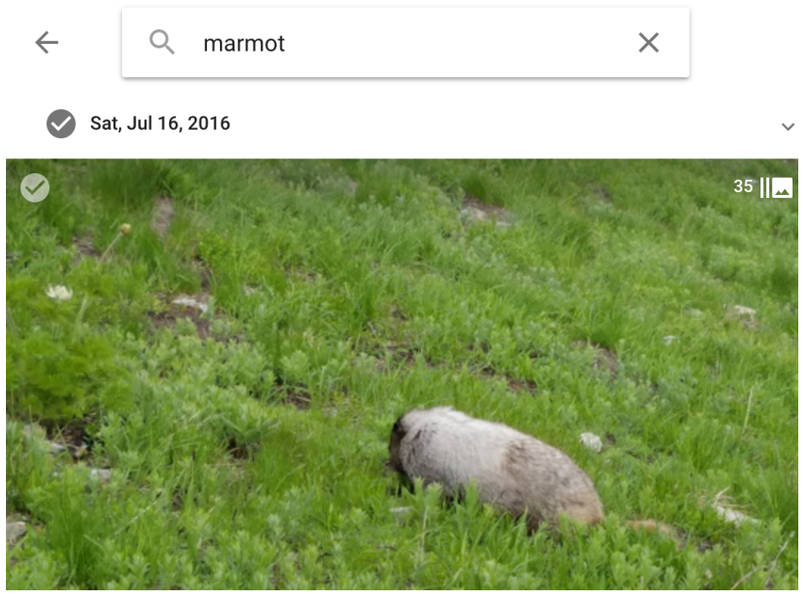

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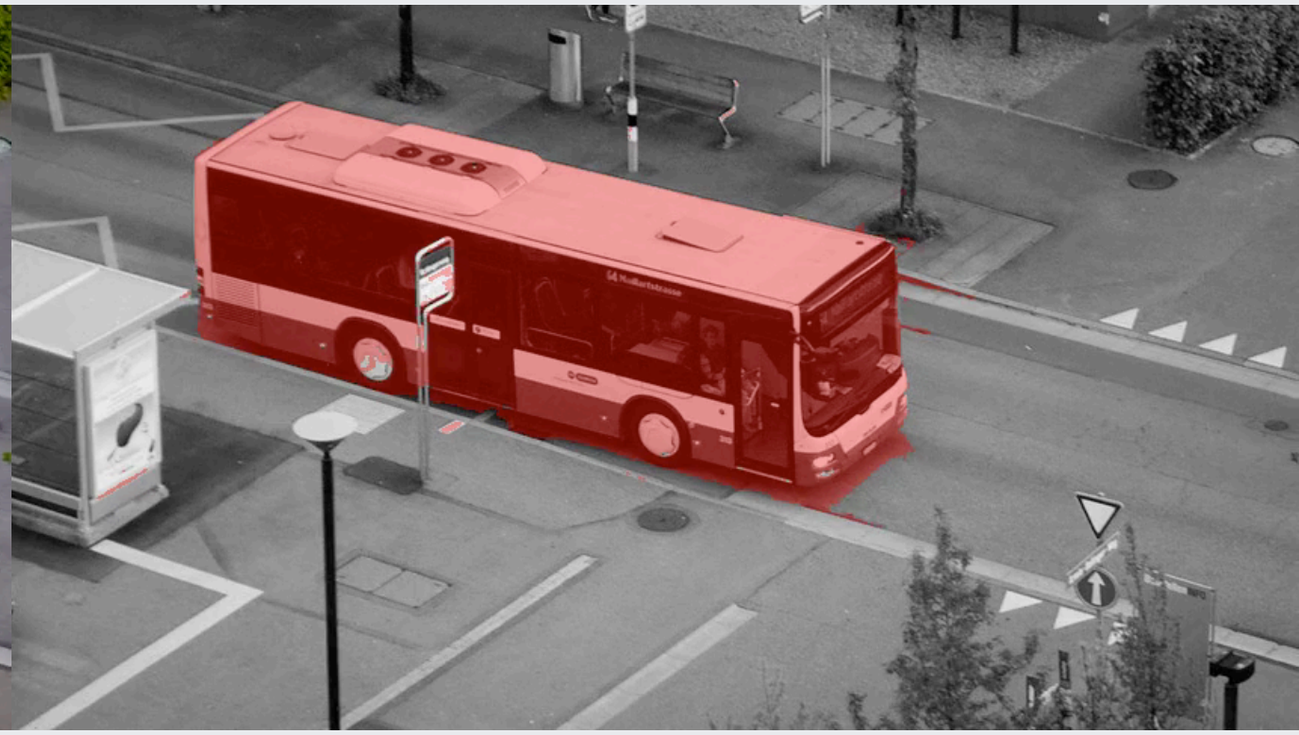


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Data Structures: Why?

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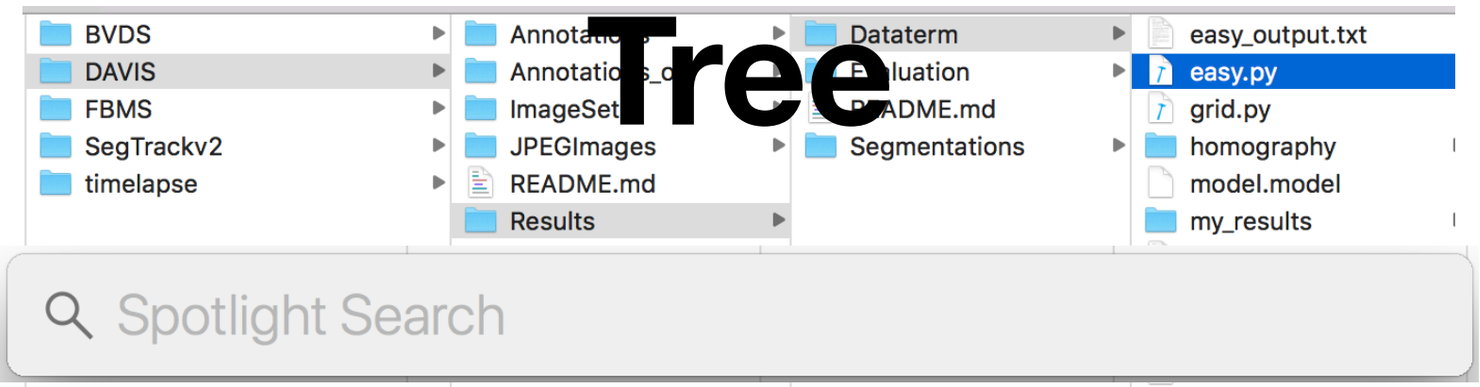

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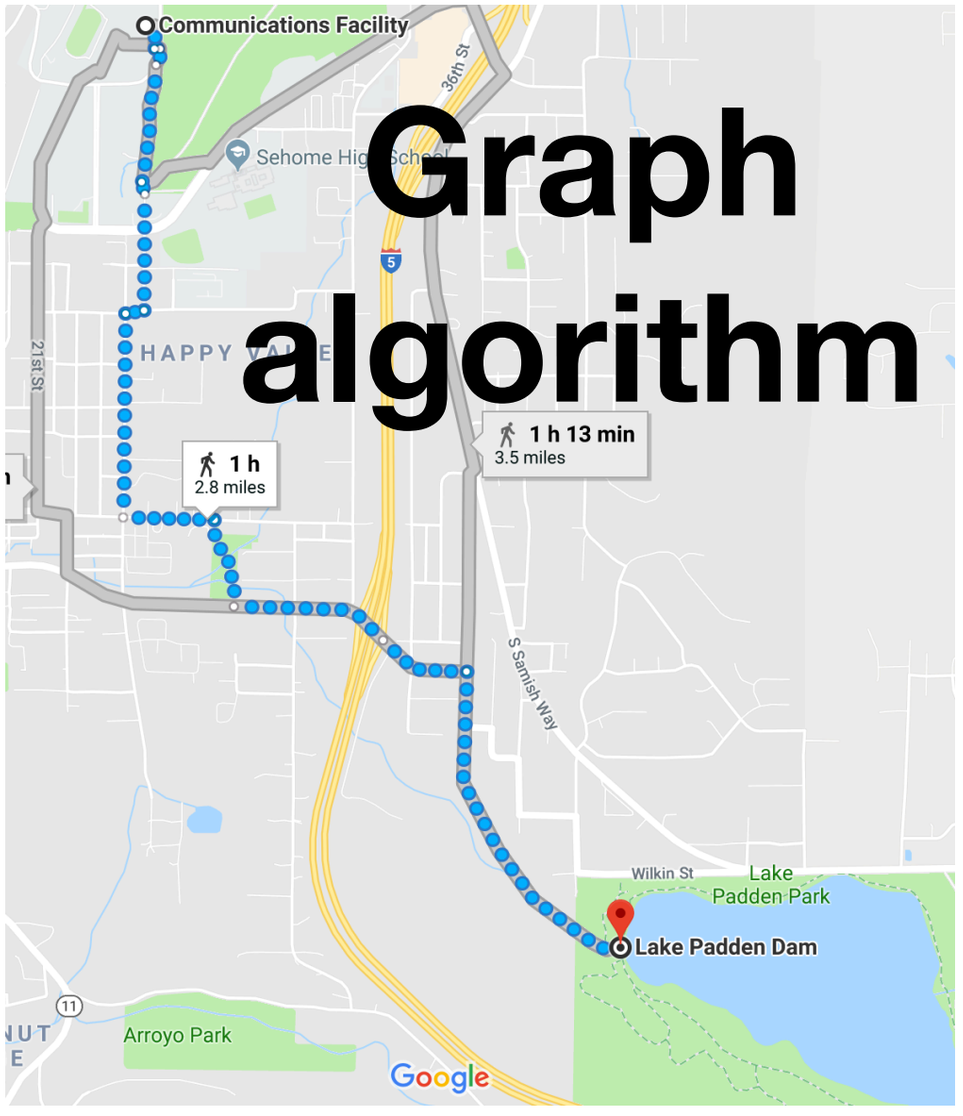

Graph algorithm

Syllabus Overview

Course website:

https://facultyweb.cs.wwu.edu/~wehrwes/courses/csci241_19w

Also linked from the Syllabus section on Canvas.

Goals

- Understand the range index convention a..b
- Know the definition of specification, precondition, postcondition, and invariant.
- Be able to execute insertion sort and selection sort on paper.
- Be able to implement insertion sort and selection sort.

Sorting Algorithms

Why?

- Arrays are the simplest and most ubiquitous data structure available to us.
- Sorting algorithms are a fundamental piece of knowledge for computer scientists
- An entry point into the practice of developing, and analyzing algorithms.

Preliminaries:

Tools for Talking about Algorithms

Range Indices

`a..b` denotes the range of consecutive integers from (and **including**) a up to (but **excluding**) b.

Examples:

- 0..5 is the range 0, 1, 2, 3, 4
- A[4..6] denotes the 4th and 5th elements of A
- 7..8 is a range containing only 7
- 6..6 is a valid range but contains no elements

Range Indices

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- How many elements are in the range `a..b`?

A. b-a-1

B. a-b-1

C. b-a+1

D. B-a

Range Indices

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- Recall that `A.length` gives A's length. What range denotes all elements of A?

```
A. A[0..A.length]

B. A[0..A.length-1]

C. A[0..A.length+1]

D. A[1..A.length-1]
```

Specification

```
/** return the max value in A
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   * postcondition: max value of A is returned */
public int findMax(int[] A) {
   int max = A[0];
   // invariant: max is the largest value in A[0..i]
   for (int i = 1; i < A.length; i++) {
      if (A[i] > max) {
         Max = A[i];
      }
   }
   return max;
}
```

A **method specification** is a comment above the method that details the precise behavior of the method.

Precondition, Postcondition

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(Loop) Invariant

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Max is the largest value in:

A[0..1]

A[0..i]

A[0..a.length]

A loop invariant is true **before**, **during**, and **after** the loop.

(at the *end* of each iteration)

Loop Invariant

largest value in this section is max

i=1

Precondition: A | | ?

i

Invariant: A | largest value is max | ?

i=a.length

Postcondition: A | largest value is max |

A[0..1]

A[0..i]

A[0..a.length]

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Onward to sorting!

Insertion Sort

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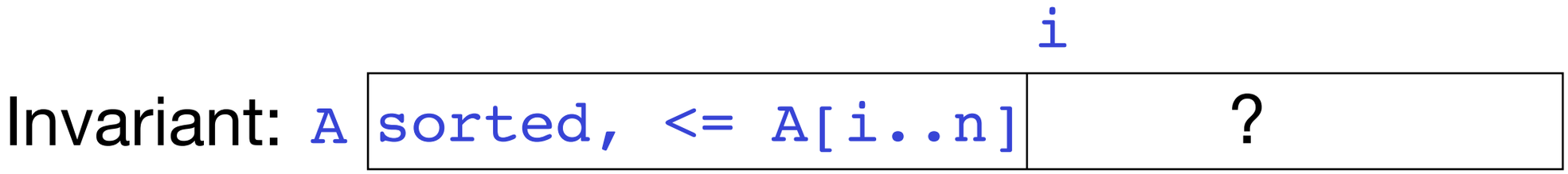

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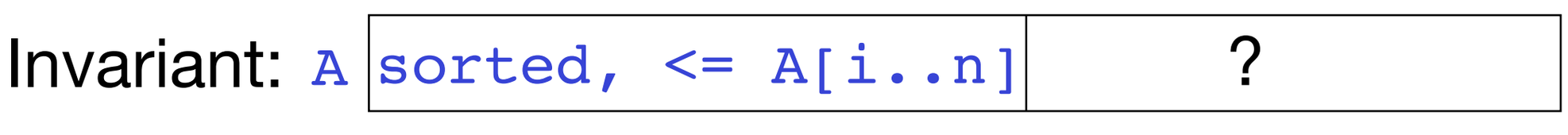
```
insertionSort(A):
  i = 0;
  while i < A.length:
    // push A[i] to its sorted position by repeatedly
    //   swapping with the element to its left
    // increment i
```


```
selectionSort(A):
  i = 0;
  while i < A.length:
    // find min of A[i..A.length]
    // swap it with A[i]
    // increment i
```



Insertion sort: Pseudocode

```
// Sorts A using insertion sort
insertionSort(A):
   i = 0;
   while i < A.length:
      j = i;
      while j > 0 and A[j] > A[j-1]:
         swap(A[j], A[j-1])
         j--
      i++
```