

CS 2123 Midterm 1 Topics

- Stable matching problem
 - Gale-Shapley algorithm (apply if given a preference list)
 - Identifying an unstable pair
- Python
 - Basic syntax and operation
 - Access and manipulation of built-in data structures: dictionaries, lists, tuples, sets
 - List comprehensions
 - Defining and invoking methods
 - Note: you will not be asked to re-write any code implementing algorithms provided to you in class
 - You should be comfortable reading and interpreting code, including implementation of algorithms covered in class and minor variants thereof
- Algorithm Analysis
 - Bounding functions: Big Oh, Omega, Theta definition and application
 - Dominance: definition (including little oh) and application
 - Worst-case vs. best-case vs. average case performance
- Graph algorithms
 - Graph representation in Python
 - Representing problems as graphs
 - Induction-based topological sort
 - DFS and BFS traversal
- Balanced Binary Search Trees
 - AVL trees: performance, balance factors, insertion
 - B-trees: performance, insertion, deletion, tree-height key storage calculation
 - Tradeoffs in selecting AVL vs B-trees