

CS4102 Algorithm



Warm up:

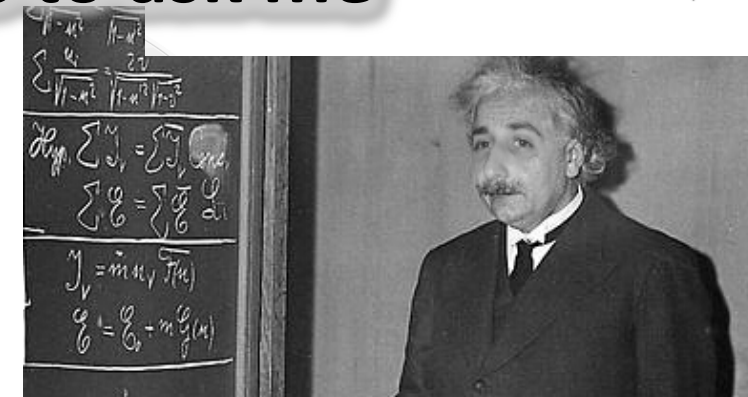
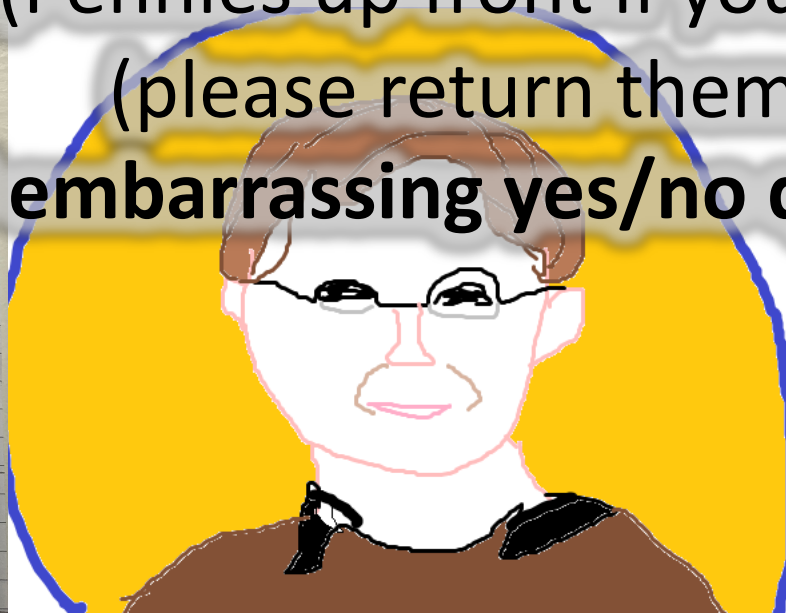
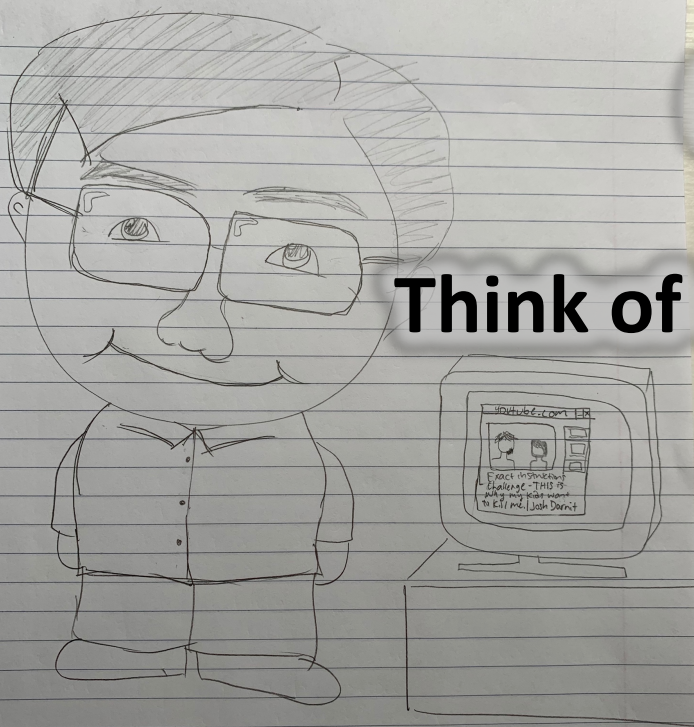
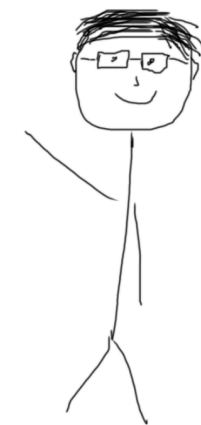
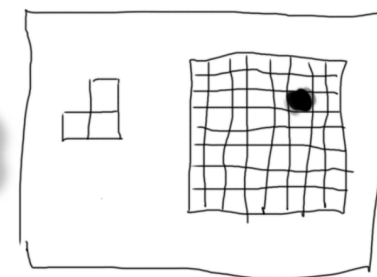
Pick up a slip of paper from the front

Take out a coin

(Pennies up front if you need one)

(please return them at end)

Think of embarrassing yes/no questions to ask me



Today's Keywords

- Differential Privacy
- NP-Completeness

CLRS Readings

Homeworks

- HW9 due tonight at 11pm
 - Reductions, Graphs
 - Written (LaTeX)
- HW10C due tonight at 11pm
 - Implement a problem from HW9
 - No late submissions

Final Exam

- Monday, December 9, 7pm in Maury 209 (our section)
 - Practice exam out! Solutions coming tomorrow!
 - Review session Saturday, 1pm, in Olsson 120
 - SDAC: please schedule for some time on Monday 12/9

As Computer Coding Classes Swell, So Does Cheating



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Code cypypasta increasingly common in CS education

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RYAN PAUL - 2/12/2010, 5:11 PM

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College of Engineering piloting program to combat cheating

Top Stories

Differential Privacy

- Gives a way to probabilistically answer questions about data without giving away its content
- You can get statistical certainty on the answer
- We're going to use a simple example

Scheme

- Flip a coin:
 - If Heads, respond “yes”
 - If Tails, truthfully answer an embarrassing question:
- Questions

How does it work

- Assume everyone participates honestly
- We know 50% of “yes” answers were from the coin landing **heads**
 - If 100 people participate, eliminate 50 “yes” responses
 - Proportion of “yes” answers given by remaining “yes” answers
- Consider a person who answers “no”
 - We know this person didn’t cheat
- Consider a person who answers “yes”
 - Most people ($\geq 50\%$) who answered “yes” only did so because the coin landed **heads**
 - It’s still **more** likely that this person **did not cheat**

How many people have streaked the lawn?

Your Turn!

- Flip a coin:
 - If Heads, respond “yes”
 - If Tails, truthfully answer an embarrassing question:
 - **Have you ever streaked the lawn?**
 - Write “yes” or “no”
 - Pass the slip to your left
- At the end, tally total “yes” and total “no” and pass totals forward

Impagliazzo's 5 Worlds

Describes what computer science might look like depending on how certain open questions are answered.

- Algorithmica
- Heuristica
- Pessiland
- Minicrypt
- Cryptomania

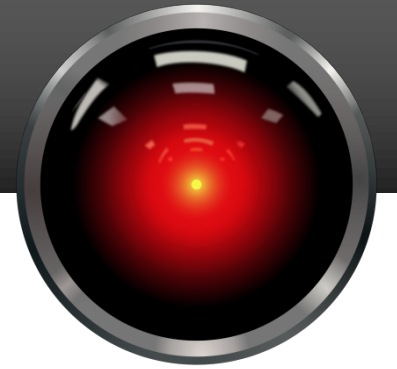
Gauss vs. Büttner

Büttner's goal: embarrass Gauss

- Come up with a problem which Gauss finds difficult but Büttner can solve quickly
 1. Come up with a graph and a Vertex Cover together
 2. Give the graph to Gauss
 3. When Gauss is stumped show the Vertex Cover



Algorithmica



$$P = NP$$

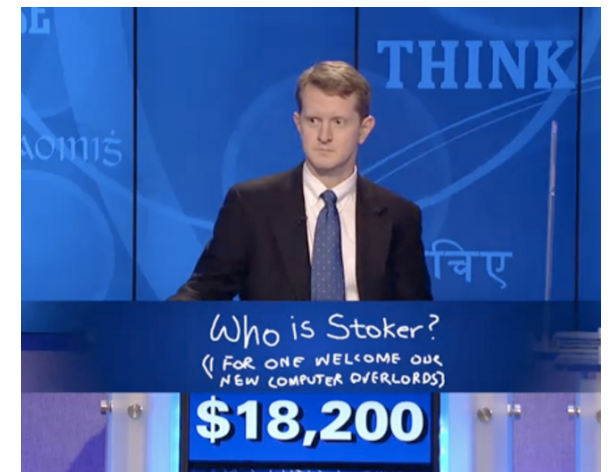
- NP problems solvable efficiently
- Gauss can quickly find the solution to Büttner's problem
- Gauss is not embarrassed

Advantages:

- VLSI Design
- Strong AI
- Cure for cancer?

Disadvantages:

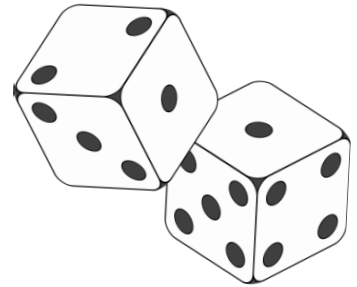
- No privacy
- Computers take over



Heuristica

$P \neq NP$ in worst case, $P = NP$ on average

- Time to come up with a problem \approx time to solve it
- Büttner can give hard problems, but it's hard to find them
- Gauss is not embarrassed



Advantages:

- Maybe similar to Algorithmica
- Depends on real-world distributions

Disadvantages:

- Bad real world distributions could make things hard to solve

Pessiland

$P \neq NP$ on average, one-way functions don't exist

- Hard problems easy to find, but *solved* hard problems difficult to find
- Gauss can be stumped, but Büttner does no better

Advantages:

- Universal Compression
- Reverse Engineering
- Derandomization

Disadvantages:

- No crypto
- No algorithmic advantages
- Progress is slow



Minicrypt

One-way functions exist, no public key cryptography

- Büttner can give hard problems to Gauss and also know their solutions
- Gauss is embarrassed

Advantages:

- Private key crypto
- Can prove identity

Disadvantages:

- No electronic currencies



Cryptomania

Public Key Crypto Exists

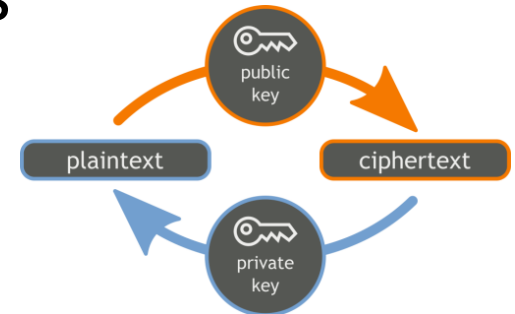
- Büttner can come up with problems and solutions, then share the solution with all other students
- Gauss is very embarrassed

Advantages:

- Secure computation
- Signatures
- Bitcoin, etc.

Disadvantages:

- Algorithmic progress will be slow



Does $P=NP$?

	$P \neq NP$	$P = NP$	Ind	DC	DK	DK and DC	other
2002	61(61%)	9(9%)	4(4%)	1(1%)	22(22%)	0(0%)	3(3%)
2012	126 (83%)	12 (9%)	5 (3%)	5 (3%)	1(0.6%)	1 (0.6%)	1 (0.6%)

When Will $P=NP$ be resolved?

	02–09	10–19	20–29	30–39	40–49	50–59	60–69	70–79
2002	5(5%)	12(12%)	13(13%)	10(10%)	5(5%)	12 (12%)	4(4%)	0(0%)
2012	0(0%)	2(.01%)	17(11%)	18(12%)	5(3%)	10 (6.5%)	10 (6.5%)	9(6%)

	80–89	90–99	100–109	110–119	150–159	2200–3000	4000–4100
2002	1(1%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	5(5%)	0(0%)
2012	4(3%)	5(3%)	2(1.2%)	5(3%)	2(1.2%)	3(2%)	3(2%)

	Long Time	Never	Don't Know	Sooner than 2100	Later than 2100
2002	0(0%)	5(5%)	21(21%)	62(62%)	17 (17%)
2012	22(14%)	5(3%)	8(5%)	81(53%)	63 (41%)

Notable Statements on P vs NP

Scott Aaronson I believe $P \neq NP$ on basically the same grounds that I think I won't be devoured tomorrow by a 500-foot-tall robotic marmoset from Venus, despite my lack of proof in both cases.

Suggested rephrased question:

will humans manage to prove $P \neq NP$ before they either kill themselves out or are transcended by superintelligent cyborgs? And if the latter, will the cyborgs be able to prove $P \neq NP$?

Neil Immerman $P \neq NP$ will be resolved somewhere between 2017 and 2034, using some combination of logic, algebra, and combinatorics.

Donald Knuth: (Retired from Stanford) It will be solved by either 2048 or 4096. I am currently somewhat pessimistic. The outcome will be the truly worst case scenario: namely that someone will prove " $P=NP$ because there are only finitely many obstructions to the opposite hypothesis"; hence there will exist a polynomial time solution to SAT but we will never know its complexity!