## Algorithms

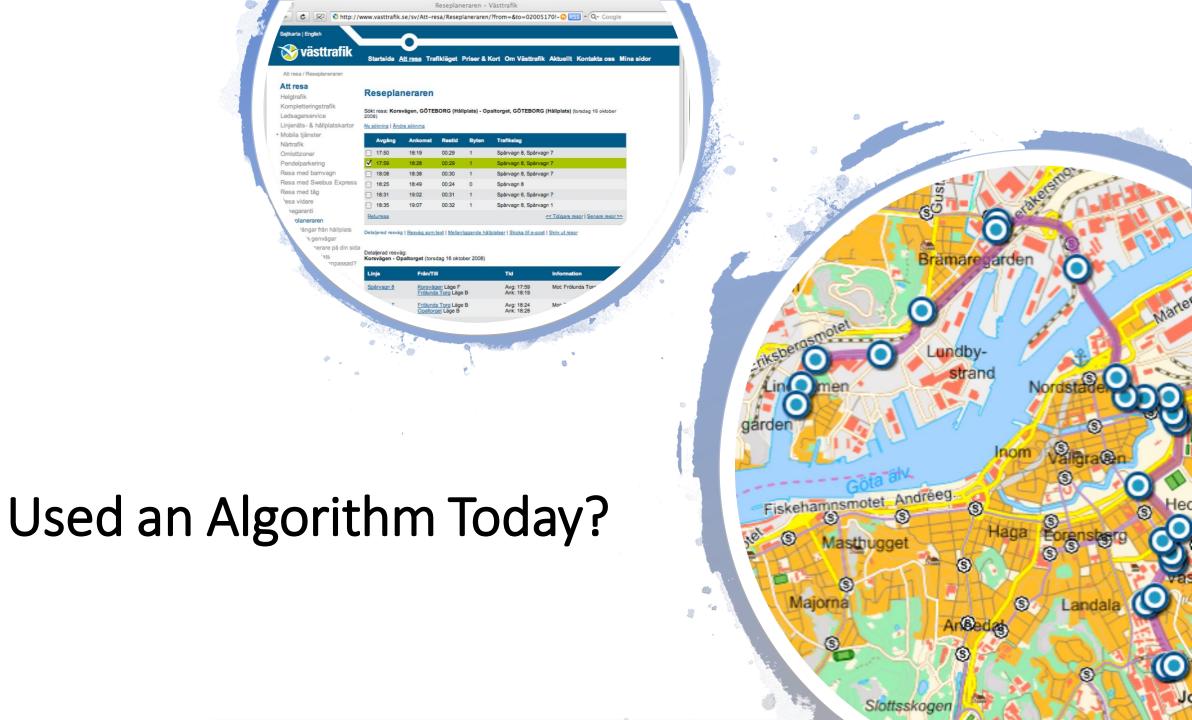
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## Used an Algorithm Today?







# Used an algorithm today?

- Bake a cake
- Google translate
- Internet banking
- Google search
- Origami Swan





## Used an algorithm today?

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## What is an Algorithm?

A set of steps that defines how a task is performed.

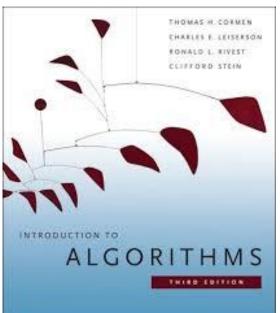
An algorithm is an ordered set of unambiguous, executable steps that defines a terminating process.

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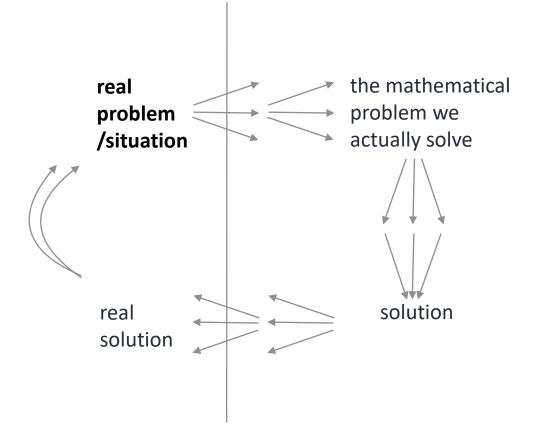
## What is an Algorithm?

An Algorithm is a well-defined computational procedure that takes some value, or a set of values, as input and produces some value, or set of values as output. An algorithm is thus a sequence of computational steps that transform input into output.

• More formal definition uses Turing machines



### Algorithms in relation to modelling and problem solving



An iterative and creative design process!

## First Known Algorithm?

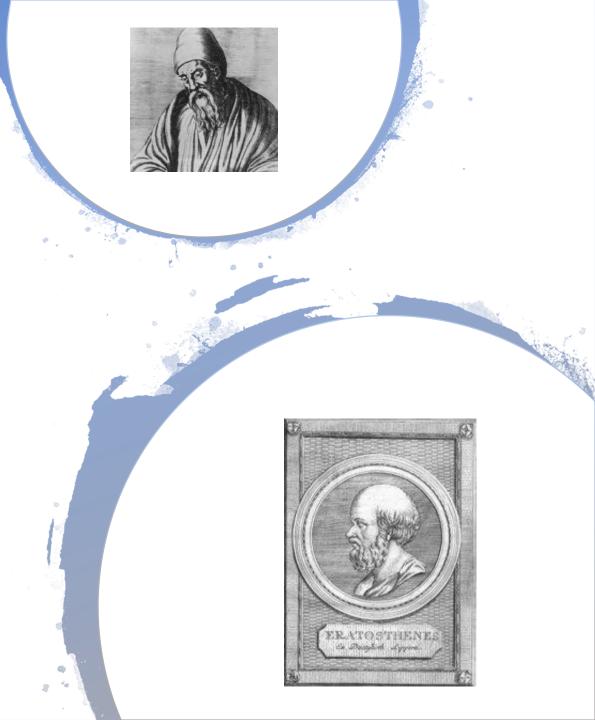
• Greatest common divisor (GCD) algorithm by Euclid ca 300 B.C.

Euclid's Elements

• Prime numbers: Sieve of Eratosthenes, ca 200 B.C.

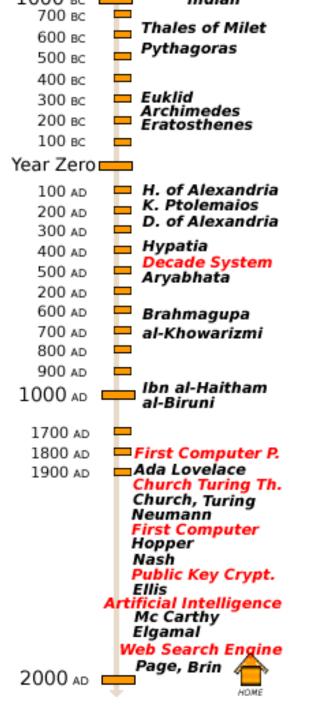
Animations: (sorting and prime numbers)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZuD6iUe3Pc https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sieve\_of\_Eratosthenes



## Sieve of Eratosthenes

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Prime numbers
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### **Some History**



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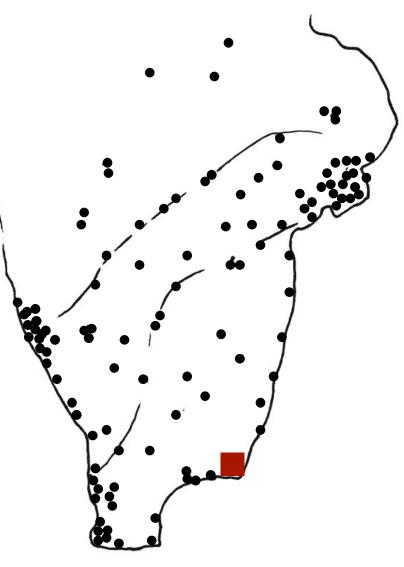
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#### Telephone operator problem (real applied problem)

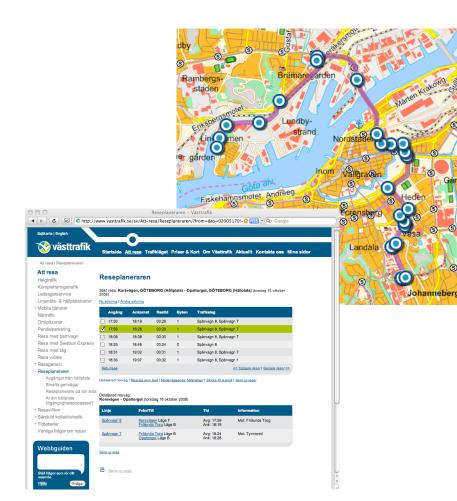
A Swedish mobile phone operator needs to connect all base station to its main switch.

How can we best rent communication lines from the national fixed network?



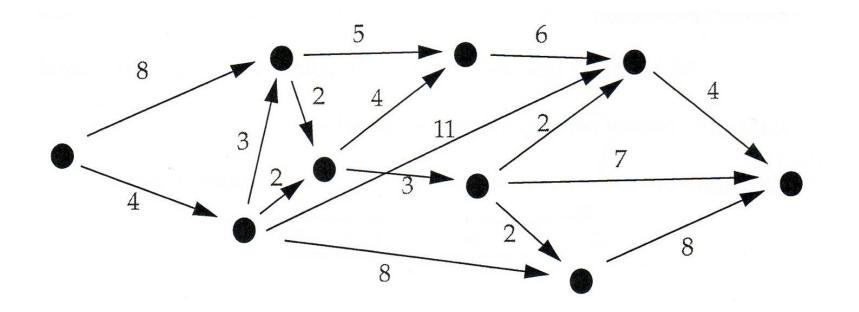


### The Shortest Path Problem



### How solve?

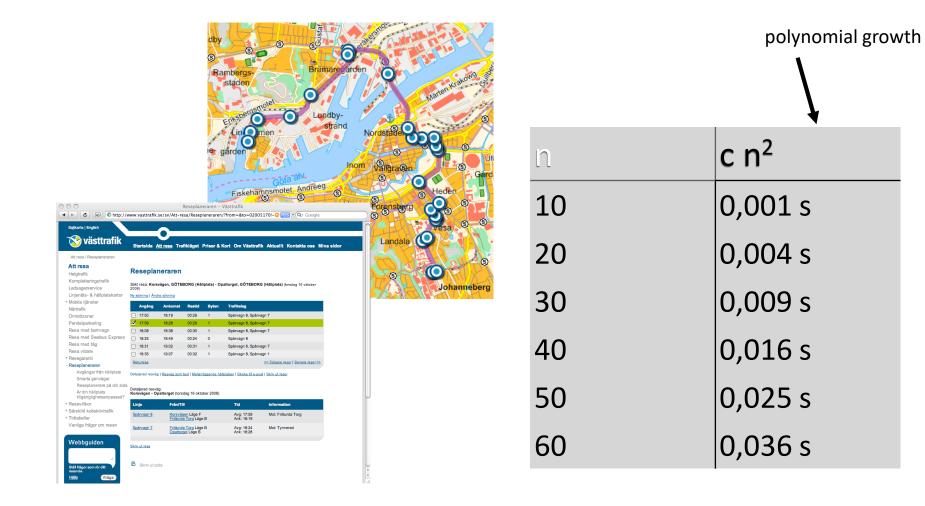
# Solving the directed shortest path problem with dynamic programming



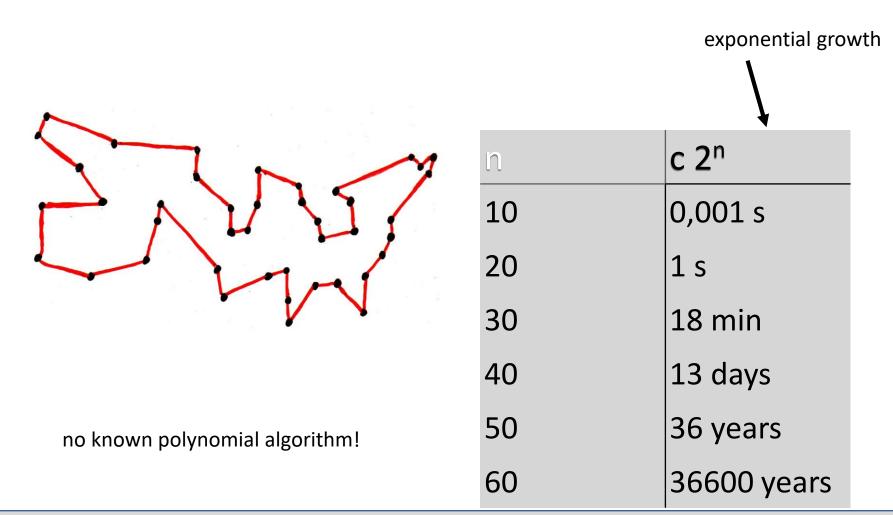
Traverse nodes from left to right and mark with distance from origin. Dijkstra's algorithm 1956.

Circumvents the combinatorial explosion! (not possible for all kinds of problems)

### The Shortest Path Problem

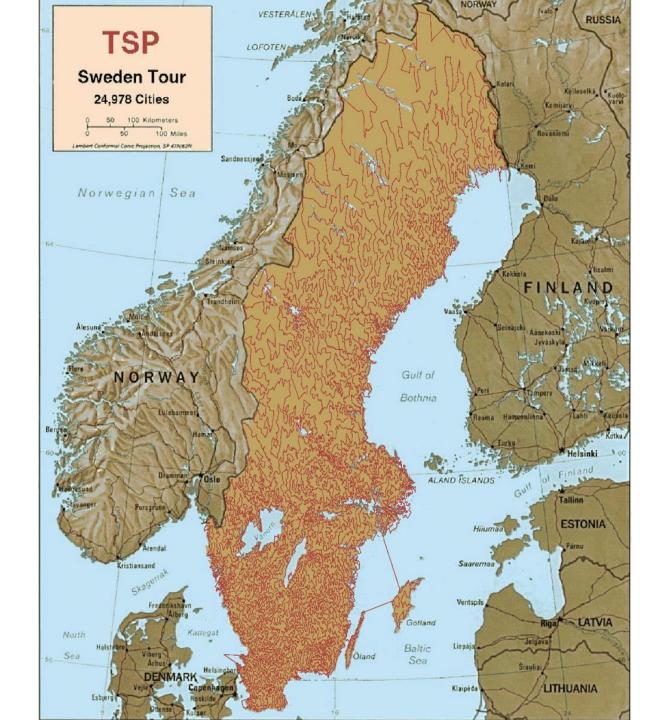


### The Travelling Salesperson Problem



Why is TSP difficult? Reference and examples:

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#### The resulting optimization problem

minimize  $2x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4 + x_5 + x_6 + x_7 + x_8 + 2x_9 + 2x_{10} + 2x_{11} + 2x_{12} + 2x_{13} + 2x_{14} + 2x_{15} + 2x_{16} + 2x_{17}$ subject to

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$x_4 + x_6 + x_7 + x_8 + x_{10} + x_{12} + x_{13} + x_{15} + x_{17}$	= 1

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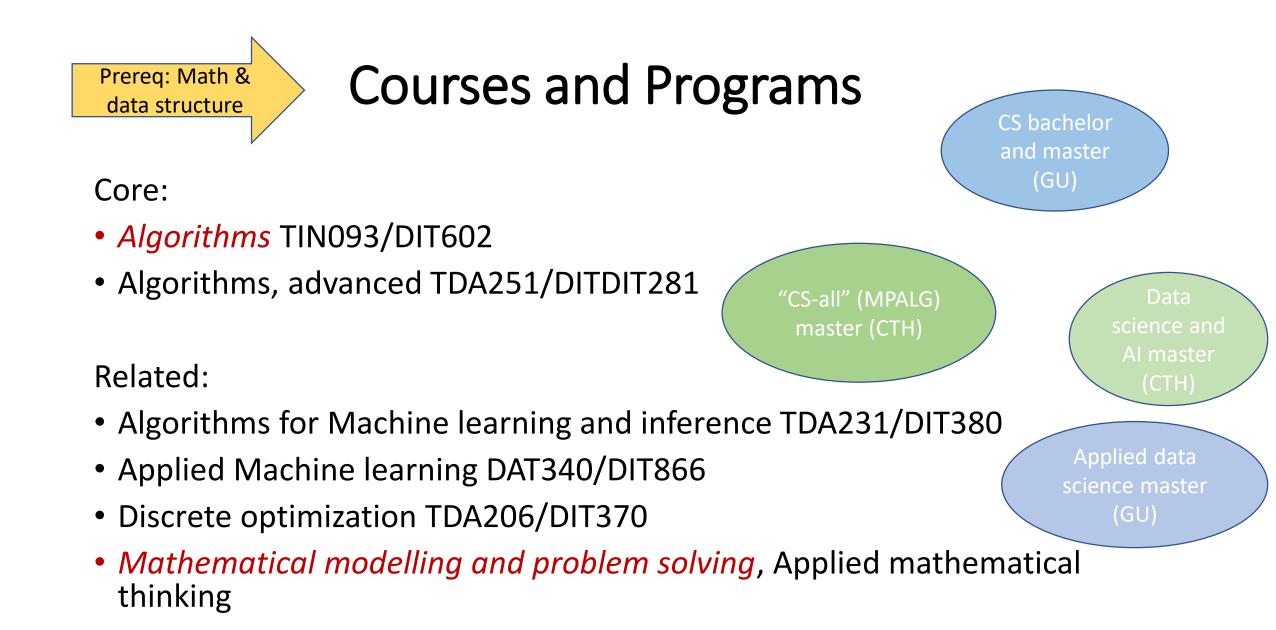
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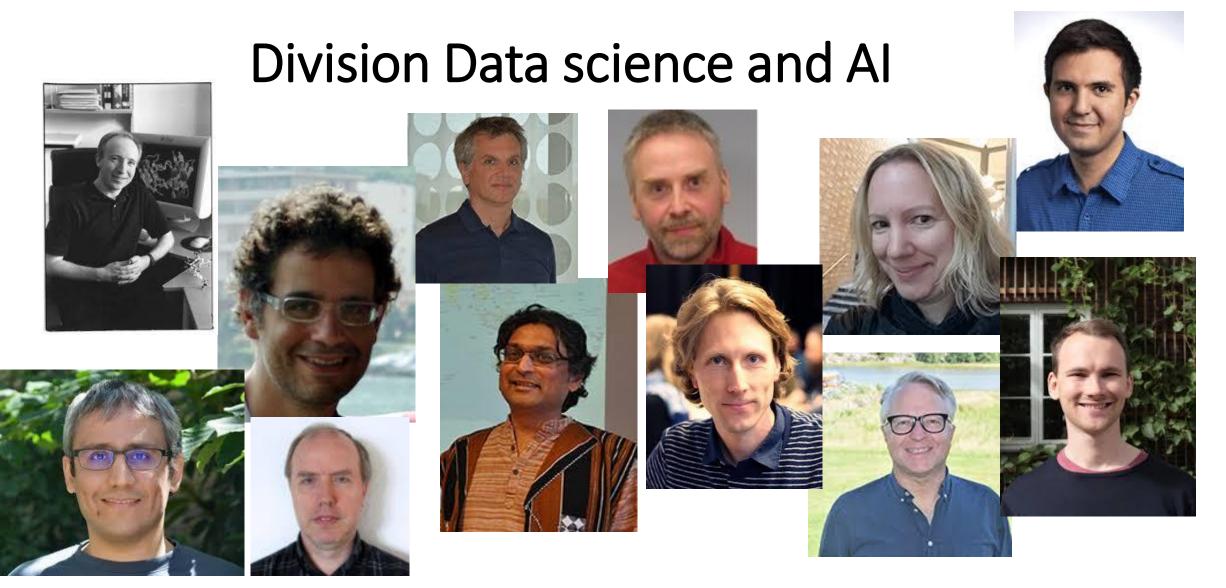
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- Techniques for large scale data DAT345/DIT871
- Design of AI systems (new)
- Computational methods for bioinformatics TDA507/DIT741
- Natural language processing with machine learning (new)
- Bachelor thesis and master's thesis projects
- Project course and seminar course

## Research Areas within the Division DSAI

**Machine learning**, Artificial intelligence, Bioinformatics, Algorithms, Graph theory, Randomized algorithms, Combinatorial optimization, Natural Language processing, Reinforcement learning, Unsupervised learning, Neural networks, Self-driving cars, Applications of machine learning in health, Mathematical modelling ...

Talks earlier in series

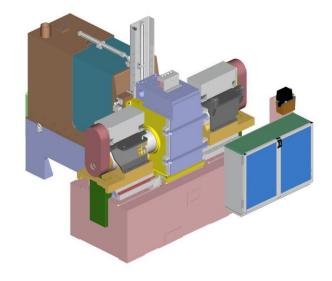
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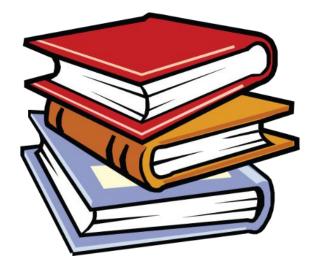


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## Algorithms Courses – What's in it?







## Course Content – Algorithms Toolbox

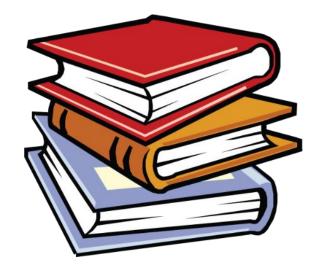
### Algorithm design principles

- Greedy
- Divide and Conquer
- Dynamic Programming
- Complete Search
- Heuristics
- ...



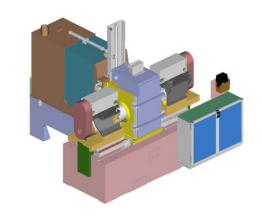
## **Course Content: Standard Problems**

- Searching
- Sorting
- Finding shortest path (SP)
- Finding longest path
- Max flow problem
- Travelling salesperson problem (TSP)
- Graph Coloring
- Satisfiability problem (SAT)

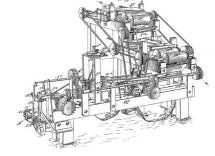


## **Course Content: Standard Algorithms**

- Binary Search
- Insertion Sort, Quicksort ...
- Bredth first search ...
- Dijkstras Algorithm
- Floyd Warshall Algorithm
- Ford Fulkerson Algorithm







- ...
- Randomized Algorithm for Scheduling Multi-Resource Jobs in the Cloud?



## Good Algorithms?

"[...] We want good algorithms in some loosly defined aestetic sense. One criterion is the length of the time to perform the algorithm [...] Other criteria are adaptability of the algorithm to computers, its simplicity and elegance etc "

Knuth 1973:3