

Two Core Courses:

- CS 303E Elements of Computers and Programming
- CS 313E Elements of Software Design

Upper Division Elements Elective Course Options

- CS 324E Elements of Graphics and Visualization
- CS 327E Elements of Databases
- CS 329E Topics in Elements of Computing
 - Elements of Data Visualization
 - Elements of Mobile Computing
 - Elements of Programming Languages
 - Elements of Software Engineering
 - Elements of Web Programming
 - Elements of Data Analytics
 - Elements of Game Development
- CS 330E Elements of Software Engineering I
- CS 331E Elements of Software Engineering II



- Approximately 5 billion people are connected to the Internet.
- By “population,” if Facebook were a country, it would be the largest country in the world.
- Almost 300 billion email messages are sent every day; 85% of them are spam.
- Only 8% of the world’s currency is physical money; the rest exists solely on computers.
- USA’s Frontier is the world’s most powerful supercomputer, reaching 1102 petaFlops (1102×10^{15} floating point operations per second).

Why CS Matters: Did You Know?



- Google Translate translates among 140 natural languages, rivaling skilled human translators.
- MarTech Advisor estimates that by 2030 there will be over 125 billion devices connected to the internet, the so-called “Internet of Things.”
- In 2017, Schur’s Theorem (for 5) was proven using a software system at UT. The proof considers 3.4×10^{112} cases, took 36 CPU years to prove and requires 5 petabytes (5×10^{15} bytes) of storage.

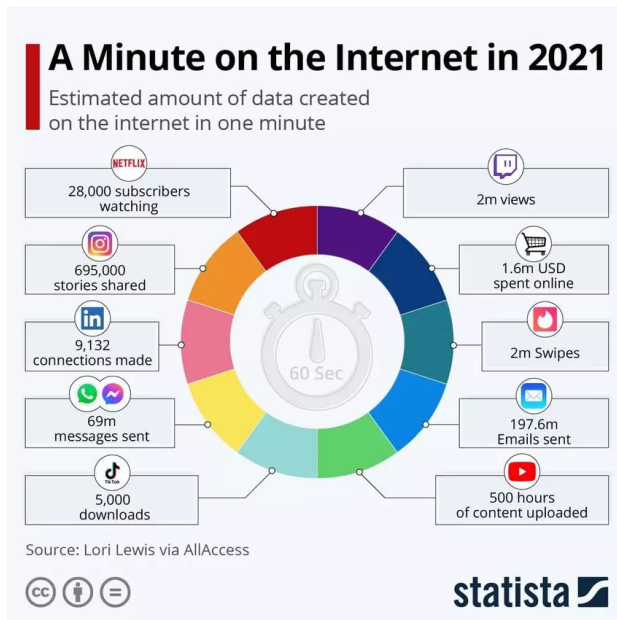
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Smithsonian’s online magazine describes nine surprising tasks robots are currently performing including: cooking dinners, filling prescriptions, checking guests into hotels, training athletes, and even riding camels.



Video games constitute a larger entertainment industry than Hollywood.

Automated systems out-compete the best human experts at chess, Go, and Jeopardy!



"It is estimated that the amount of data collected over the five millennia since the invention of writing up to 2003 is about 5 exabytes. Since 2013, humans generate and store the same amount of data every day."

–Data Science, Kelleher and Tierney, p. 9

Our current output of data is roughly *2.5 quintillion bytes a day*. 90% of the data in today's world has been created in the past two years!

Big Bucks

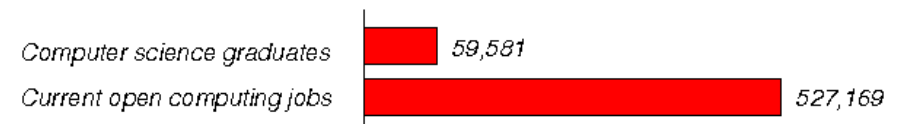
A 2016 study by *The Economist* estimated that the software industry in the U.S. contributed:

- **To GDP:** \$465.3 billion in direct value-added; \$1.06 trillion in total value-added
- **R&D:** \$52 billion in R&D investment by SW companies
- **Jobs:** 2.5 million direct jobs; 9.8 million total jobs
- **Wages:** Software developers made a median salary of \$110,140 in 2020.



We Need More Computer Scientists

There are almost 10 times more U.S. computing jobs open right now than there were students who graduated with computer science degrees.



Data: National Center for Education Statistics

The U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts that the computer and information technology field will grow by 13 percent from 2016-2026. By 2026, another 557,100 jobs are expected to be added within the field.

The technology, media, and telecommunications (TMT) industries may be short more than 1.1 million skilled workers globally, a deficit that could increase to 4.3 million by 2026.

High demand = high salaries.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, these CS-related jobs will grow much more rapidly than the general economy:



Database Administrator	15%
Software Developer	22%
Web Application Developer	23%
Computer Systems Analyst	25%
Mobile App Developer	32%
Market Research Analyst	32%
Information Security Analyst	37%

This compares to an average of 12% growth in most fields.

What an Opportunity!

Computer Science should be an attractive career option for many young people:



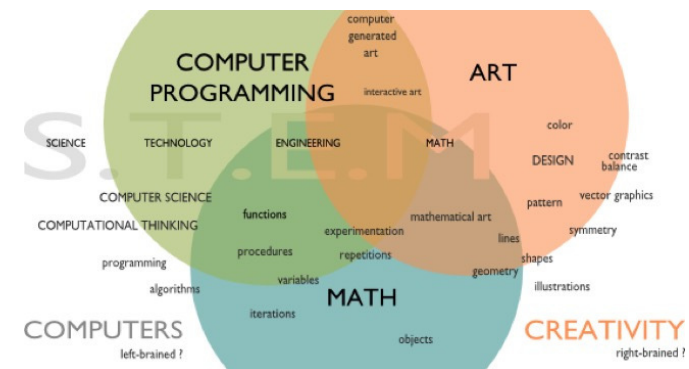
- 1 Computer science job openings are projected to multiply in the coming years.
- 2 Computer science salaries are more than twice the national average
- 3 Computer science professionals can work in a wide range of industries
- 4 Job satisfaction among computer science professionals is very high

Computer Science is now the largest department at UT Austin with over 2000 undergraduate majors.

You Can Do It!

Demystifying CS

CS is so much more than programming. Whatever your interests, it's likely that computing fits in.



The computational thinking that underpins CS is fundamental to success in many fields!

Opportunities in CS are Diverse

Programming not your thing? Consider the 7 *Cooldest Computer Science Degree Jobs of the Future*:

- **Food Engineer:** use 3D printing technology to create culinary masterpieces
- **Personal Web Manager:** monitor online presence and reputation
- **Commercial Civilian Drone Operator:** fly the digital skies
- **Digital Currency Advisor:** manage involvement in crypto-currencies
- **Virtual Reality Designer:** develop commercial VR experiences
- **Digital Locksmith:** circumvent failed security protocols
- **AI Expert:** develop and deploy smart technologies



Societal Benefits of CS

Computer scientists:

- build robots that perform delicate surgery
- create clothing that helps the blind navigate their environment
- write software for cochlear implants that let the deaf hear
- create secure databases to record human rights abuses while shielding the victim's identity
- create tools to help ordinary people raise extraordinary amounts of money for important causes



You're On the Way

CS303E is a first step on the path to becoming computer literate.

Work hard, but enjoy the ride!



Next stop: A first look at Python.