PDC Alpha Revision Report

Revisions based on reviews were drafted by the PDC Chair, and further adjusted upon feedback from PDC Committee members. Review comments including minor requests or suggestions to clarify wording or to mention sub-topics were all incorporated in some way (although not always in the places indicated), and are not included here.

There were two forms of Major comments, shared in some way across the 5 reviews. They were addressed as follows.

Feedback comment: There is too much material here for any given KA course

How incorporated: The guidelines were overhauled to have a smaller CS-Core, with sets of KA-Core options that may apply to courses with different primary focuses. This was made possible in part by changes in CS202X definitions and conventions about CS-Core and KA-Core requirements.

Date considered: Fall, 2022

Feedback comment: There is too much detail about some topics!

How incorporated: The initial intent of the Alpha version was to include separate detailed explanations of possibly-unfamiliar areas (extending those in the cs2013 report). However, given the feedback, this was scrapped in favor of clearer topic area descriptions, concisely incorporating some of the previously separate descriptions. We appreciate the many detailed comments on these detailed accounts, most of which no longer directly apply, but helped in the restructuring of the Beta version.

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