

① What is Time Complexity?

old computer

data :- 1,00,000 element
in an array

Algorithm, linear search
for target that does
not exist in an array

Time Taken :- 10 sec

my macbook (very fast)

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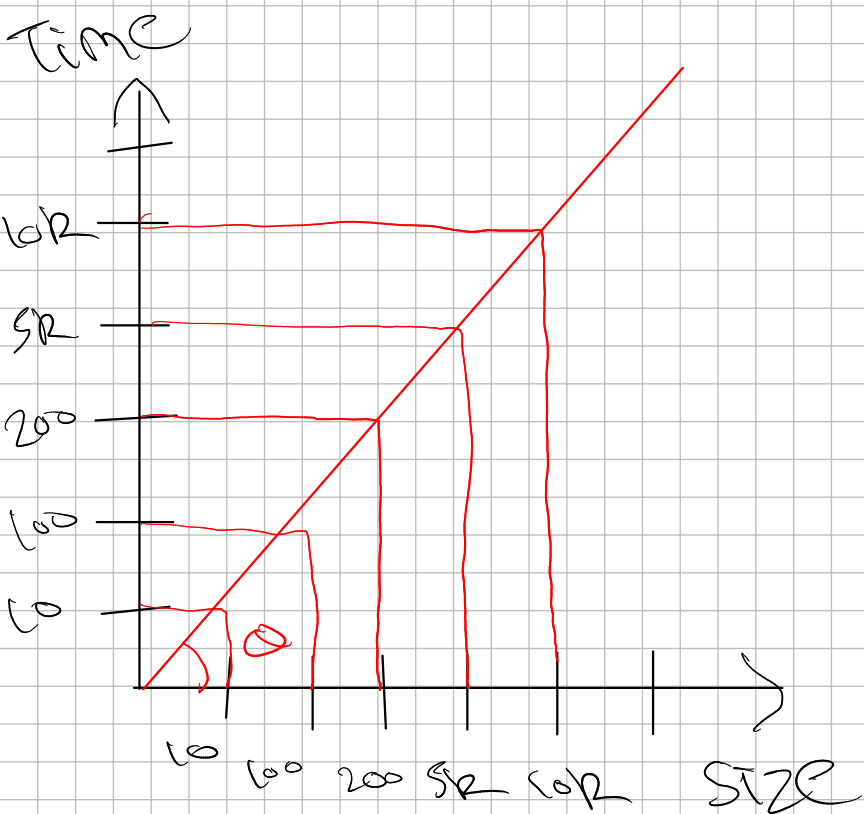
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Time Taken :- 1 sec

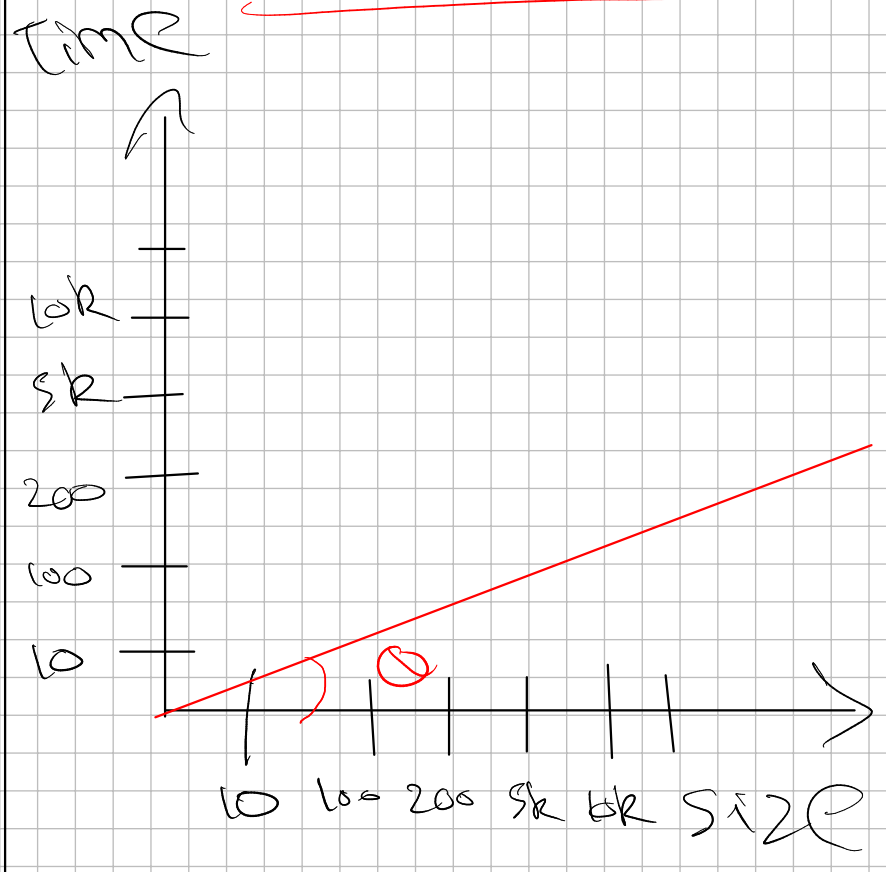
⊕ Both machines have same
time complexity.

Time Complexity \neq Time Taken

old machine

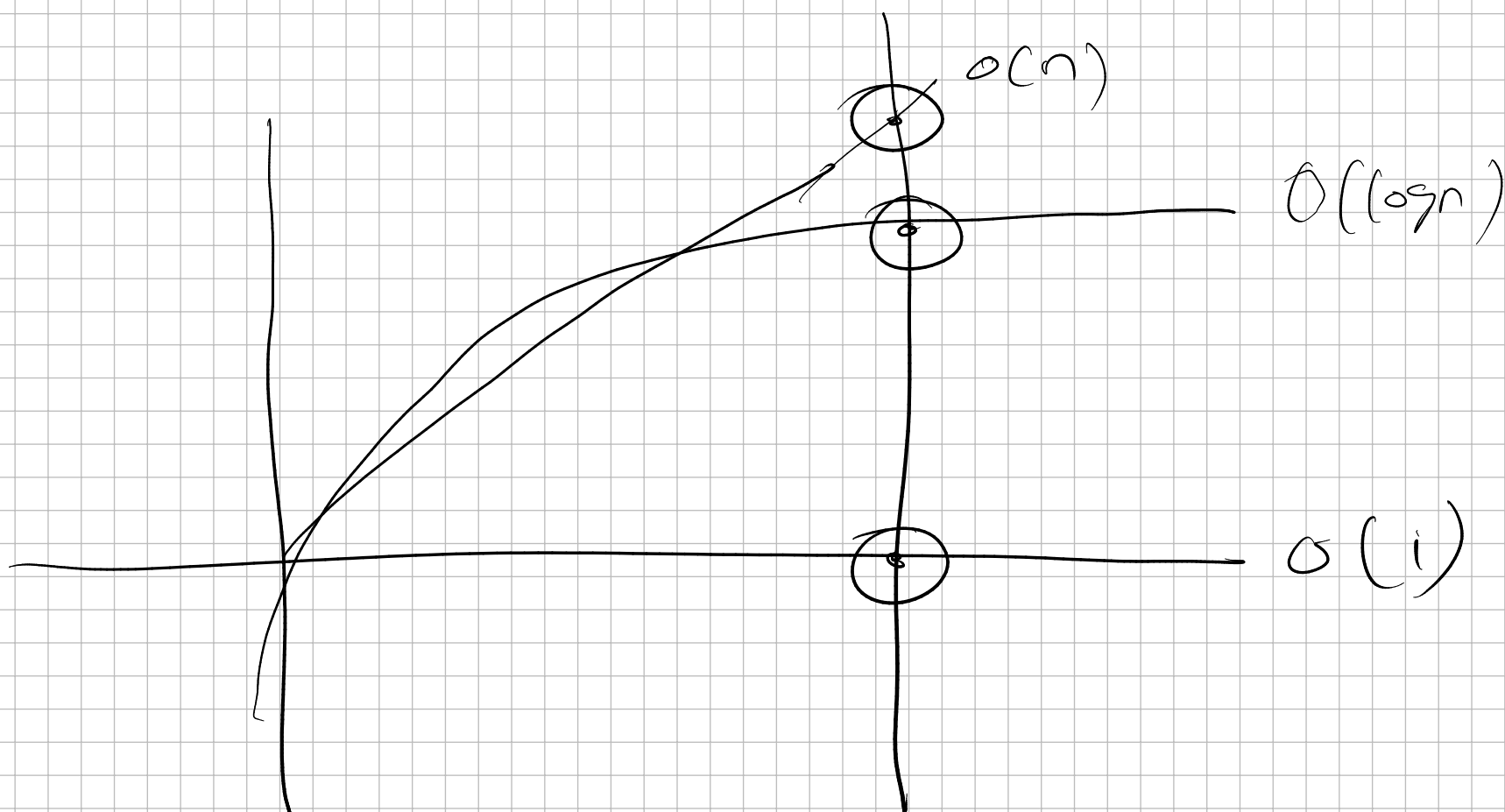
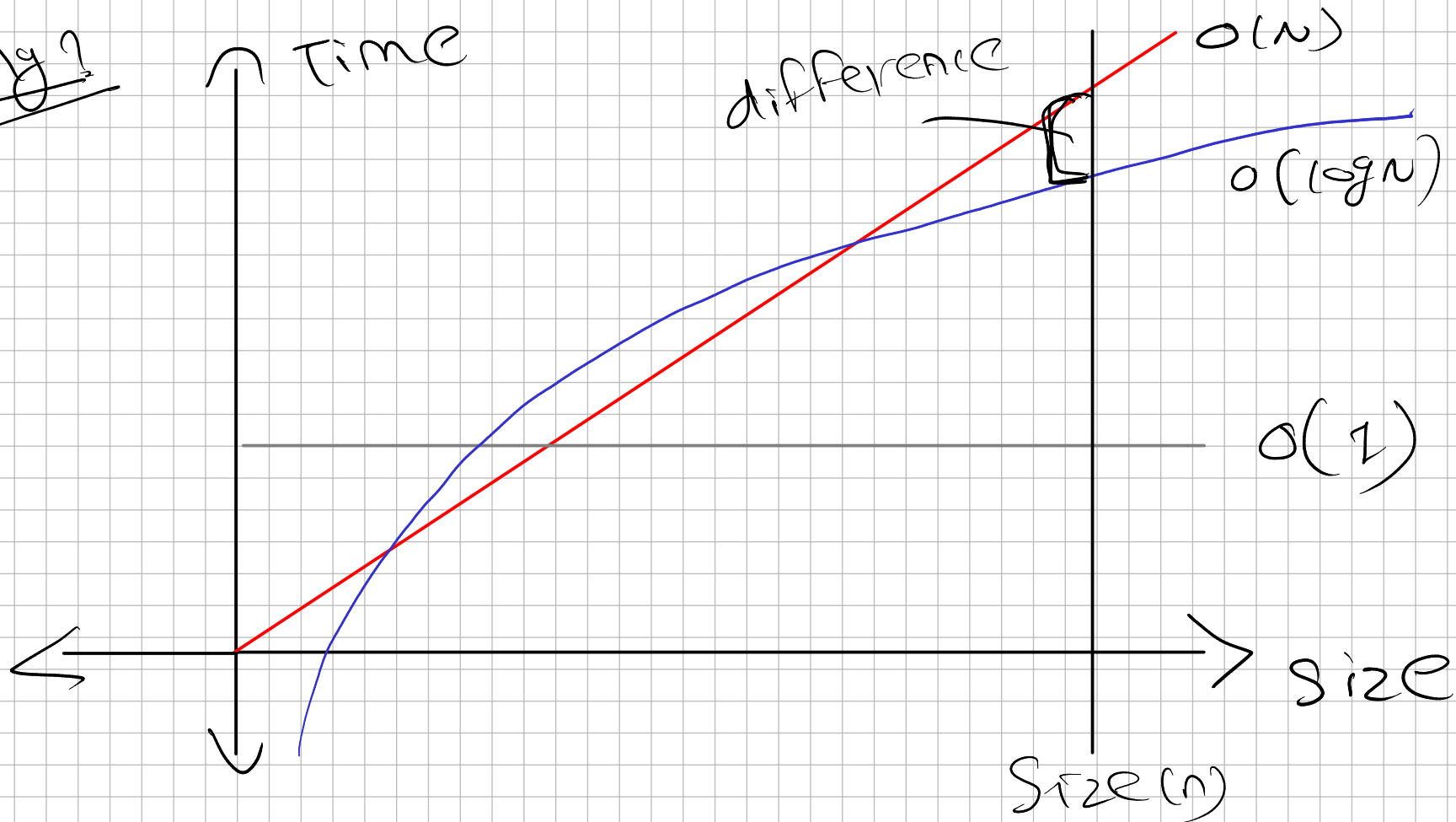


M1 Macbook



Function that gives us the relationship about how the time will grow as the input grows.

Why?

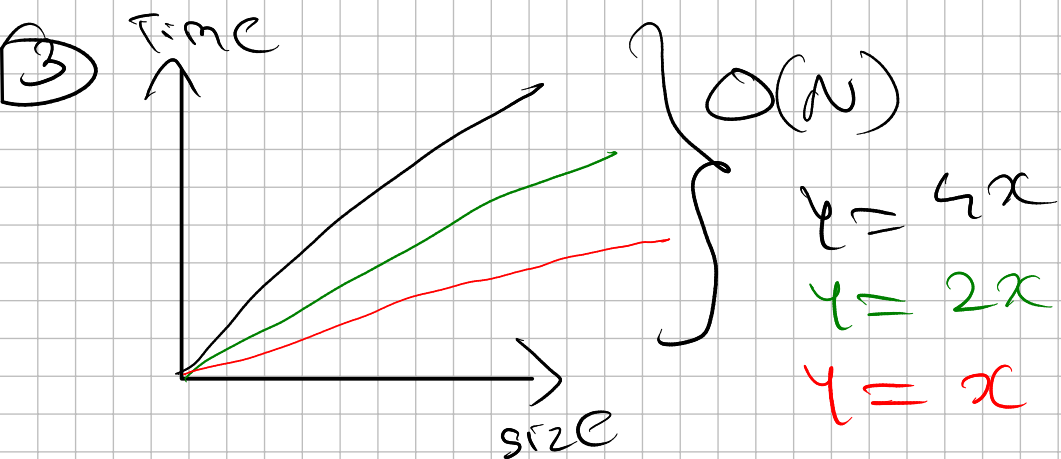


$$O(1) < O(\log n) < O(n)$$

What do we consider when thinking about complexity?

① Always look for worst case complexity.

② Always look at complexity for large / ∞ data.



✱ Even though value of actual time is different they are all growing linearly.

✱ We don't know the actual time.

✱ This is why, we ignore all constants.

④ $O(N^3 + \log N)$

✱ From point no. ②

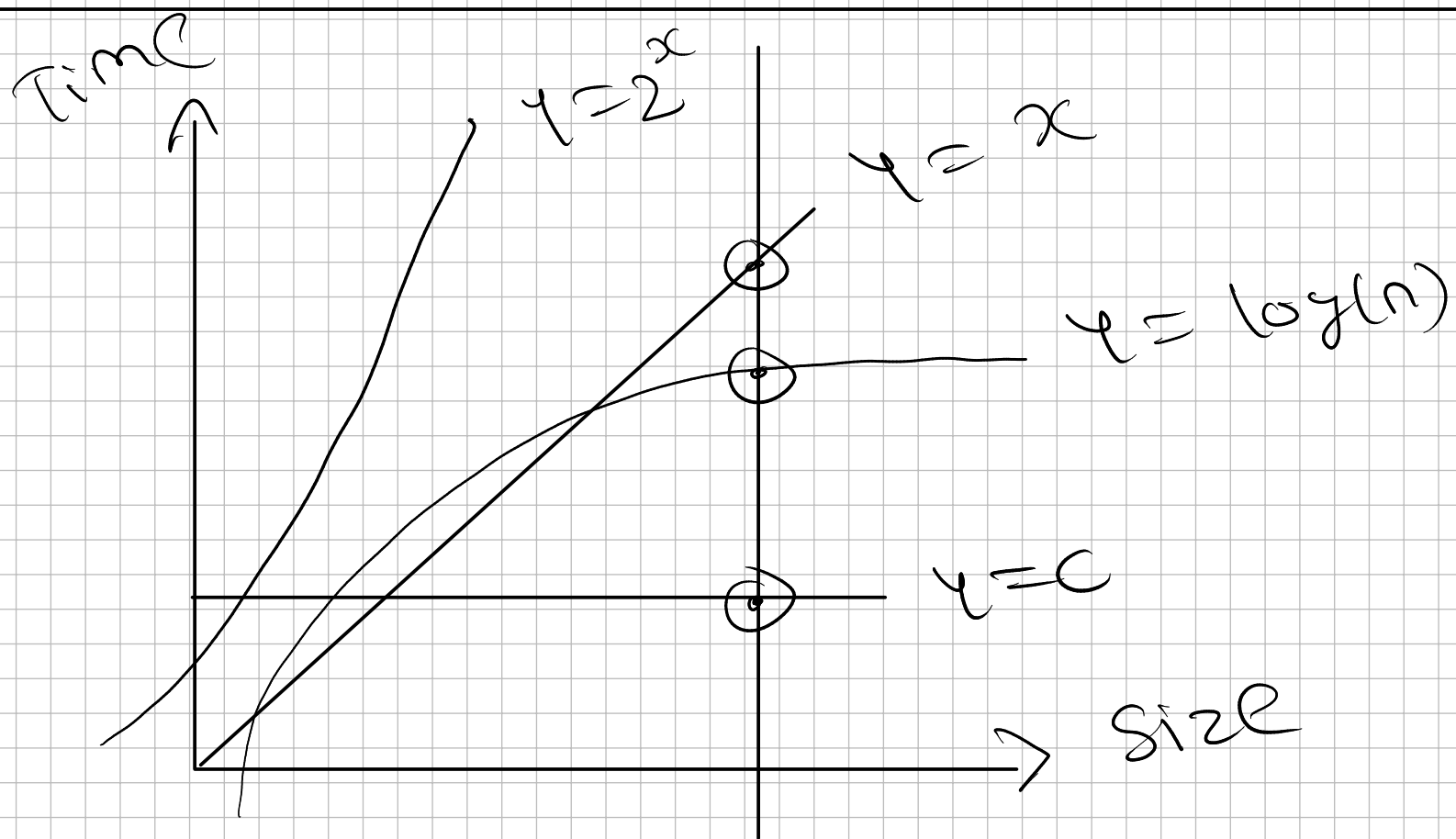
$$\Rightarrow 1 \text{ mil} \Rightarrow (1 \text{ mil})^3 + \log(1 \text{ mil})$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 \text{ mil})^3 + 6 \text{ sec}$$

very small
hence
ignore

Always ignore less dominating terms.

Ex:- $O(3N^3 + 4N^2 + 5N + 6)$
 $= (N^3 + \cancel{N^2} + \cancel{N}) \rightarrow$ less dominating terms
 $= O(N^3)$



$O(1) < O(\log(N)) < O(N) < O(2^N)$
 \downarrow
 $O(N \log N)$

Big-oh Notation

★ word definition :-

- ① It represents the upper bound of running time of an algorithm.
- ② It gives the worst-case complexity of an algorithm.

$O(N^3) \rightarrow$ upper bound

★ Maths :-

$$f(n) = O(g(n))$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} < \infty$$

$$O(N^3) = O(6N^3 + 3N + 5)$$

$f(n)$ $g(n)$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6N^3 + 3N + 5}{N^3}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(6 + \frac{3}{N^2} + \frac{5}{N^3} \right)$$

$$= 6 + \frac{3}{\infty} + \frac{5}{\infty}$$

$$= 6 + 0 + 0$$

finite value

$$= \boxed{6} < \infty$$

Big Omega is opposite of Big-oh

✱ It represents the lower bound of the running time of an algorithm. Thus it provides the best case time complexity of an algorithm.

$\Omega(n^3) \Rightarrow$ (Lower bound)

Maths: -

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} > 0$$

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little o notation

✱ This is also giving upper bound.

words :- loose up

Big Oh

$$f = O(g)$$

$$f \leq g$$

little o

(stronger statement)

$$f = o(g)$$

$$f < g$$

strictly
slower

maths :-

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0$$

Ex:- $f = n^2$

$$g = n^3$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0}}$$

little omega:

Big Ω

$$f = \Omega(g)$$

$$f \geq g$$

little ω

$$f = \omega(g)$$

$$f > g$$

Maths:-

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \infty$$

Ex:-

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = \infty$$

Space Complexity

Space Complexity or Auxiliary Space?

Auxiliary Space is the extra space or temporary space used by an algorithm.

Space Complexity of an algorithm is total space taken by the algorithm with respect to the input size. Space complexity includes both Auxiliary space and space used by input.

For example, if we want to compare standard sorting algorithms on the basis of space, then Auxiliary Space would be a better criteria than Space Complexity. Merge Sort uses $O(n)$ auxiliary space, Insertion sort and Heap Sort use $O(1)$ auxiliary space. Space complexity of all these sorting algorithms is $O(n)$ though.

Q for ($i=1; i \leq N; i++$)
 {
 for ($j=1; j \leq k; j++$)
 {
 // some operation that takes time t
 }
 $i = i + k$
 }

Inner loop: $O(kt)$ time

Ans: $O(kt + \text{times outer loop is running})$

$j = 1, 1+k, 1+2k, 1+3k, 1+4k, \dots, 1+xk$

$$1+xk \leq N$$

$$xk \leq N-1$$

$$x = \frac{N-1}{k}$$

Times the outer loop is running

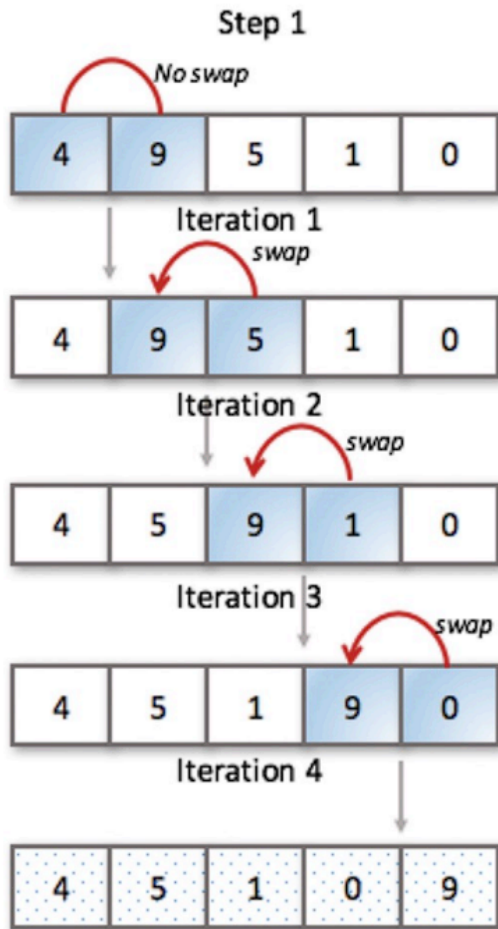
$$O(kt + \frac{(N-1)}{k})$$

$$= \underline{\underline{O(Nt)}}$$

Ans

Bubble Sort

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Worst and Average Case Time Complexity: $O(n^2)$. Worst case occurs when array is reverse sorted.

Best Case Time Complexity: $O(n)$. Best case occurs when array is already sorted.

Auxiliary Space: $O(1)$

Boundary Cases: Bubble sort takes minimum time (Order of n) when elements are already sorted.

Sorting In Place: Yes

Stable: Yes

Selection Sort

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Worst complexity: n^2

Average complexity: n^2

Best complexity: n^2

Space complexity: 1

Method: Selection

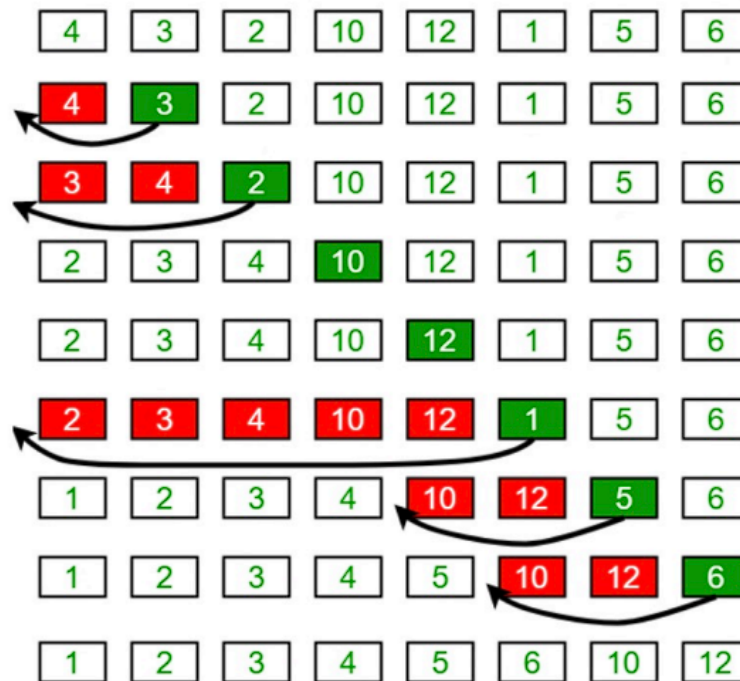
Stable: No

The good thing about selection sort is it never makes more than $O(n)$ swaps and can be useful when memory write is a costly operation.

Insertion Sort

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Insertion Sort Execution Example



Time Complexity: $O(n^2)$

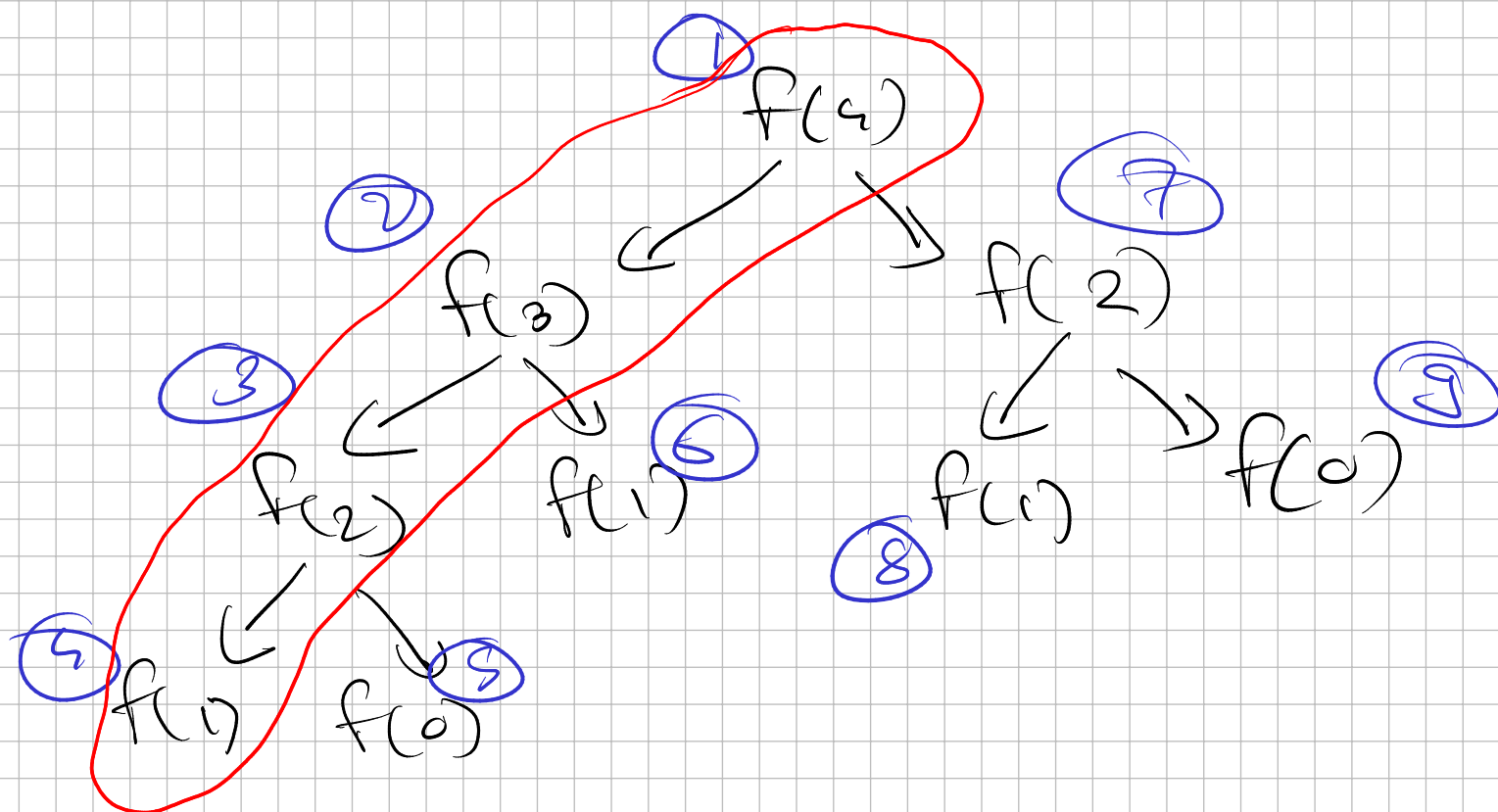
Auxiliary Space: $O(1)$

Boundary Cases: Insertion sort takes maximum time to sort if elements are sorted in reverse order. And it takes minimum time (Order of n) when elements are already sorted.

Sorting In Place: Yes

Recursive Algorithm

$O(N)$



Trick :- only call that are interlinked will be in the stack at same time.

Space complexity = Height of tree
Path

