

# SC1007

## Data Structures and Algorithms

# Introduction to Algorithms and Analysis

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# Overview of SC1007

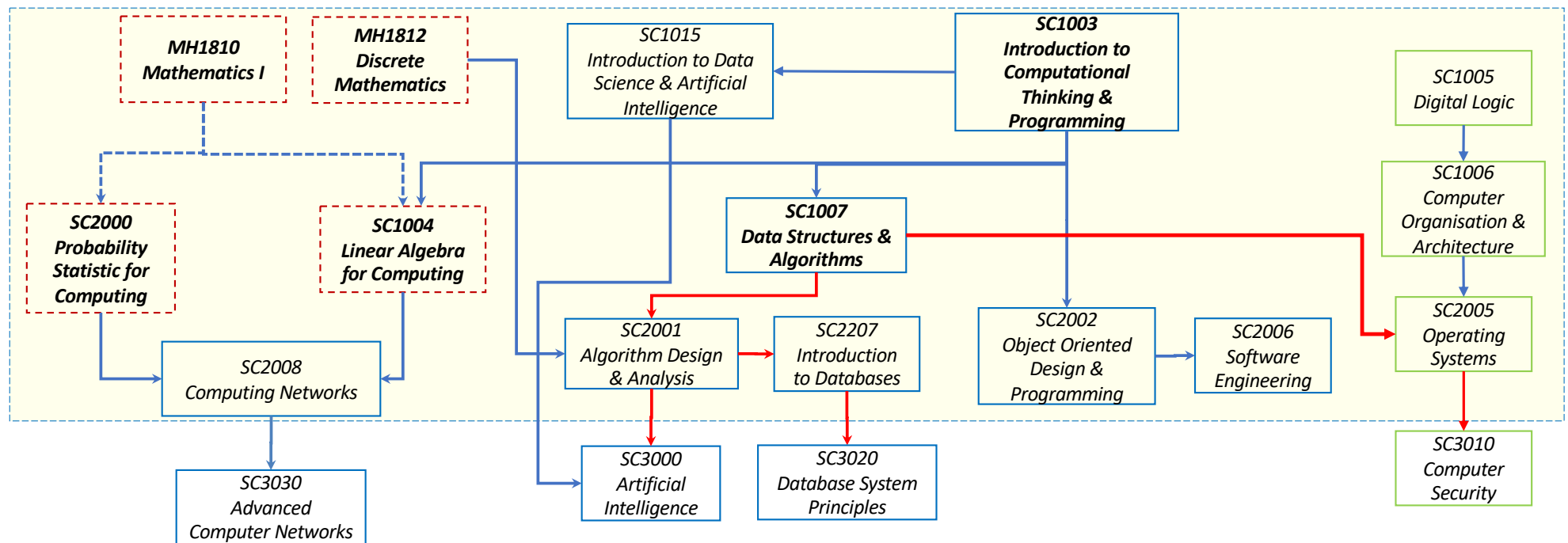
## Data Structures:

- Introduce some classical data structures
  - Linear: Linked list, stack, queue
  - Non-linear: tree
- Implement these data structures

## Algorithms:

- Analysis of Algorithm – time complexity and space complexity
- Introduce some typical algorithms and their applications

# Why Learn Algorithms?



# Why Learn Algorithms?

To Continuously Build a Way of  
Thinking.

# What Is An Algorithm?

- An algorithm is a sequence of unambiguous instructions for solving a problem, i.e., for obtaining a required output for any legitimate input in a finite amount of time.

*Introduction to The Design & Analysis of Algorithms*

*-Anany Levitin*

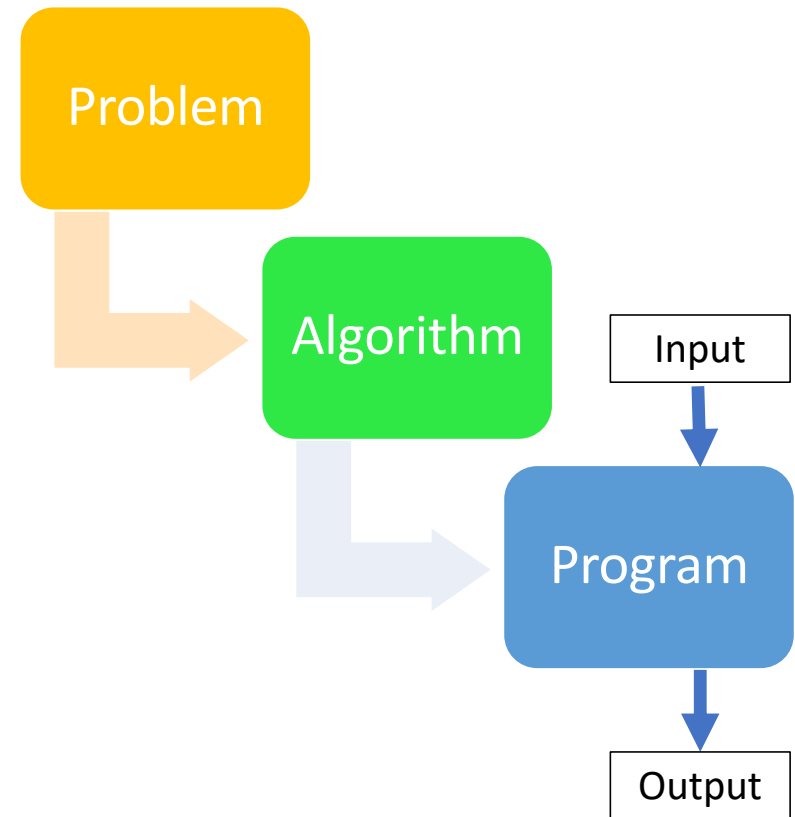
- An algorithm is any well-defined computational procedure that takes some value, or set of values, as input and produces some value, or set of values, as output.

*Introduction to Algorithms*

*-T. H. Cormen et. al.*

# Algorithm VS Program

- A computer program is an instance, or concrete representation of an algorithm in some programming languages.
- Implementation is the task of turning an algorithm into a computer program.



# Example 1: Arithmetic Series

- There are many ways (algorithms) to solve a problem
- Summing up 1 to  $n$

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**Algorithm 1** Summing Arithmetic Sequence

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```
1: function Method_One( $n$ )  
2: begin  
3:    $sum \leftarrow 0$   
4:   for  $i = 1$  to  $n$  do  
5:      $sum \leftarrow sum + i$   
6:   end
```

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**Algorithm 2** Summing Arithmetic Sequence

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```
1: function Method_Two( $n$ )  
2: begin  
3:    $sum \leftarrow n * (1 + n) / 2$   
4: end
```

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**Algorithm 3** Summing Arithmetic Sequence

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```
1: function Method_Three( $n$ )  
2: begin  
3:   if  $n=1$  then  
4:     return 1  
5:   else  
6:     return  $n + \text{Method\_Three}(n - 1)$   
7:   end
```

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```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class SumNumbers {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter a number (n): ");
        int n = scanner.nextInt();
        scanner.close();

        int sum = 0;
        for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
            sum += i;
        }
    }
}
```



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```

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        int n = scanner.nextInt();
```

```
        scanner.close();
```

```
        int sum = 0;
```

```
        for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
            sum += i;
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main() {
```

```
    int n, sum = 0;
```

```
    printf("Enter a number (n): ");
```

```
    scanf("%d", &n);
```

```
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        sum += i;
```

```
    }
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
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        }
```

```
    }
```

```
}
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```

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```

```
    printf("Enter a number (n): ");
```

```
    scanf("%d", &n);
```

```
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        sum += i;  
    }
```

```
}
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
n = int(input("Enter a number (n): "))
```

```
sum = 0
```

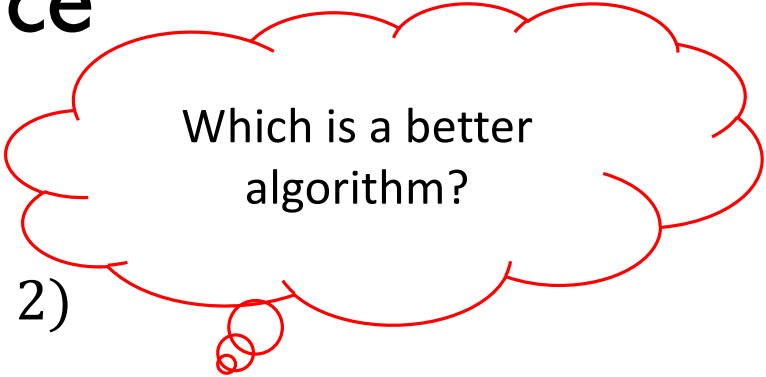
```
for i in range(1, n + 1):
```

```
    sum += i
```

# Example 2: Fibonacci Sequence

- 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...
- The  $n^{\text{th}}$  term is

$$F(n) = F(n - 1) + F(n - 2)$$



Which is a better algorithm?

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## Algorithm 4 Fibonacci Sequence: A Simple Recursive Function

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```
1: function Fibonacci_Recursive(n)
2: begin
3: if n < 1 then
4:   return 0
5: if n == 1 OR n == 2 then
6:   return 1
7: return Fibonacci_Recursive(n - 1) + Fibonacci_Recursive(n - 2)
8: end
```

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Is there any better algorithm?

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## Algorithm 5 Fibonacci Sequence: A Simple Iterative Function

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```
1: function Fibonacci_Iterative(n)
2: begin
3: if n < 1 then
4:   return 0
5: if n == 1 OR n == 2 then
6:   return 1
7:  $F_1 \leftarrow 1$ 
8:  $F_2 \leftarrow 1$ 
9: for  $i = 3$  to  $n$  do
10:  begin
11:     $F_i \leftarrow F_{i-2} + F_{i-1}$ 
12:     $F_{i-2} \leftarrow F_{i-1}$ 
13:     $F_{i-1} \leftarrow F_i$ 
14:  end
15: return  $F_n$ 
16: end
```

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# Analysis of Algorithms

- The study of the efficiency and performance of algorithms
- Evaluate the **speed** and **scalability** of an algorithm
  - How its efficiency changes as input sizes grow
- Identify the most efficient algorithms for a given problem
- Understand the trade-offs between different approaches

# Time and space complexities

- Analyze efficiency of an algorithm in two aspects

- Time
- Space



- Time complexity: the amount of time used by an algorithm
- Space complexity: the amount of memory units used by an algorithm

# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

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# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

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- Declaration: `int x;`
- Assignment: `x =1;`
- Arithmetic operations: `+, -, *, /, %` etc.
- Logic operations: `==, !=, >, <, &&, ||`

These primitive operations take constant time to perform

Basically they are not related to the problem size

changing the input(s) does not affect its computational time



# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

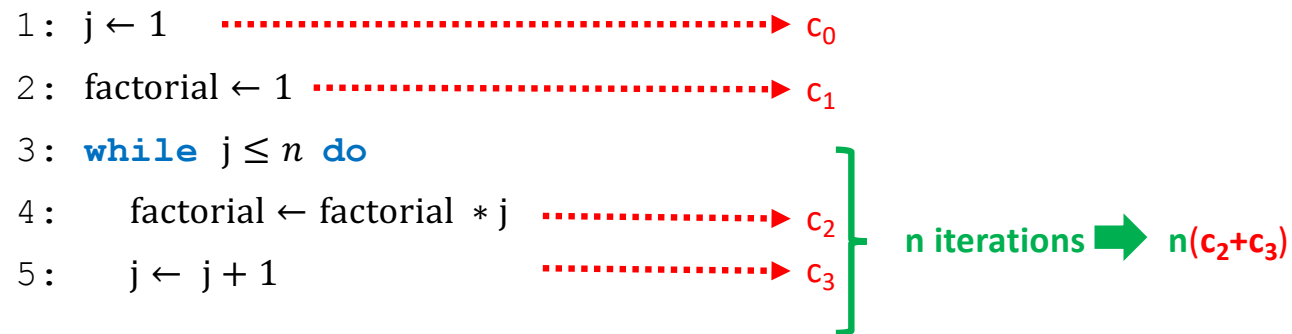
1. Count the number of **primitive operations** in the algorithm
  - i. Repetition Structure: for-loop, while-loop
  - ii. Selection Structure: if/else statement, switch-case statement
  - iii. Recursive functions
2. Express it in term of problem size





# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## i. Repetition Structure: for-loop, while-loop



$$f(n) = c_0 + c_1 + n(c_2 + c_3)$$

The function increases linearly with n (problem size)



# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## i. Repetition Structure: for-loop, while-loop

```
1: for j ← 1, m do
2:     for k ← 1, n do
3:         sum ← sum + M[j][k]
```

Diagram illustrating the time complexity analysis of the nested loop structure:

- The inner loop (line 3) is associated with a green bracket labeled  $n$  iterations and  $n(c_1)$ , where  $c_1$  is indicated by a red dotted arrow from the operation  $M[j][k]$ .
- The outer loop (lines 1-3) is associated with a purple bracket labeled  $m$  iterations and  $m(n(c_1))$ .

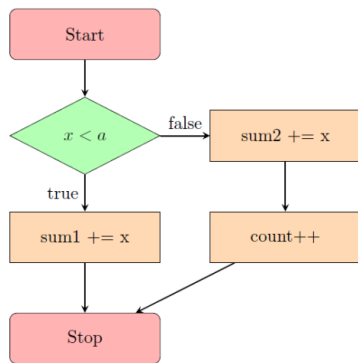
The function increases quadratically with  $n$  if  $m=n$

\*Some constant time operations are ignored here.



# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## ii. Selection Structure: if/else statement, switch-case statement



```
1: if (x < a)
2:     sum1 += x;
3: else {
4:     sum2 += x;
5:     count ++;
6: }
```

When  $x < a$ , only one primitive operation is executed

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How do we analyze the time complexity?

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How do we analyze the time complexity?

1. Best-case analysis
2. Worst-case analysis  $c_2$
3. Average-case analysis



# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

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3. Average-case analysis

$$\begin{aligned} & p(x < a) c_1 + p(x \geq a) c_2 \\ &= p(x < a) c_1 + (1 - p(x < a)) c_2 \end{aligned}$$



# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## ii. Selection Structure: switch-case statement

```
1: switch(choice){  
2:     case 1: compute the summation; break; .....►  $5n$   
3:     case 2: search BST; break; .....►  $6\log_2 n$   
4:     case 3: print BST; break; .....►  $3n$   
5:     case 4: search for the minimum; break; .....►  $4\log_2 n$   
6: }
```

### Time Complexity

1. Best-case analysis .....►  $C + 4\log_2 n$
2. Worst-case analysis .....►  $C + 5n$
3. Average-case analysis .....►  $C + \sum_{i=1}^4 p(i)T_i$



# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## iii. Recursive functions

- Count the number of primitive operations in the algorithm
  - Primitive operations in each recursive call
  - Number of recursive calls

```
1 int factorial (int n)
2 {
3     if(n==1) return 1; .....→ c2
4     else return n*factorial(n-1); .....→ c1
5 }
```

- $n-1$  recursive calls with the cost of  $c_1$ .
- The cost of the last call ( $n==1$ ) is  $c_2$ .
- Thus,  $c_1(n - 1) + c_2$
- It is a linear function





# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## iii. Recursive functions

- Count the **number of array[0]==a** in the algorithm
  - array[0]==a in each recursive call
  - Number of recursive calls: n-1

```
1 int count (int array[], int n, int a)
2 {
3     if(n==1)
4         if(array[0]==a)
5             return 1;
6         else return 0;
7     if(array[0]==a)
8         return 1+ count(&array[1], n-1, a);
9     else
10        return count (&array[1], n-1, a);
11 }
```

$$W_1 = 1$$

$$W_n = 1 + W_{n-1}$$
$$= 1 + 1 + W_{n-2}$$



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...

$$= 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 + W_1$$

$$= (n - 1) + W_1 = n$$

It is known as a **method of backward substitutions**

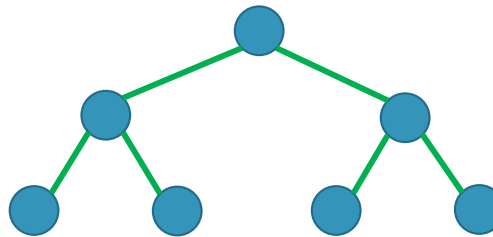


# Time Complexity or Time Efficiency

## iii. Recursive functions

- Count the **number of multiplication operations** in the algorithm

```
1 preorder (simple_t* tree)
2 {
3     if (tree != NULL){
4         tree->item *= 10;
5         preorder (tree->left);
6         preorder (tree->right);
7     }
8 }
```



Geometric Series:

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} \\ rS_n &= ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} + ar^n \\ (1-r)S_n &= a - ar^n \\ S_n &= \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} \end{aligned}$$

Prove the hypothesis can be done by mathematical induction

It is known as a **method of forward substitutions**

$$W_0 = 0$$

$$W_1 = 1$$

$$W_2 = 1 + W_1 + W_1 = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_3 &= 1 + W_2 + W_2 \\ &= 1 + 2(1 + W_1 + W_1) \\ &= 1 + 2(1 + 2) \\ &= 1 + 2 + 4 = 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{k-1} &= 1 + 2 \cdot W_{k-2} \\ &= 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^{k-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_k &= 1 + 2 \cdot W_{k-1} = 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^{k-1} \\ &= \frac{2^k - 1}{2 - 1} = 2^k - 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Series

- Geometric Series

$$G_n = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

- Arithmetic Series

$$A_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n - 1)d] = \frac{n}{2}[a_0 + a_{n-1}]$$

- Arithmetico-geometric Series

$$\sum_{t=1}^k t2^{t-1} = 2^k(k - 1) + 1$$

- Faulhaber's Formula for the sum of the p-th powers of the first n positive integers

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n + 1)(2n + 1)}{6}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^3 = \frac{n^2(n + 1)^2}{4}$$

# Cubic Time Complexity

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

```
1  for (i=1; i<=n; i++)  
2      M[i] = 0;  
3      for (j=i; j>0; j--)  
4          for (k=i; k>0; k--)  
5              M[i] += A[j]*B[k];
```

- In each outer loop, both j and k are assigned by value of i.
- Inner loops takes  $i^2$  iterations
- The overall number of iterations is

$$\begin{aligned} 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \end{aligned}$$

# Order of Growth

Algorithm	1	2	3	4	5	6
Operation ( $\mu\text{sec}$ )	$13n$	$13n\log_2 n$	$13n^2$	$130n^2$	$13n^2+10^2$	$2^n$

Problem size (n)

<b>10</b>						
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<b>100</b>	.0013	.0086				
<b><math>10^4</math></b>	.13	.173				
<b><math>10^6</math></b>	13	259				



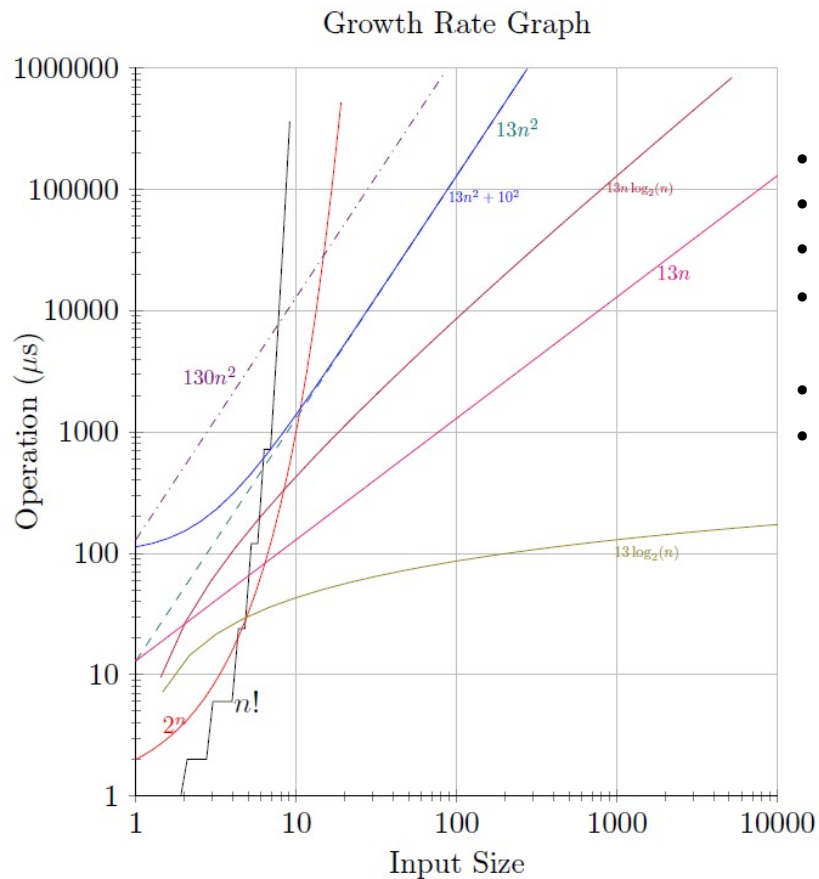
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<b><math>10^4</math></b>	.13	.173	22 mins	3.61hrs	22mins	
<b><math>10^6</math></b>	13	259	150 days	1505 days	150days	

# Order of Growth



- $n!$  is the fastest growth
- $2^n$  is the second
- $13n$  is linear
- $13 \log_2 n$  is the slowest
- $10^2$  can be ignored when  $n$  is large
- $13n^2$  and  $130n^2$  have similar growth.
  - $130n^2$  slightly faster

# Common Complexity Classes

Order of Growth	Class	Example
1	Constant	Finding midpoint of an array
$\log_2 n$	Logarithmic	Binary Search
$n$	Linear	Linear Search
$n \log_2 n$	Linearithmic	Merge Sort
$n^2$	Quadratic	Insertion Sort
$n^3$	Cubic	Matrix Inversion (Gauss-Jordan Elimination)
$2^n$	Exponential	The Tower of Hanoi Problem
$n!$	Factorial	Travelling Salesman Problem

When time complexity of algorithm A grows faster than algorithm B for the same problem, we say A is inferior to B.

# Asymptotic Notations

- Worst-case complexity: Big-Oh (  $O$  )
- Best-case complexity: Big-Omega (  $\Omega$  )
- Average-case complexity: Big-Theta (  $\Theta$  )

# Simplification Rules for Asymptotic Analysis

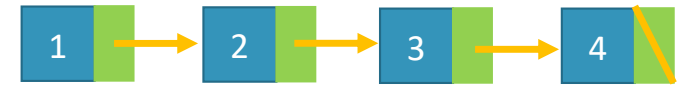
1. If  $f(n) = O(cg(n))$  for any constant  $c > 0$ , then  $f(n) = O(g(n))$
2. If  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  and  $g(n) = O(h(n))$ , then  $f(n) = O(h(n))$   
e.g.  $f(n) = 2n$ ,  $g(n) = n^2$ ,  $h(n) = n^3$
3. If  $f_1(n) = O(g_1(n))$  and  $f_2(n) = O(g_2(n))$ ,  
then  $f_1(n) + f_2(n) = O(\max(g_1(n), g_2(n)))$   
e.g.  $5n + 3 \log_2 n = O(n)$
4. If  $f_1(n) = O(g_1(n))$  and  $f_2(n) = O(g_2(n))$   
then  $f_1(n)f_2(n) = O(g_1(n)g_2(n))$   
e.g.  $f_1(n) = 3n^2 = O(n^2)$ ,  $f_2(n) = \log_2 n = O(\log_2 n)$   
Then  $3n^2 \log_2 n = O(n^2 \log_2 n)$



# Time Complexity of Sequential Search

```
1 pt=head; ..... c1  
2 while (pt->key != a){  
3     pt = pt->next;  
4     if(pt == NULL) break;  
5 }
```

} c<sub>2</sub> (n-1) iterations



Assume that the search key **a** is always in the list

1. Best-case analysis: c<sub>1</sub> when **a** is the first item in the list => Θ (1)
2. Worst-case analysis: c<sub>2</sub> · (n-1) + c<sub>1</sub> => Θ (n)
3. Average-case analysis
  - Assumed that every item in the list has an equal probability as a search key

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{n} [c_1 + (c_1 + c_2) + (c_1 + 2c_2) + \dots + (c_1 + (n-1)c_2)] &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (c_1 + c_2(i-1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} [nc_1 + c_2 \sum_{i=1}^n (i-1)] \\ &= c_1 + \frac{c_2}{n} \cdot \frac{n}{2} (0 + (n-1)) = c_1 + \frac{c_2(n-1)}{2} = \Theta(n)\end{aligned}$$



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$c_1$

$c_2$  n iterations



## 3. Average-case analysis

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 &= \frac{1}{n} [nc_1 + c_2 \sum_{i=1}^n (i-1)] \\
 &= c_1 + \frac{c_2}{n} \cdot \frac{n}{2} (0 + (n-1)) = c_1 + \frac{c_2(n-1)}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

If the search key,  $a$ , is not in the list, then the time complexity is

$$c_1 + nc_2 = \Theta(n)$$

Since the probability of the search key is in the list is unknown, we only can have

$$T(n) = P(a \text{ in the list}) \left( c_1 + \frac{c_2(n-1)}{2} \right) + (1 - P(a \text{ in the list})) (c_1 + nc_2)$$

Hence, it is a linear function.  $\Theta(n)$



# Space Complexity

- Determine number of entities in problem (also called problem size)
- Count number of basic units in algorithm
- Basic units
- Things that can be represented in a constant amount of storage space
- E.g. integer, float and character.





# Space Complexity

- Space requirements for an array of  $n$  integers -  $\Theta(n)$
- If a matrix is used to store edge information of a graph,  
i.e.  $G[x][y] = 1$  if there exists an edge from  $x$  to  $y$ ,  
space requirement for a graph with  $n$  vertices is  $\Theta(n^2)$

## Space/time tradeoff principle

- Reduction in time can be achieved by sacrificing space and vice-versa.

# Course Schedule (Lectures, Labs, tutorials and assignments)

Week	Topic	Tutorials	Labs	Assignment Released Day
1	Introduction and Memory Management in Python	No Tutorial	No Labs	
2	Linked List (LL)	No Tutorial	No Labs	
3	Linked Lists : Doubly linked Lists and Circular lists.	No Tutorial	Lab 1 (LL)	
4	Stacks and Queues	T1 (LL)	Lab 2 (SQ)	
5	Priority Queues and Arithmetic Expressions	T2 (SQ)	Lab 3 (BT)	
6	Tree Structures: Binary Trees, Binary Search Trees, and AVL Trees	T3 (BT & BST)	Lab 4 (BST)	
7	No Lecture	No Tutorial	No Labs <b>Lab Test 1</b>	
	<b>Recess Week</b>			
8	Introduction to algorithms and analysis	No Tutorial	No Labs	
9	Searching	No Tutorial	Lab 5 (Complexity)	
10	Hash Table	T4 (AA + Searching )	Lab 6 (Searching)	AS3: AA + Searching
11	Trie	T5 (Hash Table )	Lab 7 (Hash Table )	AS4: Hash Table + Trie
12	Revision	T6 (Trie)	Lab 8 (Trie)	
13	No Lecture	No Tutorial	No Labs <b>Lab Test 2 + Final Quiz</b>	