# CSC340: Complexity Analysis—for-loops

#### Main Topics:

- 1. The main ide
- 2. For-loops
- 3. Selection sort and insertion sort

#### Readings

1. Limited coverage: Chapter 10 in the 6<sup>th</sup> edition

Hui Yang Computer Science Department San Francisco State University http://www.cs.sfsu.edu/~huiyang/

Copyright Hui Yang 2010-14. All rights reserved.

1

### Analyzing the complexity of loops

- Focus on for-loops
- Main ideas
  - It takes a constant amount of time to execute primitive operations,
     e.g., assignment and addition
  - It's critical to identify the total number of times each line needs to be executed in a for-loop
  - The total run time is the sum of run time consumed by each line of code.
  - The run time is a polynomial function of the upper bounds of the indexing variables.
- Examples
  - Please take notes

Copyright Hui Yang 2010-14. All rights reserved.

2

### For-loops

 How many times will line 1 and line 2 be executed respectively in the following code snippets?

```
1. for (i=0; i<n; i++)
2. sum += i;
```

```
1. for (i=0; i<n; i++)
2. for (j=0; j<n; j++)
3. sum = i+j;
```

```
1. for (i=0; i<n; i++)
2. for (j=i; j<n; j++)
3. sum = i+j;
```

Copyright Hui Yang 2010-14. All rights reserved.

3

#### **Selection Sort**

```
SelectionSort(A)
// GOAL: place the elements of A in ascending order
  n := length[A]
for i := 1 to n
// GOAL: place the correct number in A[i]
        j := FindIndexOfSmallest( A, i, n )
        swap A[i] with A[j]
        // L.I. A[1..i] the i smallest numbers sorted
    end-for
   end-procedure
FindIndexOfSmallest( A, i, n )
// GOAL: return j in the range [i,n] such
// that A[j]<=A[k] for all k in range [i,n]</pre>
    smallestAt := i ;
    for j := (i+1) to n
  if ( A[j] < A[smallestAt] ) smallestAt := j</pre>
3
        // L.I. A[smallestAt] smallest among A[i..j]
    end-for
   return smallestAt
   end-procedure
```

Copyright Hui Yang 2010-14. All rights reserved.

## **Insertion Sort**

#### InsertionSort(A[0 .. n-1])

```
    for i ← 1 to length(A)-1
    x ← A[i]
    j ← i
    while j > 0 and A[j-1] > x
    A[j] ← A[j-1]
    j ← j - 1
    A[j] ← x
```

Copyright Hui Yang 2010-14. All rights reserved.

5