

INF1001: Introduction to Computing

Part B

L3: Algorithms



Outline

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Algorithm

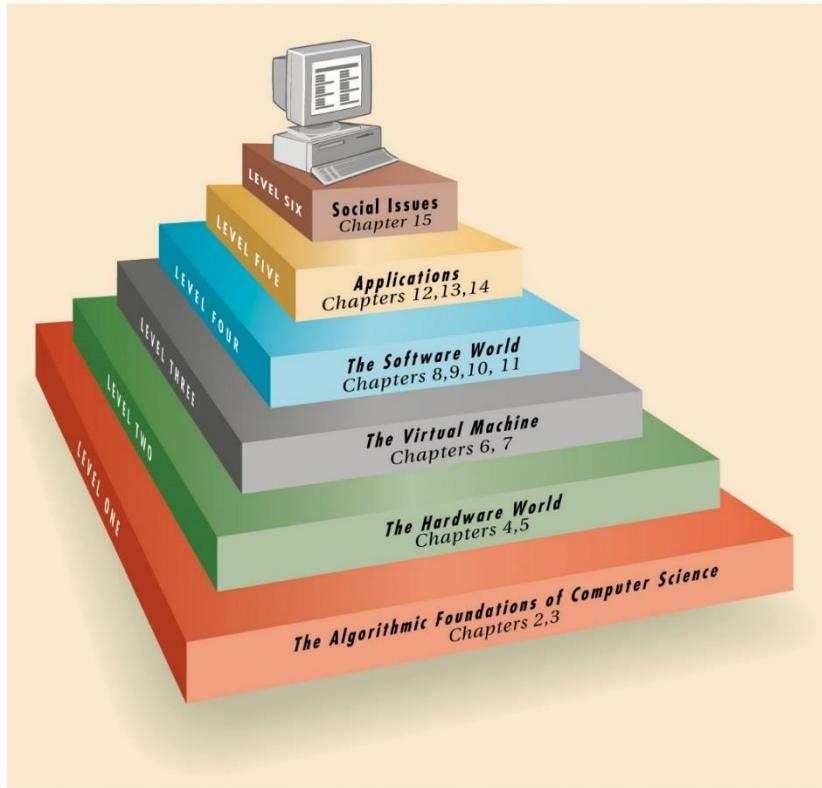
- Finite sequence of rules/instructions for carrying out some calculation or procedure

Find the sum of the first 100 numbers

i.e. what is $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 100$?

- Properties:
 - Correct
 - Terminate
 - Efficient: time, space (i.e. speed of execution, size of code)
 - Ease of understanding (not the most important, sometimes you don't want other to understand for security reasons)
 - Elegance

Why Study Algorithms?



- Impact is broad and far-reaching:
 - Internet, biology, computer, graphics, security, multimedia, social networks, physics

Algorithms

- The central concept underlying all computation
 - An **algorithm** is a step-by-step sequence of instructions for carrying out a task
- Programming: process of **designing and implementing algorithms** that a computer can carry out
- A programmer's job is to:
 - Create an algorithm for accomplishing a given objective, then
 - Translate the individual steps of the algorithm into a programming language that the computer can understand
- The use of algorithms is not limited to the domain of computing
 - e.g., recipes for baking cookies,
directions to your house

Terminology

Algorithm

- A set of steps that defines how a task is performed

Program

- A representation of an algorithm

Programming

- The process of developing a program

Software

- Programs and algorithms

Hardware

- Equipment

Algorithm representations

1. Natural language
2. High level programming language
3. Flowchart
4. Pseudocode

1. Natural language

Algorithm for Adding two m-digit numbers

Initially, set the value of the variable *carry* to 0 and the value of the variable *i* to 0. When these initializations have been completed, begin looping as long as the value of the variable *i* is less than or equal to $(m - 1)$. First, add together the values of the two digits a_i and b_i and the current value of the carry digit to get the result called c_i . Now check the value of c_i to see whether it is greater than or equal to 10. If c_i is greater than or equal to 10, then reset the value of *carry* to 1 and reduce the value of c_i by 10; otherwise, set the value of *carry* to zero. When you are done with that operation, add 1 to *i* and begin the loop all over again. When the loop has completed execution, set the leftmost digit of the result c_m to the value of *carry* and print out the final result, which consists of the digits $c_m c_{m-1} \dots c_0$. After printing the result, the algorithm is finished, and it terminates.

- Language spoken and written in everyday life

Problems with Natural Language:

- Can be extremely **verbose** – rambling, unstructured, hard to follow
- Too “**rich**” in interpretation and meaning

2. High Level Programming Language

Algorithm for Adding two m-digit numbers

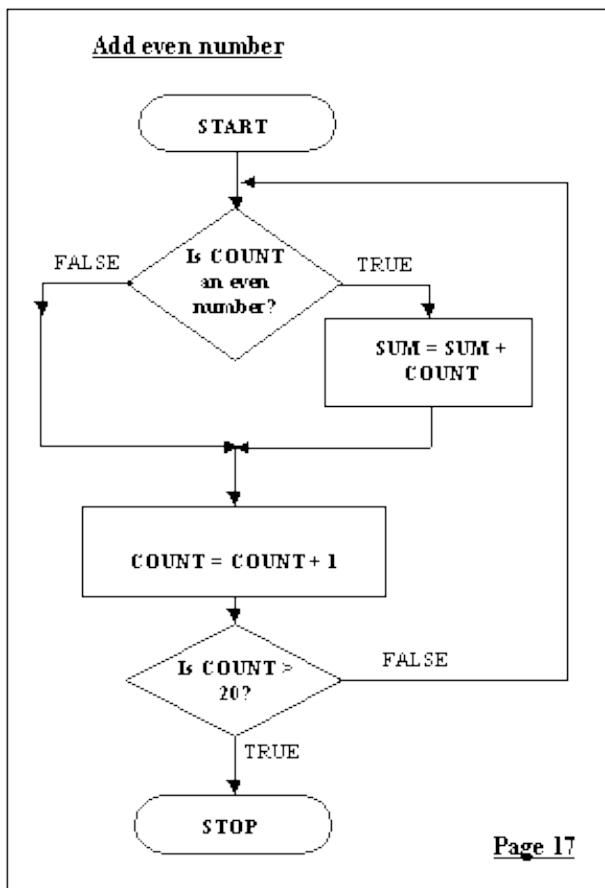
```
{  
    int i, m, Carry;  
    int[] a = new int[100];  
    int[] b = new int[100];  
    int[] c = new int[100];  
    m = Console.readInt();  
    for (int j = 0; j <= m-1; j++) {  
        a[j] = Console.readInt();  
        b[j] = Console.readInt();  
    }  
    Carry = 0;  
    i = 0;  
    while (i < m) {  
        c[i] = a[i] + b[i] + Carry;  
        if (c[i] >= 10)  
            .  
            .  
            .
```

Actual programming language used in computers. Examples: C++, Java, etc.

Problems with using a high-level programming language for algorithms

- Can be difficult – chances you will make **mistakes** with trying to understand the logic and making sure that there are no syntactic and semantics errors.
- During the initial phases of design, forced to deal with **detailed** language issues.
- Too **specific** – what if you want to write in another language instead?

3. Flowchart



| Symbol | Name | Function |
|--------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | Start/end | An oval represents a start or end point |
| | Arrows | A line is a connector that shows relationships between the representative shapes |
| | Input/Output | A parallelogram represents input or output |
| | Process | A rectangle represents a process |
| | Decision | A diamond indicates a decision |

Extracted from <https://www.smartdraw.com/flowchart/flowchart-symbols.htm>

4. Pseudocode

- English language constructs modeled to look like statements available in most programming languages
- Steps presented in a structured manner (numbered, indented, and so on)
- No fixed syntax for most operations is required
- Emphasis is on process, not notation
- Well-understood forms allow logical reasoning about algorithm behavior

4. Pseudocode

Algorithm for Adding two m-digit numbers

Initially, set the value of the variable *carry* to 0 and the value of the variable *i* to 0. When these initializations have been completed, begin looping as long as the value of the variable *i* is less than or equal to $(m - 1)$. First, add together the values of the two digits a_i and b_i , and the current value of the carry digit to get the result called c_i .

Whether it is greater than or equal to 10. If c_i is set the value of *carry* to 1 and reduce the value of *carry* to zero. When you are done with that operation, move on to the next column over again. When the loop has completed execute c_m to the value of *carry* and print out the digits $c_m c_{m-1} \dots c_0$. After printing the result, the loop ends.

Algorithm:

- Step 1 Set the value of *carry* to 0.
- Step 2 Set the value of *i* to 0.
- Step 3 While the value of *i* is less than or equal to $m - 1$, repeat the instructions in steps 4 through 6.
- Step 4 Add the two digits a_i and b_i to the current value of *carry* to get c_i .
- Step 5 If $c_i \geq 10$, then reset c_i to $(c_i - 10)$ and reset the value of *carry* to 1; otherwise, set the new value of *carry* to 0.
- Step 6 Add 1 to *i*, effectively moving one column to the left.
- Step 7 Set c_m to the value of *carry*.
- Step 8 Print out the final answer, $c_m c_{m-1} c_{m-2} \dots c_0$.
- Step 9 Stop.

Types of Algorithmic Operations

1. Sequential

- a. Executes its instructions in a straight line from top to bottom and then stops
- b. Computation, input and output operations (GET, SET)

2. Conditional

- a. If-else

3. Iterative

- a. For/while loops

1. Sequential operations

- Perform a single task
 - **Input:** gets data values from outside the algorithm
 - **Computation:** a single numeric calculation
 - **Output:** sends data values to the outside world
- A **variable** is a named location to hold a value
- A **sequential algorithm** is made up only of sequential operations
- Example: algorithm to print the average miles per gallon, used by a car:

| Step | Operation |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Get values for gallons used, starting mileage, ending mileage |
| 2 | Set value of <i>distance driven</i> to (<i>ending mileage</i> – <i>starting mileage</i>) |
| 3 | Set value of <i>average miles per gallon</i> to (<i>distance driven</i> ÷ <i>gallons used</i>) |
| 4 | Print the value of <i>average miles per gallon</i> |
| 5 | Stop |

1. Sequential operations

- A purely sequential algorithm, such as the previous example, is sometimes also termed as **straight line algorithm**
- Most real world problems are not straight line
- To solve them, we need non-sequential operations such as **branching** and **repetition**
- **Conditional** operations mimic branching
- **Iterative** operations mimic repetition

2. Conditional operations

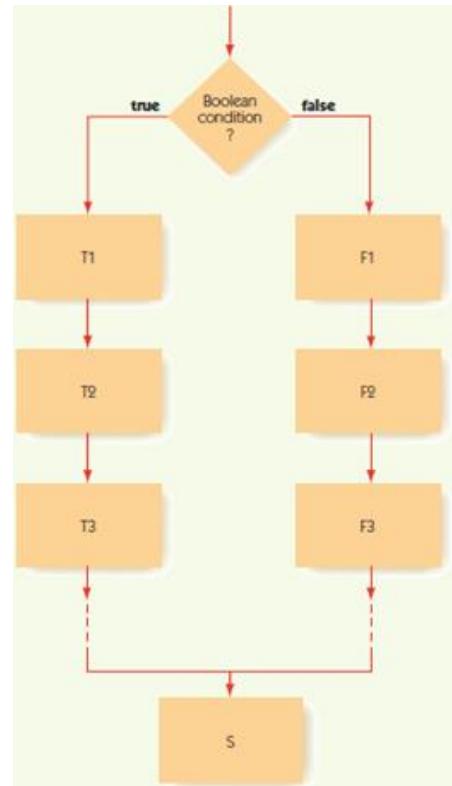
- Conditional operations ask questions and select the next operation on the basis of the answer
- Usually follow this format:

If “a true/false condition” is **true** then

 First set of algorithmic operations is performed

Else (or otherwise)

 Second alternative set of algorithmic operations
 is performed instead



2. Conditional operations

- Extending the previous example to print the average miles per gallon, this time we also print whether the driver is getting good gas mileage or not:

| Step | Operation |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Get values for gallons used, starting mileage, ending mileage |
| 2 | Set value of distance driven to (ending mileage – starting mileage) |
| 3 | Set value of average miles per gallon to (distance driven ÷ gallons used) |
| 4 | Print the value of average miles per gallon |
| 5 | If average miles per gallon is greater than 25.0 then |
| 6 | Print the message 'You are getting good gas mileage' |
| | Else |
| 7 | Print the message 'You are NOT getting good gas mileage' |
| 8 | Stop |

3. Iterative operations

- **Iterative** operations mimic repetition
- **Loop** refers to repetition of block of instructions
 - Often, the real power of a computer comes from performing a calculation many times
 - Looping takes advantage of the power of computers

- One format is the **while** statement:

While (“a true/false condition”) do step **i** to step **j**

Step **i**: operation

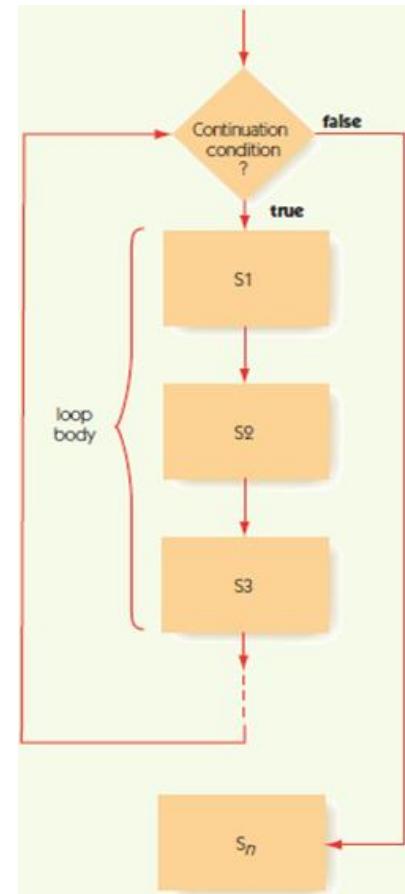
Step **i+1**: operation

.

.

Step **j**: operation

- If the continuation condition never becomes false, then we will forever be trapped in an **infinite loop**. This is also known as the forever loop scenario that result in software to “hang” as they are stuck in loop that never terminates.



3. Iterative operations

- Extending the previous example to print whether the driver is getting good gas mileage or not, this time we print only while the user respond with a Yes.

| Step | Operation |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | response = Yes |
| 2 | While (<i>response</i> = Yes) do Steps 3 through 11 |
| 3 | Get values for gallons used, starting mileage, ending mileage |
| 4 | Set value of <i>distance driven</i> to (<i>ending mileage</i> – <i>starting mileage</i>) |
| 5 | Set value of <i>average miles per gallon</i> to (<i>distance driven</i> ÷ <i>gallons used</i>) |
| 6 | Print the value of <i>average miles per gallon</i> |
| 7 | If <i>average miles per gallon</i> > 25.0 then |
| 8 | Print the message 'You are getting good gas mileage' |
| 9 | Else |
| 10 | Print the message 'You are NOT getting good gas mileage' |
| 11 | Print the message 'Do you want to do this again? Enter Yes or No' |
| | Get a new value for <i>response</i> from the user |
| 12 | Stop |

Third version of the average miles per gallon algorithm

Designing and Analysing Algorithms

Four steps to solving problems (George Polya):

1. Understand the problem

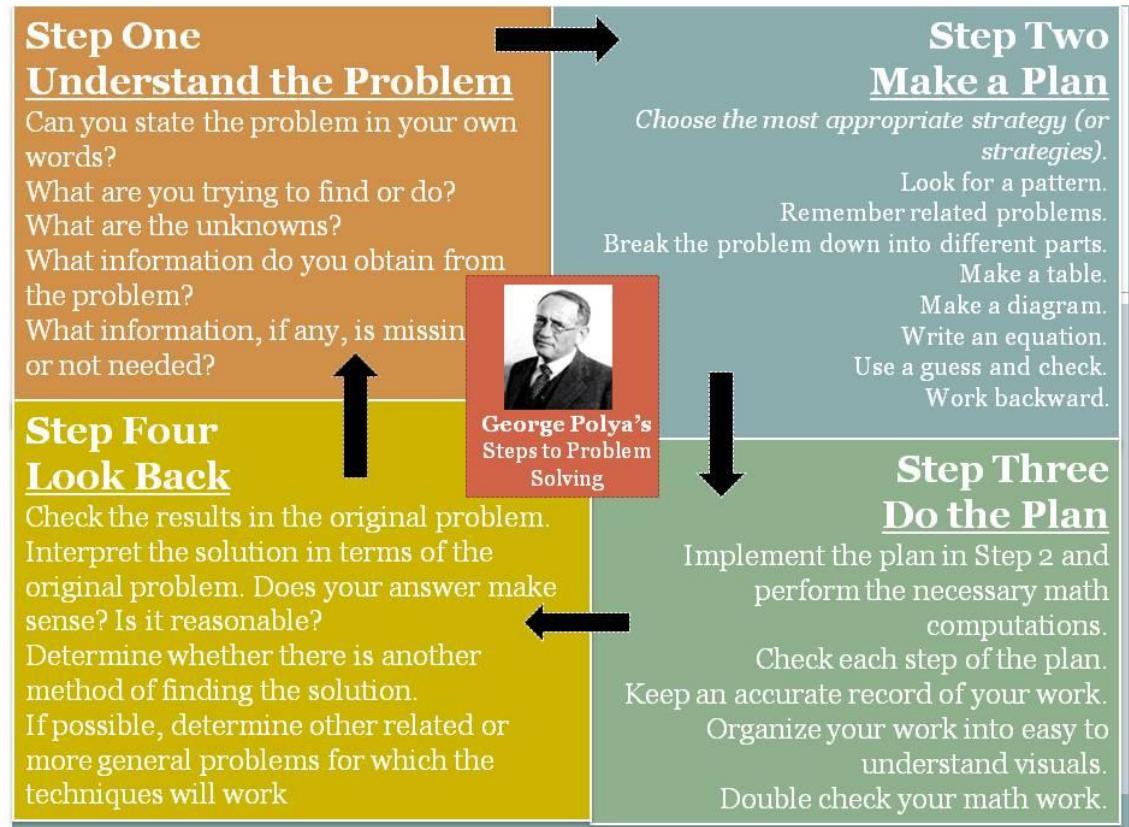
2. Devise a plan

3. Carry out your plan

4. Examine the solution

More details at:

<https://math.berkeley.edu/~gmelvin/polya.pdf>



Algorithm Analysis (AA)

- AA is the study of the **efficiency** of various algorithms
- Determine the amount of resources (time and storage) necessary to execute it
 - Running time of an algorithm typically grows with the input size
- Why do we do AA?
 1. Classify problems by difficulty
 2. Predict performance, compare algorithms, tune parameters
 3. Better understand and improve implementations and algorithms
 4. Intellectual challenge:
 - Algorithm analysis is more interesting than programming

Algorithm Analysis (AA)

- There are two ways to analyse an algorithm:
 - 1. Empirical studies
 - 2. Theoretical analyses
- **1. Empirical studies**
 - Results based on direct observation or experiments
 - Write a program and run it with varying input size
 - Get accurate measurement of actual running time
- **2. Theoretical analyses**
 - Mathematical model
 - E.g. Total running time = Sum of cost \times frequency of execution of all program statements

Algorithm Analysis (AA)

- Sometimes computer programs look very similar
 - Which program is better?
- There is an important difference between a **program** and the underlying **algorithm** that the program is representing
 - **Algorithm** is a generic, step-by-step list of instructions for solving problem
 - **Program** is an algorithm that has been encoded into some programming language. *There may be many programs for same algorithm*

<https://leetcode.com/problems/sudoku-solver/discuss/15796/Singapore-prime-minister-Lee-Hsien-Loong's-Sudoku-Solver-code-runs-in-1ms>

<http://vivian.balakrishnan.sg/sudoku/>

Examples

When two programs solve the same problem but look different,
which is better?

```
1 def sumOfN(n):
2     theSum = 0
3     for i in range(1,n+1):
4         theSum = theSum + i
5
6     return theSum
7
8 print(sumOfN(10))
9
```

VS

```
1 def foo(tom):
2     fred = 0
3     for bill in range(1,tom+1):
4         barney = bill
5         fred = fred + barney
6
7     return fred
8
9 print(foo(10))
10
```

- Criteria:
 - Readability, OR
 - Efficiency, i.e., computing resources
(space/memory & time/speed) used

Example: Algorithm 1

- Benchmark analysis for execution time

```
import time

def sumOfN2(n):
    start = time.time()

    theSum = 0
    for i in range(1,n+1):
        theSum = theSum + i

    end = time.time()

    return theSum,end-start
```

Note start and end time

```
>>>for i in range(5):
    print("Sum is %d required %10.7f seconds"%sumOfN(10000))
Sum is 50005000 required  0.0018950 seconds
Sum is 50005000 required  0.0018620 seconds
Sum is 50005000 required  0.0019171 seconds
Sum is 50005000 required  0.0019162 seconds
Sum is 50005000 required  0.0019360 seconds
```

**Invoking 5 times each computing sum
of first 10,000 integers**

Avg approx. = 0.0019s

```
>>>for i in range(5):
    print("Sum is %d required %10.7f seconds"%sumOfN(100000))
Sum is 5000050000 required  0.0199420 seconds
Sum is 5000050000 required  0.0180972 seconds
Sum is 5000050000 required  0.0194821 seconds
Sum is 5000050000 required  0.0178988 seconds
Sum is 5000050000 required  0.0188949 seconds
>>>
```

**Invoking 5 times each computing sum
of first 100,000 integers**

Avg approx. = 0.019s

```
>>>for i in range(5):
    print("Sum is %d required %10.7f seconds"%sumOfN(1000000))
Sum is 500000500000 required  0.1948988 seconds
Sum is 500000500000 required  0.1850290 seconds
Sum is 500000500000 required  0.1809771 seconds
Sum is 500000500000 required  0.1729250 seconds
Sum is 500000500000 required  0.1646299 seconds
>>>
```

**Invoking 5 times each computing
sum of first 1,000,000 integers**

Ave approx. = 0.19s

Example: Algorithm 2

- Benchmark analysis for execution time

```
1 def sumOfN3(n):  
2     return (n*(n+1))/2  
3  
4 print(sumOfN3(10))  
5
```

```
Sum is 50005000 required 0.00000095 seconds  
Sum is 5000050000 required 0.00000191 seconds  
Sum is 500000500000 required 0.00000095 seconds  
Sum is 50000005000000 required 0.00000095 seconds  
Sum is 5000000050000000 required 0.00000119 seconds
```



- Looking at the 2 different algorithms, we observe:
 - iterative solutions do more work
 - time required increases as input size increase
- But, do you get the same result if you run on different computer?

Empirical Studies – Problem

- System dependent:
 - Hardware, software, system
- Difficult to get precise measurements
- A different way to analyse:
 - independent of program and computer use
 - theoretical analysis and using mathematical models

Mathematical Models

- Want to characterize algorithm efficiency in terms of execution time, ***independent*** of any program or computer
 - Quantify number of operations that the algorithm will require
- Basic unit of computation: **Count number of assignment statements**

```
1 def sumOfN(n):  
2     theSum = 0  
3     for i in range(1,n+1):  
4         theSum = theSum + i  
5  
6     return theSum  
7  
8 print(sumOfN(10))  
9
```

1 assignment to theSum
1 assignment to i
1 assignment to theSum

Total number of assignments = $1+2n$

Goal: show how the algorithm's execution time changes with respect to the size of the problem.

Mathematical Models

- Denote total $1+2n$ as a special function: $T(n)$ where n is the size of the problem.
- $T(n)$ is the time it takes to solve a problem of size n , in our previous example $T(n) = 1+2n$
- The exact number of operations is not as important as determining the most dominant part of $T(n)$
 - As n gets really big, the first constant term (1) is insignificant to the second term $2n$
 - As problem gets larger, some portion of $T(n)$ overpowers the rest
 - E.g. for $T(n) = 2n + 1$:
 - When n is small, e.g. if $n = 1$, the influence over $T(n)$ is significant since $T(n) = 2 \times 1 + 1 = 3$
 - But if n very large, e.g. if $n = 1,000,000$, the influence over $T(n)$ is now negligible since

$$T(n) = 2,000,000 + 1 = 2,000,001$$

$$T(n) \approx 2,000,000$$

We are interested in how the algorithm scales

Big-O Notation

- Interested in the most dominant part of $T(n)$ which is used for comparison
- The **order of magnitude function** describes part of $T(n)$ that increases the fastest as value n increases
 - Provides useful approximation to the actual number of steps in the function
 - In our previous example $T(n) = 1+2n$, we say the running time is $O(n)$
- For input size, must consider behavior for:
 - Best case
 - Worst case
 - Average case

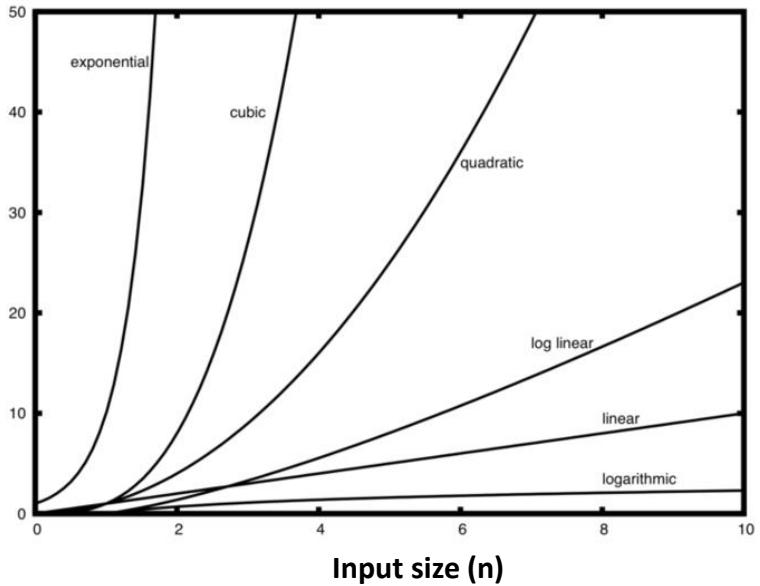
Common Big O Notations

| O | Name |
|---------------|-------------|
| $O(1)$ | Constant |
| $O(\log n)$ | Logarithmic |
| $O(n)$ | Linear |
| $O(n \log n)$ | Log Linear |
| $O(n^2)$ | Quadratic |
| $O(n^3)$ | Cubic |
| $O(2^n)$ | Exponential |
| $O(n!)$ | Factorial |

Best ↑

↓ Worst

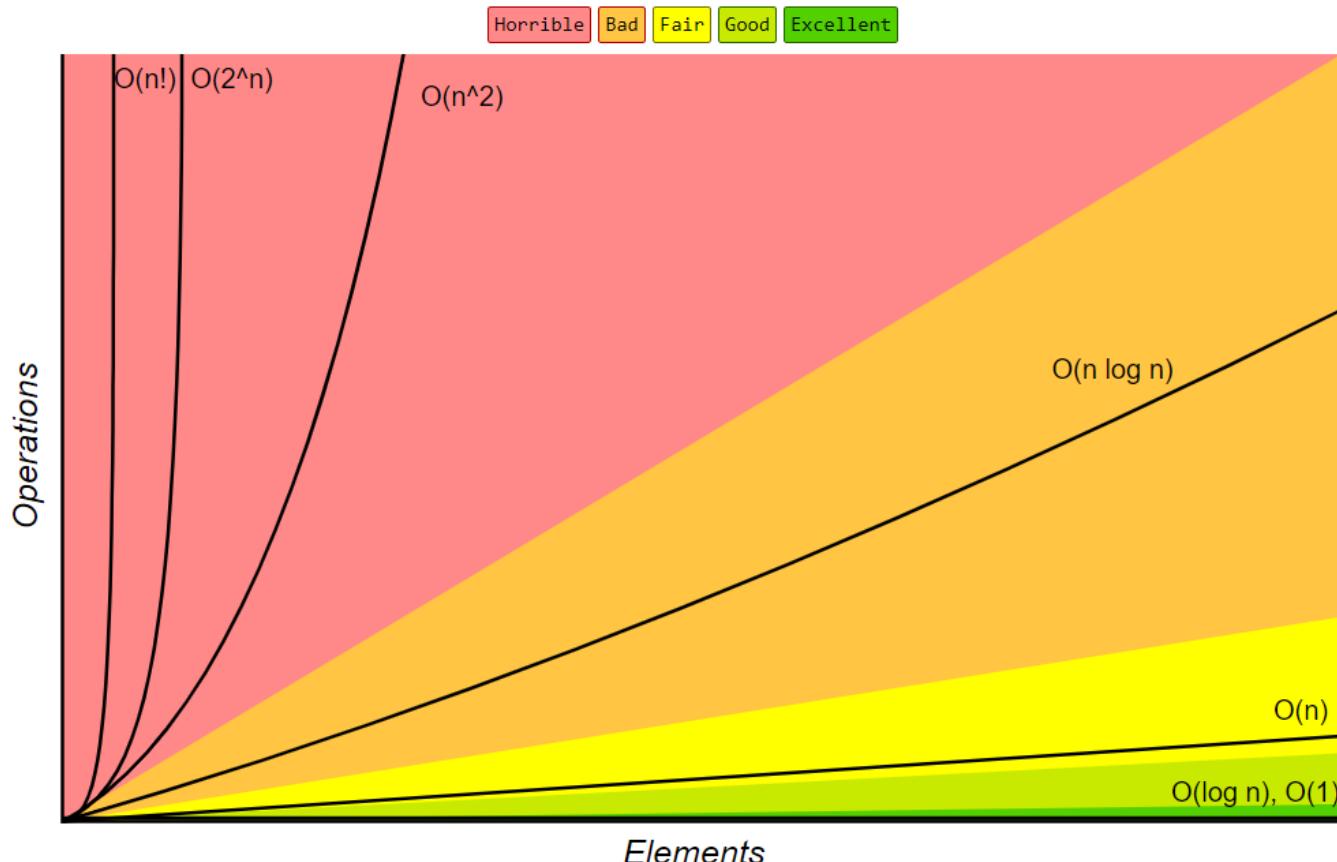
Running
Time
Complexity



| Order | n | | | |
|---------|------------|-------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| | 10 | 50 | 100 | 1,000 |
| $\lg n$ | 0.0003 sec | 0.0006 sec | 0.0007 sec | 0.001 sec |
| n | 0.001 sec | 0.005 sec | 0.01 sec | 0.1 sec |
| n^2 | 0.01 sec | 0.25 sec | 1 sec | 1.67 min |
| 2^n | 0.1024 sec | 3,570 years | 4×10^{16} centuries | Too big to compute!! |

- [Whatsapp](#) has about 65B messages a day, or ~750,000 messages per second!
- [Alibaba Taobao](#) has on average 9 million transactions per day or ~100 per second!

Big-O complexity chart



Example 1: Sequential Search

- Search for number X among a (unsorted) list of n numbers
- Start at the beginning and compare X to each entry until a match is found



```
i = 1
found = false
while i <= n && found==false do
begin
    if X == a[i] then
        found = true
    else
        i = i+1
end
if found==true then
    report "Found!"
else report "Not Found!"
```

See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1d1b6Rb--E>

- Sequential Search: 0:00 to 0:29
- Binary Search: 0:30 to 1:24

Example 1: Sequential Search

| Best case | Average case | Worst case |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| X is the first value on the list | X is in the middle of the list | X is the last number in the list X is not in the list |
| 1 comparison | Roughly $n/2$ comparisons | n comparisons |
| $O(1)$ | $O(n)$ | $O(n)$ |

Space efficiency

- Memory to store the list plus the value that is being searched
- Very space efficient

Example 2: Binary Search

Binary Search



Search : 5

Needs the list to be already sorted

```
BinarySearch(list[], min, max, key)
while min ≤ max do
    mid = (max+min) / 2
    if list[mid] >key then
        max = mid-1
    else if list[mid] <key then
        min = mid+1
    else
        return mid
    end if
end while
return false
```

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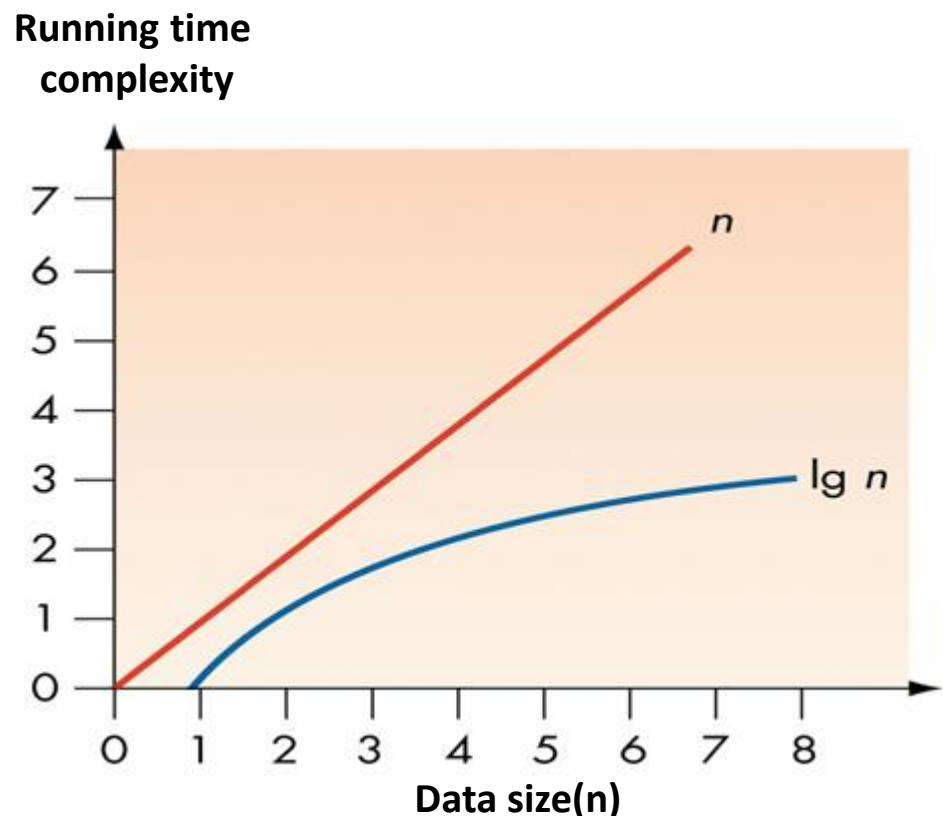
Example 2: Binary Search

- **More efficient** than sequential search in Example 1
- But works ONLY if search list is already **sorted/ordered**
 - Search for value by comparing to middle element
 - If not a match, restrict search to either lower or upper half only
 - *Each pass eliminates half the data*

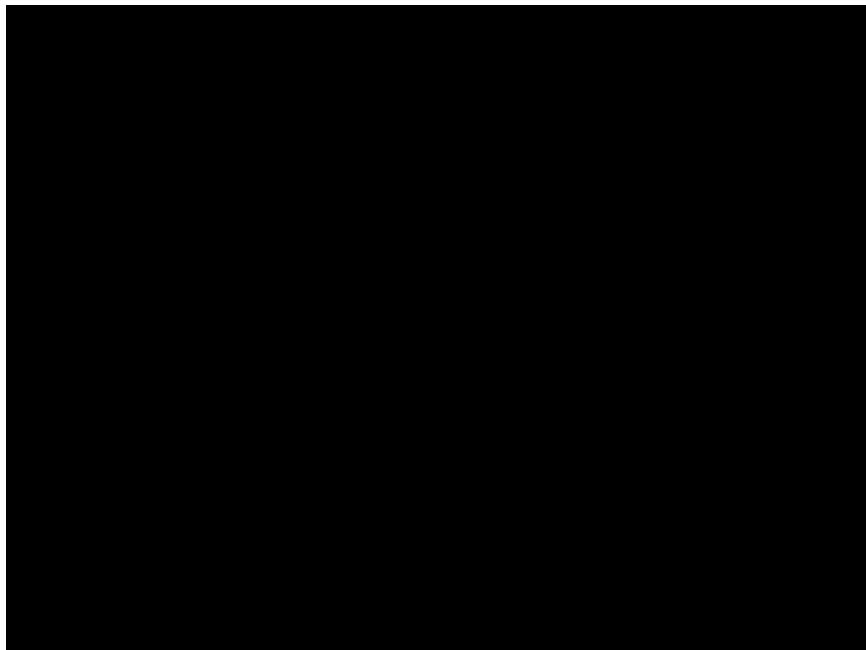
| Best case | Average case | Worst case |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Value is in the middle | Value is somewhere in the list | Value not in the list |
| 1 comparison | $\log_2 n$ comparisons | $\log_2 n$ comparisons $\log_2 n$: number of times n can be divided by two before reaching 1 |
| $O(1)$ | $O(\log n)$ | $O(\log_2 n)$ or also known simply as $O(\log n)$ |

$O(n)$ versus $O(\log n)$

- Tradeoffs:
 - Sequential search - $O(n)$
 - Slower, but works on unordered data
 - Binary search – $O(\log n)$
 - Faster (much faster), but data must be sorted first



Example 3: Selection Sort



```
for (j = 0; j < n-1; j++)  
  
    int iMin = j;  
  
    for (i = j+1; i < n; i++)  
        if (a[i] < a[iMin])  
            iMin = i;  
  
    if (iMin != j)  
        swap(a[j], a[iMin]);
```

What is the amount of work done?

See https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g-PGLbMth_g

Example 3: Selection Sort

TWO (2) types of work done here: **comparison** and **exchanges**

- For *comparison*:

- Given n values, does (n-1) comparison
- Total comparison cost = $(n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 2 + 1 = n(n-1)/2$

$$\left(\frac{n - 1}{2}\right)n = \frac{1}{2}n^2 - \frac{1}{2}n$$

- At large n, it is taken as **O(n^2)**

```

for (j = 0; j < n-1; j++)
    int iMin = j;

    for (i = j+1; i < n; i++)
        if (a[i] < a[iMin])
            iMin = i;

    if (iMin != j)
        swap(a[j], a[iMin]);
    
```

- For *exchanges*:

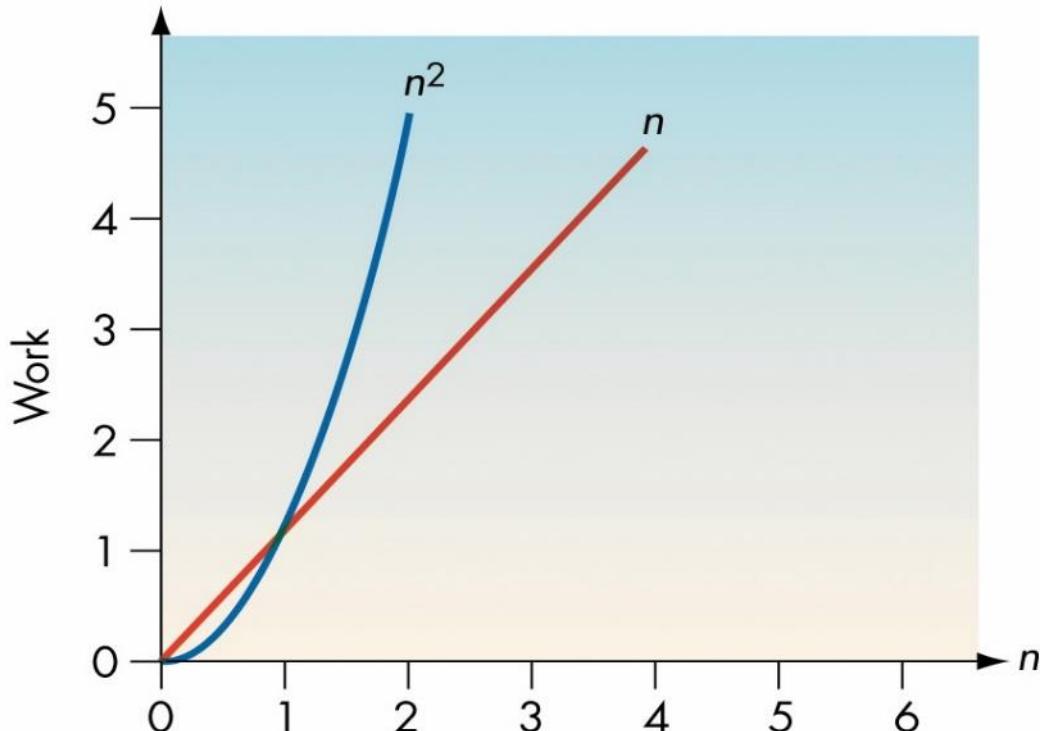
- Given n values, does n (swapping largest into place) exchanges so **O(n)**

- Total : **O(n^2) + O(n)**

- At large n, exchanges **O(n)** are negligible compared to the work done for comparisons, **O(n^2)**
- Therefore, ignoring the work done by exchanges, the total work done is taken as **O(n^2)**

$O(n)$ vs $O(n^2)$

- Anything that is $\Theta(n^2)$ will eventually have larger values than anything that is $\Theta(n)$, no matter what the constants
- An algorithm that runs in time $\Theta(n)$ will outperform one that runs in $\Theta(n^2)$



Example 3: Selection Sort

Therefore, the efficiency is seen as follows:

| Best case | Average case | Worst case |
|-----------|--------------|------------|
| $O(n^2)$ | $O(n^2)$ | $O(n^2)$ |

Space efficiency

- Space for the input sequence, plus a constant number of local variables

```

for (j = 0; j < n-1; j++)
    int iMin = j;
    for (i = j+1; i < n; i++)
        if (a[i] < a[iMin])
            iMin = i;
    if (iMin != j)
        swap(a[j], a[iMin]);
    
```

If you need more thorough explanation, please read pg. **89 to 93 of Chapter 3**, The Efficiency of Algorithms, Invitation to Computer Science, 5th Edition

Summary Big Oh Notation

O(1):

- Usually does not contain loop, recursion or call to any other non-constant function
- A loop that runs **constant** number of times with no n

```
// Here c is a constant
for (int i = 1; i <= c; i++) {
    // some O(1) expressions
}
```

Summary Big Oh Notation

O(n)

- Loop executes n times that increment/decrement by constant amount

```

n = 16;
m = 4;

for (i=1; i<=n; i++) {
| printf("Loop i = %d\n", i);
}

printf("\n\n");

for (i=n; i>=1; i--) {
| printf("Loop i = %d\n", i);
}
  
```

```

Loop i = 1
Loop i = 2
Loop i = 3
Loop i = 4
Loop i = 5
Loop i = 6
Loop i = 7
Loop i = 8
Loop i = 9
Loop i = 10
Loop i = 11
Loop i = 12
Loop i = 13
Loop i = 14
Loop i = 15
Loop i = 16
  
```

```

Loop i = 16
Loop i = 15
Loop i = 14
Loop i = 13
Loop i = 12
Loop i = 11
Loop i = 10
Loop i = 9
Loop i = 8
Loop i = 7
Loop i = 6
Loop i = 5
Loop i = 4
Loop i = 3
Loop i = 2
Loop i = 1
  
```

Summary Big Oh Notation

O(n^2)

- Time complexity of nested loop equal to number of times innermost statement is executed

```

n = 16;
m = 4;

printf("Demonstrating O(n^2) where m=4\n");
for (i=1; i<=m; i++) {
    for (j=1; j<=m; j++) {
        printf("">>>>Inner Loop j = %d\n", j);
    }
    printf("Outer Loop i = %d\n", i);
}

printf("\n\n");

printf("Demonstrating O(n^2) where m=4\n");
for (i=m; i>=1; i--) {
    for (j=1; j<=m; j++) {
        printf("">>>>Inner Loop j = %d\n", j);
    }
    printf("Outer Loop i = %d\n", i);
}

```

```

Demonstrating O(n^2) where m=4
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 4
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 4

```

```

Demonstrating O(n^2) where m=4
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 1
">>>>Inner Loop j = 2
">>>>Inner Loop j = 3
">>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 4
>>>>Inner Loop j = 1
>>>>Inner Loop j = 2
>>>>Inner Loop j = 3
>>>>Inner Loop j = 4
Outer Loop i = 1

```

Summary Big Oh Notation

O(log n)

- Loop executes n times that is divided/multiplied by constant amount

```

n = 16;
m = 4;

for (i=1; i<=n; i*=2) {
| printf("Loop i = %d\n", i);
}

printf("\n\n");

for (i=n; i>0; i/=2) {
| printf("Loop i = %d\n", i);
}
  
```

```

Loop i = 1
Loop i = 2
Loop i = 4
Loop i = 8
Loop i = 16

Loop i = 16
Loop i = 8
Loop i = 4
Loop i = 2
Loop i = 1
  
```

Note that to calculate $\log_2 16$ using calculator, input this:

$$\log_{10} 16 / \log_{10} 2$$

Refer to

<https://www.calculator.net/log-calculator.html>

Algorithms Visualization

- <http://www.sorting-algorithms.com/>
- <https://visualgo.net/en>
- <http://www.cs.usfca.edu/~galles/visualization/Algorithms.html>



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Sorting Algorithms Animations

The following animations illustrate how effectively data sets from different starting points can be sorted using different algorithms.

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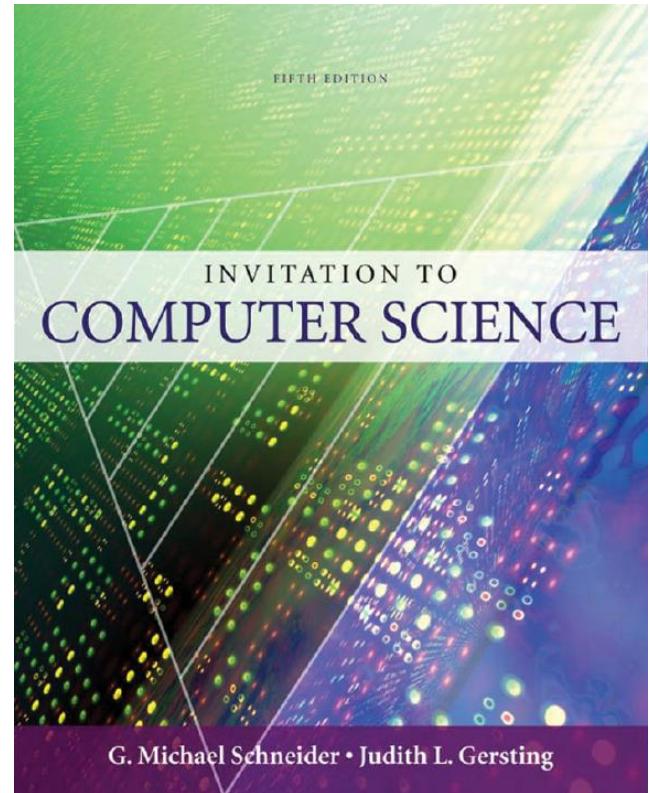
HOW TO USE: Press "Play all", or choose the ▶ button for the individual row/column to animate.

| ▶ Play All | ▶ Insertion | ▶ Selection | ▶ Bubble | ▶ Shell | ▶ Merge | ▶ Heap | ▶ Quick | ▶ Quick3 |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| ▶ Random | | | | | | | | |
| ▶ Nearly Sorted | | | | | | | | |



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Summary

- ✓ Definition
- ✓ Algorithm Representation
 - Natural language
 - High level programming language
 - Flowchart
 - Pseudocode
- ✓ Algorithm Analysis (AA)
 - Time and space efficiency
 - Order of Magnitude (Big Oh)
- To be continued in your Data Structures and Algorithms module