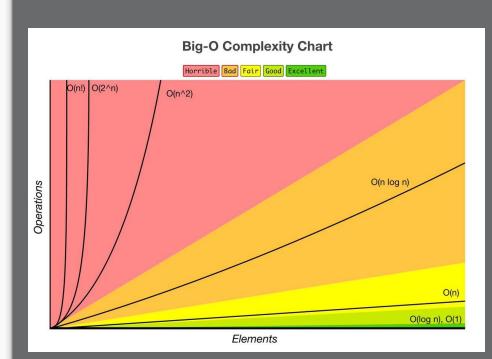
Algorithmic Analysis (Big-O) Sorting

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Algorithmic Time Complexity

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"Big-O" Notation



- <u>Big O Notation</u> Used to describe how the runtime (time complexity) and size (space complexity) of an algorithm increases as the size of the input array of **length** *n* increases. We'll be focusing on time complexity.
- This is an <u>order of magnitude</u> approximation, meaning we only worry about the leading term. In big-O, a process that requires *n* computations is the same as one that requires *3*n* computations, both are *O(n)*.
- Expressed as a function of n (e.g, C^n , n^3 , n^2 , $n \log n$, n, $\log n$)

Order of magnitude approximation examples



$\operatorname{Number} N$	Expression in $N=a imes 10^b$	Order of magnitude \boldsymbol{b}
0.2	2×10^{-1}	-1
1	1×10^{0}	0
5	0.5×10^{1}	1
32	0.32×10^2	2
999	0.999×10^3	3

Person (L~10⁰ m)

Source: Wikipedia



"Big-O" Notation - why?



This topic often shows up in software interviews, as it is a good test of several things:

- Estimating the growth in time for an algorithm as the input size grows
- Evaluate your knowledge of data structures
- They test your ability to think about what you are doing



```
def find anagrams (lst):
    result = []
    for word1 in 1st:
        for word2 in 1st:
            if word1 != word2 and sorted (word1) == sorted (word2):
                 if word1 not in result:
                     result .append (word1)
                 if word2 not in result:
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     return result
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Assume there are *n* words in lst.

How many comparisons does this function make? Each word in 1st with each word in 1st. What is the run time complexity? 1st is n elements, so n * n, or $O(n^2)$

```
def find_anagrams (lst):
    result = []
    d = defaultdict(list)
    for word in lst:
        d[tuple(sorted(word))].append(word)
    for key, value in d.iteritems():
        if len(value) > 1:
            result.extend(value)
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How many comparisons does this function make? **Doesn't make any. Checks for** more than one word for a sorted character key in d, which is much smaller than length *n*. The lst is iterated through only once.

What is the run time complexity? O(n)

find_anagrams.py

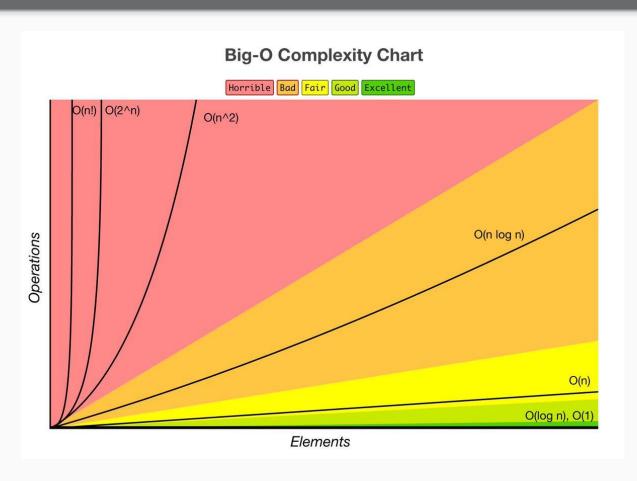
O(N) of common routines (more complete on Wikipedia)



Time Complexity (best to worst)	Name	Description - Given an input of size n	Example operation or algorithm
O(1)	Constant	Only a single step required to complete the task.	Lookup in a set. Appending to a list.
O(log n)	Logarithmic	The number of steps it takes to accomplish the task are decreased by some factor with each step.	Binary search
O(n)	Linear	The number of of steps required is directly related to <i>n</i> .	Lookup in a list. Kmeans algorithm.
O(n log n)	Log-linear	The number of of steps required is directly related to n multiplied by some factor that is a factor of n (but much less than n).	Merge sort
O(n²)	Quadratic	The number of steps it takes to accomplish a task is square of <i>n</i> (bad).	Double for loop. Create covariance matrix. Hierarchical clustering.
O(C^n)	Exponential	The number of steps it takes to accomplish a task is a constant to the <i>n</i> power (very bad).	Graph colouring.

O(n) rough comparison of number of operations

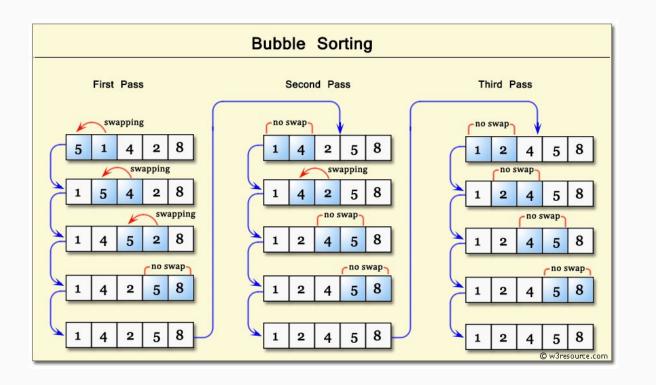




Sorting Algorithms

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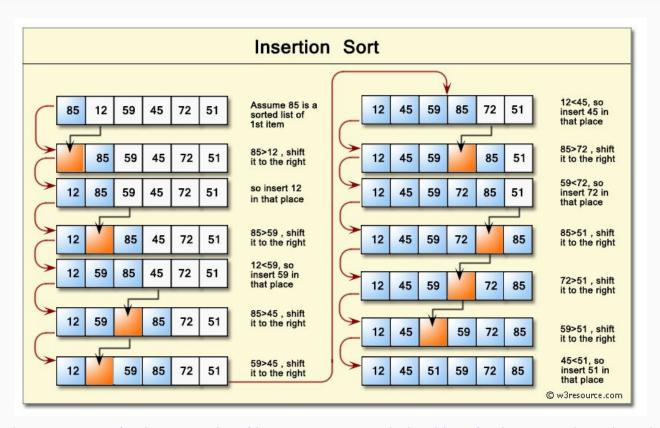
Wikipedia visualization



What is the run time complexity?

Insertion Sort





Wikipedia visualization.

```
# psuedocode
def insertionSort(lst):
   for i in range(1, len(lst)):
    val = lst[i]
     while i > 0 and lst[i - 1] > val:
         move lst[i - 1] to the right
         decrement i
     assign val to lst[i]
```

What is the run time complexity?

Pair up and sort a shuffled suit from a deck of cards.

Part I:

Try <u>Bubble Sort</u> and <u>Insertion Sort</u> with the deck of cards. Can you explain and demonstrate each sorting algorithm to your partner?

Part II:

There are two text files in the lecture repo:
unsorted num 1.txt and unsorted num 2.txt

Write a Python script that you run from the command line, using argument parsing, to sort the numbers in the text file. Use Bubble Sort.

You should be able to run your script like this:

\$ python bubblesort.py --in unsorted num 1.txt --out sorted_num_1.txt

There are better sorting algorithms!



- Heap Sort
- Merge Sort
- Quick Sort
- All of the above have complexity O(n log n)

Read more at https://wikipedia.org/wiki/Sorting_algorithm

Review: Decorators



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       Abstract base class for our sorting classes
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        Allows for the calling of a sort, a stack count sort, and a timed sort
       def init (self):
            pass
        @classmethod +
        def this sort(cls, input list):
                                                      Decorators
            pass
        @timeit ←
        def timed sort(self, input list):
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            pass
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