



# Python Programming

We will be starting shortly

In the meantime, sit back and relax!

(Slides for today's lecture are on Scientia)



# Python Programming

**Warning!**

**We will start recording this session now!**

Also, any messages in the text chat will remain  
on MS Teams even after the session



# Quiz

What is a snake's favourite chart?

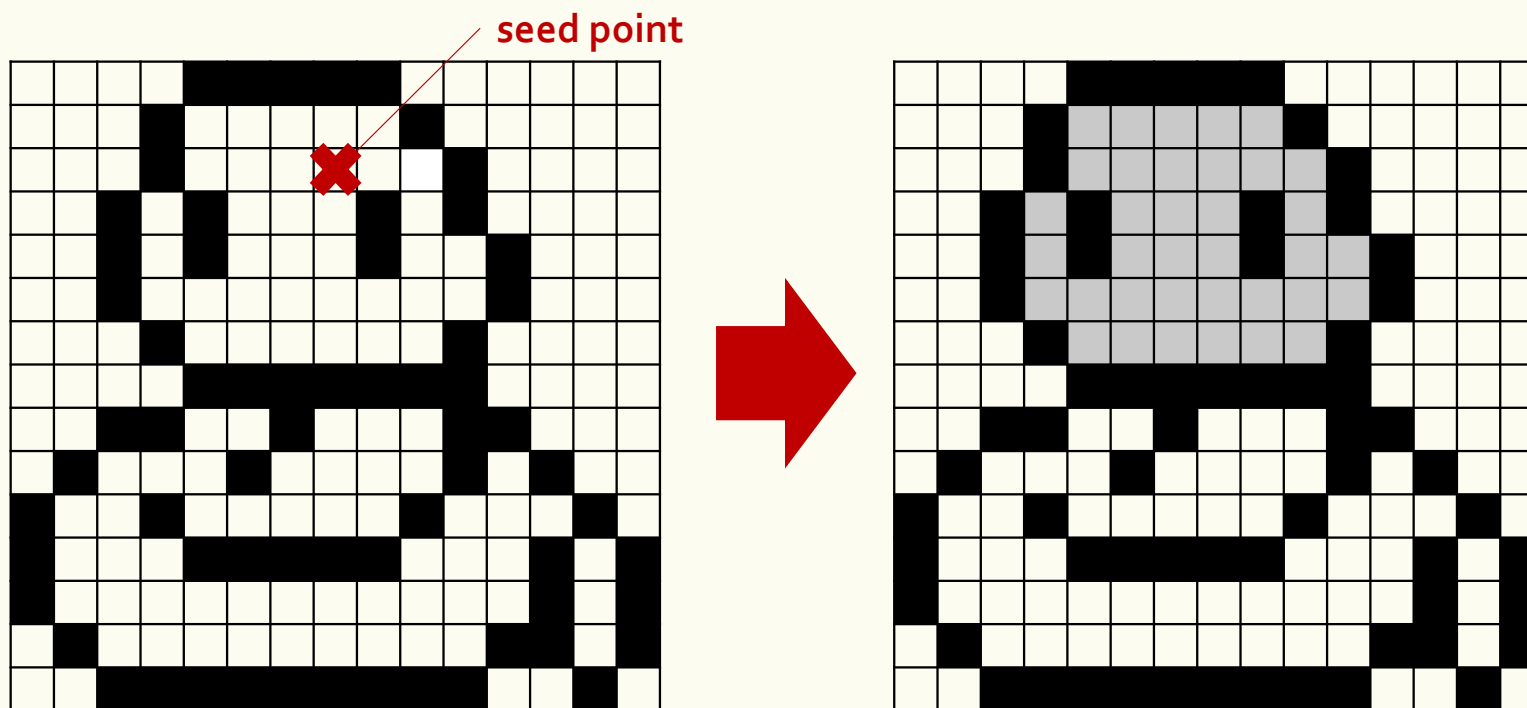


# Coursework released!



# Coursework 1

- 4% of final module grade
- Deadline Friday 15th 7pm BST





# Submission

- Tasks
  - Complete the fill() function
  - Write some test cases
  - Describe your algorithm (keep it brief!)
- Iterative or recursive solutions both accepted
  - But caution if you are using recursion (Python has a default recursion limit of 1000)



# Gitlab Repo

- Most of you should have already received your repo.
- Specifications on CATE and Scientia.
- Submit 'readme.pdf' on CATE
- Submit your commit hash via LabTS
- LabTS tests are just to make sure that your code works on the server!
  - You should still test your own code!



# Previously...

<filter_with_list>,	list size 10,	0.0008445 seconds
<filter_with_dict>,	list size 10,	0.0008762 seconds
<filter_with_set>,	list size 10,	0.0003818 seconds
<filter_with_list>,	list size 100,	0.031647 seconds
<filter_with_dict>,	list size 100,	0.0032972 seconds
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<filter_with_list>,	list size 30000,	85.121 seconds
<filter_with_dict>,	list size 30000,	0.83646 seconds
<filter_with_set>,	list size 30000,	0.22502 seconds





# Writing efficient code

that scales well with input size



# Searching algorithms

because AI involves lots of searching!



```
numbers = [2, 95, 55, 72, 38, 46, 83, 51, 91, 17, 29]
```

42

```
42 in numbers
```

```
numbers.index(42)
```



# Sequential/linear search

numbers = [2, 95, 55, 72, 38, 46, 83, 51, 91, 17, 29]



42

```
def sequential_search(query, items):  
    found = False  
    for item in items:  
        if item == query:  
            found = True  
  
    return found
```

```
sequential_search(42, numbers)
```

Time Complexity  
Worst case:  $O(n)$   
Best case:  $\Omega(n)$



# Sequential/linear search

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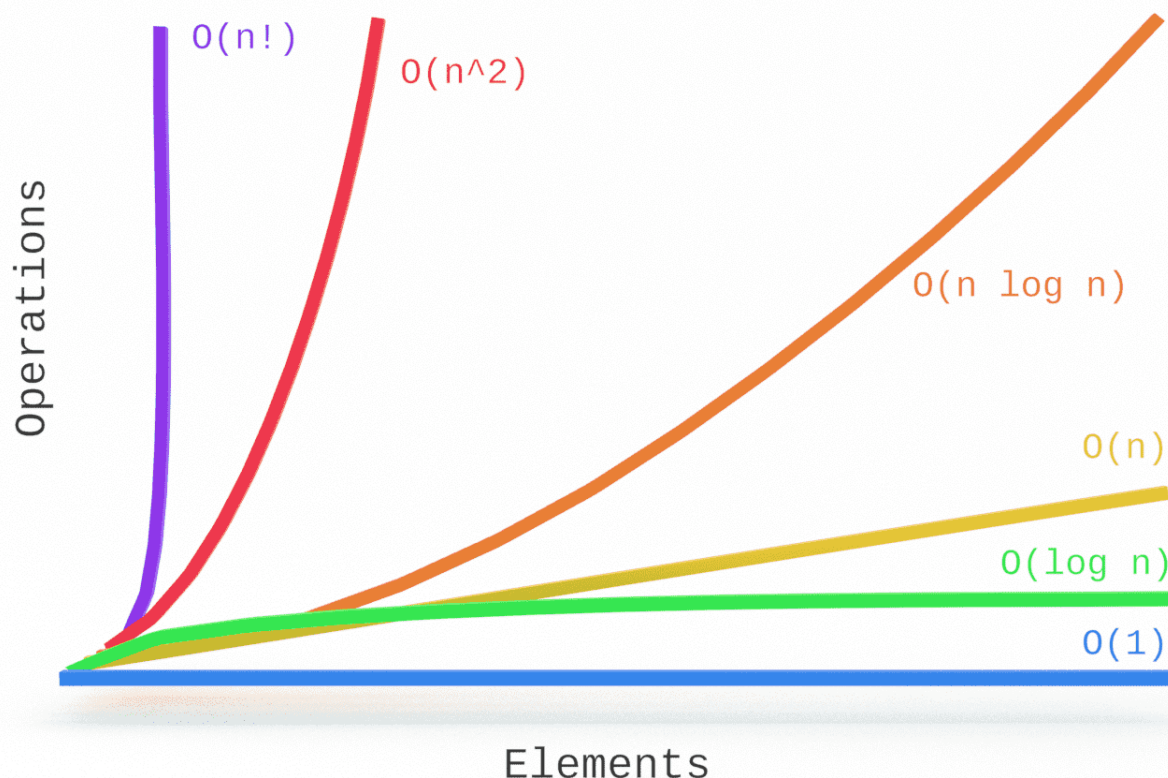
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```
def sequential_search(query, items):  
    for (position, item) in enumerate(items):  
        if item == query:  
            return position  
  
    return -1
```

Time Complexity  
Worst case:  $O(n)$   
Best case:  $\Omega(1)$



# Complexity... $O(n)$ ... what?



<https://jarednielsen.com/big-o-linear-time-complexity/>

How many operations do you need to perform when input size is  $n$ ?

Asymptotic notation  
Big-O notation

Constants dropped



Can we do better than  
sequential search?





# Binary search

```
numbers = [2, 95, 55, 72, 38, 46, 83, 51, 91, 17, 29]
```



```
numbers = [2, 17, 29, 38, 46, 51, 55, 72, 83, 91, 95]
```

```
import bisect, random
```

```
numbers = []
```

```
for i in range(0, 11):
```

```
    number = random.randint(1, 100)
```

```
    bisect.insort(numbers, number)
```

```
    print(numbers)
```

To keep your list always sorted



# Binary search

17

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# Binary search

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# Binary search

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Time Complexity

Best case:  $\Omega(1)$

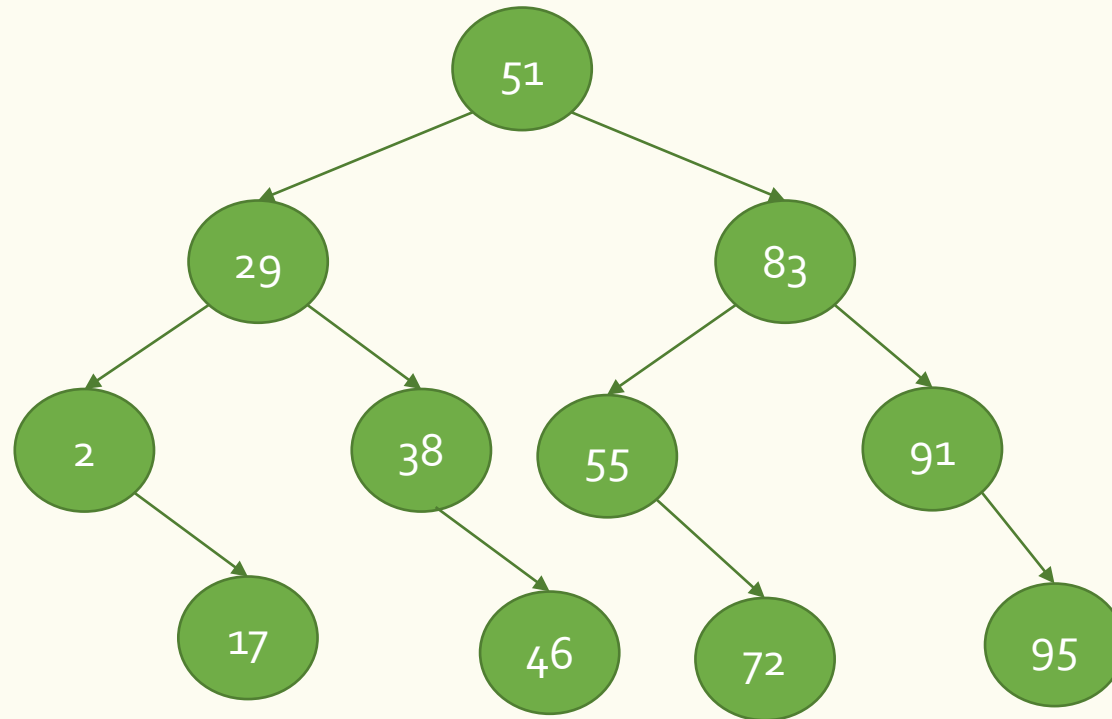
Worst case:  $O(\log n)$



# Binary tree

$$(\log_2 n) + 1$$

$$(\log_2 11) = 3.46$$





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# Implement binary search?

Iterative

Recursive





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# Implement binary search?

Iterative




# Iterative implementation

```
def binary_search(query, items):  
    left = 0  
    right = len(items) - 1  
  
    while left <= right:  
        middle = round(left + (right-left)/2)  
  
        if query == items[middle]:  
            return True  
        elif query < items[middle]:  
            right = middle - 1  
        else:  
            left = middle + 1  
  
    return False
```



2	17	29	38	46	51	55	72	83	91	95
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# Implement binary search?

Recursive



# Recursive implementation

```
def binary_search(query, items):  
    if len(items) == 1:  
        return items[0] == query  
    else:  
        middle = round((len(items)-1)/2)  
        if items[middle] == query:  
            return True  
        elif query < items[middle]:  
            return binary_search(query, items[:middle])  
        else:  
            return binary_search(query, items[middle+1:])
```



# Sorting algorithms

- Bubble sort
- Insertion sort
- Selection sort
- Merge sort
- Quick sort
- Heap sort
- ...



# Summary

- Algorithm analysis
  - Concerned about time complexity w.r.t. input size
  - Best case, worst case
- Searching algorithms
  - Sequential search
  - Binary search
    - Iterative
    - Recursive



# This week's schedule

Mon 3-4pm	Mon 4-5pm	Tue 9-10am	Wed 9-10am	Thu 11am-1pm
LECTURE Online only	LAB Online only	LAB 219	LAB 219	LAB 221/225

Next week's lecture topic: Trees



# One on one with Josiah

Mon 11/10 (4PM)		
16:00-16:10	jac202	John Carter
16:10-16:20	am10118	Anagh Malik
16:20-16:30	cu021	Chibudom Onuorah
16:30-16:40	????	Jonathan Hewlett
16:40-16:50	jh3617	Jacob Hughes-Hallett
16:50-17:00	lr4617	Lapo Rastrelli

Tue 12/10 (9AM)		
09:00-09:10	aaa1421	Abdullah Alrumayh
09:10-09:20		
09:20-09:30		
09:30-09:40		
09:40-09:50	aj2221	Alexander Jenkins
09:50-10:00	lmc16	Lucille Cazenave





# One on one with Josiah

Wed 13/10 (9AM)		
09:00-09:10	av1017	Avish Vijayaraghavan
09:10-09:20	fn421	Federico Nardi
09:20-09:30		
09:30-09:40	sh2316	Simon Hanassab
09:40-09:50	cp2620	Camille Petri
09:50-10:00	atr17	Alexander Ranne

Thu 14/10 (11AM)		
11:00-11:10	cm2021	Christos Margadji
11:10-11:20	cpc21	Cormac Conway
11:20-11:30	jla21	Jonah Anton
11:30-11:40	mjc121	Matthew Collins
11:40-11:50	mt3215	Maksym Tymchenko
11:50-12:00	sk2521	Sun Jin Kim
12:00-12:10	st321	Sofiya Toteva
12:10-12:20	tap21	Thomas Phillips
12:20-12:30	yo521	Yi Siang Ong
12:30-12:40	????	Mario Lavina Martinez



# Any feedback for us?

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