

Estruturas de Dados / Programação 2

Complexidade de um Programa de Computador

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n prime?

1

```
for i = 2 to n - 1
  if i divides n
    n is not prime
```

(n - 2) times

2

```
for i = 2 to sqrt(n)
  if i divides n
    n is not prime
```

(\sqrt{n} - 1) times

1ms for a division...

n	1	2
11	9ms	2ms
101	99ms	9ms
$1000003 = 10^6 + 3$	$= 10^6 \text{ms} = 10^3 \text{sec} = 16.66 \text{min}$	$= \sqrt{10^6 + 3} - 1 = 10^3 \text{ms} = 1 \text{sec}$
$10000000019 = 10^{10} + 19$	$= 10^{10} \text{ms} = 10^7 \text{sec} = 115 \text{ days}$	$= 10^5 \text{ms} = 100 \text{sec} = 1.66 \text{min}$

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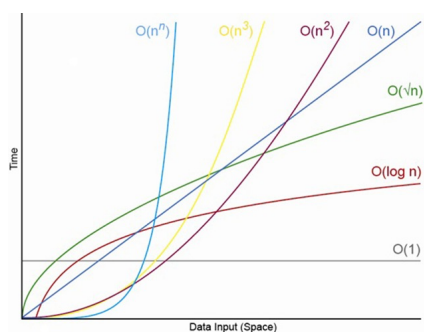
$O(n)$

2

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  if i divides n
    n is not prime
```

(\sqrt{n} - 1) times

$O(\sqrt{n})$



How to analyze?

Model Machine

- Single processor
- Sequential execution
- 1 unit time for arithmetical and logical operations
- 1 unit time for assignments and returns



Assumptions

- Each statement takes the same unit of time
- We ignore constant multiples
- Statements within a loop will execute as many times as the **maximum** permitted by the loop control



```
int sum_of_list(list, n)
{
    int total = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        total = total + list[i];
    return total;
}
```

Cost	N. of times
1 (C ₁)	1
2 (C ₂)	n + 1
2 (C ₃)	n
1 (C ₄)	1

$$t(n) = 1 + 2(n + 1) + 2n + 1$$
$$t(n) = 4n + 4$$

$$t(n) = cn + c'$$

$$C = C_2 + C_3$$

$$C' = C_1 + C_2 + C_4$$

Statements

- Remember: we ignore constant multiples

Statement 1
Statement 2
...
Statement n

$$\text{Total time} = t(s_1) + t(s_2) + \dots + t(s_n)$$

If each statement is "simple", then the time for each statement is constant, and the total time is also constant: $O(1)$



If statements

- Time equal to the larger of its two branches
- If sequence 1 is $O(n)$ and sequence 2 is $O(1)$, the worst case time for the whole if-then-else statement would be $O(n)$

```
if (condition) {
    sequence of statements 1
} else {
    sequence of statements 2
}
```



For loops

- The loop executes "n" times, so the sequence of statements also executes "n" times
- Since we assume the statements are $O(1)$, the total time for the for loop is "n", which is $O(n)$ overall.

```
for (i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
    something that is O(1)
}
```

$$1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1$$

(n times)



Nested for loops

- Inner loop iterates “k” times; Simplifying assumption that inner loop iterates “n” times: $O(n^2)$. Overestimation... but this has no effect on the final estimate!

```
for (k = 1; k <= n; k++) {  
    for (i = 1; i <= k; i++) {  
        something that is O(1)  
    }  
}
```

1 (first time) +
2 (second time) +
...
+ n (last time)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = n(n+1)/2$$

which still is $O(n^2)$



What about this one?

```
for (i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
    for (j = 1; j <= i; j++) {  
        for (k = 1; k <= i; k++) {  
            something that is O(1)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- For each value of “i”, the two inner loops contribute to i^2

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 \quad \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = n(n+1)(2n+1)/6$$

which still is $O(n^3)$



Exercises

- 1)

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    something that is O(1)  
}  
for (j = 0; j < m; j++) {  
    something that is O(1)  
}
```
- 2)

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    for (j = 0; j < n; j++) {  
        something that is O(1)  
    }  
}  
for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {  
    something that is O(1)  
}
```



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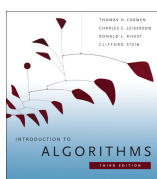
- 3)

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    for (j = n; j > i; j--) {  
        something that is O(1)  
    }  
}
```
- 4)

```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    min = i;  
    for (j = i + 1; j < n; j++)  
        if (s[j] < s[min]) min = j;  
    swap(&s[i], &s[min]);  
}
```



References



Chapters 1, 2, and 3



Chapter 2

