

# Introduction to Computer Science and Programming

Lecture 8

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#### **Outline**

- Recap
- Complexity Analysis / Solving Recurrences
  - Integer Multiplication
  - Median and Selection

## Recap

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What do you remember about last week's lecture?

#### **Recap sorting**

What was the best/worst time complexity of Bubble sort,

Insert sort and Merge sort?



#### **Recap sorting**

What does this code do?

```
Ready? Set? Go!
```

```
def f(L):
    if len(L)==1:
        return L
    else:
        part=f(L[:-1])
        i=len(part)
        while i>0 and (L[-1]<part[i-1]):
            i=i-1
        return part[0:i]+[L[-1]]+part[i:]
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Recursive insertion sort Time complexity?

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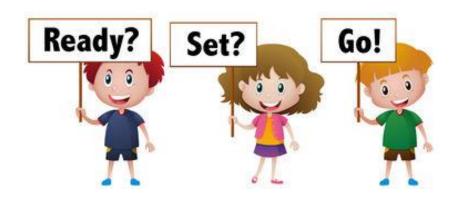
#### Sorting as dancing

 https://www.i-programmer.info/programming/theory/3531-sortingalgorithms-as-dances.html



## **Big O - Decisions**

- Examples:
  - n = O(n\*n)?
  - $\log(n) = O(\operatorname{sqrt}(n))$



## Transforming Big O to limits and using L'Hopital

Let f(n) and g(n) be two real function then, f(n) = O(g(n)) is equivalent to

$$\exists \ c \in \mathbb{R}: \lim_{n o \infty} rac{f(n)}{g(n)} = c$$

where,  $c \geqslant 0$ 

(Here c is finite or can be zero)

So, if you prove above  $\lim$  is equal to 0 then you can say that f(n) = O(g(n)). But, if it's not equal to 0 and c > 0, then you can't say for sure that f(n) is not O(g(n))

#### **Theorem**

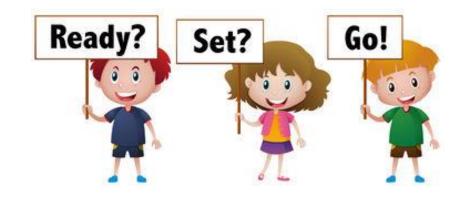
(l'Hôpital's Rule) Let f and g, if the limit between the quotient  $\frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$  exists, it is equal to the limit of the derivative of the denominator and the numerator.

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}$$

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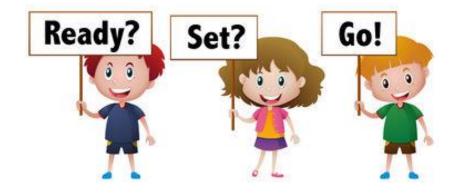


By l'Hopital's Rule,

$$\lim_{x o\infty}\;rac{\ln x}{\sqrt{x}}=\;\lim_{x o\infty}\;rac{rac{1}{x}}{rac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}\;=\;\lim_{x o\infty}\;rac{2\sqrt{x}}{x}=\;\lim_{x o\infty}\;rac{2}{\sqrt{x}}=0$$

#### Big O

 Can you think of one f and one g, such that f!=O(g) and g!=O(f)?



#### Why do we look at a new problem?

- Not everything in life is about sorting, is it?
- We will come back to sorting soon enough, don't worry ©

```
1 x 2 = 2

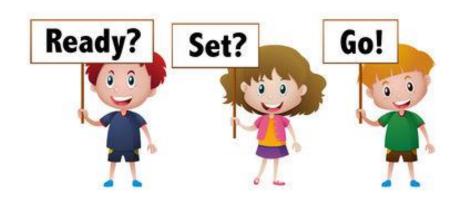
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#### Key remark for the next slides

- Addition of two numbers is much simpler than multiplication!
- We assume, addition is, essentially, for free

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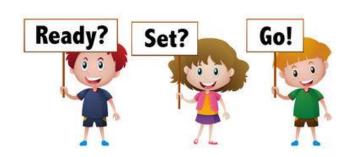
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Can we use divide and conquer to make it faster?

Let's break up a 4-digit integer:  $1357 = 13 \cdot 100 + 57$ 

$$1357 \times 2468$$
=  $(13 \cdot 100 + 57)(24 \cdot 100 + 68)$   
=  $(13 \times 24) \cdot 10000 + (13 \times 68 + 57 \times 24) \cdot 100 + (57 \times 68)$ 

## One 4-digit multiplication → Four 2-digit multiplications

Ist that good?



```
Let's break up an n-digit integer: j = a \cdot 10^{n/2} + b

j \times k

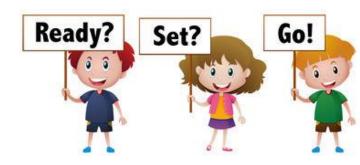
= (a \cdot 10^{n/2} + b)(c \cdot 10^{n/2} + d)

= (a \times c) \cdot 10^{n} + (a \times d + b \times c) \cdot 10^{n/2} + (b \times d)
```

One n-digit multiplication  $\rightarrow$  Four (n/2)-digit multiplications

```
algorithm naive_recursive_multiply(j, k):
   Rewrite j as a·10<sup>n/2</sup> + b
   Rewrite k as c·10<sup>n/2</sup> + d
   Recursively compute a·c, a·d, b·c, b·d
   Add them up (with shifts) to get j·k
```

#### **Runtime: ???**



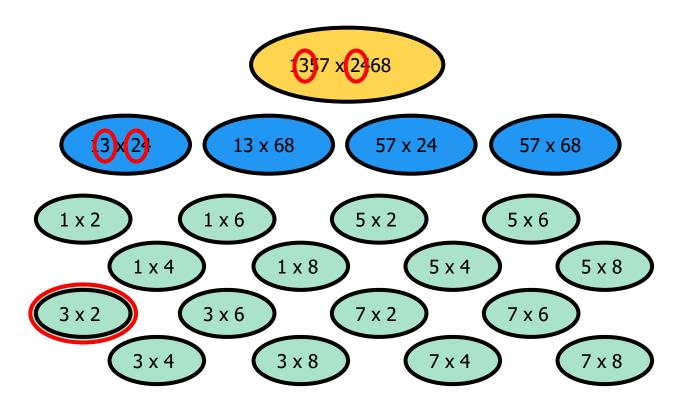
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#### **Analyzing Runtime**

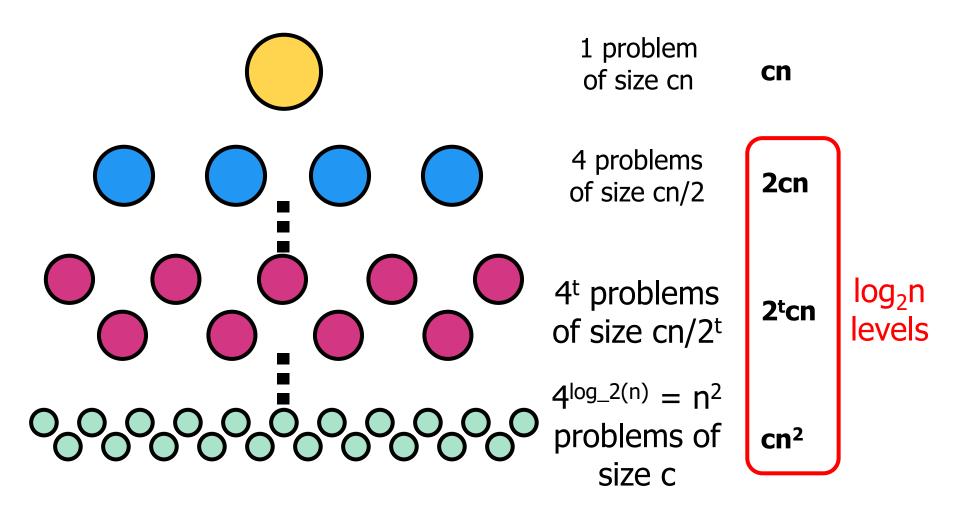
Hm. This is rather suspect ...



Every pair of digits still gets multiplied together separately! **Runtime:** O(n²)

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#### **Recursion Tree Method**



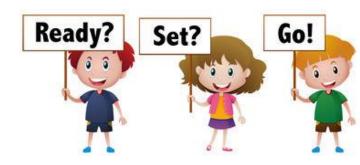
Runtime: O(n<sup>2</sup>)

For now, take my word that O(n²logn) isn't tight.

## **Analyzing Runtime**

So much work and still  $O(n^2)$ . This is sad  $\otimes$ 

How to do it better? Any idea?



#### **Karatsuba's Algorithm**

```
Let's break up an n-digit integer: j = a \cdot 10^{n/2} + b

j \times k

= (a \cdot 10^{n/2} + b)(c \cdot 10^{n/2} + d)
= (a \times c) \cdot 10^{n} + (a \times d) + (b \times c) \cdot 10^{n/2} + (b \times d)
We needed to spend 4 multiplications: one for each of 1, 2, 3, and 4.
```

Key insight: 2+3, 1, and 4 are part of the product (a+b)(c+d).

$$(a + b)(c + d) = (ad + bc) + (ac) + (bd)$$
  
 $(a + b)(c + d) - ac - bd = ad + bc$ 

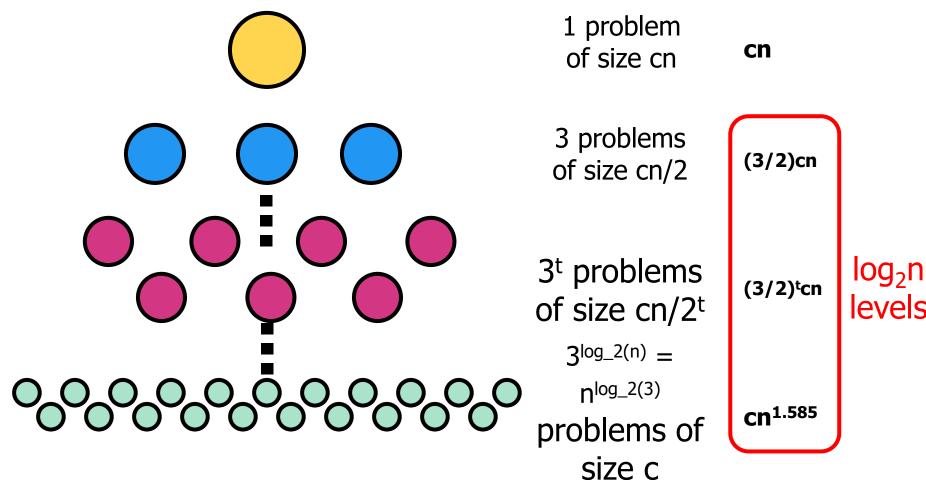
Now, we only need to spend 3 multiplications: one for each of 1 and 4, and a third one for (a+b)(c+d). From these products alone, we can infer 2+3.

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Runtime:  $O(n^{\log_2(3)}) = O(n^{1.585})$ 

#### **Recursion Tree Method**



**Runtime:** 0(n<sup>1.585</sup>)

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 $O(n^{1.585})$  runtime of Karatsuba's algorithm is an improvement over  $O(n^2)$  runtime of the grade-school algorithm.

A few others outperform Karatsuba's algorithm.

**Fun fact 1:** The word "algorithm" comes from Al-Khwarizmi, a Persian mathematician who wrote a book (~800 a.d.) about how to multiply Arabic numerals.

**Fun fact 2:** Karatsuba was a student of Andrej Kolmogorov (a quite famous mathematician). Karatsuba designed that algorithm as part of a student(!) seminar on difficult and unsolvable problems, held by Kolmogorov. After Karatsuba came up with the solution, Kolmogorov was so embarrassed that he cancelled the seminar and did not hold it again.

## **Solving Recurrences**

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We've seen the following three recursive algorithms.

naive\_recursive\_multiply

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=  $O(n^2)$ 

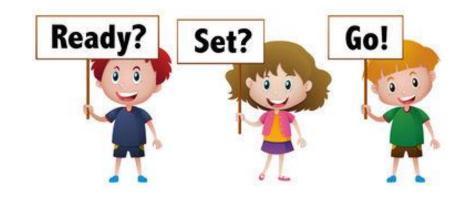
karatsuba\_multiply

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + O(n)$$
  
=  $O(n^{\log_2(3)}) = O(n^{1.585})$ 

mergesort

$$T(n) = 2T(n/2) + O(n)$$
$$= O(nlogn)$$

What is the pattern???



#### **Master Method**

Suppose 
$$T(n) = a \cdot T(n/b) + O(n^d)$$
.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^{d}logn) \text{ if } a = b^{d} \\ O(n^{d}) \text{ if } a < b^{d} \\ O(n^{log\_b(a)}) \text{ if } a > b^{d} \end{cases}$$

where

a is the number of subproblems,

b is the factor by which the input size shrinks, and

d parametrizes the runtime to create the subproblems and merge their solutions.

#### **Master Method**

$$\begin{cases} O(n^d log n) \text{ if } a = b^d \\ O(n^d) & \text{if } a < b^d \\ O(n^{log\_b(a)}) \text{ if } a > b^d \end{cases}$$

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$$a = 4$$
  
 $b = 2$   $a > b^d \rightarrow O(n^{log\_b(a)})$   
 $d = 1$  Wouldn't change  
if  $d = 0$   
 $a = 3$   
 $b = 2$   $a > b^d \rightarrow O(n^{log\_b(a)})$   
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 $b = 2$   $a = b^d \rightarrow O(n^{dlogn})$   
 $d = 1$ 

#### **Master Method**

One can prove the Master Method by writing out a generic proof using a recursion tree [You can try this off-class].

- Draw out the tree.
- Determine the work per level.
- Sum across all levels.

The three cases of the Master Method correspond to whether the recurrence is top heavy, balanced, or bottom heavy.

#### **Summary**

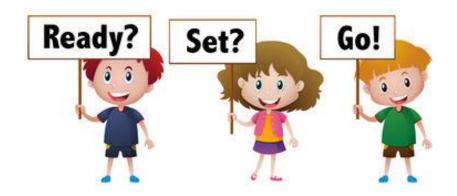
- In order to show the runtime complexity of a recursive method, you use:
  - Recursion tree method
  - Proof by induction
  - Master method

#### **Median and Selection**

A new problem ...

# **Motivating question 1**

 How many comparisons do we need to compute the smallest element in a list of elements L?

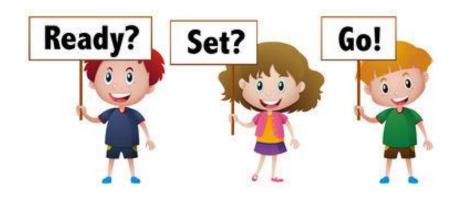


#### **Answer**

- Naïve: Sort L and return L[0]
  - Complexity: O(n\*logn)
- Faster:
  - Loop over all elements and find minimum
  - Complexity: O(n)

# **Motivating question 2**

 How many comparisons do we need to compute the second smallest element in a list of elements L?



#### **Answer**

- Naïve: Sort L and return L[1]
  - Complexity: O(nlogn)
- Faster:
  - Find smallest element first by comparing element neighbours in a tournament style and repeat process recursively for all winning elements
  - Find second smallest element by tournament among all losers, there are only log(n) candidates!
  - Complexity: O(n) ... in fact, at most n-1+log(n) comparisons are needed

Now, we will look at a generalization of the problem: Select-k

In the select\_k algorithm, we will attempt to return the kth smallest element of an unsorted list of values A.

```
select_k(A,0) \Rightarrow 3 \qquad select_k(A,0) \Rightarrow min(A)
select_k(A,4) \Rightarrow 14 \qquad select_k(A,[n/2]-1) \Rightarrow median(A)
select_k(A,9) \Rightarrow 52 \qquad select_k(A,n-1) \Rightarrow max(A)
```

#### **A Slower Select-k Algorithm**

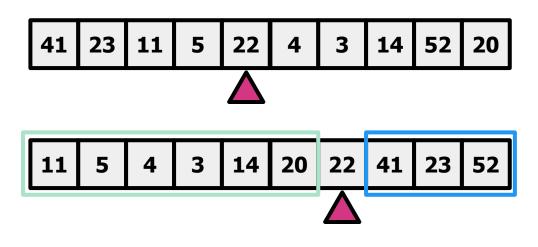
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algorithm naive_select_k(list A, k):
   A = mergesort(A)
   return A[k]
```

Runtime: O(nlogn)

#### A better Select-k Algorithm

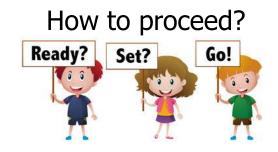
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Suppose we call  $select_k(A,3)$ .



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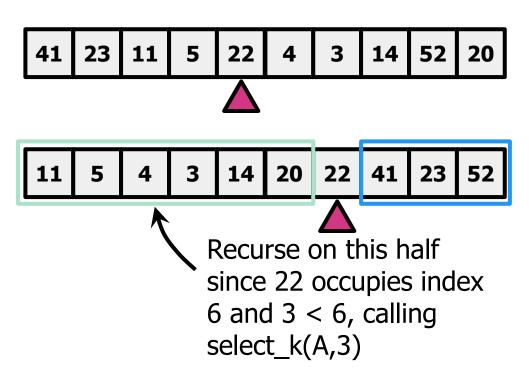
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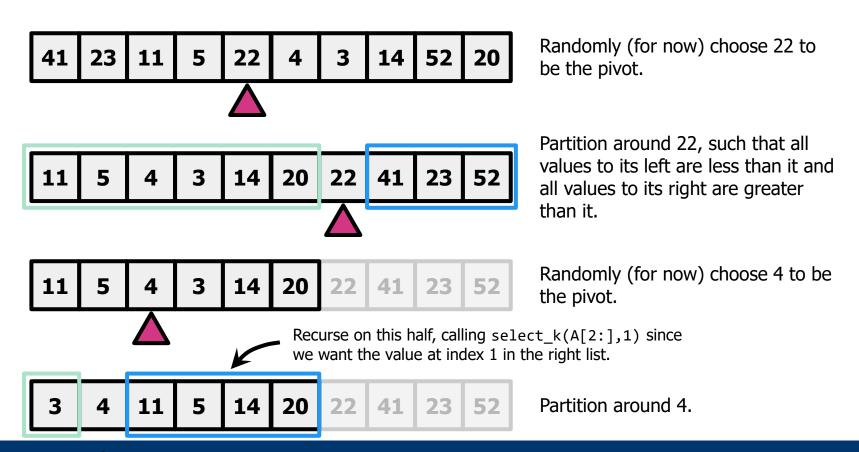


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#### **Partitioning**

```
algorithm partition(list A, p):
  L, R = []
  for i = 0 to length(A)-1:
    if i == p: continue
    else if A[i] <= A[p]:
      L.append(A[i])
    else if A[i] > A[p]:
      R.append(A[i])
  return L, A[p], R
```

Runtime: O(n)

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```
algorithm select k(list A, k):
  if length(A) == 1: return A[0]
  p = random choose pivot(A)
  L, A[p], R = partition(A, p)
  if length(L) == k:
    return A[p]
  else if length(L) > k:
    return select_k(L, k)
  else if length(L) < k:</pre>
    return select k(R, k-length(L)-1)
```

Runtime: O(n²)

We'll talk about why this is the case later.

#### Feedback from last year: Make sure you get this idea!

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algorithm select_k(list A, k):
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Runtime: O(n<sup>2</sup>)

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# Thank you very much!