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# 17 Algorithms Analysis (cont.2)

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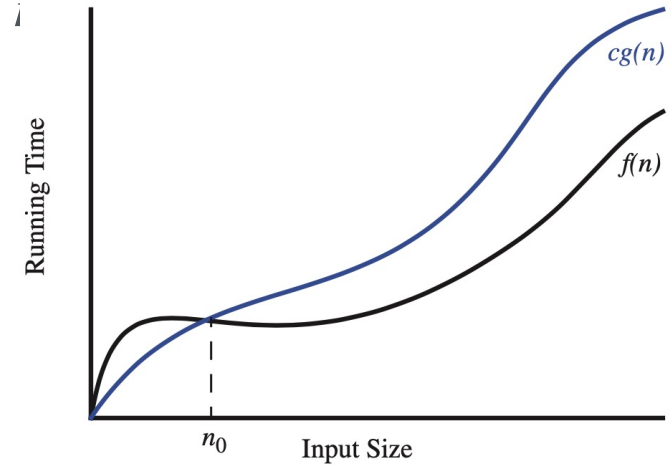
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# Administration

- My Office Hour:
  - Today at 15:00 in **ITB-159** in-person (or virtually using teams)
- Please **read the questions carefully** and watch the video if needed for the assignment 2

# Review

- Given functions  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$ , we say that  $f(n)$  is  $O(g(n))$  if there are positive constants  $c$  and  $n_0$  such that:  $f(n) \leq cg(n)$  for  $n \geq n_0$
- Example:  $2n + 10$  is  $O(n)$
- Example: ArrayMax:  $8n - 3$  is  $O(n)$
- Example:  $n^2$  is not  $O(n)$



- Known class of functions:

<i>constant</i>	<i>logarithm</i>	<i>linear</i>	<i>n-log-n</i>	<i>quadratic</i>	<i>cubic</i>	<i>exponential</i>
1	$\ll \log n$	$\ll n$	$\ll n \log n$	$\ll n^2$	$\ll n^3$	$\ll a^n$

- Desired complexities:
  - Linear or n-log-n for algorithms
    - sort, search
  - Constant or Logarithm operations for DS
    - add, remove, indexing

# Asymptotic Analysis of Algorithms

- Now we can write the following mathematically precise statement on the running time of algorithm `arrayMax` for **any** computer:
  - The Algorithm `arrayMax`, for computing the maximum element in an array of  $n$  integers, runs in  **$O(n)$**  time.
  - proof: The number of primitive operations executed by algorithm **`arrayMax`** in each iteration is a constant. Hence, since each primitive operation runs in constant time, we can say that the running time of algorithm **`arrayMax`** on an input of size  $n$  is **at most a constant times  $n$** , that is, we may conclude that the **running time of algorithm `arrayMax` is  $O(n)$** .
- The asymptotic analysis
  - identify the running time in Big-Oh notation
  - We find the worst-case number of primitive operations executed as a function of the input size
  - We express this function with Big-Oh notation

**Algorithm** `arrayMax`( $A, n$ ):

**Input:** An array  $A$  storing  $n \geq 1$  integers.

**Output:** The maximum element in  $A$ .

```
currMax  $\leftarrow A[0]$ 
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n - 1$  do
    if  $currMax < A[i]$  then
         $currMax \leftarrow A[i]$ 
return  $currMax$ 
```

# Big-Oh Notation Rules

- If  $f(n)$  is a polynomial of degree  $d$ , then  $f(n)$  is  $O(n^d)$ :
  - Drop lower-order terms
  - Drop constant factors
    - $3n^3 + 20n^2 + 5$  is  $O(n^3)$ 
      - need  $c > 0$  and  $n_0 \geq 1$  such that  $3n^3 + 20n^2 + 5 \leq c \cdot n^3$  for  $n \geq n_0$   
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    sequence of statements  
}
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        sequence of statements  
    }  
}
```

- The outer loop is  $O(n)$
- The statements in the inner loop are executed  $i+1$  times: i.e.:  $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n$  times which is  $n(n+1)/2$  which is  $O(n^2)$   
So, this is  $O(n^2)$

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for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
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        sequence of statements  
    }  
}  
for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {  
    sequence of statements  
}
```

is  $O(n^2+n)$  which is  $O(n^2)$   
we select the main component that affects the growth



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for ( $j = 0$ ;  $j < n$ ;  $j++$ )  
   $f(j)$ ;

is  $O(n)$

- function ***f*** takes a constant time

for ( $j = 0$ ;  $j < n$ ;  $j++$ )  
   $g(j)$ ;

is  $O(n^2)$

- function ***g*** takes a linear time proportional to its parameter

for ( $j = 0$ ;  $j < n$ ;  $j++$ )  
   $g(k)$ ;

is  $O(k \cdot n)$

or  $O(n)$ , if ***k*** is not very large or has a relative size to ***n***

# Big-Oh Notation Rules

- Use the **smallest possible class** of functions
  - Say “ $2n$  is  $O(n)$ ” instead of “ $2n$  is  $O(n^2)$ ”
- Use the **simplest expression of the class**
  - Say “ $3n + 5$  is  $O(n)$ ” instead of “ $3n + 5$  is  $O(3n)$ ”
- Think about hidden constant factors!

The big-Oh notation gives an upper bound  
on the growth rate of a function

# Complex Examples on Growth Rates

- You need some math to reason about some functions
- math you need to review
  - properties of logarithms:
    - $\log_b(x y) = \log_b x + \log_b y$
    - $\log_b (x / y) = \log_b x - \log_b y$
    - $\log_b x^a = a \log_b x$
    - $\log_b a = \log_x a / \log_x b$
  - properties of exponentials:
    - $a^{(b+c)} = a^b a^c$
    - $a^{bc} = (a^b)^c$
    - $a^b / a^c = a^{(b-c)}$
    - $b = a^{\log_a b}$
    - $b^c = a^{c \log_a b}$

for example:

$$(\sqrt{2})^{\log n} = (2^{0.5})^{\log n} = (2^{\log n})^{0.5} = \sqrt{n}$$

$$2^{100 \log n} = 2^{\log n^{100}} = n^{100}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log(n!) &= \log(n(n-1)(n-2)\dots) = \\ &= \log(n) + \log(n-1) + \dots = \\ &\text{is } O(\log(n)) \end{aligned}$$

# Asymptotic Analysis - Example

- Prefix Averages
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Input Array X:

0	1	2	3	4
2	8	5	13	7

Prefix Average Array A:

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$A[i] \leftarrow a / (i + 1)$

**return** array  $A$

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$A$	2				

$i = 0$

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after inner for loop ( $i + 1$  times)

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$A[0] = 2 / 1 = 2$

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$a = 15$

$A[2] = 15 / 3 = 5$

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$a \leftarrow 0$  <-----  $O(n)$  operations

**for**  $j \leftarrow 0$  **to**  $i$  **do** <--  $O(n^2)$  operations

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so prefixAverages1 is  $O(n^2)$

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**Algorithm** prefixAverages2( $X$ ):

**Input:** An  $n$ -element array  $X$  of numbers.

**Output:** An  $n$ -element array  $A$  of numbers such that  $A[i]$  is the average of elements  $X[0], \dots, X[i]$ .

Let  $A$  be an array of  $n$  numbers. <-----  $O(n)$

$s \leftarrow 0$  <-----  $O(1)$  operations

**for**  $i \leftarrow 0$  **to**  $n - 1$  **do** <---  $O(n)$  operations

$s \leftarrow s + X[i]$  <-----  $O(n)$  operations

$A[i] \leftarrow s / (i + 1)$  <-----  $O(n)$  operations

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so prefixAverages2 is  $O(n)$

# Using Sorting as a Problem-Solving Tool

- Sometimes we can use sorting as a tool to ease our problem-solving and even make the algorithm faster
- Element uniqueness problem:
  - Given an array, identify if all elements are unique (there are no duplicates)
    - Naïve algorithm:
      - compare each pair of elements in the array
        - $O(n^2)$
    - Better algorithm
      - sort the array first, then traverse the array once, look for duplicates among consecutive elements.
        - Best sorting algorithm runs in  $O(n \log n)$
        - The algorithm will be  $O(n \log n + n)$  which is  $(n \log n)$

# Final Remarks

- Given an algorithm
  - What is the order of this algorithm? (runtime complexity)
- Try to reduce the running time as much as possible
  - Sometimes based on some observations that we already had we can easily reduce the complexity (like previous slide)
- This analysis technique is not the whole story!
  - There are situations where a worst-case  $O(n^2)$  is faster than  $O(n \log n)$
  - If you want, you can study more.
- There are some problems for which there is **NO** polynomial-time algorithm found (up until now)
  - We say that they “NP-hard” or “NP-complete”
  - If someone can find a polynomial-time solution one of them, that solution may work for many others as well.

# Questions?