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For Python

<https://pypod.github.io/>

Number of operation or instruction when program runs

Count the number of operation or instruction executed when program runs.

```
1 def total(a,b):  
2     s = a + b  
3     return s
```

```
1 n = int(input())  
2 s = 0  
3 for i in range(n):  
4     s = s + i  
5 print(s)
```

```

1 def total(n):
2     s = 0
3     for i in range(n):
4         for j in range(n):
5             s = s + 1
6     return s

```

Identify the relationship between number of instructions and input size.

Our Goal - Want to reduce these numbers of instructions when program runs

Computing gcd

- `gcd(m, n)` — greatest common divisor
 - Largest k that divides both m and n
 - `gcd(8, 12) = 4`
 - `gcd(18, 25) = 1`
- Also `hcf` — highest common factor
 - `gcd(m, n)` always exists
 - 1 divides both m and n
- Computing `gcd(m, n)`
 - `gcd(m, n) ≤ min(m, n)`
 - Compute list of common factors from 1 to `min(m, n)`
 - Return the last such common factor

```

1 def gcd(m,n):
2     cf = [] # List of common factors
3     for i in range(1,min(m,n)+1):
4         if (m%i) == 0 and (n%i) == 0:
5             cf.append(i)
6     return(cf[-1])

```

Computing gcd - Eliminate the list

```

1 def gcd(m,n):
2     for i in range(1,min(m,n)+1):
3         if (m%i) == 0 and (n%i) == 0:
4             mrcf = i
5     return(mrcf)

```

Efficiency :- Both versions of `gcd` take time proportional to `min(m, n)`

Computing gcd - Better Way

- Suppose d divides m and n
- $m = ad, n = bd$
- $m - n = (a - b)d$
- d also divides $m - n$

```

1 def gcd(m,n):
2     (a,b) = (max(m,n), min(m,n))
3     if a%b == 0:
4         return(b)
5     else
6         return(gcd(b,a-b))

```

Still not efficient, for example `gcd(1,1000)` takes 1000 steps.

Computing gcd - Euclid's algorithm

- If n divides m , $\text{gcd}(m, n) = n$
- Otherwise, compute $\text{gcd}(n, m \bmod n)$

```

1 def gcd(m,n):
2     (a,b) = (max(m,n), min(m,n))
3     if a%b == 0:
4         return(b)
5     else
6         return(gcd(b,a%b))

```

Can show that this takes time proportional to number of digits in `max(m, n)`

Computing Prime

- A prime number n has exactly two factors, 1 and n
- Note that 1 is not a prime
- Compute the list of factors of n
- n is a prime if the list of factors is precisely `[1,n]`

```

1 def factors(n):
2     fl = [] # factor list
3     for i in range(1,n+1):
4         if (n%i) == 0:
5             fl.append(i)
6     return(fl)
7 def prime(n):
8     return(factors(n) == [1,n])

```

Counting primes

```

1 def primesupto(m):
2     pl = [] # prime list
3     for i in range(1,m+1):
4         if prime(i):
5             pl.append(i)
6     return(pl)

```

Computing Primes- Other approach

- Directly check if n has a factor between 2 and $n - 1$

```

1 def prime(n):
2     result = True
3     for i in range(2,n):
4         if (n%i) == 0:
5             result = False
6     return(result)

```

- Directly check if n has a factor between 2 and $n//2$

```

1 def prime(n):
2     result = True
3     for i in range(2,n//2):
4         if (n%i) == 0:
5             result = False
6     return(result)

```

- Terminate after we find first factor

```

1 def prime(n):
2     result = True
3     for i in range(2,n):
4         if (n%i) == 0:
5             result = False
6             break # Abort loop
7     return(result)

```

Computing Primes- Sufficient to check factors up to \sqrt{n}

```

1 import math
2 def prime(n):
3     (result,i) = (True,2)
4     while (result and (i <= math.sqrt(n))):
5         if (n%i) == 0:
6             result = False
7         i = i+1
8     return(result)

```

Exception handling

Our code could generate many types of errors

- $y = x/z$, but z has value 0
- $y = \text{int}(s)$, but string s does not represent a valid integer
- $y = 5*x$, but x does not have a value
- $y = l[i]$, but i is not a valid index for list l
- Try to read from a file, but the file does not exist
- Try to write to a file, but the disk is full

Types of some common errors

- `SyntaxError: invalid syntax`
- Name used before value is defined - `NameError: name 'x' is not defined`
- Division by zero in arithmetic expression - `ZeroDivisionError: division by zero`
- Invalid list index `IndexError: list assignment index out of range`

Handling exceptions

```
1 try:
2     #... ← Code where error may occur
3 except (IndexError):
4     #... ← Handle IndexError
5 except (NameError,KeyError):
6     #... ← Handle multiple exception types
7 except:
8     #... ← Handle all other exceptions
9 else:
10    #... ← Execute if try runs without errors
```

Classes and objects

Abstract datatype

- Stores some information
- Designated functions to manipulate the information
- For instance, stack: last-in, first-out, push(), pop()
- Separate the (private) implementation from the (public) specification

Class

- Template for a data type
- How data is stored
- How public functions manipulate data

Object

- Concrete instance of template

Example

```
1 class Point:
2     def __init__(self,a=0,b=0):
3         self.x = a
4         self.y = b
5
6     def translate(self,deltax,deltay):
7         self.x += deltax
8         self.y += deltay
9
10    def odistance(self):
11        import math
12        d = math.sqrt(self.x*self.x +
13                      self.y*self.y)
14        return(d)
15
```

```

16     def __str__(self):
17         return('(' + str(self.x) + ', '
18             + str(self.y) + ')')
19
20     def __add__(self, p):
21         return(Point(self.x + p.x,
22             self.y + p.y))
23
24 p = Point(3,4)
25 q = Point(5,8)
26 print(p)
27 print(p+q)

```

Output

```

1 (3,4)
2 (8,12)

```

Timer

```

1 import time
2
3 class TimerError(Exception):
4     """A custom exception used to report errors in use of Timer class"""
5
6 class Timer:
7     def __init__(self):
8         self._start_time = None
9         self._elapsed_time = None
10
11     def start(self):
12         """Start a new timer"""
13         if self._start_time is not None:
14             raise TimerError("Timer is running. Use .stop()")
15         self._start_time = time.perf_counter()
16
17     def stop(self):
18         """Save the elapsed time and re-initialize timer"""
19         if self._start_time is None:
20             raise TimerError("Timer is not running. Use .start()")
21         self._elapsed_time = time.perf_counter() - self._start_time
22         self._start_time = None
23
24     def elapsed(self):
25         """Report elapsed time"""
26         if self._elapsed_time is None:
27             raise TimerError("Timer has not been run yet. Use .start()")
28         return(self._elapsed_time)
29
30     def __str__(self):
31         """print() prints elapsed time"""
32         return(str(self._elapsed_time))

```

Set recursion limit

```
1 import sys
2 sys.setrecursionlimit(100000)
3 gcd(2,99999)
```

Calculate time for large value

```
1 # 10^16
2 t.start()
3 print(678912345678912345,987654321987654321,gcd(678912345678912345,9876543219
  87654321))
4 t.stop()
5 print(t)
```

Why Efficiency?

Example-

- Sort all Aadhaar number
- Search data from big database
- Real time Gaming Problem