

Lecture-2 Time-Complexity

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Complexity :- Complexity of an algorithm M is the function $f(n)$ which gives the running time and/or storage space requirement of the algorithm in term of the size n of the input data.

\Rightarrow the storage space required by an algorithm is simply a multiple of the data size n .

\therefore the term "Complexity" shall refer to the running time of the algorithm.

① Consider the following logic for calculating sum of natural no.'s.

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for( i = 0 ; i <= n ; i++)
{
    sum = sum + i ;
}
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Observations are :-

		How many times the control goes.	Assuming time taken per unit.	time taken by each instruction.
• Assignment	$i = 1$	1	1 unit	$1 \times 1 = 1$
• Comparison	$i \leq n$	$n + 1$	2 unit	$(n + 1) \times 2 \Rightarrow 2n + 2$
• increment	$i++$	n	2 unit	$n \times 2 \Rightarrow 2n$
• Addition	$sum + i$	n	1 unit	$n \times 1 \Rightarrow n$
• Assignment	$sum = sum + i$	n	1 unit	$n \times 1 = n$
Total time				$1 + 2n + 2 + 2n + n + n \Rightarrow 6n + 3$

$$f(n) = 6n + 3$$

According to Big-O Notation
We have to ignore the implementation dependent factors
& eliminate the constant factors.

$$f(n) = 6n + 3 \approx \cancel{6}n \approx \underline{\underline{O(n)}}$$

The cases which ~~are~~ one usually investigates in
complexity theory are:-

- Worst Case \Rightarrow the maximum value of $f(n)$ for any possible input
- Average Case \Rightarrow the expected value of $f(n)$
- Best case \Rightarrow the minimum value of $f(n)$

\Rightarrow the complexity of an algorithm shall mean the function which gives the running time of the worst case in terms of the input size.

We use Big-O Notation, to compare the function $f(n)$ with the standard function

Big-O \Rightarrow means in the order of \neq

ie $O(n) \Rightarrow$ means in the order of n

Expressing time complexity by $f(n)$

$f(n)$	$O(g(n))$
20 unit	$O(1)$
$\frac{1}{2}n^2 + 3$	$O(n^2)$
$500n^2 - 25$	$O(n^2)$
$n^3 + n^2 - 1$	$O(n^3)$
$5n^3 + 3n + 6$	$O(n^3)$

Problems on Complexity :-

① $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{init} \leftarrow C = a; \\ \text{init} \leftarrow a = b; \\ \text{init} \quad b = c; \end{array} \right\}$ Assignment statement
so they will take same
constant time to execute.

total time \Rightarrow 3 unit \Rightarrow Constant value. In Big-O
Constant term is denoted by $O(1)$.

② $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{if } (a > b) \\ \quad \text{printf}("a \text{ is larger}"); \\ \text{else} \\ \quad \text{printf}("b \text{ is larger}"); \end{array} \right\}$ we are checking this
instruction only once

\Rightarrow These are I/O instructions
so we don't consider the
time taken by them.

as if(a > b) \Rightarrow control only goes once there
so it will take some constant
unit of time.
say it is 2 unit

$$\approx 2 \approx \underline{\underline{O(1)}}$$

③ . Logic of Linear Search

for (i=0; i < n; i++)

{

if (a[i] == ele)

{

printf("element found");
break;

}

}
Observations

• Assignment	i=0
• Comparison	i < n
• increment	i++
• if (condition)	
• Body of if.	

How many
time the
control goes.

1 (once)

n times

n times

n times

once when
element found.
(1)

Assuming the
time taken per
unit

1 unit

2 unit

2 unit

1 unit

1 unit

time taken
by each
instruction

$$1 \times 1 = 1$$

$$n \times 2 = 2n$$

$$n \times 2 = 2n$$

$$n \times 1 = n$$

$$1 \times 1 = 1$$

Total time $\approx 1 + 2n + 2n + n + 1$

$$\approx 5n + 2$$

so $f(n) = 5n + 2$

According to Big-O Notation

$$f(n) = 5n + 2 \approx 5n \approx \underline{\underline{O(n)}}$$

Q4 for ($i=1$; $i \leq n$; $i=i*2$)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n$$

Assuming $n=1024$

so for which value of i we will go inside the loop

$i=1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512,$

ie we will have 10 iterations.

$$2^{10} = 1024$$

$$\log_2 1024 = 10$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \log_a n &= m \\ \underline{\underline{\text{then}}} \quad a^m &= n \end{aligned}$$

taking 1024 as n ie $\log_2 n = 10$

$$\approx \underline{\underline{O(\log_2 n)}}$$

Q5 $\text{for}(i = n ; i \geq 1 ; i = i/2)$ Pg-6

{
=
}

Assuming $n = 1024$

\therefore for which values of i , we go inside the loop
 $i = 1024, 512, 256, 128, 64, 32, 16, 8, 4, 2, 1$

ie total 11 iterations

$$\therefore \log_2 1024 = 10$$

~~\log_2~~ $\log_2 n \Rightarrow 10$ (11 iterations or 9 iterations will not make any drastic change while computing the time complexity)

$$\approx \underline{\underline{O(\log_2 n)}}$$

Q6

Independent loops

for ($i = 1 ; i \leq n ; i++$)

{
=
}

this will execute $\approx n$ times.

for ($j = 1 ; j < n ; j = j * 2$)

{
=
}

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this will execute $\approx \log_2 n$ times.

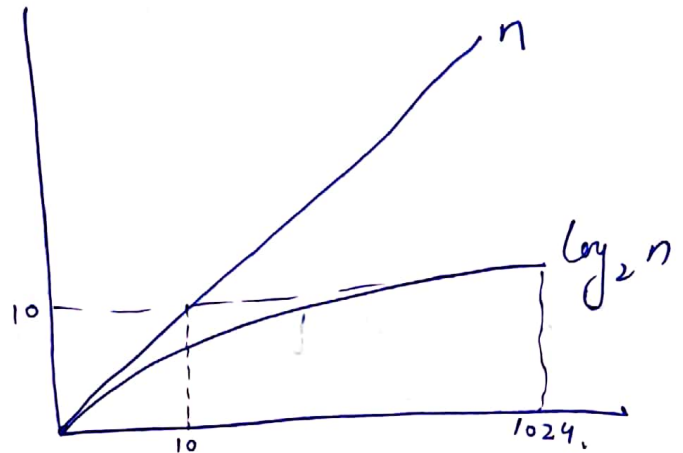
for the whole function, we have to add these

$$\Rightarrow n + \log_2 n.$$

Acc. to Big-O, small values will be neglected)

$$\Rightarrow n + \cancel{\log_2 n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{O(n)}}$$



As you can observe through graph that n is larger than $\log_2 n$ \therefore in case

of $\log_2 n$ we will get 10 when it will reach 1024.
But in case of $O(n)$ we get 10 on 10.

Dependent loop

Q7 for ($i=1$; $i \leq n$; $i++$)

\equiv
for ($j=1$; $j \leq n$; $j++$)

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Observation.

$i=1$	then	$j=1, 2, \dots$	n times
$i=2$	then	$j=1, 2, \dots$	n times
\vdots			
$i=n$	then	$j=1$ to \dots	n times

so j loop will execute $n \times n \Rightarrow n^2$ times.

& i loop will execute n times.

\therefore total time taken is

$$n + n^2$$

Acc. to Big-O smaller values are neglected.

$$\therefore n + n^2 \approx \underline{\underline{O(n^2)}}$$

Q8 for ($i=1; i \leq n; i++$)

Body of inner loop \rightarrow $\{$ for ($j=1; j \leq n; j=j \times 2$)
 $\{$
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$i=1, j=1, 2, 4, \dots$ i.e. $\log_2 n$.

$i=2, j=1, \dots$ i.e. $\log_2 n$.

therefore

$i=n; \text{ then } j=1, \dots, \log_2 n$

so j loop will execute $n \times \log_2 n$ times

i loop will execute n times

$$\frac{\text{total time taken}}{n + n \log_2 n} \approx \underline{\underline{O(n \log_2 n)}}$$

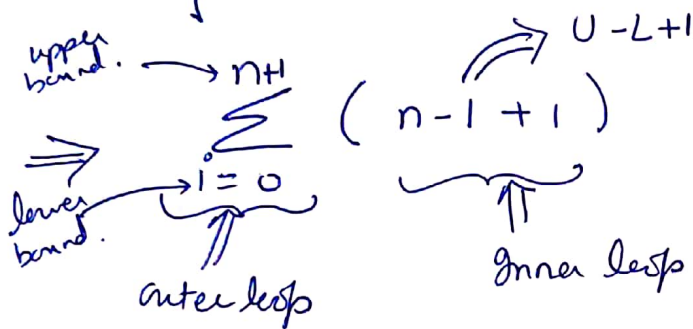
For Dependent loops

Q1 for (i=0; i<=n; i++)

for (j=1; j<=n; j++) // for the inner most loop we can use

{
=
}

U - L + 1
↑ ↑
upper bound lower bound.



$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n (n - i + 1) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n n$$

After opening the \sum $\Rightarrow n + n + n + \dots$ $n+1$ times.
 \Rightarrow for $i=0$ $i=1$ $i=2$ $i=n$.

$$\Rightarrow n(n+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + n$$

$$\approx \underline{\underline{O(n^2)}}$$

According to Big-O, neglect the smaller one.

Q2

for (i=1; i<=n; i++)

{
for (j=1; j<=i; j++)

{
}
}

I am taking here n not n+1 as +1 or -1 will not affect the overall complexity.

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

outer loop

inner loop.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i \Rightarrow 1+2+3+\dots+n \text{ times.}$$

natural no. of sum.

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \approx \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\approx \frac{n^2}{2} \approx \underline{\underline{O(n^2)}}$$

Q3

for (i=1; i<=n; i++)

{
for (j=1; j<=n; j++)

{
for (k=1; k<=n; k++)

{
}
}
}

always apply U-L+1 for the inner most

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (n-1+1)$$

outermost

middle one

innermost

Q-11

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n (n) \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (n + n + \dots + n \text{ times})$$

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

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + n^2 + n^2 + \dots + n^2 \text{ times}$$

for $i=1$ $i=2$ $i=3$ \dots

$$\Rightarrow n^2 \times n \Rightarrow n^3 \approx \underline{O(n^3)}$$

Q4

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (n-1)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n n - \sum_{j=1}^n 1 \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (n + n + \dots + n \text{ times} - 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \text{ times})$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (n \times n - 1 \times n)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (n^2 - n) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n n^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n n$$

$$\Rightarrow (n^2 + n^2 + \dots + n^2 \text{ times}) - (n + n + \dots + n \text{ times})$$

$$\Rightarrow (n^2 \times n) - (n \times n)$$

$$\Rightarrow n^3 - n^2 \approx \underline{O(n^3)} \quad (\because \text{smaller will be neglected})$$

Q5

Pg-12

for (i=0; i<=n; i++)
for (j=0; j<=i; j++)
for (k=0; k<=j; k++)

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^{i^2} (j-0+1)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^{i^2} (j+1)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (0+1+2 \dots i^2 \text{ times}) + \sum_{i=0}^n (1+1+ \dots i^2 \text{ times})$$

↑
natural no. sum
in form of i^2

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{i^2(i^2+1)}{2} \right) + \sum_{i=0}^n i^2 \times 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{i^4}{2} + \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{i^2}{2} + \sum_{i=0}^n i^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [0^4 + 1^4 + \dots n^4] + \frac{1}{2} [0^2 + 1^2 + \dots n^2] + [0^2 + 1^2 + \dots n^2]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)(3n^2+3n-1)}{30} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right] + \left[\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right]$$

↑
They will be smaller so
we eliminated. mem.

Pg-13

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(n^2+n)(2n+1)(3n^2+3n-1)}{30}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2n^3+n^2+2n^2+n)(3n^2+3n-1)}{30}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6n^5 + 6n^4 - 2n^3 + 9n^4 + 9n^3 - 3n^2 + 3n^3 + 3n^2 - n$$

$$\Rightarrow 6n^5 + 15n^4 + 10n^3 - n \quad [\text{smaller will be neglected}]$$

$$\Rightarrow 6n^5 \quad [\text{constant will be ignored}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{O(n^5)}$$

Q6 for($i=1$; $i \leq n$; $i++$)
 for($j=1$; $j \leq i$; $j++$)
 for($k=1$; $k \leq j$; $k++$)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i (j-1+1) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i (j)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n (1+2+3+\dots+i \text{ times})$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i(i+1)}{2} \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{i^2}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i^2}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i}{2} \quad \text{smaller so neglected.}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots \text{ n times.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \approx n^3 + n^2 + n \approx \underline{O(n^3)}$$

Q7 for (i=0; i<n; i++)
 {
 for (j=n-1; j>=i; j--)

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\underbrace{n-1}_{\text{upper}} - \underbrace{i}_{\text{lower}} + 1) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} n - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i$$

$\Rightarrow n + n + \dots + n-1 \text{ times} - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i$
~~natural no. sum in form of (n-1) time.~~
~~smaller is neglected.~~

$\Rightarrow (n \times n-1) - (0+1+2+\dots+n-1 \text{ time})$

$\Rightarrow (n^2 - n) - \left(\frac{(n-1)(n-1+1)}{2} \right)$

$\Rightarrow n^2 - \frac{n}{2} - \frac{n^2}{2} + \frac{n}{2} \quad \left[\text{smaller will be neglected} \right]$

$\Rightarrow \frac{n^2 - \frac{n^2}{2}}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{O(n^2)}}$

Q8 for (i=0; i<n; i++)
 {
 for (j=0; j<=i; j++)

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (i^2 - 0 + 1) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (i^2) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i^2 = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 1$$

$$(0^2 + 1^2 + \dots + (n-1)^2) = (1 + 1 + \dots + (n-1) \text{ times})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)(n-1+1)(2n-2+1)}{6} + 1(n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \approx \underline{\underline{O(n^3)}}$$

Q9 for ($i=1$; $i < n$; $i++$)

 for ($j=i$; $j >= 0$; $j = j/2$)

 { }

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \log_2 i$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 1 + \log_2 2 + \dots + \log_2 (n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log (1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots (n-1))$$

$$\Rightarrow \log (n-1 !)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log ((n-1)(n-2)(n-3) \dots 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 n^n \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{n \log_2 n}}$$

Rate of Growth of standard functions

n	$\log n$	n	$n \log n$	n^2	n^3	2^n
5	3	5	15	25	125	32
10	4	10	40	100	10^3	10^3
100	7	100	700	10^4	10^6	10^{30}
1000	10	10^3	10^4	10^6	10^9	10^{300}

