Cross-Review Summary

1. Overview of Algorithms

• Kadane's Algorithm (Almat's implementation):

- o Purpose: Finds the maximum subarray sum in a sequence of integers.
- o Approach: Uses dynamic programming, maintaining the maximum subarray ending at each index.
- Applications: Stock market analysis, signal processing, and optimization problems.

• Boyer-Moore Majority Vote Algorithm (Partner's implementation):

- Purpose: Identifies the majority element in an array (appearing more than [n/2] times).
- o Approach: Two-phase process: (1) candidate selection via voting, (2) verification by counting occurrences.
- o Applications: Data stream analysis, voting systems, distributed consensus.

2. Design and Implementation Comparison

• Modularity:

- Kadane's code was structured with clear handling of edge cases (empty and single-element arrays).
- o Boyer–Moore was separated into candidate selection and verification, with metrics collection for benchmarking.

Metrics and Benchmarking:

- o Kadane's implementation focused on correctness with JUnit tests.
- o Boyer-Moore integrated a PerformanceTracker to measure comparisons, array accesses, memory usage, and execution time.

• Edge Cases:

- o Kadane: Explicitly handled arrays of size 0 and 1.
- o Boyer–Moore: Covered empty arrays, all-equal arrays, and no-majority cases.

3. Theoretical Complexity

• Kadane's Algorithm:

- o Time Complexity: O(n) (single pass).
- o Space Complexity: O(1).

• Boyer–Moore Majority Vote:

- o Time Complexity: O(n) (two passes).
- o Space Complexity: O(1).

Both algorithms are optimal in linear time and constant space, though applied to different problem domains.

4. Empirical Results

• Kadane's Algorithm:

- o Scales linearly with input size, confirming theoretical O(n).
- o Extremely fast in practice since it involves simple additions and comparisons.

• Boyer–Moore Algorithm:

- o Benchmarks confirmed linear time across different input distributions.
- Constant factors (comparisons, array accesses) vary depending on distribution (e.g., all-equal vs. random).
- o Verification adds extra passes but does not impact asymptotic performance.

5. Strengths and Weaknesses

• Kadane's Algorithm:

- Efficient, simple, and widely applicable.
- X Limited to maximum subarray sum; not useful for majority element detection.

• Boyer-Moore Majority Vote:

- Very memory-efficient; scales to very large arrays.
- Only works for majority element; must verify candidate in a second pass.

6. Conclusion

Both algorithms are efficient O(n) solutions with constant space, but optimized for different problem types. Kadane's focuses on **optimization of numeric sums**, while Boyer–Moore targets **frequency detection**. Together, they highlight how linear-time algorithms can solve distinct computational challenges effectively.