

# Assignment 1: Algorithmic Coding

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What is the time and space complexity of the following functions?

```
1 import numpy as np
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3
4 def func1(n, m):
5     a = 0
6     b = 0
7     for i in range(n):
8         a += np.random.randn()
9     for i in range(m):
10        b += np.random.randn()
11    return a + b
```

**Time complexity:** In this algorithm, we are performing two separated loops: one of length  $n$  and the other one of length  $m$ . In each iteration of the two loops, we are generating a random number between  $(0, 1)$  and sum it to the variables  $a, b$ . The generation of each of these random numbers and summing it to  $a$  and  $b$  has time complexity  $O(1)$ . So, finally, time complexity of the entire algorithm is the sum of the time complexity of both loops:  $O(n + m)$ .

**Space complexity:** The auxiliary space complexity is used by storing the variables  $a$  and  $b$ . The algorithm does not creates any data structure that grows with the input size, so the auxiliary space complexity is  $O(1)$ .

```
2 def func2(n):
3     a = 0
4     for i in range(n):
5         for j in range(n, i, -1):
6             a = a + i + j
7     return a
```

**Time complexity:** Each iteration of the outer loop make  $(n + 1) - i$  different  $O(1)$  operations following the inner loop. It means that the total number of operations are

$$\sum_{i=1}^n [(n + 1) - i] = \frac{1}{2}n(n + 1)$$

It means that the algorithm has  $O(n^2)$  time complexity.

**Space complexity:** The algorithm only creates the variable  $a$  which is a number and does not grows with the input  $n$ , so the auxiliary space complexity is  $O(1)$ .

```

3 def func3(n):
4     a = 0
5     i = n
6     while i > 0:
7         a += i
8         i //= 2
9         print(i)
10    return a

```

**Time complexity:** Let  $k$  be the number of iterations the program makes. Notice that the program stops for the first  $k$  when  $\frac{n}{2^{k-1}} < 1$ , and it means  $k > \log_2(n) + 1$ . So, the number of iterations the program makes is at least  $\log_2(n) + 1$ , so the time complexity is  $O(\log(n))$ .

**Space complexity:** We are only storing two variables:  $a$  and  $i$ . It means the auxiliary space complexity is  $O(1)$ .

```

4 def func4(n):
5     a = 0
6     j = 2
7     for i in range(n // 2, n, 1):
8         while j <= n:
9             a = a + n // 2
10            j *= 2
11    return a

```

**Time complexity:** The outer loop makes  $\frac{n}{2}$  iterations. Let's analyze the while statement: if  $k$  is the number of iterations that the while loop performs, then we can write  $j$  as  $j = 2^k$ . It means that the program stops with the least  $k$  such that  $2^k > n$ , therefore the number of iterations of the program is at least  $\log_2(n)$ . Since this number of iterations is carry out for every iteration in the outer loop, the total operations is roughly

$$\frac{n}{2} \log_2(n).$$

Since the others operation are  $O(1)$ , the time complexity is  $O(n \log(n))$ .

**Space complexity:** As before, the algorithm does not creates objects whose length depend of the input, so the auxiliary space complexity is  $O(1)$ .

```

5 from typing import List
6
7 Vector = List[int]
8 def func5(arr: Vector):
9     for i in range(1, len(arr)):
10        key = arr[i]
11        j = i-1
12        while j >=0 and key < arr[j] :
13            arr[j+1] = arr[j]
14            j -= 1
15        arr[j+1] = key
16    return arr

```

**Time complexity:** The outer loop iterates over the array from the second element to the last element. Then, it creates a key with the current element of the iteration and performs a comparison. If the key is less than the previous element of the array, they are interchanged. This process continues until

the array is completely sorted in ascending order. The worst-case scenario occurs when the array is initially sorted in descending order, requiring the while loop to iterate over the entire array. In the worst-case scenario, the function performs  $(n - 1) \times n$  operations, resulting in a time complexity of  $O(n^2)$ .

**Space complexity:** Since we are not creating a new array or another kind of structure with different space complexity, the final auxiliary space complexity of this algorithm is  $O(1)$ .