

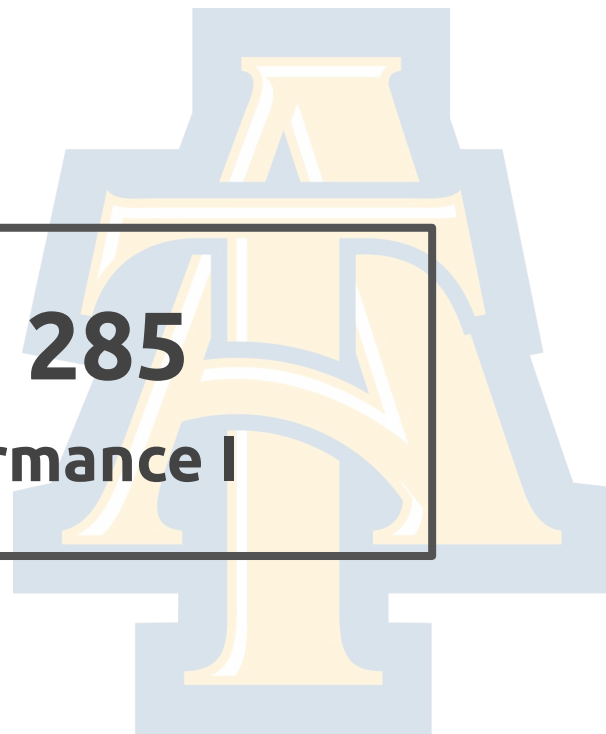
COMP - 285

Advanced Analysis of Algorithms

Welcome to COMP 285

Lecture 2: Measuring Performance I

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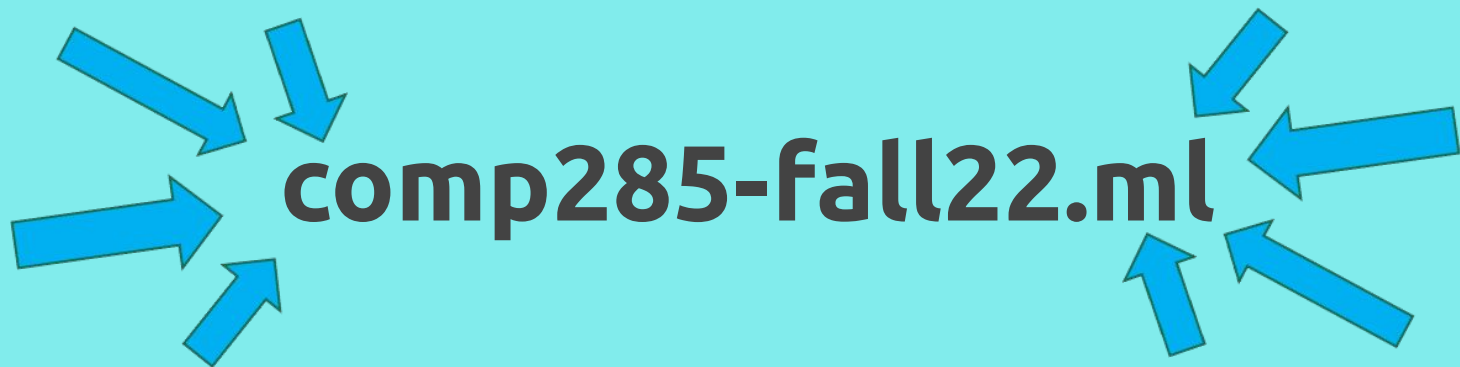


HW0 is Due!
@11:59PM

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this class, so hopefully
everyone completes it.**

Worth ~4% of your final grade.

**HW1 Released by
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Analysis of Algorithms

North Carolina A&T State University, Fall 2022

Week 1 Announcement

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HW0 DUE THURSDAY 08/25 @ 11:59 PM

- This is (most likely) the simplest homework of the semester; it's worth ~4% of your final grade!

HW1 TO BE RELEASED BY EOD THURSDAY 08/25, DUE 09/06 @ 1:59 PM

- It will become available in the homework section of the course website!
- It will contain both written and coding portions.

Piazza!

(search then post)

[link](#)

Thank you Tolani!

Before that!

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Recall What We Accomplished!

- Course Philosophy
 - Algorithms are fun!
 - Does it work?
 - How fast?
 - Can I do better?
- Technical Stuff
 - Karatsuba for integer multiplication
 - Divide & Conquer
 - Hand-wavy “runs in big-Oh” sort of stuff

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Today

- We're getting more formal...
 - Does it work?
 - How fast?
- How?
 - Introducing examples
 - Building upon to get to full-fledged algorithm(s)



Big Questions!

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**Recall where we
ended last lecture...**

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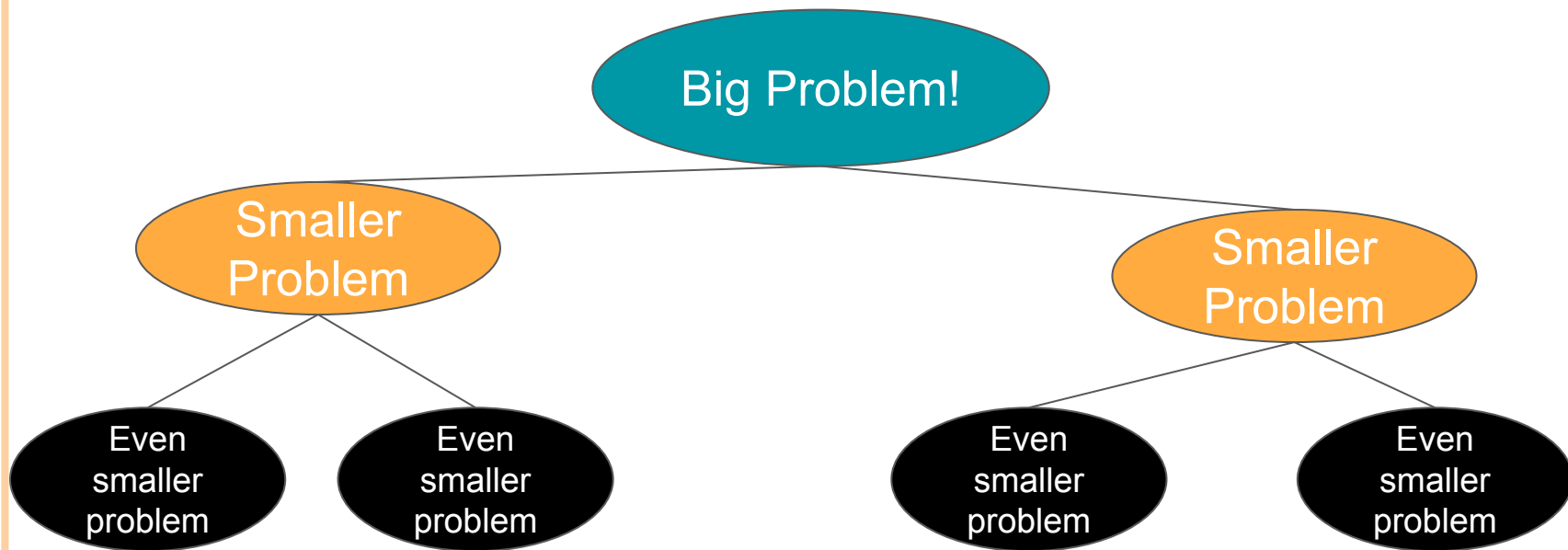
About n^2 one-digit operations

*Multiply each one of the n -digits in the first number with each one of the n -digits in the second number ($n * n$)*

(How many one-digit operations?)

A technique to know! - Divide & Conquer

Break problem up into smaller (easier) sub-problems



And in general!

Break up an n-digit integer x:

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And in general!

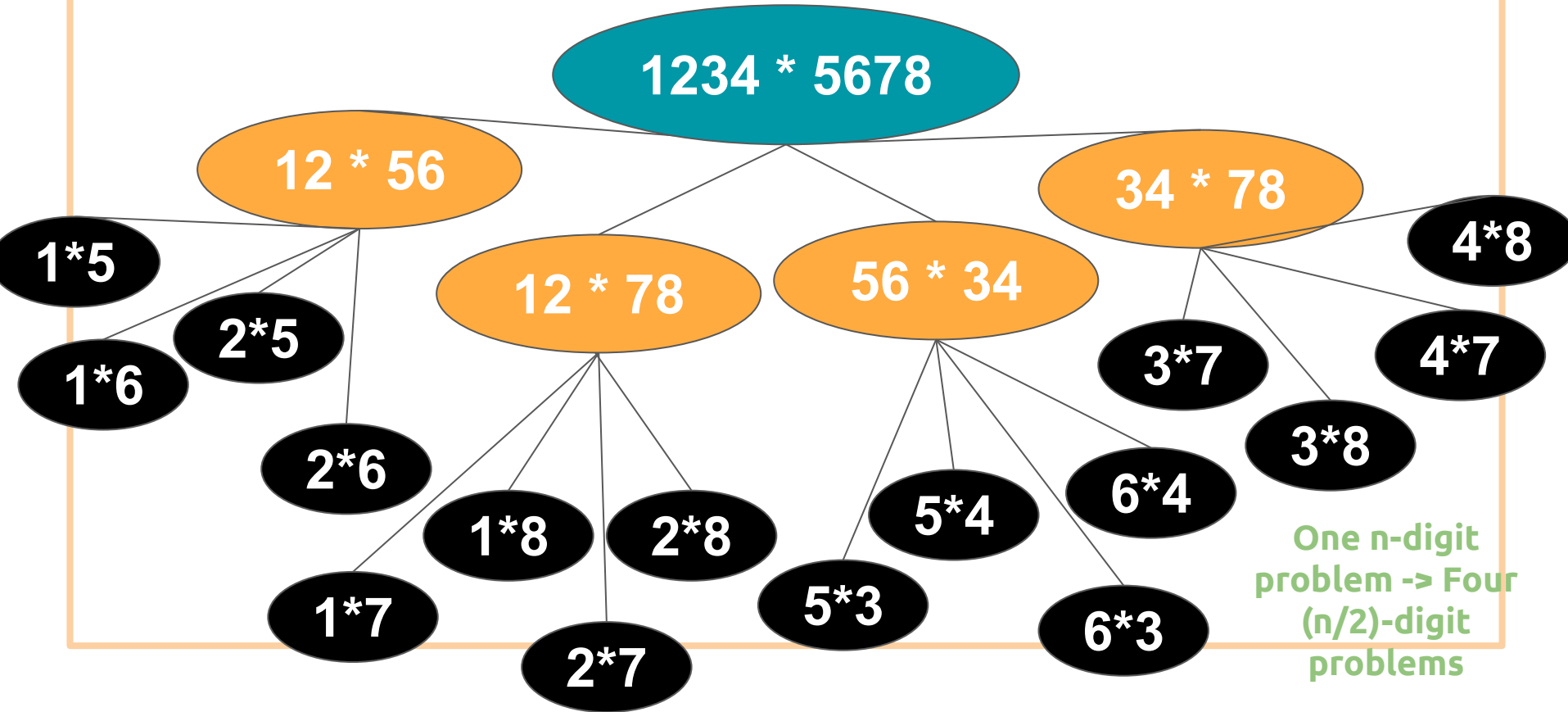
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One n-digit problem -> Four (n/2)-digit problems

Can we do this for multiplication of integers? (pt. 2)



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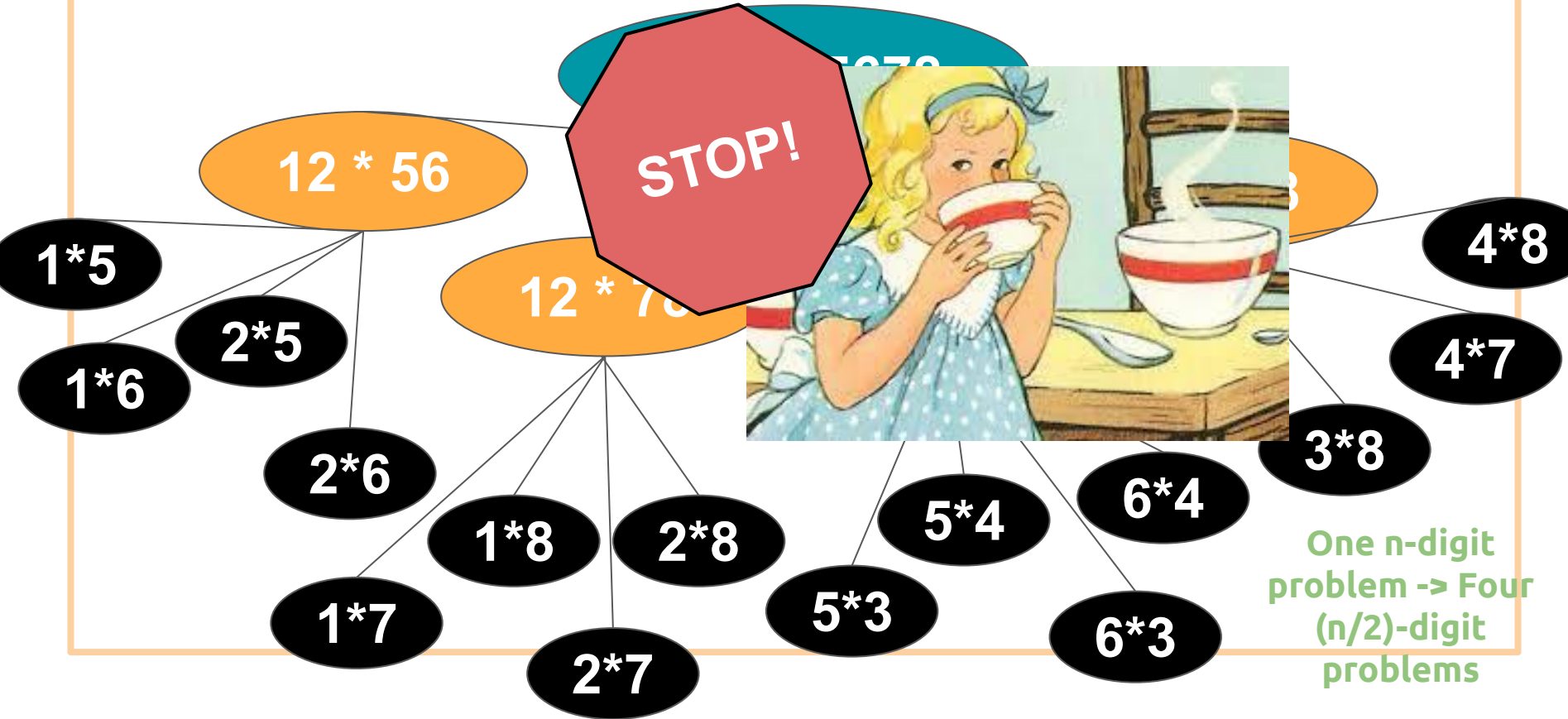
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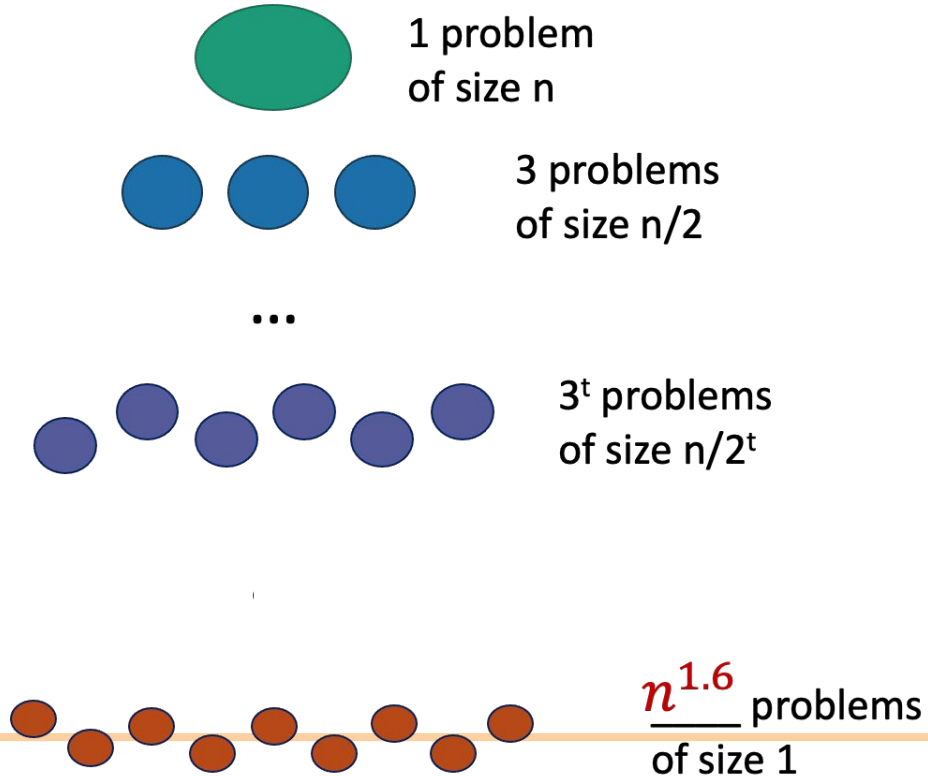
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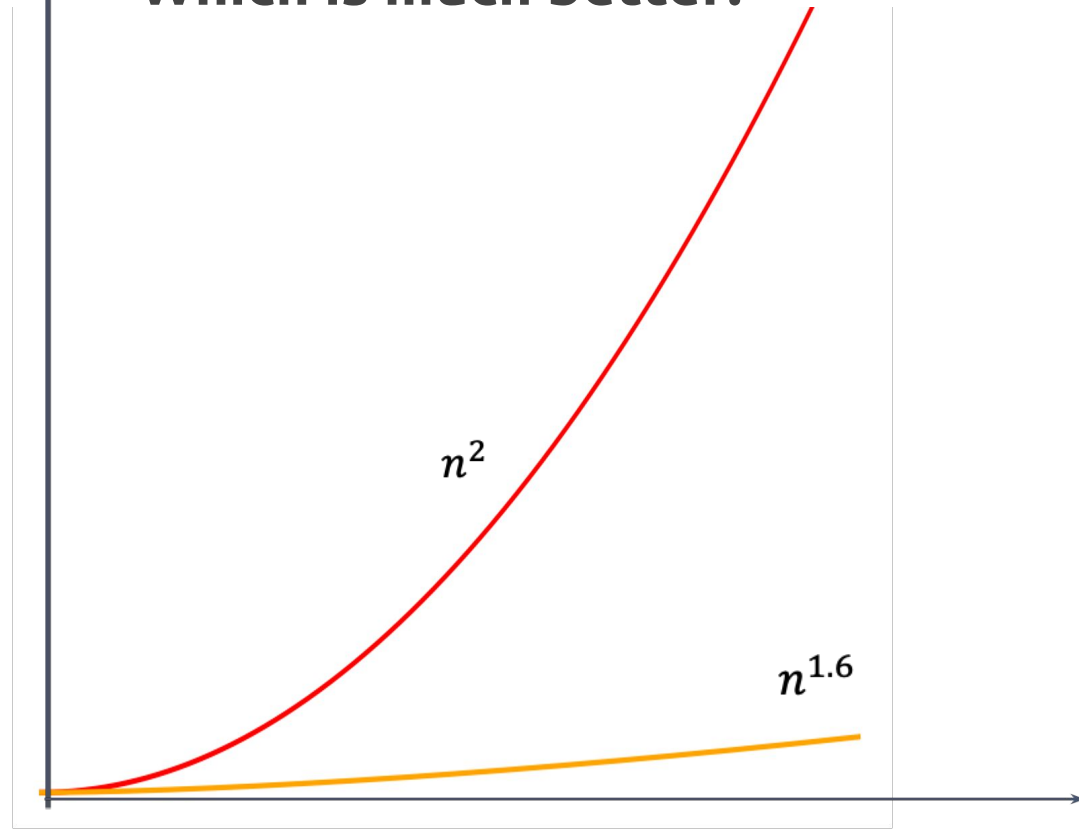
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What's the running time?



Which is much better!



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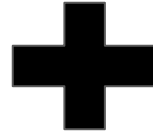


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**Increase input size ->
increase # operations ?**

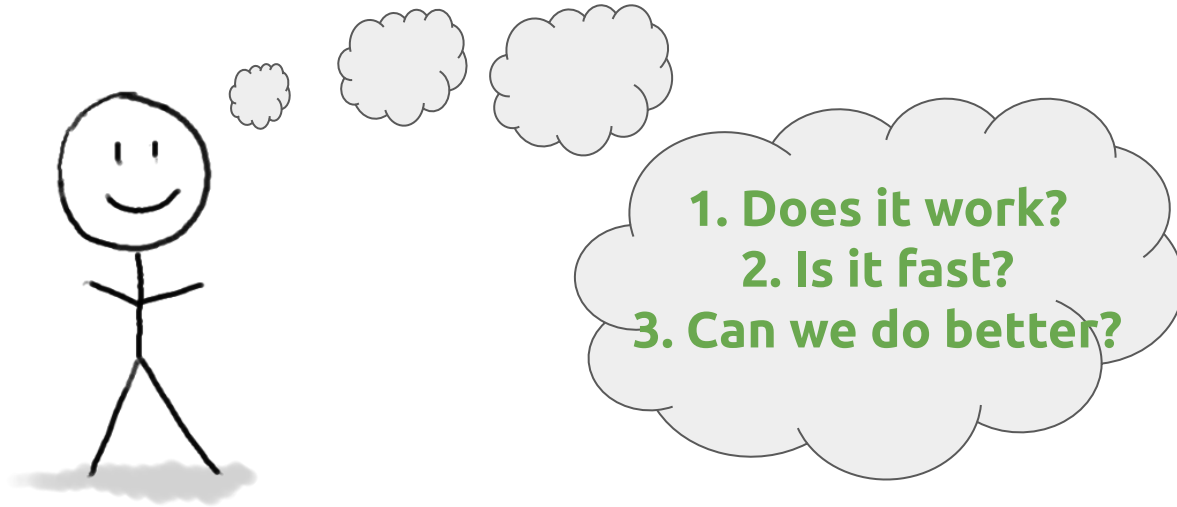
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(This is also something asked in every whiteboard coding interview!)

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- Big-O communicates an upper-bound on how many "operations" an algorithm will take.

KaratsubaMultiply

What is an “operation”?

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- Examples of a single operation (or “step”) of a program:
 - `x + y`
 - `a == b`
 - `int x = 4`
 - `std::cout << 4`
 - `vec.size()`

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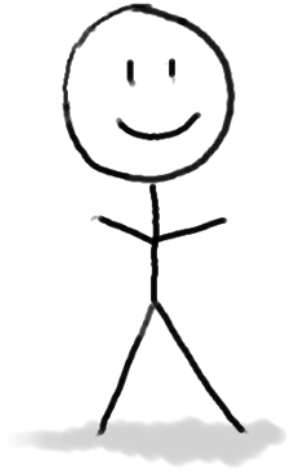
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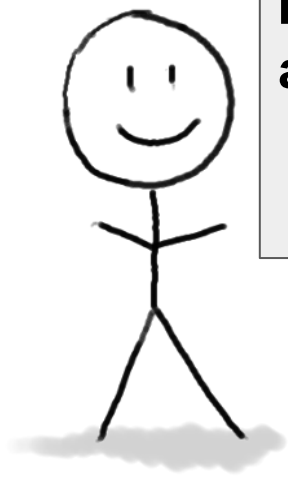
- Time is precious
 - so much of why computers are useful is because **they compute quickly**
- Resources are limited
 - deployed software is often running at a massive scale where efficiencies there can have huge implications cost- and environment-wise (e.g. energy/electricity usage).

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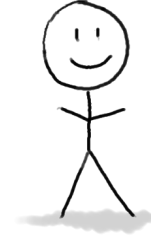
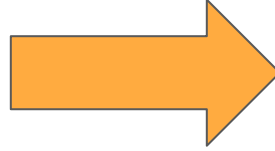


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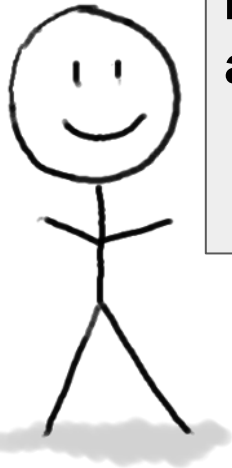


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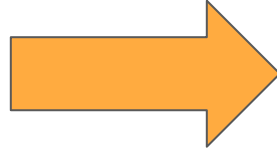


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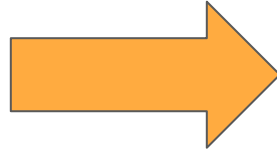
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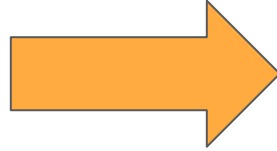


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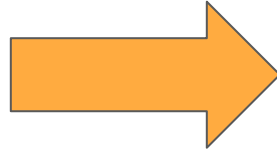
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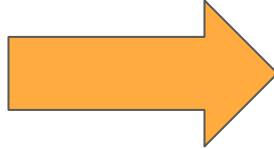
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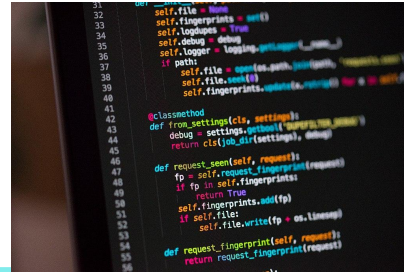
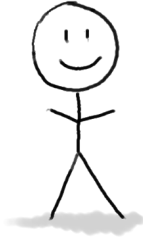
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Algorithm!



Pros and Cons of Doing This

Pros

- Abstracts away from hardware- and language-specific issues.
- Makes algorithm analysis much more tractable.
- Allows us to meaningfully compare how algorithms will perform on large inputs.

Cons

- Only makes sense if n is large (compared to the constant factors).
- Initially less intuitive? Weird notation? (It gets easier!)

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3. Simplify
 - Some simplification rules we’ll get into. ($n \rightarrow \text{inf!}$)

Concrete Examples



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$O(1)$, constant time

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$O(N)$, linear time

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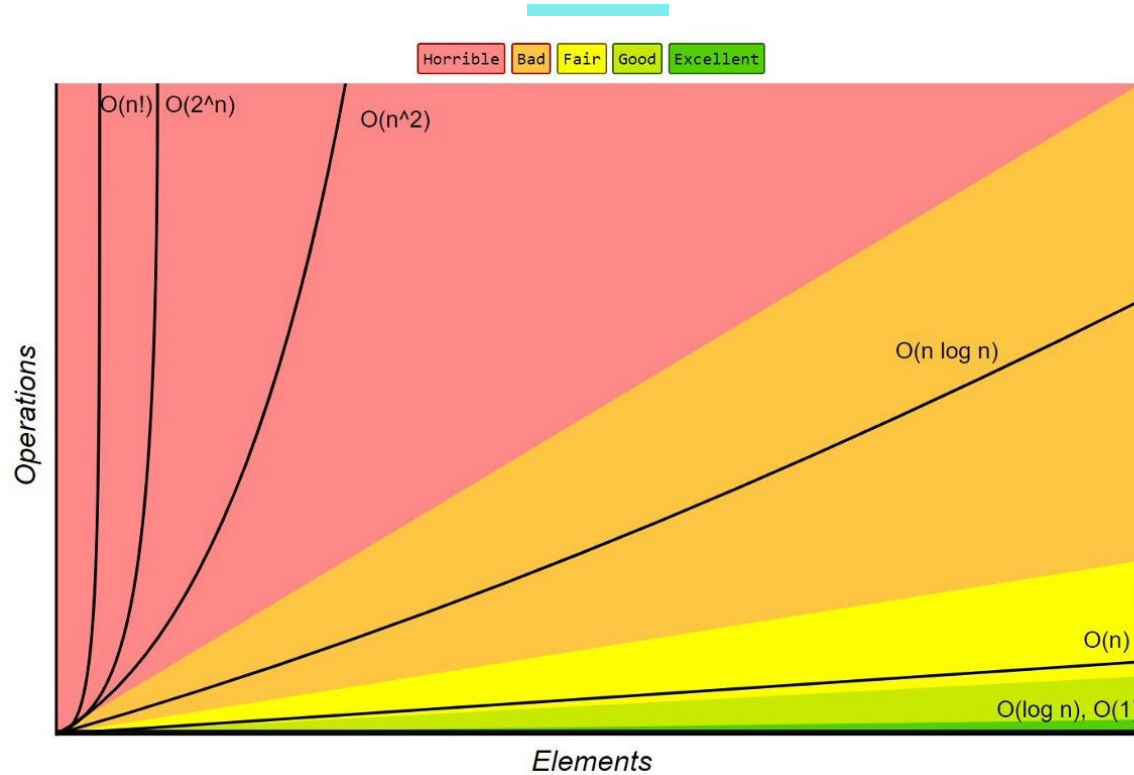
Fast



Slow

Class	How we say it	N = 1,000,000
$O(1)$	“constant time”	1
$O(\log N)$	“logarithmic time”	6
$O(N)$	“linear time”	1,000,000
$O(N * \log N)$	“N log N time”, but technically “quasilinear”	6,000,000
$O(N^2)$	“quadratic time”	1,000,000,000,000
$O(2^N)$	“exponential time”	99006562292958982506979236163019032507336242 4178756733286... (301,030 digits, will not fit here)
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What's the runtime?

```
void printElements(const std::vector<int>& vec) {  
    std::cout << "Printing..." << std::endl;  
    for(int i = 0; i < vec.size(); i++) {  
        for(int j = 0; j < 10; j++) {  
            std::cout << vec[i] << " " << vec[j] << " ";  
        }  
    }  
    std::cout << std::endl;  
}
```

HW1 RELEASED BY EOD!

**First coding homework with coding!
Start early so can debug issues!**



Can you?

- **Describe**

- the value of algorithmic analysis
- the common complexity classes and their relative sizes

- **Practice**

- determining the time complexities of algorithms using Big-O notation
- determining the space complexity of algorithms using Big-O notation

How was the pace today?

Wrap-Up

- Big-O gives us a way to **evaluate algorithms** through their **time** and **space complexity**
- **Common complexity classes**
 - $O(1) < O(N) < O(N \log N) < O(N^2) < O(2^N) < O(N!)$
- **Big-O process:**
 - (1) Define the input size, (2) count the operations, (3) simplify terms

Announcements

- **HW 0 is due!**
 - Due tonight 08/25 @ 11:59PM
- **HW 1 will be out!**
 - By EoD!
 - Due 09/06 @ 1:59PM
- **First quiz on Tuesday!**

Next time!

- Formal big-O introduction!
- Introduction to other asymptotic analyses besides Big-O!
- More time/space complexity practice with and without recursion

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