

Module 1 Review

Algorithm Analysis

Algorithm Analysis Approach 1 (Simulation: Timing)

```
auto t1 = clock::now();
for(int i = 0; i < 1000; i++);
auto t2 = clock::now();
Print t2 - t1;
```

Pros:

Easy to measure and interpret.

Cons:

- * Results vary across machines.
- * Compiler dependent
- * Results vary across implementations.
- * Not predictable for small inputs.
- * No clear relationship b/w input & time

output = 2910 nanoseconds

* output when $(i < 1,000,000)$
= 2761565

Approach 2 (Modeling: Counting)

```
int sum = 0;
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    sum += i;
Print sum;
```

Symbolic Count
 $T(n) = 3n + 4$

Pros: independent of computer

Input dependence is captured in model

Cons: No definition of which operation to count

- Tedious to compute
- Results vary across implementations.
- Doesn't tell actual time.

Approach 3 (Asymptotic Behavior: Order of Growth) **THE IMPORTANT ONE.**

• Order of Growth:

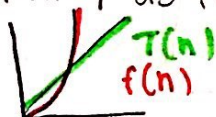
$$1 < \log(n) < n < n \log(n) < n^2 < n^3 < 2^n < n!$$

Notations for Algorithm complexity **if you read nothing else, read this...**

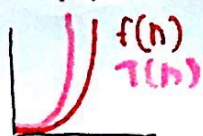
□ If something is $T(n) \in O(f(n))$ it means that $f(n)$ is an UPPER BOUND on the function $T(n)$. * In other words, $T(n)$ grows SLOWER THAN $f(n)$

or equally as fast as $f(n)$

Ex] n is $O(n^2)$ b/c n grows slower than n^2
 $T(n) \leq f(n)$



□ If something is $T(n) \in \Omega(f(n))$ it means that $f(n)$ is a LOWER BOUND on the function $T(n)$. * In other words $T(n)$ grows FASTER THAN $f(n)$ or equally as fast as $f(n)$



Ex] Which of these functions is $\Omega(n^5 \log_2(n))$

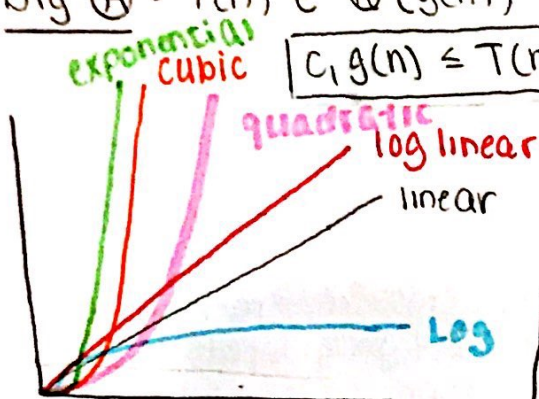
(a) $2n^6$ (b) n^5 (c) $n^5 \log_4(n)$

Answer: (a) and (c) [$2n^6$ grows faster & (c) grows equally as fast.]

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Big Θ : $T(n) \in \Theta(g(n)) \iff T(n) = O(g(n))$ and $T(n) = \Omega(g(n))$

$$c_1 g(n) \leq T(n) \leq c_2 g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0$$



Okay Lets learn some Rules:

#1 Addition (Independence)

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    Not Nested ;
for (int j = 0; j < m; j++)
```

$T(n) = O(n + m)$
(pretty str8 forward)

#2 Drop constant Multipliers

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    Not Nested ;
for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
```

$T(n) = O(n + n)$
 $= O(2n)$
 $\sim O(n)$

#3 Different Input Variables
function (int n , int l) {

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    Not Nested ;
for (int j = 0; j < l; j++)
```

$T(n) = O(n + l)$
 $\times n$ and l
are different
variables!

#4 Drop Lower Order Terms w/ similar Growth rates

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    Not Nested ;
for (int j = 1; j <= m; j *= 2)
```

$T(n) = O(n + \log_2 m)$
 $\sim O(n)$

* you can ONLY DO THIS when you can assume n and m grow at same rate *

Best / Avg / worst Case:

- time complexities
estimate execution time of algorithm as input $\rightarrow \infty$
* independent of input size *

- measure actual costs @ specific input instance.

Note to self: Learn more about best & worst case

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EXAMPLES

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- ① True/false: LogLinear functions grow faster than quadratic functions for large inputs.

Solution: false: $n \log n < n^2$ [loglinear grows slower than quadratic functions]

- ② What is time complexity in terms of Big-O for the following

```
for(int i = 1; i < n; i++)  
    for(int j = n; j > 0; j = j/2)  
        print "COP3530";
```

Solution:

Work from innermost loop \rightarrow outward.

$O(n \log(n))$

Notice 1st: The "step" operation in innermost loop ($j = j/2$) is what gives the innermost loop a $O(\log_2 n)$ time complexity.

2nd: The outer for loop will run n times (notice the step operation is simply $i++$) so the outer loop is $O(n)$

Finally: The loops are nested so we multiply... $n * \log(n)$

- ③ Algorithms total run-time is given by $T(n) = 10n + p$. What is representation of programs execution time in Big-O?

Solution:

$O(n + p)$

* There is NO relationship given between n & p .
[like it doesn't say " p & n grow at approximately same rate" or " p grows slower than n "]

\rightarrow so don't go assuming

For Ex] we cannot simplify to $O(n)$ b/c it does not tell us that $p \ll n$.

spark Notes: Don't be assuming. Look at exactly what information is given to you.


Algorithm Analysis

Lots of words,
but if you
don't get it,
read it!

④ What is time complexity of this code segment?

```
for (int i = 100; i > -1; i--)  
    for (int j = i; j > 1; j /= 2)  
        print "Hi"
```

Solution $O(1)$. So you might be thinking: ????. But here's what's going on. Start by examining innermost loop. Notice the step operation is $j /= 2$. This indicates we are dealing with logs. But log of what exactly? Note that the start operation in the inner loop is $j = i$. Not $j = 1$. And what is i ? Well look at the outer loop. $i = 100$, so the inner loop (initially) will have time complexity = $O(\log_2 100)$ which is a CONSTANT! What about when i decrements to 99? Well then $j = 99$ (initially) so $O(\log_2 99) \rightarrow$ ALSO a constant. The way I look at it, the complexity of the inner loop is $O(1)$. The complexity of the outer loop is also $O(1)$ because it will run 100 times. So over all (since the loops are nested, multiply 1×1 and get 1. $O(1)$.

Spark Notes: Read it 

⑤ What is time complexity?

```
for (int i = n; i > 0; i /= 2)  
    for (int j = 1; j < i; j++)  
        sum += 1;
```

Solution $O(n)$ start with inner loop. The inner loop will run n times b/c the "finish" operation is $j < i$ (so it will run while j is less than i) and i at first is = to n ($i = n$).

Okay but what about when in the outer loop, n decrements to $\frac{n}{2}$. Then the inner loop will run $\frac{n}{2}$ times. Next iteration of outer loop? n decrements to $\frac{n}{4}$. Inner loop runs $\frac{n}{4}$ times. Starting to see a pattern? Eventually what we will have is this.

$$n + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{8} \dots \rightarrow n \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots \right] \sim O(n).$$

Module 1 Problems:

Algorithm Analysis.

- ⑥ True/false: The best case time complexity for bubble sort is $O(1)$ if the input array only has ONE element.

Solution false: the best / avg / worst case are independent from input size!

- ⑦ What is computational complexity?

```
// c is positive integer constant
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i += c) {
    print "Hello"
}
for (int i = n; i > 0; i -= c) {
    print "World"
}
```

Solution $O(n)$ So I could be wrong

about this (there's no exact solution posted)

But here's what I think.

The first loop is $O(n)$ because i is just incrementing by a constant # until it reaches unknown variable n .

The 2nd loop is also $O(n)$ b/c it is simply decrementing by constant # starting at unknown var n , and finishing at $i > 0$. So the whole algorithm is $O(n+n) = O(2n) = O(n)$.

- ⑧ What is computational complexity?

```
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i *= c) {
    print "kill"
}
for (int i = n; i > 0; i /= c) {
    print "me!!"
}
// c is constant again.
```

Solution $O(\log(n))$

No solution posted.

Again correct me if I'm wrong.

But here we go. Top Loop =

The top loop is $O(\log_c n)$

because of the step operation $i *= c$.

The bottom loop is also $(\log_c n)$ because of step: $i /= c$. Only difference between the loops is that one is going up to n and one is decrementing down from n . So the whole algo is $O(\log_c n) + \log_c n = O(2 \log_c n) = O(\log_c n)$

All I got 4 ya folks! Good Luck

& hmu if you have questions OR corrections.