

# CSCI 104

## Runtime Complexity

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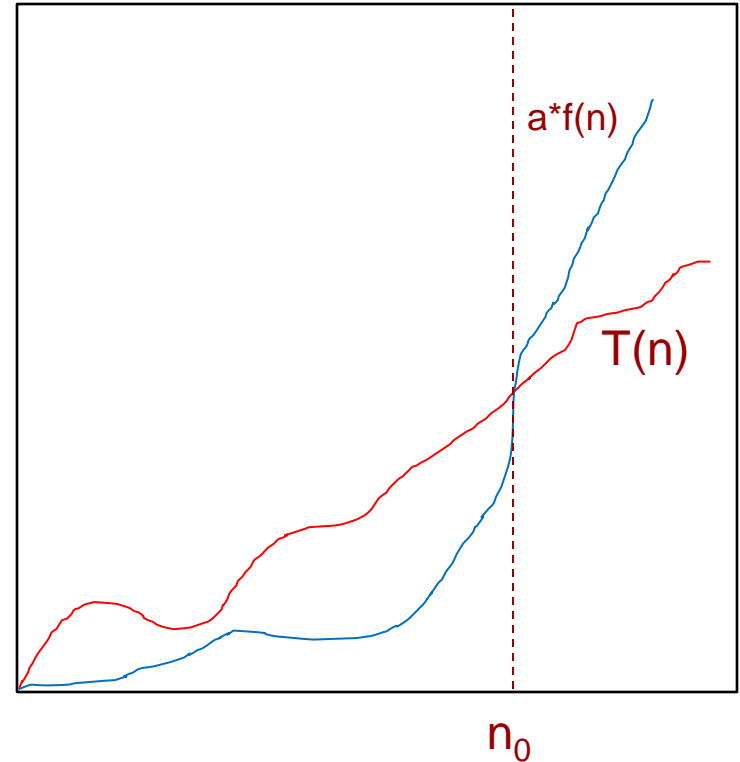
# REVIEW FROM CS 170

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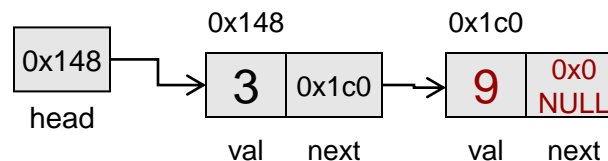
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# Data Dependent or Not [ $T(n)$ or $T(n,i)$ ]

- One of the first questions you should ask yourself when starting your analysis is, "Is this code's runtime data-dependent or not (depending on the particular values of the data as opposed to just how many values exist (i.e.  $n$ ))"
- Example 1:** Finding the size of a linked list (**does** / **does not**) depend on the data in the linked list?
  - Does NOT:** We must walk all  $n$  items regardless of their value. Thus, the runtime is just a function of  $n$ ,  $T(n)$ .
- Example 2:** Finding if an element exists in the linked lists (**does** / **does not**) depend on the data in the linked list
  - Does:** How many items we walk depends on the data values in the list and the data value we are finding. Thus, the runtime is a function of  $n$  and the input values,  $i \Rightarrow T(n,i)$



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- Note:
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    for (int j=0; j < (int) pow(2,i); j++)
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```

**Hint: Geometric series**

- $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^i-1} \theta(1)$
- =
- $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a^i = \frac{a^n - 1}{a - 1}$
- So our answer is...

# Runtime Practice #2

- Count steps here...
  - Think about how many times if statement will evaluate true

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for(int i=0; i < n; i++){  
    if (a[i] == 0){  
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            a[i] = i*j;  
        }  
    }  
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```

**Hint: Arithmetic series**

- $T(n) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  May start with big-O if we aren't sure how many times the if statement will execute just to get a handle on the upper bound of the worst case. But to get a tight bound, we will need to think carefully and determine how many times it really executes
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1}(\theta(1)) + \sum_i(\theta(i))$  Distribute to deal with 'if' separately. Not sure which values of i will trigger the for loop that incurs i steps
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# Runtime Practice #3

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    }  
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- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left( \theta(1) + O\left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta(1)\right) \right)$  Use big-O to start if we are unsure of how many times if statement executes
  - Important: How many times will the 'if' statement be true?
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left( \theta(1) \right) + \sum_i \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta(1)$ 
  - The 'if' statement only triggers once! So the inner loop executes only once
- $T(n) =$

# Runtime Practice #4

You must use your analytical skills to determine how many times the 'if' will trigger and then sum the inner operations that many times.

- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\theta(1) + O(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta(1)))$ 
  - big-O indicates we have not considered the 'if' statement but are setting an upper bound
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \theta(1) + \sum_i \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta(1)$  but we need to use our own analysis skills to find the actual values of i that will cause the 'if' to be true?
 

```
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
{
    int m = sqrt(n);
    if( i % m == 0){
        for (int j=0; j < n; j++)
            cout << j << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```

  - Use some actual values of n (e.g. n=9 or 16). Write out a table to find the pattern.
  - If n=9, the 'if' will trigger \_\_\_\_ times for i = \_\_\_\_\_
  - If n=16, the 'if' will trigger \_\_\_\_ times for i = \_\_\_\_\_
  - The dummy variable of a summation must increment \_\_\_\_ at a time
  - Thus, make a table with some dummy variable (k) that increments 1 at a time and find a relationship to the actual variable, i, for when the if statement will trigger.
  - Solve for upper bound of k
 

k	1	2	3	...	Arbitrary k	Stop when k =??
i				...	i = _____	Stop when i = _____

    - Stop when i = \_\_, but i = \_\_\_\_ so we stop when \_\_\_\_\_ thus solve for k to find that the upper-bound for k = \_\_\_\_\_
- $T(n) =$

# Key Skill

- The dummy variable (say  $k$ ) of a summation runs from 1 to an UPPER\_BOUND **incrementing 1 at a time**
- Often our code performs work at some other interval such as  $i = \{1\sqrt{n}, 2\sqrt{n}, 3\sqrt{n} \dots\}$  (or actual values that are not incrementing by 1 at a time)
- You must use your own analytical abilities to find a relationship that converts the dummy variable ( $k=1,2,3,\dots$ ) to the actual values [eg.  $i = f(k) = k\sqrt{n}$  ], usually by making a table of the dummy variable ( $k$ ) and the actual code values/variables ( $i$ )

k	1	2	3	...	Arbitrary k	Stop when k =??
$i=f(k)$				...	$i = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$	Stop when $i = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- Then use that relationship to find the UPPER\_BOUND of the dummy variable
  - In the previous example, we stopped when  $i = n$ , thus we would stop when our dummy variable is  $\sqrt{n}$ . This then is the upper bound.
- The key skill is to relate the dummy variable to the actual variable values and then find the UPPER BOUND of the dummy variable

# Runtime Practice #6

- You have to count steps
  - Look at the update statement
  - Outer loop increments by 1 each time so it will iterate N times
  - Inner loop updates by dividing x in half each iteration?
  - After 1<sup>st</sup> iteration => x=\_\_\_\_\_
  - After 2<sup>nd</sup> iteration => x=\_\_\_\_\_
  - After 3<sup>rd</sup> iteration => x=\_\_\_\_\_
  - Say k<sup>th</sup> iteration is last => x = \_\_\_\_\_ = 1
  - Solve for k
  - k = \_\_\_\_\_ iterations
  - $\theta(\text{_____})$

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
const int n = /* Some constant */;

int main()
{
    for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
        int y=0;
        for(int x=n; x != 1; x=x/2){
            y++;
        }
        cout << y << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

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# Motivation

- You are given a large data set with  $n = 500,000$  genetic markers for 5000 patients and you want to examine that data for genetic markers that maybe correlated to a disease that the patients have.
- You are given two algorithms, Algorithm A and Algorithm B, to solve this problem. You are given the implementation, code, and description of each algorithm.
- You need a solution as soon as possible to give medical professionals more data to advise patients and apply for grants for more funding.
- How would you determine which algorithm runs faster?

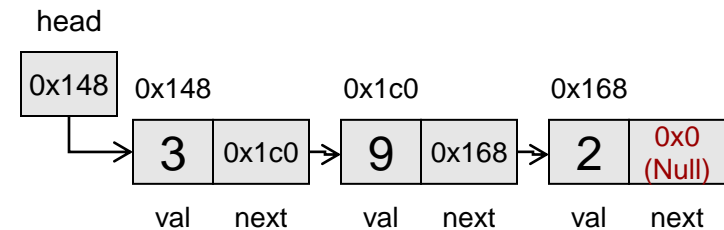


# Runtime

- It is hard to compare the run time of an algorithm on actual hardware
  - Time may vary based on speed of the HW, etc.
    - The same program may take 1 sec. on your laptop but 0.5 second on a high performance server
- If we want to compare 2 algorithms that perform the same task we could try to count operations (regardless of how fast the operation can execute on given hardware)...
  - But what is an operation?
  - How many operations is: `i++` ?
  - `i++` actually requires grabbing the value of `i` from memory and bringing it to the processor, then adding 1, then putting it back in memory. Should that be 3 operations or 1?
  - Its painful to count 'exact' numbers operations
- Big-O, Big-Ω, and Θ notation allows us to be more general (or "sloppy" as you may prefer)

# Complexity Analysis

- To find upper or lower bounds on the complexity, we must consider the set of all possible inputs,  $I$ , of size,  $n$
- Derive an expression,  $T(n)$ , in terms of the input size,  $n$ , for the number of operations/steps that are required to solve the problem of a given input,  $i$ 
  - Some algorithms depend on  $i$  and  $n$ 
    - Find(3) in the list shown vs. Find(2)
  - Others just depend on  $n$ 
    - Push\_back / Append
- Which inputs though?
  - Best, worst, or "typical/average" case?
- We will always apply it to the "worst case"
  - That's usually what people care about



Note: Running time of an algorithm is not just based on input size ( $n$ ), BUT input size ( $n$ ) and its value ( $i$ )

# Time Complexity Analysis

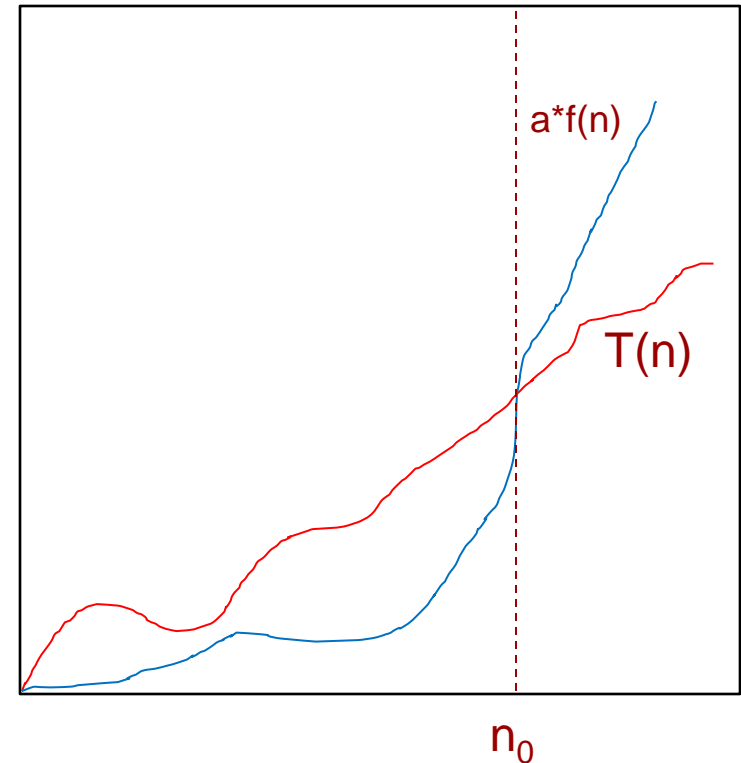
- Case Analysis is when you determine which input must be used to define the runtime function,  $T(n)$ , for inputs of size  $n$
- **Best-case analysis**: Find the input of size  $n$  that takes the **minimum** amount of time.
- **Average-case analysis**: Find the runtime for all inputs of size  $n$  and take the average of all of the runtimes. (This assumes a distribution over the inputs, but uniform is a reasonable choice.)
- **Worst-case analysis**: Find the input,  $i$ , of size  $n$  that takes the **maximum** amount of time.
- Our focus will be on worst-case analysis, but for many examples, the runtime is the same on any input of size  $n$ . Please consider this as we study them.

# Steps for Performing Runtime Analysis of Algorithms

- We perform **worst-case analysis** in determining the runtime function on inputs of size  $n$ ,  $T(n)$ .
- To do so, we need to find at least one input of size  $n$  that will require the maximum runtime of the algorithm.
  - In many of the examples we will examine, the algorithm will take the same amount of running time on any input (i.e. only depend on  $n$ )
- Using that input, express the runtime of the algorithm (on that input case) as a function of  $n$ ,  $T(n)$ .
  - This is done by **stepping through the code and counting the steps** that will be done.
- Once we have a function for the runtime,  $T(n)$ , we **apply asymptotic notation to that function** in order to find the order of growth of the runtime function,  $T(n)$ .

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# Deriving $T(n)$

- Derive an expression,  $T(n)$ , in terms of the input size for the number of operations/steps that are required to solve a problem
- If is true  $\Rightarrow$  4 "steps"
- Else if is true  $\Rightarrow$  5 "steps"
- Worst case  $\Rightarrow T(n) = \theta(1)$

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    int i = argc;          1
    int x = 5;             1

    if(i < x){              1
        x--;               1
    }
    else if(i > x){         1
        x += 2;            1
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# Deriving T(n)

- Since loops repeat you have to take the sum of the steps that get executed over all iterations
- $T(n) =$
- $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 4 = 4 + 4 + \dots 4 = 4 * n$   
 $= \theta(n)$

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    int x;
    for(int i=0; i < N; i++){
        cin >> x;
        if(i < x){
            x--;
        }
        else if(i > x){
            x += 2;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

This code does nothing useful and is just illustrative

# Skills To Gain

- To solve these runtime problems try to break the problem into 3 parts:
- FIRST, **setup the expression** (or recurrence relationship) for the number of operations,  $T(n)$
- SECOND, **solve to get a closed form for  $T(n)$** 
  - Unwind the recurrence relationship
  - Develop a series summation
  - Solve the series summation
- THIRD, **determine the asymptotic bound** for  $T(n)$

# Loops 1

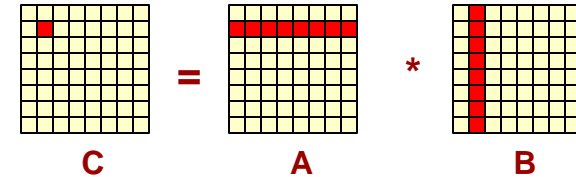
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using namespace std;
const int n = 256;
unsigned char image[n][n]
int main()
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    for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
        for(int j=0; j < n; j++){
            image[i][j] = 0;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# Matrix Multiply

- Derive an expression,  $T(n)$ , in terms of the input size for the number of operations/steps that are required to solve a problem
- $T(n) =$
- $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \theta(1) = \theta(n^3)$



Traditional Multiply

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
const int n = 256;
int a[n][n], b[n][n], c[n][n];
int main()
{
    for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
        for(int j=0; j < n; j++){
            c[i][j] = 0;
            for(int k=0; k < n; k++){
                c[i][j] += a[i][k]*b[k][j];
            }
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# Sequential Loops

- Is this also  $n^3$ ?
- \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 for loops, \_\_\_\_\_

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

const int n = /* large constant */;

unsigned char image[n][n]
int main()
{
    for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
        image[0][i] = 5;
    }
    for(int j=0; j < n; j++){
        image[1][j] = 5;
    }
    for(int k=0; k < n; k++){
        image[2][k] = 5;
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- =
- Use the geometric sum eqn.
- $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i = \frac{1-2^n}{1-2}$
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i				...	i = _____	Stop when i = _____

    - Stop when i = \_\_, but i = \_\_\_\_ so we stop when \_\_\_\_ thus solve for k to find that the upper-bound for k = \_\_\_\_\_
- $T(n) =$

```
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{
    int m = sqrt(n);
    if( i % m == 0){
        for (int j=0; j < n; j++)
            cout << j << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```

# Key Skill

- The dummy variable (say  $k$ ) of a summation runs from 1 to an UPPER\_BOUND **incrementing 1 at a time**
- Often our code does work at some other interval such as  $i = \{1\sqrt{n}, 2\sqrt{n}, 3\sqrt{n} \dots\}$  (or actual values that are not incrementing by 1 at a time)
- You must use your own analytical abilities to find a relationship that converts the dummy variable ( $k=1,2,3,\dots$ ) to the actual values [eg.  $i = f(k) = k\sqrt{n}$  ], usually by making a table of the dummy variable ( $k$ ) and the actual code values/variables ( $i$ )

k	1	2	3	...	Arbitrary k	Stop when k =??
i				...	$i = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$	Stop when i = $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- Then use that relationship to find the UPPER\_BOUND of the dummy variable
  - In the previous example, we stopped when  $i = n$ , thus we would stop when our dummy variable is  $\sqrt{n}$ . This then is the upper bound.
- The key skill is to relate the dummy variable to the actual variable values and then find the UPPER BOUND of the dummy variable**

# Runtime Practice #5

- $T(n) =$

```
for(int i=1; i <= n; i++){  
    for (int j = 0; j < n; j += i){  
        a[i][j] = i*j;  
    }  
}
```

**Hint: Harmonic series**

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

- Manually, determine how many times the j-loop iterates:

- When  $i=1$ ,  $j$  takes on values: \_\_\_\_\_ [Total = \_\_\_\_\_ iters]
- When  $i=2$ ,  $j$  takes on values: \_\_\_\_\_ [Total = \_\_\_\_\_ iters]
- When  $i=3$ ,  $j$  takes on values: \_\_\_\_\_ [Total = \_\_\_\_\_ iters]

- $T(n) = \theta(n) +$

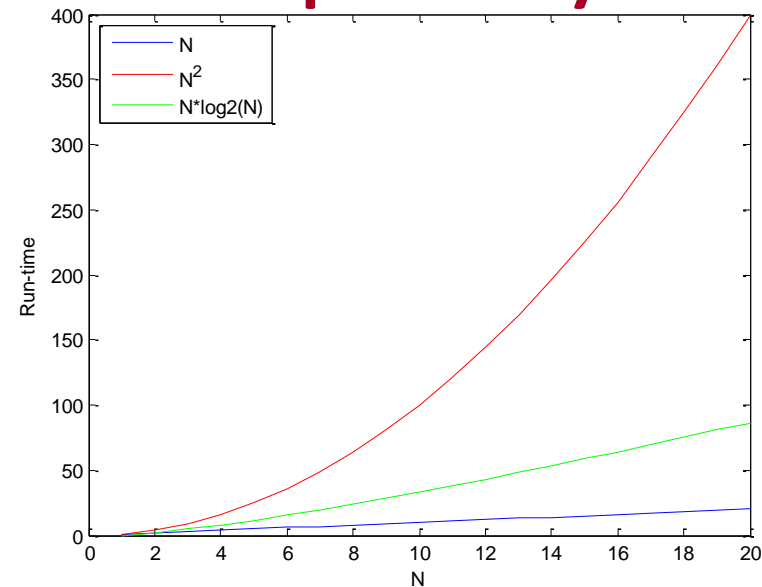
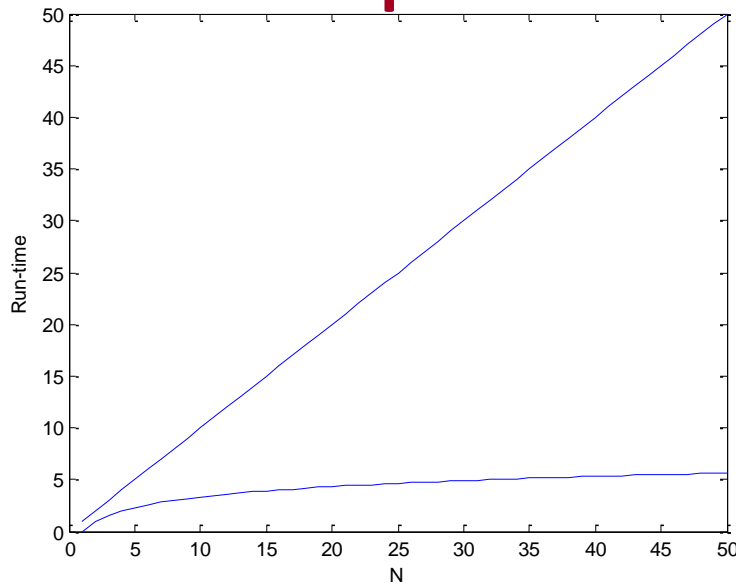
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- You have to count steps
  - Look at the update statement
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  - After 3<sup>rd</sup> iteration => x=\_\_\_\_\_
  - Say k<sup>th</sup> iteration is last => x = \_\_\_\_\_ = 1
  - Solve for k
  - k = \_\_\_\_\_ iterations
  - $\theta(\text{_____})$

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
const int n = /* Some constant */;

int main()
{
    for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
        int y=0;
        for(int x=n; x != 1; x=x/2){
            y++;
        }
        cout << y << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# Importance of Complexity



N	$O(1)$	$O(\log_2 n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n \log_2 n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(2^n)$
2	1	1	2	2	4	4
20	1	4.3	20	86.4	400	1,048,576
200	1	7.6	200	1,528.8	40,000	1.60694E+60
2000	1	11.0	2000	21,931.6	4,000,000	#NUM!

# EXTRAS



# Runtime Practice #7

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

```
for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
    if ((i% 2) == 0){
        for (int j = 0; j < i; j++)
            a[i][j] = i*j;
    }
    else { a[i][0] = i; }
}
```

- Important: How many times will the 'if' statement be true?
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \theta(1) \right) + \sum_i \sum_{j=1}^n \theta(1)$ 
  - Find a relationship between a dummy variable, k, that increments by 1 and the values of i that cause the if statement to trigger

k	1	2	3	...	Arbitrary k	Stop when k = (n/2)+1
i	0	2	4	...	i = _____	Stop when i = _____

- $T(n) =$

Recall:  $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \theta(n^2)$

# Runtime Practice #8

- $T(n) =$

```
for(int i=1; i <= n; i*=2){
    for (int j = 0; j < i; j++){
        a[i][j] = i*j;
    }
}
```

**Hint: Geometric series**

- $T(n) = \sum_i \left( \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \theta(1) \right) =$   
 $= \sum_i \left( \theta(i) \right)$

- The number of iterations of the outer loop requires  
 derivation:

Iter, k	1	2	3	4	...	k	Stop at: $(\log_2 n)$
i after iteration	2	4	8	16	...	$2^k$	Stop at: n

- $T(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\log_2(n)} \theta(2^k)$

- $T(n) = \theta \left( \frac{2^{\log_2(n)+1} - 1}{2 - 1} \right) = \theta \left( \frac{2^{\log_2(n)} 2^1 - 1}{1} \right) =$   
 $\theta(2n - 1) = \theta(n)$

# Iterative Binary Search

- Assume  $n$  is total array size and let  $L = (\text{end} - \text{start})$ 
  - $L = \#$  of items to be searched
- $T(n) = \sum_k \theta(1)$ 
  - $k$  is the  $\#$  of iterations required
- After 1<sup>st</sup> iteration  $L = n/2$
- After 2<sup>nd</sup> iteration  $L = n/4$
- After 3<sup>rd</sup> iteration  $L = n/8$
- ...
- After  $k$ th iteration  $L = n/2^k$
- We stop when we reach size 0 or 1...when  $k = \log_2(n)$
- $T(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\log_2(n)} \theta(1) = \theta(\log_2(n))$

```
int main()
{   int data[4] = {1, 6, 7, 9};
    it_bsearch(3,data, 4);
}

int it_bsearch(int target,
               int data[],int len)
{
    int start = 0, end = len, mid;

    while (start < end) {
        mid = (start+end)/2;
        if (data[mid] == target){
            return mid;
        } else if ( target < data[mid]){
            end = mid-1;
        } else {
            start = mid+1;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}
```

# SOLUTIONS

# Sequential Loops

- Is this also  $n^3$ ?
- No!
  - 3 for loops, but not nested
  - $O(n) + O(n) + O(n) = 3 * O(n) = O(n)$

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

const int n = /* large constant */;

unsigned char image[n][n]
int main()
{
    for(int i=0; i < n; i++){
        image[0][i] = 5;
    }
    for(int j=0; j < n; j++){
        image[1][j] = 5;
    }
    for(int k=0; k < n; k++){
        image[2][k] = 5;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# Runtime Practice #1

- It may seem like you can just look for nested loops and then raise  $n$  to that power
  - 2 nested for loops  $\Rightarrow O(n^2)$
- But be careful!!
- Find  $T(n)$  for this example

```
for (int i = 0; i <= log2(n); i ++)  
    for (int j=0; j < (int) pow(2,i); j++)  
        cout << j << endl;
```

**Hint: Geometric series**

- $\sum_{i=0}^{\lg(n)} \sum_{j=0}^{2^i-1} \theta(1)$
- $= \sum_{i=0}^{\lg(n)} \theta(2^i)$
- Use the geometric sum eqn.
- $= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a^i = \frac{a^n - 1}{a - 1}$
- So our answer is...
- $\frac{2^{\lg(n)+1} - 1}{2 - 1} = \frac{2^{*n-1}}{1} = \theta(n)$

# Runtime Practice #2

- Count steps here...
  - Think about how many times if statement will evaluate true

```
for(int i=0; i < n; i++){  
    if (a[i][0] == 0){  
        for (int j = 0; j < i; j++){  
            a[i][j] = i*j;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

**Hint: Arithmetic series**

- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\theta(1) + O(\sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \theta(1)))$  May start with big-O and not worry about input values affecting how many times if statement executes
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\theta(1)) + \sum_i (\theta(i))$  Distribute to deal with 'if' separately. Not sure which values of i will trigger the for loop that incurs i steps
  - In the worst case, how many times can the 'if' statement be true? Each iteration (i.e. all n values of i)
- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\theta(1)) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\theta(i))$
- $T(n) = \theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\theta(i)) = \theta(n) + \theta\left(\frac{n(n-1)}{2}\right) = \theta(n^2)$

# Runtime Practice #3

- $T(n) =$

```
for(int i=0; i < n; i++){  
    if (i == 0){  
        for (int j = 0; j < n; j++){  
            a[i][j] = i*j;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

You must use your analytical skills to determine how many times the 'if' will trigger and then sum the inner operations that many times.

- $T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left( \theta(1) + O\left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta(1)\right) \right)$  Use big-O since unsure of how many times if statement executes
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    - Stop when i = n, but  $i = k\sqrt{n}$  so we stop when  $k\sqrt{n} = n$  thus solve for k to find that the upper-bound for  $k = \sqrt{n}$
- $T(n) = \theta(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta(1) = \theta(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{\sqrt{n}} \theta(n) = \theta(n) + \theta(n \cdot \sqrt{n}) = \theta(n^{3/2})$

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  - When  $i=3$ ,  $j$  takes on values: 0, 3, 6, 9, ... [Total =  $n/3$  iters]
- $$T(n) = \theta(n) + \left[ \frac{n}{1} + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{3} + \dots + \frac{n}{n} \right] \theta(1)$$
$$= \theta(n) + \left[ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \right] \theta(n)$$
$$= \theta(n) + \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \right) \cdot \theta(n) = \theta(n) + \log n \cdot \theta(n) = \theta(n \cdot \log n)$$

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i	0	2	4	...	i = 2(k - 1)	Stop when i = n

- $T(n) = \theta(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \sum_{j=1}^{2(k-1)} \theta(1) = \theta(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \theta(2k - 2) =$

$$\theta(n) + 2 \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \theta(k) = \theta(n) + 2 \cdot \theta\left(\left[\frac{n}{2} + 1\right]^2\right) = \theta(n^2)$$

Recall:  $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \theta(n^2)$

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