



Objectives of this assignment:

- to explore time complexity and “real time”
- to “dust off” programming skills

What you need to do:

1. Implement a simple algorithm to transpose an $n \times n$ matrix M
2. Collect the execution time $T(n)$ as a function of n
3. Plot the functions $T(n)/n$, $T(n)/n^2$, and $T(n)/n^3$ on the same graph (if possible).
4. Refer to the analysis of the time complexity you performed for your Module 1 and discuss it in light of the graph you plotted above.

Objective:

1. The objective of this programming assignment is to implement in your **preferred*** language an algorithm to compute the transpose of an $n \times n$ matrix. We are interested in exploring the relationship between the time complexity and the “real time”. For this exploration, you will collect the execution time $T(n)$ as a function of n and plot $T(n)/n$, $T(n)/n^2$, and $T(n)/n^3$ on the same graph. Finally, discuss your results.

Program to implement

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collectData()
    Generate an LxL matrix G with a HUGE L (as huge as your language and
    machine allow) with random values // This must be done once
    for n = 100 to L (with step 100)
        copy in an nxn Matrix A the nxn upper left matrix from Matrix G

        Start timing // We time the transposition of Matrix A
        for i = 1 to n-1
            for j = i+1 to n
                // swap A[i] and A[j]
                buffer = A[i][j]
                A[i][j] = A[j][i]
                A[j][i] = buffer

        Store the value n and the values T(n)/n, T(n)/n2, and T(n)/n3 in a
        file F where T(n) is the execution time.
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Data Analysis

Use any plotting software (e.g., Excel) to plot the values $T(n)/n$, $T(n)/n^2$, and $T(n)/n^3$ in File F as a function of n (on the same graph). File F is the file produced by the program you implemented. Discuss your results based on the plot. (**Hint**: is $T(n)$ closer to $K \cdot n$, $K \cdot n^2$, or $K \cdot n^3 \cdot \log_2(n)$ where K is a constant?)

How to Plot?

I suggest to store the values in File F following the csv format used by Excel. Once the file F is in csv format, you can use Excel to plot.

If you do not know the csv format, google "csv format". Do not hesitate to ask for help if you need.

* You can use any language as long as it is already installed on Engineering Unix Tux machines.



Report

- Write a report that will contain, explain, and discuss the plot(s). The report should not exceed one page.
- In addition, your report must contain the following information:
 - whether the program works or not (this must be just ONE sentence)
 - the directions to compile and execute your program
- Good writing is expected.
- Recall that answers must be well written, documented, justified, and presented to get full credit.
- Make sure that the TA has complete instructions/directions to compile and execute your program.

What you need to turn in:

- Electronic copy of your source program
- Electronic copy of the report (including your answers) (standalone). Submit the file as a Microsoft Word or PDF file.

Grading

- Program is worth 30% if it works and provides data to analyze (Recall that your program must compile and execute on Engineering Unix Tux machines)
- Quality of the report is worth 70% distributed as follows: good plots (25%), explanations of plots (10%), discussion and conclusion (35%).

Login on Engineering Unix Machines,

Log in remotely on the Engineering Tux machines to implement, compile and execute. To log in remotely, you must use an **ssh** client such as SecureCRT (Windows).

On Windows 10, you may use from the command prompt the following command (if ssh is available):

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ssh username@gate.eng.auburn.edu
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where **username** is your Auburn University username (**without** @auburn.edu).

On Mac or any Unix machine (Ubuntu...), use the same command (see above) on a terminal.