Introduction to Data Science Programming Live Session

Week 6

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Remind me to start recording! ☺

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Today

- Midterm Course Evaluations
- Big Ideas Presentation
- Complexity Activity & Discussion
- Modules & Packages Activity & Discussion

Midterm Course Evaluations

- Log in to course-evaluations.berkeley.edu

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Tips for when you know that you know the answer right off and the rest of your group doesn't

- Be Patient and Allow Others to Participate
- Ask Guiding Questions
  - Qs that can help others figure out the problem

- Respect everyone's contributions, regardless of their level of knowledge.
- Lead the group in breaking down the problem

Complexity

- See the file complexity_activity.ipynb
- Classify code snippets' complexity
- Practice analyzing the possibility of making code more efficient and rewriting it to reduce complexity if possible.

Complexity Follow up

- The time complexity of an algorithm with several operations is based on the largest complexity among all operations
- The operations in ‘my_function’ don’t make sense
- But it has multiple time complexities: $O(1) + O(n) + O(n^2)$.
- When increasing the size of the input data, the bottleneck of this algorithm will be the operation that takes $O(n^2)$.
- Based on this, we can describe the time complexity of this algorithm as $O(n^2)$.
- Why is the growth rate of an algorithm's execution time more important than a single execution time measurement?

```
def my_function(data):
    first_element = data[0]

    for value in data:
        print(value)

    for x in data:
        for y in data:
            print(x, y)
```

Why on earth do I care? :-)

- Someday, you'll likely need to implement an algorithm for a data operation.
- Understanding time complexity helps you grasp efficiency, identify bottlenecks, and improve your code, especially with large data sets.
  - i.e., helps you:
    - understand why code might run inefficiently
    - write code that runs more efficiently.

Modules and Packages Breakout

- See the file modules-packages-activity.ipynb
- You're going to take some existing code, make modules and packages, and make function calls with the appropriate imports.

Modules and Packages Follow up

- A module is just a single .py file file containing Python code.
- A package is just a collection of Python modules organized in directories with a special __init__.py file.
- Packages are just .py files that live in the same folder with a __init__.py file in it.
- This is super helpful to your life.
  - Modularity
  - Reusability
  - The standard python library and third party packages
  - Can create Custom Packages

Have a great week!

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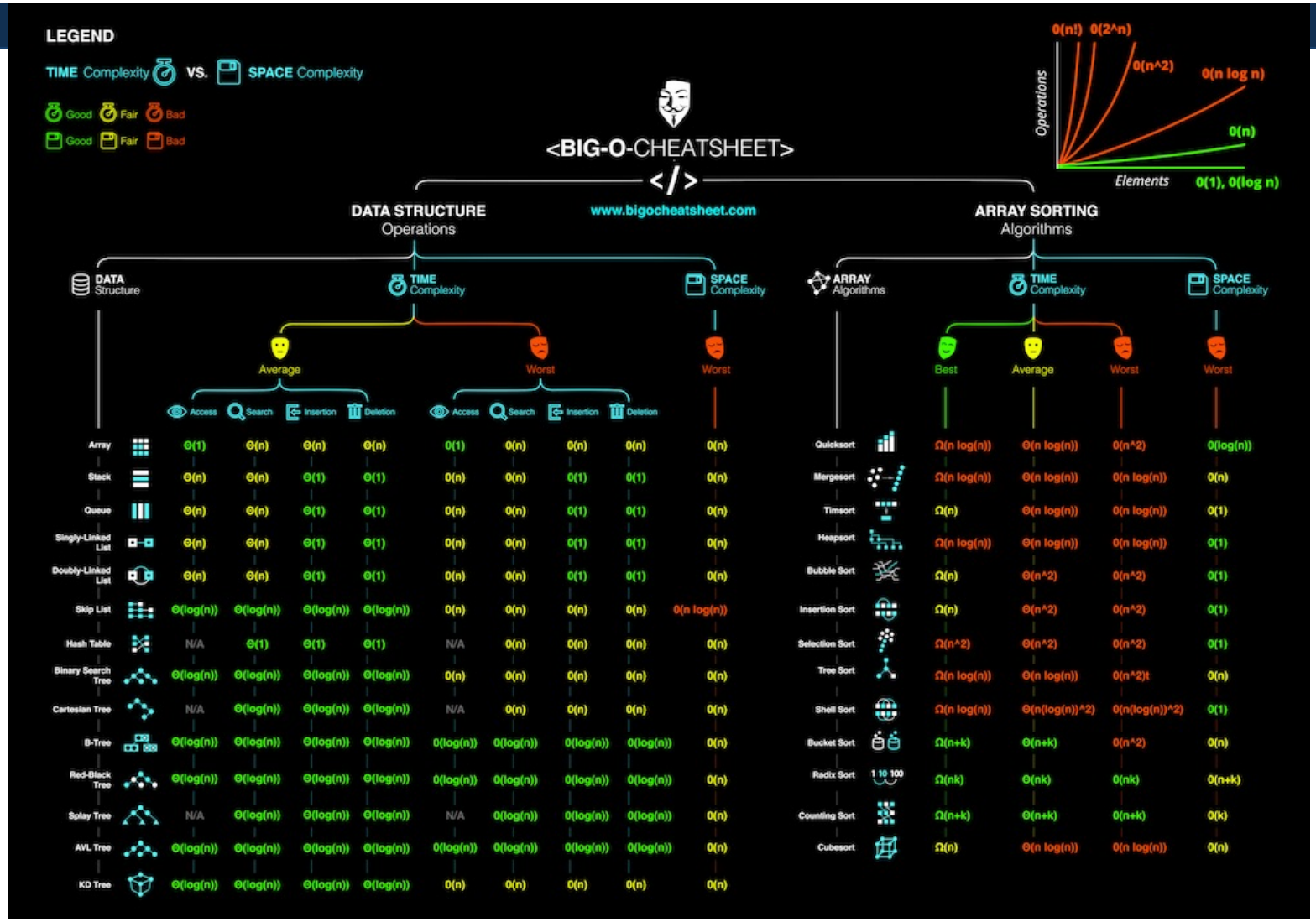

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Project 1 Breakout

- What is your task?
- What is a Second-Price Auction?
- What do you know?
- What do you need to find out?

Project 1 Follow up

- What do we know?
- What do we need to find out?