

Algorithm Analysis

Definition 2.1

$T(N) = O(f(N))$ if there are positive constants c and n_0 such that $T(N) \leq cf(N)$ when $N \geq n_0$.

$O(f(N))$ indicates the growth rate of worst/upper bound on time taken as the given input size of N increases. $f(N)$ here is the total cost of whole algorithm calculated for line by line execution and $c * f(N)$ is a approximation of this cost that will always be a little worse or more upper bounded hence satisfying the overall use as a growth rate approximation for worst time only when the N is larger than n_0 .

```
int sum(int n) {
    int partialSum;
    partialSum = 0;
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; ++i) {
        partialSum += i * i * i;
    }
    return partialSum;
}
```

Full Cost Breakdown

1. Initialization of `partialSum`:
 - Cost: 1 unit.
2. Loop initialization (`int i = 1;`):
 - Cost: 1 unit.
3. Loop condition (`i <= n`):
 - This is checked $N + 1$ times.
 - Cost: $N + 1$ units.
4. Loop increment (`++i`):
 - This increment happens N times.
 - Cost: N units.
5. Loop body (`partialSum += i * i * i;`):
 - Each iteration involves two multiplications, one addition, and one assignment.
 - Cost per iteration: 4 units.
 - Total for N iterations: $4N$ units.
6. Return statement (`return partialSum;`):
 - Cost: 1 unit.

The above function has a total worst time cost of $O(6N + 4)$. $6N+4$ will always be less than $7N$ for N larger than 4 giving $c = 7$ and $n_0 = 4$. $c = 8$ & $n_0 = 2$ also satisfies the above function but the tightest approximation is preferred for a good estimate of growth rate. There is a little-o notation, same as big O, but in that all c values must be satisfied. ($6N \rightarrow o\{N^2\}$)

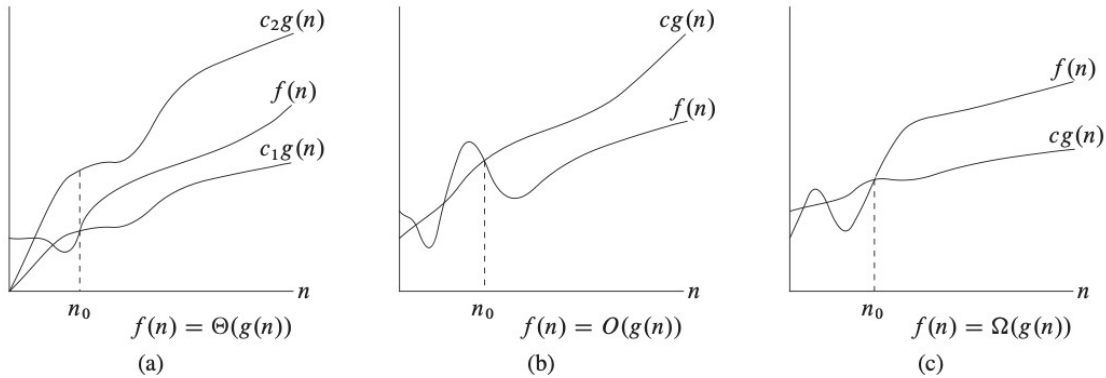
Ultimately insignificant terms and constants can be ignored as they are overwhelmed by parts in formula that will grow on a significantly faster speed, in this case whether our approximation is $7N$ or $8N$, the final answer is $O(N)$ as the 7 or 8 doesn't really matter in determining how fast the algorithm process time for worst case increase with increase in N . Similarly $O(N^2 + N)$ would just be $O(N^2)$ due to N^2 growth being far more significant than N .

As for cost calculation, basic operations like assignment take constant $O(1)$ cost and Loops usually take $O(N^k)$ time based on k -nesting of loops present. If we are dividing the input size in k parts, the division itself takes $O(\log_k N)$ cost while whatever work is done at every level of division will be multiplied into $O(\log_k N)$. For example Merge Sort divides array in 2 parts endlessly until base case of one subpart is left for $O(\log_2 N)$ then sorts them at all levels for $O(N)$ work, giving time complexity $O(N \log_2 N)$.

Definition 2.2

$T(N) = \Omega(g(N))$ if there are positive constants c and n_0 such that $T(N) \geq cg(N)$ when $N \geq n_0$.

Similarly we can approximate for Best Time case or lower bound time while The Average Time case will be between $c_1 \cdot g(N)$ and $c_2 \cdot g(N)$ for a certain n_0

**Recurrence Tree & Master Theorem**

Recurrence Tree

$$T(n) = 3T(n/4) + \Theta(n^2)$$

This problem means $T(n)$ is divided into subproblems of size $T(n/4)$ & 3 of these problems are further used.

The division and merging of these 3 subproblems take cn^2 cost ($\Theta(n^2)$).

We will assume n is some multiple of 4 for convenience.

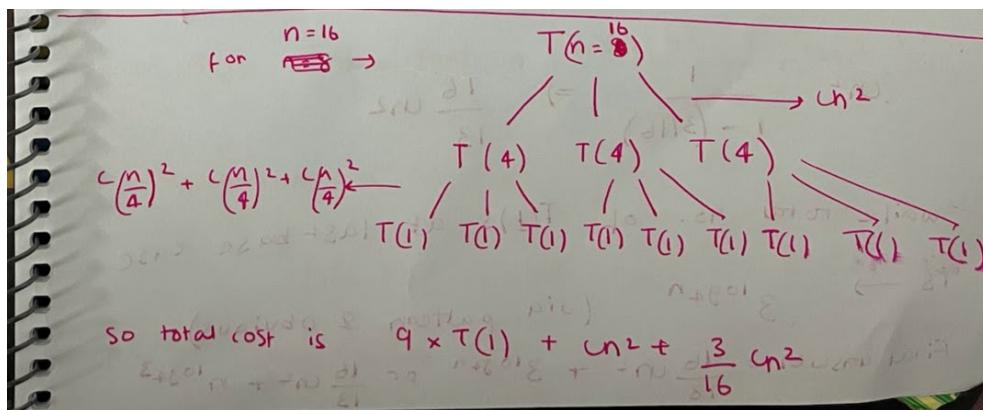
Let's say $n=4$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 T(n=4) \\
 \swarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \searrow \\
 T(n/4=1) \quad T(n/4=1) \quad T(n/4=1)
 \end{array}$$

cn^2

So total cost is clearly $3 \times T(1) + cn^2$

(Base case)
(merge)



if we see the pattern
the latest divide / merge
will take

$$\left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^{(\text{height}-1)} cn^2$$

where height for dividing by 4 upto base case

$$\rightarrow \log_4 n$$

so total divide/merge cost

$$cn^2 + \frac{3}{16} cn^2 + \frac{3^2}{16^2} cn^2 + \dots + \frac{3^{(\log_4 n - 1)}}{16^{\log_4 n - 1}} cn^2$$

$$cn^2 \left(\left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^0 + \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^{(\log_4 n - 1)} \right)$$

its okay to assume a G.P will go to infinity

$$cn^2 \frac{1}{1 - (3/16)} = \frac{16}{13} cn^2$$

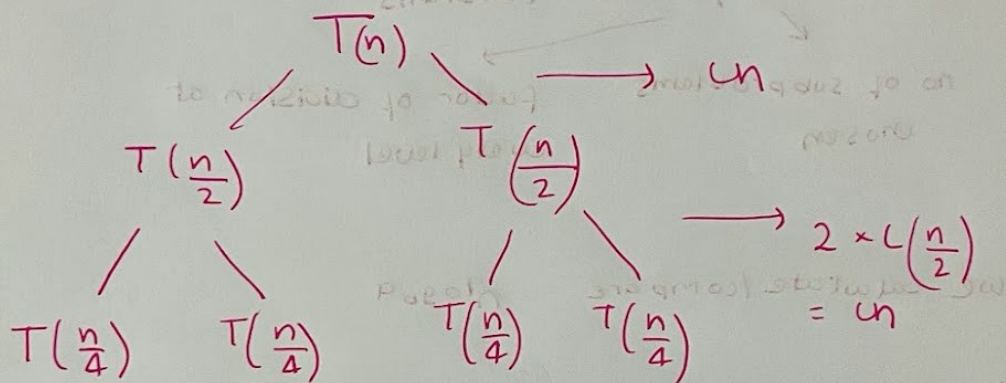
while total no. of $T(1)$ s at last base case

$$\text{is } \rightarrow 3^{\log_4 n} \quad (\text{via pattern 2 obvious})$$

$$\text{Final answer} = \frac{16}{13} cn^2 + 3^{\log_4 n} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{16}{13} cn^2 + n^{\log_4 3}$$

this is peculiar case where cost itself (for div/merge) changes every level we go down, as its a exponent of input size ' N '

if it was same for every level, when div/merge cost has exponent 'one' for ' N ', like mergesort



so total div/merge cost

$$cn + cn + cn \dots (\log_2 n - 1 \text{ times})$$

$$cn \times (\log_2 n - 1)$$

no of $T(1)$ s at base level $\rightarrow 2^{\log_2 n} = n$ or $n^{\log_2 2} = n$

The answer is roughly

$$O(n \log_2 n) + O(n)$$

merge/divide

\rightarrow highly insignificant to $(n \log n)$

Master Theorem

for recurrence relations of form

$$T(n) = a T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n)$$

where a, b are constants

\swarrow no of subproblems chosen \searrow factor of division at every level

we calculate/compare $n^{\log_b a}$

if $n^{\log_b a}$ grows faster than $f(n)$

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

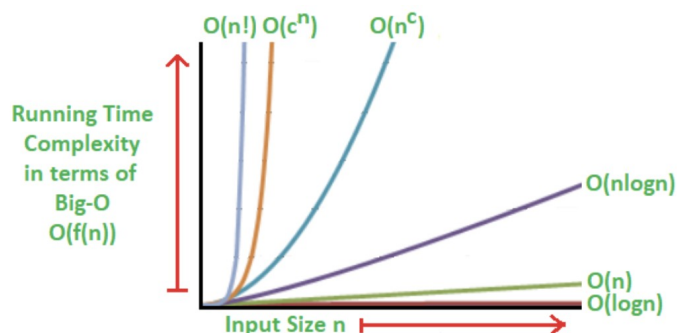
if $f(n)$ grows faster than $n^{\log_b a}$

$$T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

if equal growth rate

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log n)$$

growth rates of some functions for order of significance in worst time calculation



Sorting Methods

Insertion Sort $O(n^2)$ for nearly sorted arrays or small datasets

```
void insertionSort(std::vector<int>& arr, int size){
    for(int i=1; i<size; i++){
        int key = arr[i];
        int j = i - 1;
        while(j >= 0 && arr[j] > key){
            arr[j+1] = arr[j];
            j--;
        }
        arr[j+1] = key;
    }
}
```

Selection Sort $O(n^2)$ for small arrays when memory is limited

```
using namespace std;
void selectionSort(vector<int>& arr,int size){
    for(int i=0;i<size-1;i++){
        int minval = i;
        for(int j=i+1;j<size;j++){
            if(arr[j]<arr[minval]){
                minval =j;
            }
        }

        if(minval!=i){
            arr[i]=arr[i]+arr[minval];
            arr[minval]=arr[i]-arr[minval];
            arr[i]=arr[i]-arr[minval];
        }
    }
}
```

Bubble Sort $O(n^2)$ for teaching purpose only

```
using namespace std;
void bubbleSort(vector<int>& v) {
    int n = v.size();

    for (int i = 0; i < n - 1; i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < n - i - 1; j++) {
            if (v[j] > v[j + 1])
                swap(v[j], v[j + 1]);
        }
    }
}
```

Merge Sort $O(n \log n)$ for large data sets

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>

void merge(std::vector<int>& arr, int left, int mid, int right){
    int n1 = mid - left + 1;
    int n2 = right - mid;

    std::vector<int> L(n1), R(n2);

    for(int i=0; i<n1; i++){
        L[i]=arr[left+i];
    }
    for(int i=0; i<n2; i++){
        R[i]=arr[mid+i+1];
    }

    int i=0,j=0,k=left;

    while(i<n1 && j<n2){
        if(L[i]<=R[j]){arr[k]=L[i];i++;}
        else{arr[k]=R[j];j++;}
        k++;
    }

    while(i<n1){arr[k]=L[i];i++;k++;}
    while(j<n2){arr[k]=R[j];j++;k++;}
}

void mergeSort(std::vector<int>& arr, int left, int right){
    if (left >= right) return;
    int mid = left + (right-left)/2;

    mergeSort(arr, left, mid);
    mergeSort(arr, mid+1, right);
    merge(arr, left, mid, right);
}
```


Quick Sort $O(n^2)$ but on avg gives $O(n \log n)$, averagely faster than merge sort (better cache)

```

    1  < #include <iostream>
    2  < #include <vector>
    3
    4  int partition(std::vector<int> &vec, int low, int high) {
    5      int pivot = vec[high];
    6      int i = (low - 1);
    7
    8      for (int j = low; j <= high - 1; j++) {
    9          if (vec[j] <= pivot) {
   10              i++;
   11              std::swap(vec[i], vec[j]);
   12          }
   13      }
   14
   15      std::swap(vec[i + 1], vec[high]);
   16      return (i + 1);
   17  }
   18
   19  void quickSort(std::vector<int> &vec, int low, int high) {
   20      if (low < high) {
   21          int pi = partition(vec, low, high);
   22          quickSort(vec, low, pi - 1);
   23          quickSort(vec, pi + 1, high);
   24      }
   25  }

```

Counting Sort $O(n + \text{range})$ good for sorting small ranged values


```

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

void countingSort(vector<int>& arr) {
    if (arr.empty()) return;

    // Find the maximum value in the array
    int maxVal = *max_element(arr.begin(), arr.end());

    // Create a frequency array (size: maxVal + 1)
    vector<int> count(maxVal + 1, 0);

    // Count occurrences of each element
    for (int num : arr) {
        count[num]++;
    }

    // Reconstruct the sorted array
    int index = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i <= maxVal; i++) {
        while (count[i] > 0) {
            arr[index++] = i;
            count[i]--;
        }
    }
}

```

Searching Methods

- Unsorted array? → Linear Search
- Sorted array? → Binary Search
- Finding first/last occurrence? → Lower/Upper Bound Binary Search
- Unimodal array (peak search)? → Ternary Search
- Large datasets? → Jump Search or Fibonacci Search
- Infinite array? → Exponential Search
- Uniformly distributed data? → Interpolation Search

Linear Search

```

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    std::vector<int> v = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11};
    int key = 8;

    auto it = std::find(v.begin(), v.end(), key);

    if (it != v.end())
        std::cout << key << " Found at Position: " << it - v.begin() + 1;
    else
        std::cout << key << " NOT found.";

    return 0;
}

```

Iterative Binary Search

```
#include <iostream>

int binarySearch(int arr[], int low, int high, int x) {
    while (low <= high) {
        int mid = low + (high - low) / 2;
        if (arr[mid] == x) return mid;
        if (arr[mid] < x) low = mid + 1;
        else high = mid - 1;
    }
    return -1;
}
```

Recursive Binary Search

```
#include <iostream>

int binarySearch(int arr[], int low, int high, int x) {
    if (high >= low) {
        int mid = low + (high - low) / 2;
        if (arr[mid] == x) return mid;
        if (arr[mid] > x) return binarySearch(arr, low, mid - 1, x);
        return binarySearch(arr, mid + 1, high, x);
    }
    return -1;
}
```