

COMP 352



Tutorial 1: Algorithm Analysis



OUTLINE

- Quick Overview on Asymptotic Analysis:
 - Definition
 - Asymptotic Notations
 - Review on Logarithm and Exponential Functions
- Exercises

ANALYSIS AND COMPLEXITY OF ALGORITHMS:

What is an Algorithm?

What do we mean by Complexity ?

How to measure Complexity ?

ANALYSIS AND COMPLEXITY OF ALGORITHMS

- **Algorithm** is a sequence of computational steps that transform the input into the output.
- **Analysis** of an algorithm is to determine the amount of **resources** (such as time and storage) necessary to execute it.

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- The **complexity** of an algorithm is the **cost**, measured in **running time**, or **storage**, or whatever units are relevant, of using the algorithm to solve one of those problems.

BIG-O

- **Big-O** notation is a relative representation of the complexity of an algorithm.
- **Big-O** is just a way to "Express" yourself in a common way, "How much **time** / **space** does it take to run the code?"

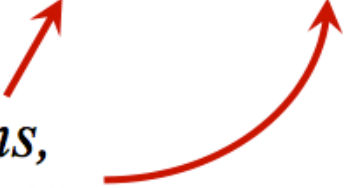
ASYMPTOTIC NOTATIONS

O-notation (upper bounds):

We write $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if there exist constants $c > 0$, $n_0 > 0$ such that $0 \leq f(n) \leq cg(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$.

EXAMPLE: $2n^2 = O(n^3)$ ($c = 1$, $n_0 = 2$)

*functions,
not values*



THE SEVEN FUNCTIONS ALONG WITH THEIR CORRESPONDING GROWTH RATE:

T (n)	Name	Problems
$O(1)$	Constant	Easy to Solve
$O(\log n)$	Logarithmic	
$O(n)$	Linear	
$O(n \log n)$	Linear-logarithmic	
$O(n^2)$	Quadratic	
$O(n^3)$	Cubic	Hard to Solve
$O(2^n)$	Exponential	
$O(n!)$	Factorial	

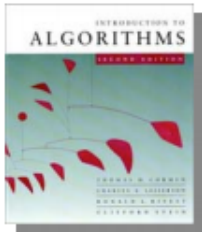
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O -notation is an *upper-bound* notation. It makes no sense to say $f(n)$ is at least $O(n^2)$.

$$\Omega(g(n)) = \{ f(n) : \text{there exist constants } c > 0, n_0 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 \leq cg(n) \leq f(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0 \}$$

EXAMPLE: $\sqrt{n} = \Omega(\lg n)$ ($c = 1, n_0 = 16$)

ASYMPTOTIC NOTATIONS



Θ -notation (tight bounds)

$$\Theta(g(n)) = O(g(n)) \cap \Omega(g(n))$$

IMPORTANT REVIEWS:

- The sum of consecutive integer numbers from i to n :

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

- Properties of:

Logarithms

$$\log_b(x \cdot y) = \log_b x + \log_b y$$

$$\log_b(x/y) = \log_b x - \log_b y$$

$$\log_b x^a = a \cdot \log_b x$$

$$\log_b a = \log_x a / \log_x b$$

Exponentials

$$a^{(b+c)} = a^b \cdot a^c$$

$$a^{b \cdot c} = (a^b)^c$$

$$a^b / a^c = a^{(b-c)}$$

$$b = a^{\log_a b}$$

$$b^c = a^{c \cdot \log_a b}$$

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Q. 1. a

What is the Big-O of the following methods?

```
public int example1 ( int A[] ) {  
    // compute sum of elements of A  
    int i, sum = 0;  
  
    for ( i=0; i < A.length; i++ ) {  
        sum += A[i];  
    }  
    return( sum );  
}
```

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Q. 1. b

```
public void example2 ( int A[], int B[] ) {  
    // store the prefix sums of A into B  
    int i,j, sum;  
  
    for( i=0; i < A.length; i++ ) {  
        sum = 0;  
        for( j=0; j <= i; j++ ) {  
            sum += A[j];  
        }  
        B[i] = sum;  
    }  
}
```

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Q. 1. c

```
public void example3 ( int A[], int B[] ) {  
    // store the prefix sums of A into B  
    int i,sum;  
  
    sum = 0;  
    for( i=0; i < A.length; i++ ) {  
        sum += A[i];  
        B[i] = sum;  
    }  
}
```

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Q. 1. d

```
public void example4 ( int A[], int B[] ) {  
    // store the prefix sums of prefix sums of A into B  
    int i,j,k,sum;  
  
    for( i=0; i < A.length; i++ ) {  
        sum = 0;  
        for( j=0; j <= i; j++ ) {  
            for( k=0; k <= j; k++ ) {  
                sum += A[k];  
            }  
        }  
        B[i] = sum;  
    }  
}
```

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Q. 1. e

Can *example4(A,B)* be re-written so that it runs faster? How much faster?

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Q. 2

Suppose each row of an $n \times n$ array A consists of 1's and 0's such that, in any row of A , all the 1's come before any of the 0's in that row. Assuming A is already in memory, describe a method running in $O(n)$ time (not $O(n^2)$ time) for finding the row of A that contains the most 1's.

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Q. 3

Given an n -element array X , Algorithm D calls Algorithm E on each element $X[i]$. Algorithm E runs in $O(i)$ time when it is called on element $X[i]$. What is the worst-case running time of algorithm D ?

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Q. 4

Describe a method for finding both the minimum and maximum of n numbers using fewer than $\frac{3n}{2}$ comparisons.

(Hint: First construct a group of candidate minimum and a group of candidate maximum.)

What is the time complexity?

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Q. 5

Bob built a website and gave the URL only to his n friends, which he numbered from 1 to n . He told friend number i that he/she can visit the website at most i times. Now Bob has a counter, C , Keeping track of the total number of visits to the site (but not the identities of who visits). What is the minimum value for C such that Bob should know that one of his friends has visited his/her maximum allowed number of times?

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Q. 6

Show that if $d(n)$ is $O(f(n))$, then $ad(n)$ is $O(f(n))$, for any constant $a > 0$.

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Q. 7

Show that if $d(n)$ is $O(f(n))$ and $e(n)$ is $O(g(n))$, then the product of $d(n)e(n)$ is $O(f(n)g(n))$.

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Q. 8

The number of operations executed by algorithm A and B is $40n^2$ and $2n^3$, respectively. Determine n_0 such that A is better than B for $n \geq n_0$.

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Q. 9

Show that 2^{n+1} is $O(2^n)$.

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Q. 10

Show that $n^2 + 2n + 1$ is $O(n^2)$.

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Q. 11

Prove that $\log_a(n)$ is in $O(\log_b(n))$.