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Algorithms - 1

INTRODUCTION



# Data Structures & Algorithms

## Algorithms

- (1) Introduction
- (2) Asymptotic Notation
- (3) Time complexity of loops
- (4) Time & Space complexity of Recursive algorithms
- (5) Methods to solve recurrence relations
- (6) Divide & Conquer Algorithms
- (7) Greedy Algorithms
- (8) Dynamic Programming
- (9) Graph Representation & Traversal
- (10) Sorting Algorithms

# Data Structures

- ① Arrays
- ② Linked Lists - Single LL, Double LL  
Circular LL
- ③ Stacks
- ④ Queues
- ⑤ Binary Trees
- ⑥ Binary Search Trees
- ⑦ Maps, Hash Tables, Sets
- ⑧ Graphs

Book :- Data Structures & Algorithms  
in Python

Goodrich, Tamassia, Goldwasser

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# Algorithm vs Program

## Algorithm

- Step by step procedure to solve a problem
- Abstract concept
- Language independent
- Non Implementable
  - you can't provide an algorithm to a computer & expect it to produce an O/P

## Program

- Same
- Concrete implementation of algorithm
- must be written in a programming language
  - C, C++, ... etc.
- Must be written in a programming language
  - Syntax, semantics has to be adhered

Syntax → how you write the code

```
print("Hello world!")
```

Semantics → Behaviour

O/P ⇒ Hello world!

## Algorithm Example

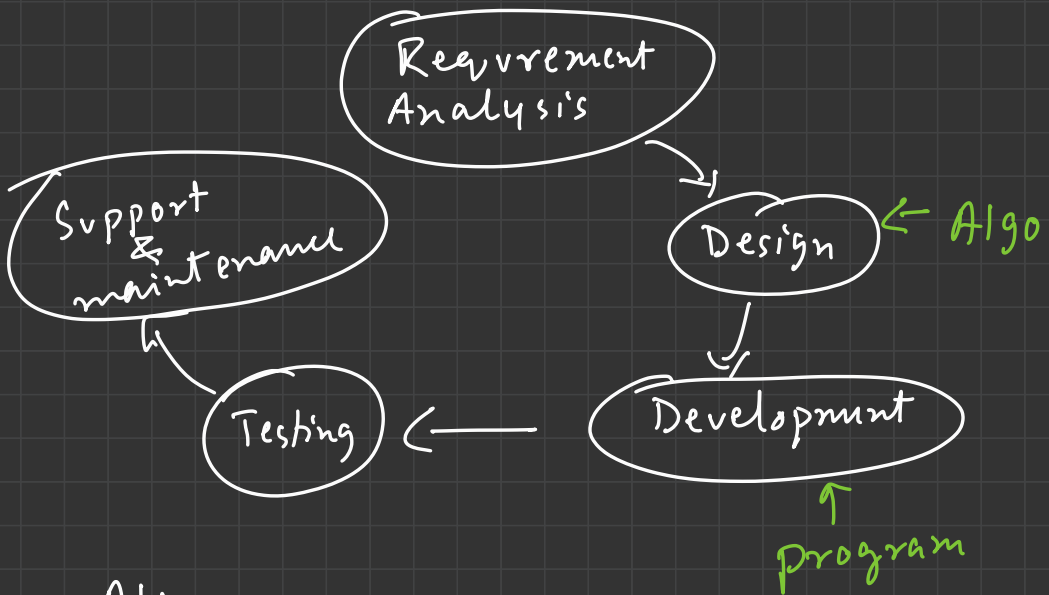
$$n! = n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times 1$$

- ①  $n$  = Take an I/P  
- should be an Integer  $\geq 0$   
 $n \in \mathbb{N}$
- ② if  $n == 0$   
    Return 1  
else  
    result = 1  
  
    for  $i = 1$  to  $n$   
    {  
        result = result \*  $i$   
    }  
  
    Return result

📌 Developed during  
Design phase

📌 Program  
developed during  
implementation  
phase

## SDLC Cycle



Algo : 2

no dependence on I/O

Algo : Analyzed Efficiency

- Time complexity
- Space " "

Prog : Depends on I/O

Prog : Tested

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## Characteristics of Algorithms

(1) I/P — 0 or more i/p

e.g:- 0 input

- generate a random number & o/p the result

e.g:- 2 inputs

i/p  $\Rightarrow$  num1, num2

sum = num1 + num2

return sum

(2) o/p  $\rightarrow$  algorithm must produce at least 1 output

- more than 1 o/p possible

e.g:-

(i) num = 2/p

(ii) Output : num<sup>2</sup> (print)

(iii) Output : num<sup>3</sup> (print)

(3) Finiteness — An algo must terminate in finite time.

e.g:-

```
i = 1  
result = 0  
while (i > 0)  
    do something.
```



infinite loop!  
No Termination

ex:-

```
i = 1  
while (i < 10)  
    do something  
    i++
```



#### (4) Definiteness

- must be clear / unambiguous
- each & every step: must be precise

ex:-  $a, b \in \mathbb{I/P}$

?  $\rightarrow$  perform some operation on  $a$  &  $b$   
o/p the result

#### (5) Effectiveness

- less time
  - less memory
- should take ] to execute



Ex:-

Not Effective

# Sum of  $N$  natural numbers

def func( $n$ ):

$sum = 0$

loop [ for  $i$  in range( $1, n+1$ ):  
             $sum += i$       ---  $O(n)$   
    return  $sum$

Effective

def func( $n$ ):

    return  $\frac{n \times (n+1)}{2}$       ---  $O(1)$

$O(n) > O(1)$

\* We will define Time complexity shortly.

Summary

(1) I/P - 0 or more

(2) O/P - at least 1

(3) Finiteness - must terminate in finite time

(4) Definiteness - clear & unambiguous

(5) Effectiveness - less time, less memory & space

## Ex - For you

1. Start
2. I/P =  $a, b$
3. check  $a, b$  are numbers
4. Perform some operation of your choice
5. Stop

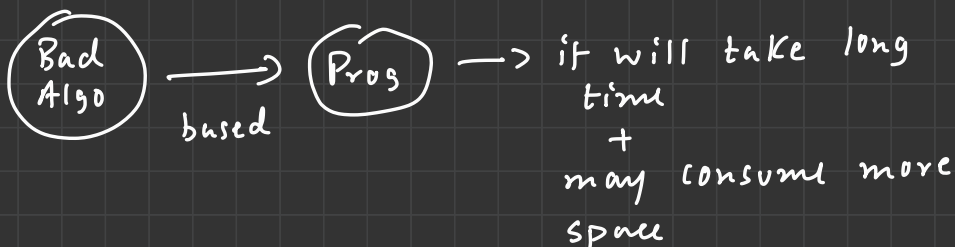
Identify missing characteristics

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## Significance of Algorithms

\* Bad Algo  $\begin{cases} \rightarrow \text{takes longer time} \\ \rightarrow \text{consumes more memory} \end{cases}$



ex:- calculate the sum of the first  $10^{12}$  natural numbers.

```
def sum_nos(n):
```

```
    sum = 0    - - - 1
```

```
    for i in range(1,  $10^{12}+1$ ):
```

```
        sum += i
```

```
    return sum
```

BAD ALGO

How many number of instructions?

$$1 + 10^{12} \times 2 + 1 \approx 10^{12} \times 2 = 2000 \text{ Billion}$$

Let 100 million instructions = 1 sec

$$2K \text{ Billion} \quad \quad \quad = \frac{2K \times 1000}{100}$$

$$\approx 20K \text{ secs}$$

$$\approx \underline{\underline{5.56 \text{ hours}}}$$

How to improve the Algorithm?

def sum\_nos:

1 op  $\rightarrow n = 10^{12}$   $\downarrow$  1  $\nwarrow$  1  
return  $\frac{n \times (n+1)}{2}$

GOOD ALGO

$n = 10^{12}$  — 1 instructions

$n+1 = 1 \text{ op} \rightarrow$  add

$n \times (n+1) = 1 \text{ op} \rightarrow$  multiply

$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 1 \text{ op} \rightarrow$  division

Total = 4 instructions

Time taken =  $\frac{4}{100 \text{ million}} = 4 \text{ nano secs.}$

5.56 hrs  $\rightarrow$  4 nano seconds

That's the improvement

Note:-

This is why analysis of Algorithm is needed

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## Decidable vs Undecidable Problem

### Topics

- Decidable problems
- Undecidable problem
- Polynomial & Exponential time

What is a decidable problem?

- The problem for which an efficient algorithm exists is a decidable problem.

Bad  
Algo

5.56 hrs

Good  
Algo

4 ms

context of decidable  
problem: This is  
efficient

Both of them  
are decidable

\* An efficient algorithm takes  $\leq$  Polynomial time to execute

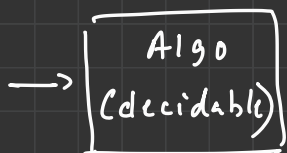
$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Let say

$$f(n) = 2n^2 + n + 1$$

$n$  = size of the i/p.

Finite  
I/P



Terminates in  
polynomial  
time or less

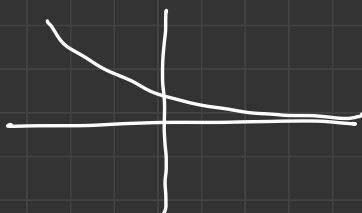
Undecidable

- No Efficient Algo exists
- Takes exponential time → can't decide outcome in a specific time frame.

$$f(x) = a^x$$

$$a > 1$$

$$0 < a < 1$$



Domain =  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range =  $(0, \infty)$

Size  
of I/P →

$n$   
1  
2  
3  
4  
⋮  
10  
15

$2^n$   
2  
4  
8  
16  
⋮  
1024  
32768

$n$   
20  
⋮  
100

$2^n$   
1048576

incomprehensible  
no.

Finite  
i/p  $\rightarrow$

Algo  
(undecidable)

$\rightarrow$  Terminates in exponential  
time but it's  
unbearable

## Difference

### Polynomial

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

#### (a) Linear Polynomial

$$f(x) = 3x + 7$$

#### (b) Quadratic Polynomial

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$$

#### (c) Cubic Polynomial

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 4x + 1$$

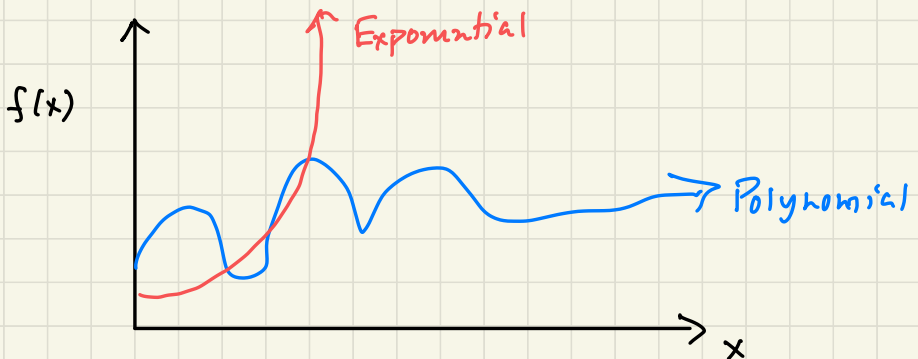
#### (d) Constant

$$f(x) = 5$$

### Exponential

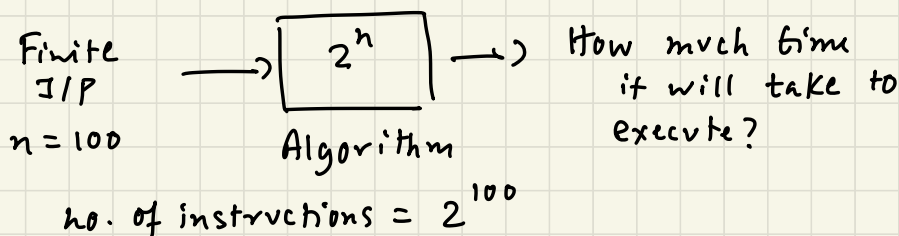
$$f(x) = a^x$$

$a > 1$



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## The Nature of Undecidable Problems



### Fastest computer

1 sec  $\rightarrow 2^{20}$  instructions

In 1 yr :  $2^{20} \times 60 \times 60 \times 24 \times 365$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$

$2^{20} \times 2^6 \times 2^6 \times 2^5 \times 2^8 \approx 2^{45}$  instructions per yr.

$2^{45}$  instructions = 1 yr.

$\Rightarrow 2^{100} \text{ " } = \frac{2^{100}}{2^{45}} \text{ yrs} = 2^{55} \text{ yrs}$

- Age of Universe = 14 billion.
- $2^{55}$  yrs = 36K billion yrs.

### Conclusion

- For  $n=100 \rightarrow$  comprehensible size of I/P.
- Algo takes =  $2^{55}$  yrs

\* Inefficient

\* Undecidable problem.



Posteriori & Priori AnalysisTopics

- Introduction to analysis of Algorithms
- Priori vs Posteriori Analysis

## Intro - Analysis of Algorithms

- Study of performance of Algorithms

Based on

- Time
- memory space consumption

12 1  
1 2 2  
1 2 2



- Algorithm takes least - -> That algo is preferred  
- time, memory

Two ways to analyze an algorithm

1. Priori analysis
2. Posteriori "

DIFFERENCEPriori

- Estimate the
  - Time
  - memory
 before executing it on system.
- "rough estimation" computation

Posteriori

- Calculating the time & memory space required by an algorithm after executing it on the system

## Priori

- Independent of the programming language

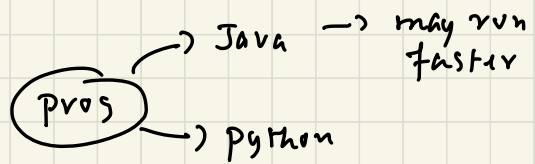
- No H/W dependence



we will follow this

## Posteriori

- Dependent on programming language



\* choice of programming language  $\Rightarrow$  important

- H/W dependent

Pentium processor  $\rightarrow$  slow

i7  $\rightarrow$  fast