

#Big O Cheat Sheet:

-Big Os-

O(1) Constant- no loops

O(log N) Logarithmic- usually searching algorithms have log n if they are sorted (Binary Search)

O(n) Linear- for loops, while loops through n items

O(n log(n)) Log Linear- usually sorting operations

O(n²) Quadratic- every element in a collection needs to be compared to every other element. Two nested loops

O(2ⁿ) Exponential- recursive algorithms that solve a problem of size N

O(n!) Factorial- you are adding a loop for every element

Iterating through half a collection is still O(n)

Two separate collections: O(a * b)

-What can cause time in a function?-

Operations (+, -, *, /)

Comparisons (<, >, ==)

Looping (for, while)

Outside Function call (function())

-Rule Book-

Rule 1: Always worst Case

Rule 2: Remove Constants

Rule 3: Different inputs should have different variables. O(a+b). A and B arrays nested would be O(a*b)

+ for steps in order

* for nested steps

Rule 4: Drop Non-dominant terms

-What causes Space complexity?-

Variables

Data Structures

Function Call

Allocations
