# Algorithm Analysis

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- Judging the Efficiency/Speed of an Algorithm
  - Thus far, we've looked at a few different algorithms:
    - Max # of 1's
    - Linear Search vs Binary Search
    - Sorted List Matching Problem
    - and others
  - But we haven't really examined them, in detail, regarding their efficiency or speed

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- Judging the Efficiency/Speed of an Algorithm
  - We will use Order Notation to approximate two things about algorithms:
  - 1) How much time they take
  - 2) How much memory (space) they use
  - Note:
    - It is nearly impossible to figure out the exact amount of time an algorithm will take
    - Each algorithm gets translated into smaller and smaller machine instructions
    - Each of these instructions take various amounts of time to execute on different computers

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  - Note:
    - Also, we want to judge algorithms independent of their implementation
    - Thus, rather than figure out an algorithm's exact running time
      - We only want an approximation (Big-O approximation)
    - Assumptions: we assume that each statement and each comparison in C takes some constant amount of time
    - Also, most algorithms have some type of input
      - With sorting, for example, the size of the input (typically referred to as n) is the number of numbers to be sorted
      - Time and space used by an algorithm function of the input

- What is Big O?
  - Big O comes from Big-O Notation
    - In C.S., we want to know how efficient an algorithm is...how "fast" it is
    - More specifically...we want to know <u>how the</u> <u>performance of an algorithm responds to changes</u> <u>in problem size</u>

- What is Big O?
  - The goal is to provide a <u>qualitative</u> insight on the # of operations for a problem size of n elements.
  - And this total # of operations can be described with a mathematical expression in terms of n.
    - This expression is known as Big-O
  - The <u>Big-O</u> notation is a <u>way of measuring the</u> order of magnitude of a mathematical expression.
  - O(n) means "of the order of n"

- Consider the expression:
  - $f(n) = 4n^2 + 3n + 10$
  - How fast is this "growing"?
    - There are three terms:
      - the 4n<sup>2</sup>, the 3n, and the 10
    - As n gets bigger, which term makes it get larger fastest?
      - Let's look at some values of n and see what happens?

n	4n <sup>2</sup>	3n	10
1	4	3	10
10	400	30	10
100	40,000	300	10
1000	4,000,000	3,000	10
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      - As n gets larger and larger, the 4n<sup>2</sup> term DOMINATES the resulting answer
      - f(1,000,000) = 4,000,003,000,010
  - The idea of behind Big-O is to reduce the expression so that it captures the qualitative behavior in the simplest terms.

- Consider the expression:  $f(n) = 4n^2 + 3n + 10$ 
  - How fast is this "growing"?
    - Look at VERY large values of n
      - <u>eliminate</u> any term <u>whose contribution</u> to the total <u>ceases to be</u> <u>significant as n get larger and larger</u>
      - of course, this <u>also includes constants</u>, as they little to no effect with larger values of n
        - Including constant factors (coefficients)
      - So we ignore the constant 10
      - And we can also ignore the 3n
      - Finally, we can eliminate the constant factor, 4, in front of n<sup>2</sup>
    - We can approximate the order of this function, f(n), as n<sup>2</sup>
    - We can say, O(4n² + 3n + 10) = O(n²)
      - In conclusion, we say that f(n) takes O(n²) steps to execute

- Some basic examples:
  - What is the Big-O of the following functions:
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    - Till now, we have one function:
      - $f(n) = 4n^2 + 3n + 10$
    - Let us <u>make a second function</u>, g(n)
      - It's just a letter right? We could have called it r(n) or x(n)
        - Don't get scared about this
    - Now, <u>let g(n) equal n²</u>
      - $g(n) = n^2$
    - So now we have two functions: f(n) and g(n)
      - We said (above) that  $O(4n^2 + 3n + 10) = O(n^2)$
    - Similarly, we can say that the order of f(n) is O[g(n)].

- Definition:
  - f(n) is O[g(n)] if there exists positive integers c and N, such that  $\underline{f(n)} <= c*\underline{g(n)}$  for all n>=N.
    - Think about the two functions we just had:
      - $f(n) = 4n^2 + 3n + 10$ , and  $g(n) = n^2$
      - We agreed that  $O(4n^2 + 3n + 10) = O(n^2)$
      - Which means we agreed that the order of f(n) is O(g(n)
    - That's all this definition says!!!
    - f(n) is big-O of g(n), if there is a c,
      - (c is a constant)
    - such that f(n) is not larger than c\*g(n) for sufficiently large values of n (greater than N)

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    - So given the two functions above, <u>does there exist</u> some <u>constant</u>, <u>c</u>, that would make the following statement true?
    - f(n) <= c\*g(n)
    - $-4n^2 + 3n + 10 <= c*n^2$
    - If there does exist this c, then f(n) is O(g(n))
  - Let's go see if we can come up with the constant, c

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    - Find the c such that 4n² + 3n + 10 <= c\*n²</p>
    - Clearly, c cannot be 4 or less
      - Cause even if it was 4, we would have:
        - $4n^2 + 3n + 10 \le 4n^2$
        - This is <u>NEVER true for any positive value of n!</u>
      - So <u>c must be greater than 4</u>
    - Let us try with c being equal to 5
      - 4n<sup>2</sup> + 3n + 10 <= 5n<sup>2</sup>

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But now let's try larger values of n.

For n = 1 through 4, this statement is NOT true

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      - So when n = 5, the statement finally becomes true
      - And when n > 5, it remains true!
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  - Therefore, f(n) is O(g(n)) per our definition!
  - Why?
  - Because there exists positive integers, c and N,
    - Just so happens in this case that c = 5 and N = 5
  - such that f(n) <= c\*g(n).</p>

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    - What we can gather is that:
    - c\*g(n) is an <u>upper bound</u> on the value of f(n).
      - It represents the worst possible scenario of running time.
    - The number of operations is, at worst, proportional to g(n) for all <u>large values</u> of n.

- Summing up the basic properties for determining the order of a function:
  - If you've got multiple functions added together, the fastest growing one determines the order
  - 2) Multiplicative constants don't affect the order
  - 3) If you've got multiple functions multiplied together, the overall order is their individual orders multiplied together

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  - Use big-O notation to analyze the time complexity of the following fragment of C code:

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    - In Big-O terms, we can express the number of operations as O(n²)

Common orders (listed from slowest to fastest growth)
None

Function	Name
1	Constant
log n	Logarithmic
n	Linear
n log n	Poly-log
$n^2$	Quadratic
$n^3$	Cubic
2 <sup>n</sup>	Exponential
n!	Factorial

- O(1) or "Order One": Constant time
  - does not mean that it takes only one operation
  - does mean that the work doesn't change as n changes
  - is a notation for "constant work"
  - An example would be finding the smallest element in a sorted array
    - There's nothing to search for here
    - The smallest element is always at the beginning of a sorted array
    - So this would take O(1) time

- O(n) or "Order n": Linear time
  - does not mean that it takes n operations
    - maybe it takes 3\*n operations, or perhaps 7\*n operations
  - does mean that the work changes in a way that is proportional to n
  - Example:
    - If the input size doubles, the running time also doubles
  - is a notation for "work grows at a linear rate"
  - You usually can't really do a lot better than this for most problems we deal with
    - After all, you need to at least examine all the data right?

- O(n²) or "Order n² ": Quadratic time
  - If input size doubles, running time increases by a factor of 4
- O(n³) or "Order n³ ": Cubic time
  - If input size doubles, running time increases by a factor of 8
- O(n<sup>k</sup>): Other polynomial time
  - Should really try to avoid high order polynomial running times
    - However, it is considered good from a theoretical standpoint

- O(2<sup>n</sup>) or "Order 2<sup>n</sup>": Exponential time
  - more <u>theoretical</u> rather than practical interest because they cannot reasonably run on typical computers for even for moderate values of n.
  - Input sizes bigger than 40 or 50 become unmanageable
    - Even on faster computers
- O(n!): even worse than exponential!
  - Input sizes bigger than 10 will take a long time

#### O(n logn):

- Only slightly worse than O(n) time
  - And O(n logn) will be much less than O(n²)
  - This is the running time for the better sorting algorithms we will go over (later)
- O(log n) or "Order log n": Logarithmic time
  - If input size doubles, running time increases ONLY by a constant amount
  - any algorithm that halves the data remaining to be processed on each iteration of a loop will be an O(log n) algorithm.

- Practical Problems that can be solved utilizing order notation:
  - Example:
    - You are told that algorithm A runs in O(n) time
    - You are also told the following:
      - For an input size of 10
      - The algorithm runs in <u>2 milliseconds</u>
    - As a result, you can expect that for an input size of 500, the algorithm would run in 100 milliseconds!
      - Notice the input size jumped by a multiple of 50
        - From 10 to 500
      - Therefore, given a O(n) algorithm, the <u>running time should</u> also jump by a multiple of 50, <u>which it does!</u>

- Practical Problems that can be solved utilizing order notation:
  - General process of solving these problems:
    - We know that <u>Big-O is NOT exact</u>
      - It's an upper bound on the actual running time
    - So when we say that an <u>algorithm runs in O(f(n)) time</u>,
    - Assume the EXACT running time is c\*f(n)
      - where c is some constant
    - Using this assumption,
      - we can use the information in the problem to solve for c
      - Then we can <u>use this c to answer the question</u> being asked
    - Examples will clarify...

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  - Example 1: Algorithm A runs in O(n²) time
    - For an input size of 4, the running time is 10 milliseconds
    - How long will it take to run on an input size of 16?
    - Let  $T(n) = c*n^2$ 
      - T(n) refers to the running time (of algorithm A) on input size n
      - Now, plug in the given data, and find the value for c!
    - $T(4) = c^4 + 4^2 = 10$  milliseconds
      - Therefore, **c** = **10/16** milliseconds
    - Now, answer the question by using c and solving T(16)
    - **T(16)** =  $c*16^2$  =  $(10/16)*16^2$  = 160 milliseconds

- Practical Problems that can be solved utilizing order notation:
  - Example 2: Algorithm A runs in O(log<sub>2</sub>n) time
    - For an input size of 16, the running time is 28 milliseconds
    - How long will it take to run on an input size of 64?
    - Let  $T(n) = c*log_2n$ 
      - Now, plug in the given data, and find the value for c!
    - $T(16) = c*log_2 16 = 10 \text{ milliseconds}$ 
      - c\*4 = 28 milliseconds
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    - **T(64)** =  $c*log_264 = 7*log_264 = 7*6 = 42$  milliseconds

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## **Big-O Notation**

- What is Big O?
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- Examples of Analyzing Code:
  - We now go over many examples of code fragments
  - Each of these functions will be analyzed for their runtime in terms of the variable n
  - Utilizing the idea of Big-O,
    - determine the Big-O running time of each

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        for (j = 1; j <= n; j++) {
            x++;
        }
    }
    return x;
}</pre>
```

#### Example 2:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - We care about the total number of REPETITIVE operations
  - We have two loops
    - AND they are NESTED loops
  - The outer loop runs n times
    - From i = 1 up through n
    - How many operations are performed at each iteration?
      - Answer is coming...
  - The inner loop runs n times
    - From j = 1 up through n
    - And only one operation (x++) is performed at each iteration

#### Example 2:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - Let's look at a couple of iterations of the OUTER loop:
    - When i = 1, what happens?
      - The inner loop runs n times
      - Resulting in n operations from the inner loop
    - Then, i gets incremented and it becomes equal to 2
    - When i = 2, what happens?
      - Again, the inner loop runs n times
      - Again resulting in n operations from the inner loop
  - We notice the following:
    - For EACH iteration of the OUTER loop,
    - The INNER loop runs n times
      - Resulting in n operations

#### Example 2:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - And how many times does the outer loop run?
    - n times
  - So the outer loop runs n times
  - And for each of those n times, the inner loop also runs n times
    - Resulting in n operations
  - So we have n operations per iteration of OUTER loop
  - And outer loop runs n times
  - Finally, we have n\*n as the number of operations
  - We approximate the running time as O(n²)

- Example 3:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:

#### Example 3:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - We care about the total number of REPETITIVE operations
  - We have two loops
    - They are NOT nested loops
  - The first loop runs n times
    - From i = 1 up through n
    - only one operation (x++) is performed at each iteration
  - How many times does the second loop run?
    - Notice that i is indeed reset to 1 at the beginning of the loop
    - Thus, the second loop runs n times, from i = 1 up through n
    - And only one operation (x++) is performed at each iteration

#### Example 3:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - Again, the loops are NOT nested
  - So they execute sequentially (one after the other)
- Therefore:
  - Our total runtime is on the order of n+n
  - Which of course equals 2n
- Now, in Big O notation
  - We approximate the running time as O(n)

- Example 4:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:

#### Example 4:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - We have one while loop
    - You can't just look at this loop and say it iterates n times or n/2 times
    - Rather, it continues to execute as long as n is greater than 0
    - The question is: <u>how many iterations will that be?</u>
  - Within the while loop
    - The last line of code divides the input, n, by 2
    - So n is halved at each iteration of the while loop
  - If you remember, we said this ends up running in log n time
  - Now let's look at how this works

#### Example 4:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - For the ease of the analysis, we make a new variable
    - originalN:
      - originalN refers to the value originally stored in the input, n
      - So if n started at 100, originalN will be equal to 100
  - The first time through the loop
    - n gets set to originalN/2
      - If the original n was 100, after one iteration n would be 100/2
  - The second time through the loop
    - n gets set to originalN/4
  - The third time through the loop
    - n gets set to originalN/8

#### **Notice:**

After **three** iterations, n gets set to originalN/2<sup>3</sup>

#### Example 4:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - In general, after k iterations
    - n gets set to originalN/2<sup>k</sup>
  - The algorithm ends when originalN/2<sup>k</sup> = 1, approximately
  - We now solve for k
  - Why?
    - Because we want to find the total # of iterations
  - Multiplying both sides by  $2^k$ , we get originalN =  $2^k$
  - Now, using the definition of logs, we solve for k
    - k = log originalN
  - So we approximate the running time as O(log n)

- Example 5:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:

#### Example 5:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - At first glance, we see two NESTED loops
  - This can often indicate an O(n²) algorithm
    - But we need to look closer to confirm
  - Focus on what's going on with i and j

- Example 5:
  - So look at what's going on in the code:
    - Focus on what's going on with i and j
      - i and j clearly increase (from the j++ and i++)
      - BUT, they never decrease
      - AND, neither ever gets reset to 0

#### Example 5:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - And the OUTER while loop ends once i gets to n
  - So, what does this mean?
    - The statement i++ can never run more than n times
    - And the statement j++ can never run more than n times

#### Example 5:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - The MOST number of times these two statements can run (combined) is 2n times
  - So we approximate the running time as O(n)

- Example 6:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
    - What's the one big difference here???

- Example 6:
  - So look at what's going on in the code:
    - The difference is that we RESET j to 0 a the beginning of the OUTER while loop

#### Example 6:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - The difference is that we RESET j to 0 a the beginning of the OUTER while loop
  - How does that change things?
    - Now j can iterate from 0 to n for EACH iteration of the OUTER while loop
      - For each value of i
    - This is similar to the 2<sup>nd</sup> example shown
  - So we approximate the running time as O(n²)

- Example 7:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:

#### Example 7:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - First notice that the runtime here is NOT in terms of n
  - It will be in terms of sizeA and sizeB
  - And this is also just like Example 2
  - The outer loop runs sizeA times
  - For EACH of those times,
    - The inner loop runs sizeB times
  - So this algorithm runs sizeA\*sizeB times
  - We approximate the running time as O(sizeA\*sizeB)

- Example 8:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:

#### Example 8:

- So look at what's going on in the code:
  - Note: we see that we are calling the function binSearch
  - As discussed previously, a single binary search runs in O(log n) time
    - where n represents the number of items within which you are searching
- Examining the for loop:
  - The for loop will execute sizeA times
  - For EACH iteration of this loop
    - a binary search will be run
  - We approximate the running time as O(sizeA\*log(sizeB))

## And More Algorithm Analysis

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- Examples of Analyzing Code:
  - Last time we went over examples of analyzing code
    - We did this in a somewhat naïve manner
      - Just analyzed the code and tried to "trace" what was going on
  - This Lecture:
    - We will do this in a more structured fashion
    - We mentioned that summations are a tool for you to help coming up with a running time of iterative algorithms
    - Today we will look at some of those same code fragments, as well as others, and show you how to use summations to find the Big-O running time

#### Example 1:

- Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
  - We have two for loops
  - They are NOT nested
    - The first runs from k = 1 up to (and including) n/2
    - The second runs from j = 1 up to (and including) n<sup>2</sup>

```
for (k = 1; k <= n/2; k++) {
    sum = sum + 5;
}
for (j = 1; j <= n*n; j++) {
    delta = delta + 1;
}</pre>
```

### Example 1:

- Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
  - Here's how we can express the number of operations in the form of a summation:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n/2} 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n^2} 1$$

The constant value, 1, inside each summation refers to the one, and only, operation in each for loop.

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for (k = 1; k <= n/2; k++) {
    sum = sum + 5;
}
for (j = 1; j <= n*n; j++) {
    delta = delta + 1;
}</pre>
```

Now you simply solve the summation!

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 You use the formula: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^n k = k * n$$
 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{n/2} 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n^2} 1 = \frac{n}{2} + n^2$$

- This is a <u>CLOSED FORM</u> solution of the summation
- So we approximate the running time as O(n²)

- Example 2:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
    - Here we again have two for loops
    - But this time they are nested

```
int func2(int n) {
    int i, j, x = 0;
    for (i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
        for (j = 1; j <= n; j++) {
            x++;
        }
    }
    return x;
}</pre>
```

### Example 2:

- Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
  - Here we again have two for loops
  - But this time they are nested
    - The outer loop runs from i = 1 up to (and including) n
    - The inner loop runs from j = 1 up to (and including) n
  - The sole (only) operation is a "x++" within the inner loop

### Example 2:

- Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
  - We express the number of operations in the form of a summation and then we solve that summation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} 1$$
 You use the formula: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} k = k * n$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} 1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} n = n^{2}$$

All we did is apply the above formula twice.

- This is a <u>CLOSED FORM</u> solution of the summation
- So we approximate the running time as O(n²)

- Example 3:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
    - Here we again have two for loops
    - And they are nested. So is this O(n²)?

```
int func3(int n) {
    sum = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        for (j = 0; j < n * n; j++) {
            sum++;
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

- Example 3:
  - Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
    - Here we again have two for loops
    - And they are nested. So is this O(n²)?
      - The outer loop runs from i = 0 up to (and not including) n
      - The inner loop runs from j = 0 up to (and not including)  $n^2$
    - The sole (only) operation is a "sum++" within the inner loop

### Example 3:

- Determine the Big O running time of the following code fragment:
  - We express the number of operations in the form of a summation and then we solve that summation:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n^2-1} 1$$
 You use the formula: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^n k = k * n$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n^2-1} 1 = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} n^2 = n^2 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 1 = n^3$$
 All we did is apply the above formula twice.

- This is a **CLOSED FORM** solution of the summation
- So we approximate the running time as O(n³)

#### Example 4:

- Write a summation that describes the <u>number of</u> <u>multiplication operations</u> in this code fragment:
  - Here we again have two for loops
  - Pay attention to the limits (bounds) of the for loop

```
int func3(int n) {
    bigNumber = 0;
    for (i = 100; i <= 2n; i++) {
            for (j = 1; j < n * n; j++) {
                bigNumber += i*n + j*n;
            }
    }
}</pre>
```

### Example 4:

- Write a summation that describes the <u>number of</u> <u>multiplication operations</u> in this code fragment:
  - Here we again have two for loops
  - Pay attention to the limits (bounds) of the for loop
    - The outer loop runs from i = 100 up to (and including) 2n
    - The inner loop runs from j = 1 up to (and not including)  $n^2$
  - Now examine the number of multiplications
    - Because this problem specifically said to "describe the number of multiplication operations, we do not care about ANY of the other operations
    - bigNumber += i\*n + j\*n;
    - There are TWO multiplication operations in this statement

#### Example 4:

- Write a summation that describes the <u>number of</u> <u>multiplication operations</u> in this code fragment:
  - We express the number of multiplications in the form of a summation and then we solve that summation:

$$\sum_{i=100}^{2n} \sum_{j=1}^{n^2-1} 2^{-1}$$

$$\sum_{i=100}^{2n} \sum_{j=1}^{n^2-1} 2 = \sum_{i=100}^{2n} 2(n^2-1) = 2(n^2-1) \sum_{i=100}^{2n} 1 = 2(n^2-1)(2n-99)$$

- This is a <u>CLOSED FORM</u> solution of the summation
- Shows the number of multiplications