

# Assignment 3

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3.8 Order the following functions by asymptotic growth rate.

Ranging from most efficient to least:

$2^{10}$ ,  $2^{\log n}$ ,  $4n$ ,  $3n + 100\log n$ ,  $4n \log n$ ,  $4n$ ,  $n \log n$ ,  $4n \log n + 2n$ ,  $n^2 + 10n$ ,  $n^3$ ,  $2^n$

3.19 Show that  $n$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .

$f(n) \leq c g(n)$	
$n \leq c n \log n$	
$n \leq c n \log n$	let $c = 3$ & $n = 2$
$\Rightarrow 2 \leq 3(2 \log 2)$	$2 \log_2 2 = 2 \times 1$
$\Rightarrow 2 \leq 3(2)$	

Therefore,  $n$  is  $O(n \log n)$ .

3.20 Show that  $n^2$  is  $\Omega(n \log n)$ .

$f(n) \geq c g(n)$ , for $n \geq n_0$	let $c = 1$ & $n = 2$
$n^2 \geq c(n \log n)$	$2 \log_2 2 = 2 \times 1$
$\Rightarrow 2^2 \geq 1(2 \times \log 2)$	$2 \log_2 2 = 2 \times 1$
$\Rightarrow 4 \geq 1(2 \times 1)$	
$\Rightarrow 4 \geq 2$	

Therefore,  $n^2$  is  $\Omega(n \log n)$ .

3.24 Give a big-Oh characterization, in terms of  $n$ , of the running time of the example2 function shown in Code Fragment 3.10.

```
9 def example2(S):
10     """Return the sum of the elements with even index in sequence S."""
11     n = len(S)
12     total = 0
13     for j in range(0, n, 2):          # note the increment of 2
14         total += S[j]
15     return total
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line 12	$n$
line 13	$n$
line 14	$1$
line 15	$1$

$n + n + 1 + 1$  is  $O(n)$  characterization.

3.25 Give a big-Oh characterization, in terms of  $n$ , of the running time of the example3 function shown in Code Fragment 10.

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17 def example3(S):
18     """Return the sum of the prefix sums of sequence S."""
19     n = len(S)
20     total = 0
21     for j in range(n):          # loop from 0 to n-1
22         for k in range(1+j):    # loop from 0 to j
23             total += S[k]
24     return total

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line 20	$n$
line 21	$n$
line 22	$n^2$
line 23	1
line 24	1

$n + n + n^2 + 1 + 1$  is  $O(n^2)$  characterization.

3.27 Give a big-Oh characterization, in terms of  $n$ , of the running time of the example5 function shown in Code Fragment 10.

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36 def example5(A, B):          # assume that A and B have equal length
37     """Return the number of elements in B equal to the sum of prefix sums in A."""
38     n = len(A)
39     count = 0
40     for i in range(n):        # loop from 0 to n-1
41         total = 0
42         for j in range(n):    # loop from 0 to n-1
43             for k in range(1+j): # loop from 0 to j
44                 total += A[k]
45             if B[i] == total:
46                 count += 1
47     return count

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The three nested loops would be  $O(n^3)$  characterization.

3.33

Al:  $O(n \log n)$  faster for  $n \geq 100$

Bob:  $O(n^2)$  faster for  $n < 100$

This is possible because Al's  $n \log n$  function will begin at a higher  $y$  intercept when the  $y$  axis is featuring the constant ( $c$ ) value. As  $n$ , the number of inputs, increases (on the  $x$  axis) the Bob's exponential function will grow at a much larger rate than Al's. Therefore, until the threshold of  $n = 100$  is passed, Al's algorithm will be slower.