

# Algorithm Analysis Framework

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→ Random access machine (RAM) is a model of Computation where instructions are executed one after another with no Concurrent operations.

- RAM model contain instructions commonly found in real Computers : arithmetic (add, subtract, multiply, divide, remainder, floor, ceiling), data movement (load, store, copy) and Control (conditional, on conditional branch, subroutine call and return)
- Each instruction takes a constant amount of time.

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→ There are two kind of efficiency (complexity)

## ① Space Complexity

- It is the amount of memory it needs to run to completion ie from start of execution to its termination.

- Space needed by any algorithm is the sum of following components

### 1) Fixed Component

this is independent of the characteristic of the inputs and outputs. It includes instruction space, space of simple variables, fixed size component variables and constant variables.

### 2) Variable Component

- This consist of the space needed by component variables whose size is dependant on the particular problem instances (I/O) being solved, the space needed by reference variables and the recursion stack space.

- Data Structure Components like linked list, heap, trees graphs.

$$\text{Space}(A) = \text{Fixed Components}(A) + \text{Variable Components}(A)$$

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## (2) Time Complexity

- It is the amount of computer time it needs to run to completion.
- Time Taken by a program is the sum of the compile time and the run/execution time.
- the compile time does not depend on the instances characteristics.

### → Input Size

- One of the instance characteristics for run time complexity of an algorithm is input size.
- longer input size make algorithm to run longer time.
- the input size for the problem of summing an array with 'n' elements is  $n+1$  (n for listing the 'n' elements and 1 for 'n' value).

### → Unit of measuring running time

- The drawback of using time (second, millisecond) as a standard unit.
  - Speed of Computer
  - Quality of program implementing the algorithm
  - Compiler used in generating machine code.
  - Difficult in clocking the actual running time of an algo.
- So have to look for metric that does not depend on these extraneous factor.
- Identify the most important operation (Basic operation) of algorithm.



- Basic operation is nothing but Core operation, generally resides in inner loop.

eg - in Sorting algo.

- Comparing the elements.
- Placing them in appropriate position.

## → Worst-Case, Best Case, and Average Case Efficiencies

→ Worst Case efficiency of an algorithm is its efficiency for worst case input of size  $n$ .

- Algo runs the longest among all possible input of that size.
- It provides very important information about an algorithm's efficiency by bounding its running time from above.

→ Best Case efficiency of an algorithm is its efficiency for Best Case input of size  $n$ .

- Algorithm runs the fastest among all possible inputs of that size.

- Best Case does not mean the smallest input, it means the input of size  $n$  for which the algorithm runs the fastest.

- eg for Sorting algo (already sorted array) (Bounding from below mean lower bound)

→ Average Case

- Take all possible inputs and calculate computing time for all of the inputs

- Sum all the calculated values and divide the sum by

total no of inputs.

- eg linear search.

- Must know (predict) the mathematical distribution of all possible inputs.



Graphical Representation

### Analysis of Algorithms

- 1- measuring time complexity
- 2- measuring space complexity
- 3- measuring input size
- 4- measuring running time.
- 5- Computing best case, worst case, average case efficiency.
- 6- Computing order of growth of algorithms.