

Analysis and Design of Algorithms

Chapter 2: Fundamentals of the Analysis of Algorithm Efficiency



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Fundamentals of the Analysis of Algorithm Efficiency

- 1. Algorithm analysis framework (分析框架)**
- 2. Asymptotic notations (渐近符号)**
- 3. Analysis of non-recursive algorithms**
- 4. Analysis of recursive algorithms**

Since there are often many possible algorithms or programs that compute the same results, we would like to use the one that is fastest.

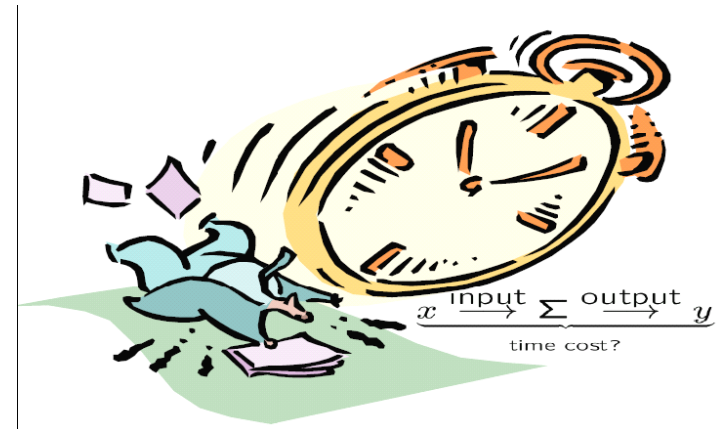
- How do we decide how fast an algorithm is?
- We also want to ignore machine dependent factors.
- We are only interested in how fast an algorithm runs on large inputs.

Analysis of Algorithms

- **Analysis of algorithms means to investigate an algorithm's efficiency with respect to resources: *running time* and *memory space*.**
- ✦ with respect to **input size**, **input type**, and **algorithm function**

$$C = F(N, I, A)$$

- ✦ Time efficiency $T(N, I)$:
how fast an algorithm runs.
- ✦ Space efficiency $S(N, I)$:
the space an algorithm requires.



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■ **Analysis Framework**

- ① Measuring an input's size
- ② Units for measuring running time
- ③ Orders of growth (of the algorithm's efficiency function)
- ④ Worst-base, best-case and average-case efficiency

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■ *Measuring an Input Size*

- ✦ *Efficiency is defined as a function of input size. (Typically, algorithms run longer as the size of its input increases.)*
- ✦ *Choose which parameter:*
 - 排序、查找、寻找列表最小元素：列表的长度
 - n 次多项式：多项式的次数（or 系数个数）
 - 矩阵：矩阵阶数、矩阵元素的个数
- ✦ *Input size depends on the problem.*
 - 拼音检查：独立字符、词
 - 数字：二进制表中的位数
- ✦ *We are interested in **how efficiency scales with the input size.***

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■ **Units for Measuring Running Time**

- ✦ *Should we measure the running time using standard unit of time measurements, such as seconds, minutes?*
 - ➔ Depends on the speed of the computer
 - ➔ Depends on the quality of programing implementing the algorithm
 - ➔ Depends on the quality of the compiler used in generating the machine code.
- ✦ *Count the number of times each element operation is executed.*
 - ➔ Difficult and unnecessary

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■ Units for Measuring Running Time

- ✦ **Solution:** Count the number of times an algorithm's *basic operation* (the most important) is executed.
 - **Basic operation:** *the operation that contributes the most to the total running time.*
 - *For example, the basic operation is usually the most time-consuming operation in the algorithm's innermost loop.*
 - ◆ 排序：键的比较
 - ◆ 四则运算：除法、乘法

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■ Theoretical Analysis of Time Efficiency

- ✦ Time efficiency is analyzed by determining the number of repetitions of the basic operation as a function of input size.

n : input size

$$T(n) \approx t_{op} * C(n)$$

running time execution time number of times the
for the basic operation basic operation is
executed

- 如果这个算法运行在一台执行速度是当前机器10倍的机器上，运行速度多快？
- 如果输入规模翻倍，算法运行多长时间？

The efficiency analysis framework ignores the multiplicative constants and **focuses on the orders of growth of the $C(n)$.**

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■ Order of growth

- 小规模输入在运行时间上差别不大，不足以将高效的算法和低效的算法区分开来

例：欧几里得算法 and 连续整数检测算法

棒棒哒！

n	$\log_2 n$	n	$n \log_2 n$	n^2	n^3	2^n	$n!$
10	3.3	10^1	$3.3 \cdot 10^1$	10^2	10^3	10^3	$3.6 \cdot 10^6$
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exponential-growth

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■ Order of growth

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- 对于一台每秒能做一万亿次（ 10^{12} ）操作的计算机：
完成 2^{100} 次操作需要 $4 \cdot 10^{10}$ 年
（地球的估计年龄：45亿（ $4.5 \cdot 10^9$ ））

一个需要指数级操作次数的算法
只能用来解决规模非常小的问题。

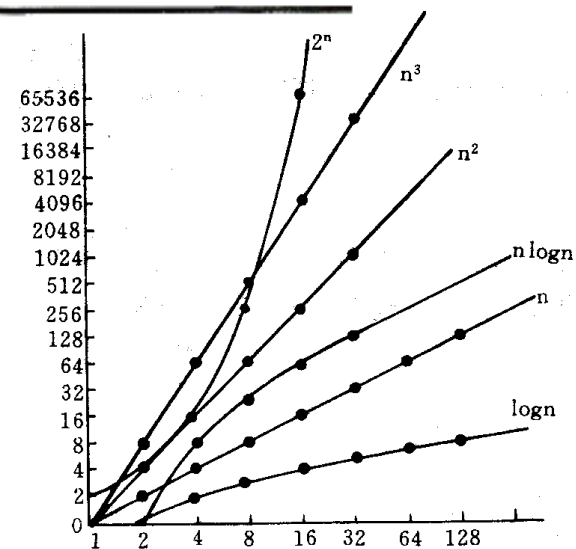


图 1.1 一般计算时间函数的曲线

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当参数 n 的值增长为原来的两倍时：

- ◆ $\log_2 n$: 次数增加1
- ◆ $n \log n$: 略超过两倍
- ◆ 2^n : 平方
- ◆ 线性函数: 两倍
- ◆ n^2 : 4倍; n^3 : 8倍
- ◆ $n!$: 多得多

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■ **Worst-Case, Best-Case, and Average-Case Efficiency**

✦ *For some algorithms efficiency depends on specifics of input.*

■ *Example: Sequential Search*

- Problem: Given a list of n elements and a search key K , find an element equal to K , if any.
- Algorithm: Scan the list and compare its successive elements with K until either a matching element is found (*successful search*) or the list is exhausted (*unsuccessful search*).

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▪ Example: Sequential Search

ALGORITHM SequentialSearch($A[0..n-1]$, K)

//Searches for a given value in a given array by sequential search

//Input: An array $A[0..n-1]$ and a search key K

//Output: Returns the index of the first element of A that matches K or -1 if there are no matching elements

$i \leftarrow 0$

while $i < n$ **and** $A[i] \neq K$ **do**

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

if $i < n$ $//A[i] = K$

return i

else

return -1

Given a sequential search problem of an input size of n :

- What kind of input would make the running time the longest?
- How many key comparisons?

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✦ *Worst case Efficiency*

- Efficiency (# of times the basic operation will be executed) for the worst case input of size n .
- The algorithm runs the **longest** among all possible inputs of size n .
- To see what kind of inputs yield the **largest** value of the basic operation's count $C(n)$ among all possible inputs of size n .
- **Bounding an algorithm's efficiency from above.**

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✦ Best case

- **Efficiency** (# of times the basic operation will be executed) for the **best case input** of size n .
- The algorithm runs the **fastest** among all possible inputs of size n .
- To see what kind of inputs yield the **smallest** value of the basic operation's count $C(n)$ among all possible inputs of size n .
- **Bounding an algorithm's efficiency from above.**
- If the best-case efficiency of an algorithm is unsatisfactory, we can immediately discard it.

Attention:

最优情况并不是指规模最小的输入，而是使算法运行得最快的、规模为 n 的输入。

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✦ Average case:

- Efficiency (#of times the basic operation will be executed) for a **typical/random** input of size n .
- **NOT** the average of worst and best case.
- How to find the average case efficiency?

$$T_{avg}(N) = \sum_{I \in D_N} P(I)T(N, I) = \sum_{I \in D_N} P(I) \sum_{i=1}^k t_i e_i(N, I)$$

- ✦ **Problem:** impossible to calculate e_i for every legal input I
- ✦ **Solution:** to calculate e_i for some representative input

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■ *Example: Sequential Search*

- probability for successful search is p ($0 \leq p \leq 1$);
- probability for successful search on each position i ($0 \leq i < n$) in an array is equal, p/n .

- ✓ dividing all instances of size n into several classes so that for each instance of the class, the number of times the basic operation is executed is the same;
- ✓ a probability distribution of inputs is obtained or assumed

$$T_{avg}(n) = \sum_{size(I)=n} p(I)T(I)$$

$$= \left(1 \cdot \frac{p}{n} + 2 \cdot \frac{p}{n} + 3 \cdot \frac{p}{n} + \dots + n \cdot \frac{p}{n} \right) + n \cdot (1 - p)$$

$$= \frac{p}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n i + n(1 - p) = \frac{p(n+1)}{2} + n(1 - p)$$

$$\bullet T_{worst}(n)=n ; \quad T_{bset}(n)=1$$

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■ **Summary of the Analysis Framework**

- ✦ Time efficiency is measured by counting the number of basic operations executed in the algorithm. The space efficiency is measured by the number of extra memory units consumed.
- ✦ Both time and space efficiencies are measured as functions of input size.
- ✦ The framework's primary interest lies in the order of growth of the algorithm's running time (space) as its input size goes infinity.
- ✦ The efficiencies of some algorithms may differ significantly for inputs of the same size. For these algorithms, we need to distinguish between the worst-case, best-case and average-case efficiencies.

Asymptotic notations

■ Asymptotic complexity

■ Example:

for $T(n)=3n^2+4n\log n+7$, $t(n)=3n^2$

✦ If $T(n) \rightarrow \infty$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$;

$$(T(n) - t(n)) / T(n) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty;$$

Then, $t(n)$ is called **asymptotic state** of $T(n)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$

$t(n)$ is called **asymptotic complexity** of algorithm A , $n \rightarrow \infty$

- ✦ $t(n)$ consider only the **leading term** of $T(n)$
- ✦ ignore the constant coefficient
- ✦ only consider the **rank** of $t(n)$

Asymptotic notations

■ Three notations used to compare orders of growth of an algorithm's basic operation count

✦ $O(g(n))$: class of functions $t(n)$ that grow *no faster than* $g(n)$

\leq

✦ $\Omega(g(n))$: class of functions $t(n)$ that grow *at least as fast as* $g(n)$

\geq

✦ $\Theta(g(n))$: class of functions $t(n)$ that grow at *same rate* as $g(n)$

$=$

Asymptotic notations

■ O-notation

✦ Formal definition:

- A function $t(n)$ is said to be in $O(g(n))$, denoted $t(n) \in O(g(n))$, if $t(n)$ is **bounded above** by some constant multiple of $g(n)$ for all large n , i.e., if there exist some positive constant c and some nonnegative integer n_0 such that

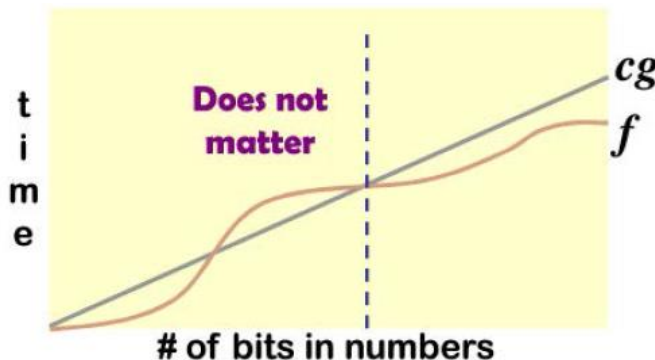
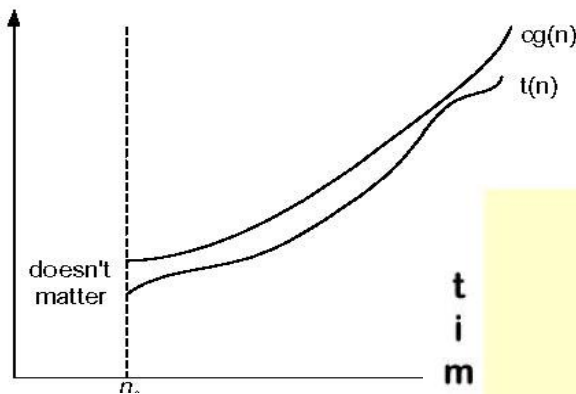
$$t(n) \leq cg(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0$$

■ e.g.:

$$100n + 5 \leq 100n + n = 101n \leq 101n^2$$

■ Example:

- ♣ $10n^2 \in O(n^2)$
- ♣ $10n^2 + 2n \in O(n^2)$
- ♣ $100n + 5 \in O(n^2)$
- ♣ $5n + 20 \in O(n)$



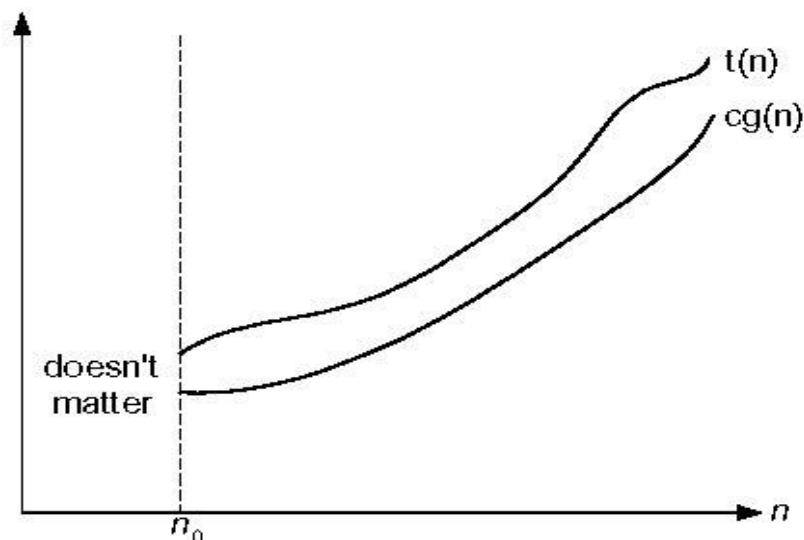
Asymptotic notations

■ Ω -notation

✦ Formal definition:

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$$t(n) \geq cg(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0$$



■ Example:

- ▲ $10n^2 \in \Omega(n^2)$
- ▲ $10n^2 + 2n \in \Omega(n^2)$
- ▲ $10n^3 \in \Omega(n^2)$

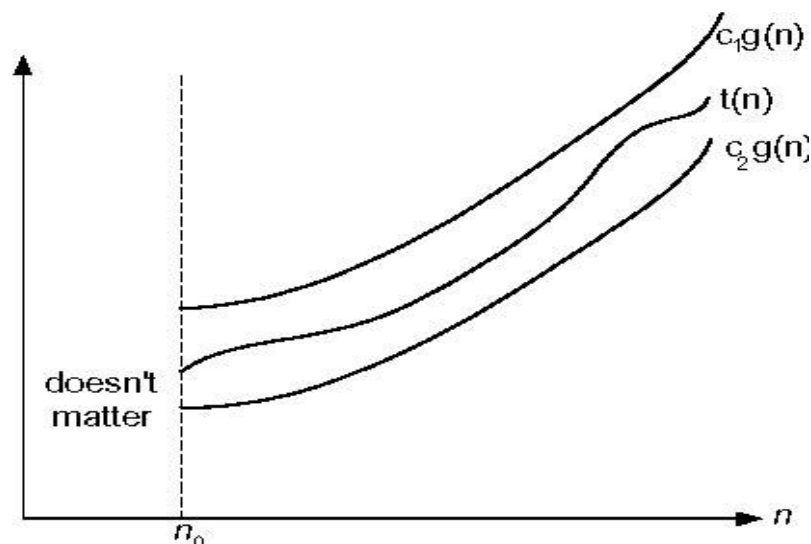
Asymptotic notations

■ Θ -notation

★ Formal definition:

- A function $t(n)$ is said to be in $\Theta(g(n))$, denoted $t(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$, if $t(n)$ is **bounded both above and below** by some positive constant multiples of $g(n)$ for all large n , i.e., if there exist some positive constant c_1 and c_2 and some nonnegative integer n_0 such that

$$c_2 g(n) \leq t(n) \leq c_1 g(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0$$

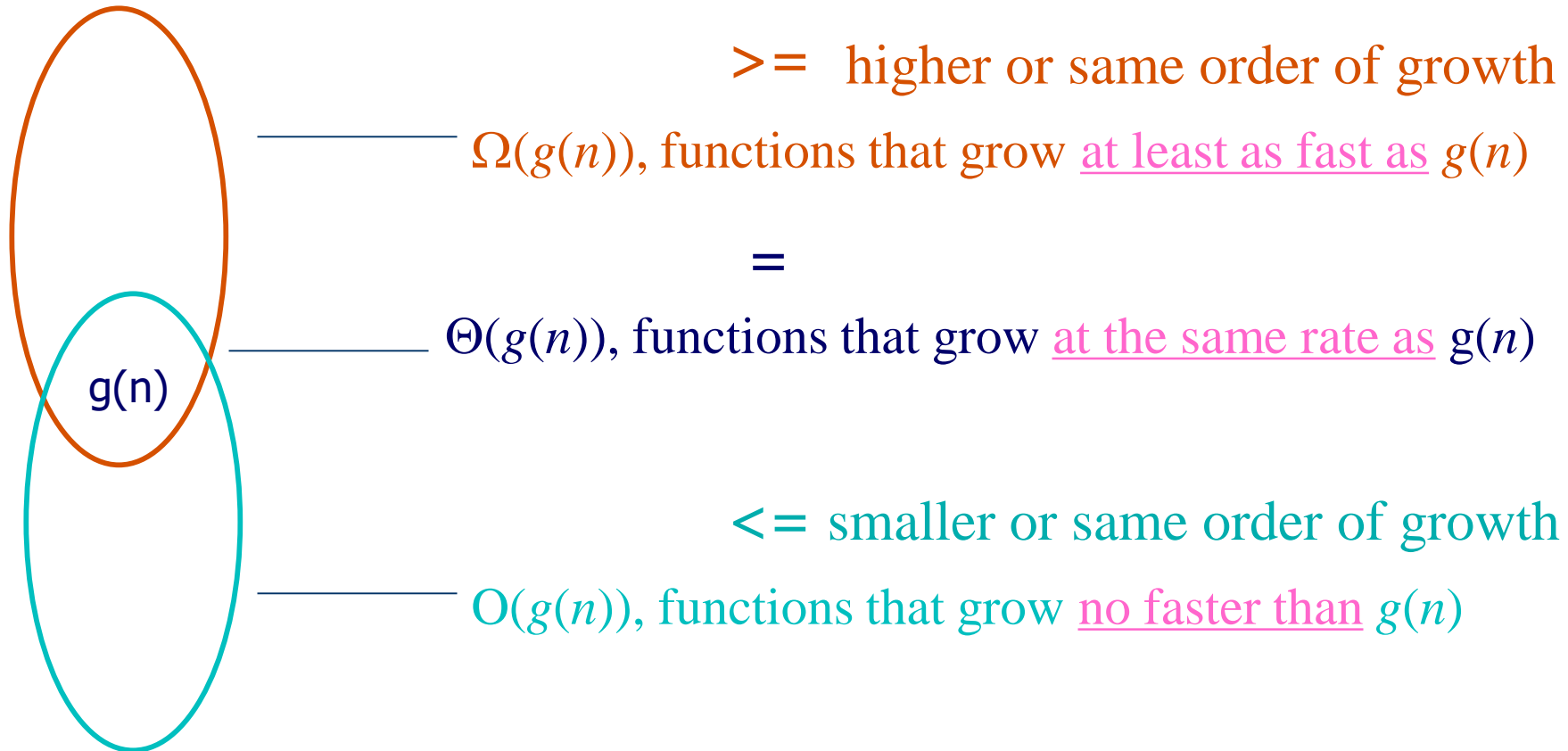


■ Example:

- ★ $10n^2 \in \Theta(n^2)$
- ★ $an^2 + bn + c \in \Theta(n^2)$ with $a > 0$
- ★ $(1/2)n(n-1) \in \Theta(n^2)$
- ★ $n^2 + \log n \in \Theta(n^2)$

$$\Theta(g(n)) = O(g(n)) \cap \Omega(g(n))_{23}$$

Asymptotic notations



Asymptotic notations

■ Other notations

✦ $o(g(n))$:

- A function $t(n)$ is said to be in $o(g(n))$, denoted $t(n) \in o(g(n))$, if $t(n)$ is **bounded above** by some positive constant multiples of $g(n)$ for all large n , i.e., if there exist some positive constant c and some nonnegative integer n_0 such that

$$t(n) < cg(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0$$

✦ $\omega(g(n))$:

- A function $t(n)$ is said to be in $\omega(g(n))$, denoted $t(n) \in \omega(g(n))$, if $t(n)$ is **bounded below** by some positive constant multiples of $g(n)$ for all large n , i.e., if there exist some positive constant c and some nonnegative integer n_0 such that

$$t(n) > cg(n) \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0$$

Asymptotic notations

■ **Some Properties of Asymptotic Order of Growth**

- ✦ $f(n) \in O(f(n))$ 反身性
- ✦ $f(n) \in O(g(n)), g(n) \in O(h(n)) \Rightarrow f(n) \in O(h(n))$; 传递性
- ✦ $f(n) \in O(g(n)) \Leftrightarrow g(n) \in \Omega(f(n))$ 互对称性
- $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n)) \Leftrightarrow g(n) \in \Theta(f(n))$ 对称性
- ✦ $O(g_1(n)) + O(g_2(n)) = O(g_1(n) + g_2(n))$; 数学计算
- ✦ $O(g_1(n)) * O(g_2(n)) = O(g_1(n) * g_2(n))$;
- ✦ $O(cf(n)) = O(f(n))$;
- ✦ $g(n) = O(f(n)) \Rightarrow O(f(n)) + O(g(n)) = O(f(n))$

The analogous assertions are true for the Ω -notation and Θ -notation.

Asymptotic notations

■ Some Properties of Asymptotic Order of Growth

✦ If $t_1(n) \in O(g_1(n))$ and $t_2(n) \in O(g_2(n))$, then
$$t_1(n) + t_2(n) \in O(\max\{g_1(n), g_2(n)\})$$

✦ Implication:

*For an algorithm that comprises two consecutively executed parts, the algorithm's overall efficiency will be determined by **the part with a larger order of growth.***

■ Example:

✦ $5n^2 + 3n \log n \in O(n^2)$

✦ *check whether an array has identical elements:*

First, sort the array by some sorting alg.,

——no more than $(1/2)n(n-1)$ comparisons

Then, scan the sorted array to check its consecutive elements for equality

——no more than $(n-1)$ comparisons

Asymptotic notations

■ Using Limits for Comparing Orders of Growth

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(n)/g(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{order of growth of } T(n) < \text{order of growth of } g(n) \\ c > 0 & \text{order of growth of } T(n) = \text{order of growth of } g(n) \\ \infty & \text{order of growth of } T(n) > \text{order of growth of } g(n) \end{cases}$$

■ Example:

case 1 & 2, $T(n) \in O(g(n))$;

case 2, $T(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$;

case 3 & 2, $T(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$;

$$\blacktriangleright 5n^2 + 3n \log n \in O(n^2)$$

$$\blacktriangleright 10n \quad \text{vs.} \quad 2n^2$$

$$\blacktriangleright n(n+1)/2 \quad \text{vs.} \quad n^2$$

$$\blacktriangleright \log_b n \quad \text{vs.} \quad \log_c n$$

Asymptotic notations

■ L'Hôpital's rule

✦ If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n) = \infty$ and the derivatives f' , g' exist, Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(n)}{g'(n)}$$

■ Example:

✦ $(1/2)n(n-1) \in \Theta(n^2)$

✦ $\log_2 n \in O(n^{1/2})$

✦ $\log_2 n$ vs. n

✦ 2^n vs. $n!$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log_2 n}{\sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\log_2 n)'}{(n^{\frac{1}{2}})'} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n \ln 2}}{\frac{1}{2} n^{-\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{2}{\ln 2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{\frac{1}{2}}}{n} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_2 n \in O(n^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

Asymptotic notations

■ Orders of growth by some important functions

- ✦ All logarithmic functions **$\log_a n$ belong to the same class $\Theta(\log n)$** no matter what the logarithm's base $a > 1$ is.
- ✦ All polynomials of the same degree k belong to the same class:
 $a_k n^k + a_{k-1} n^{k-1} + \dots + a_0 \in \Theta(n^k)$.
- ✦ Exponential functions a^n have **different orders** of growth for different a 's.
- ✦ **$\text{order } \log n < \text{order } n^\alpha \ (\alpha > 0) < \text{order } a^n < \text{order } n! < \text{order } n^n$**

Asymptotic notations

■ Summary of How to Establish Orders of Growth of an Algorithm's Basic Operation Count

1. *Method 1: Using limits*
 - *L'Hôpital's rule*
2. *Method 2: Using the properties*
3. *Method 3: Using the definitions of O , Ω , and Θ notation.*

The time efficiencies of a large number of algorithms fall into a few classes, as see in the list.

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■ Basic Efficiency classes

The time efficiencies of a large number of algorithms fall into only a few classes.

fast	1	constant (常数)	High time efficiency
	$\log n$	logarithmic (对数)	
	n	linear (线性)	
	$n \log n$	$n \log n$ (线性对数)	
	n^2	quadratic (平方)	
	n^3	cubic (立方)	
	2^n	exponential (指数)	
slow	$n!$	factorial (阶乘)	low time efficiency

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表 2.2 基本的渐近效率类型

类 型	名 称	注 释
1	常量	为数很少的效率最高的算法，很难举出几个合适的例子，因为典型情况下，当输入的规模变得无穷大时，算法的运行时间也会趋向于无穷大
$\log n$	对数	一般来说，算法的每一次循环都会消去问题规模的一个常数因子(参见 4.4 节)。注意，一个对数算法不可能关注它的输入的每一个部分(哪怕是输入的一个固定部分)：任何能做到这一点的算法最起码拥有线性运行时间
n	线性	扫描规模为 n 的列表(例如，顺序查找)的算法属于这个类型
$n \log n$	线性对数	许多分治算法(参见第 5 章)，包括合并排序和快速排序的平均效率，都属于这个类型
n^2	平方	一般来说，这是包含两重嵌套循环的算法的典型效率(参见下一节)。基本排序算法和 n 阶方阵的某些特定操作都是标准的例子
n^3	立方	一般来说，这是包含三重嵌套循环的算法的典型效率(参见下一节)。线性代数中的一些著名的算法属于这一类型
2^n	指数	求 n 个元素集合的所有子集的算法是这种类型的典型例子。“指数”这个术语常常被用在一个更广的层面上，不仅包括这种类型，还包括那些增长速度更快的类型
$n!$	阶乘	求 n 个元素集合的完全排列的算法是这种类型的典型例子

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

■ Example 1: Maximum element

ALGORITHM *MaxElement*($A[0..n - 1]$)

//Determines the value of the largest element in a given array

//Input: An array $A[0..n - 1]$ of real numbers

//Output: The value of the largest element in A

$maxval \leftarrow A[0]$

for $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

if $A[i] > maxval$

$maxval \leftarrow A[i]$

return $maxval$

- **Input size:** *array length n*

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- **Basic operation:** 循环体中存在两种操作：比较运算： $A[i] > maxval$
赋值运算： $maxval \leftarrow A[i]$
- 每做一次循环都会进行一次比较，而赋值运算不一定。

comparison (in the for loop, and executed on each repetition)

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

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//Input: An array $A[0..n - 1]$ of real numbers

//Output: The value of the largest element in A

$maxval \leftarrow A[0]$

for $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

if $A[i] > maxval$

$maxval \leftarrow A[i]$

return $maxval$

- **Check:** 对于所有大小为 n 的数组，比较次数都是相同的。
- 选用比较次数度量的时候，无需区分最差、平均和最优情况。

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

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- **Time efficiency** :基本操作的执行次数求和

$$C(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 1 = n - 1 \in \Theta(n)$$

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

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4. Set up **summation** for $C(n)$ reflecting the number of times the algorithm's basic operation is executed.
5. Simplify summation to find a closed-form formula or, at the very least, find its order of growth, using standard formulas.

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

- ✦ *Useful basic rules and standard formulas for sum manipulation*

$$\sum_{i=l}^u (a^i \pm b^i) = \sum_{i=l}^u a^i \pm \sum_{i=l}^u b^i$$

$$\sum_{i=l}^u 1 = u - l + 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i = \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \approx \frac{1}{2}n^2 \in \Theta(n^2)$$

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

■ Example 2: Element uniqueness problem

ALGORITHM *UniqueElements*($A[0..n - 1]$)

//Determines whether all the elements in a given array are distinct

//Input: An array $A[0..n - 1]$

//Output: Returns “true” if all the elements in A are distinct

// and “false” otherwise

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 2$ **do**

for $j \leftarrow i + 1$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

if $A[i] = A[j]$ **return false**

return true

- **Input size:** *array length n*
- **Basic operation:** *comparison*
- **Check:** 是否需要考虑最差、平均和最优情况?

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

- The number of element comparison depends on
 - a) array size n
 - b) whether there are equal elements in the array and, if there are, which array positions they occupy
- **Worst case:**
 - a) arrays with no equal elements
 - b) arrays in which the last two elements are the only pair of equal ones

$$\begin{aligned}C_{\text{worst}}(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} 1 = \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} [(n-1) - (i+1) + 1] = \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (n-i-1) \\&= \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (n-1) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} i = (n-1) \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 1 - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} i = (n-1)^2 - \frac{(n-2)(n-1)}{2} \\&= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \in \Theta(n^2)\end{aligned}$$

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

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        for  $j \leftarrow i + 1$  to  $n - 1$  do  
            if  $A[i] = A[j]$  return false  
    return true
```

- **Worst case:** 最内层循环每执行一次就会进行一次比较，对于循环变量 j 在 $i+1$ 和 $n-1$ 之间的每个值都会做一次循环；对于外层循环变量 i 在 0 和 $n-2$ 之间的每个值，上述过程都会再重复一遍。

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

- Worst case:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} (n-1-i) = (n-1) + (n-2) + \cdots + 1 = \frac{(n-1)n}{2}$$

Time efficiency:



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在最坏的情况下，对于 n 个元素的所有两两组合（共 $n(n-1)/2$ 对），都需要比较一次。

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

Another algorithm for Element uniqueness problem

- first, sort the array by some *sorting alg.*,
 - time complexity for quick-sort alg. is $\Theta(n \log n)$
- then, scan the sorted array to check its consecutive elements for equality
 - no more than $(n-1)$ comparisons
- so, the total **time complexity is $\Theta(n \log n)$**

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

■ Example 3: Matrix multiplication

ALGORITHM *MatrixMultiplication*($A[0..n-1, 0..n-1]$, $B[0..n-1, 0..n-1]$)

//Multiplies two n -by- n matrices by the definition-based algorithm

//Input: Two n -by- n matrices A and B

//Output: Matrix $C = AB$

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

for $j \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

$C[i, j] \leftarrow 0.0$

for $k \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

$C[i, j] \leftarrow C[i, j] + A[i, k] * B[k, j]$

return C

- **Input size:** *matrix order n* （思考如果是一个 $m*n$ 的矩阵与一个 $n*k$ 的矩阵相乘，如何选择输入规模？）
- **Basic operation:** *multiplication* （最内层循环）
- **Check:** ?

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- Time efficiency:

$$M(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 1 = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} n^2 = n^3.$$

The complexity of square matrix multiplication, carried out by definition-based algorithm, is $O(n^3)$.

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From another view:

To compute n^2 elements of the product matrix, dot product of n -element row of matrix A and n -element column of matrix B .

$$C(n) = n * n^2$$

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

■ ■ 障碍：

- 循环变量的无规律变化
- 过于复杂而无法求解的求和表达式
- 分析平均情况时固有的难度

Time Efficiency of Non-recursive Algorithms

■ Example 4: Counting binary digits

ALGORITHM *Binary*(n)

//Input: A positive decimal integer n

//Output: The number of binary digits in n 's binary representation

$count \leftarrow 1$

while $n > 1$ **do**

$count \leftarrow count + 1$

$n \leftarrow \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$

return $count$

The loop's variable changes in a different manner, it *cannot be investigated the way the previous examples are*.

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- 本算法中最频繁的操作不在**while**循环内部，而是决定是否继续执行循环体的比较运算 $n > 1$ 。
- 因为在循环的每次执行过程中， n 的值基本上都会减半，所以该次数大约是 $\log_2 n$ 。
- 比较运算 $n > 1$ 的精确计算公式实际上为 $\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1$ 。

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■ Example 1: Recursive evaluation of $n!$

✦ Definition

■ Recursive definition

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ n(n-1)! & n > 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{ll} F(n) = 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ F(n) = n * F(n-1) & \text{if } n > 0 \end{array}$$

✦ 伪代码

```
Algorithm  $F(n)$ 
  if  $n=0$ 
    return 1           //base case
  else
    return  $F(n - 1) * n$  //general case
```

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■ Example 1: Recursive evaluation of $n!$ ('cont)

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Algorithm  $F(n)$   
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- **Input size:** n (简单起见, 未使用二进制表示的位数)
- **Basic operation:** *multiplication*
- **Check:** ?

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■ Example 1: Recursive evaluation of $n!$ ('cont)

Times of Basic operation for $M(n)$

$$M(n) = M(n-1) + 1 \quad \text{for } n > 0.$$

to compute to multiply
 $F(n-1)$ $F(n-1)$ by n



$$F(n) = n * F(n-1) \quad \text{if } n > 0$$

Difference from non-recursive:

- 没有把 $M(n)$ 直接定义成 n 的函数，而是定义成在另一点上（ $n-1$ ）的值的函数。



递推关系/递推式

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■ Example 1: Recursive evaluation of $n!$ ('cont)

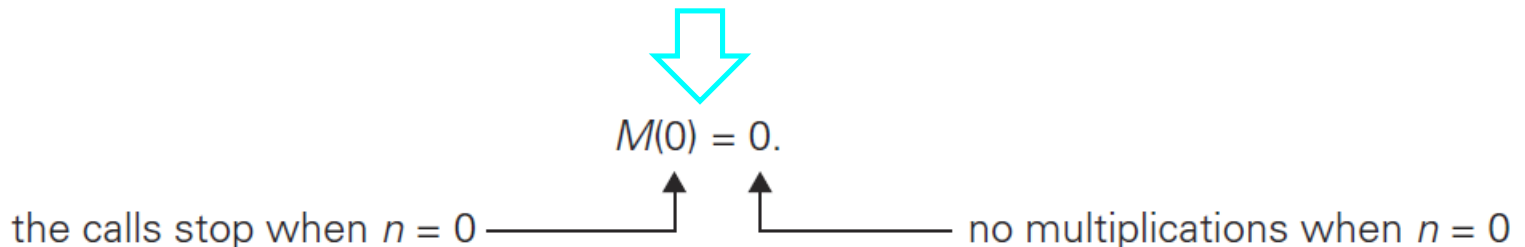
Solve $M(n) = M(n-1) + 1$

无数个序列，需要一个初始条件

To find the **initial condition**, see when the call stop in the pseudocode :

if $n = 0$ return 1.

- 调用在 $n=0$ 时结束，所以算法能够处理的 n 的最小值和 $M(n)$ 定义域上的最小值为0.
- 当 $n=0$ 时，该算法不执行乘法操作.



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■ Example 1: Recursive evaluation of $n!$ ('cont)

算法中乘法次数 $M(n)$ 的递推关系和初始条件:

$$M(n) = M(n-1) + 1 \quad \text{for } n > 0,$$

recurrence relation

$$M(0) = 0.$$

initial condition

To solve recurrences, method of *backward substitutions* (反向替换法)

$$M(n) = M(n-1) + 1$$

$$= [M(n-2) + 1] + 1 = M(n-2) + 2$$

$$= [M(n-3) + 1] + 2 = M(n-3) + 3$$

$$= \dots = M(n-i) + i = \dots$$

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$$= [M(n-n) + 1] + n - 1 = n$$

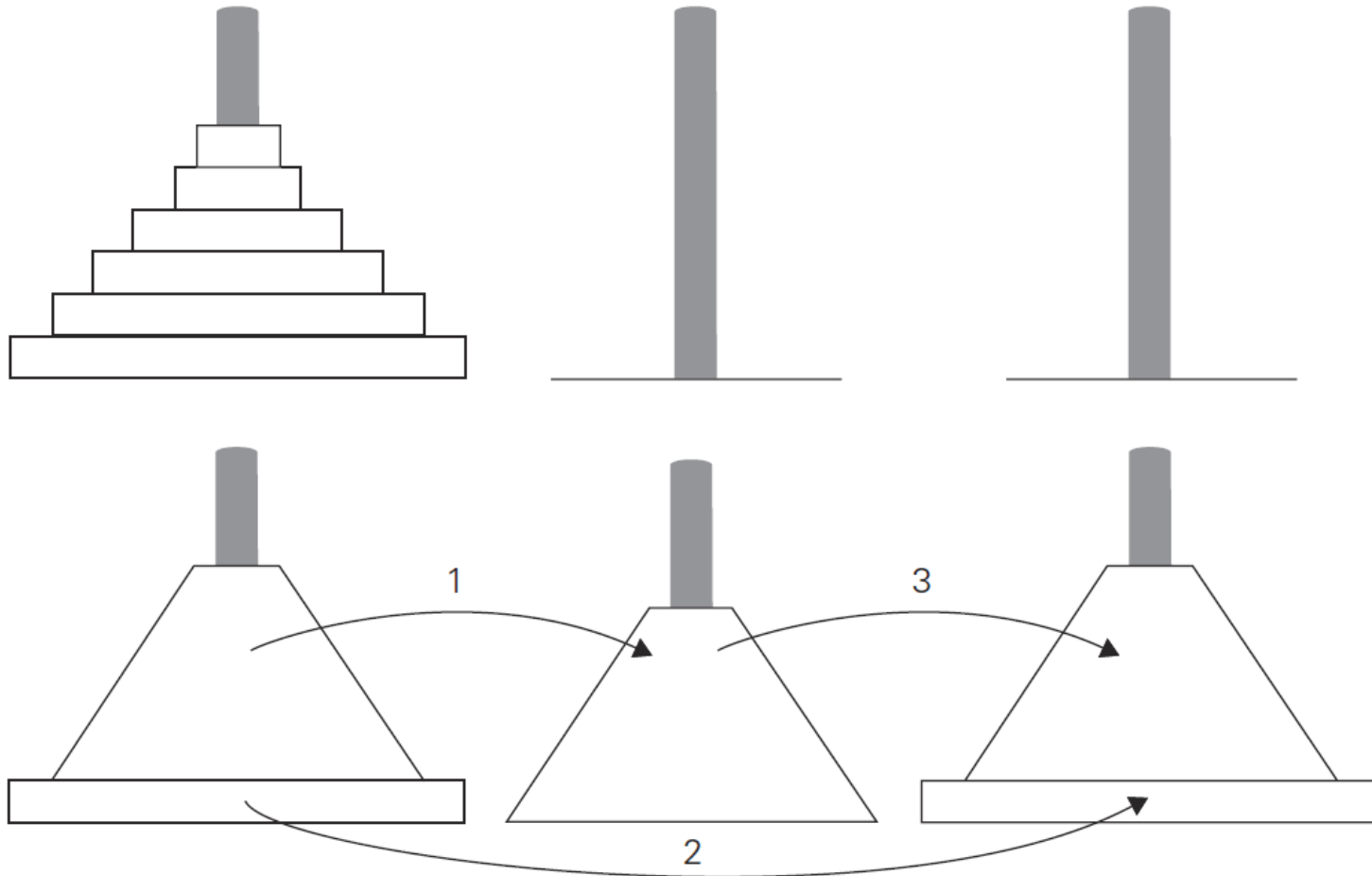
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■ *Steps in Mathematical Analysis of Recursive Algorithms*

1. Decide on parameter n indicating **input size**.
2. Identify algorithm's **basic operation**.
3. Check whether the number of times the basic operation is executed may vary on different inputs of the same size. (If it may, the **worst, average, and best cases** must be investigated separately.)
4. Set up a **recurrence relation** and **initial condition(s)** for $C(n)$ - the number of times the basic operation is executed for an input of size n (alternatively count recursive calls).
5. Solve the recurrence or estimate the order of growth of the solution by **backward substitutions** or **some other method**.

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■ *Example 2: The Tower of Hanoi Puzzle*



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■ Example 2: The Tower of Hanoi Puzzle ('cont)

```
void hanoi(int  $n$ , int  $a$ , int  $b$ , int  $c$ ) //  $n$ 个盘子, 从 $a$ 移到 $b$ 借助 $c$ 
{
    if ( $n > 0$ )
    {
        hanoi( $n-1$ ,  $a$ ,  $c$ ,  $b$ ); //  $n-1$ 个较小圆盘从塔座 $a$ 移到 $c$ 
        move( $a$ ,  $b$ );
        hanoi( $n-1$ ,  $c$ ,  $b$ ,  $a$ );
    }
}
```

- Input size: *the number of disks, n*
- Basic operation: *moving one disk*
- Check: ?

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■ Example 2: The Tower of Hanoi Puzzle ('cont)

✦ Recurrence Relations

Total number of moving : $M(n)$

$$M(n) = M(n - 1) + 1 + M(n - 1) \quad \text{for } n > 1.$$

```
void hanoi(int n, int a, int b, int c) // n个盘子，从a移到b借助c
{
    if (n > 0)
    {
        hanoi(n-1, a, c, b); // n-1个较小圆盘从塔座a移到c
        move(a, b);
        hanoi(n-1, c, b, a);
    }
}
```

初始条件： $M(1) = 1,$

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■ Example 2: The Tower of Hanoi Puzzle ('cont)

✦ Recurrence Relations

Total number of moving : $M(n)$

$$\begin{aligned}M(n) &= 2M(n-1) + 1 \quad \text{for } n > 1, \\M(1) &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

backward substitutions (反向替换法) :

$$\begin{aligned}M(n) &= 2M(n-1) + 1 \\&= 2(2M(n-2)+1)+1 = 2^2M(n-2)+2+1=\dots \\&= 2^iM(n-i)+2^{i-1}+2^{i-2}+\dots+2+1=\dots \\&= 2^{n-1}M(1)+2^{n-2}+2^{n-3}+\dots+2+1 \\&= 2^{n-1}+2^{n-2}+2^{n-3}+\dots+2+1 \quad \text{等比数列} \\&= (1-q^n)/(1-q) = (2^n-1)/(2-1) = 2^n-1\end{aligned}$$

指数级

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■ *Example 2: The Tower of Hanoi Puzzle ('cont)*

✦ *Succinctness (简洁性) vs. efficiency*

- ★ *Be careful with recursive algorithms because their succinctness mask their inefficiency.*

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- **Example 3: Find the number of binary digits in the binary representation of a positive decimal integer**

ALGORITHM *BinRec*(n)

//Input: A positive decimal integer n

//Output: The number of binary digits in n 's binary representation

if $n = 1$ **return** 1

else return *BinRec*($\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$) + 1

- **Input size:** n
- **Basic operation:** *addition*
- **Check:** ?

计算 *BinRec* ($\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$) 的加法次数为 $A(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$,

Number of additions in computing *BinRec* (n):

$$A(n) = A(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1 \text{ with } A(1) = 0$$

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■ Example 3: ('cont)

Smoothness Rule:

Let $T(n)$ be an eventually non-decreasing function and $f(n)$ be a smooth function. If

$T(n) \in \Theta(f(n))$ for values of n that are powers (幂) of b ,
where $b \geq 2$, then

$T(n) \in \Theta(f(n))$ for any n .

Under very broad assumptions, the order of growth observed for $n=2^k$, gives a correct answer about the order of growth for all values of n .

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■ **Example 3: ('cont)**

for $n = 2^k$,

$$A(2^k) = A(2^{k-1}) + 1 \quad \text{for } k > 0$$

$$A(2^0) = 0$$

$$A(n) = A(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1$$

$$A(1) = 0$$

backward substitutions:

$$A(2^k) = A(2^{k-1}) + 1$$

$$= [A(2^{k-2}) + 1] + 1 = A(2^{k-2}) + 2$$

$$= [A(2^{k-3}) + 1] + 2 = A(2^{k-3}) + 3 \quad \dots\dots$$

$$= A(2^{k-i}) + i \quad \dots\dots$$

$$= A(2^{k-k}) + k$$

$$= A(2^0) + k = A(1) + k = k$$

$$A(2^n) = n, \text{ then, } A(n) = \log_2 n = \Theta(\log n)$$

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For example 3 BinRec

$$A(n) = A(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1 \text{ with } A(1) = 0 \rightarrow A(n) \in \Theta(\log n)$$

In fact, we can prove $A(n) = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$ is the solution to above recurrence.

Let n be even, i.e., $n = 2k$.

The left-hand side is:

$$A(n) = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor = \lfloor \log_2 2k \rfloor = \lfloor \log_2 2 + \log_2 k \rfloor = (1 + \lfloor \log_2 k \rfloor) = \lfloor \log_2 k \rfloor + 1.$$

The right-hand side is:

$$A(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1 = A(\lfloor 2k/2 \rfloor) + 1 = A(k) + 1 = \lfloor \log_2 k \rfloor + 1.$$

Let n be odd, i.e., $n = 2k + 1$.

The left-hand side is:

$$\begin{aligned} A(n) &= \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor = \lfloor \log_2(2k + 1) \rfloor = \text{using } \lceil \log_2 x \rceil = \lceil \log_2(x + 1) \rceil - 1 \\ &\quad \lfloor \log_2(2k + 2) \rfloor - 1 = \lceil \log_2 2(k + 1) \rceil - 1 \\ &= \lceil \log_2 2 + \log_2(k + 1) \rceil - 1 = 1 + \lceil \log_2(k + 1) \rceil - 1 = \lfloor \log_2 k \rfloor + 1. \end{aligned}$$

The right-hand side is:

$$A(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 1 = A(\lfloor (2k + 1)/2 \rfloor) + 1 = A(\lfloor k + 1/2 \rfloor) + 1 = A(k) + 1 = \lfloor \log_2 k \rfloor + 1.$$

The initial condition is verified immediately: $A(1) = \lfloor \log_2 1 \rfloor = 0$.

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■ Fibonacci numbers

✦ *The Fibonacci numbers:*

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

✦ *The Fibonacci recurrence:*

The n th Fibonacci number :

$$F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$$

$$F(0) = 0, \quad F(1) = 1 \quad (\text{两个初始条件})$$

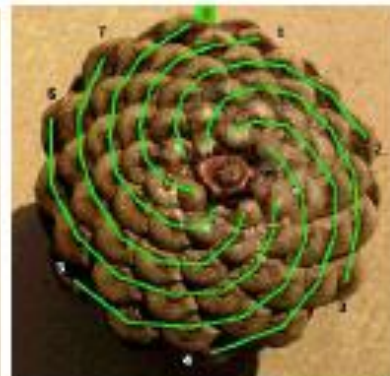
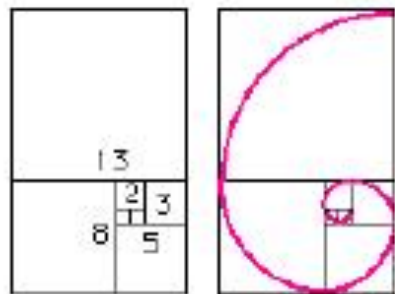


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■ applications

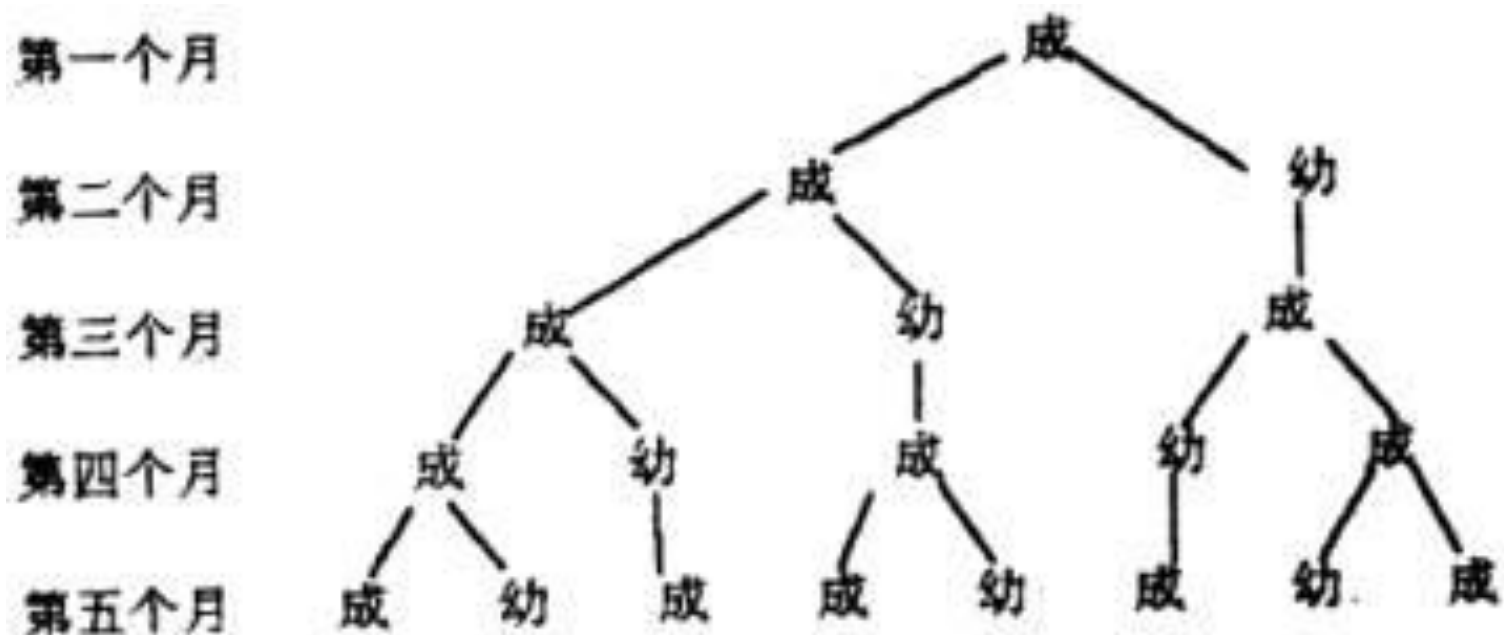
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叶子的生长方式也是如此。



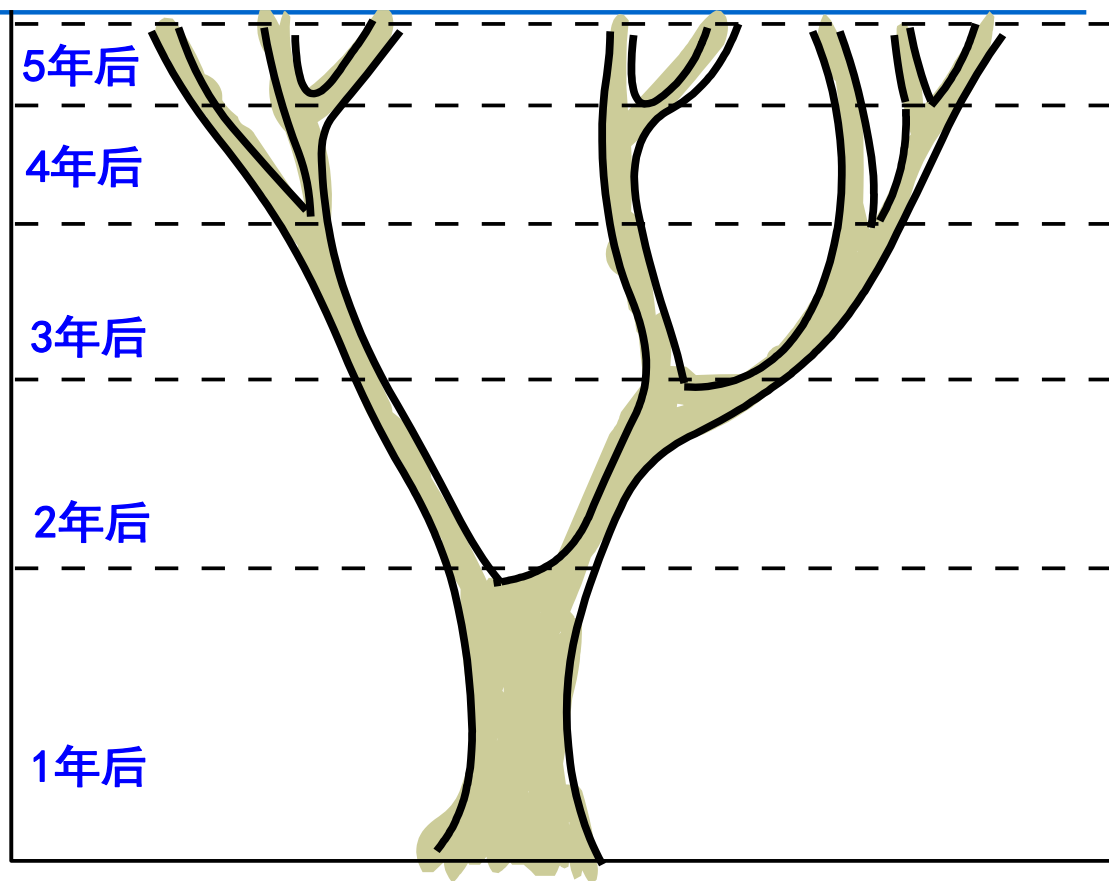
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兔子问题



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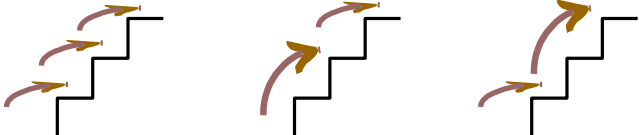
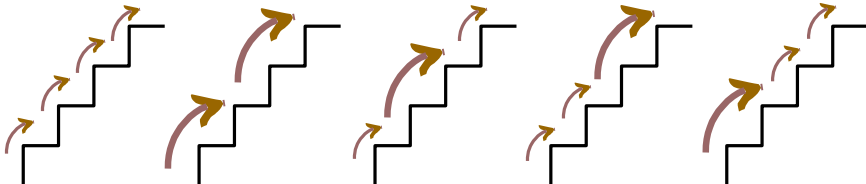
树枝生长问题



一株树苗在一段间隔，例如一年，以后长出一条新枝；第二年新枝“休息”，老枝依旧萌发；此后，老枝与“休息”过一年的枝同时萌发，当年生的新枝则次年“休息”。这样，一株树木各个年份的枝桠数，便构成斐波那契数列。这个规律，就是生物学上著名的“鲁德维格定律”。

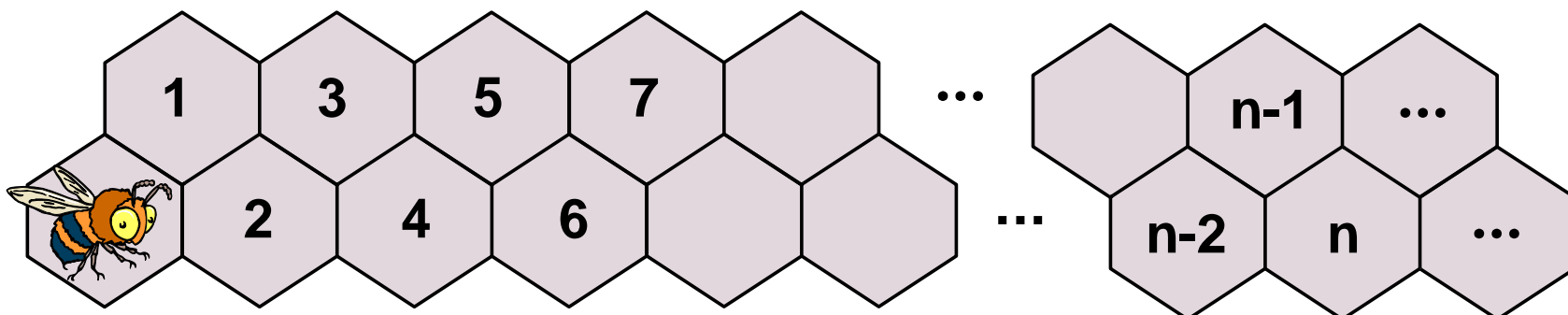
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上楼梯问题：楼梯时，若允许每次跨一级或两级，那么对于楼梯数为1，2，3，4时上楼的方式数各是多少？

楼梯级数	上楼方式	方式数
1		1
2		2
3		3
4		5
...

Mathematical Analysis of Recursive Algorithms

蜜蜂进蜂房问题：一次蜜蜂从蜂房A出发，想爬到1、2、.....、 n 号蜂房，只允许它自左向右（不许反方向倒走）。则它爬到各号蜂房的路线多少？



蜜蜂爬进 n 号蜂房有两种途径：

不经过 $n-1$ 号，直接从 $n-2$ 号进入 n 号蜂房，这种路线有 u_{n-2} 种

经过 $n-1$ 号，进入 n 号蜂房，这种路线有 u_{n-1} 种，

故： $u_n = u_{n-1} + u_{n-2}$ 。

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✦ *The Fibonacci recurrence:*

The n th Fibonacci number :

$$\mathbf{F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)}$$

$$\mathbf{F(0) = 0, \quad F(1) = 1} \quad (\text{两个初始条件})$$

ALGORITHM $F(n)$

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//Output: The n th Fibonacci number

if $n \leq 1$ return n

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- **Input size:** n
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- **Recurrence Relations:** 设计算 $F(n)$ 的加法次数为 $A(n)$

$$A(n) = A(n - 1) + A(n - 2) + 1 \quad \text{for } n > 1,$$

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Solve

$$\begin{aligned} A(n) &= A(n-1) + A(n-2) + 1 \quad \text{for } n > 1, \\ A(0) &= 0, \quad A(1) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

将非齐次递推式转化成齐次递推式：

$$[A(n) + 1] - [A(n-1) + 1] - [A(n-2) + 1] = 0$$

令 $B(n) = A(n) + 1$ ，则：

$$\begin{aligned} B(n) - B(n-1) - B(n-2) &= 0, \\ B(0) &= 1, \quad B(1) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

解带常数系数的齐次二阶线性递推式（附录B）：

$$A(n) = B(n) - 1 = F(n+1) - 1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(\phi^{n+1} - \hat{\phi}^{n+1}) - 1.$$

$A(n) \in \Theta(\phi^n)$  **指数级** 相同的函数值被一遍一遍重复计算⁷⁴

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ALGORITHM *Fib*(n)

//Computes the n th Fibonacci number iteratively by using its definition

//Input: A nonnegative integer n

//Output: The n th Fibonacci number

$F[0] \leftarrow 0$; $F[1] \leftarrow 1$

for $i \leftarrow 2$ **to** n **do**

$F[i] \leftarrow F[i - 1] + F[i - 2]$

return $F[n]$

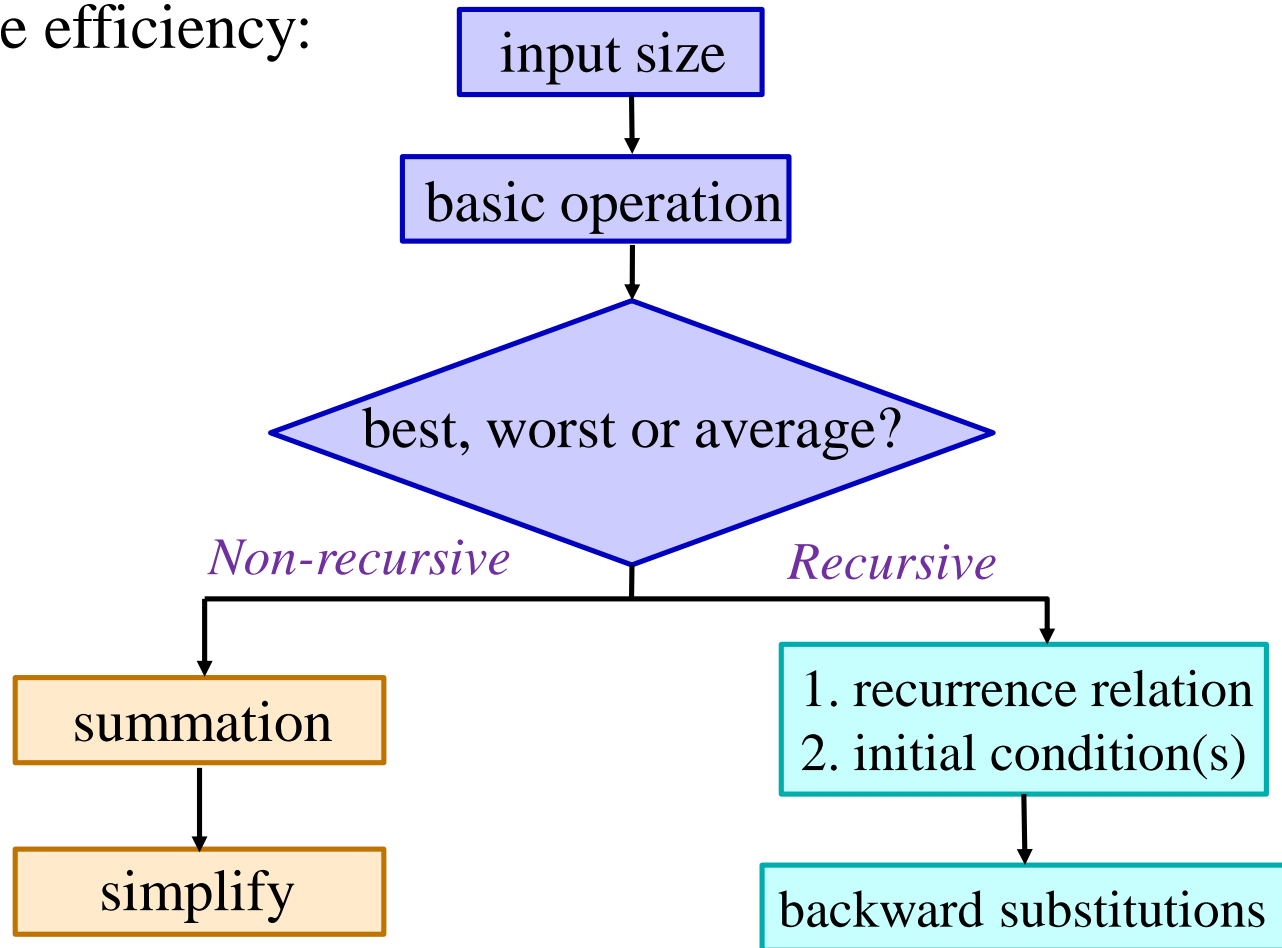
- **Input size:** n
- **Basic operation:** *addition*
- **Check:** ?
- 很明显, 这个算法要做 $n-1$ 次加法运算: $\Theta(n)$

Summary

- 算法的效率包括时间效率与空间效率。
- 时间效率用输入规模的函数来度量，该函数的计算主要关注算法基本操作的执行次数。
- 增长阶数：Order of growth
- Worst-Case, Best-Case, and Average-Case Efficiency
- O -notation, Θ -notation, Ω -notation
- 递归与非递归算法的效率分析

Summary

求解Time efficiency:



思考题

2-1. Consider the definition-based algorithm for adding two n -by- n matrices.

- a) What is its basic operation?
- b) How many times is it performed as a function of the matrix order n ?
- c) How many times is it performed as a function of the total number of elements in the input matrices?

2-2. For each of the following algorithms, indicate i) a natural size metric for its inputs; ii) its basic operation; iii) whether the basic operation count can be different for inputs of the same size.

- a) computing $a!$
- b) computing the sum of n numbers

思考题

2-3. Indicate whether the first function of each of the following pairs has a smaller, same, or large order of growth than the second function.

a) $n(n+1)$ and $2000n^2$

b) $(n-1)!$ and $n!$

c) 2^{n-1} and 2^n

2-4. Use the informal definitions of O , Ω and Θ to determine whether the following assertions are true or false.

a) $n(n+1)/2 \in O(n^3)$

b) $n(n+1)/2 \in \Theta(n^2)$

思考题

2-5 习题2.3的4, 5, 6, 10.