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Chapter 102

Asymptotics and algorithmic runtime analysis

Open algorithm-analysis-how-fast-is-an-algorithm.tex and you'll see

\input{exercises/runtime-of-sum-of-squares/main.tex}

Goto exercises/runtime-of-sum-of-squares/ and in that directory you'll see question.tex and answer.tex. question.tex contains the question and answer.tex contains the answer. Near the top of answer.tex, you'll see

AUTHOR: JOHN DOE. DATETIME: 2024-11-12 09:00:00

For the question you are working on, imitate the above example, replacing John Doe with your name and datetime with the date and time you are done.

To properly generate the table of contents you'll need to run make twice. If you see some errors involving missing python code, let me know.

Once you are done, send me the directory of the exercise, tar'd and gzipped. It should be a directory with main.tex, question.tex and answer.tex. Retain the original directory name. For instance it might be

runtime-of-sum-of-squares.tar.gz

You'll also need to tell me chapter and course.

102.1 Algorithmic analysis: how fast is an algorithm? debug: algorithm-analysis-how-fast-is-an-algorithm.tex

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The following is an example:

Exercise 102.1.1. The following computes the sum of squares from 1^2 to n^2 :

debug: exercises/runtime-ofsum-ofsquares/question.tex

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s = 0
for i = 1, ..., n:
    term = i * i
    s = s + term
```

Here's the program with goto statements and timing for each statement:

```
time
          i = 1
                                t1
          s = 0
LOOP:
          if i > n:
                                t3
              goto ENDLOOP
                                t4
                                t5
          term = i * i
          s = s + term
                                t6
          i = i + 1
                                t7
          goto LOOP
                                t8
ENDLOOP:
```

- (a) Compute the time taken T(n) as a function of n with constants $t_1, ..., t_8$.
- (b) Simplify the runtime function by giving names A, B, ... to the constants of the function from (a).
- (c) Fudge away the constants and write down the simplest g(n) such that the time in (b) is a big-O of your g(n). Your g(n) should be either n or n^2 or n^3 or ...
- (d) What is the space complexity of the algorithm?

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text. Some text. Some text. Some text.

To include your exercise, start by placing it in the exercises directory. For example, if your exercise directory is named tree-6, you should see the following output when running 1s inside the exercises directory:

runtime-of-sum-of-squares tree-6

Next, to display the exercise in this document, from the main directory open:

algorithm-analysis-how-fast-is-an-algorithm.tex:

then locate the placeholder:

%???%

and replace it with:

\input{exercises/tree-6/main.tex}

Now, go back to the main directory and run the make command. This should compile the document with your exercise included.

To add your answer, navigate to the directory of your exercise and enter your solution in the file named answer.tex. Return to the main directory, run make again, and your solution should appear on the following pages of this document.

Solutions

Solution to Exercise 102.1.1.

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debug: exercises/runtime-ofsum-ofsquares/answer.tex

(a) The following gives the number of times each statement is executed in terms of n:

LOOP:	<pre>i = 1 s = 0 if i > n: goto ENDLOOP</pre>	time t1 t2 t3	number of times 1 1 n + 1 1
	term = i * i	t5	n
	s = s + term	t6	n
	i = i + 1	t7	n
	goto LOOP	t8	n
ENDLOOP:			

Therefore the runtime T(n) is

$$T(n) = (t_3 + t_5 + t_6 + t_7 + t_8)n + (t_1 + t_2 + t_3 + t_4)$$

(b)
$$T(n) = An + B$$

where A, B are constants.

(c)
$$T(n) = O(n)$$

(d)
$$Space(n) = O(1)$$