



Lecture 3: How to measure efficiency

Data Structures and
Algorithms



Announcements

- Course background survey due by Friday
- HW 1 is Due Friday
- Alex has Office Hours after class (2:30-4:30) CSE 006, will help with setup
 - If you have any questions about your setup please come to office hours so we can iron out all the wrinkles before the partnered projects begin next week.
- HW 2 Assigned on Friday – Partner selection forms due by 11:59pm **Thursday**

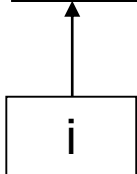
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Review: Sequential Search

sequential search: Locates a target value in an array / list by examining each element from start to finish.

- How many elements will it need to examine?
- Example: Searching the array below for the value **42**:

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
value	-4	2	7	10	15	20	22	25	30	36	42	50	56	68	85	92	103



- What is the best case? $O(1)$ if we are looking for first element
- What is the worst case? $O(n)$ if we are looking for last element
- What is the complexity class? $O(n)$ ALWAYS based on pessimistic case.

Review: Binary Search

binary search: Locates a target value in a *sorted* array or list by successively eliminating half of the array from consideration.

- How many elements will it need to examine?
- Example: Searching the array below for the value 42:

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
value	-4	2	7	10	15	20	22	25	30	36	42	50	56	68	85	92	103

Diagram illustrating the binary search process on a sorted array. The array contains values from -4 to 103. The search target is 42. The initial search range is defined by **min** (index 0) and **max** (index 16). The **mid** index is 8. Red arrows indicate the search path: from index 8 to index 4, and then to index 2, showing the elimination of the right half of the current search range.

- What is the best case? $O(1)$ - the middle
- What is the worst case? The beginning
- What is the complexity class? $\log(n)$

Analyzing Binary Search

What is the pattern?

- At each iteration, we eliminate half of the remaining elements

How long does it take to finish?

- 1st iteration – $N/2$ elements remain
- 2nd iteration – $N/4$ elements remain
- Kth iteration – $N/2^k$ elements remain
- Done when $N/2^k = 1$

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Analyzing Binary Search

$$\frac{N}{2^K} = 1$$

$$N = 2^K$$

$$\log_2 N = \log_2 2^K$$

$$\boxed{\log_2 N = K}$$

$$O(\log n)$$

↑ we lost our base!

Logarithms

$$\log_b a = x \quad \text{mean}$$

x solves

$$b^x = a$$

$$\log_b b^z = x$$

$$b^x = b^z \rightarrow z$$

Analyzing Binary Search

Finishes when $N / 2^K = 1$

$$N / 2^K = 1$$

-> multiply right side by 2^K

$$N = 2^K$$

-> isolate K exponent with logarithm

$$\log_2 N = k$$

Is this exact?

- N can be things other than powers of 2
- If N is odd we can't technically use \log_2
- When we have an odd number of elements we select the larger half
- Within a fair rounding error

Asymptotic Analysis

asymptotic analysis: how the runtime of an algorithm grows as the data set grows

Approximations / Rules

- Basic operations take "constant" time adding, subtracting, print out a string, etc...
 - Assigning a variable
 - Accessing a field or array index
- Consecutive statements dont consider time it takes moving between lines
 - Sum of time for each statement
- Function calls dont consider time it takes to call function
 - Time of function's body
- Conditionals
 - Time of condition + maximum time of branch code
- Loops fits with our pesimistic viewpoint
 - Number of iterations x time for loop body

if
—
else
← longest
:
:

Modeling Case Study

Goal: return 'true' if a sorted array of ints contains duplicates

Solution 1: compare each pair of elements

```
public boolean hasDuplicate1(int[] array) {
    for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < array.length; j++) {
            if (i != j && array[i] == array[j]) {
                return true;
            }
        }
    }
    return false;
}
```

Solution 2: compare each consecutive pair of elements

```
public boolean hasDuplicate2(int[] array) {
    for (int i = 0; i < array.length - 1; i++) {
        if (array[i] == array[i + 1]) {
            return true;
        }
    }
    return false;
}
```

Modeling Case Study: Solution 2

$T(n)$ where $n = \text{array.length}$

-> work inside out

Solution 2: compare each consecutive pair of elements

```
public boolean hasDuplicate2(int[] array) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < array.length - 1; i++) {  
        if (array[i] == array[i + 1]) { +4  
            return true; +1  
        }  
    }  
    return false; +1  
}
```

4 operations: add $i + 1$; access $\text{array}[i+1]$; access $\text{array}[i]$; check equality

Assume WORST case; i.e. enters if statement every single time

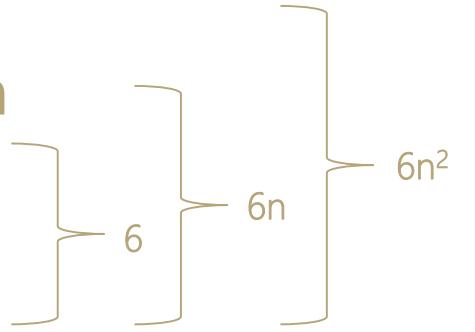
$$T(n) = 5(n-1) + 1$$

linear time complexity class $O(n)$

Modeling Case Study: Solution 1

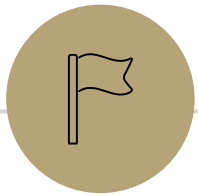
Solution 1: compare each consecutive pair of elements

```
public boolean hasDuplicate1(int[] array) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) { x n  
        for (int j = 0; j < array.length; j++) { x n  
            if (i != j && array[i] == array[j]) { +5  
                return true; +1  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return false; +1  
}
```



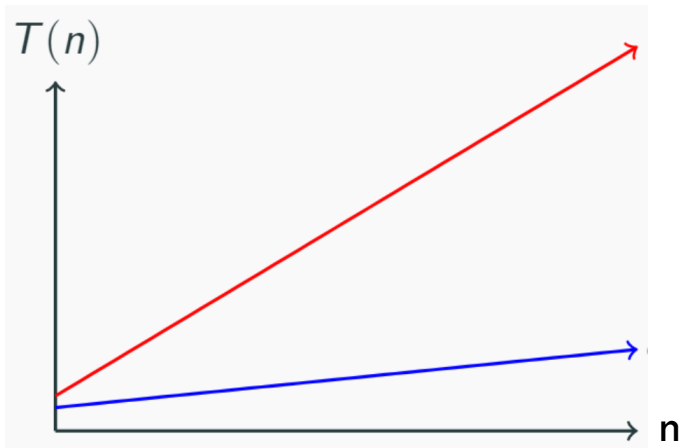
$$T(n) = 6n^2 + 1$$

quadratic time complexity class $O(n^2)$

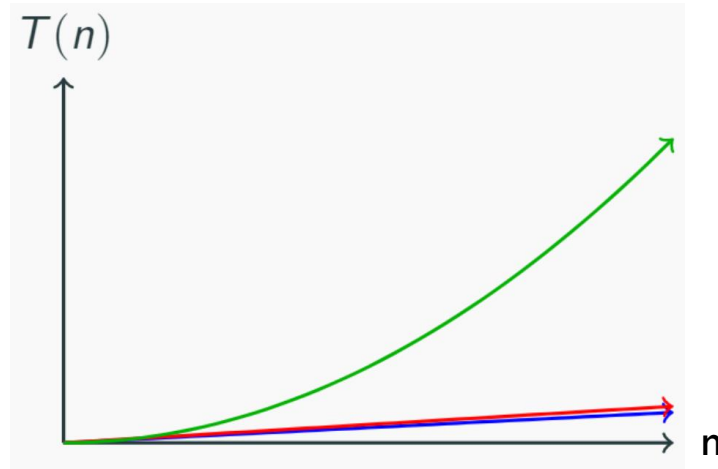


Comparing Functions

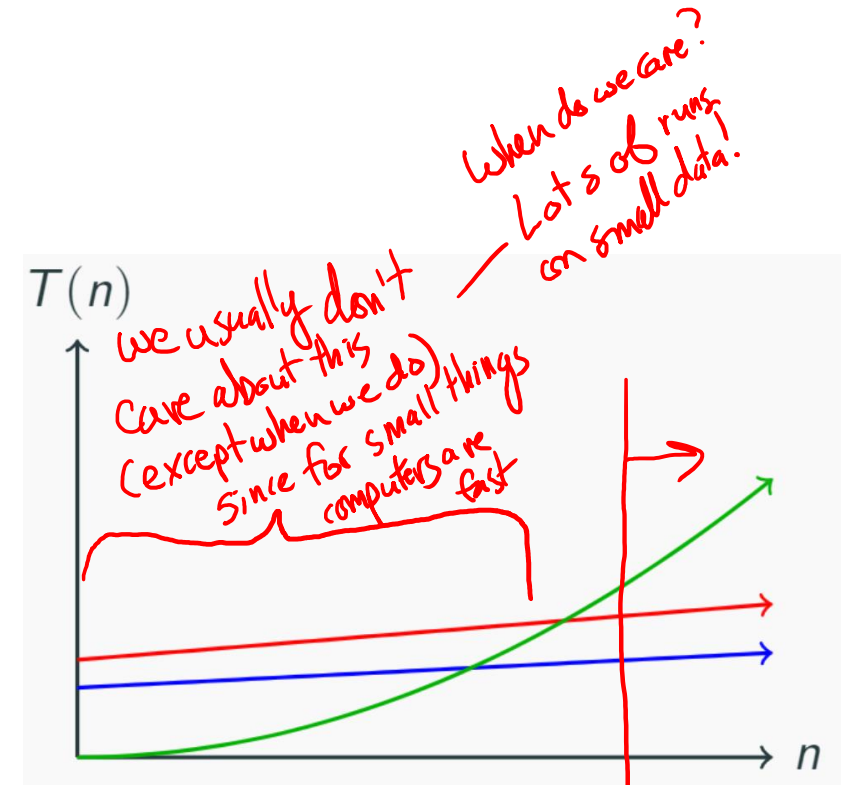
Function growth



n and $4n$ look very different up close



n and $4n$ look the same over time
 n^2 eventually dominates n



n^2 doesn't start off dominating the linear functions
It eventually takes over...

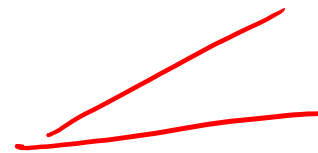
Function comparison: exercise

$$O(n) = O(5n+3) \quad \alpha(n) \leq O(5n+3)$$

$f(n) = n \leq g(n) = 5n + 3$? **True** – all linear functions are treated as equivalent

$f(n) = 5n + 3 \leq g(n) = n$? **True**

$f(n) = 5n + 3 \leq g(n) = 1$? **False**


$$(5n - 1000000) \geq 1$$

$f(n) = 5n + 3 \leq g(n) = n^2$? **True** – quadratic will always dominate linear

$f(n) = n^2 + 3n + 2 \leq g(n) = n^3$? **True**

$f(n) = n^3 \leq g(n) = n^2 + 3n + 2$? **False**

In this case, its not a true \leq sign; it refering to whether one function dominates the other (do they have different big O run times?)

Definition: function domination

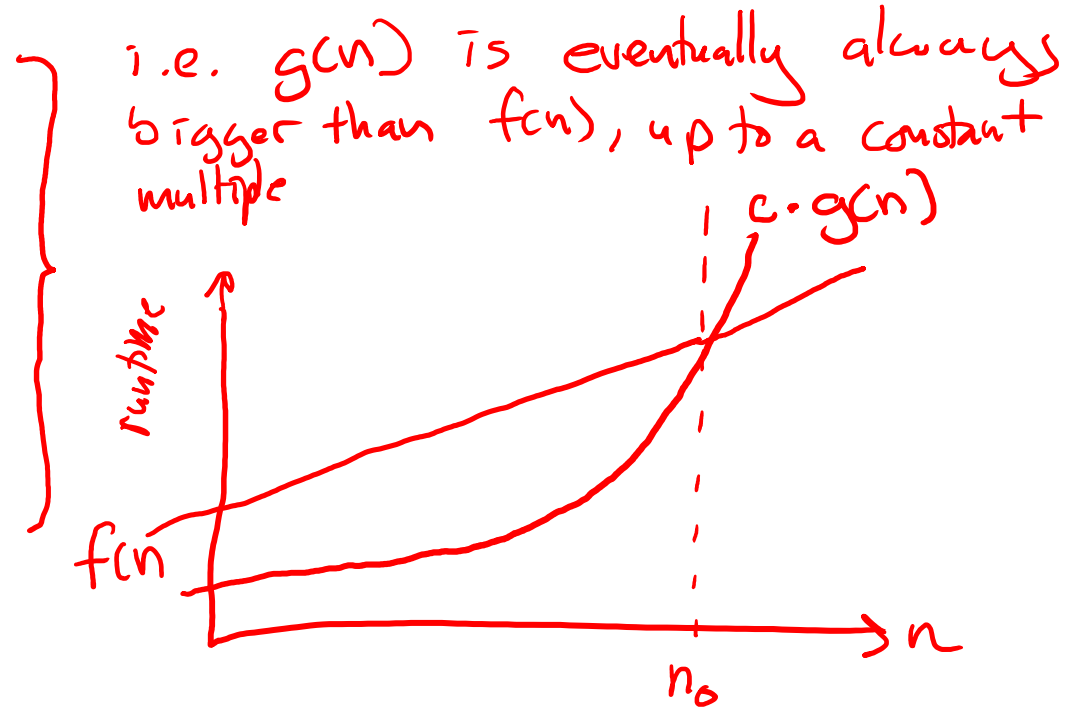
Definition: Domination

A function $f(n)$ is **dominated** by $g(n)$ when...

There exists two constants $c > 0$ and $n_0 > 0$

Such that for all values of $n \geq n_0$

$$f(n) \leq c * g(n)$$



Example:

Is $f(n) = n$ dominated by $g(n) = 5n + 3$?

$$c = 1$$

$$n_0 = 1$$

Yes!

$$2n = n + 3$$
$$n_0 = 10$$

$$f(n) = n$$
$$g(n) = n + 3$$

$$c = 2$$

$$n_0 = 1$$
$$c = 1$$

$$c \cdot g(n) = n + 3 \geq n \quad \forall n > n_0 = 1$$

$$c \cdot f(n) = 2n \geq n + 3 \quad \forall n > 10$$

Exercise: Function Domination

Demonstrate that $5n^2 + 3n + 6$ is dominated by n^3 by finding a c and n_0 that satisfy the definition of domination

$$5n^2 + 3n + 6 \leq 5n^2 + 3n^2 + 6n^2 \text{ when } n \geq 1$$

$$5n^2 + 3n^2 + 6n^2 = 14n^2$$

$$5n^2 + 3n + 6 \leq 14n^2 \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

$$14n^2 \leq c \cdot n^3 \text{ for } c = ? \text{ } n \geq ?$$

$$\frac{14}{n} \rightarrow c = 14 \text{ \& } n \geq 1$$

$n=1$ LHS $5+3+6=14$
 $5+3+6=14$

Definition: Big O

If $f(n) = n \leq g(n) = 5n + 3 \leq h(n) = 100n$ and

$h(n) = 100n \leq g(n) = 5n + 3 \leq f(n)$

Really they are all the "same"



Definition: Big O

$O(f(n))$ is the "family" or "set" of all functions that are dominated by $f(n)$

Text

all functions that are ~ as fast or faster than $f(n)$ runtime

Question: are $O(n)$, $O(5n + 3)$ and $O(100n)$ all the same?

True! By convention we pick simplest of the above $\rightarrow O(n)$ is "linear"

$f(n) = 1$ in $O(n)$?

Definitions: Big Ω

"f(n) is greater than or equal to g(n)"

F(n) dominates g(n) when:

There exists two constants such that $c > 0$ and $n_0 > 0$

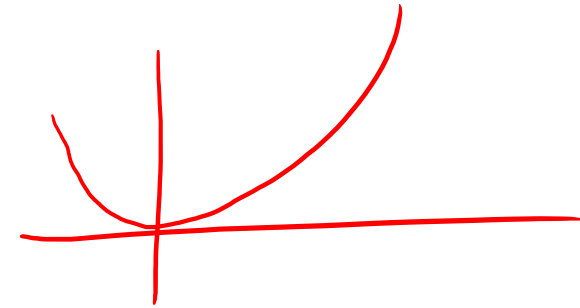
Such that for all values $n \geq n_0$

$F(n) \geq c * g(n)$ is true

Definition: Big Ω

$\Omega(f(n))$ is the family of all functions that dominates f(n)

all functions that are ~equal or larger than f(n) (i.e. runs slower)



n^2
 $\Omega(n^2)$
 $\rightarrow n^3$
 $\rightarrow n^5$
 $\rightarrow n!$

∈ Element Of

$f(n)$ is dominated by $g(n)$

Is that the same as

" $f(n)$ is contained inside $O(g(n))$ "

Yes!

$f(n) \in g(n)$

$$\begin{aligned} n &= O(n) \\ n &\leq O(n) \\ n &\in O(n) \end{aligned}$$

Examples

$$4n^2 \in \Omega(1)$$

true

$$4n^2 \in \Omega(n)$$

true

$$4n^2 \in \Omega(n^2)$$

true

$$4n^2 \in \Omega(n^3)$$

false

$$4n^2 \in \Omega(n^4)$$

false

$$4n^2 \in O(1)$$

false

$$4n^2 \in O(n)$$

false

$$4n^2 \in O(n^2)$$

true

$$4n^2 \in O(n^3)$$

true

$$4n^2 \in O(n^4)$$

true

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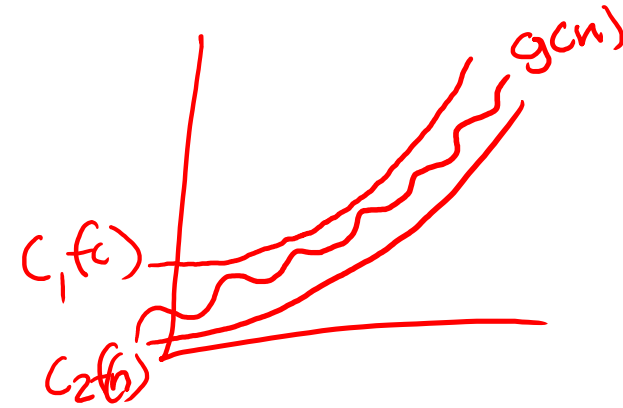
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Definitions: Big Θ

We say $f(n) \in \Theta(g(n))$ when both
 $f(n) \in O(g(n))$ and $f(n) \in \Omega(g(n))$ are true
Which is only when $f(n) = g(n)$



Definition: Big Θ

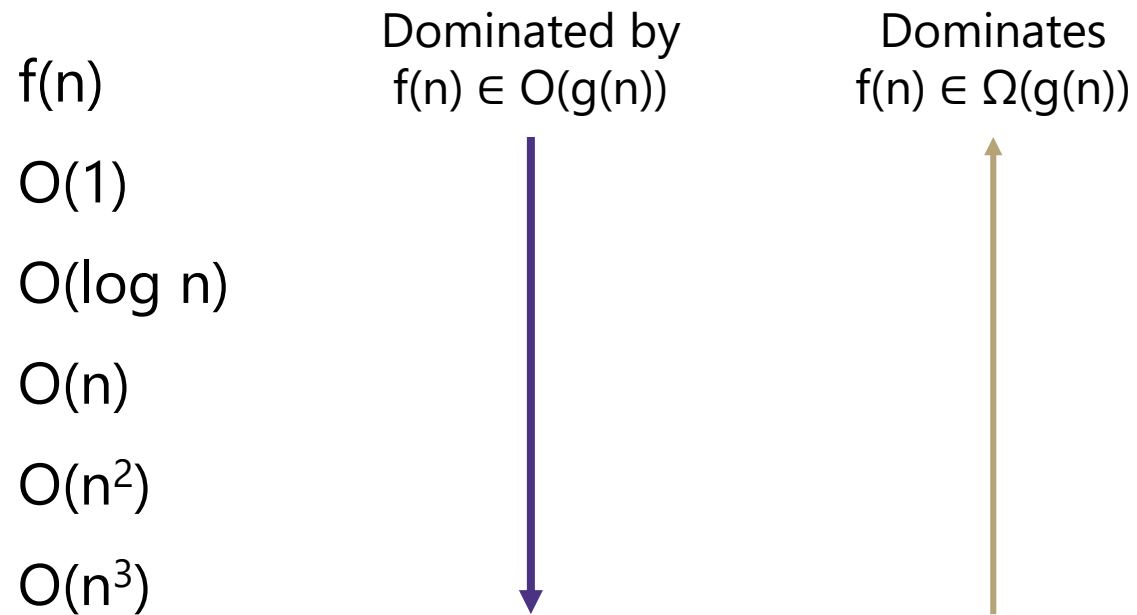
$\Theta(f(n))$ is the family of functions that are equivalent to $f(n)$

approximately same runtime; all same order of magnitude (i.e. $4n^2$ is in Big O - of n^2)

Industry uses "Big Θ " and "Big O " interchangeably

Summary

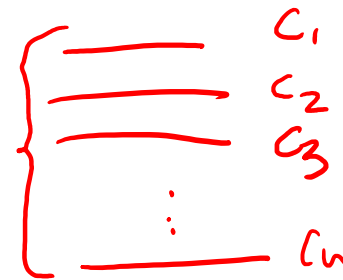
$$O(f(n)) \leq f(n) == \Theta(f(n)) \leq \Omega(f(n))$$



Justifying the "Rules"

Approximations / Rules

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$$\underline{c_1 + c_2 + \dots + c_n} \leq C \cdot n$$

\uparrow
 $\max_n c_n$

+ 1 per line

$$C + 1 \leq C'$$

A Slightly Harder example

```
public void mystery(int n) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        for (int j = 0; j < n * n; j++) {  
            System.out.println("Hello");  
        }  
        for (int j = 0; j < 10; j++) {  
            System.out.println("world");  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Handwritten analysis of the code's time complexity:

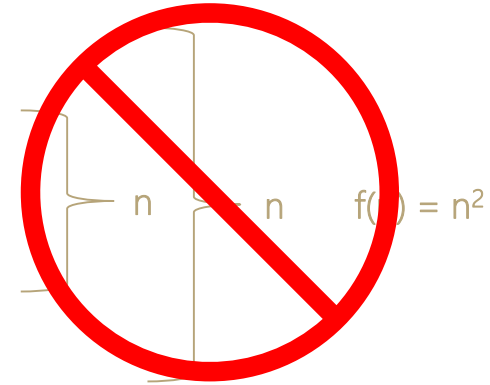
- The inner loop `for (int j = 0; j < n * n; j++)` is annotated with $O(n^2)$ and $+1$.
- The second inner loop `for (int j = 0; j < 10; j++)` is annotated with $10 \Rightarrow O(1)$ and $+1$.
- The outer loop `for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)` is annotated with n^2 and $+1$.
- The total complexity is calculated as $n \cdot O(n^2) = O(n^3)$.
- A side calculation shows $O(n^2) + O(1) = O(n^2 + 1) = O(n^2)$.
- A final note indicates the complexity is $O(n^3)$.

Remember: work outside in

Solution: $T(n) = n(n^2 + 10) = n^3 + 10n$

Modeling Complex Loops

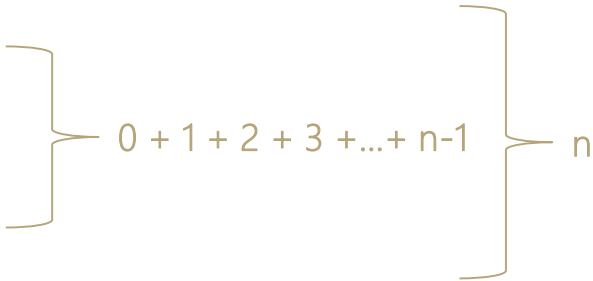
```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    for (int j = 0; j < i; j++) {  
        System.out.println("Hello!");  
    }  
}
```



Keep an eye on loop bounds!

Modeling Complex Loops

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    for (int j = 0; j < i; j++) {  
        System.out.println("Hello!"); +c  
    }  
}
```



Summation

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n = \sum_{i=1}^n i$$

Definition: Summation

$$\sum_{i=a}^b f(i) = f(a) + f(a+1) + f(a+2) + \dots + f(b-2) + f(b-1) + f(b)$$

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} c$$

Simplifying Summations

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    for (int j = 0; j < i; j++) {  
        System.out.println("Hello!"); +c  
    }  
}
```

$\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{+c} \\ \text{+c} \\ \text{+c} \\ \vdots \\ \text{+c} \end{array} \right\} 0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n-1 \left. \right\} n \rightarrow$

$(0c + 1c + 2c + 3c + \dots + i-1c)$
 $+ (0c + 1c + 2c + 3c + \dots + i-1c)$
 $+ (0c + 1c + 2c + 3c + \dots + i-1c)$
 $+ \text{repeat } n \text{ times}$

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} c = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} ci \quad \text{Summation of a constant}$$


$$= c \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i \quad \text{Factoring out a constant}$$

$$= c \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \quad \text{Gauss's Identity}$$

$$= \frac{c}{2}n^2 - \frac{c}{2}n \quad O(n^2)$$

Function Modeling: Recursion

```
public int factorial(int n) {  
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) { +3  
        return 1; +1  
    } else {  
        return n * factorial(n - 1); +????  
    }  
}
```



Function Modeling: Recursion

```
public int factorial(int n) {  
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) {  
        return 1; } +C1  
    } else {  
        return n * factorial(n - 1); +T(n-1)  
    } +C2  
}
```

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} C_1 & \text{when } n = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ C_2 + T(n-1) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$


Definition: Recurrence

Mathematical equivalent of an if/else statement
 $f(n) =$

Unfolding Method

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} C_1 & \text{when } n = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ C_2 + T(n-1) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$T(3) = C_2 + T(3-1) = C_2 + (C_2 + T(2-1)) = C_2 + (C_2 + (C_1)) = 2C_2 + C_1$$

$$T(n) = C_1 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} C_2$$


Summation of a constant

$$T(n) = C_1 + (n-1)C_2$$