

Quick recap for analyzing time complexity.

- count the number of basic operations
- ignore constant factors

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Input: n
for i=1...n
  for j=1...n
    print("Hello World")
    
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$$n \cdot n \cdot O(1) = O(n^2)$$

$$\leftarrow \text{constant } O(1)$$

$$10 = O(1)$$

$$5 = O(1)$$

Formal definition

$$f(n) = O(g(n))$$

if there exist constants $n_0, c > 0$

$$f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n) \text{ for all } n \geq n_0$$



Intuition for why the lemma should be true

Lemma: $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if

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

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \leq c \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

$$n = O(n^2) \quad \text{Proof} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 < \infty$$

$$O(n \cdot \log(\log(n)))$$

Intuition: $f(n) = O(g(n))$ $f(n) \leq g(n)$ (Lem) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} < \infty$

$f(n) = o(g(n))$ $f(n) < g(n)$ Def: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0$

$$n = o(n^2)$$

$$5n \neq o(n) \quad 5n = O(n)$$

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ $f(n) \geq g(n)$ Def: a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} < \infty$
b) $g(n) = O(f(n))$

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$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n)) \iff f(n) = O(g(n)) \text{ and } f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

↳ $g(n) = o(f(n))$

Def: if $f(n) = O(g(n))$
and $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$

In practice

- ignore constants
- keep only the largest term

$$5n^2 + 10n = O(n^2)$$

This extends to the case with more than 1 variable:

$$nk + nk^2 = O(nk^2) \quad \leftarrow \text{keep largest term}$$

$$n^2k + nk^2 = O(n^2k + nk^2) \quad \leftarrow \text{no term is strictly larger than the other, keep both terms}$$

$$n^a = O(n^b) \quad \text{if } b \geq a$$

$$n^2 = O(n^3)$$

$$(\log(n))^a = O(n^b) \quad \text{for all } a, b > 0 \quad (\log(n))^{1000000} = O(n^{0.000001})$$

$$n^a = O(b^n) \quad \text{for all } a \geq 0, b > 1 \quad n^{100000} = O(2^n)$$

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Divide & Conquer

- split problem into smaller pieces
- solve smaller pieces via recursion
- combine solutions into answer for the original problem.

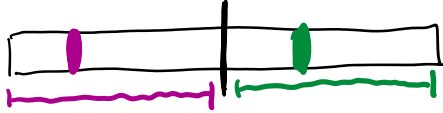
Array $A[0 \dots n-1]$, find $\max_i A[i]$

E.g. $\text{Max}(A[0 \dots n-1])$ if $n=2$



FindMax (A[0... n-1])
 if n==1
 return A[0]

if n==2
 if A[0] > A[1]
 return A[0]
 else
 return A[1]



if left > max A[i]
 i > n/2

=> left = max A[i]

left = FindMax (A[0... n/2 - 1])

right = FindMax (A[n/2... n])

if left > right
 return left

else
 return right

O(1)

T(n) = time of FindMax on arrays of length n

$$T(n) = 2 \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(1)$$

time to merge answers

Master-Theorem

Theorem: $T(n) = a \cdot T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + O(n^c)$

↑ ↙ b = size decrease

recursive calls

$$\text{then } T(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^c) & \text{if } c > \log_b(a) \\ O(n^c \log n) & \text{if } c = \log_b(a) \\ O(n^{\log_b(a)}) & \text{if } c < \log_b(a) \end{cases}$$

Complexity of FindMax

$$\log_b(a) = \log_2(2) = 1 > 0 = c$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{case 3 } T(n) = O(n^{\log_b(a)}) = O(n^1) = O(n)$$

$$\log_b(n) = \frac{\log_2 n}{\log_2 b}$$

depth

a # recursion

$$= \left(2^{\log_2(a)}\right)^{\# \text{rec.}}$$

$$= 2^{\log_2(a) \cdot \log_b(n)}$$

$$= n^{\log_2(a) / \log_2 b}$$