

Big-O Basics

1. Basic Order:

$$O(1) < O(\log n) < O(n) < O(n \log n) < O(n^2) < O(2^n) < O(n!)$$

- (a) $n^3 __ n^2 \log(n)$
- (b) $3^n __ n!$
- (c) $\log(\log(n)) __ \log(n)$

2. Useful Rules:

- (a) Lower order terms doesn't matter. $a_0 + a_1n + \dots + a_dn^d$ is $O(n^d)$ if $a_d > 0$
 - i. $n^2 + n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
 - ii. $2^n + n^5 + 2n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
 - iii. $n + \log(n) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- (b) Log base doesn't matter. $O(\log_a n) = O(\log_b n)$ for any $a, b > 0$
 - i. $O(\log_2(n)) __ O(\log_4(n))$
- (c) Log grows slower than every polynomial. $\log(n) = O(n^x)$ for any $x > 0$.
 - i. $\log(n) __ n^{0.01}$
- (d) Every exponential grows faster than every polynomial. $n^d = O(r^n)$ for all $r > 1$ and all $d > 0$.
 - i. $n^{100} __ 1.01^n$

3. Big-O Definition

- (a) Upper bound: $g(n)$ is in $O(f(n))$ if there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $g(n) \leq c * f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$
 - i. $g(n) = 4n, f(n) = n, c = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, n_0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
 - ii. $g(n) = 100n, f(n) = n^2, c = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, n_0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
 - iii. $g(n) = n^3, f(n) = 2^n, c = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, n_0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- (b) Lower bound: $g(n)$ is in $\Omega(f(n))$ if there exist positive constants c and n_0 such that $g(n) \geq c * f(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$
- (c) Tight bound: $g(n)$ is in $\Theta(f(n))$ if: $g(n)$ is in $O(f(n))$; $g(n)$ is in $\Omega(f(n))$

Algorithm Analysis

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1. int min(int[] arr) {
    int min = arr[0]
    for (int i=1; i < arr.length; i++) {
        if (arr[i] < min) {
            min = arr[i]
        }
    }
    return min;
}
  
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2. int min(int[][] arr) {
    int min = arr[0][0]
    for (int i=1; i < arr.length; i++) {
        for (int j=0; j < arr[0].length; j++) {
            if (arr[i][j] < min) {
                min = arr[i][j]
            }
        }
    }
    return min;
}
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3. int sum (int n) {
    int sum = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < i * i * i; j++){
            sum += j;
        }
    }
    return sum;
}
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4. int factorial (int n) {
    if (n == 1) {
        return 1;
    } else {
        return factorial(n - 1) * n;
    }
}
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5. boolean find(int[] arr, int k) {
    return help(arr,k,0,arr.length);
}
boolean help(int[] arr, int k, int lo, int hi) {
    int mid = (hi+lo)/2;
    if(lo==hi) return false;
    if(arr[mid]==k) return true;
    if(arr[mid]< k) return help(arr,k,mid+1,hi);
    else return help(arr,k,lo,mid);
}
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