

# Review Session: 30 June 2016

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## Practice with Asymptotic Analysis

What are the asymptotic runtimes of the following algorithms?

### Example 1

```
public static void method(int n) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        sum++;  
    }  
}
```

*← executes once*  
*← executes once* } *loop executes n times*

$1 + n(1) \rightarrow \boxed{O(n)}$

### Example 2

```
public static void method(int n) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        for (int j = 1; j <= n; j++) {  
            sum++;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

*} n times* } *n times*

$n \times n \rightarrow \boxed{O(n^2)}$

### Example 3

```
public static void method(int n) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        for (int j = 1; j <= 4; j++) {  
            sum++;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

$4 \times n \rightarrow \boxed{O(n)}$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{ } \end{array} \right\} 4 \text{ times}$   $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{ } \end{array} \right\} n \text{ times}$

### Example 4

```
public static void method(int n) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {  
            sum++;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

$\left. \text{ } \right\} i \text{ times}$

# of times  
sum++  
executes

$$= 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{arithmetic series!} \\ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \frac{n}{2} (a_1 + a_n) \right) \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} (1 + n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}n + \frac{1}{2}n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{O(n^2)}$$

## Example 5

```
// Pre-Condition: Current is not null
// We'll only consider balanced binary trees for this problem
public static int countNodes(Node current) {
    if (current.left == null && current.right == null) {
        return 1;
    } else {
        int leftCount = countNodes(current.left);
        int rightCount = countNodes(current.right);
        return leftCount + rightCount + 1;
    }
}
```

Recursion!  
⇒ Let's use recurrence relations.

Let  $n = \# \text{ nodes in tree}$

If statement executes only when  $n=1$   
# executions in body of if statement = 1

⇒ We have a base case

$$T(1) = 1$$

Else statement executions:

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

# nodes in left subtree      # nodes in right subtree

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

Expanding the recurrence relation  
by plugging  $1+2T(\frac{n}{2})$  for  $T(n)$ :

1<sup>st</sup>  
expansion

$$T(n) = 1 + 2T(\frac{n}{2})$$

2<sup>nd</sup>

$$= 1 + 2 + 4T(\frac{n}{4})$$

3<sup>rd</sup>

$$= 1 + 2 + 4 + 8T(\frac{n}{8})$$

$\vdots$

k<sup>th</sup>

$$= \underbrace{2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{k-1}} + 2^k T(\frac{n}{2^k})$$

$$T(n) = 2^k - 1 + 2^k T(\frac{n}{2^k})$$

We know  $T(1) = 1$  (base case)

Let's solve  $\frac{n}{2^k} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow n = 2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \log_2 n$$



Plug it into

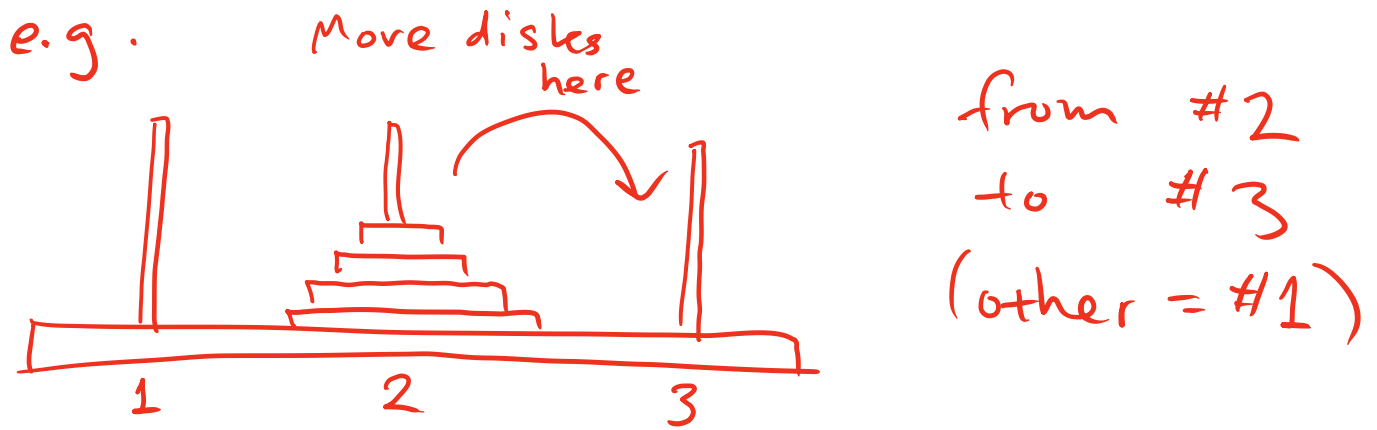
$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2^k - 1 + 2^k T\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) \\ \Rightarrow &= 2^{\log_2 n} - 1 + 2^{\log_2 n} T\left(\frac{n}{2^{\log_2 n}}\right) \\ &= n - 1 + n T\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) \\ &= n - 1 + n T(1) \\ &= n - 1 + n \end{aligned}$$

$$T(n) = 2n - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{O(n)}$$

## Example 6 -- Towers of Hanoi

(see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tower\\_of\\_Hanoi](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tower_of_Hanoi))



```
// Prints instructions for moving disks from one
// pole to another, where the three poles are
// labeled with integers "from", "to", and "other".
// Code from rosettacode.org
public void move(int n, int from, int to, int other) {
    if (n == 1) {
        System.out.println("Move disk from pole " + from +
                           " to pole " + to);
    } else {
        move(n - 1, from, other, to);
        move(1, from, to, other);
        move(n - 1, other, to, from);
    }
}
```

Recursive function!  
Let's use recurrence relations.  
Let  $H(n) = \# \text{ executions to run alg. on } n$ .

Base case @  $n=1$

```
if ( $n == 1$ ) {  
    System.out.println("Move disk from pole " + from +  
                        " to pole " + to);
```

$\uparrow$  1 execution  $\Rightarrow H(1) = 1$

All other  $H(n)$ :

```
} else {  
    move( $n - 1$ , from, other, to);  $\leftarrow H(n-1)$  executions  
    move(1, from, to, other);  $\leftarrow H(1) = 1$   
    move( $n - 1$ , other, to, from);  $\leftarrow H(n-1)$   
}
```

All together:

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

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

Expanding (plug in for  $H(n)$ ):

$$1^{st} \quad H(n) = 1 + 2H(n-1)$$

$$2^{nd} \quad = 1 + 2 + 4H(n-2)$$

$$3^{rd} \quad = 1 + 2 + 4 + 8H(n-3)$$

$\vdots$

$$k^{th} \quad = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{k-1} + 2^k H(n-k)$$

$n$

$$= 2^k - 1 + 2^k H(n-k)$$

Base case is at  $H(1)$ , so  
let's solve  $n-k=1$

$$\Rightarrow k=n-1$$

Plug it in:

$$\begin{aligned} H(n) &= 2^k - 1 + 2^k H(n-k) \\ &= 2^{n-1} - 1 + 2^{n-1} H(n-[n-1]) \\ &= 2^{n-1} - 1 + 2^{n-1} H(1) \\ &= 2^{n-1} + 1 + 2^{n-1} (1) \\ &= 2(2^{n-1}) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$H(n) = 2^n + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{O(2^n)}$$