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Computer Programming II

Efficiency



```
public void run() {  
    //for (int i = 0; i < 1000000; i++) {  
    //    doLongCalculation();  
    //    anotherAnalysis();  
    //    solvePNP();  
    //}  
    System.out.println("Done!");  
}
```

What does it mean to have an “efficient program”?

```
1 System.out.println("hello");      vs.      1 System.out.print("h");
                                            2 System.out.print("e");
                                            3 System.out.print("l");
                                            4 System.out.print("l");
                                            5 System.out.println("o");

----- OUTPUT -----
```

```
>> left average run time is 1000 ns.
>> right average run time is 5000 ns.
```

We're measuring in NANOSECONDS!

Both of these run **very very** quickly. The first is definitely better style, but it's not “more efficient.”

hasDuplicate

Given a **sorted int array**, determine if the array has a duplicate.

```
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;  
}
```

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

OUTPUT

```
>> hasDuplicate1 average run time is 5254712 ns.  
>> hasDuplicate2 average run time is 2384 ns.
```

Timing programs is prone to error:

- We can't compare between computers
- We get noise (what if the computer is busy?)

Let's **count** the number of steps instead:

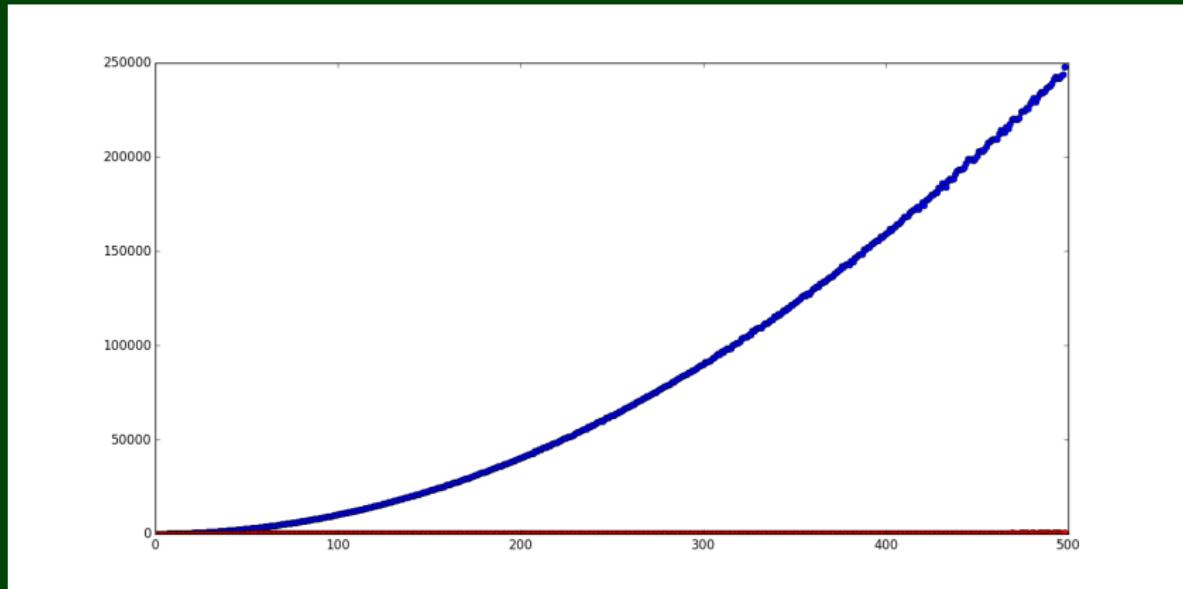
```
public int stepsHasDuplicate1(int[] array) {  
    int steps = 0;  
    for (int i=0; i < array.length; i++) {  
        for (int j=0; j < array.length; j++) {  
            steps++; // The if statement is a step  
            if (i != j && array[i] == array[j]) {  
                return steps;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return steps;  
}
```

OUTPUT

```
>> hasDuplicate1 average number of steps is 9758172 steps.  
>> hasDuplicate2 average number of steps is 170 steps.
```

This **still** isn't good enough! We're only trying **a single** array!

Instead, let's try running on arrays of size 1, 2, 3, ..., 1000000, and plot:



Runtime Efficiency

We've made the following observations:

- All “simple” statements (`println("hello")`, $3 + 7$, etc.) take **one** step to run.
- We should look at the “number of steps” a program takes to run.
- We should compare the **growth** of the runtime (not just one input).

```
1 statement1; } 3
2 statement2; } N
3 statement3;
4
5 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
6     statement4; } 5N + 3
7 }
8
9
10 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
11     statement5; } 4N
12     statement6;
13     statement7;
14     statement8;
15 }
```

We measure **algorithmic complexity** by looking at the **growth rate** of the steps vs. the size of the input.

The algorithm on the previous slide ran in $5N+3$ steps. As N gets very large, the “5” and the “3” become irrelevant.

We say that algorithm is $\mathcal{O}(N)$ (“Big-Oh-of- N ”) which means the number of steps it takes is **linear** in the input.

Some Common Complexities

$\mathcal{O}(1)$	Constant	The number of steps doesn't depend on n
$\mathcal{O}(n)$	Linear	If you double n , the number of steps doubles
$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$	Quadratic	If you double n , the number of steps quadruples
$\mathcal{O}(2^n)$	Exponential	The number of steps gets infeasible at $n < 100$

More Examples

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```
1 statement1; } 3  
2 statement2; } 3  
3 statement3;  
4  
5 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
6     statement4;  
7     for (int j=0; j < N/2; j++) { } N/2 } N+N(N/2)  
8         statement5;  
9     } } 0.5N2 + 5N + 3  
10 }  
11  
12  
13 for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
14     statement6;  
15     statement7;  
16     statement8;  
17     statement9; } 4N  
18 }
```

So, the entire thing is $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$, because the quadratic term overtakes all the others.

add(val)	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
add(idx, val)	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
get(idx)	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
set(idx, val)	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
remove(idx)	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
size()	$\mathcal{O}(1)$

What are the time complexities of these functions?

```
1 public static void numbers1(int max) {  
2     ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>(); //O(1)  
3     for (int i = 1; i < max; i++) { } } O(n)  
4         list.add(i); //O(1) } } O(n)  
5     } } } } O(n)  
6 }
```

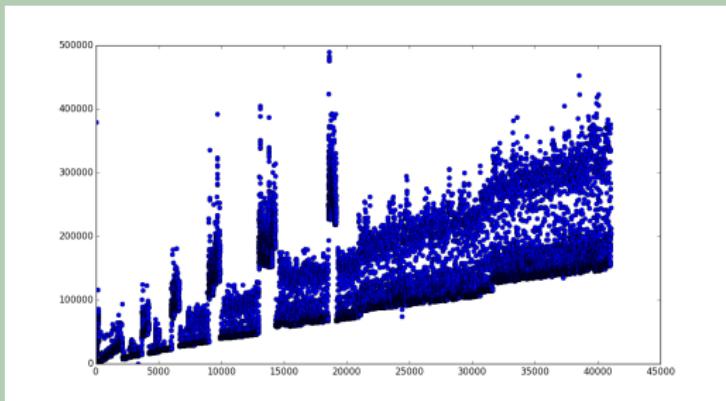
vs.

```
1 public static void numbers2(int max) {  
2     ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>(); //O(1)  
3     for (int i = 1; i < max; i++) { } } O(n)  
4         list.add(i); //O(1) } } O(n)  
5         list.add(i); //O(1) } } O(n)  
6     } } } } O(n)  
7 }
```

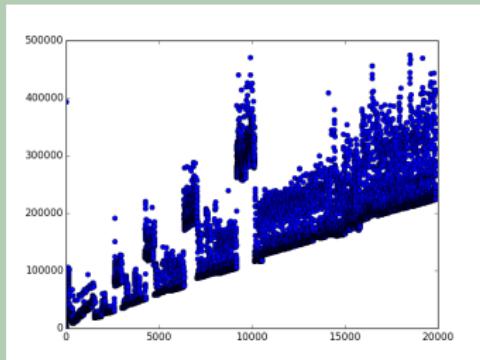
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numbers1



numbers2



```
1 public boolean is10(int number) { }  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
2     return number == 10;
3 }
4
5 public boolean two10s(int num1, int num2, int num3) { }  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ 
6     return (is10(num1) && is10(num2) && !is10(num3)) ||
7            (is10(num1) && !is10(num2) && is10(num3)) ||
8            (!is10(num1) && is10(num2) && is10(num3));
9 }
10
11 public void loops(int N) { }  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ 
12     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
13         for (int j = 0; j < N; j++) {
14             System.out.println(i + " " + j);
15         }
16     }
17
18     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) { }  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ 
19         System.out.println(N - i);
20     }
21 }
22 }
```

It's the WORST CASE!

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```

1 public static int has5(int[] array) {
2     for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {
3         System.out.println(array[i]); //O(1)
4         if (array[i] == 5) { //O(1)
5             return true;      //O(1)
6         }
7     }
8     return false;           //O(1)
9 }

```

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{if } (\text{array}[i] == 5) \\ \text{return true;} \end{array} \right\} \mathcal{O}(1)$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{System.out.println(array[i]);} \\ \text{for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++)} \end{array} \right\} \mathcal{O}(n)$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{return false;} \\ \text{}} \end{array} \right\} \mathcal{O}(n)$

Sometimes, these will finish in fewer than `array.length` steps, but **in the worse case**, we have to go through the whole array. This makes both of them $\mathcal{O}(n)$.