

CSE 373: Data Structures and Algorithms

Lecture 3: Asymptotic Analysis part 2

Math Review, Inductive Proofs, Recursive Functions

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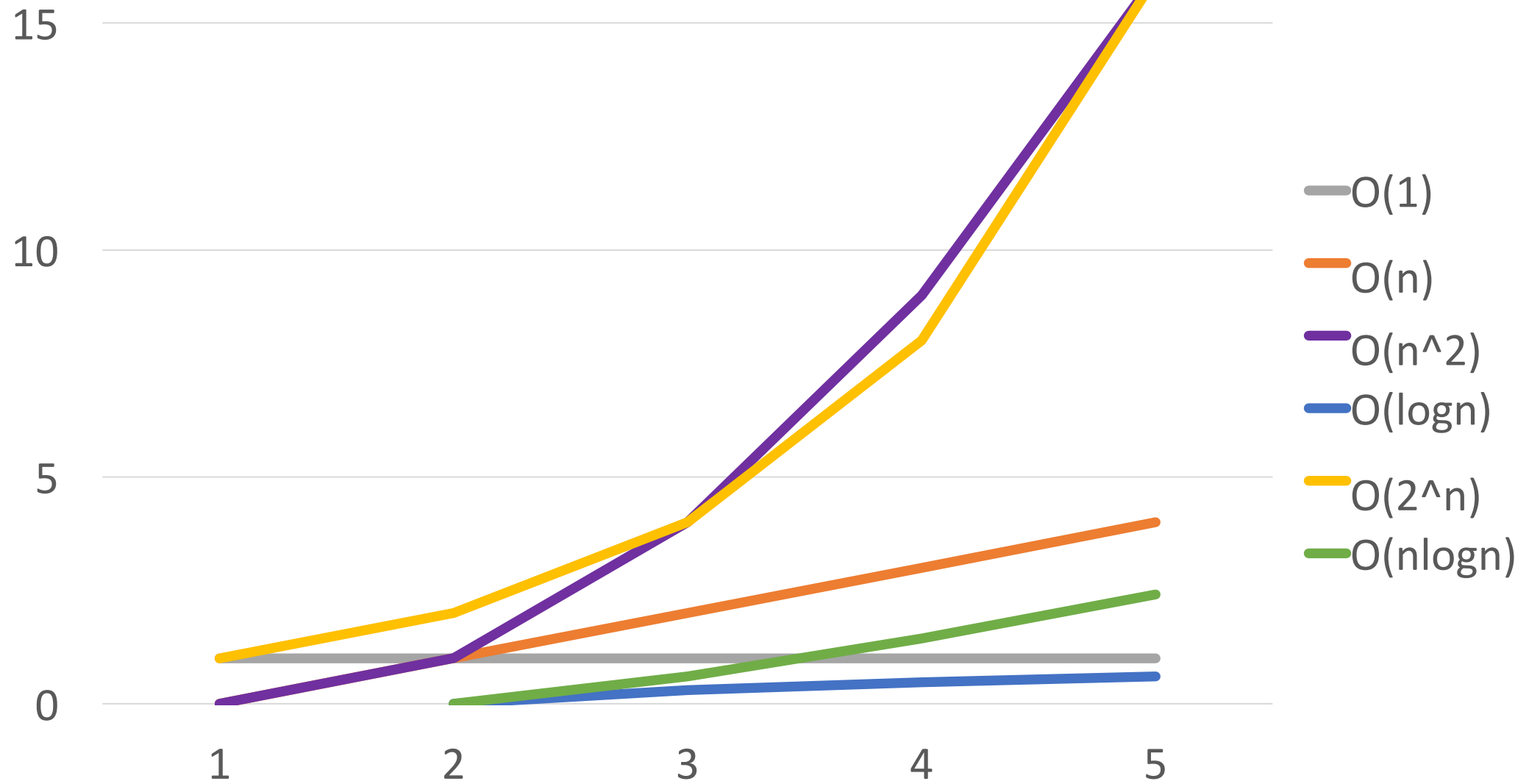
Today:

- **Brief Math Review** (review mostly on your own)
- **Continue asymptotic analysis with Big-O**
- **Proof by Induction**
- **Recursive Functions**

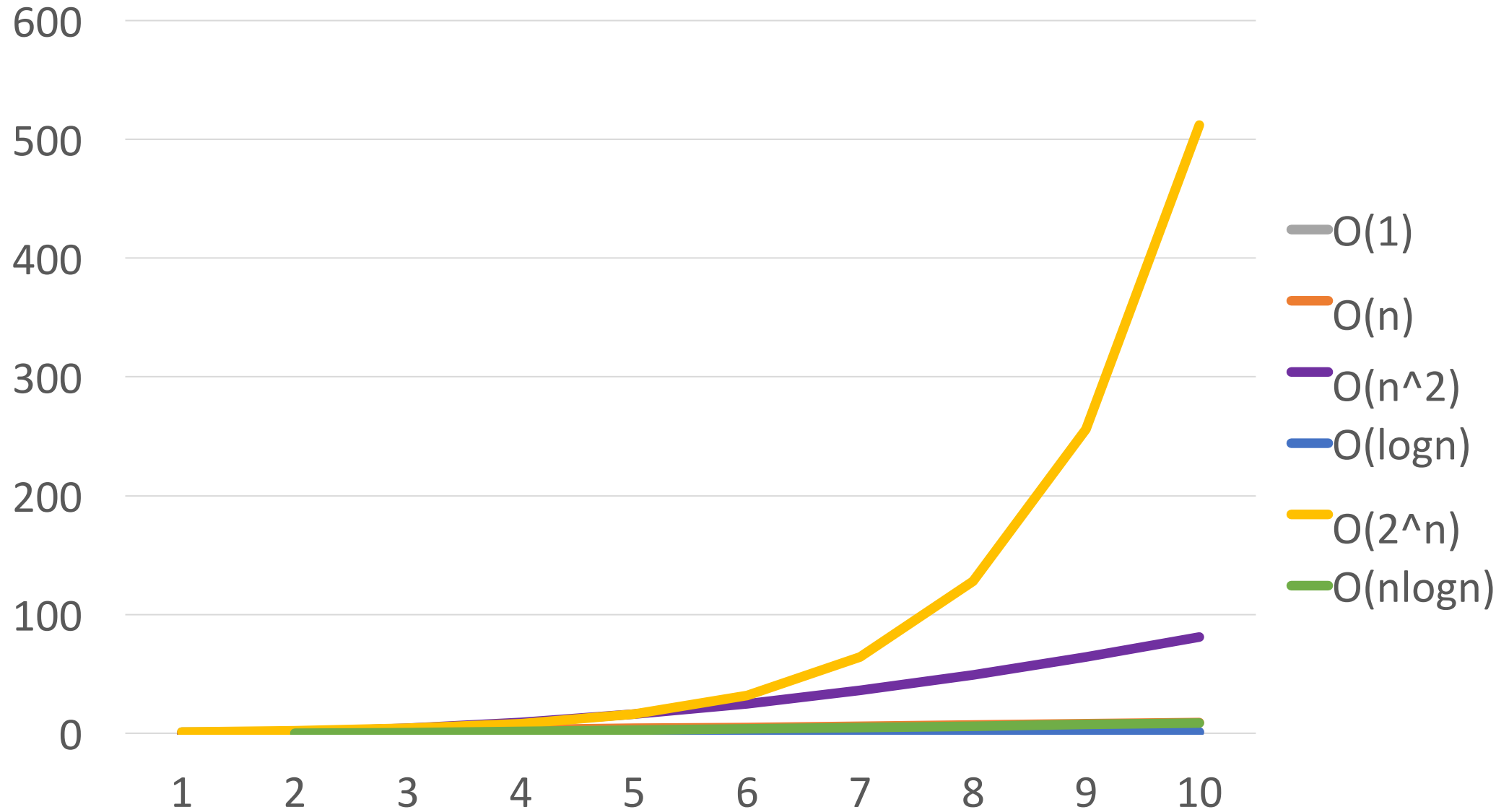
Common Big-O Names

$O(1)$	constant (same as $O(k)$ for constant k)
$O(\log n)$	logarithmic
$O(n)$	linear
$O(n \log n)$	“ $n \log n$ ”
$O(n^2)$	quadratic
$O(n^3)$	cubic
$O(n^k)$	polynomial (where k is any constant)
$O(k^n)$	exponential (where k is any constant > 1)

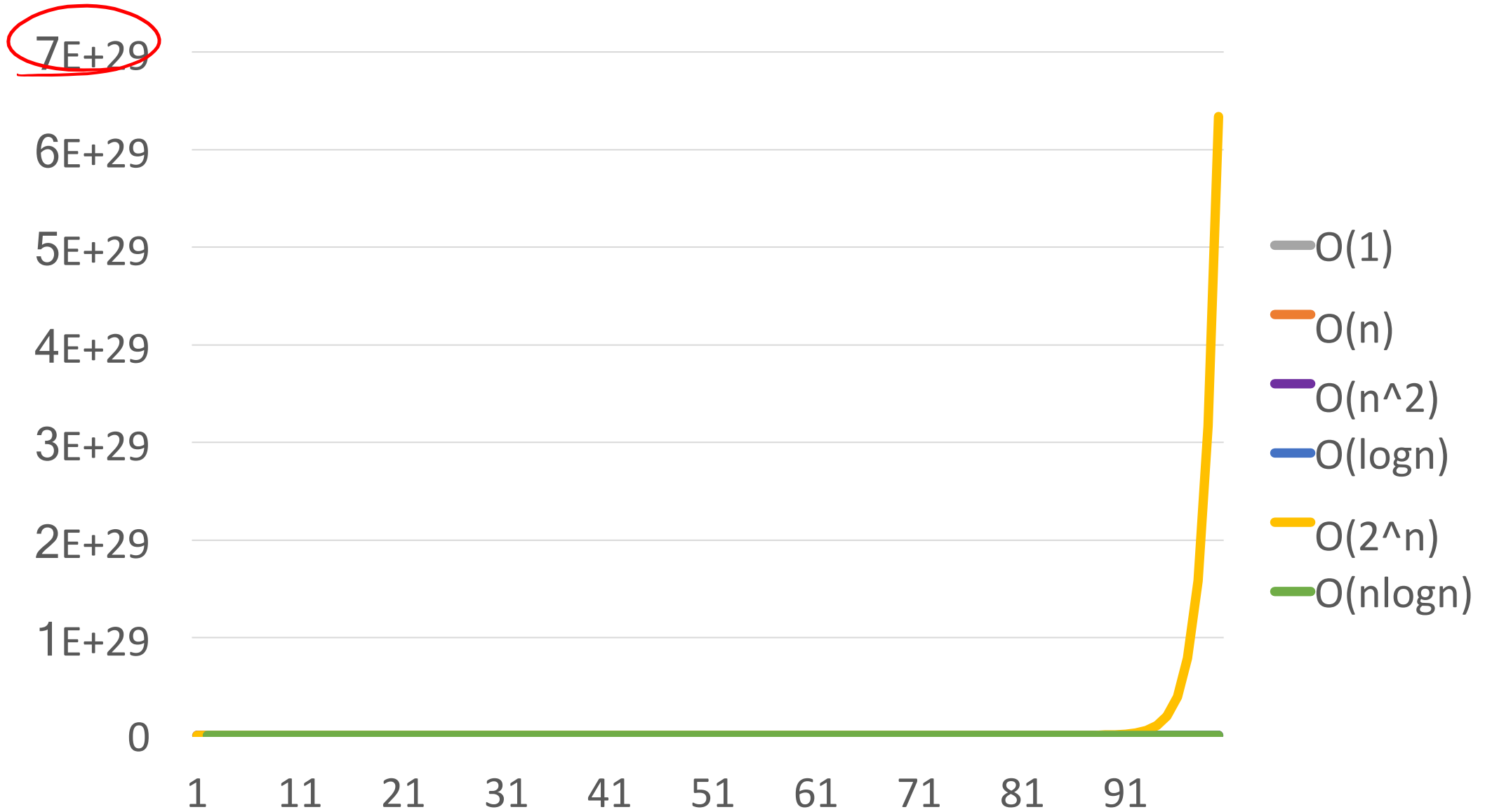
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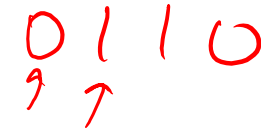
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Powers of 2: Fun Facts



- A bit is 0 or 1 (just two different “letters” or “symbols”)
- A sequence of n bits can represent 2^n distinct things
(For example, the numbers 1 through 2^n)
- 2^{10} is 1024 (“about a thousand”, kilo in CSE speak)
- 2^{20} is “about a million”, mega in CSE speak
- 2^{30} is “about a billion”, giga in CSE speak

Java: an `int` is 32 bits and signed, so “max int” is “about 2 billion”
a `long` is 64 bits and signed, so “max long” is $2^{63}-1$

Which means...

You could give a unique id to...

- Every person in the U.S. with 29 bits
- Every person in the world with 33 bits
- Every person to have ever lived with 38 bits (estimate)
- Every atom in the universe with 250-300 bits

So if a password is 128 bits long and randomly generated,
do you think you could guess it?

Math Review: Logs & Exponents

(Interlude #2 from Big-O)

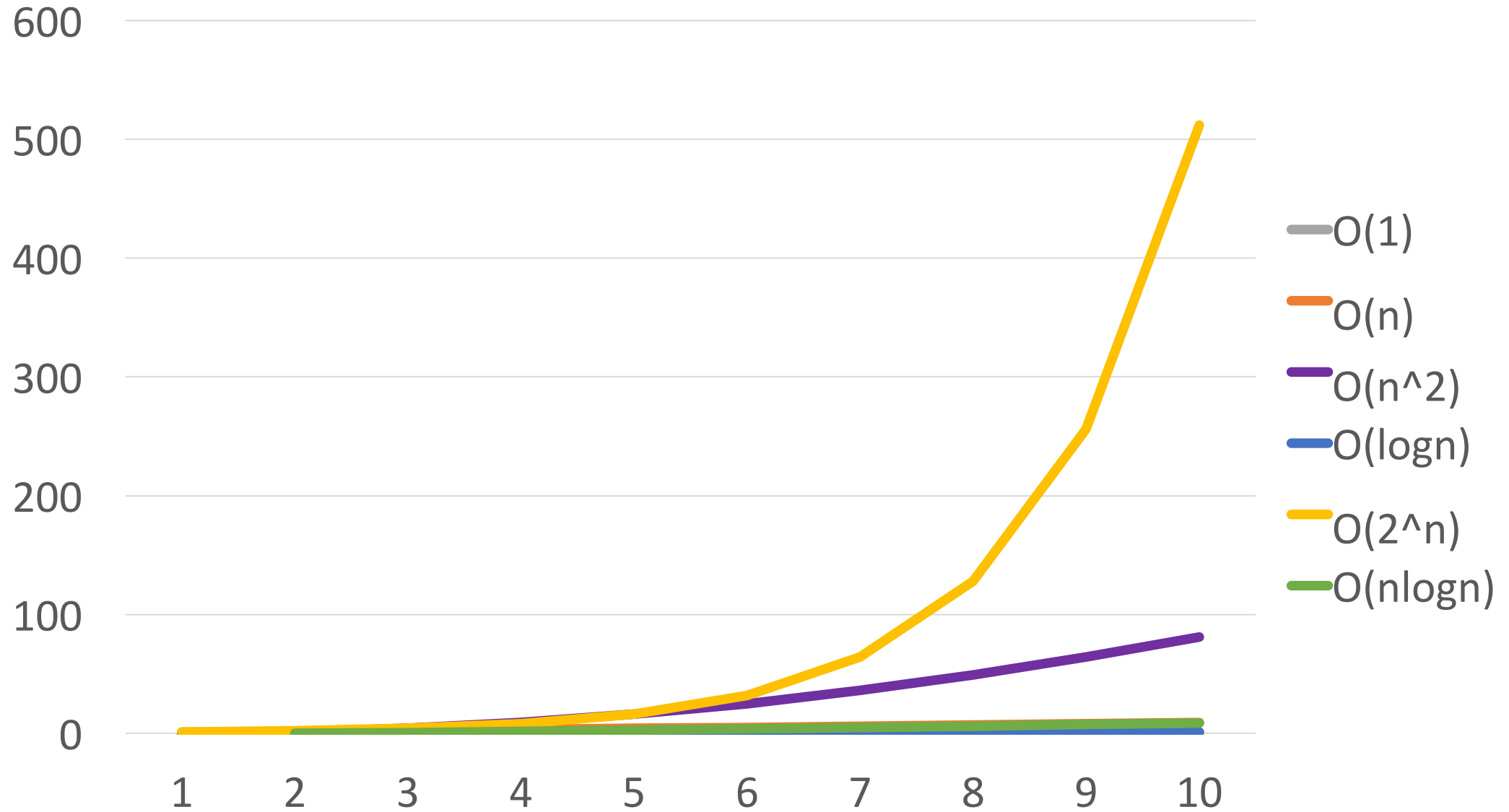
Logs & Exponents

Definition: $\log_a x = y$ if $a^y = x$

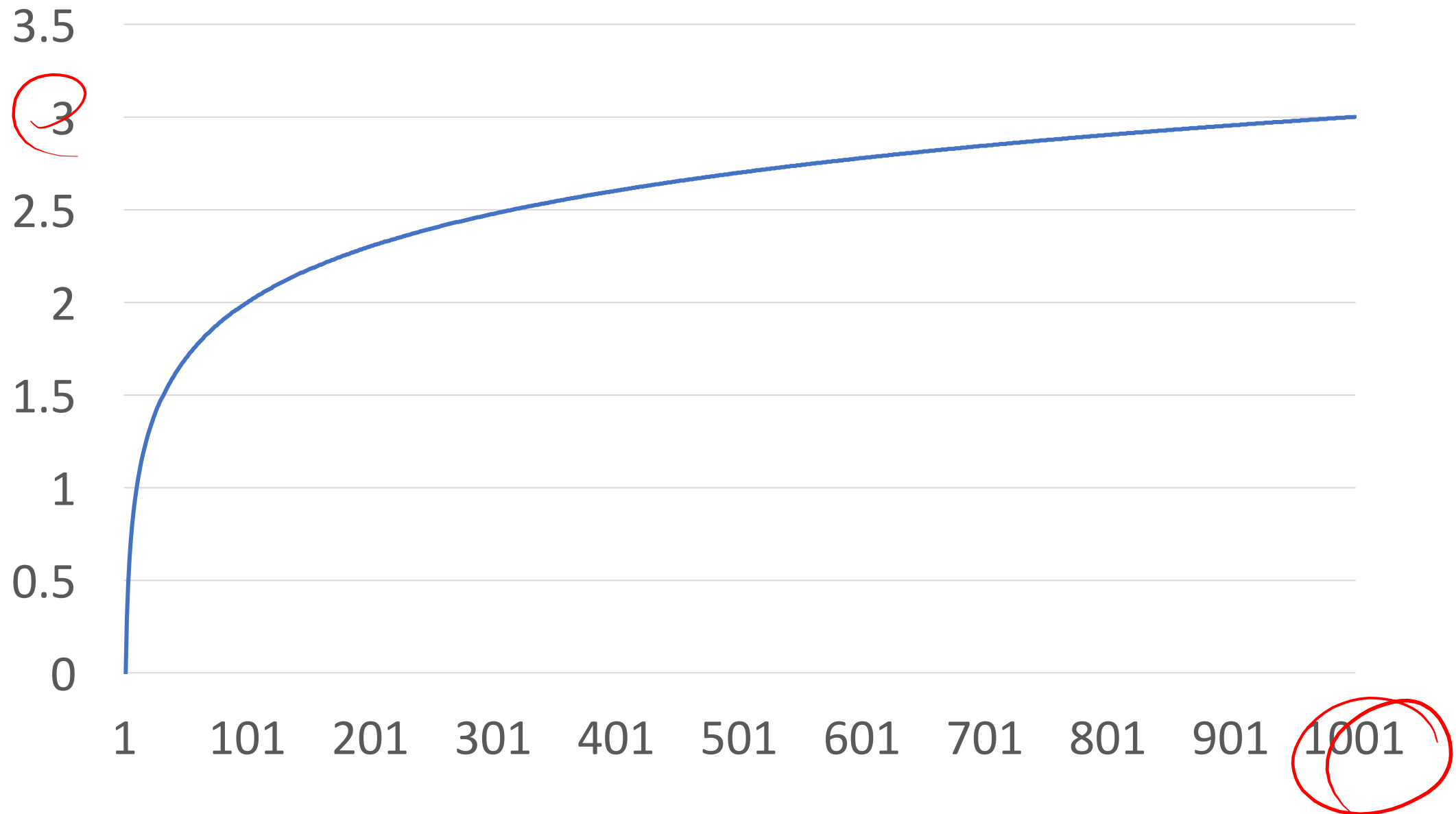
- $\log_2 32 = 5$

- $\log_{10} 10,000 = 4$

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$O(\log n)$ $\leftarrow \log_{10} n$



Logs & Exponents

Definition: $\log_a x = y$ if $a^y = x$

- $\log_2 32 =$

- $\log_{10} 10,000 =$

Outside of CSE, $\log(x)$ is often short-hand for $\log_{10} x$

In CSE, $\log(x)$ is often short-hand for $\log_2 x$

...but, does it matter?

Can Make a \log_2 Out of Any \log !

$$\log_A x = \frac{\log_B(x)}{\log_B(A)}$$

so

$$\log_2 x = \frac{\log_{\text{whatever}}(x)}{\log_{\text{whatever}}(2)}$$

$$= \log_{\text{whatever}} x \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\log_{\text{whatever}}(2)} \right)$$

Other Properties of Logarithms

(to review on your own time)

- $\log(A * B) = \log A + \log B$
 - So $\log(N^k) = k * \log N$
- $\log(A/B) = \log A - \log B$
- $\log(\log x) = \log \log x$
 - Grows as slowly as 2^2 grows quickly
- $\log(x)\log(x)$ is written $\log^2(x)$
 - It is greater than $\log(x)$ for all $x > 2$
 - It is not the same as $\log \log x$

Floor and Ceiling

(to review on your own time)

$\lfloor X \rfloor$ Floor function: the largest integer $\leq X$

$$\lfloor 2.7 \rfloor = 2 \quad \lfloor -2.7 \rfloor = -3 \quad \lfloor 2 \rfloor = 2$$

$\lceil X \rceil$ Ceiling function: the smallest integer $\geq X$

$$\lceil 2.3 \rceil = 3 \quad \lceil -2.3 \rceil = -2 \quad \lceil 2 \rceil = 2$$

Floor and Ceiling Properties

(to review on your own time)

1. $X - 1 < \lfloor X \rfloor \leq X$
2. $X \leq \lceil X \rceil < X + 1$
3. $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + \lceil n/2 \rceil = n$ if n is an integer

Back to Big-O

What's the asymptotic runtime of this (semi-)pseudocode?

```
x := 0;
for i=1 to N do
  for j=1 to i do
    x := x + 3;
return x;
```

worst case = N iterations



$$N=1$$

$$= 2$$

$$= 3$$

$$1$$

$$1 + 2$$

$$1 + 2 + 3$$

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

- A. $O(n)$
- B. $O(n^2)$
- C. $O(n + n/2)$
- D. None of the above

How do we prove
the right answer?

Proof by Induction!

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

$O(n^2)$

Inductive Proofs

(Interlude from Asymptotic Analysis)

Steps to Inductive Proof

$$\smile \star \heartsuit = \sum \clubsuit$$

1. If not given, **define** n (or “ x ” or “ t ” or whatever letter you use)

2. **Base Case**

$P(\#)$ is true

3. **Inductive Hypothesis (IHOP):**

assume true

$P(k)$

Assume what you want to prove is true for some arbitrary value k (or “ p ” or “ d ” or whatever letter you choose)

4. **Inductive Step:** show true

$P(k+1)$

$$\smile \star \heartsuit = \sum \clubsuit \text{ for } k$$

Use the IHOP (and maybe base case) to prove it's true for $n = k+1$

plug in $k+1$ in

$$\smile \star \heartsuit$$

...

$$= \sum \clubsuit$$

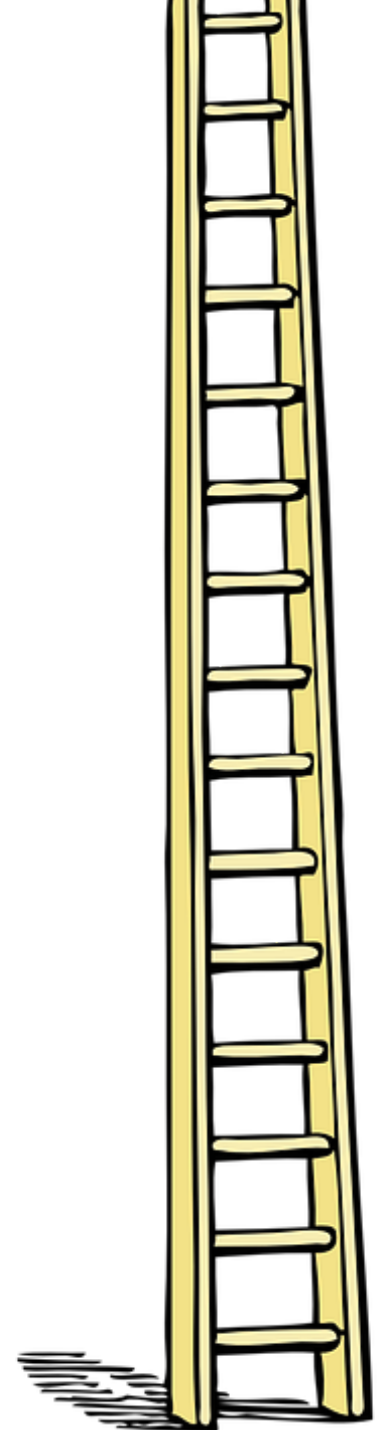
← IHOP

for $k+1$

Example #0:

Proof that I can climb any length ladder

1. **Let n** = number of rungs on a ladder.
2. **Base Case:** for $n = 1$ ✓
3. **Inductive Hypothesis (IHOP):**
Assume true for some arbitrary integer $n = k$.
4. **Inductive Step:** (aiming to prove it's true for $n = k+1$)
 - By IHOP, I can climb k steps of the ladder.
 - If I've climbed that far, I can always climb one more.
 - So I can climb $k+1$ steps.
 - I can climb forever!



Example #1

Prove that the number of loop iterations is $\frac{n * (n + 1)}{2}$

```
x := 0;  
for i=1 to N do  
  for j=1 to i do  
    x := x + 3;  
return x;
```

to $i=k$: same as $n=k$
add last step $i=k+1$
↳ adds $k+1$

① $n=N$

② Base Case: true for $n=1$

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

③ IHP: assume true $n=k$
where k is an arbitrary
integer > 1

③ Inductive step

(Extra room for notes)

Prove $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ iterations

Inductive step: (Goal: show it's true for $n = k+1$)

$$\left(\frac{(k+1)((k+1)+1)}{2} \right) \leftarrow$$

$$\text{for } N = k+1 = (\text{iterations for } N = k) + (k+1)$$

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

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

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

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

QED

by IHOP

$P(n+1) = P(n) + n+1$
true for this
problem

Example #2:

n = variable
 k = number

Prove that $1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

1. $(n=n)$

2. Base case: $n=0$ $2^0 = 1 = 2^{0+1} - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$
true for $n=0$ ✓

true
 $k=0$

3. IHOP: assume true for $n=k$ $\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i = 2^{k+1} - 1$

4. Inductive step: (Goal: show it's true for $n=k+1$)
wts: $\sum_{i=0}^{k+1} 2^i = 2^{k+2} - 1$

WOP: $n=k-1$
IS: $n=k+2$

(Extra room for notes)

$$(wts \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} 2^i = \underline{2^{k+2} - 1})$$

$$(IHOP: \underline{\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i = 2^{k+1} - 1})$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k+1} 2^i = \left(\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i \right) + 2^{k+1}$$

split
summation

$$2(2^x) = 2^{x+1} \quad = 2^{k+1} - 1 + 2^{k+1}$$

by IHOP

$$2(2^x) = \underbrace{(2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2)}_{x \text{ times}} 2 = 2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} - 1$$

$$2^{x+1} = \underbrace{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2}_{x+1 \text{ times}} = 2(2^{k+1}) - 1 = \underline{2^{k+2} - 1}$$

QED

Useful Mathematical Property!

$$\sum_{i=0}^n 2^i = 2^{n+1} - 1$$

You'll use it or see it again before the end of CSE 373.

Example #3: (Parody) Reverse Induction!

Proof by Reverse Induction That You Can Always Cage a Lion:

Let n = number of lions

Base Case: There exists some countable, arbitrarily large value of M such that when $n = M$, the lions are so packed together that it's trivial to cage one.

IHOP: Assume this is also true for $n = k$ for some arbitrary value k .

Inductive Step: Then for $n = k-1$, release a lion to reduce the problem to the case of $n = k$, which by the IHOP is true.

QED :)

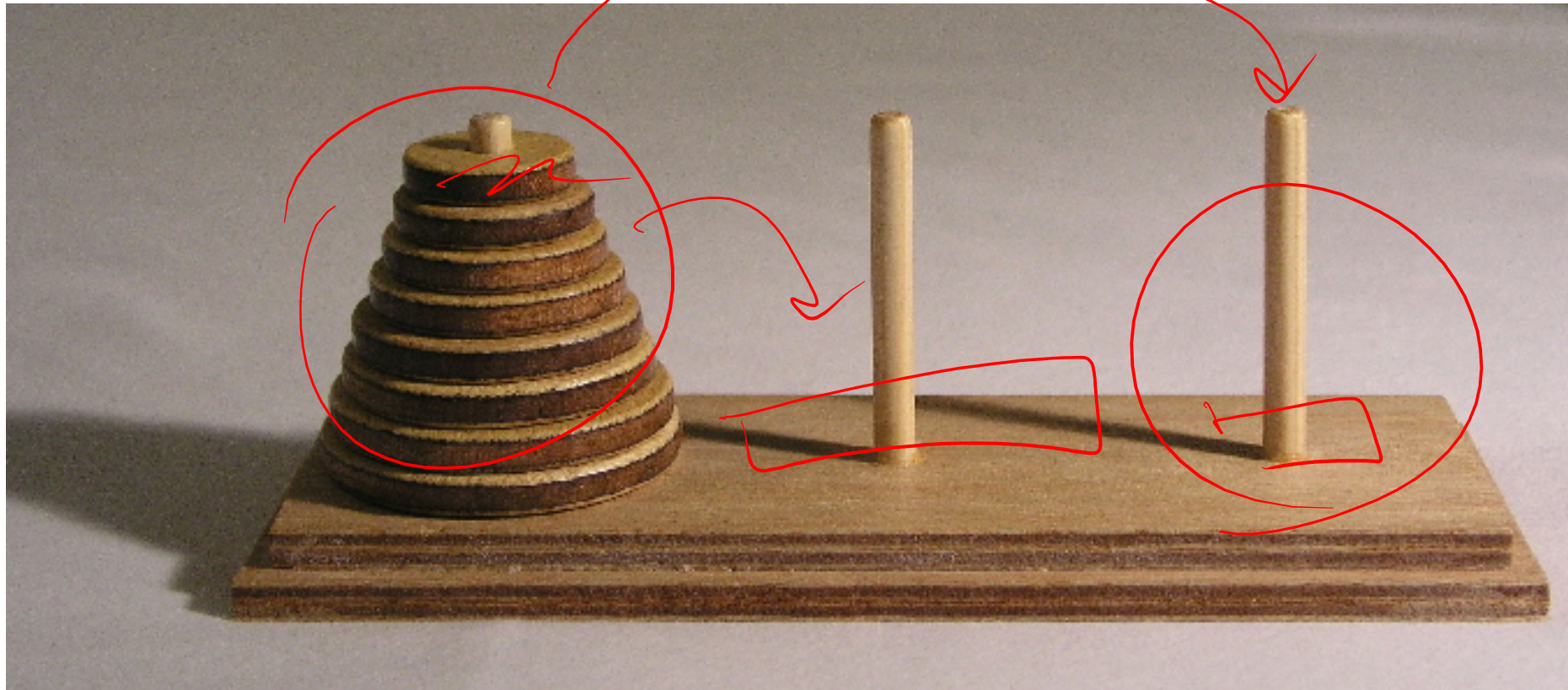
Fun fact: Reverse induction is a thing! The math part of the above is actually correct.

Recursive fn: fn that calls itself

Big-O: Recursive Functions

How do we asymptotically analyze recursive functions?

Example #1: Towers of Hanoi



1

2

3

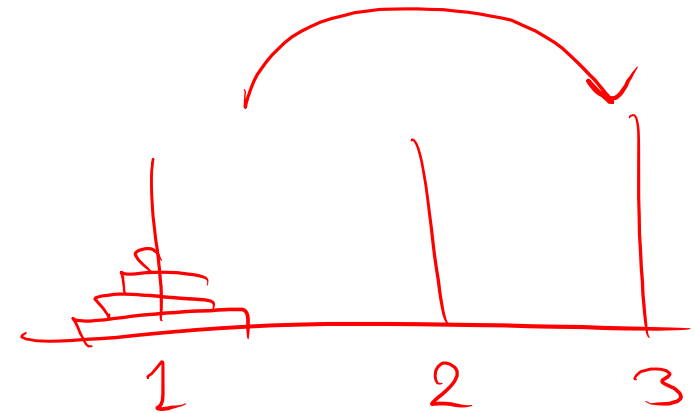
Example #1: Towers of Hanoi

```
// 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);
    }
}
```

Base
case

Recursion



from = 1 to = 3
other = 2

Example #1: Towers of Hanoi

Base Case: $H(1) = 1$

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

Recursive Step:

```
else {  
    move(n - 1, from, other, to);  
    move(1, from, to, other);  
    move(n - 1, other, to, from);  
}
```

Recurrence Relation

All together: $H(n) = H(n-1) + 1 + H(n-1)$

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

move $\rightarrow H(n)$

$\leftarrow O(1)$
'1 unit of time'

$\leftarrow H(n-1)$
 $\leftarrow H(1) = 1$
 $\leftarrow H(n-1)$

Example #1: Solving the Recurrence Relation

Recurrence Relation: $H(n) = 1 + 2H(n-1)$

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

1st

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

2nd

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

$$H(n) = 1 + 2 + 4H(n-2)$$

3rd

$$H(n) = 1 + 2 + 4 + 8H(n-3)$$

kth

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

Pattern

(continued)

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

Base case is at $H(1)$, so
let's solve

$$n-k=1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = n-1$$

plug it in:

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

$$= 2^{n-1} - 1 + 2^{n-1} H(n - [n-1])$$

$$= 2^{n-1} - 1 + 2^{n-1} (1)$$

$$= 2(2^{n-1}) - 1 = 2^n - 1$$

$$H(1) = 1$$

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

$$O(2^n)$$