

DIT-022 - Lecture 2020-09-21

Complexity & Sorting

Def 38 an algorithm is a finite sequence of precise instructions for performing a computation or for solving a problem

- a) input (finite)
- b) output (finite)
- c) definiteness (precisely defined steps)
- d) correctness
- e) finiteness (come to an end)
- f) effectiveness (finite amount of time)
- g) generality (all problems, not only for a particular subset of input values)

greedy algorithm = algorithm that make best choice at every next step; solutions might not be optimal

brute-force

divide-and-conquer

probabilistic

backtracking

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dynamic programming
randomized algorithms
non-deterministic algorithm

Big-O-notation

$O(\dots)$

estimate the growth of a function without worrying about constant multipliers or smaller order terms.

assumption: different operations ("steps") take the same time

goal a) with this notation, we can reason whether it is practical to use a particular algorithm for a given problem if the input size grows.

b) we can compare two algorithms when input size grows:

alg A: $100n^2 + 17(n) + 4$

$\rightarrow O(n)$

$O(n^2)$

$\{8, 5, 7, 1, 2, \dots, 17\}$ $n = 100$



alg B: n^3

$\rightarrow$

for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
 for (int j=0; j<n; j++)
 for (int k=0; k<n; k++)
 ...
 $O(n)$ $O(n)$ $O(n)$

$n \geq 1$

$n \geq 3$

$n=2$
 $n=3$
 $\vdots$

$O(n^2)$

up to $n=100 \Rightarrow$ alg. B

alg B: $(10)^3 = 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 = 1000$

alg A: $100 \cdot (10)^2 + 17 \cdot (10) + 4 =$

$100 \cdot 100 + 17 \cdot 10 + 4 =$

$10000 + 170 + 4 > 106$

Def 39

Let f, g be functions

$f(x)$ is of $O(g(x))$, if there are constants C and k so that:

$\Rightarrow |f(x)| \leq C \cdot |g(x)|$
 whenever $x \geq k$

alg C



$f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 1$

$0 < x^2 + 2x + 1$

$\Rightarrow x^2 \geq 2x$
 $x=1 \Rightarrow 1 \geq 2$

$x^2 \geq 1$

$0 < x^2 + 2x^2 + x^2$
 $4 \cdot x^2$

$f(x) : O(x^2)$

$C=4$
 $k=1$

$f(1) = 1^2 + 2 \cdot 1 + 1 = 4$

$g(x) = x^2$
 $g(1) = 1$

$4 \cdot |g(x)|$

$x^2 \geq 2x$
 $1 \geq 2$

$4 \geq 4$

$k=2$
 $x \geq k$

n	$x^2 \geq 1$
1	1
2	1

$k=1$

$$f(x) \leq \overset{4.1}{g(x)} = 4 \cdot x^2$$

Let $f(x) = a_n \cdot x^n + a_{n-1} \cdot x^{n-1} + a_{n-2} \cdot x^{n-2} + \dots + a_1 \cdot x + a_0$

Big-O-notation to estimate the number of operations to compute $\Rightarrow$ reflects "smartness"/efficiency of an algorithm.

→ $O(\log n)$: logarithmic complexity

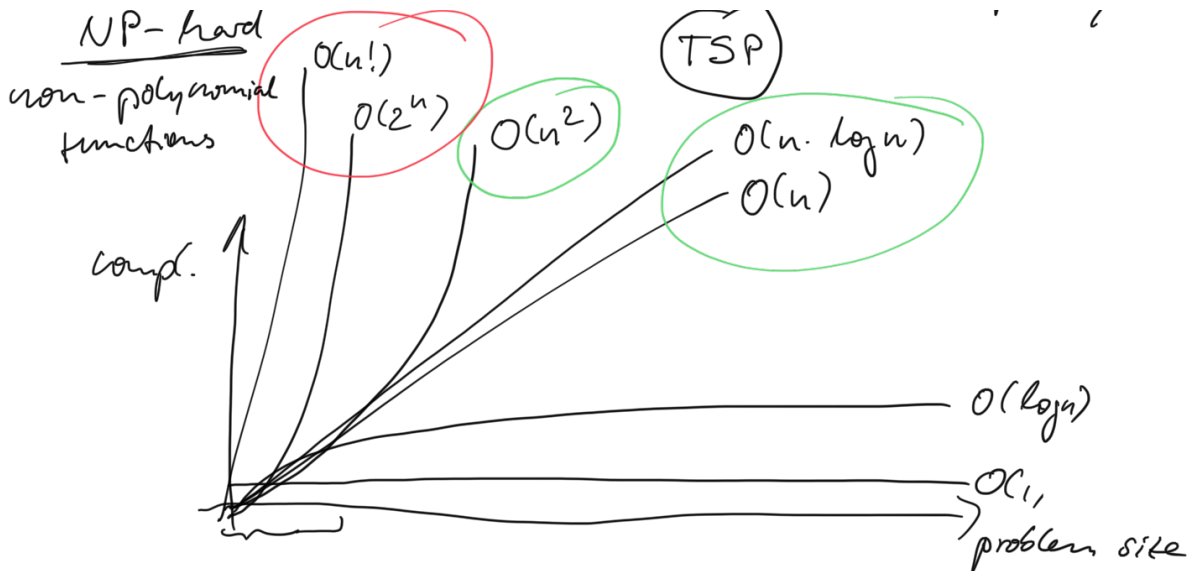
→ $O(n)$: linear complexity: take every element

$O(\ln \cdot \log n)$ linearithmic compl.: for w. elem. do a "binary step"
 $O(n^2)$: polynomial complexity: for every elem "visit" every elem
 two nested loops

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$O(2^n)$ = exponential compl. ; very pricy ;
knapsack problem

$O(n!)$ = factorial compl. ; very very pricy



Def 41 Let $f_1(x)$ be $O(g_1(x))$
and $f_2(x)$ be $O(g_2(x))$.
Then, $(f_1 + f_2)(x)$ is
 $O(\max(|g_1(x)|, |g_2(x)|))$

$\rightarrow O(n)$
 $\rightarrow O(n^2)$

$O(n)$
 $O(n)$

$f_1(x)$ is $O(g(x))$, $f_2(x)$ is $O(g(x))$
 $(f_1 + f_2)(x)$ is $O(g(x))$

Def 42 Let $f_1(x)$ be $O(g_1(x))$
and $f_2(x)$ be $O(g_2(x))$
 $(f_1 \cdot f_2)(x)$ is $O(g_1(x) \cdot g_2(x))$

$O(n)$
 $O(n \cdot n) = O(n^2)$

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for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) { f1
for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) { f2
    O(n)
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$O(\log n)$

$\rightarrow O(n)$