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- ▶ *running time (experimental analysis)*
- ▶ *running time (mathematical models)*
- ▶ *binary search*
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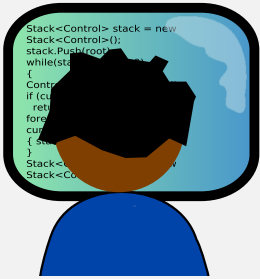
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# Cast of characters

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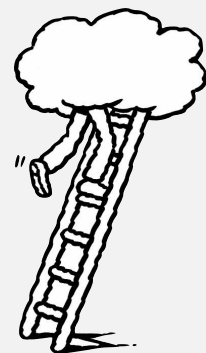
**Programmer** needs to develop a working solution.



**Student (you)** might play all of these roles someday.



**Client** wants to solve problem efficiently.



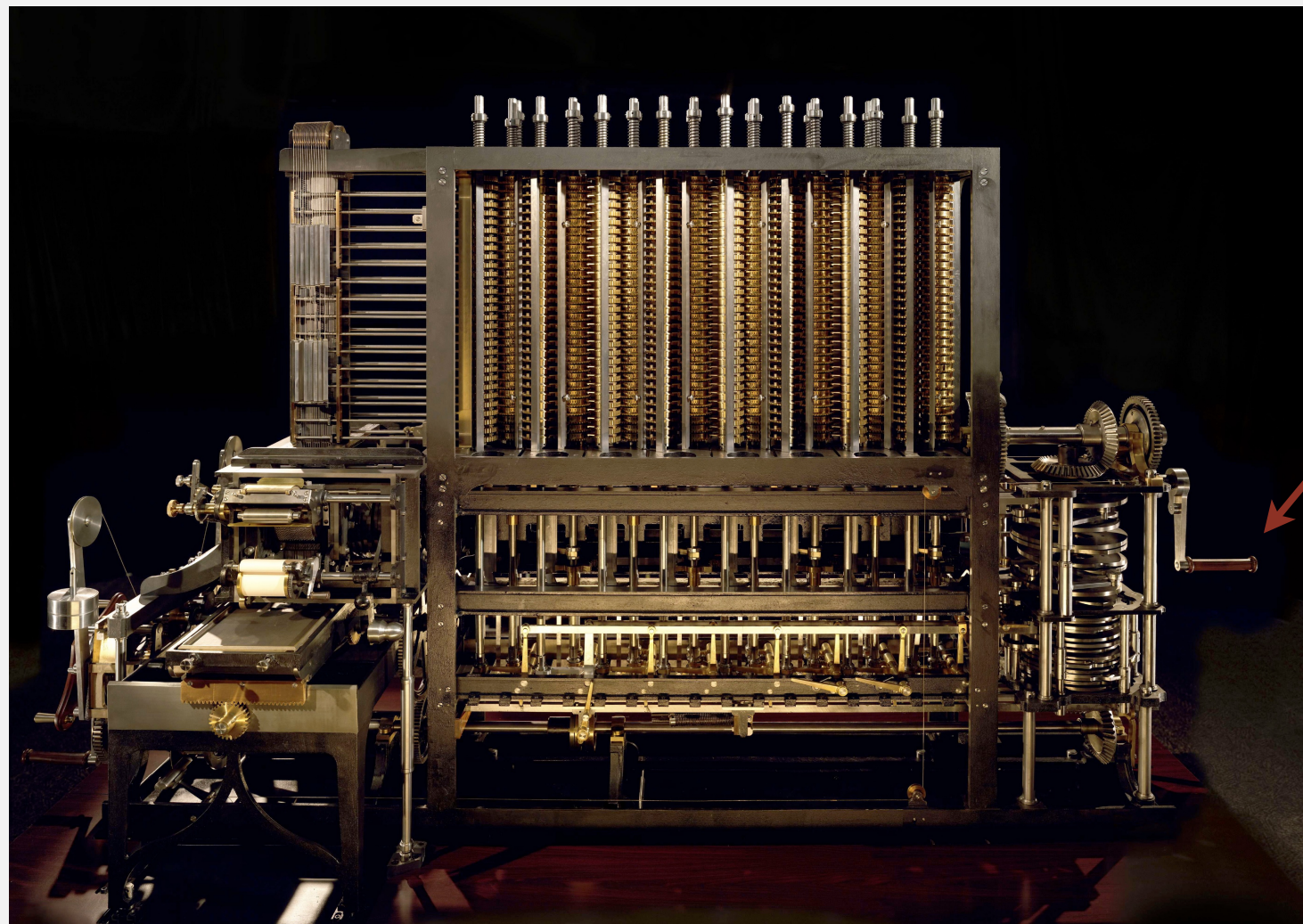
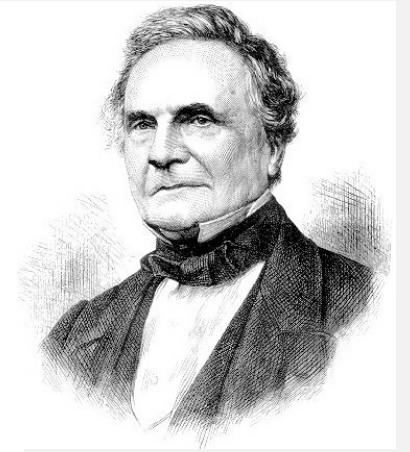
**Theoretician** seeks to understand.



# Running time

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*“ As soon as an Analytical Engine exists, it will necessarily guide the future course of the science. Whenever any result is sought by its aid, the question will then arise—By what course of calculation can these results be arrived at by the machine in the shortest time? ”* — Charles Babbage (1864)



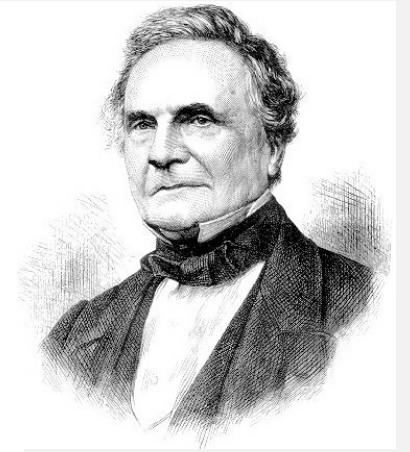
how many times  
do you have to turn  
the crank?





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## Rare book containing the world's first computer algorithm earns \$125,000 at auction

By Matt Kennedy  
July 25, 2018

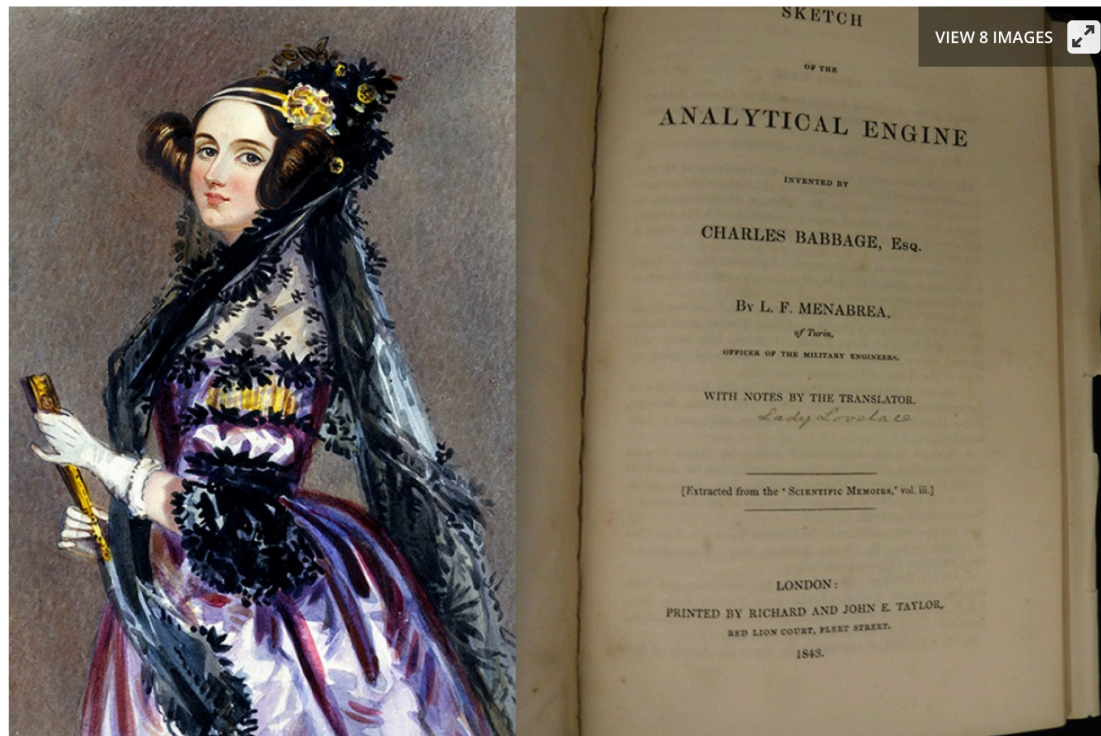


Diagram for the computation by the Engine of the Numbers of Bernoulli. See Note G. (page 722 et seq.)

Number of Operation.	Nature of Operation.	Variables acted upon.	Variables receiving results.	Indication of change in the value on any Variable.	Statement of Results.	Data.										Working Variables.										Result Variables.								
						$1V_1$	$1V_2$	$1V_3$	$1V_4$	$1V_5$	$1V_6$	$1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	$1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	$1V_{17}$	$1V_{18}$	$1V_{19}$	$1V_{20}$	$1V_{21}$	$1V_{22}$	$1V_{23}$	$1V_{24}$	$1V_{25}$	$1V_{26}$	$1V_{27}$	$1V_{28}$	$1V_{29}$
						1	2	n																										
1	$\times$	$1V_2 \times 1V_3$	$1V_6$	$1V_6$	$1V_6 = 1V_6$	...	2	n	2n	2n	2n																							
2	$-$	$1V_6 - 1V_7$	$1V_4$	$1V_4$	$1V_4 = 1V_4$	...	1	...	2n-1																									
3	$+$	$1V_6 + 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_8$	$1V_8 = 1V_8$	...	1	...	2n+1																									
4	$+$	$1V_6 + 1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{12} = 1V_{12}$	...	...	...	0	0	0																							
5	$-$	$1V_{12} - 1V_{13}$	$1V_{11}$	$1V_{11}$	$1V_{11} = 1V_{11}$	...	2	...	1	2n-1																								
6	$+$	$1V_{12} + 1V_{13}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{13} = 1V_{13}$	...	...	...	1	2n-1																								
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23	$-$	$1V_{10} - 1V_{17}$	$1V_{10}$	$1V_{10}$	$1V_{10} = 1V_{10}$	...	1	...																										

Here follows a repetition of Operations thirteen to twenty-three.

24	$+$	$1V_{13} + 1V_{17}$	$1V_{24}$	$1V_{24}$	$1V_{24} = 1V_{24}$	...	...	...																										
25	$+$	$1V_{11} + 1V_{13}$	$1V_{18}$	$1V_{18}$	$1V_{18} = 1V_{18}$	...	1	n+1		0	0																							



# Reasons to analyze algorithms

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Predict performance.

Compare algorithms.

Provide guarantees.

Understand theoretical basis.

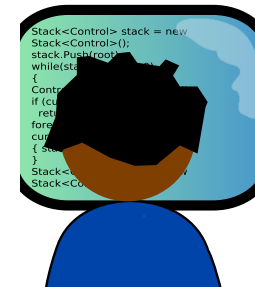
this course  
(COS 226)

theory of algorithms  
(COS 423)

**Primary practical reason:** avoid performance bugs.



**client gets poor performance because programmer  
did not understand performance characteristics**





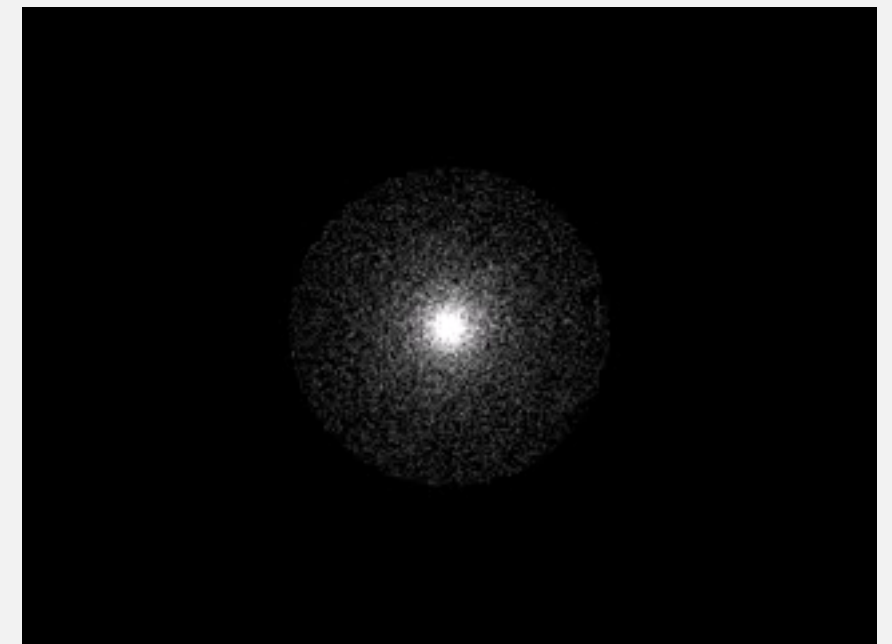
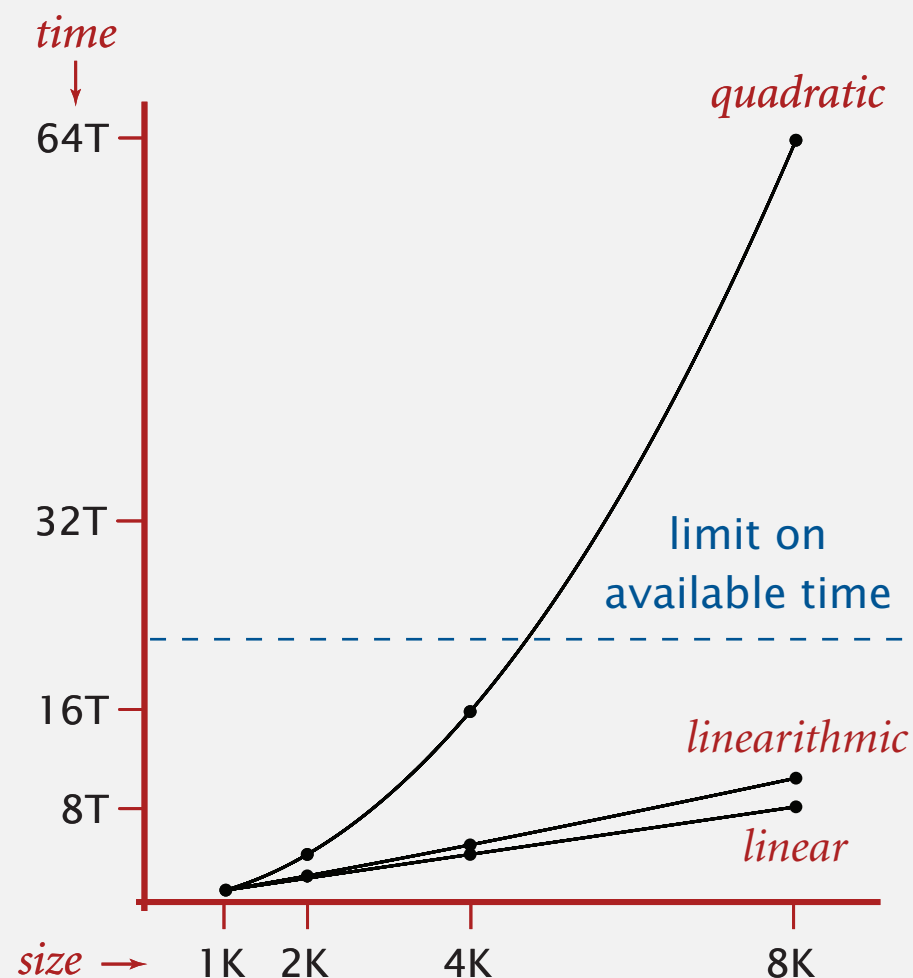
# An algorithmic success story

## N-body simulation.

- Simulate gravitational interactions among  $n$  bodies.
- Applications: cosmology, fluid dynamics, semiconductors, ...
- Brute force:  $n^2$  steps.
- Barnes–Hut algorithm:  $n \log n$  steps, **enables new research.**



Andrew Appel  
PU '81





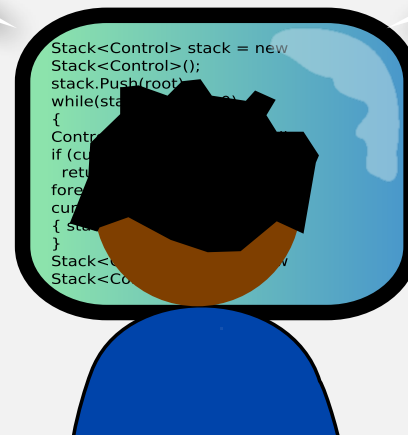
# The challenge

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Q. Will my program be able to solve a large practical input?

Why is my program so slow ?

Why does it run out of memory?



Our approach. Combination of **experiments** and **mathematical modeling**.



# Example: 3-SUM

**3-SUM.** Given  $n$  distinct integers, how many triples sum to exactly zero?

```
% more 8ints.txt
8
30 -40 -20 -10 40 0 10 5

% java ThreeSum 8ints.txt
4
```



	$a[i]$	$a[j]$	$a[k]$	sum
1	30	-40	10	0
2	30	-20	-10	0
3	-40	40	0	0
4	-10	0	10	0

**Context.** Related to problems in computational geometry.



## 3-SUM: brute-force algorithm

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```
public class ThreeSum
{
    public static int count(int[] a)
    {
        int n = a.length;
        int count = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
            for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
                for (int k = j+1; k < n; k++)
                    if (a[i] + a[j] + a[k] == 0)
                        count++;
        return count;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        In in = new In(args[0]);
        int[] a = in.readAllInts();
        StdOut.println(count(a));
    }
}
```

← check each triple

← for simplicity, ignore integer overflow





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## A. Manual.





# Measuring the running time

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Q. How to time a program?

A. Automatic.

```
import edu.princeton.cs.algs4.Stopwatch;

public static void main(String[] args)
{
    In in = new In(args[0]);
    int[] a = in.readAllInts();
    Stopwatch stopwatch = new Stopwatch();
    StdOut.println(ThreeSum.count(a));
    double time = stopwatch.elapsedTime();
    StdOut.println("elapsed time = " + time);
}
```



# Empirical analysis

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Run the program for various input sizes and measure running time.





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Run the program for various input sizes and measure running time.

n	time (seconds) †
250	0
500	0
1,000	0.1
2,000	0.8
4,000	6.4
8,000	51.1
16,000	?

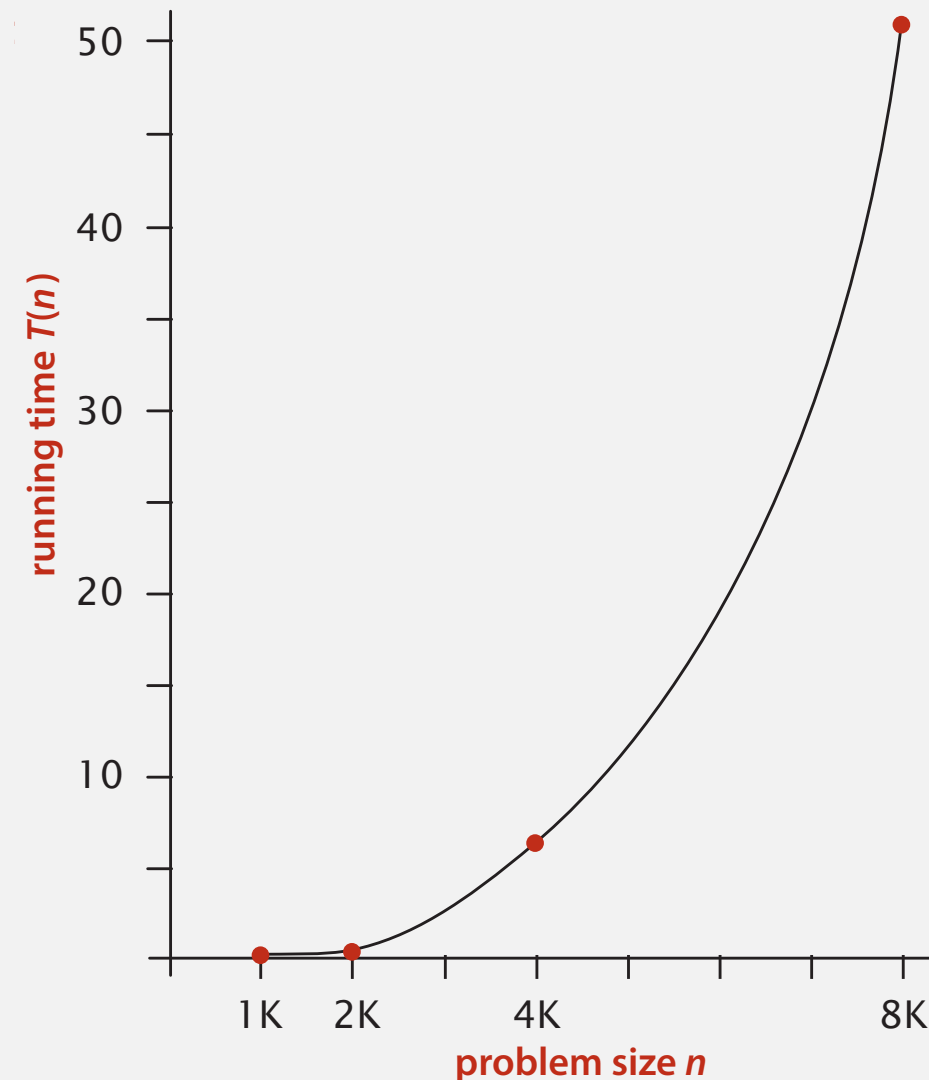
† on a 2.8GHz Intel PU-226 with 64GB DDR E3 memory and 32MB L3 cache; running Oracle Java 1.7.0\_45-b18 on Springdale Linux v. 6.5



# Data analysis

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Standard plot. Plot running time  $T(n)$  vs. input size  $n$ .



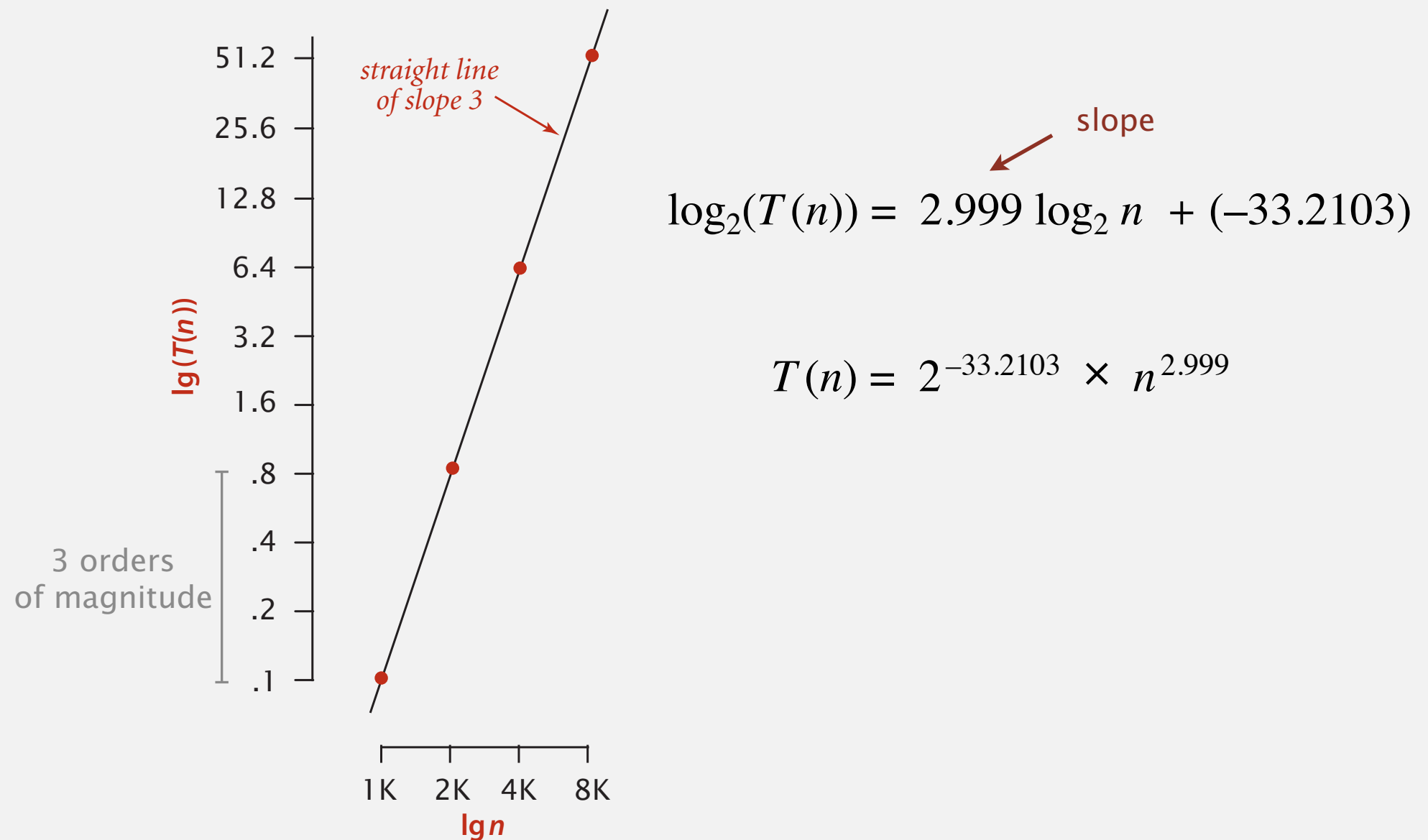
Hypothesis (power law).  $T(n) = a n^b$ .

Questions. How to validate hypothesis? How to estimate  $a$  and  $b$  ?



# Data analysis

**Log-log plot.** Plot running time  $T(n)$  vs. input size  $n$  using **log-log scale**.



**Regression.** Fit straight line through data points.

**Hypothesis.** The running time is about  $1.006 \times 10^{-10} \times n^{2.999}$  seconds.




# Prediction and validation

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**Hypothesis.** The running time is about  $1.006 \times 10^{-10} \times n^{2.999}$  seconds.

“order of growth”  
of running time is about  $n^3$   
[stay tuned]



## Predictions.

- 51.0 seconds for  $n = 8,000$ .
- 408.1 seconds for  $n = 16,000$ .

## Observations.

n	time (seconds) †
8,000	51.1
8,000	51.0
8,000	51.1
16,000	410.8

**validates hypothesis!**



# Doubling hypothesis

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**Doubling hypothesis.** Quick way to estimate  $b$  in a power-law relationship.

Run program, **doubling** the size of the input.

n	time (seconds) †	ratio	lg ratio
250	0		–
500	0	4.8	2.3
1,000	0.1	6.9	2.8
2,000	0.8	7.7	2.9
4,000	6.4	8	3.0
8,000	51.1	8	3.0

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{T(n)}{T(n/2)} &= \frac{an^b}{a(n/2)^b} \\ &= 2^b\end{aligned}$$

←  $\log_2 (6.4 / 0.8) = 3.0$

↑  
seems to converge to a constant  $b \approx 3$

**Hypothesis.** Running time is about  $a n^b$  with  $b = \log_2 \text{ratio}$ .

**Caveat.** Cannot identify logarithmic factors with doubling hypothesis.



# Doubling hypothesis

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**Doubling hypothesis.** Quick way to estimate  $b$  in a power-law relationship.

**Q.** How to estimate  $a$  (assuming we know  $b$ ) ?

**A.** Run the program (for a sufficient large value of  $n$ ) and solve for  $a$ .

n	time (seconds) †
8,000	51.1
8,000	51.0
8,000	51.1

$$51.1 = a \times 8000^3$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0.998 \times 10^{-10}$$

**Hypothesis.** Running time is about  $0.998 \times 10^{-10} \times n^3$  seconds.



almost identical hypothesis  
to one obtained via regression  
(but less work)





Estimate the running time to solve a problem of size  $n = 96,000$ .

- A. 39 seconds
- B. 52 seconds
- C. 117 seconds
- D. 350 seconds

n	time (seconds)
1,000	0.02
2,000	0.05
4,000	0.20
8,000	0.81
16,000	3.25
32,000	13.01



# Experimental algorithmics

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## System independent effects.

- Algorithm.
  - Input data.
- } determines exponent  $b$   
in power law  $a n^b$

## System dependent effects.

- Hardware: CPU, memory, cache, ...
  - Software: compiler, interpreter, garbage collector, ...
  - System: operating system, network, other apps, ...
- } determines constant  $a$   
in power law  $a n^b$



**Bad news.** Sometimes difficult to get accurate measurements.



# Context: the scientific method

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Experimental algorithmics is an example of the **scientific method**.



**Chemistry**  
(1 experiment)



**Biology**  
(1 experiment)



**Computer Science**  
(1 million experiments)



**Physics**  
(1 experiment)

**Good news.** Experiments are easier and cheaper than other sciences.





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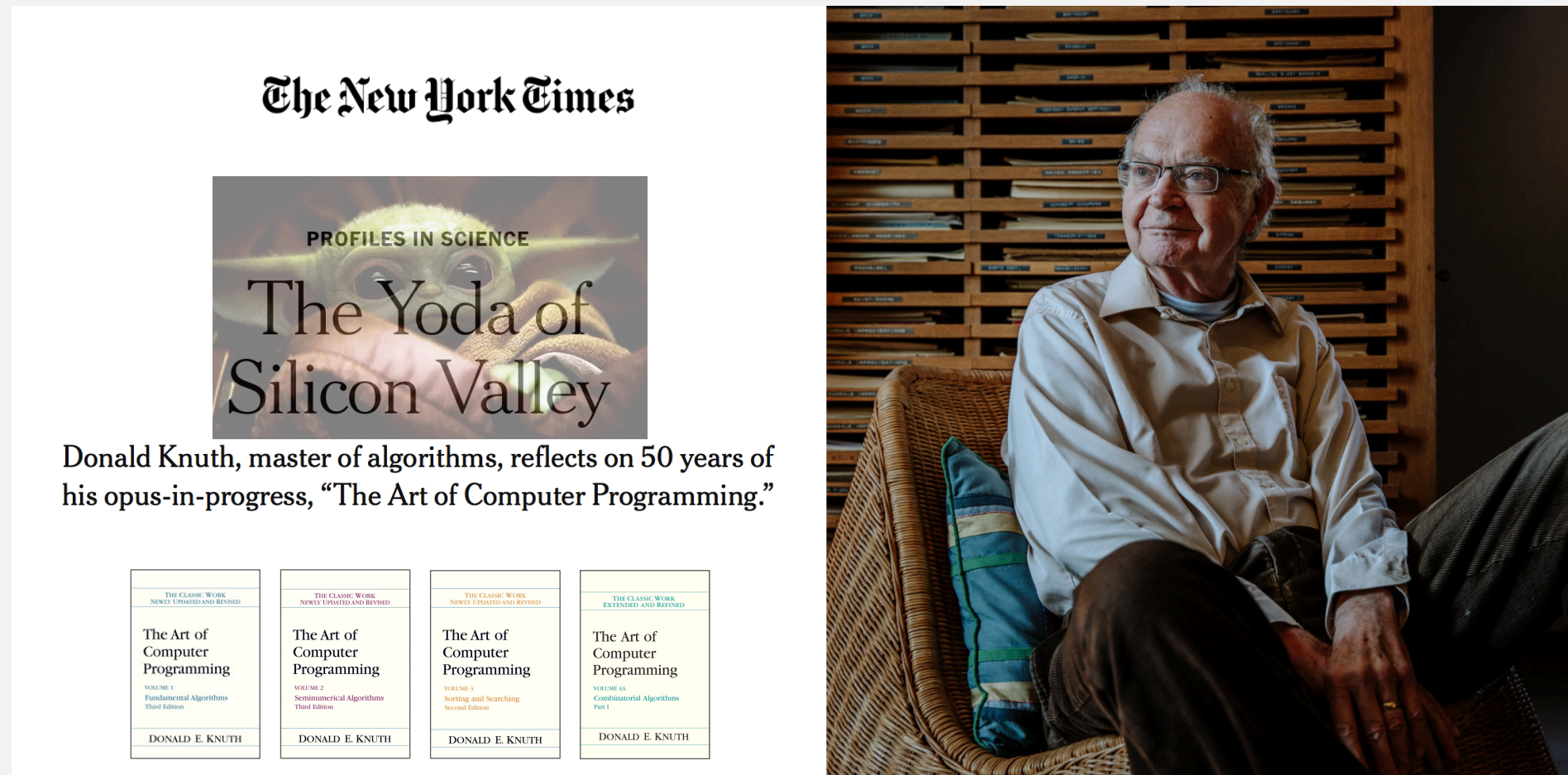
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# Mathematical models for running time

**Total running time:** sum of cost  $\times$  frequency for all operations.

- Need to analyze program to determine set of operations.
- Cost depends on machine, compiler.
- Frequency depends on algorithm, input data.



**Warning.** No general-purpose method (e.g., halting problem).



# Example: 1-SUM

Q. How many operations as a function of input size  $n$ ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    if (a[i] == 0)
        count++;
```

exactly  $n$  array accesses

operation	cost (ns) †	frequency
variable declaration	2/5	2
assignment statement	1/5	2
less than compare	1/5	$n + 1$
equal to compare	1/10	$n$
array access	1/10	$n$
increment	1/10	$n$ to $2n$

in practice, depends on  
caching, bounds checking, ...  
(see COS 217)

† representative estimates (with some poetic license)





How many array accesses as a function of  $n$ ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
        if (a[i] + a[j] == 0)
            count++;
```

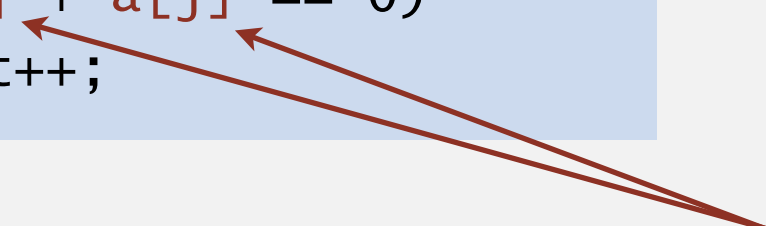
- A.  $\frac{1}{2} n (n - 1)$
- B.  $n (n - 1)$
- C.  $2 n^2$
- D. *No idea.*



## Example: 2-SUM

Q. How many operations as a function of input size  $n$ ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
        if (a[i] + a[j] == 0)
            count++;
```


$$0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + (n - 1) = \frac{1}{2} n(n - 1) \\ = \binom{n}{2}$$

operation	cost (ns)	frequency
variable declaration	2/5	$n + 2$
assignment statement	1/5	$n + 2$
less than compare	1/5	$\frac{1}{2} (n + 1) (n + 2)$
equal to compare	1/10	$\frac{1}{2} n (n - 1)$
array access	1/10	$n (n - 1)$
increment	1/10	$\frac{1}{2} n (n + 1)$ to $n^2$

$\frac{1}{4} n^2 + \frac{13}{20} n + \frac{13}{10} \text{ ns}$   
to  
 $\frac{3}{10} n^2 + \frac{3}{5} n + \frac{13}{10} \text{ ns}$   
(tedious to count exactly)



# Simplification 1: cost model

**Cost model.** Use some elementary operation as a **proxy** for running time.

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
        if (a[i] + a[j] == 0)
            count++;
```

operation	cost (ns)	frequency
variable declaration	2/5	$n + 2$
assignment statement	1/5	$n + 2$
less than compare	1/5	$\frac{1}{2} (n + 1) (n + 2)$
equal to compare	1/10	$\frac{1}{2} n (n - 1)$
<b>array access</b>	1/10	$n (n - 1)$
increment	1/10	$\frac{1}{2} n (n + 1)$ to $n^2$

← **cost model = array accesses**

(we're assuming compiler/JVM does not optimize any array accesses away!)



## Simplification 2: asymptotic notations

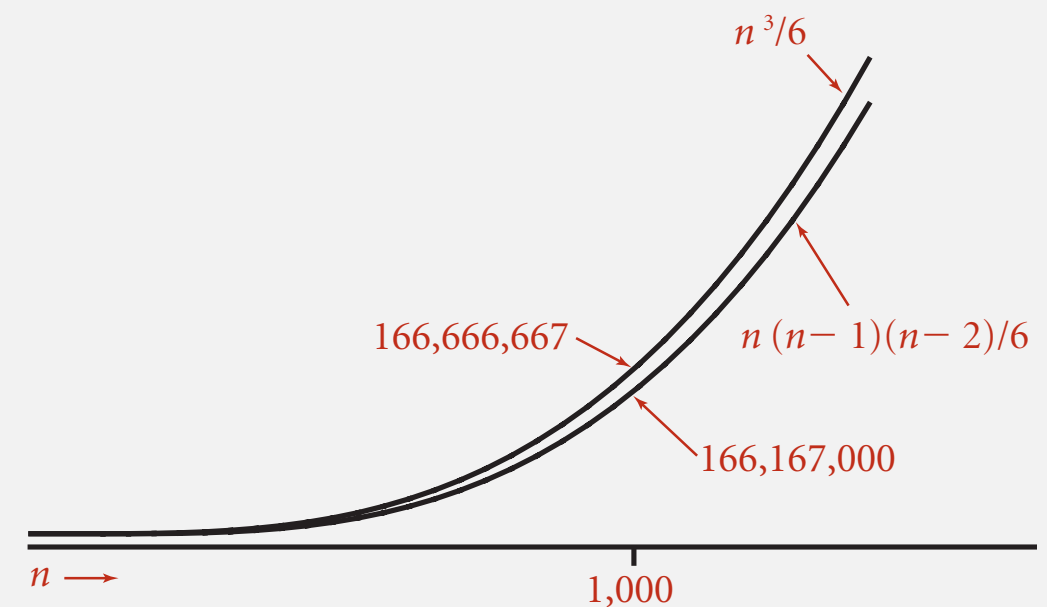
**Tilde notation.** Discard lower-order terms.

**Big Theta notation.** Also discard leading coefficient.

function	tilde	big Theta
$4n^5 + 20n + 16$	$\sim 4n^5$	$\Theta(n^5)$
$7n^2 + 100n^{4/3} + 56$	$\sim 7n^2$	$\Theta(n^2)$
$\frac{1}{6}n^3 - \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{3}n$	$\sim \frac{1}{6}n^3$	$\Theta(n^3)$

discard lower-order terms

(e.g.,  $n = 1,000$ : 166.67 million vs. 166.17 million)



Leading-term approximation

### Rationale.

- When  $n$  is large, lower-order terms are negligible.
- When  $n$  is small, we don't care.



# Common order-of-growth classifications

order of growth	name	typical code framework	description	example	$T(2n) / T(n)$
$\Theta(1)$	constant	<code>a = b + c;</code>	statement	<i>add two numbers</i>	1
$\Theta(\log n)$	logarithmic	<code>while (n &gt; 1) { n = n/2; ... }</code>	divide in half	<i>binary search</i>	$\sim 1$
$\Theta(n)$	linear	<code>for (int i = 0; i &lt; n; i++) { ... }</code>	single loop	<i>find the maximum</i>	2
$\Theta(n \log n)$	linearithmic	<i>see mergesort lecture</i>	divide and conquer	<i>mergesort</i>	$\sim 2$
$\Theta(n^2)$	quadratic	<code>for (int i = 0; i &lt; n; i++)   for (int j = 0; j &lt; n; j++)   { ... }</code>	double loop	<i>check all pairs</i>	4
$\Theta(n^3)$	cubic	<code>for (int i = 0; i &lt; n; i++)   for (int j = 0; j &lt; n; j++)     for (int k = 0; k &lt; n; k++)     { ... }</code>	triple loop	<i>check all triples</i>	8
$\Theta(2^n)$	exponential	<i>see combinatorial search lecture</i>	exhaustive search	<i>check all subsets</i>	$2^n$



## Example: 2-SUM

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Q. Approximately how many array accesses as a function of input size  $n$ ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
        if (a[i] + a[j] == 0)
            count++;
```

“inner loop”

$$\begin{aligned} 0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1) &= \frac{1}{2} n(n-1) \\ &= \binom{n}{2} \end{aligned}$$

A.  $\sim n^2$  array accesses.



## Example: 3-SUM

Q. Approximately how many array accesses as a function of input size  $n$ ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
        for (int k = j+1; k < n; k++)
            if (a[i] + a[j] + a[k] == 0)
                count++;
```

← “inner loop”

A.  $\sim \frac{1}{2} n^3$  array accesses.

$$\binom{n}{3} = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}$$
$$\sim \frac{1}{6} n^3$$

see COS 340

Bottom line. Use cost model and asymptotic notation to simplify analysis.

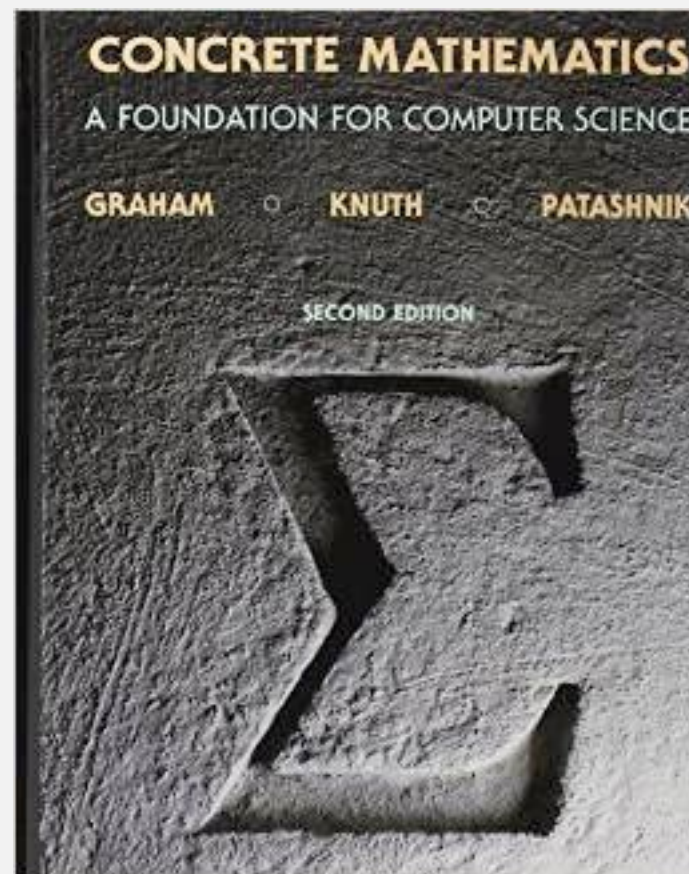


# Estimating a discrete sum

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Q. How to estimate a discrete sum?

A1. Take a discrete mathematics course (COS 340).





# Estimating a discrete sum

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Q. How to estimate a discrete sum?

A2. Replace the sum with an integral; use calculus!

Ex 1.  $1 + 2 + \dots + n.$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i \sim \int_{x=1}^n x \, dx \sim \frac{1}{2} n^2$$

Ex 2.  $1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + \dots + 1/n.$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \sim \int_{x=1}^n \frac{1}{x} \, dx \sim \ln n$$

Ex 3. 3-sum triple loop.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n \sum_{k=j}^n 1 \sim \int_{x=1}^n \int_{y=x}^n \int_{z=y}^n dz \, dy \, dx \sim \frac{1}{6} n^3$$

Ex 4.  $1 + 1/2 + 1/4 + 1/8 + \dots$

$$\int_{x=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x dx = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \approx 1.4427$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i = 2$$

integral trick  
doesn't always work!



# Estimating a discrete sum

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Q. How to estimate a discrete sum?

A3. Use Maple or Wolfram Alpha.



sum(sum(sum(1, k=j+1..n), j = i+1..n), i=1..n)



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Sum:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=i+1}^n \left( \sum_{k=j+1}^n 1 \right) \right) = \frac{1}{6} n (n^2 - 3n + 2)$$

<https://www.wolframalpha.com>





How many array accesses as a function of  $n$  ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    for (int j = i+1; j < n; j++)
        for (int k = 1; k <= n; k = k*2)
            if (a[i] + a[j] >= a[k])
                count++;
```

- A.  $\sim n^2 \log_2 n$
- B.  $\sim 3/2 n^2 \log_2 n$
- C.  $\sim 1/2 n^3$
- D.  $\sim 3/2 n^3$





What is order of growth of running time as a function of  $n$  ?

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i = i*2)
    for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++)
        count++; ← "inner loop"
```

- A.  $\Theta(n)$
- B.  $\Theta(n \log n)$
- C.  $\Theta(n^2)$
- D.  $\Theta(2^n)$





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# Binary search

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**Goal.** Given a sorted array and a key, find index of the key in the array?

**Binary search.** Compare key against middle entry.



- Too small, go left.
- Too big, go right.
- Equal, found.

6	13	14	25	33	43	51	53	64	72	84	93	95	96	97
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14



# Binary search: implementation

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## Trivial to implement?

- First binary search published in 1946.
- First bug-free one in 1962.
- Bug in Java's `Arrays.binarySearch()` discovered in 2006.

### Extra, Extra - Read All About It: Nearly All Binary Searches and Mergesorts are Broken

Friday, June 02, 2006

Posted by Joshua Bloch, Software Engineer

I remember vividly Jon Bentley's first Algorithms lecture at CMU, where he asked all of us incoming Ph.D. students to write a binary search, and then dissected one of our implementations in front of the class. Of course it was broken, as were most of our implementations. This made a real impression on me, as did the treatment of this material in his wonderful *Programming Pearls* (Addison-Wesley, 1986; Second Edition, 2000). The key lesson was to carefully consider the invariants in your programs.



<https://ai.googleblog.com/2006/06/extra-extra-read-all-about-it-nearly.html>




# Binary search: Java implementation

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**Invariant.** If key appears in array  $a[]$ , then  $a[lo] \leq key \leq a[hi]$ .

```
public static int binarySearch(int[] a, int key)
{
    int lo = 0, hi = a.length - 1;
    while (lo <= hi)
    {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        if (key < a[mid]) hi = mid - 1;
        else if (key > a[mid]) lo = mid + 1;
        else return mid;
    }
    return -1;
}
```

why not  $mid = (lo + hi) / 2$ ?



one “3-way compare”





# Binary search: analysis

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**Proposition.** Binary search uses at most  $1 + \log_2 n$  3-way compares to search in a sorted array of length  $n$ .

**Pf sketch.**

- Each iteration of `while` loop:
  - performs one 3-way compare
  - decreases the length of subarray remaining by a factor of 2
- Initial array length =  $n$ .
- The `while` loop terminates after length = 1.
- At most  $1 + \log_2 n$  iterations. Why?

slightly better, due to rounding  
and eliminating  $a[\text{mid}]$  from subarray



may terminate earlier  
(if search key is found)



$$\underbrace{n \rightarrow n/2 \rightarrow n/4 \rightarrow n/8 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1}_{1 + \log_2 n}$$



# WHY ARE SEWER ACCESS COVERS ROUND?



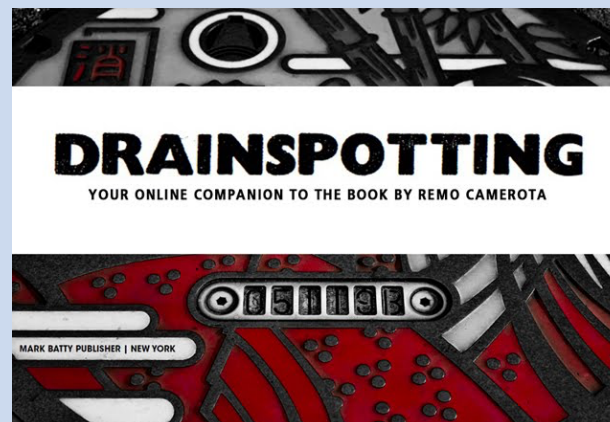
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# 3-SUM

**3-SUM.** Given an array of  $n$  distinct integers, find three s.t.  $a + b + c = 0$ .

**Version 0.**  $\Theta(n^3)$  time.

**Version 1.**  $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$  time.

**Version 2.**  $\Theta(n^2)$  time.

**Note.** For full credit, the running time should be in the **worst case** and use only constant extra space.



# 3-SUM: AN $N^2 \log N$ ALGORITHM

## Algorithm.

- Step 1: Sort the  $n$  (distinct) numbers.
- Step 2: For each pair  $a[i]$  and  $a[j]$ :  
binary search for  $-(a[i] + a[j])$ .

**Analysis.** Running time is  $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$ .

- Step 1:  $\Theta(n^2)$  with insertion sort.  
[ or  $\Theta(n \log n)$  with mergesort ]
- Step 2:  $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$  with binary search.

**input**

30 -40 -20 -10 40 0 10 5

**sort**

-40 -20 -10 0 5 10 30 40

**binary search**

(-40, -20)	60
(-40, -10)	50
(-40, 0)	40
(-40, 5)	35
(-40, 10)	30
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
(-20, -10)	30
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
(-10, 0)	10
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
( 10, 30)	-40
( 10, 40)	-50
( 30, 40)	-70

only count if  
 $a[i] < a[j] < a[k]$   
to avoid  
double counting





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# Basics

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Bit. 0 or 1.

Byte. 8 bits.

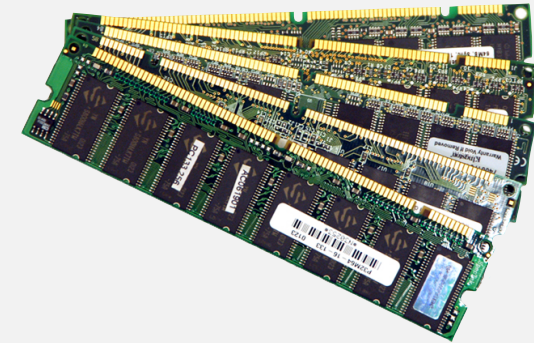
Megabyte (MB). 1 million or  $2^{20}$  bytes.

Gigabyte (GB). 1 billion or  $2^{30}$  bytes.

NIST



most computer scientists



64-bit machine. We assume a 64-bit machine with 8-byte pointers.



some JVMs “compress” ordinary object pointers to 4 bytes to avoid this cost



# Typical memory usage for primitive types and arrays

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type	bytes
boolean	1
byte	1
char	2
int	4
float	4
long	8
double	8

primitive types

type	bytes
boolean[]	$1n + 24$
int[]	$4n + 24$
double[]	$8n + 24$

one-dimensional array (length  $n$ )

wasteful

type	bytes
boolean[][]	$\sim 1 m n$
int[][]	$\sim 4 m n$
double[][]	$\sim 8 m n$

two-dimensional array ( $m$ -by- $n$ )



# Typical memory usage for objects in Java

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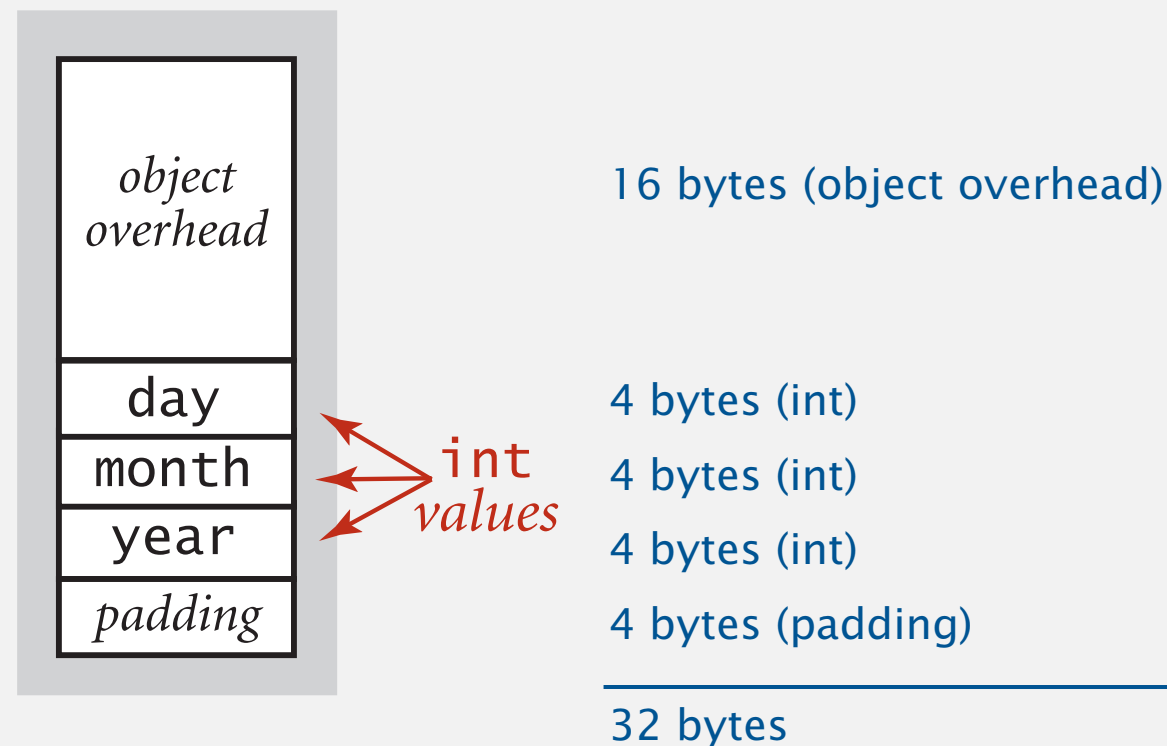
Object overhead. 16 bytes.

Reference. 8 bytes.

Padding. Memory of each object rounded up to use a multiple of 8 bytes.

Ex 1. A Date object uses 32 bytes of memory.

```
public class Date
{
    private int day;
    private int month;
    private int year;
    ...
}
```






# Typical memory usage summary

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## Total memory usage for a data type value in Java:

- Primitive type: 4 bytes for int, 8 bytes for double, ...
- Object reference: 8 bytes.
- Array: 24 bytes + memory for each array entry.
- Object: 16 bytes + memory for each instance variable.
- Padding: round up to multiple of 8 bytes.

**Note.** Depending on application, we often count the memory for any referenced objects (recursively).



“deep memory”





How much memory does a `WeightedQuickUnionUF` use as a function of  $n$ ?

- A.  $\sim 4n$  bytes
- B.  $\sim 8n$  bytes
- C.  $\sim 4n^2$  bytes
- D.  $\sim 8n^2$  bytes

```
public class WeightedQuickUnionUF
{
    private int[] parent;
    private int[] size;
    private int count;

    public WeightedQuickUnionUF(int n)
    {
        parent = new int[n];
        size    = new int[n];

        count = 0;
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
            parent[i] = i;
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
            size[i] = 1;
    }
    ...
}
```

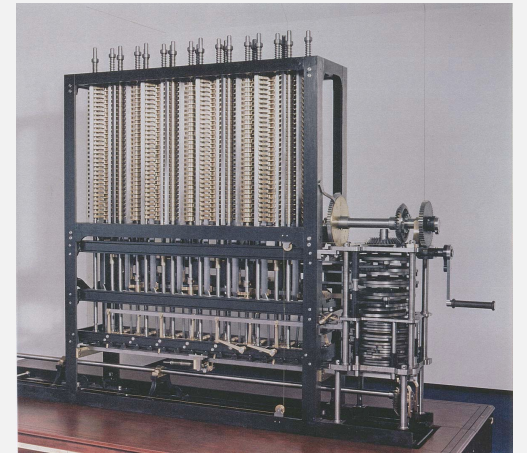


# Turning the crank: summary

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## Empirical analysis.

- Execute program to perform experiments.
- Assume power law.
- Formulate a hypothesis for running time.
- Model enables us to **make predictions**.



## Mathematical analysis.

- Analyze algorithm to count frequency of operations.
- Use tilde and big-Theta notations to simplify analysis.
- Model enables us to **explain behavior**.

$$\sum_{h=0}^{\lfloor \lg n \rfloor} \lceil n/2^{h+1} \rceil \sim n$$

**This course.** Learn to use both.