

## Asymptotic Analysis

- Runtime Analysis and Big Oh -  $O(\cdot)$
- Complexity Classes and Curse of Exponential Time
- $\Omega(\cdot)$ ,  $\Theta(\cdot)$ ,  $o(\cdot)$ ,  $\omega(\cdot)$  - Relational properties

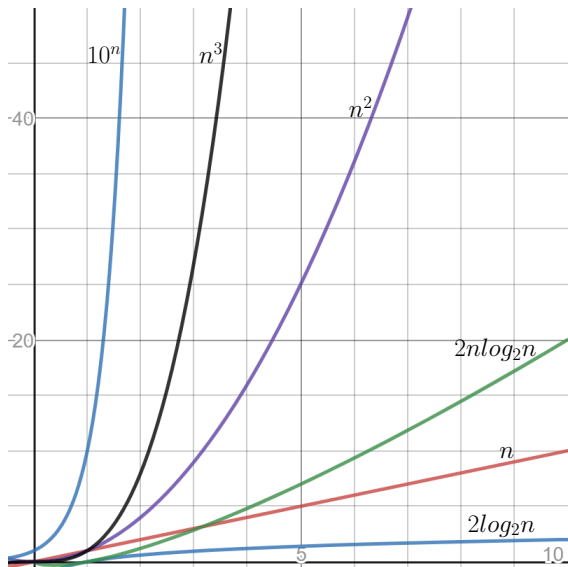
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# Asymptotic-Complexity Classes

Class Name	Class Symbol	Example
Constant	$O(1)$	Comparison of two integers
Logarithmic	$O(\log(n))$	Binary Search, Exponentiation
Linear	$O(n)$	Linear Search
Log-Linear	$O(n \log(n))$	Merge Sort
Quadratic	$O(n^2)$	Integer multiplications
Cubic	$O(n^3)$	Matrix multiplication
Polynomial	$O(n^a), a \in \mathbb{R}$	
Exponential	$O(a^n), a \in \mathbb{R}$	Print all subsets
Factorial	$O(n!)$	Print all permutations

$$n! \gg 2^n \gg n^3 \gg n^2 \gg n \log n \gg n \gg \log n \gg 1$$

# Growth Rates of Functions



# Find $F_n$ : The curse of Exponential time

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## Fibonacci Sequence

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & \text{if } n > 2 \end{cases}$$

## Find $F_n$ : The curse of Exponential time

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Implementation of the recursive definition of  $F_n$

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function FIB1( $n$ )  
  if  $n = 0$  then  
    return 0  
  else if  $n = 1$  then  
    return 1  
  else  
    return FIB1( $n - 1$ ) + FIB1( $n - 2$ )
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- Is it correct?
- How much time it takes to compute  $F_n$ ?
- Can we do better?

## Find $F_n$ : The curse of Exponential time

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Let  $T(n)$  be the number of ops (comparisons and additions) on input  $n$

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    return 1  
  else  
    return FIB1( $n - 1$ ) + FIB1( $n - 2$ )
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$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 2 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(n-1) + T(n-2) + 3 & \text{if } n > 2 \end{cases}$$

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By definition, we have  $T(n) > F_n$

The running time of FIB1( $n$ ) grows as fast as  $F_n$

$$T(n) \geq 2 \cdot 69^n$$

▷ **exponential** in  $n$  (prove by induction)

## Find $F_n$ : The curse of Exponential time

$$T(n) \geq 2^{.69n}$$

- For  $n = 300$ , computing  $F_{300}$  takes (much) more than  $2^{150}$  ops
- On a **64 THz computer** ( $64 \times 2^{40}$  operations per second)
- It needs  $2^{104} s > 10^{27} h > 10^{23}$  years

### Another perspective to see growth of exponential time

- Runtime of  $\text{FIB1}(n)$  is  $\geq 2^{0.694n} \approx (1.6)^n$ 
  - it takes 1.6 times longer to compute  $F_{n+1}$  than  $F_n$
- Moore's law  $\implies$  computers get roughly 1.6 times faster each year
- If we can compute  $F_{100}$  with this year's technology, next year we will manage  $F_{101}$ , the year after,  $F_{102}$ , ...
  - ▷ one more Fibonacci number every year

**Such is the curse of exponential time**

How can we improve it?

## Exponential vs Polynomial Growth rates

Sizes of problems that can be solved within  $10^{12}$  operations on today's computer and next years computer with double speed

Complexity	Increase	Problem Size (today)	Problem Size (next year)
$n$	$n \rightarrow 2n$	$10^{12}$	$2 \times 10^{12}$
$n^2$	$n \rightarrow \sqrt{2}n$	$10^6$	$1.4 \times 10^6$
$n^3$	$n \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{2}n$	$10^4$	$1.25 \times 10^4$
$2^{n/10}$	$n \rightarrow n + 10$	400	410
$2^n$	$n \rightarrow n + 1$	40	41