# Searching, Sorting, Complexity Part 02



#### • Efficiency

- Producing desired results with little to no waste
- Well organized and prevents wasteful use of a resource

### • Resources

– Time

- Space

- How do we measure efficiency?
  - Algorithms do not require computers



- Complexity
  - Classifies Computational Problems based on inherent difficulty
  - Relates problems to each other
  - Time and Space
- Asymptotic Analysis
  - A way to describe a *limiting* behavior / function
  - Limits in math are a value that a function *approaches* as the input *approaches* some value
  - Time and Space Complexity



- Theoretical upper bound of an algorithm
- The "Worst Case" scenario
- Let f and g be functions defined on some subset of real numbers

### f(n) = O(g(n)) where $n \in \mathbb{R}$ as $n \to \infty$

• Let M be a constant that's sufficiently large then we can say

### $|f(n)| \le M|g(n)|$ for all $n \ge n_0$



- Common Big O Complexities
  - O(1) Constant
  - O(log(n)) Logarithmic
  - O(n) Linear
  - O(nlogn) Linearithmic
  - $O(n^2) Quadratic$
  - O(2<sup>n</sup>) Exponential "Bad"
  - O(n!) Factorial "Really Bad"



Big O



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- Worst Case
  - Sorted in Descending Order
- Operations
  - Search for smallest value = n
  - Search for the next smallest value = n 1
  - Search for the next smallest value = n 2
  - ...
  - Search for the largest element = 1

### **Complexity**

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# Can we do better?



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Quick Sort Merge Sort Compared

### <u>Merge Sort</u>

- Worst Time Complexity = O(nlg(n))
- Average Time Complexity = Θ(nlg(n))
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#### Quick Sort

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