

Lecture 4 - Wednesday, January 18

Announcements

- **Assignment 1** to be released next Monday
 - + Background Study: **Basic Recursion**
 - + Background Study: **Call by Value**
 - + Look ahead: **WrittenTest1**

Lecture

Asymptotic Analysis of Algorithms

Counting Primitive Operations

Accessing an object's attribute

In practice, the # of "dots" used to inquire some attr. value depends not on the input s.t.p. (no copying!)

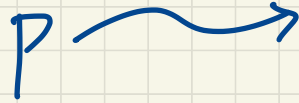
```
Person P = new Person(...);
```

P.age

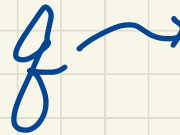
look up the stored address in P \Rightarrow constant (70)

P.spouse.age

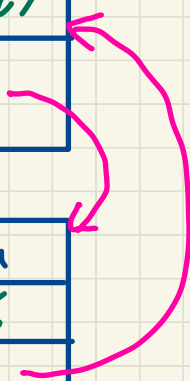
multiple lookups \Rightarrow 70



Person	
age	23
spouse	



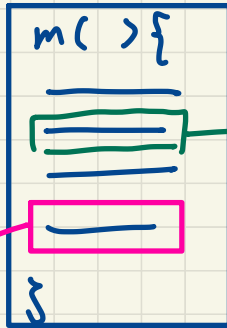
Person	
age	25



Method Call

obj. m (...)

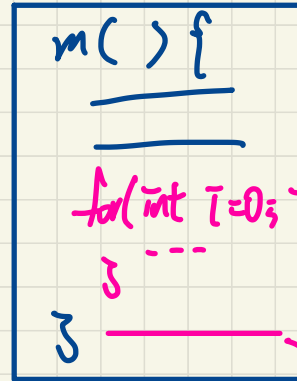
Case 1: m contains POs only



each line corresponds to a PO

Can be:
(1) a method call
(2) a loop
may still be PO

Case 2: m contains some non-PO



size of some input array

a method call containing non-PO

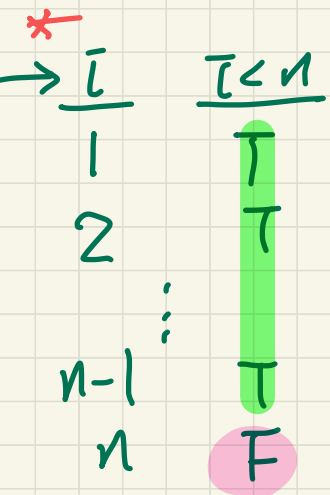
e.g. `int arr[] = {2, 3, 4, 5} → findMax(arr, arr.length)`

Example 1: Counting Number of Primitive Operations

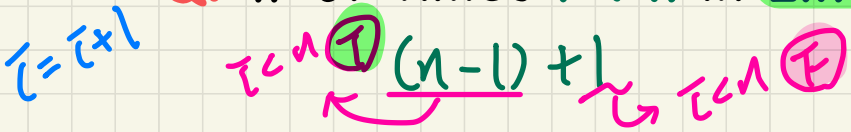
```

1 int findMax (int[] a, int n) {
2     currentMax = a[0];
3     for (int i = 1; i < n; ) {
4         if (a[i] > currentMax) {
5             currentMax = a[i];
6             i++;
7     }
8     return currentMax;
9 }

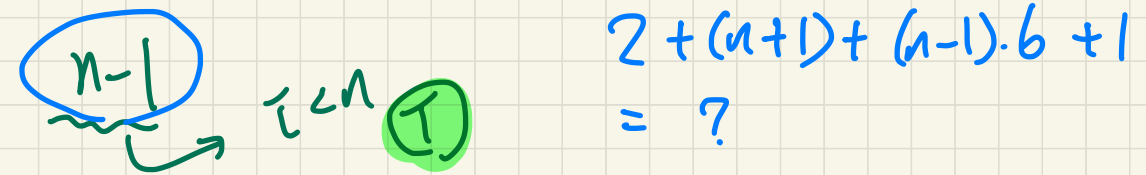
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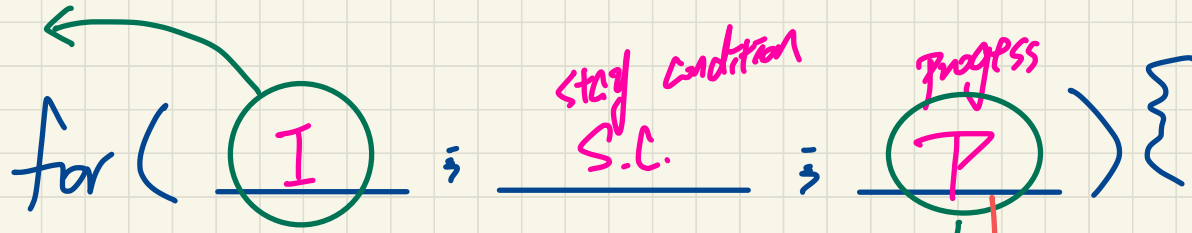


Q. # of times `i < n` in Line 3 is executed?



Q. # of times loop body (Lines 4 to 6) is executed?





executed the
1st time, if any,
at the end of
1st iteration

}
e.g. for (; _____ ;) {
:
:
:
}

Example 2: Counting Number of Primitive Operations

```
1  boolean foundEmptyString = false;
2  int i = 0;
3  while (!foundEmptyString && i < names.length) {
4      if (names[i].length() = 0) {
5          /* set flag for early exit */
6          foundEmptyString = true;
7      }
8      i = i + 1;
9  }
```

(Exercise)

Q. # of times **Line 3** is executed?

Q. # of times **loop body (Lines 4 to 8)** is executed?

Q. # of POs in the **loop body (Lines 4 to 8)**?

From Absolute RT to Relative RT

t
↳
exact time
taken to
execute
a PO

e.g. Mac M1 2ms

e.g. Mac i4 4ms

findMax contains $n-2$ POs.

STEP
of input array.

alg. e.g. # PO 52
PO 2n

constant input size
↑

linear on the input size
↓

Algorithm 1 $\frac{(7n-2) \cdot t}{\# \text{ POs}}$ abs. time

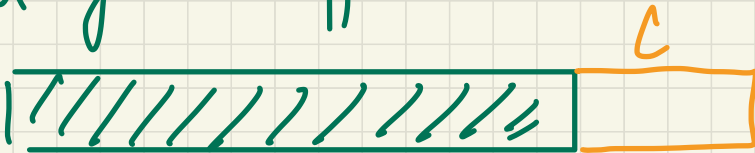
Algorithm 2 $\frac{(10n+3) \cdot t}{\# \text{ POs}}$

Keep adding elements to array



Amortized analysis

① fixed growth approach



② doubling

