

Math Review

CSE 373
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Today's Outline

- **Announcements**
 - Assignment #1 due Friday, April 12 at 11pm
- **Math Review**
 - **Proof by Induction**
 - **Powers of 2**
 - **Binary numbers**
 - **Exponents and Logs**
- **Algorithm Analysis**

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Mathematical Induction

Suppose we wish to prove that:

For all $n \geq n_0$, some predicate $P(n)$ is true.

We can do this by proving two things:

1. $P(n_0)$ - this is called the “**base case**” or “**basis.**”
2. If $P(k)$, then $P(k+1)$ - this is called the “**induction step**” or “**inductive case**”

Note: We prove 2. by assuming $P(k)$ is true.

Putting these together, we show that $P(n)$ is true.

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Example

Prove: for all $n \geq 1$, the sum of first n powers of 2 is $2^n - 1$

$$2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{n-1} = 2^n - 1.$$

in other words: $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{n-1} = 2^n - 1.$

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$P(n)$ = “ the sum of the first n powers of 2 (starting at 2^0) is $2^n - 1$ ”

$$n=1: 2^0 = 1 = 2^1 - 1$$

$$n=2: 2^0 + 2^1 = 1 + 2 = 3 = 2^2 - 1$$

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$P(n)$ = “ the sum of the first n powers of 2 (starting at 2^0) is $2^n - 1$ ”

Example Proof by Induction

Theorem: $P(n)$ holds for all $n \geq 1$

Proof: By induction on n

• Base case, $n=1$: $2^0 = 1 = 2^1 - 1$

• Induction step:

– Inductive hypothesis: Assume the sum of the first k powers of 2 is $2^k - 1$

– Given the hypothesis, show that:

the sum of the first $(k+1)$ powers of 2 is $2^{k+1} - 1$

From our inductive hypothesis we know:

$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{k-1} = 2^k - 1$$

Add the next power of 2 to both sides...

$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{k-1} + 2^k = 2^k - 1 + 2^k$$

We have what we want on the left; massage the right a bit:

$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{k-1} + 2^k = 2(2^k) - 1 = 2^{k+1} - 1$$

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Example: Putting it all together

- *Inductive hypothesis:* (We assumed this was true)
 $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{k-1} = 2^k - 1$
- *Induction step:* (Adding 2^k to both sides)
 $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{k-1} + 2^k = 2^k - 1 + 2^k = 2(2^k) - 1 = 2^{k+1} - 1$
 Therefore if the equation is valid for $n = k$, it must also be valid for $n = k+1$.

Summary: Our theorem is valid for $n=1$ (base case) and by the induction step it is therefore valid for $n=2, n=3, \dots$

Thus, it is valid for all integers greater than or equal to 1.

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Powers of 2

- Many of the numbers we use in Computer Science are powers of 2
- Binary numbers (base 2) are easily represented in digital computers
 - each "bit" is a 0 or a 1
 - an n -bit wide field can represent how many different things?

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N bits can represent how many things?

# Bits	Patterns	# of patterns
1		
2		

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Unsigned binary numbers

- For **unsigned** numbers in a fixed width field
 - the minimum value is 0
 - the maximum value is $2^n - 1$, where n is the number of bits in the field
 - The value is $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i 2^i$
- Each bit position represents a power of 2 with $a_i = 0$ or $a_i = 1$

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Powers of 2

- A bit is 0 or 1
- A sequence of n bits can represent 2^n distinct things
 - For example, the numbers 0 through $2^n - 1$
- 2^{10} is 1024 ("about a thousand", kilo in CSE speak)
- 2^{20} is "about a million", mega in CSE speak
- 2^{30} is "about a billion", giga in CSE speak

Java:

- an **int** is 32 bits and signed, so "max int" is "about 2 billion"
- a **long** is 64 bits and signed, so "max long" is $2^{63} - 1$

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Logarithms and Exponents

- Definition: $\log_2 x = y$ if and only if $x = 2^y$
 $8 = 2^3$, so $\log_2 8 = 3$
 $65536 = 2^{16}$, so $\log_2 65536 = 16$
- Notice that $\log_2 n$ tells you how many **bits** are needed to distinguish among n different values.
 8 bits can hold any of 256 numbers, for example: 0 to $2^8 - 1$, which is 0 to 255
 $\log_2 256 = 8$

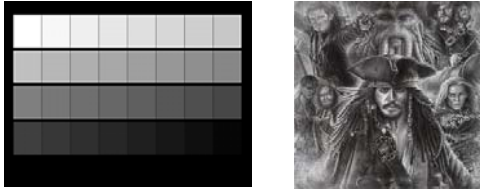
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Grayscale Images

- 8 bits per pixel; 00000000 = black; 11111111 = white



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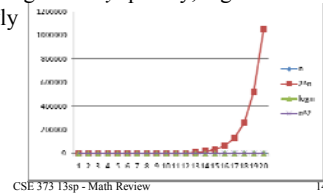
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Logarithms and Exponents

- Since so much is binary in CS, **log** almost always means **log₂**
- Definition: **log₂ x = y** if **x = 2^y**
- So, **log₂ 1,000,000** = “a little under 20”
- Just as exponents grow *very* quickly, logarithms grow *very* slowly

See Excel file
for plot data –
play with it!

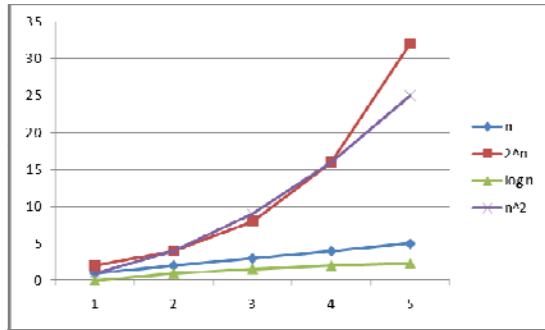


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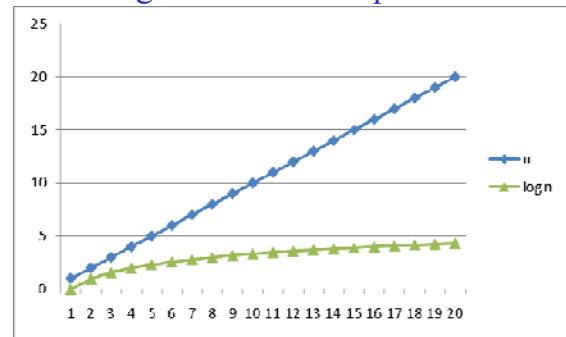


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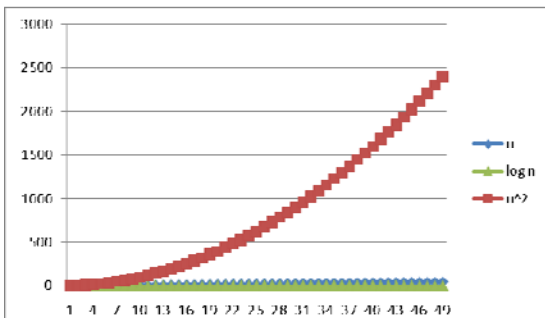


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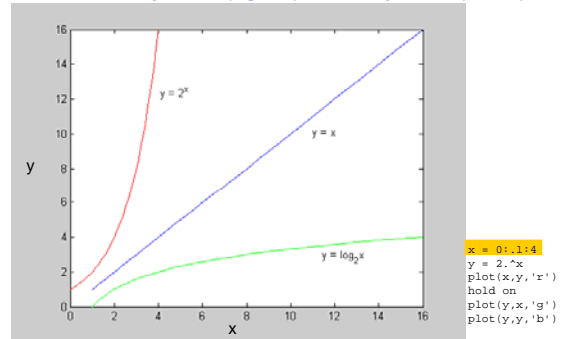


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One function that grows very quickly, One that grows very slowly



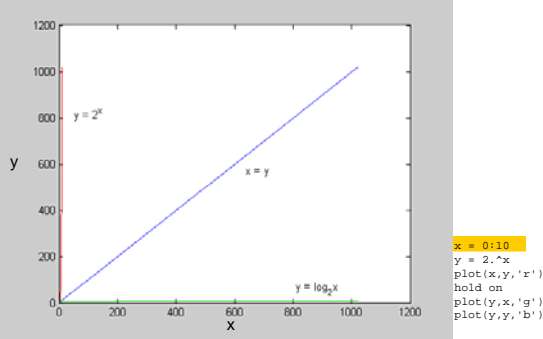
$x, 2^x$ and $\log_2 x$

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One function that grows very quickly, One that grows very slowly



2^x and $\log_2 x$

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Floor and Ceiling

$\lfloor X \rfloor$ Floor function: the largest integer $\leq X$

$$\lfloor 2.7 \rfloor = 2 \quad \lfloor -2.7 \rfloor = -3 \quad \lfloor 2 \rfloor = 2$$

$\lceil X \rceil$ Ceiling function: the smallest integer $\geq X$

$$\lceil 2.3 \rceil = 3 \quad \lceil -2.3 \rceil = -2 \quad \lceil 2 \rceil = 2$$

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Properties of logs

- We will assume logs to base 2 unless specified otherwise.
- $x = \log_2 2^x$
- $8 = 2^3$, so $\log_2 8 = 3$, so $2^{(\log_2 8)} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Show:

$$\log(A \cdot B) = \log A + \log B$$

$$A = 2^{\log_2 A} \text{ and } B = 2^{\log_2 B}$$

$$A \cdot B = 2^{\log_2 A} \cdot 2^{\log_2 B} = 2^{\log_2 A + \log_2 B}$$

So: $\log_2 AB = \log_2 A + \log_2 B$

- Note:** $\log AB \neq \log A \cdot \log B$!!
Also, it follows that $\log(N^k) = k \log N$

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Other log properties

- $\log A/B = \log A - \log B$
- $\log(A^B) = B \log A$
- $\log \log X < \log X < X$ for all $X > 0$
 - $\log \log X = Y$ means: $2^{2^Y} = X$
 - Ex. $\log_2 \log_2 4\text{billion} \sim \log_2 \log_2 2^{32} = \log_2 32 = 5$
- $\log X$ grows more slowly than X
 - called a “sub-linear” function
- $(\log x)(\log x)$ is written $\log^2 x$ (aka “log-squared”)
 - It is greater than $\log x$ for all $x > 2$
- Note:** $\log \log X = \log(\log X) \neq \log^2 X$

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A log is a log is a log

- “Any base B log is equivalent to base 2 log within a constant factor.”

$$\begin{aligned} B &= 2^{\log_2 B} \\ x &= 2^{\log_2 x} \\ \log_B x &= \log_B 2^{\log_2 x} \\ &\stackrel{\text{substitution}}{=} \log_B 2^{\log_2 x} = \log_B 2^{\log_2 x} \\ &= \log_B 2^{\log_2 x} = 2^{\log_2 x} \\ \log_2 B \log_B x &= \log_2 x \\ \log_B x &= \frac{\log_2 x}{\log_2 B} \quad \text{useful} \end{aligned}$$

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Log base doesn't matter (much)

- “Any base B log is equivalent to base 2 log within a constant factor”

- And we are about to stop worrying about constant factors!
- In particular, $\log_2 x = 3.22 \log_{10} x$
- In general, we can convert log bases via a constant multiplier
- To convert from base B to base A :
 $\log_B x = (\log_A x) / (\log_A B)$

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Arithmetic Sequences

$N = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ = natural numbers

$[0, 1, 2, \dots]$ is an infinite arithmetic sequence

$[a, a+d, a+2d, a+3d, \dots]$ is a general infinite arith. sequence.

There is a *constant difference* between terms.

$$1+2+3+\dots+N = \sum_{i=1}^N i = \frac{N(N+1)}{2} \quad \text{useful}$$

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Algorithm Analysis Examples

- Consider the following program segment:

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x := 0;
for i = 1 to N do
  for j = 1 to i do
    x := x + 1;
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- What is the value of x at the end?

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Analyzing the Loop

- Total number of times x is incremented is executed =

$$1+2+3+\dots+N = \sum_{i=1}^N i = \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$$

- Congratulations - You've just analyzed your first program!
 - Running time of the program is proportional to $N(N+1)/2$ for all N
 - Big-O ??

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