

## Math Review

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## Today's Outline

- **Announcements**
  - Assignment #1 due Thurs, Oct 6 at 11pm
  - Midterm date? Please fill out poll by end of day today.
- **Math Review**
  - **Proof by Induction**
  - **Powers of 2**
  - **Binary numbers**
  - **Exponents and Logs**
- **Algorithm Analysis**

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## Homework 1 – Sound Blaster!

**Play your favorite song in reverse!**

Aim:

1. Implement stack ADT two different ways
2. Use to reverse a sound file

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Submit via catalyst drop box before: 11pm

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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  $n \geq 1$ , sum of first  $n$  powers of 2 =  $2^n - 1$

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

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  $2^n - 1$  ”

## 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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## Therefore...

Could give a unique id to...

- Every person in the U.S. with 29 bits
- Every person in the world with 33 bits
- Every person to have ever lived with 38 bits (estimate)
- Every atom in the universe with 250-300 bits

So if a password is 128 bits long and randomly generated, do you think you could guess it?

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## Signed Numbers?

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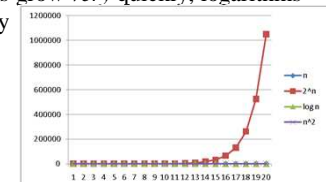
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## Logarithms and Exponents

- Since so much is binary in CS, **log** almost always means  **$\log_2$**
- Definition:  $\log_2 x = y$  if  $x = 2^y$
- So,  $\log_2 1,000,000 =$  "a little under 20"
- Just as exponents grow *very* quickly, logarithms grow *very* slowly

See Excel file  
for plot data –  
play with it!

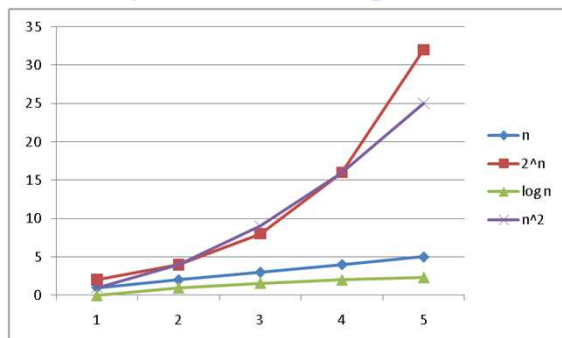


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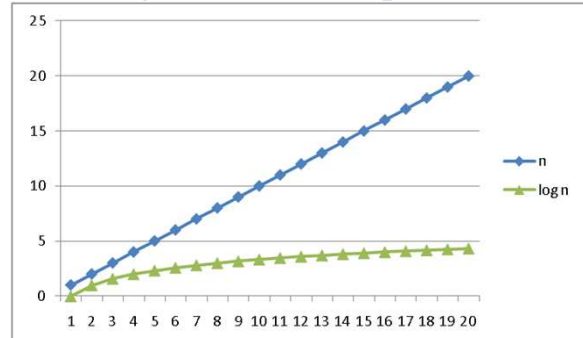


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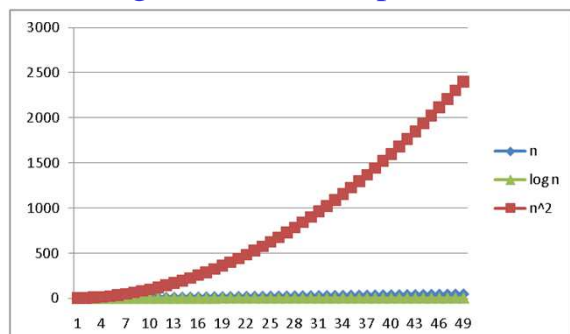


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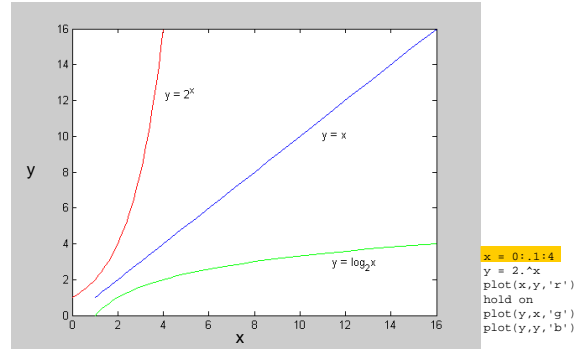


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One function that grows very quickly, One that grows very slowly



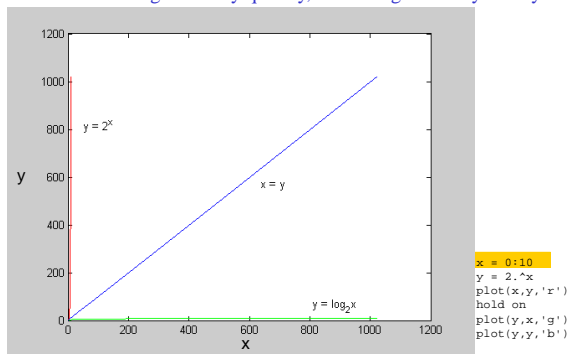
$x, 2^x$  and  $\log_2 x$

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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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## Facts about Floor and Ceiling

- $X - 1 < \lfloor X \rfloor \leq X$
- $X \leq \lceil X \rceil < X + 1$
- $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + \lceil n/2 \rceil = n$  if  $n$  is an integer

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## Properties of logs

- We will assume logs to base 2 unless specified otherwise.

$$x = \log_2 2^x$$

$$8 = 2^3, \text{ so } \log_2 8 = 3, \text{ so } 2^{(\log_2 8)} = \underline{\quad}$$

Show:

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

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

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

$$\text{So: } \log_2 AB = \log_2 A + \log_2 B$$

- Note:  $\log AB \neq \log A \cdot \log B$  !!

$$\text{Also, it follows that } \log(N^k) = k \log N$$

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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:**  $\log \log X \neq \log^2 X$

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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.”

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

by def. of logs

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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.

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

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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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