

# Data structures

Exercise session – Week 1

# I. Introduction

# Two kinds of types in Java

- Primitive types

int, char, boolean, float, double, etc.

- Object types

Integer, Character, String, etc.

# Java generics

Before generics you had to write:

```
reverse(Integer[] arr)
```

```
reverse(String[] arr)
```

```
reverse(Float[] arr)
```

...

Now you can write:

```
reverse(E[] arr)
```

**Gotcha!**

*E must be an object type!*

# Two ways to reverse

- *functional*

<E> E[] reverse(E[] str)

- *in-place*

<E> void reverse(E[] str)

Which way is the better way?

STAR  
WARS

# IsPalindrome?

Using functional reverse, it's *one* line

```
reverse(chars).equals(chars)
```

(where chars is a Character[])

# Time Complexity

How many times does *result++* run?

```
for (int j = 1; j <= n; j++)  
    result++;
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# ”Big-O” time complexity

A function  $t(n)$  is classified as  $O(f(n))$

, for some function  $f(n)$

, if there exists some +ve  $c$  and  $n'$

, such that  $t(n) \leq c * f(n)$  when  $n \geq n'$

# Exercise!

Arrange the following functions in order of complexity:

$n^4$ ,  $\log n$ ,  $n \log n$ ,  $4n$ ,  $3n^3$ ,  $5n^2 + n$ .

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for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)  
    for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++)  
        result++;
```

How many times does *result++* run?

```
for (int j = 1; j <= n; j *= 2)  
    result++;
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for (int i = 1; i <= n; i *= 2)
    for (int j = 1; j <= n; j++)
        result++;
```

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```
for (int i = 1; i <= n; i *= 2)
    for (int j = ; j <= i; j++)
        result++;
```

# Run times for binary search?!

**Input size n**

**Execution time**

10

8.9

100

17.2

1000

49.5

10000

52.2

100000

60.1

1000000

70.5

10000000

199.0

# Still $O(\log n)$ ! Why?

$10 * \log(n)$ ,

33.21

66.43

99.65

132.87

166.09

199.31

232.53

Execution time

8.9

17.2

49.5

52.2

60.1

70.5

199.0

# Reading

- Weiss, 1.5.8 - *Restrictions on Generics*
- Weiss, 2 – Algorithm Analysis