

# Summations

Class 36

# Introduction

- Section 4.4 was about using proof by induction to prove that a closed form is correct
- this section is about techniques for finding closed forms

## Closed Forms

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + n}_{\text{a sum of terms}} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad \text{closed form}$$

↑ summation symbol

↑ a sum of terms

↑ closed form

- a closed form is an expression that is not a symbolic recipe
- that does not have ellipses
- that can be computed directly

( $\LaTeX$ : `\sum_{i=1}^n i`)

## Working With Summations

- box 5.2.1 on page 298 has some “facts”
- fact a: sum of a constant

$$\sum_{i=m}^n c = c(n - m + 1)$$

- $c$  is a constant
- $m \leq n, m, n \in \mathbb{N}$
- example:  $\sum_{i=5}^{10} 2$  (notice how inline summation is formatted)

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=5}^{10} 2 &= 2(10 - 5 + 1) \\ &= 12\end{aligned}$$

## Constant Coefficient

- fact b: each term has an constant coefficient that can be factored out

$$\sum_{i=m}^n ca_i = c \sum_{i=m}^n a_i$$

- example

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^{10} 4i &= 4 \sum_{i=1}^{10} i \\ &= 4 \frac{10(10+1)}{2} \\ &= 220\end{aligned}$$

## Collapsing Sums

- fact c: each element of the series is composed of two terms, adding a new term but subtracting the term from last time
- this happens more often than you might think

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - a_{i-1}) = a_n - a_0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^8 (i - (i - 1)) &= (1 - 0) + (2 - 1) + \cdots + (8 - 7) \\ &= 8 - 7 + 7 - 6 + \cdots + 2 - 1 + 1 - 0 \\ &= 8 - 0 \\ &= 8\end{aligned}$$

## Summation of Added Terms

- fact d: each element of the summation is a pair of terms, added together

$$\sum_{i=m}^n (a_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=m}^n a_i + \sum_{i=m}^n b_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^{10} (2i + 3i) &= \sum_{i=1}^{10} 2i + \sum_{i=1}^{10} 3i \\ &= 110 + 165 \\ &= 275\end{aligned}$$

- facts e – g are used less often

# Geometric Progression

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apply summation to both sides to get

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (a^{i+1} - a^i) = \sum_{i=0}^n (a^i(a - 1))$$

## Derivation

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^n (a^{i+1} - a^i)}_{\text{}} = \sum_{i=0}^n (a^i(a - 1))$$


$$a^{n+1} - 1$$

by a direct application of fact c, the left side collapses

## Derivation

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (a^{i+1} - a^i) = \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^n (a^i (a - 1))}_{\downarrow}$$
$$(a - 1) \sum_{i=0}^n a^i$$

by a direct application of fact b, the right side can have the common coefficient factored out

## Derivation

from the previous two slides we have

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (a^{i+1} - a^i) = \sum_{i=0}^n (a^i (a - 1))$$

which gives

$$a^{n+1} - 1 = (a - 1) \sum_{i=0}^n a^i$$

and if we ensure  $a > 1$ , we can rearrange to get

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a^i = \frac{a^{n+1} - 1}{a - 1}$$

and thus we have a closed form for the geometric summation

## Loops

- suppose we have a list of numbers and want to print them

[6, 16, 18, 16, 6, 9, 19, 0, 6, 5, 8, 0, 12, 19, 12, 3, 1, 9, 2, 16]

```
1 void print(const list<unsigned>& values)
2 {
3     for (size_t index = 0; index < list.size(); index++)
4     {
5         cout << list.at(index) << endl;
6     }
7 }
```

- how many times does the cout statement execute?
- there are two flavors of for loop headers:
  - 1: for (index = lower; index < upper; index++)
  - 2: for (index = lower; index <= upper; index++)
- the number of body iterations:
  - type 1: upper – lower
  - type 2: upper – lower + 1

## Nested Loops

- suppose we have a 2-dimensional matrix of values and need to print them

```
1 void print(const Matrix<unsigned>& values)
2 {
3     for (size_t row = 0; row < values.numrows(); row++)
4     {
5         for (size_t col = 0; col < values.numcols(); col++)
6         {
7             cout << values.at(row, col) << ' ';
8         }
9         cout << endl;
10    }
11 }
```

- if the number of rows is  $n$  and the number of columns is  $m$ , so that the matrix is an  $n \times m$  grid, and cout executes exactly once for each value in the grid, then cout must execute  $n \times m$  times

## Nested Loops

- suppose we have a list of numbers and need to count how many times a value earlier in the list is larger than a value later in the list
- for example, looking at the first 6, it is larger than 0, 5, 0, 3, 1, and 2

[6, 16, 18, 16, 6, 9, 19, 0, 6, 5, 8, 0, 12, 19, 12, 3, 1, 9, 2, 16]

## Nested Loops

[6, 16, 18, 16, 6, 9, 19, 0, 6, 5, 8, 0, 12, 19, 12, 3, 1, 9, 2, 16]

```
1 unsigned count_larger(const list<unsigned>& values)
2 {
3     unsigned count = 0;
4     for (size_t outer = 0; outer < values.size() - 1; outer++)
5     {
6         for (size_t inner = outer + 1; inner < values.size(); inner++)
7         {
8             if (values.at(outer) > values.at(inner))
9             {
10                count++;
11            }
12        }
13    }
14    return count;
15 }
```

- how many times does the comparison on line 8 execute?



# Nested Loops

```
1 unsigned count_larger(const list<unsigned>& values) // values.size() = 20
2 {
3     unsigned count = 0;
4     for (size_t outer = 0; outer < values.size() - 1; outer++)
5     {
6         for (size_t inner = outer + 1; inner < values.size(); inner++)
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- how many times does outer loop execute?

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```

- how many times does outer loop execute? 19 times
- when outer loop is 0, inner loop is  
for (i = 1; i < 20; i++)
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for (i = 1; i < 20; i++)
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for (i = 2; i < 20; i++) runs 18 times

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5     {
6         for (size_t inner = outer + 1; inner < values.size(); inner++)
7         {
8             if (values.at(outer) > values.at(inner))
9                 {
10                    count++;
11                }
12            }
13    }
```

we can make a table

| outer | inner start | inner < | #iterations |
|-------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| 0     | 1           | 20      | 19          |
| 1     | 2           | 20      | 18          |
| 2     | 3           | 20      | 17          |
| 3     | 4           | 20      | 16          |
|       | ⋮           |         |             |
| 18    | 19          | 20      | 1           |

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- what is the **total** number of inner loop body executions?
- remember,  $n = 20$

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| 3     | 4           | 20      | 16          |
|       | ⋮           |         |             |
| 18    | 19          | 20      | 1           |

- what is the **total** number of inner loop body executions?
- remember,  $n = 20$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k = \frac{(n-1)n}{2}$$
$$= 190$$



## Counting Operations

- the total number of inner loop body executions

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k = \frac{(n-1)n}{2}$$

- as we discussed in section 5.1, we use the **number of operations** as a measure of the **time consumed** when an algorithm executes
- we use the expression  $T(n)$  to indicate the number of operations performed by an algorithm (the T stands for **time**)
- thus for the `count_larger` algorithm, we have

$$T(n) = \frac{(n-1)n}{2}$$

# Generalize

```
1 void foo(unsigned n)
2 {
3     for (unsigned outer = 0; outer < n; outer++)
4     {
5         for (unsigned inner = outer + 1; inner < n; inner++)
6             {
7                 bar();
8             }
9     }
10 }
```

- suppose every time `bar()` executes, three operations of a specific type are performed
- find a closed form for the total number of these operations performed for a given  $n$
- **note** the bounds are slightly different from the example above

## Counting bar()

```
1 void foo(unsigned n)
2 {
3     for (unsigned outer = 0; outer < n; outer++)
4     {
5         for (unsigned inner = outer + 1; inner < n; inner++)
6         {
7             bar();
8         }
9     }
10 }
```

| outer   | inner start | inner < | #operations      |
|---------|-------------|---------|------------------|
| 0       | 1           | $n$     | $3(n - 1)$       |
| 1       | 2           | $n$     | $3(n - 2)$       |
| 2       | 3           | $n$     | $3(n - 3)$       |
| 3       | 4           | $n$     | $3(n - 4)$       |
|         | $\vdots$    |         |                  |
| $n - 2$ | $n - 1$     | $n$     | $3(n - (n - 1))$ |
| $n - 1$ | $n$         | $n$     | $3(n - n)$       |

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|-------|-------------|---------|-------------|
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| 1     | 2           | $n$     | $3(n-2)$    |
|       | $\vdots$    |         |             |
| $n-1$ | $n$         | $n$     | $3(n-n)$    |

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 3i \\ &= 3 \frac{(n-1)n}{2}\end{aligned}$$

for  $n = 20$ , for example we have

$$\begin{aligned}T(20) &= 3 \frac{(20-1)20}{2} \\ &= 570\end{aligned}$$

## Count bar() version 2

```
1 void foo(unsigned n)
2 {
3     for (unsigned outer = 0; outer < n; outer++)
4     {
5         for (unsigned inner = 0; inner < 2 * outer; inner++)
6         {
7             bar();
8         }
9     }
10 }
```

- again bar() executes three specific operations
- find a closed form for the number of these operations performed for a given  $n$
- make a table
- if it's confusing for  $n$ , make it for an example specific example value, e.g., 10

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| outer   | inner start | inner <    | #operations              |
|---------|-------------|------------|--------------------------|
| 0       | 0           | 0          | $3(0) = 6(\text{outer})$ |
| 1       | 0           | 2          | $3(2) = 6(\text{outer})$ |
| 2       | 0           | 4          | $3(4) = 6(\text{outer})$ |
| 3       | 0           | 6          | $3(6) = 6(\text{outer})$ |
|         | ⋮           |            |                          |
| $n - 2$ | 0           | $2(n - 2)$ | $6(n - 2)$               |
| $n - 1$ | 0           | $2(n - 1)$ | $6(n - 1)$               |

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| 3       | 0           | 6          | $3(6) = 6(\text{outer})$ |
|         | $\vdots$    |            |                          |
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$$T(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 6i$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 6 \frac{(n-1)n}{2} \\ &= 3(n^2 - n) \end{aligned}$$