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Function	Name
с	Constant
$\log N$	Logarithmic
$\log^2 N$	Log-squared
Ν	Linear
$N \log N$	$N \log N$
$N^2$	Quadratic
N <sup>3</sup>	Cubic
$2^{N}$	Exponential

#### figure 5.3

Functions in order of increasing growth rate

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Basic Principles of Analysis of Algorithms

- · Determine which statements or expressions to count.
  - For any *n*, one may determine:
  - Best case
  - Average case
  - Worst case
- If the best and worst case are in the same complexity class, so is the average case.
- · Average case analysis is typically the hardest. It requires a probabilistic analysis.
- We are interested in the worst case behavior, when it comes to process control.
- We are interested in the average case behavior, when it comes to minimizing hardware cost for software that is run many times.
- We might perform a best case analysis, if we want to determine the average case and suspect that the best and worst case are the same.

# Linear Search

```
public static int linearSearch(int[]a, int e){
   for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++){
        if (a[i] == e) return i;
    }
   return -1;
}</pre>
```

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# Best Case Analysis of Linear Search

- Size of array is of length *n*.
- In **best** case, the element we are looking for is in the first position of the array.
- In this case, we have one comparison.
- O(1)

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# Worst Case Analysis of Linear Search

- Size of array is of length *n*.
- In **worst** case, the element we are looking for is in the last position of the array or not located in the array
- In these cases, we have to look at all elements of the array, giving n comparison.
- O(n)

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### Average Case Analysis of Linear Search

- Chances of looking for 1<sup>st</sup> element in array: 1/n
- Same for all other elements
- Number of elements to compare:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> element: 1
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> element: 2
  - $n^{th}$  element: n

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## Average Case Analysis of Linear Search

- Sum of all cases: 1/n\*1 + 1/n\*2 + ... + 1/n\*n
- Factor out 1/n:  $1/n^*(1+2+...+n)$  Change notation:  $1/n^*\sum_{i=0}^{n} 1^{i}$
- By induction, you can show that:  $\sum_{i=0}^{n} i = n^{*}(n+1)/2$
- Dividing by n: (n+1)/2
- O(n)

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