Welcome back!

Today:

- short lecture; don't worry about taking notes if it feels fast
- group activity

Tomorrow:

- continuation of group activity

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Idea \#2: find a function that expresses runtime in terms of input size

- runtime: number of primitive operations (arithmetic operations, logical operations, variable retrieval, variable assignment, etc.)

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each inner loop: variable assignment variable access arithmetic operation variable access arithmetic operation

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## Is Algorithm 1 or Algorithm 2 faster?

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Algorithm 3
sum $=0$
for $\mathrm{i}=1$ to n :
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Algorithm 3's runtime:

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f_{3}(n)=4 n+1
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