



1. The worst-case scenario complexity is  $O(n^2)$ . let  $n_0$  = initial n. since n is halved on each iteration the number of iterations is  $\log(n_0)$ . the for loops runs n times so the total iterations are  $\{n_0/2 + n_0/4 + \dots\}$ . Which converges to  $n_0$ . In the worst case scenario, **i in L** is true for every i. So , because of the append method the total complexity will be  $O(n^2)$ .
2. The worst case scenario is  $O(n * \log^2(n))$ . the outer loop runs n-500 times meaning  $O(n)$ . the middle loops runs log m times which in the worst-case is  $\log(n)$ . who lower while loops runs  $\log(n)$  times. So in total the worst-case complexity is  $O(n * \log^2(n))$
3. The worst-case scenario complexity is  $O(n^2)$ . the outer loops runs n times and the inner loop run over **L[i+1]** and since i approaches n, the inner loops cost is  $O(n)$ . so the total complexity is  $O(n^2)$ .

## Question 2

- a. In the in-class version of binary search, we were dealing with natural numbers (indexes in an array) so we determined the middle with floor division ( $\backslash$ ). So for example if we search for the middle of 3, we'd get 1. Hence the addition of 1 to solve for that. In this case however, we're dealing with real numbers so we can just use regular division.
- b.

The function call statement:

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find_root(lambda x: x**2 - 4, 0, 3)
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The console prints from the function

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searching in ( 0 , 3 )
searching in ( 1.5 , 3 )
searching in ( 1.5 , 2.25 )
searching in ( 1.875 , 2.25 )
searching in ( 1.875 , 2.0625 )
searching in ( 1.96875 , 2.0625 )
searching in ( 1.96875 , 2.015625 )
searching in ( 1.9921875 , 2.015625 )
searching in ( 1.9921875 , 2.00390625 )
searching in ( 1.998046875 , 2.00390625 )
searching in ( 1.998046875 , 2.0009765625 )
searching in ( 1.99951171875 , 2.0009765625 )
searching in ( 1.99951171875 , 2.000244140625 )
searching in ( 1.9998779296875 , 2.000244140625 )
searching in ( 1.9998779296875 , 2.00006103515625 )
searching in ( 1.999969482421875 , 2.00006103515625 )
searching in ( 1.999969482421875 , 2.0000152587890625 )
searching in ( 1.9999923706054688 , 2.0000152587890625 )
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searching in ( 1.9999923706054688 , 2.0000038146972656 )  
 searching in ( 1.9999980926513672 , 2.0000038146972656 )  
 searching in ( 1.9999980926513672 , 2.0000009536743164 )  
 searching in ( 1.999995231628418 , 2.0000009536743164 )  
 searching in ( 1.999995231628418 , 2.000000238418579 )  
 searching in ( 1.999998807907104 , 2.000000238418579 )  
 searching in ( 1.999998807907104 , 2.0000000596046448 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999701976776 , 2.0000000596046448 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999701976776 , 2.000000014901161 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999925494194 , 2.000000014901161 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999925494194 , 2.0000000037252903 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999981373549 , 2.0000000037252903 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999981373549 , 2.0000000009313226 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999995343387 , 2.0000000009313226 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999995343387 , 2.0000000002328306 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999998835847 , 2.0000000002328306 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999998835847 , 2.0000000000582077 )  
 searching in ( 1.999999999708962 , 2.0000000000582077 )

- c. For  $\epsilon = 10^{-1000}$ , the function never reaches the root of the function because  $\epsilon$  is orders of magnitude smaller than the smallest float in 64-bit representation. So, the “most”  $f(M)$  can be equal to  $\epsilon$  but never smaller.
- d. The upper limit on the algorithm’s accuracy is the result of 64-bit float representation. In the range of 0-1 the margin for error is  $2^{-52}$  but in the range 2-3 the margin of error is  $2^{-51}$ . Hence, the upper limit for 0-3 is too  $2^{-51}$ .
- e. Having the interval be between 2 consequent powers of 2 (specifically 2,1) means that there are  $2^{52}$  possible values between the 2 numbers. This means that every bisection cuts that in half. So using  $2^{52}/2^k$  we can calculate that the upper limit on the number of iterations to be 52.

### Question 3

- a. *Implemented in python file*
- b. *Implemented in python file*
- c. *Implemented in python file*
- d. The function’s complexity is  $O(kn + 5^k)$ . disregarding the complexity of creating the helper list, the first action is to iterate over *lst*  $n$  times. And for each of the items in the list, go into **string\_to\_int()** which has a complexity of  $k$  since we’re looping over each of the  $k$  characters. This part’s complexity is  $n * k$ . Then we loop over the  $5^k$  long helper. So, in total, the complexity  $kn + 5^k$ .
- e. *Implemented in python file*

- f. The function's time complexity is  $O(5^k * kn)$ . we iterate every natural number up to  $5^k$ . for each iteration we loop over **lst** (of length n) for each of which we, in turn, receive the **string\_to\_int()** value (function with a complexity of k since we're looping over a "k" long string). In total the time complexity is  $O(5^k * kn)$ .  
As for the memory complexity, we're using  $O(k)$  because the **string\_to\_int()** function is creating a "k" long dictionary.

#### Question 4

1. The time complexity of the function is  $O(n)$ . compared to a classic binary search implementation, where the complexity of each iteration is constant ( $O(1)$ ), in the case of this function, slicing the list is a costly operation that is equal to a geometric series ( $n/2 + n/4 + n/8 \dots$ ) and as we know, this converges to n. Hence, the  $O(n)$  complexity
2.
  - a. Here's a rundown of points 2-6 and what might be wrong with them
    - Valid. The mid-point is necessary for the quicksort algorithm to work at  $O(\log(n))$ .
    - We don't check **lst[mid] == s** because we expect s not to move but because the mid point is the point we're currently looking into. It's entirely possible for s not to have moved but rather, other elements have moved. What should have been said is that s didn't move relative to its neighbours.
    - The reasoning is valid. If s is not at mid check around it.
    - The part contains an error. Since **lst[mid-1]** might be smaller than s like in the case where **lst=[2,1,3,5,4]** **s=2**. After landing on 3, **lst[mid-1] = 1** and so, we go into the else and never reach 2.
    - Valid, but only in the case that all other errors are fixed. otherwise we might never reach the number and return None as if it's not there
  - b. The code doesn't consider some edge-cases here. In Part 5 There's a risk of **lst[mid-1]** being out of bounds say if mid = 0.
  - c. *Implemented in python file*

#### Question 5

*Implemented in python file*