

Week 1

Algorithms and Data Structures

Exercise 2: E-commerce Platform Search Function

Understanding Asymptotic Notation:

➡ Big O Notation

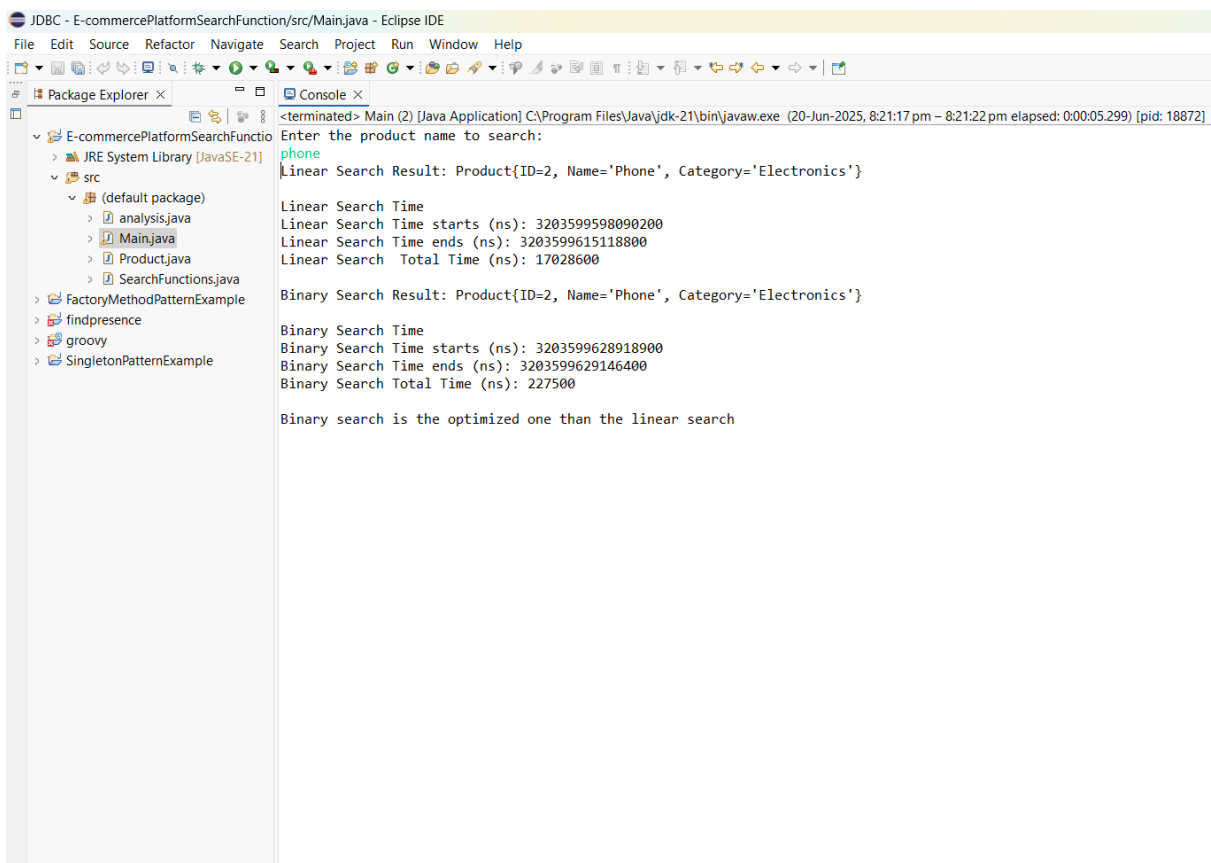
Big O notation is used to describe the performance or complexity of an algorithm in terms of input size. It gives us a worst-case upper bound on the time (or space) required by the algorithm.

- Comparing algorithms regardless of hardware.
- Predicting scalability as the number of inputs grows.

➡ Best, Average, and Worst-Case

- Best Case: Minimum time required (e.g., first element matched).
- Average Case: Expected time with random inputs.
- Worst Case: Maximum time (e.g., last or no match).

Output snapshot:



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JDBC - E-commercePlatformSearchFunction/src/Main.java - Eclipse IDE
File Edit Source Refactor Navigate Search Project Run Window Help

Package Explorer Console
E-commercePlatformSearchFunction
  JRE System Library [JavaSE-21]
  src
    (default package)
      analysis.java
      Main.java
      Product.java
      SearchFunctions.java
  FactoryMethodPatternExample
  findpresence
  groovy
  SingletonPatternExample

<terminated> Main (2) [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jdk-21\bin\javaw.exe (20-Jun-2025, 8:21:17 pm - 8:21:22 pm elapsed: 0:00:05.299) [pid: 18872]
Enter the product name to search:
phone
Linear Search Result: Product{ID=2, Name='Phone', Category='Electronics'}

Linear Search Time
Linear Search Time starts (ns): 3203599598090200
Linear Search Time ends (ns): 3203599615118800
Linear Search Total Time (ns): 17028600

Binary Search Result: Product{ID=2, Name='Phone', Category='Electronics'}

Binary Search Time
Binary Search Time starts (ns): 3203599628918900
Binary Search Time ends (ns): 3203599629146400
Binary Search Total Time (ns): 227500

Binary search is the optimized one than the linear search
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