

Topics covered by Test 1 (CSCE 221)

You should be familiar with the following topics.

1. Analysis of iterative algorithms.
 - (a) Understand behavior of an algorithm using a small input data
 - (b) Find a running time function for this algorithm
 - (c) Use Big-O asymptotic notation to classify this algorithm
 - (d) Find an input such that the algorithm takes the minimum number of operations (the best case)
 - (e) Find an input such that the algorithm takes the maximum number of operations (the worst case)
 - (f) Find the average case for this algorithm
2. Practice problems.
 - (a) Homework questions
 - (b) Assignment 1: My_vec implementation
 - (c) Find a running time function and use the Big-O notation to classify the algorithms below

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//-Algorithm 1-----
    int i = n;
    while(i > 0) {
        i /= 10;
    }
//-Algorithm 2-----
    int i = n; int s = 0;
    while(i > 0) {
        for(j = 1; j <= i; ++j) s++;
        i /= 2;
    }
//-Algorithm 3-----
    int i = n;
    while(i > 0) {
        for(j = 1; j <= n; ++j) s++;
        i /= 2;
    }
//-Algorithm 4-----
    int i = n;
    for(j = 1; j <= n; ++j)
        while(i > 0) i /= 2;
//-Algorithm 5-----
    for(j = 1; j <= n; ++j) {
        int i = n;
        while(i > 0) i /= 2;
    }
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3. Provide the best algorithm for all the problems below. Write their running time functions using Big-O notation.
 - (a) Find the inner product of two vectors v_1 and v_2 , each of size n .
 - (b) Find the number of occurrences of an element t in a vector/array v , of size n .
 - (c) Concatenate two strings, each of n characters long.
 - (d) Remove the i -th element from a vector/array
 - (e) Find in a vector/array the sum of only those elements which are less than 43.
 - (f) Add an element to the beginning/end of a vector/array v .
4. List the sorting algorithms implemented based on comparisons. Illustrate their behavior using a small input data. Provide their best, worst and average cases.
5. The lower bound theorem and its consequences.
6. List the sorting algorithms which are non-comparison based. Provide assumptions on the input data that ensure linear running time. Provide conditions on the input sequence that allow you to make decisions about the best choice of a non-comparison based algorithm to sort input data in linear time.
7. Stack ADT (it will covered on Monday).
 - (a) Running time of its operations in Big-O notation using:
 - i. the worst case analysis
 - ii. the amortized analysis
8. Be familiar with material covered in class, on slides and in the course textbook.
 - (a) Chapter 4: Analysis of algorithms. Sorting algorithms and their analysis
 - i. insertion sort, pp. 109–111, 336
 - ii. bubble sort, pp. 259–261
 - iii. selection sort, p. 335
 - iv. counting sort – see slides
 - v. radix sort, pp. 529–530
 - vi. bucket sort, p. 528
 - vii. definition of the stable algorithm, p. 529
 - viii. the lower bound theorem, pp. 526–527
 - (b) Stack implemented based on a simple array, p. 194
 - (c) Stack implemented based on expandable/resizable arrays. Amortized cost for push and enqueue operations, p. 231.